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PREFACE.

"Once upon a time" somebody denounced the devil for some of his misdemeanors, when a good old lady spoke up and said: "Yes, the devil does some mighty mean things; but if we were all as industrious as he, we would have less time to find fault with him." So of the Seventh Day Adventists; they are generally a studious and industrious people. They have many mistaken notions which prevent them from looking facts in the face. With them everything must bend to certain dogmatic interpretations of a few terms which happened to find their way into the Bible. There never was an integrally educated Adventist. The most of them have a smattering of a few textual terms, and to that everything must bend.

Much of this brochure was published as a magazine article in 1894. Afterward two thousand of them were issued in pamphlet form; the edition was soon exhausted with the demand for it on the constant increase. The result is this revision with a few additions.

I was informed that in May 1863 the Seventh Day Adventists, in general conference at Battle Creek, Mich., decided that it was not expedient to have any controversy with Moses Hull. The illustration was used, that, as the devil had been in heaven he knew just how to attack, in the "war in heaven," so, Mr. Hull after having been in our ranks, and in our counsels is certainly prepared to meet us at every point

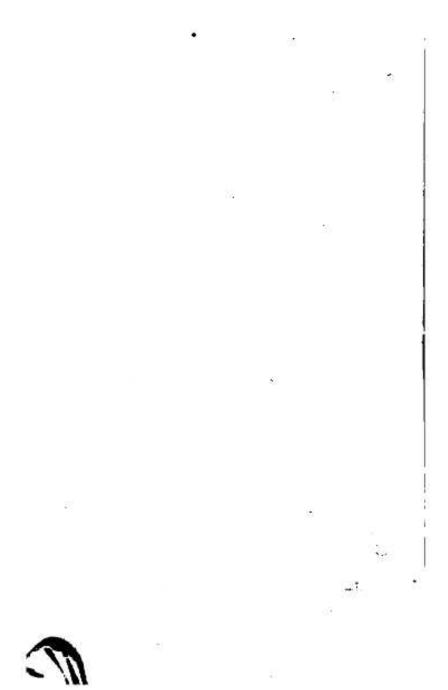
That was a wise decision, and leaves me no other course than to fire back at them from this long range. I would much perfer to meet them face to face.

If my readers enjoy reading this as I have writing it there will be a double compensation.

Ever for the Truth.

Moses Hull.

Buffalo, N. Y.



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for the most part, an honest, industrious and good people. The most of them have a zeal which entirely outstrips their knowledge. As Spiritualism seems to be about the only religious system that they cannot meet and, after a fashion, sometimes apparently vanquish; as it is the only thing they really fear, they make a regular attack on it about every full of the moon.

Adventist's God Never did the ignorant Bush-Number Two. men of Africa make more noise with their tom-toms when trying to scare away some imaginary monster who was about to swallow the sun or moon, at the time of an eclipse, then do these Adventists make to keep themselves out of the clutches of an imaginary devil who figures in Spiritualism --a personage who "having not seen, they love," and with whose company they could not part. In their estimation he is only second to their God. I said only second: that is perhaps, what they would say; but still they attribute to him more power than ever belonged to God. God could make a world,

and lay plans for peopling it with a race of innocent beings, but the devil out-witted God and overthrew all his plans. God had his well-laid plans for keeping his children in ignorance, and hence as innocent as idiots, but this almighty and all wise devil, by crawling into a snake, somehow getting en rapport with a woman, outwitted the gods and caused them to say to each other: "Behold the man is become as one of us to know good and evil." Gen. iii, 22. This devil is feared by these good Advent people more than birds ever feared a scare-crow.

As Spiritualism seems to Reasons Why the Davil is in It. have more thought, more philosophy and more solid facts in it than any other system of philosophy or religion, these people think the devil must certainly be in it. If Spiritualism happens to do a bad thing that is a sure sign that the devil is there. If it chances to do a good thing, why, that is the way the devil always takes to win good people over to his side; he did that good in order to get you in his power so that he could do you a greater evil. No matter what Spiritualists say or do, such words or action is proof . that they have been with, and learned of. His Satanic Majesty. It is the old game of "heads. I win; tails, you lose."

The attacks these people make on Spiritualism might as well have been stereotyped forty years ago, for they are the same in words and in spirit. Yes, the same scripture quotations.



the same phraseology, the same prostitution of thought and reason to a set of quondom Oriental terms found in more apoclyptic portions of the Bible, are ground through month after month and year after year as bona fide arguments against Spiritualism.

The arguments presented by these Chesp Arguments. people are of the cheapest kind ever invented; it requires no logic, no erudition, no fact: all that is wanted is to be able to use the one word "devil" and ring its various changes to good advantage. Any other argument against Spiritualism requires some ability as something is affirmed which requires proof. But when one says it is the devil, and the devil is a worker of miracles, that ends it; there is nothing more for him to do. No explanations are required; he does not have to show how the devil does this thing. Bless your soul, the devil has miraculous power! Miraculous power is not understandable by mortals, so all that is to be done is to believe in the devil and the Adventist interpretation of certain scripture terms. Ignore your reason; ignore all the facts of history and of science; all the Bible except such portions as they can, by their peculiar interpretation, twist into boomerangs to throw at Spiritualists, and you are prepared to become a good Adventist.

Three Spiritualism has usually gone on Pamphlets. from conquering to conquest, paying about as much attention to the diatribes of these scribblers as the Washington Monu-