

the many other temples at which he worshiped in Thebes, all in heaps of fallen stones, with here and there a standing column or part of a wall, and all of the mammoth granite statues of himself with which he ornamented these heathen temples, broken and mutilated. The great oppressor would wonder what had become of Thebes (in the Bible called No). But doubtless one of the American missionaries there would explain it all and repeat to him the words, "Behold, I will punish the multitude of No, and of Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods and their kings." (Jer. 46:25). The very next verse would account to him for the present city of Luxor, which stands on and amid the ruins of his idols and temples—"and afterwards it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the Lord." (46:26)

THE CHANGES THAT OLD RAMESSES MIGHT FIND WERE HE TO COME BACK.

He would find a part of the walls of the Ramesseum, which he dedicated to the god Ammon, still standing, and the carved representations showing his victory over the Hittites at Kadesh. On the interior pylon he would see himself returning thanks to his gods for the victory, but he would find no trace of his gods, and only a vestige of the temple upon which he lavished the spoils of conquered nations and upon which he probably required the children of Israel to work. A visit to Memphis (Bible name Noph) would still more surprise him. Not only the temple where he worshiped Ammon, Isis and other gods, and before which he erected a gigantic marble statue of himself, entirely gone, his idols gone, and his broken statue lying in the dirt, but he would find the bat and the owl the only inhabitants of the once famous capital of Egypt. A new light would break upon his mind when shown the words, "For Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant." (Jer. 46:19). "I will also destroy the idols, and I will cause their images to cease out of Noph." (Ezek. 30:13).

Proceeding on down the Nile to Heliopolis (the On of the Bible), he would not recognize the city where Joseph married Asenath, a daughter of the priest of On. The oldest obelisk in Egypt would be the only familiar object, and by it alone could he locate where the great temple of the Sun stood: a temple which he embellished and in which he often worshiped the Sun god. At Zoan, Pithom, Abydos and every other city in which he worshiped his gods, a similar surprise would await him. On the Island of Philae, over in Nubia or Ethiopia, he would find some beautiful remains of the temple in which Isis, Osiris and other deities were worshiped, but he would also learn that his successors on the Egyptian throne did not believe in some of his gods and had scratched them off the walls, at the same time carving a new set of deities thereon. Another surprise would be the fact that modern progress has no regard for ancient idols and temples, and has erected a dam across the Nile, which backs the

The Farmer's Wife

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water over the Isle of Philae and which furnishes to the visitor the picturesque pleasure of rowing through the temple of false gods and viewing their ghostlike pictures while the waves around him lash upon the altars where incense once arose.

But, perhaps, I am not treating the ancient Egyptians with proper fairness. They should not be judged by the lights of today. It may be that their gods chose animals as their earthly form and revealed themselves in that way, and did not in fact worship the animals themselves. Their mind demanded a visible representation of the being that they worshiped. To us their religion is perfectly foolish, but to them it was a serious thing. We marvel that a people who were so civilized and so smart in the arts and sciences, should have had such and absurd religion. But, thousands of years later, the gospel was resisted at Ephesus because it was inimical to the temple of Diana. When Paul preached on Mars' Hill the Parthenon was in full view on the Acropolis, and even the philosophers of Athens were heathen and disputed with them. Hundreds of years after the Christian era, the polished Romans had a Pantheon of gods and persecuted the followers of the true God. Probably we will be more charitable in our judgment of the ancient Egyptians if we will only recall that, at a much later period, our own ancestors were uncivilized and living on roots and wild nuts in the forests of Germany. Even today there are millions of people who are doing worse than the Egyptians did five thousand years ago. These sights down here make one sympathize more with heathens of today and more willing to aid in sending the light to them. They cannot free themselves without help.

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