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The Bible The Book of Books
or
The Hope of the world

Sixty six pamphlets separated in time
over a 1000 years, written by some forty dif-
ferent writers.

The Learning of the world did not give it
birth. Power of earth did not protect it. It had come
from the one and persecution from the other.

Philosophers, Sages, poets, historians, and
Moralists have not received such homage.

Manuscripts of Classics number from 1-15-
and date back to tenth century but Manuscripts
of a part or whole of N.T. run into the thousands.

There are now 500 versions of it. 15,000,000
copies are circulated each year to four corners of
the earth.

wherever it goes it paves the path
way of progress and its beams are for the heal-
ing of the nation.

Seldom if ever, has it been put into the
language and into the common people's
hands that it has not begun a new era
in the life and language of that people.
and it never fails to put the nation's com-
merce, politics, art, and literature to the
ascending scale.

Its pictures have been painted here
and there its songs set to music. Its language
quoted until you can see its impress on
everything in art and literature that's worth
while. Emerson refers to it 300 times, Shakespeare
has over 500 allusions to it.

4. see the influence of the Bible on civilization. Look at failure of ancient paganism what a wretched chaos was the Greek and Roman society into which the word of God came.

Tripple crown of civilization of all ages in the same: Rel, gov, and family, where these three no longer abide there is dissolution and despair like birds of doom croak over the doors of the nations hope.

This tripple crown was lying in the dust of the Forum, trampled by the heavy feet of the tyrant the skeptic, and the libertine, the old religion was a spent force.

Man was below the brute but placed himself above the gods.

People lust for the thrill of war, Rome did not survive the downfall of Rel. Morality became a rope of sand. The child is a creature of little chance. It never is a chance except under Christian influence.

Seneca, Horace said: "All things are full of wrath and vice". Such was failure of paganism and such was the doom - taken into what the Bible came, as he failed.

Ere she gave her heavenly best a God must play in the game.

The world was in great need of the Bible. This Book presented to this dead people life began to spring up but so entrenched was the devil in the people that a herald went forth that the serpent caught ready the Bible was to lead to death.