

## **PART 2 - Description of each Bible**

Peter Kitchingham noted from the family vital statistic pages alone that three sets of families were closely linked to three of the Bibles - namely the Black / Wagoner family, the Maclean family, and the Fish / Millington family. That was indeed the case.

### **One Source – Four Livermore Families**

Earnest Maclean married Henrietta Wagoner and both became the family historians for their respective local Maclean, Millington, Black, and Wagoner families. When their son Nathan Black Maclean, was killed during World War II, Henrietta boxed up sixty artifacts of his young life. Maclean is pronounced as “Mac-klain” (rhymes with rain).

Upon Earnest’s death, Henrietta moved into her son Robert’s home in Davis California bringing the boxes of the extended family history, including three of the Bibles described in this monograph. This was Beryl Maclean’s home. Beryl herself later became the matriarch of these detailed Maclean and Wagoner family histories. This monograph takes snatches of her documentation and my recent interview notes to flesh out the lists of names found within each Bible’s family statistic pages (shown in PART 3).

With her mother Jeanne’s enthusiastic blessing, Beryl donated the three Bibles in 2013 along with family personal papers. This collection of 166 items (photos, books, objects) is enumerated in the LHG museum database at the Carnegie Library on Third Street.

### **1831 Black/Wagoner (LHG 2013.02.08)**

This 1831 Quaker-translated (Bible Association of Friends) Bible was inscribed with the name of Annie B. Black (b.10/4/1830). The worn cover had a secondary fabric homemade covering likewise worn out.

Beryl did not know if the Black family had a Quaker background or had merely purchased locally as available. The Blacks hailed from the Pennsylvania and New Jersey areas, where Quaker communities were historically located.



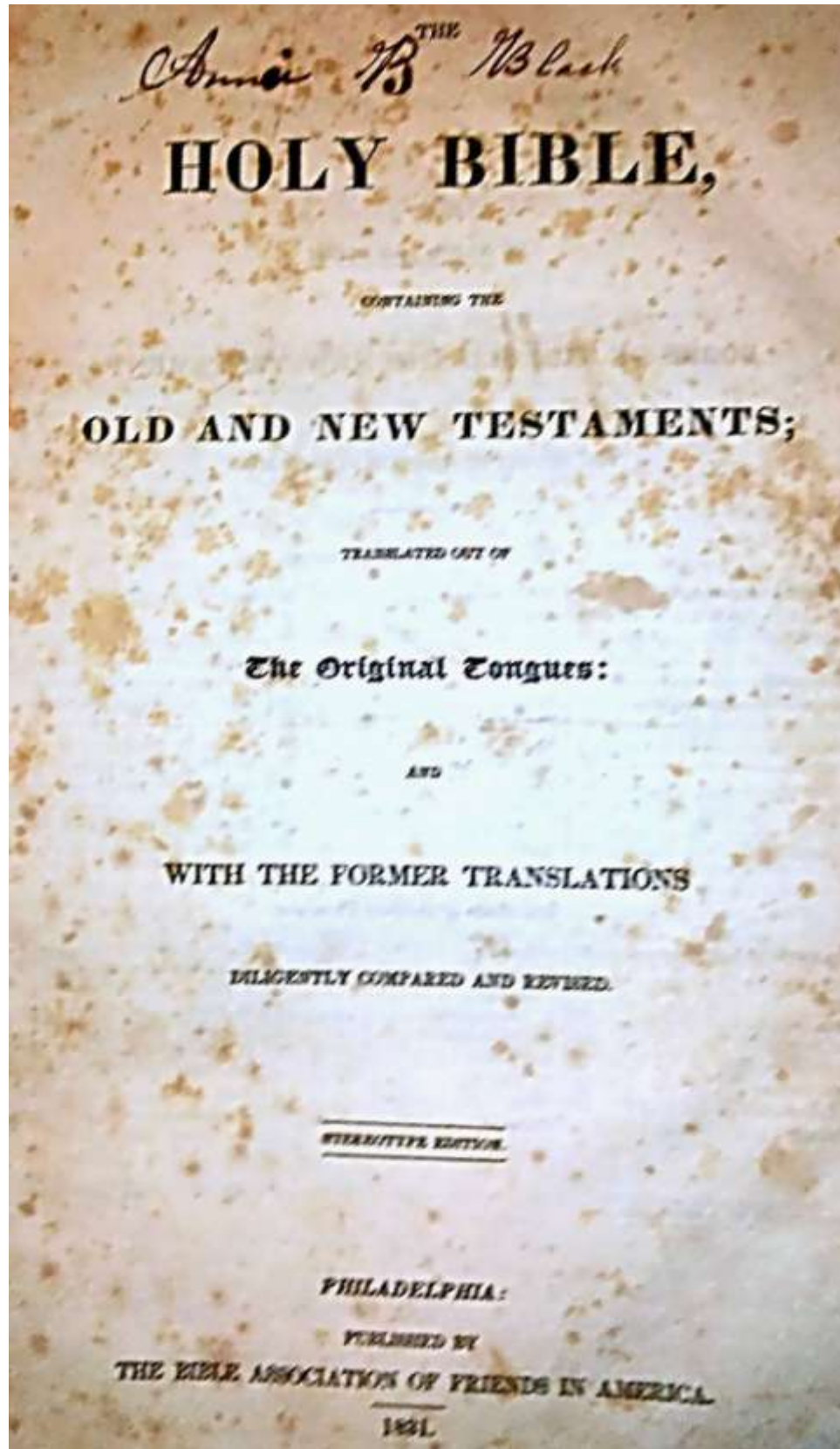


Figure 3 - LHG 2013.02.08 Title Page (BAF, 1831)

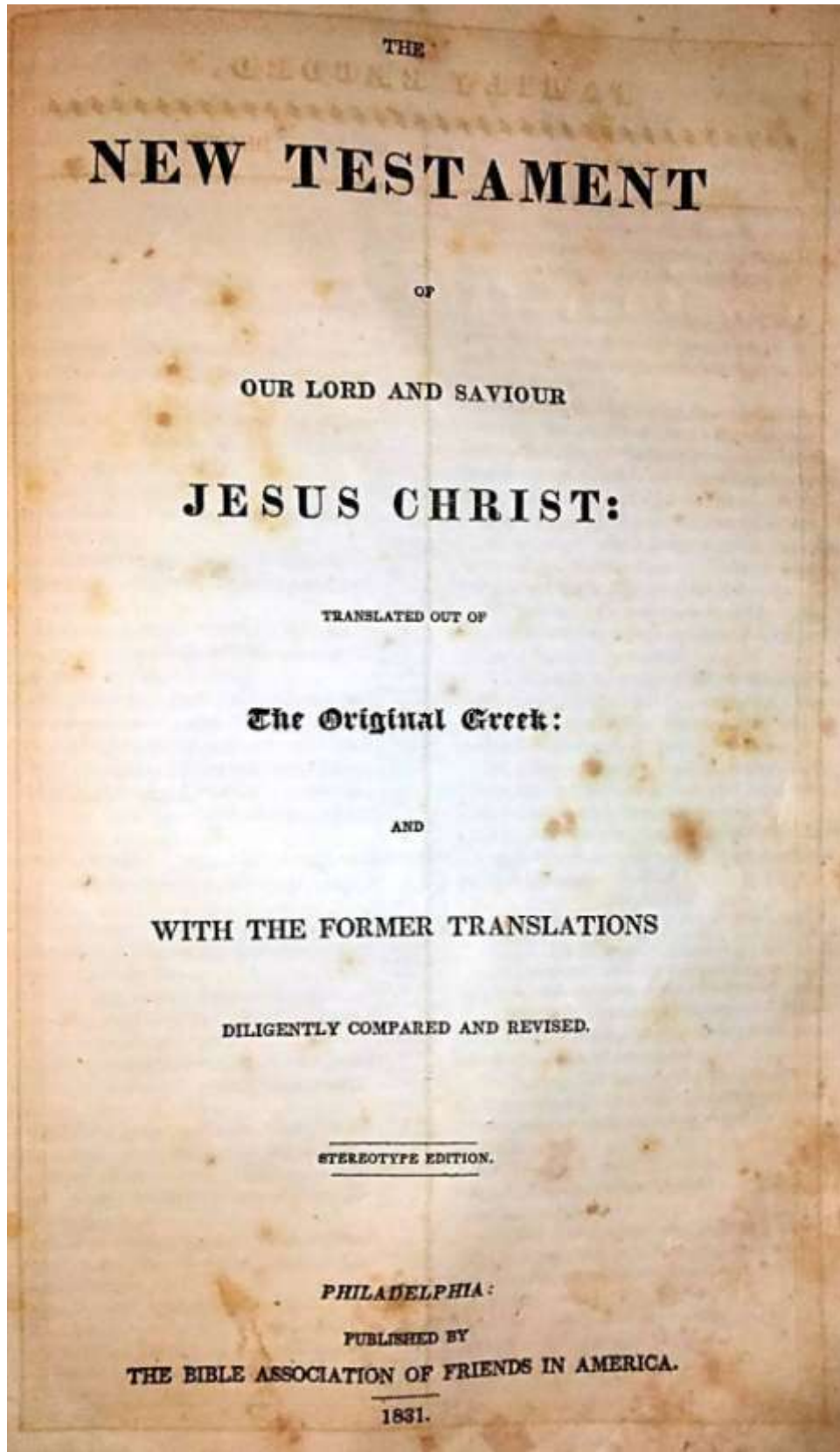


Figure 4 - LHG 2013.02.08 Title Page NT (BAF, 1831)

## Old Family Bibles

This Bible has center-column cross-references (instead of being shown as footnotes at the bottom of each page). A reader could find a similar cross-reference at the noted passage, thus creating a chain of references to related passages. This feature let the reader benefit from the lifetime studies done by the translation team.

These “chain-reference” Bibles helped the modern reader to find quotes and metaphors taken from older texts. This highly useful aid was relatively new since chapter and verse numbers only started in the Middle Ages. Thus, the actual Biblical text quoted enough of an older text under the assumption that the ancient reader was familiar with those older scriptures. Jesus would quote a line from a Psalm to signal to his local audience to read that referenced Psalm to more fully understand his intent. While humorous to us now, the original text in all seriousness sometimes casually stated “In some place it says ...”

The Tenach presented margin symbols, known from at least the Dead Sea Scrolls era, which divided the text into 54 unnumbered weekly readings (called parashot) that originally allowed those known scriptures to be read aloud every year. Thus, something akin to chapter divisions was happening in ancient practice, although unnumbered.

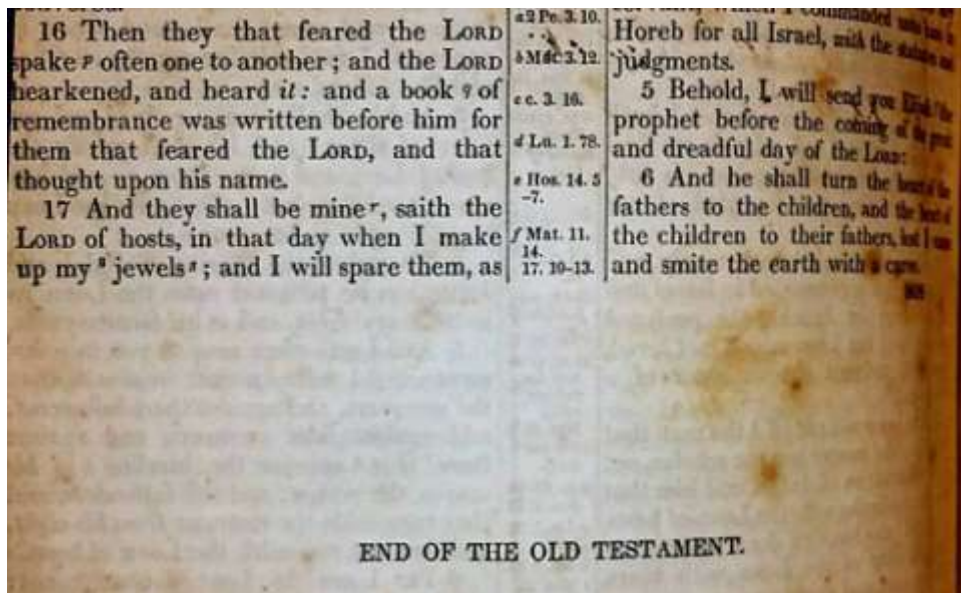


Figure 5 - LHG 2013.02.08 Final OT Page (BAF, 1831)

Since the New Testament version in this Bible advertised as freshly translated out of the Greek, it probably still relied upon Textus Receptus (“Received text”) as used for the 1611 King James Version. In the early 1800’s, there was increased interest in older Greek papyrus portions located by fledgling archeologists (mostly ‘treasure hunters’). The famous Westcott and Hort examination of all known Greek sources (1853 through publication on 1881) was not fully available to these Quaker translators back in 1831.



### 1846 Fish/Millington (LHG 2013.02.11)

The 1846 Fish/Millington Bible published by the American Bible Society had much referential material but it was not as thick as a Holman Bible.

Mrs. Lydia Fish carried this Bible from New York. Both the Fish family and James Millington sailed on the same six-month voyage of the ship Arkansas around South America in 1849. By land or by sea, the Bible was the most valued family treasure packed by many families going west.

Mrs. Lydia Fish, widowed in 1850 soon after her arrival during the 1849 Gold Rush, remarried to James Millington in 1852. This Bible followed her to the town of Alameda in the East Bay.

The American Bible Society (edited):

*The American Bible Society founded in 1816 was committed to the word of God and end of slavery.*

*Its first President was Elias Boudinot, former President of the Continental Congress 1782-83. John Jay, first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, led in 1821. Francis Scott Key, writer of the National Anthem, was a Vice President from 1817 until his death in 1843.*

*The American Bible Society provided the first Bibles in hotels and the first pocket Bibles for soldiers during the Civil War.*

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American\\_Bible\\_Society](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Bible_Society)

The worn leather still shows gilt print on the spine. Beryl Maclean donated this Bible.



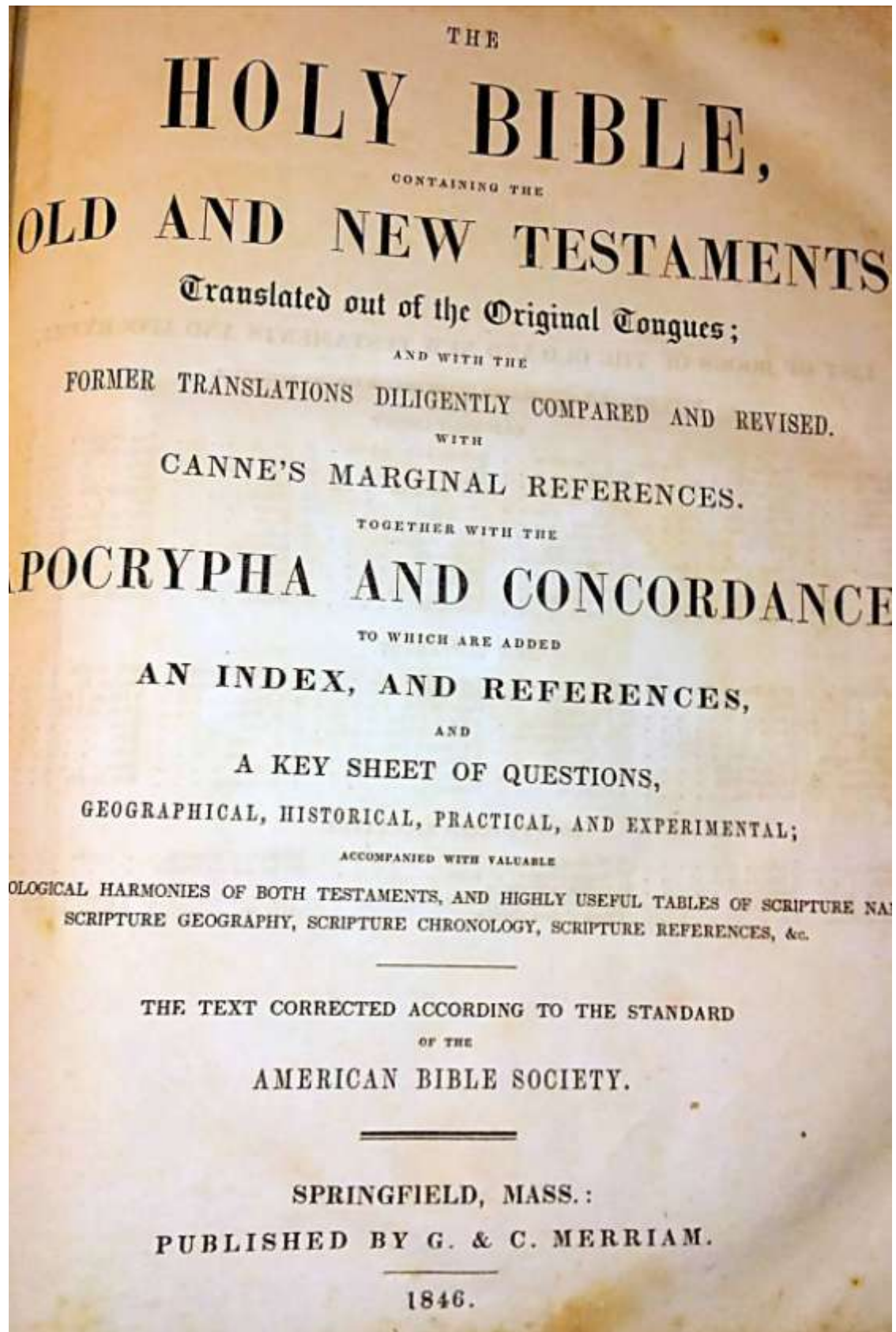


Figure 6 - LHG 2013.02.11 Title Page (ABS, 1846)

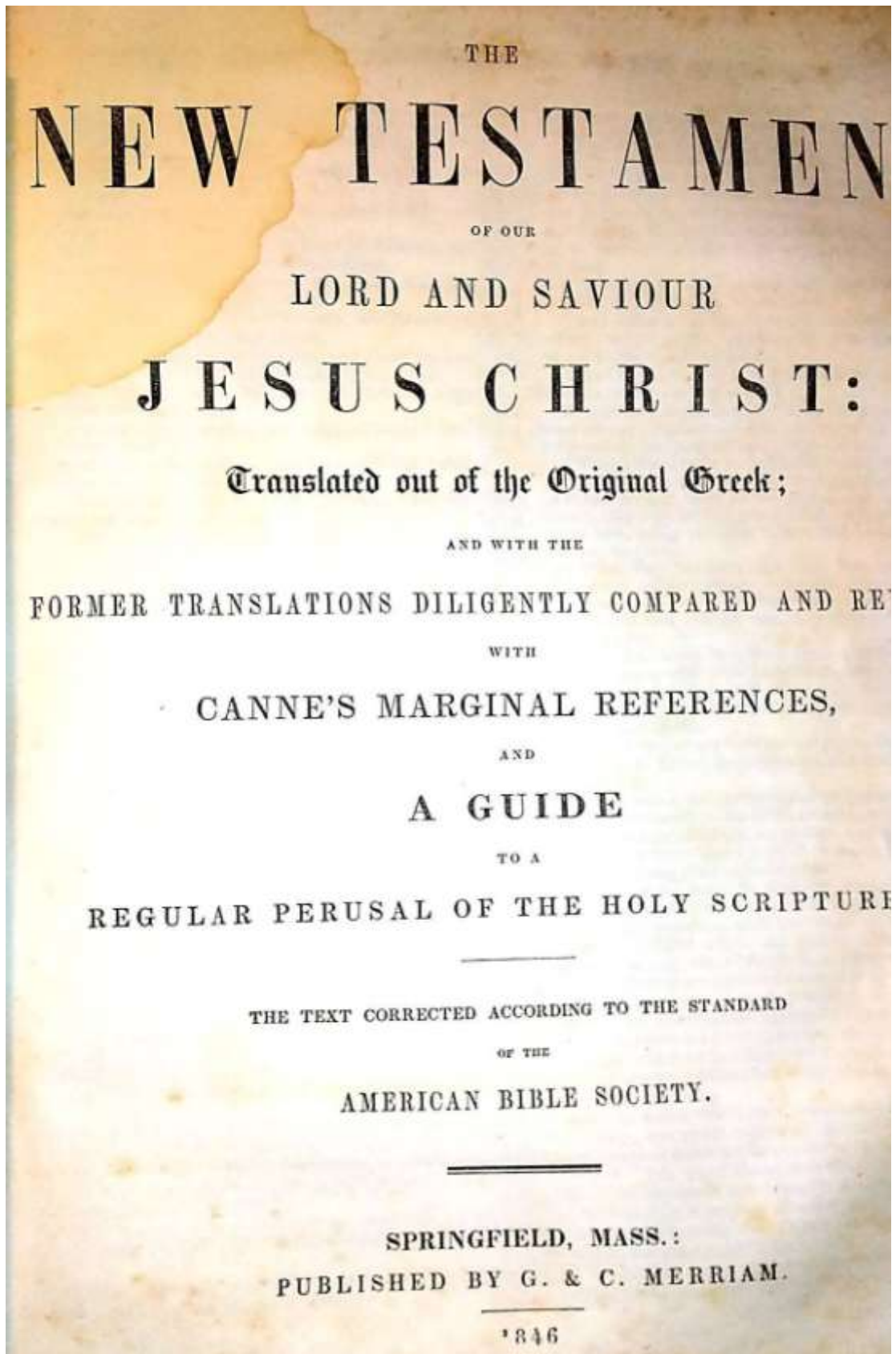


Figure 7 - LHG 2013.02.11 Title Page NT (ABS, 1846)



### 1850 Black/Wagoner (Private Collection)

As part of the larger community picture, this Bible also comes down through the Black/Wagoner family. It is in Beryl's private collection. This version was mass produced even though books had much hands-on manufacturing effort in the 1800s. The published notes belong to Ingram Cobbin, an English Congregationalist pastor/author.

This Bible represents a standardized product boasting of engravings (using both wood blocks and high resolution steel for color maps). The passage through the family is attested by dual inscriptions and a letter tucked inside giving the rationale dated 1909.



Figure 8 – 1850 Oriental Notes Bible Cover (B.Maclean)

Congregational Yearbook, 1851, p. 212 (edited):

*INGRAM COBBIN (1777–1851), born in London and educated at Hoxton Academy, became an independent minister in 1802. He was secretary to the British and Foreign School Society, and in 1819 first secretary of the Home Missionary Society. Ill-health forced retirement in 1828, but he then compiled scholastic and biblical works, such as his 'Condensed,' 'Portable,' 'Domestic,' 'Analytical,' and 'Oriental' Commentaries; and 'The Book of Popery,' 1840*



## Old Family Bibles

All lands east of Italy were considered “The Orient”. Eventually the phrase came to mean “The Far East”. For these Bibles, it meant the general Levant from Turkey to Egypt. The notes explained Middle Eastern cultural aspects of the Biblical text.

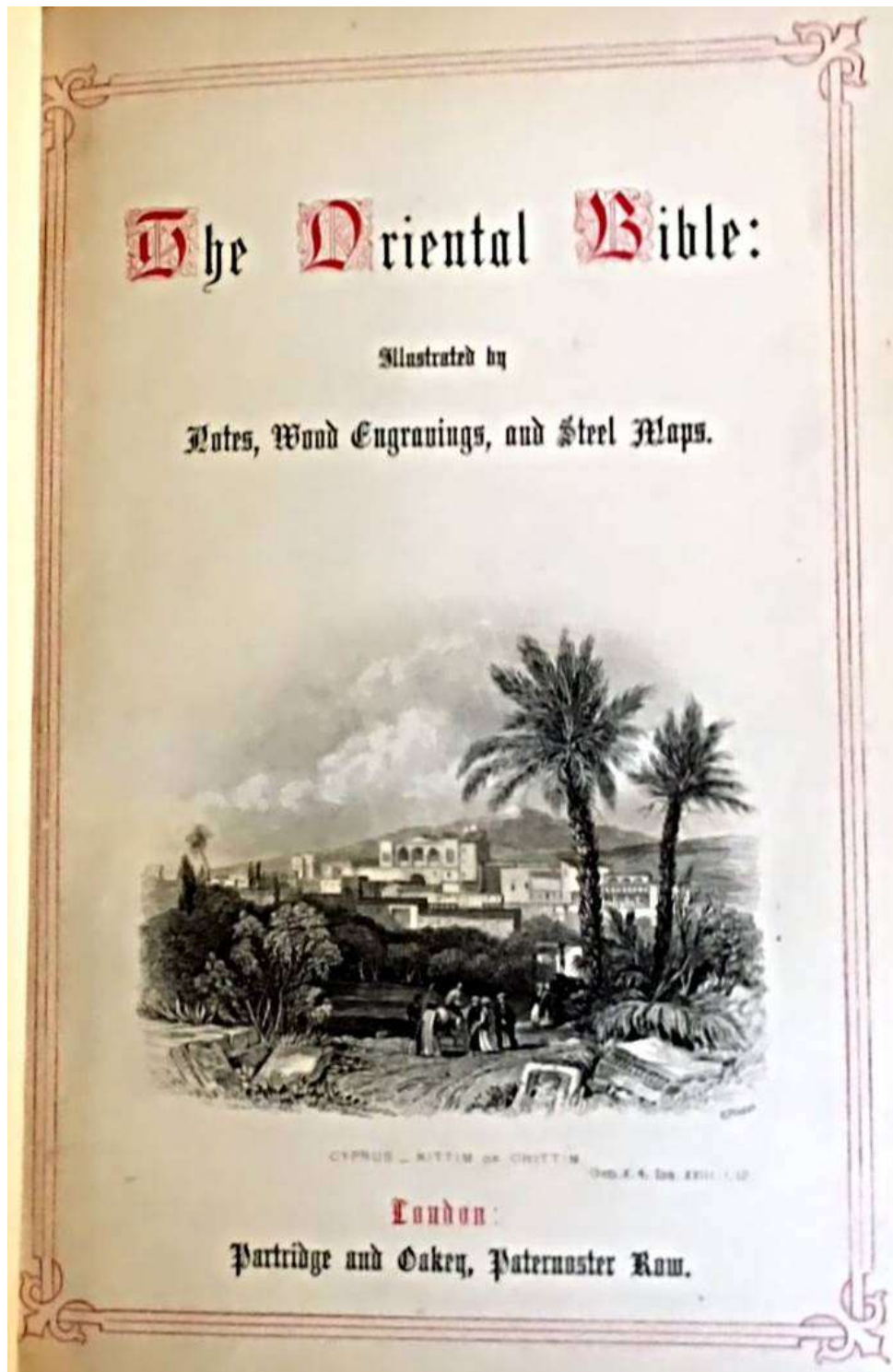


Figure 9 - Cyprus Scene on Face Sheet (B.Maclean)

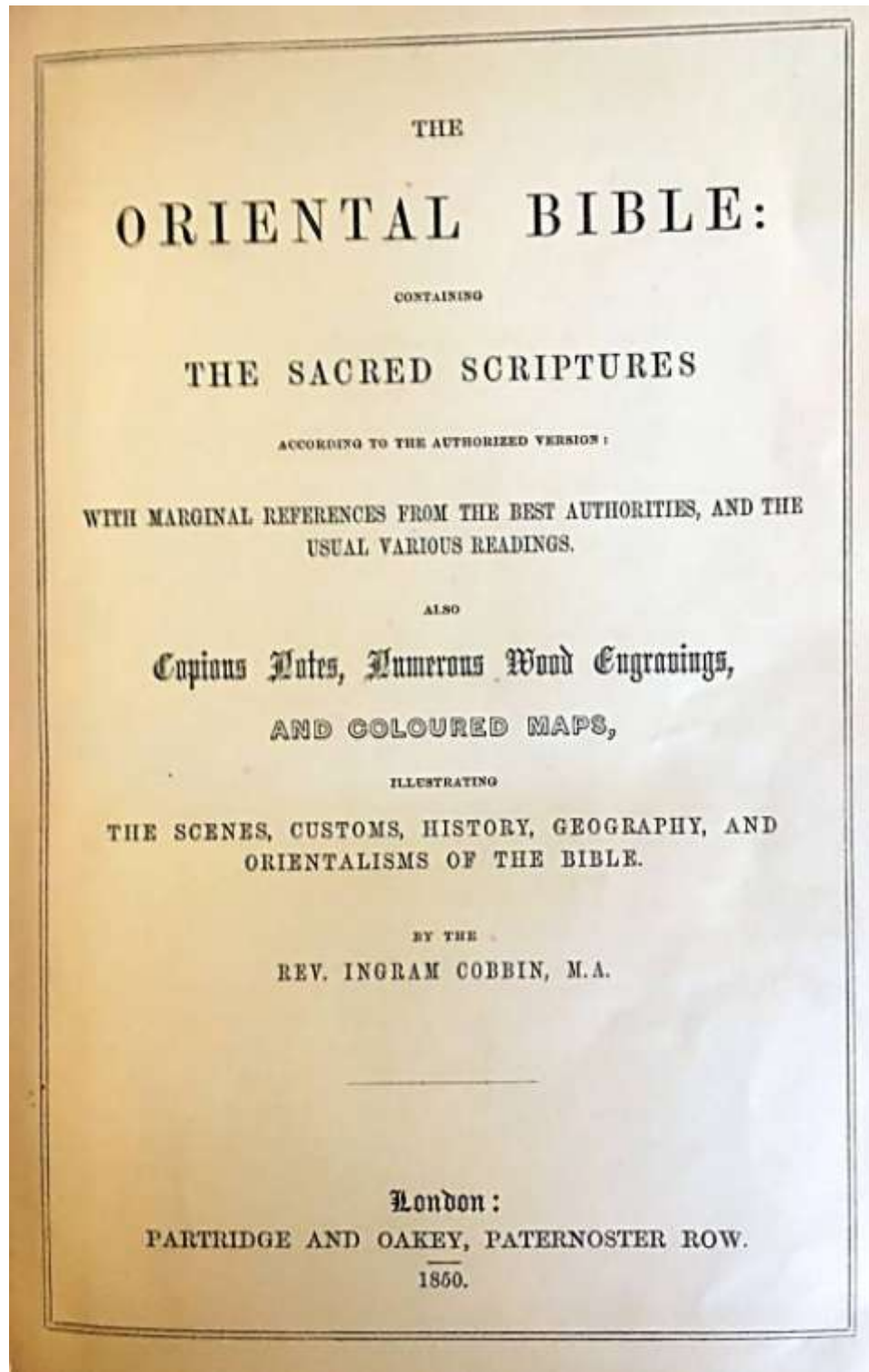


Figure 10 – 1850 Title Page (B.Maclean)

There is irony that the publishing house address was Paternoster (Our Father) Row with strong Roman Catholic and Anglican sensibilities. Ingram Cobbins was staunchly anti-papal with Congregational worship environments quite unadorned and non-liturgical.



**1873 Clark (LHG 1974.03.04)**

The Clark Bible has a deeply embossed leather cover with ornate gold gilt lettering in the central panel and a brass side-clasp.



Figure 11 - LHG 1974.03.04 Embossed Leather Cover



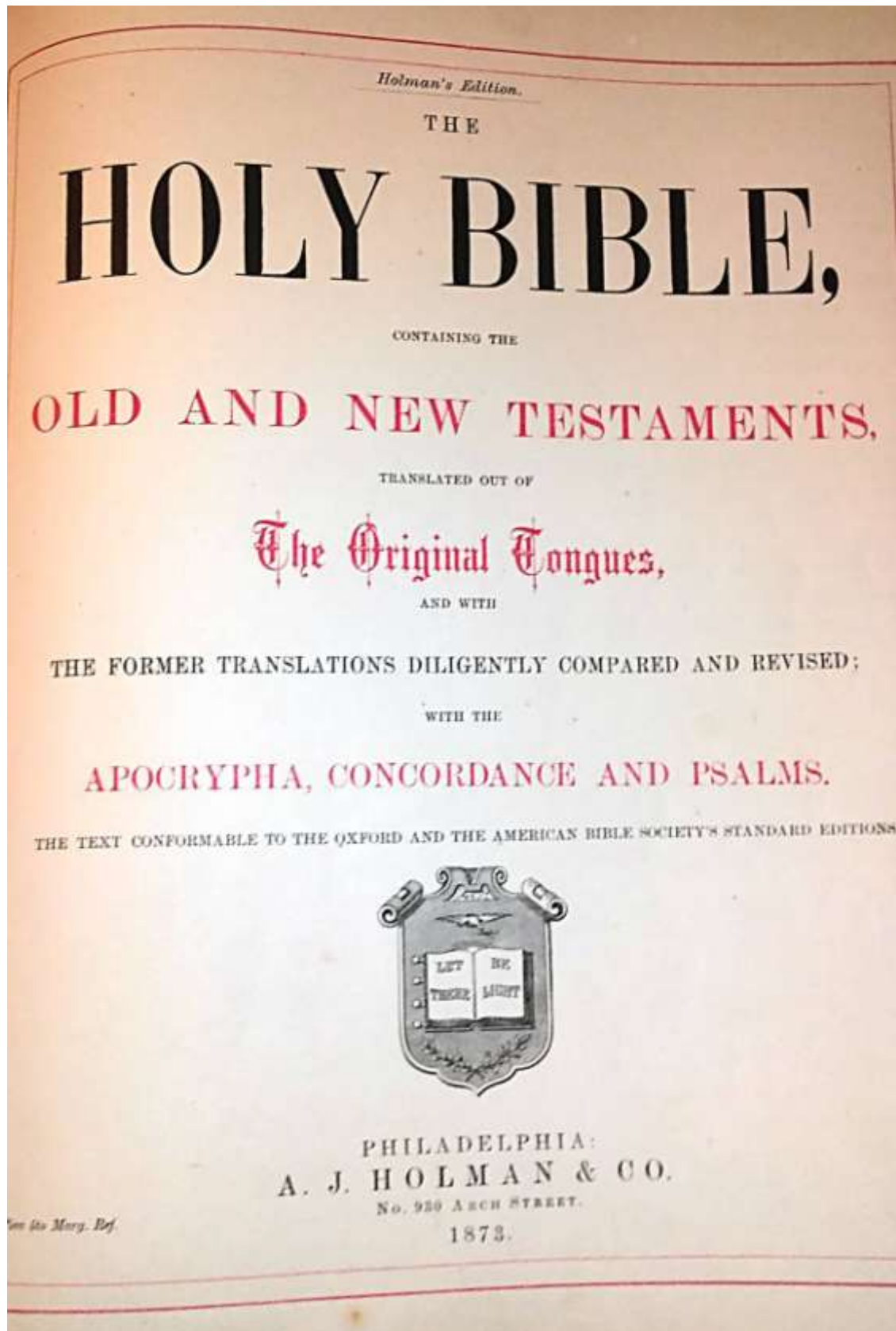


Figure 12 - LHG 1974.03.04 Title Page (Holman, 1873)

## Old Family Bibles

Mrs. Graham Nissen donated this Clark Bible with a paper note (now lost) about its link to the “wife of Judge [Manley] Clark”.

R.Finn:

*Frank Horton Clark never stepped in the Livermore Valley but his wife, Mary E. VanOstrand, and sons did.*

*First son Manley 1882-1960 was a well known Livermore attorney and later a Livermore judge. He lived on South Livermore Avenue and had his office near the current Post Office. Manley's second wife Eva S. Price 1885-1973 had been married to Vincent Russell Boynton. Her son Russell Boynton 1910-1972 lived in Livermore in his later years.*

*Second son Leon Alvin Clark became a well known attorney in Oakland.*

In 1921, Manley married Reba Lucile Dabson (d.1944, the last date recorded in this Bible). Both Manley and Leon are listed under birth and marriage lists in this Bible. Neither is listed in the death list. Eva Price is likewise not mentioned but died the year before the 1974 donation and would have naturally held Manley's heritage items.

Some components of the 1873 Clark Bible appear in the 1881 Peck Bible. Both of these “combination” Family Bibles were published by Holman Publishing. With exceptions, a specific Holman component was identical for both the 1873 and 1881 versions.

The following two pages list the contents of the optional Holman components included in this specific 1873 copy. See the 1881 Peck section for face sheet images for some of these components. I did not photograph the face sheet of every component.

### Table of Contents within 1873 Bible

The 1873 Holman “New Pictorial Reference Family Bible” listed 51 entries in sequential order but without page numbers. The bolding below is my own to show the placement of these chosen extra components in relation to the primary Bible components. An entry with an **orange color** means that a photo of a face sheet appears for that component. Braces show descriptive differences between 1873 and 1881 and/or author names.

1. Names and order of the books of Old Testament
2. Names and order of the books of New Testament
3. Names and order of the books called Apocrypha
4. Order of time in which books of Bible are supposed to have been written
5. Contents of the books of Old and New Testaments
6. Introductory history of the Holy Bible
7. Facsimile specimens of ancient Bible manuscripts
8. Miracles recorded in the Old Testament
9. Remarkable mountains and hills [of Scripture]
10. Physical features of Palestine
11. **Parables of Jesus** [by Joseph Haines]
12. [Index to the] Miracles of Jesus
13. Discourses of Jesus
14. [Index to the] Parables recorded in Old Testament
15. History of books of the Old Testament [by William Smith , 1860-65]
16. Old and New dispensations united
17. Science and Revelation, or the triumph of the Bible
18. Literature of the Bible
19. Testimony for the Bible
20. Scripture difficulties explained
21. Special prayers
22. Table of gospel parallels
23. Remarkable rivers and lakes
24. Origin of nations
25. [Bible] Aids [and Expressions] for social and private prayer
26. Table of [Principal] Events in the life of St Paul
27. Table [showing which Jewish] Patriarchs [were] contemporary [with each other]
28. The temple of Solomon
29. History of Jewish worship
30. Illustrated Pronouncing Bible Dictionary
31. Idols and idolatry of the Egyptians
- 32. OLD TESTAMENT**
33. Passages in Old Testament quoted in New Testament
34. Chronological index of the years and times from Adam to Christ
35. A table of time
36. A table of the offices and conditions of men
37. Analysis of Old and New Testaments [in Chapters, Verses, Words and Letters]
- 38. APOCRYPHA**
39. **Fine Lithographic Family Record** [all pages in gold-gilt ink]



40. Date [or Time] of writing the Books of New Testament
41. **History of books of the New Testament** [by William Smith , 1860-65]
42. Opening of the Sixth Seal [an engraving]
43. **Maps of Jerusalem and the Ancient World**
- 44. NEW TESTAMENT**
45. Index to the Holy Bible
46. **The Holy Land**, geographically et al [by William Reyburn]
47. Table of kindred and affinity, showing who are forbidden to marry [together]
48. **Measures, Weights, and Coins** [by Richard, Bishop]
49. Alphabetical table of proper names in the Bible with their meaning
- 50. CONCORDANCE**
51. **Psalms of David in metre** [for singing, called the Psalter]

### The Apocrypha

Three of our Bibles (1846 American Bible Society, 1873 Holman, and 1881 Holman) contain the Apocrypha. This ancient body of works includes First Maccabees which describes the revolt against Greek dictator Antiochus Epiphanes in 165 BCE that led to the creation the next year of the Jewish festival of Hanukkah (meaning “dedication”).

Roman Catholics and Eastern Orthodox expected the fifteen Apocryphal books in their Bibles. They considered a Bible without them as Protestant. These were not all the ancient books, but the early Church kept these fifteen due to their presence within the Septuagint (Greek translation of Hebrew canon and latter texts about 150 BCE).

The Oxford Annotated Apocrypha, 1977 (edited):

*None of these [15] books is included in the Hebrew canon [which closed prior to 400 BCE]. All of them, except for 2 Esdras, are present in the Greek [pre-150 BCE translation] of the Old Testament known as the Septuagint. ...*

*None of the books of the New Testament quotes the Apocrypha, although it frequently quotes from the Hebrew canon. ... During the early Christian centuries most Greek and Latin Church Fathers, none of whom knew any Hebrew quoted passages from the Apocrypha as “Scripture”, “inspired”, and the like. ...*

*At the close of the fourth century, Jerome [translator of the Latin Vulgate in Bethlehem] spoke out decidedly for the Hebrew canon, declaring unreservedly that books outside that [Hebrew] canon should be classed as apocryphal. ...*

*[However,] the earliest English Bibles which excluded the Apocrypha were Geneva Bibles in 1599 ... [Only after 1700,] did it become difficult to find a King James Version with the Apocrypha [which, in the early 1600’s, contained it].*

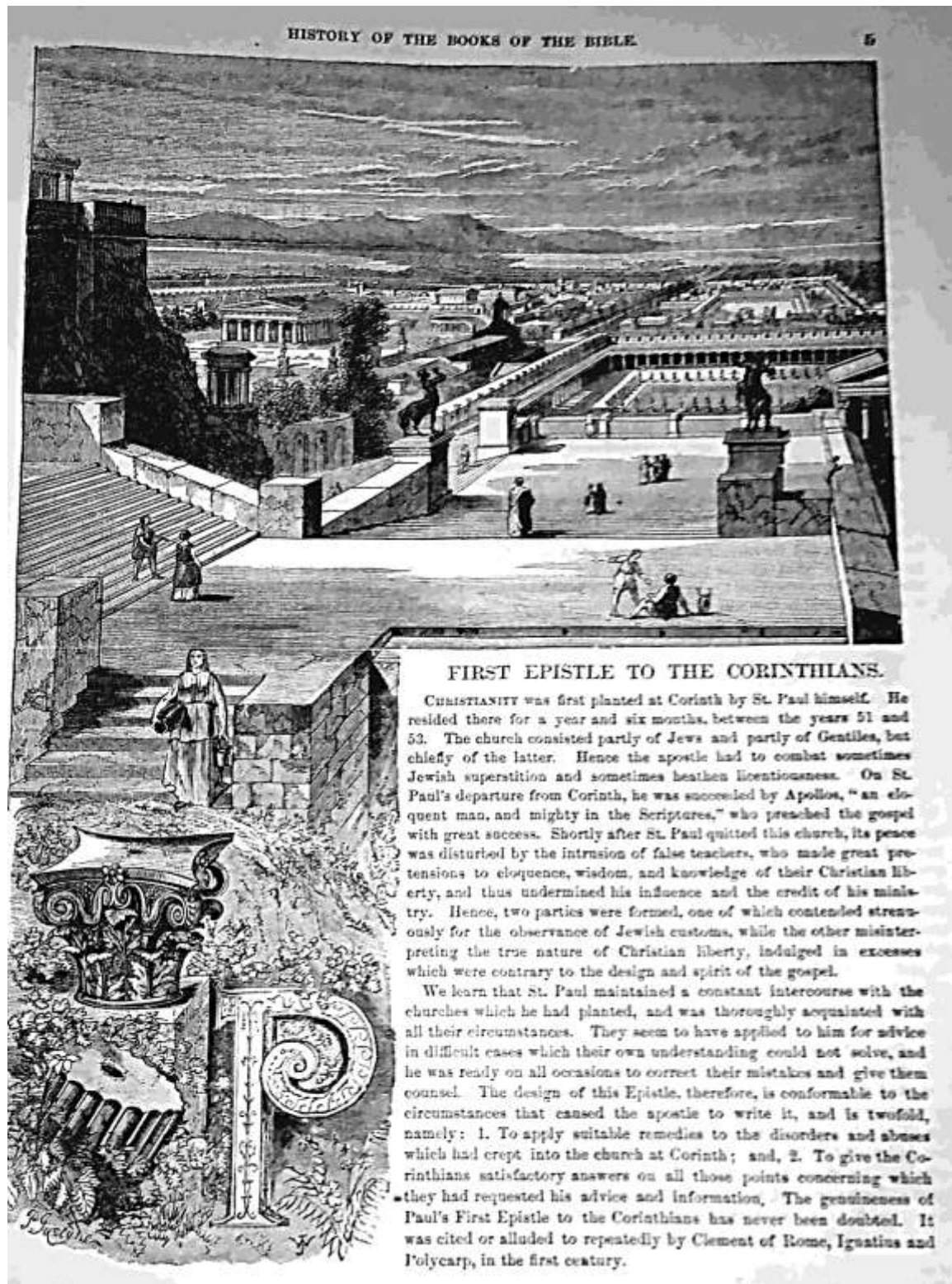


Figure 13 - History of Books of Bible by William Smith – 1860-65

### 1881 Peck (LHG 2009.03.01)

This Russell (Holman) Bible has a local Christensen link. It is a remarkable historical artifact merely due to its extensive contents in mint condition. Elegance was in demand when cost was no issue. Full color plates and gold gilt ink appeared in this high-end Family Bible (or more appropriately, a library bound together).

This object impressed visitors in the formal parlor and was rarely opened. As a “loaded” art object, the Bible salesman probably kicked up his heels in joy. Anton purchased the highest end product for his daughter. Far more than a mere Bible, it contained reference books by many authors of the 1800’s to become a significant Biblical reference library.

While print photography was yet future, multiple pages were full-color art plates and at least four pages used a reflective gold-gilt background (making the photographic session difficult). Over 2500 illustrations were finely detailed line art engravings. All of the vital statistic family records were boxed in by elegant gold-gilt ink borders.



Figure 14 -LHG 2009.03.01 Two Metal Side-Clasps

The leather-carved cover to mimic wood, has scenes embossed/impressed in gold gilt:

- David killing Goliath with text “Search the Scriptures” (upper left)
- A landscape image with text “Watch and Pray” (upper right)
- Woman at the Well with text “I am the Resurrection and the Life” (lower left)
- Jesus sees Nathaniel with text “He that believeth in Me shall Live” (lower right)
- Last Supper Passover using a Roman-era Triclinium (more accurate than the famous DaVinci “Last Supper” fresco) with text “Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace, Goodwill toward Men” (center panel)



## Old Family Bibles

Robert Gates donated this 1881 Bible. Workers found it in the Livermore Presbyterian Church during remodeling in 2004. The last family statistic entry was in 1971.

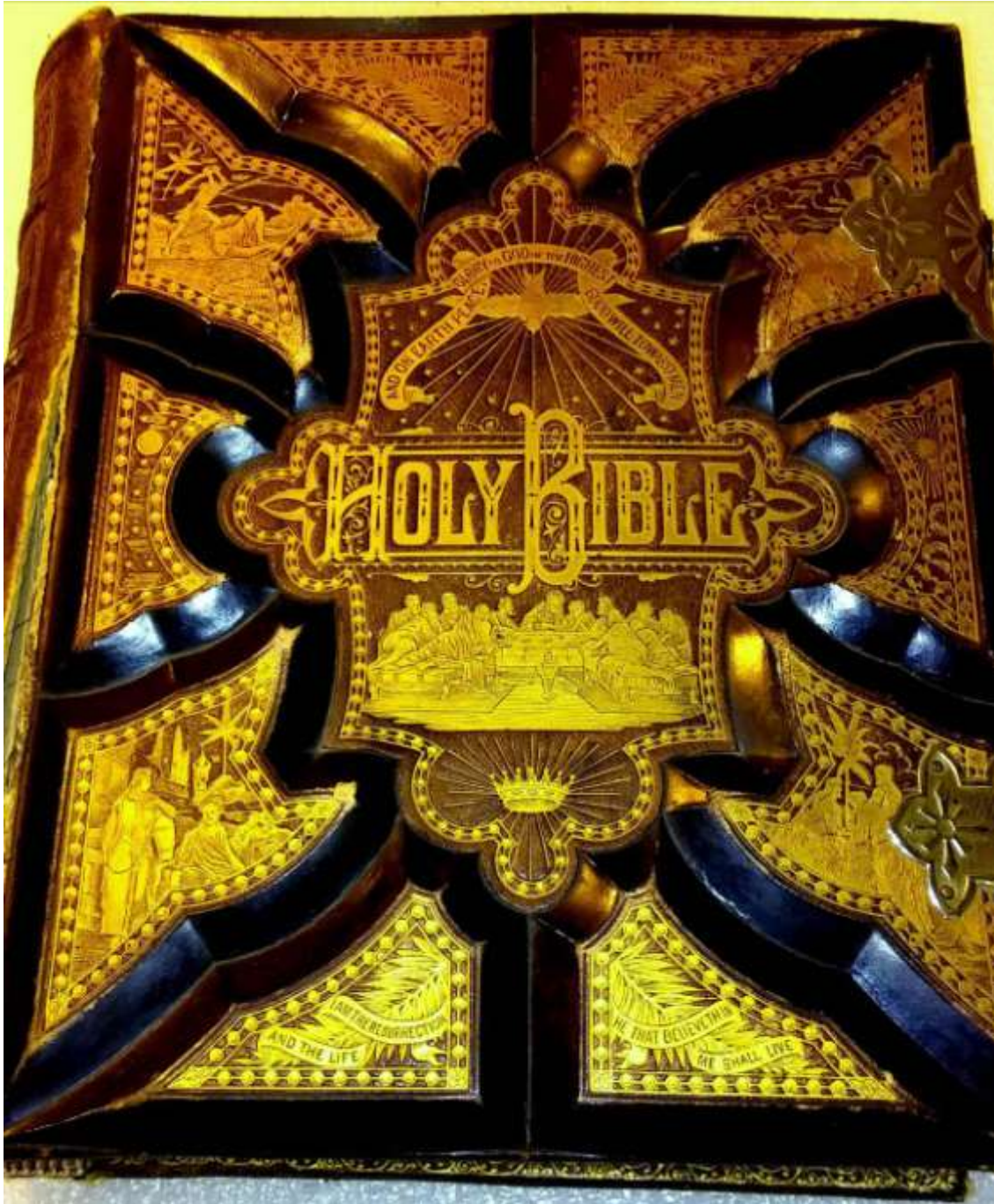


Figure 15 - LHG 2009.03.01 Carved Leather Cover with Gold-Gilt Printing



Old Family Bibles

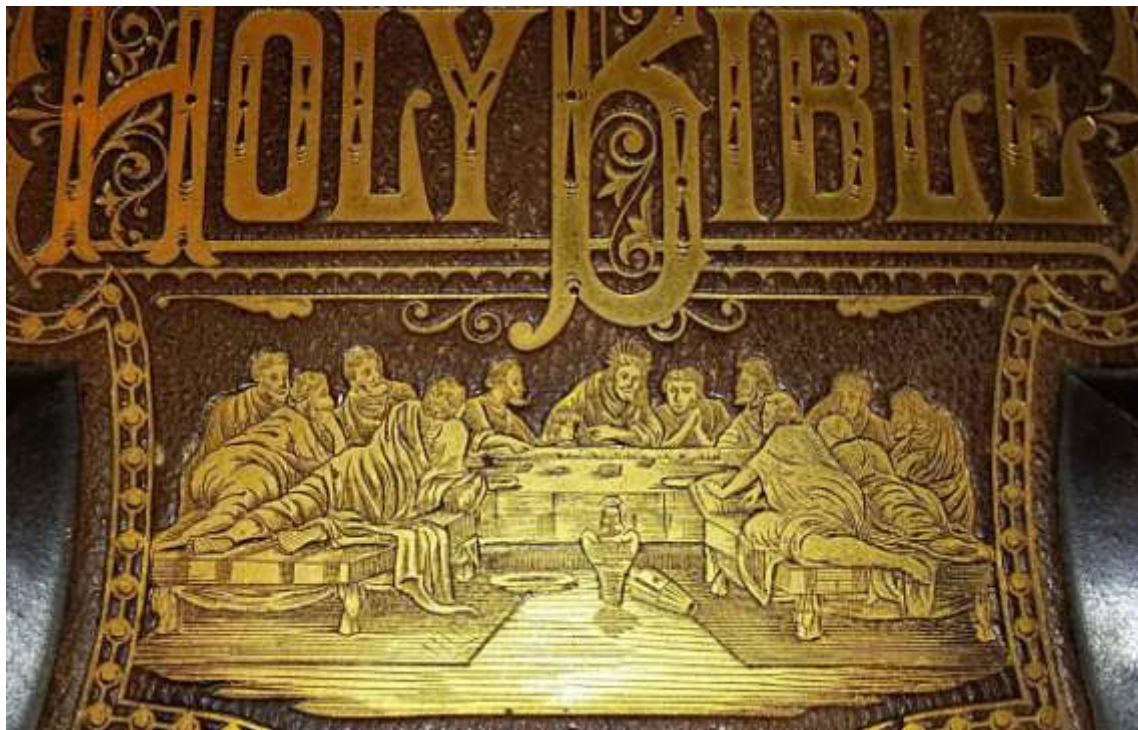
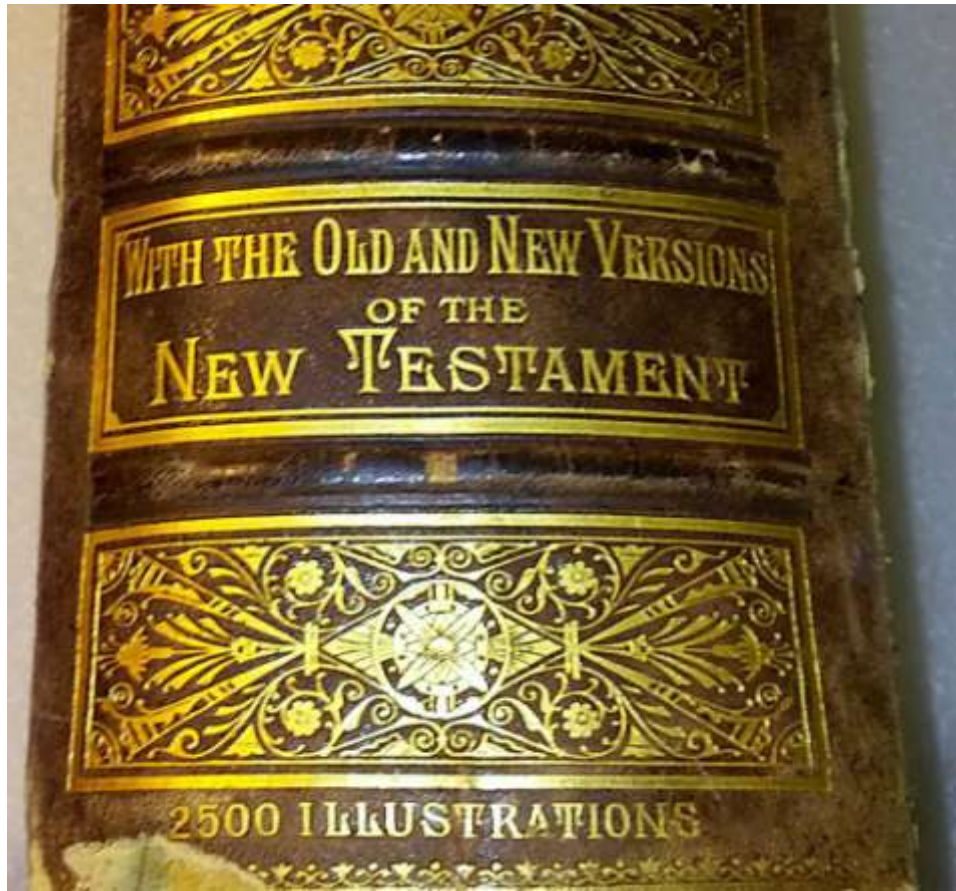


Figure 16 - LHG 2009.03.01 Spine and Cover Close-Ups





Figure 17 - LHG 2009.03.01 Cover Corner Close-ups

This elegant Bible to Anna S Peck was given by her father Anton on 10/20/1884 for her 20<sup>th</sup> birthday, long after her marriage. The colorful marriage certificate thus remained unused. Anna's maiden name appears as Scherer in its list of deaths by a modern hand in 1954, but the 1884 Presentation signature differs (next page) for Anton Sherer/Sharer.



P.Kitchingham and R.Finn (combined):

*George C Peck married Anna V Sharer (Scherer/Sherer) on 22 May 1883 [Anna at age 18] in the Presbyterian Church, Hunter, Greene County, New York. Her parents were Anton Scherer [Sharer/Sherer] 1834-1899 and Caroline 1833-1885.*

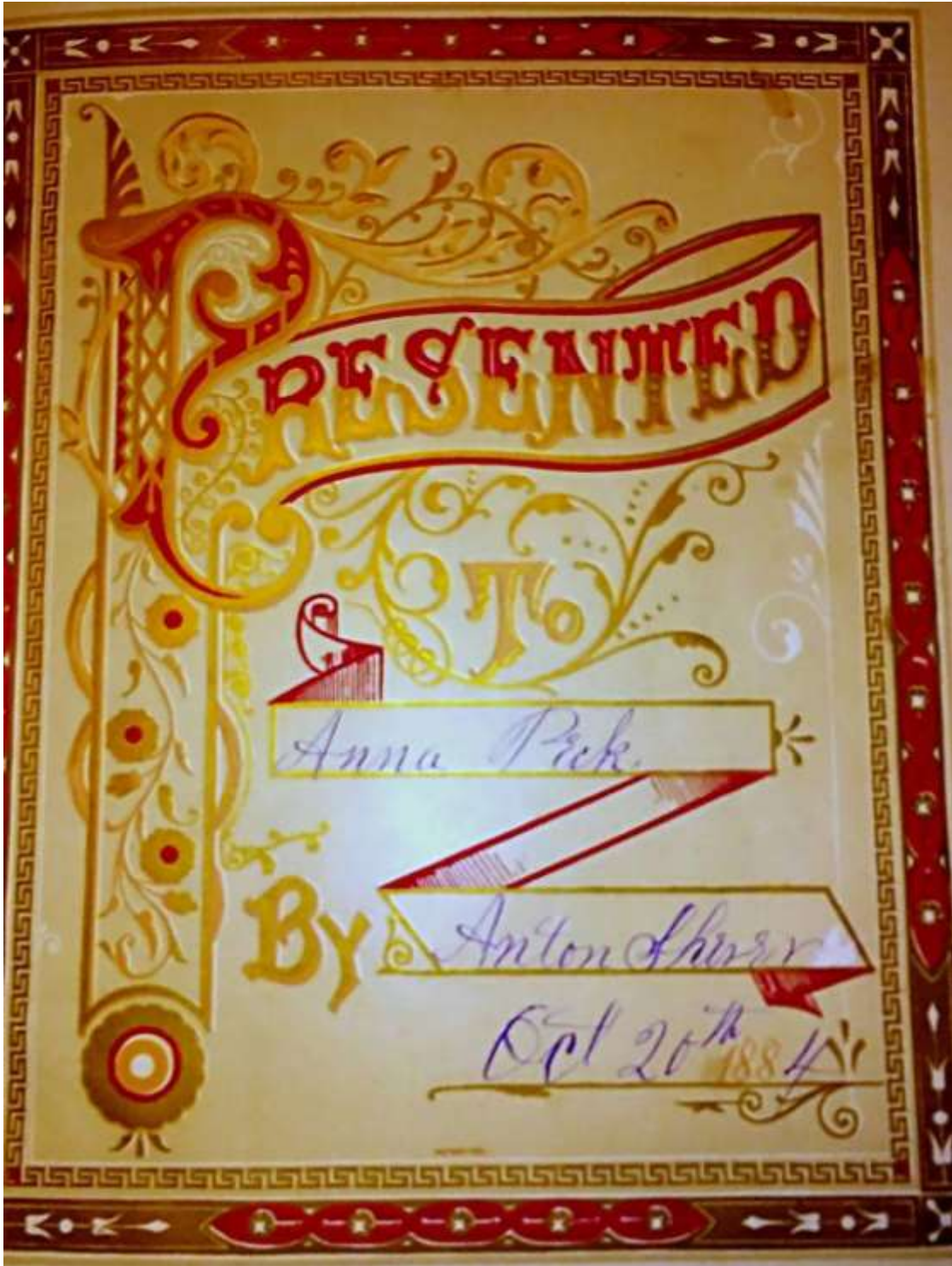


Figure 18 - LHG 2009.03.01 Presentation to Anna S Peck – 10/20/1884

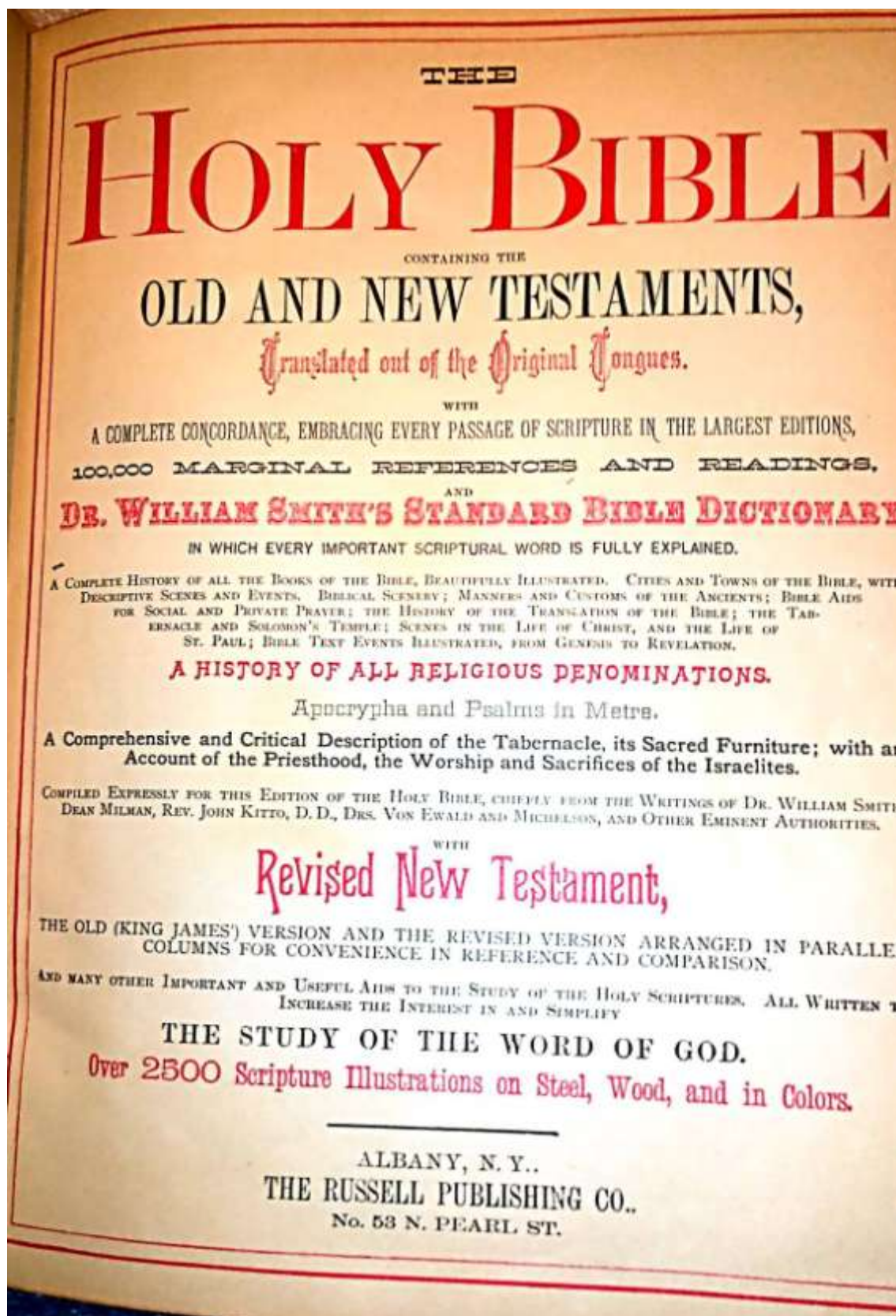


Figure 19 - LHG 2009.03.01 Title Page (Holman, 1881)



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FAMILY BIBLES.

DECEMBER, 1881

Figure 20 - LHG 2009.03.01 Promotional Flyleaf (Holman, 1881)

**Table of Contents within 1881 Bible**

The 1881 Holman "New Pictorial Bible" listed 207 entries in its table of contents by referencing the many engravings individually. Without page numbers, the list is categorized like an advertising sheet rather than in their true sequential order.

The bolding matches the bolding as found in the listing of features. Subcategories in the transcription are numbered here by category rather than as numbered in the actual page. Entries with an **orange color** mean that a face sheet photo appears for that component.

"EMBRACING IN ALL 207 FEATURES, AND 2500 ILLUSTRATIONS"

**Ornamental Presentation Plate**

**A Red Line Descriptive Title Page**

Names and Order of the Books of the Old Testament

Names and Order of the Books of the New Testament

Names and Order of the Books of the Apocrypha

History of the Translation of the English Bible

[Table of] Contents of the Old and New Testament Books

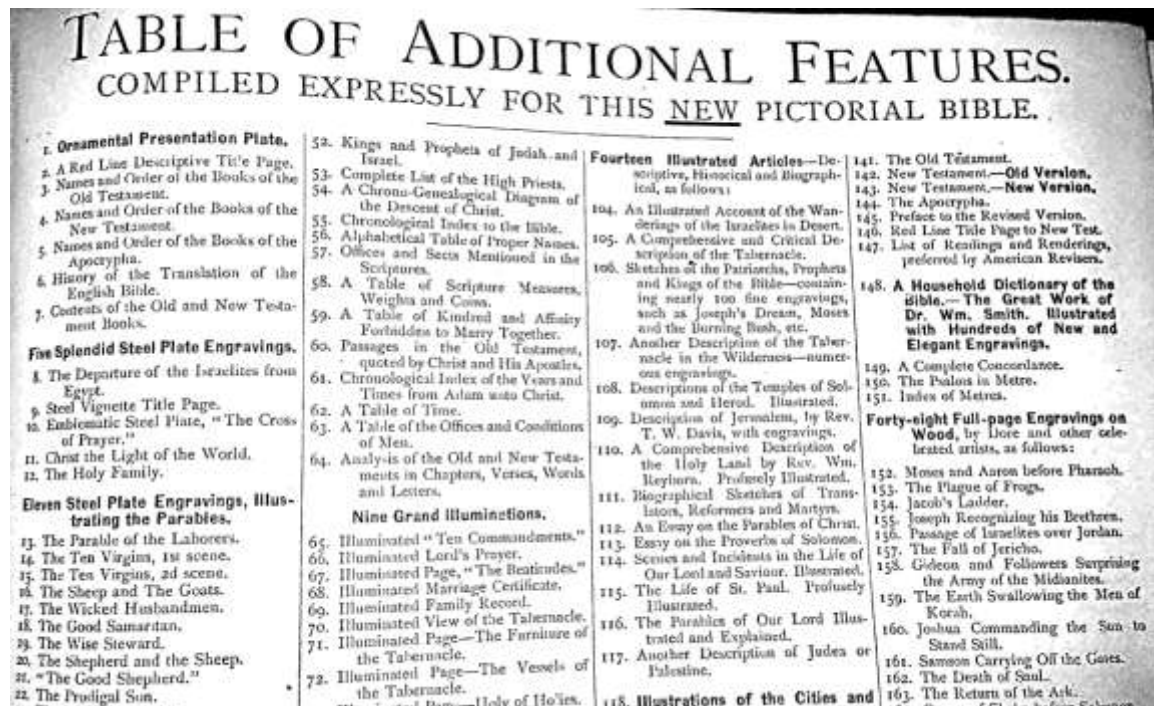


Figure 21 - LHG 2009.03.01 Library of 207 Features (Holman, 1881)

**Five Splendid Steel Plate Engravings** [in black and white]

1. Departure of the Israelites from Egypt
2. Steel Vignette Title Page
3. Emblematic Steel Plate, "The Cross of Prayer"
4. Christ the Light of the World
5. The Holy Family



**Eleven Steel Plate Engravings, illustrating the Parables**

1. The Parable of the Laborers
2. The Ten Virgins, 1st scene
3. The Ten Virgins, 2nd scene
4. The Sheep and The Goats
5. The Wicked Husbandmen
6. The Good Samaritan
7. The Wise Steward
8. The Shepherd and the Sheep
9. "The Good Shepherd"
10. The Prodigal Son
11. The Rich Man and Lazarus

Forty-one Valuable Tables, as follows

1. Harmony of the Four Gospels
2. Table showing which Jewish Patriarchs were contemporary with each other
3. The Jewish Calendar
4. Chronology of the Books of the New Testament
5. Index to the Parables, of Jesus
6. Index to the Miracles of Jesus
7. Index to the Miracles of the Apostles
8. Index to the Words of Jesus, or His Discourses, in their proper order
9. Index to the Parables [recorded in] the Old Testament
10. Index to the Principal Miraculous Events mentioned in the Old Testament
11. Plan for reading the Bible through in one year,
12. Names and Titles given to Christ
13. Names and Titles of the Holy Spirit
14. Instances of Prophecy Compared with History
15. Words of Scripture Requiring Explanation
16. Table Showing How the Earth was Re-peopled by the Descendants of Noah
17. [Remarkable] Hills and Mountains of Scripture
18. Remarkable Rivers and Lakes
19. Table of Prayers Mentioned in Scripture
20. Glossary of Symbolical Language used by Poets and Prophets,
21. Brief Summary of Characteristics of Books of the Old and New Testaments
22. Chronological Table of Events from Beginning of World to A D 1790
23. Lewin's Scheme of the Chronology of our Lord's Life
24. Table of the Principal Events in the Life of St Paul
25. Tabular Arrangement of Old Testament History
26. Authorship and Dates of Poetical Books
27. Chronological Order of Prophetical Books
28. Prophecies and Allusions to Christ in the Old Testament
29. Kings and Prophets of Judah and Israel
30. Complete List of the High Priests
31. Chrono-Genealogical Diagram of the Descent of Christ
32. Chronological Index to the Bible

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33. Alphabetical Table of Proper Names [in the Bible with their meaning]
34. Offices and Sects Mentioned in the Scriptures
35. **Measures, Weights, and Coins** [by Richard, Bishop]
36. Table of Kindred and Affinity [showing who are] Forbidden to Marry Together
37. Passages in Old Testament quoted [in New Testament]
38. Chronological Index of the Years and Times from Adam unto Christ
39. A Table of Time
40. A Table of the Offices and Conditions of Men
41. Analysis of Old and New Testaments in Chapters, Verses, Words and Letters

### **Nine Grand Illuminations**

1. **Illuminated Ten Commandments** [gold-gilt ink, multi-color printing]  
[and from Matthew 22]
2. ... **Lord's Prayer** [from Matthew 6 KJV]
3. ... **The Beatitudes** [from Matthew 5 KJV]
4. ... **Marriage Certificate** [gorgeous colors, unused]
5. ... **Family Record**
6. ... **View of the Tabernacle**
7. ... **The Furniture of Tabernacle**
8. ... **The Vessels of Tabernacle**
9. ... **Holy of Holies**

### **A History of all Religious Denominations** [History as of 1881]

Bible Aids and Expressions for Social and Private Prayer

### **A History of the Books of the Bible, by William Smith**

Series of 36 splendid large engravings illustrating the above

### **A Complete Bible Atlas,** [Fisk Publishing]

embracing twenty-four Maps and Plans, as follows:

1. **Colored Map of Modern Egypt** [Modern as of 1881]
2. ... Chief Places mentioned in History of Patriarchs
3. ... Gentile Countries of the Old Testament
4. ... St Paul's Journeys, etc
5. ... Path of Jesus, as he went about doing good
6. ... Babylonian Empire
7. ... Persian Empire
8. ... Grecian Empire
9. ... Roman Empire
10. ... Palestine
11. ... Ancient Jerusalem
12. ... Modern Jerusalem [Modern as of 1881]
13. Map of the Wanderings of the Israelites in the Desert
14. Map of Arabia
15. Map of the Travels of St Paul
16. Map of the Environs of Jerusalem
17. Bird's-eye View of Egypt

## Old Family Bibles

18. Chart of Country Around Babylon
19. Plan of Athens
20. Plan of Alexandria
21. Panoramic View of Palestine
22. Plan of Solomon's Palace
23. Topographical Plan of Jerusalem
24. Plan of the Tombs of the Prophets

### Gallery of Scripture Illustrations

- (a) 35 Large and Beautiful Wood Engravings, with descriptions, etc
- (b) 36 pages exclusively filled with smaller engravings of various scenes, objects, etc

### Fourteen Illustrated Articles

Descriptive, Historical and Biographical, as follows:

1. **Wanderings of the Israelites in Desert** [by Edward Harper]
2. Comprehensive and Critical Description of the Tabernacle
3. Sketches of the **Patriarchs, Prophets and Kings of the Bible**—containing 100 fine engravings, such as Joseph's Dream, etc [by Phillip Smith]
4. Another Description of the Tabernacle in the Wilderness
5. **Temples of Solomon and Herod** [by Philip Lee]
6. **Jerusalem**, [et al.] by [Thomas] W. Davis
7. **The Holy Land** by [William] Reyburn
8. **Translators, Reformers, Martyrs** [by Joseph Jenkins]
9. Essay on the Parables of Christ
10. **Essay on the Proverbs of Solomon** [by Edward Lewis]
11. **Scenes and Incidents of ... Jesus** [by Arthur Hayes]
12. **Life of Saint Paul** [by Charles Farrar]
13. **Parables of Our Lord - Illustrated** [by Joseph Haines]
14. Another Description of Judea or Palestine

### Illustrations of the **Cities and Towns of the Bible**

Showing all important places mentioned in Scripture with Descriptions by John Wilson

### Archaeological Illustrations and Essays

1. Illustrations and Descriptions of Ancient Money
2. Representations of Ancient Musical Instruments
3. The Appian Way, Rome
4. The Ruins of Samaria
5. Scriptural Subjects on Ancient Sculptures
6. Ancient Eastern Ornaments
7. Ancient Roman Monuments
8. View of Royal Palace at Nineveh
9. Specimens of Ancient Egyptian Art



## Old Family Bibles

### Five Artistic Portraits

1. Portrait of John Wycliffe
2. Portrait of Martin Luther
3. Portrait of John Calvin
4. Ideal Portrait of Our Saviour
5. Saviour Wearing Crown of Thorns

### The Natural History of the Bible - Illustrated

1. **Animals, Birds, Insects and Reptiles** [by A. F. Thompson]
2. Trees, Plants, Flowers and Fruits

### The Writing of the Bible

1. Specimens of Ancient Alphabets
2. Specimens of Ancient Manuscripts
3. Specimens of Ancient Writing on Sticks
4. Facsimile of part of Tyndale's Testament
5. Dates or Time of Writing of the Books of New Testament

**A Bible Teacher's Text-Book**— This feature is of greatest utility, affording a complete guide to all facts relating to principal places, persons and subjects mentioned....

Old Testament

New Testament - **Old Version**

[King James Version]

New Testament - **New Version**

[Revised 1881 Version]

The Apocrypha

Preface to the Revised Version

**Red Line Title Page to New Testament**

List of Readings and Renderings, preferred by American Revisers

**Dictionary of the Bible** – [William] Smith, illustrated with Hundreds of ...

**Complete Concordance**

[by John Brown of Haddington]

**Psalms in Metre**

[for singing, called the Psalter]

Index of Metres

### Forty-eight Full-page Engravings on Wood,

by [Gustav] Dore and other celebrated artists, as follows:

1. **Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh**
2. The Plague of Frogs
3. Jacob's Ladder
4. Joseph Recognizing his Brethren
5. Passage of Israelites over Jordan
6. The Fall of Jericho
7. Gideon and Followers Surprising the Army of the Midianites
8. The Earth Swallowing the Men of Korah
9. Joshua Commanding the Sun to Stand Still
10. Samson Carrying Off the Gates [of Gaza]
11. The Death of Saul

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12. The Return of the Ark
13. Queen of Sheba before Solomon
14. The Angel Ministering to Elijah
15. Solomon's Temple
16. Bird's eye View of the Holy Land
17. David's Charge to Solomon
18. The Destruction of the Temple
19. Cyrus Restoring the Holy Vessel
20. The Departure from Babylon
21. Vashti's Refusal
22. Esther Before Ahasuerus
23. Job Visited by his Three Friends
24. The Reading of the Law,
25. "Give unto the Lord Glory and Strength"
26. Learning the Commandments
27. "We have Heard with our Ears," etc
28. The Vision of the Seraphim
29. The Vision of the Chariots
30. The Abominations of Idolatry
31. The Handwriting on the Wall
32. The Vision of Heliodorus [from 2nd Maccabees]
33. The Nativity of Christ
34. The Wise Men Following the Star
35. The Sermon on the Mount
36. The Raising of Jairus' Daughter
37. The Ten Virgins
38. Lazarus at the Rich Man's Gate
39. Christ Healing the Sick
40. The Agony in Gethsemane
41. The Last Supper
42. The Crucifixion
43. Christ Crucified Between Two Thieves
44. The Descent from the Cross
45. The Stoning of Stephen
46. The Angel of the Gospel
47. The Opening of the Sixth Seal
48. The New Jerusalem

### **100,000 Marginal References and Readings**

Front of the Rock Temple of Ibsambul, Egypt

Court of Sargon's Palace (Engraving)

Views of Rome (Engraving)

The Pyramids of Egypt

Roman and Egyptian Standards

Ancient Crowns

**Photograph Album for Portraits** of Parents and Children

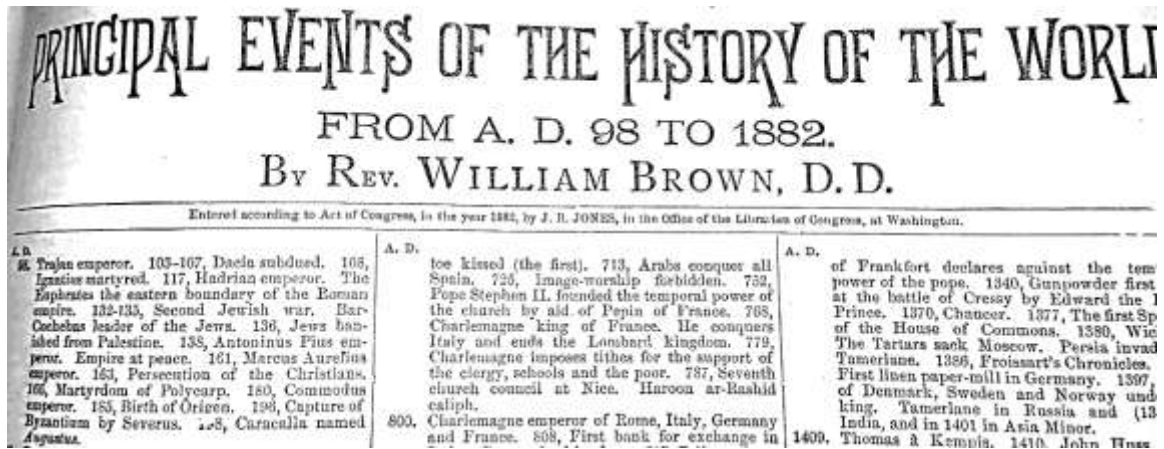


Figure 22 - History of the World by William Brown -1881

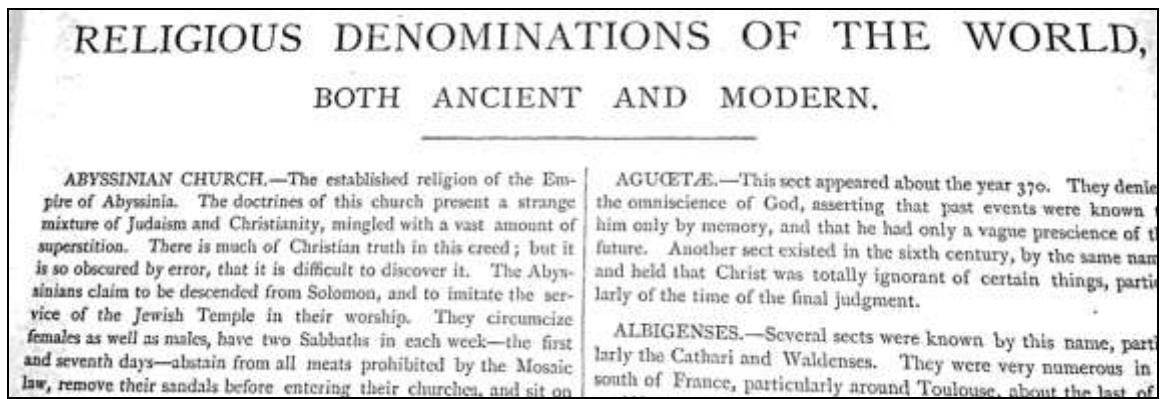


Figure 23 - History of Religious Denominations (Holman)

The main audience of these Family Bibles was large mainstream Protestant sects in the United States. The Abyssinian Church (that is, Ethiopia) might take issue with being written up as “so obscured by error” rather than just factually listing distinctive traits ... and leaving the decisions as to the level of error to the reader. The Concise Catholic Dictionary (1944) had similar warnings of error-prone sects (namely, the Protestants).

Regardless, there was a large American audience from among all sects wanting to know what various other groups (historic and current) believed, even if through a biased lens. The library inside the Family Bible was a rare source of such theological demographics.



Figure 24 - Wanderings in Wilderness - Edward Harper



The text from Matthew 5 is overprinted upon a gold-gilt background which appears to be two pages of ancient text. Closer inspection may define the content of that text.

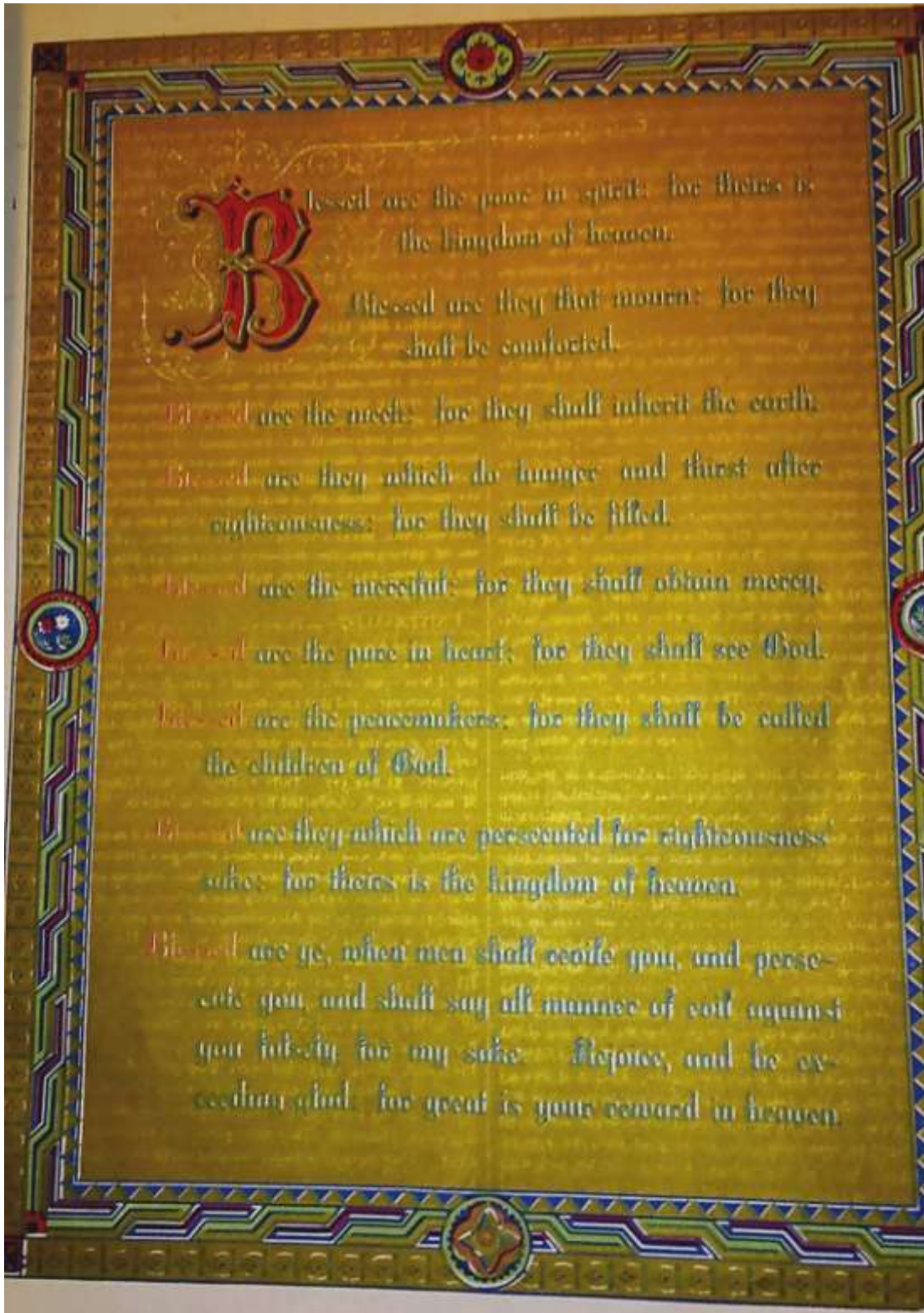


Figure 25- The Beatitudes from Matthew (Holman, 1881)

This map page shows the Suez Canal which had just recently opened in November 1869



Figure 26 - Multi-Color Maps (Fisk, 1881)



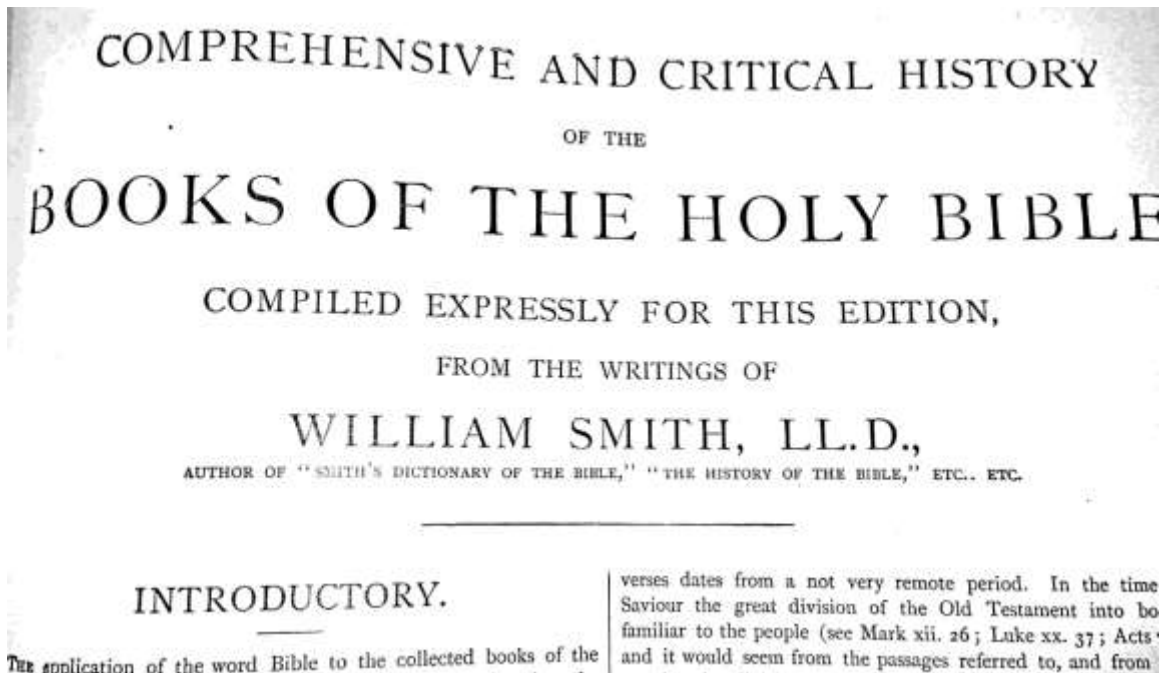


Figure 27- History of Books of Bible by William Smith - 1860-65

Essential Biblical knowledge entailed knowing something about each canonical book. Dr. Smith provided that background by summarizing the content, the dating, probable authors, status of Israel and various surrounding empires for that time, and in his opening remarks, primary understanding of the Hebrew canon during the New Testament era.

Theological books from the 1800's and even through the 1940's used Roman numerals for chapter numbers. For instance, he uses Mark xii. 26 compared to our modern format of Mark 12:26 (Protestant) and Mark 12,26 (Catholic).



Figure 28 - Ancient Money (Holman)



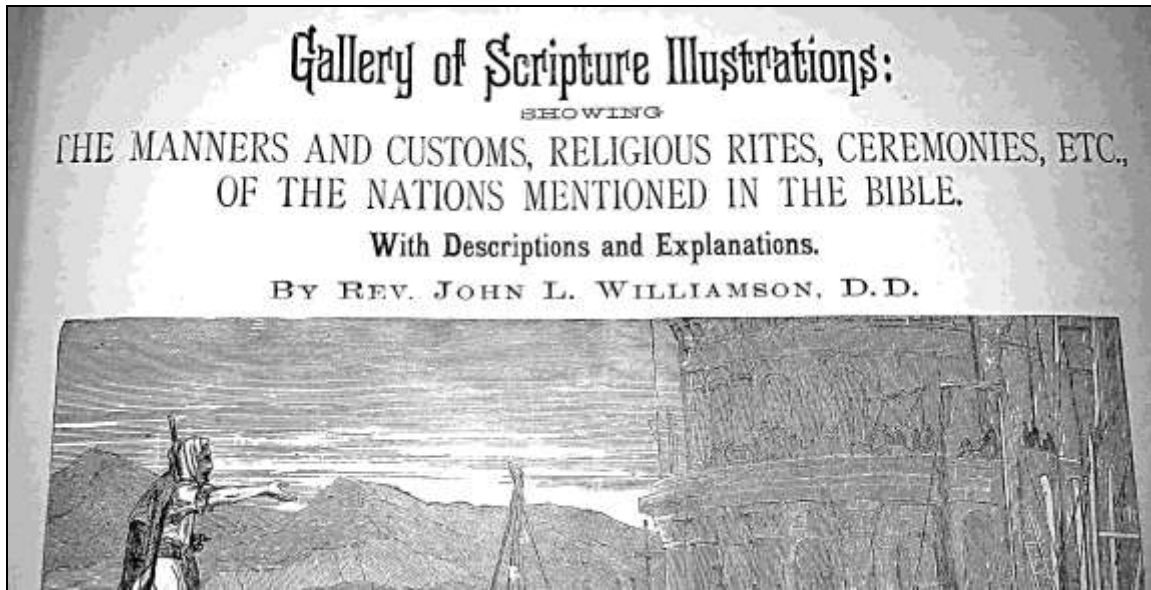


Figure 29 - Manners and Customs by John Williamson

The Orient (both Mideast and Far East) fascinated most American readers. They avidly followed the rich in their travels (e.g. Mark Twain in "The Innocents Abroad", 1869). It was in such illustrated books that a picture (an engraving) was really worth a thousand words. It easily presented an ancient object where text alone would be fully inadequate.

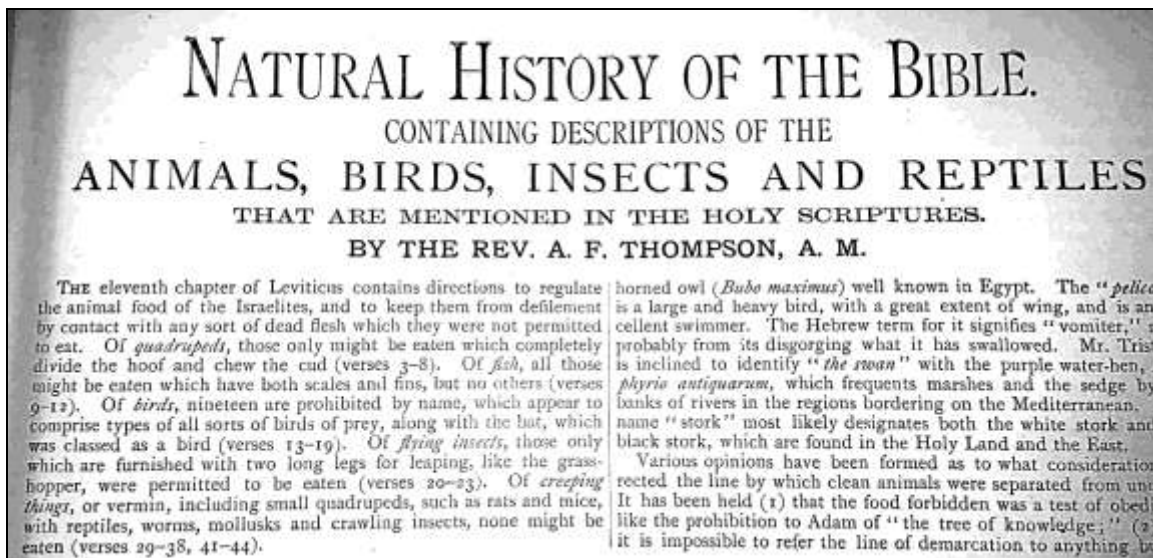
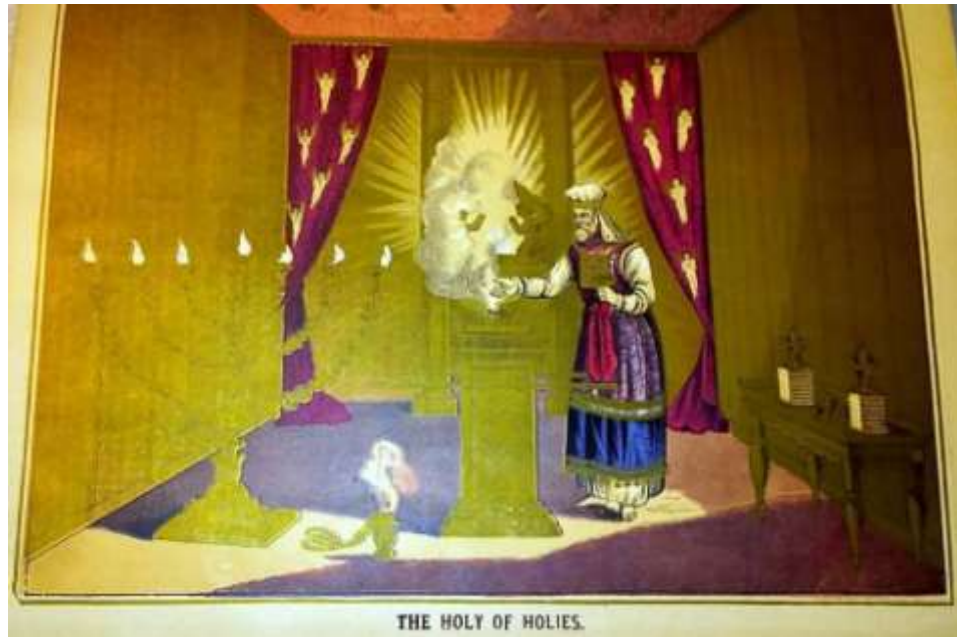


Figure 30 - Natural History by A.F. Thompson

A Natural History of the Bible was a museum or zoo in a book. The text was profusely illustrated with engravings. For animals long extinct in the decimated arid landscape after millenniums of warfare, sample images of animals from Africa were substituted.



Gold printing upon gilt rendered the image of the Menorah nearly invisible in this image. While stolen by General Titus in 70AD (and since lost), his triumphal arch in Rome was the primary archeological image of the Menorah, which these two plates faithfully copy.



Figure 31 - Tabernacle in Exodus (Holman, 1881)

As methodically explained in Exodus, the Holy of Holies was not at all visible from the encampment tents or the accouterments so carelessly draped. The high priest could only enter once a year to view the Ark of the Covenant on Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement). Yet, this was a literal “pull back the curtains” way to communicate the content of the Jewish Tabernacle in the Sinai desert and as later hosted for decades in Shiloh (Israel).



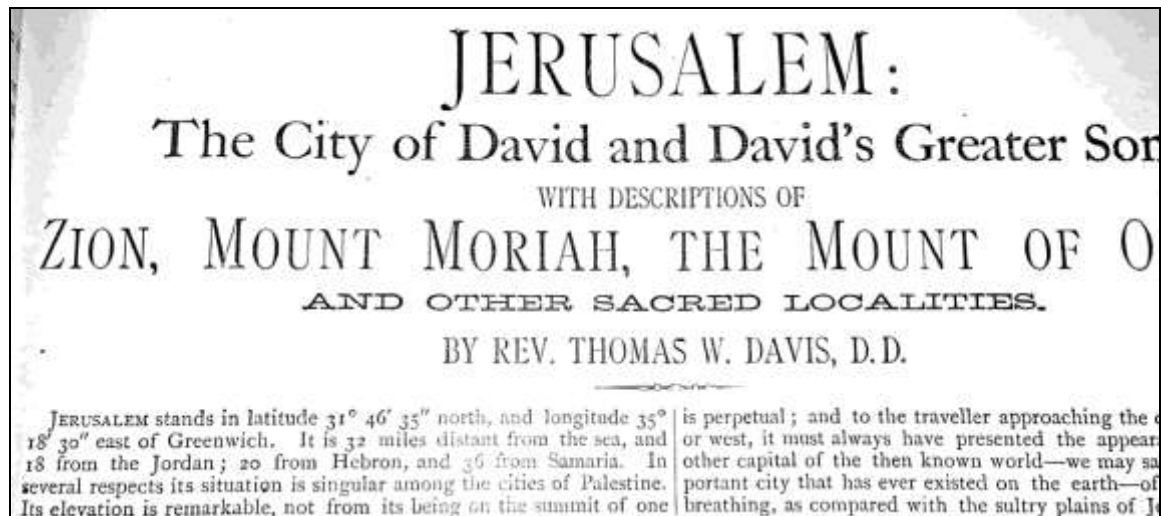


Figure 32 - Jerusalem et al by Thomas Davis

With the limited travel options to most Americans, some books provided a sort of tourist guide to both the current regions in the middle 1800's and literary time-travel back to the Roman era of Israel. The undeveloped land of subsistence herders in the 19<sup>th</sup> century was for all intents easily imagined to match ancient times. Tumbled rocks, dirt paths, crude rock structures for homes, more rocks, ubiquitous sheep, and 'modern' intrusions of Crusader castles amongst arid desert made such an imaginary leap hardly difficult.

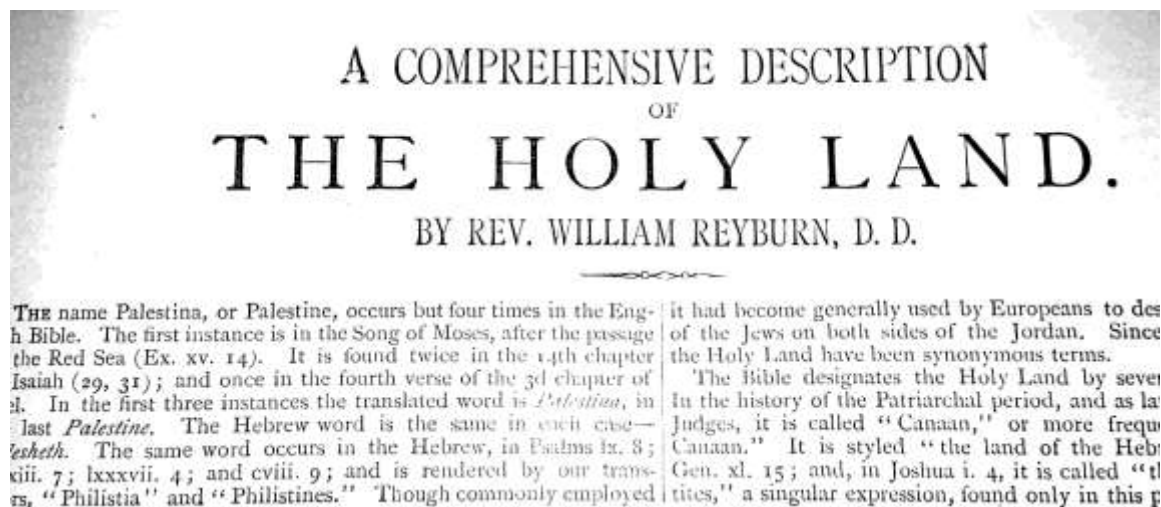


Figure 33 - The Holy Land by William Reyburn

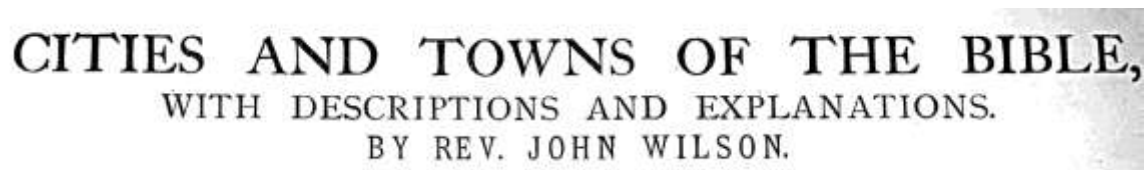


Figure 34 - Cities and Towns by John Wilson



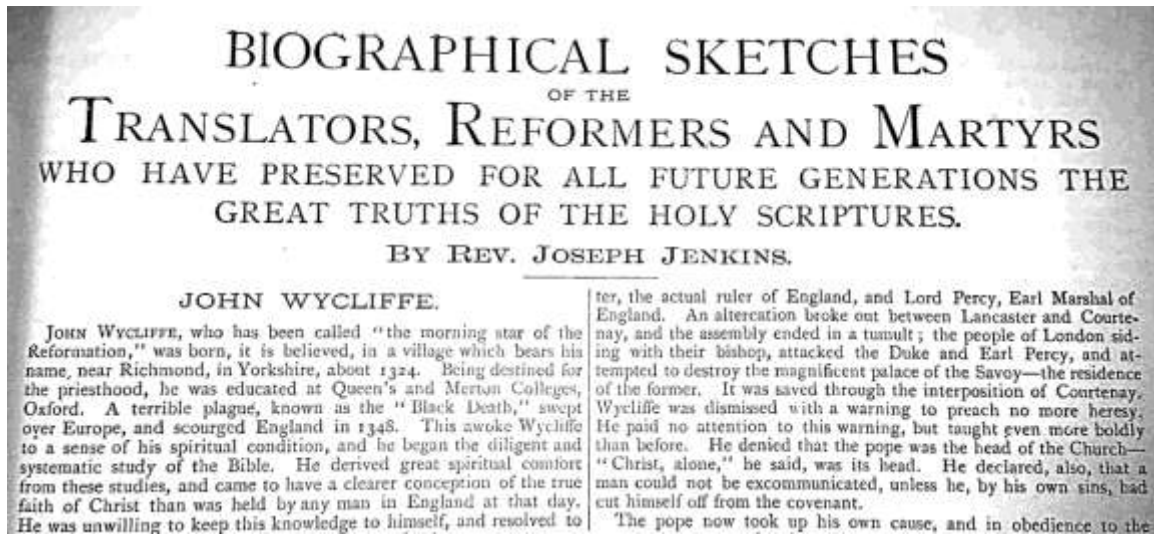


Figure 35 - Biographical Sketches by Joseph Jenkins

A collection of Reformation heroes acted for Protestants somewhat as "Lives of the Saints" (c.1470) did for Catholics. It showed how the Bible entered the languages of Europe and especially English. Wycliffe Bible Translators honors John Wycliffe today by making the Bible available to many in their mother tongue. One Guatemalan Mayan told me in 1996, "When I read the Bible in Spanish, it is like viewing the surface of Lake Atitlan, but when I read it in my own language, it is like diving into the (clear) waters."

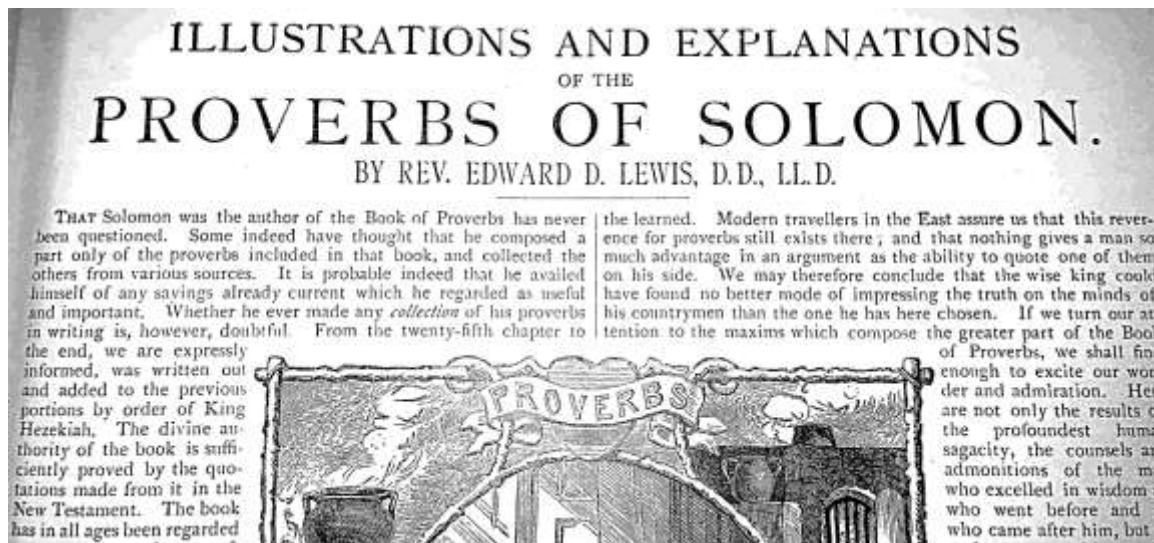


Figure 36 - Proverbs of Solomon by Edward Lewis

The following gold-gilt title page is typically recited weekly in Messianic congregations using Hebrew. Matthew 22:36-40 records that a leader challenged Jesus to state the greatest law in the Torah. Jesus quoted two: Deuteronomy 6:4-6 (called the Sh'ma) and Leviticus 19:18, closing with, "On these two mitzvot hang all the Torah and the Nevi'im" just as this multi-color page states in English. This page is a museum piece and sparkles in vibrant color. The photo captures only hints at the shimmer that the plate effects.



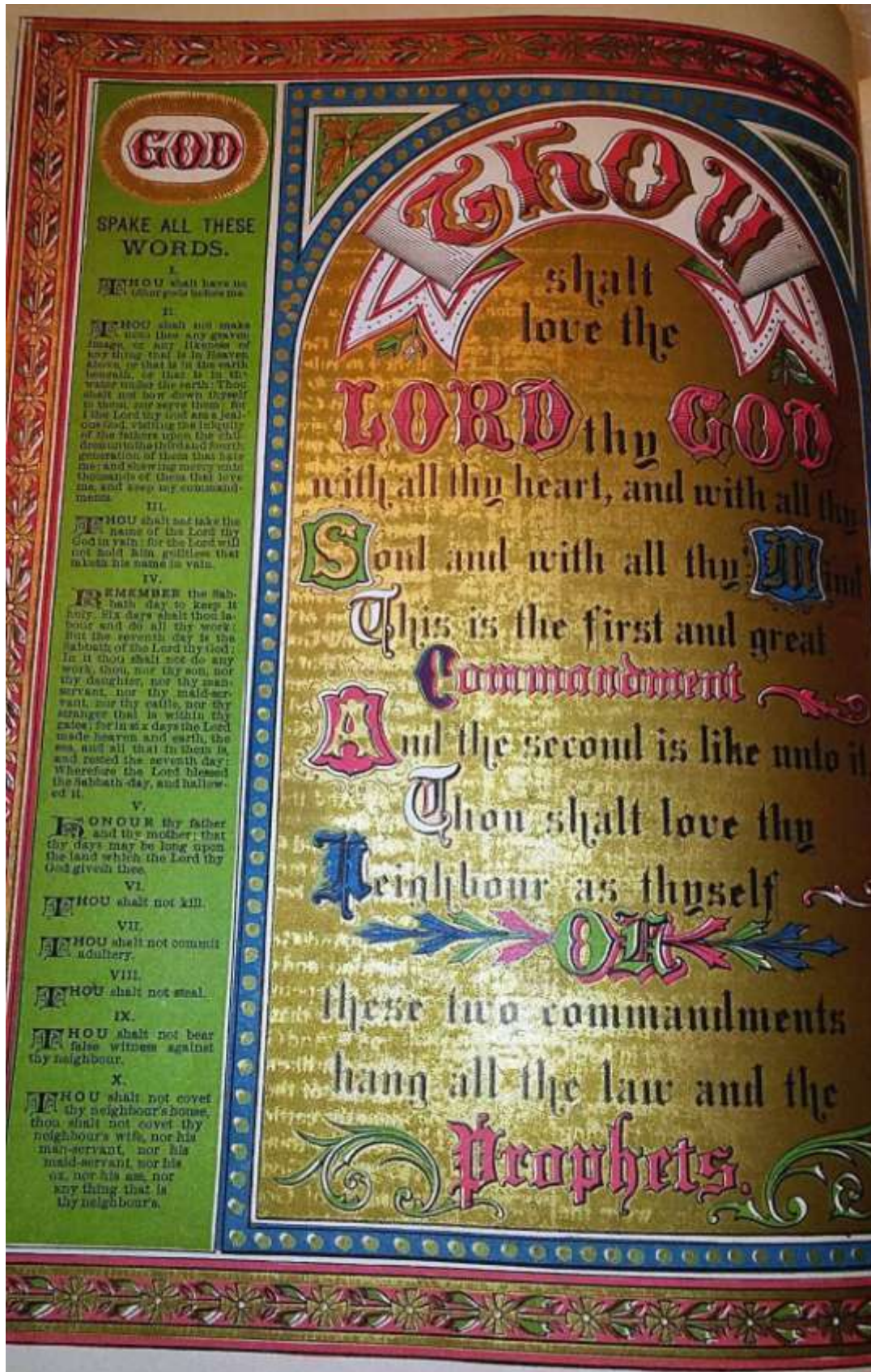


Figure 37 - Ten Commandments and Matthew 22 (Holman, 1881)



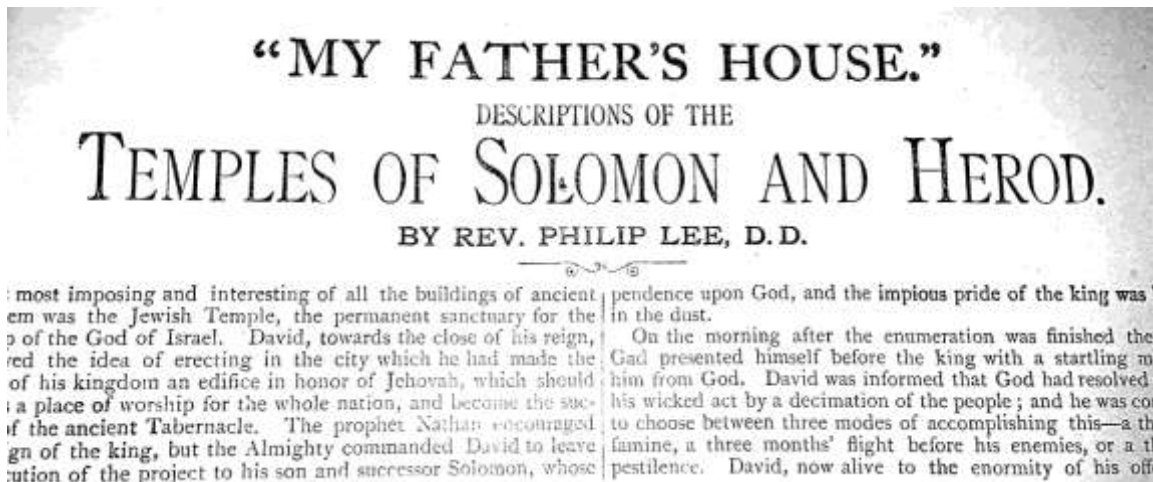


Figure 38 - Temples of Solomon and Herod by Philip Lee

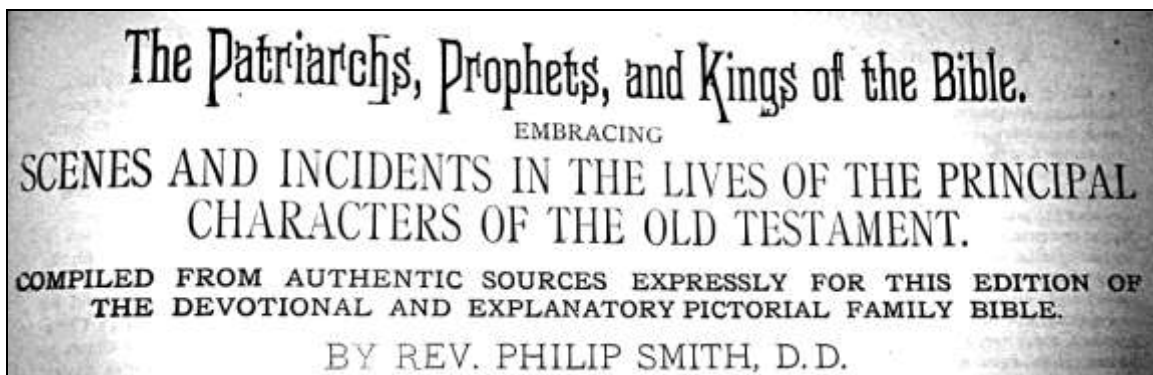


Figure 39 - Patriarchs, Prophets, Kings - Philip Smith

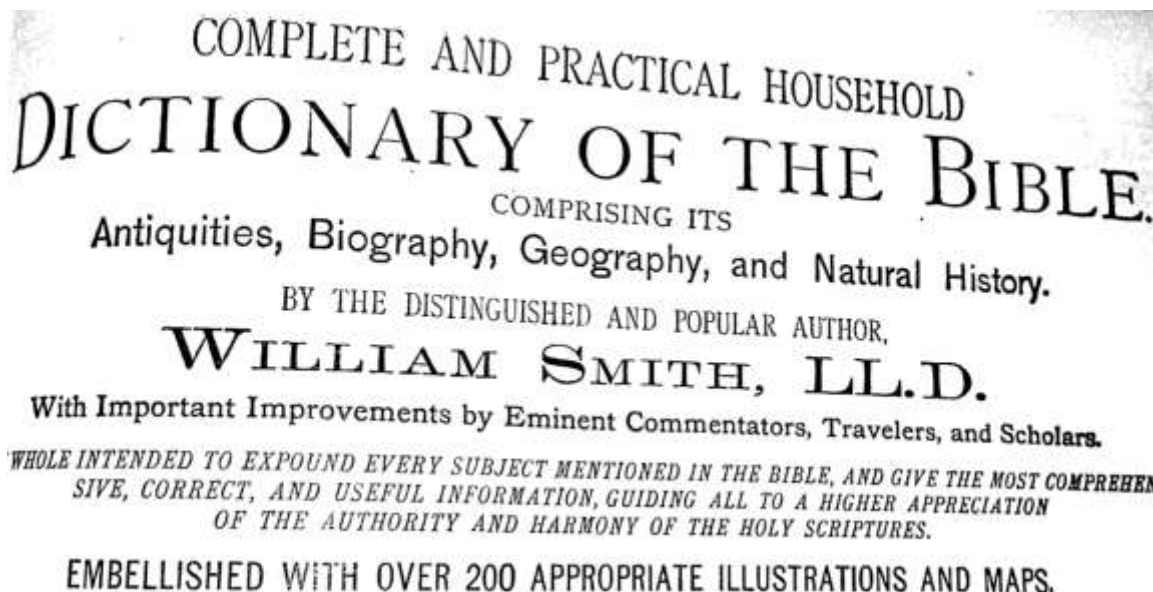


Figure 40 - Dictionary of the Bible by William Smith – 1860-65



This Dictionary author had significant fame (edited):

*Sir William Smith (5/20/1813 – 10/7/1893) was an English lexicographer.*

**Early life**

*Born at Enfield in 1813 of Non-conformist parents [not of the Church of England], he started for a theological career, but instead was articled to a solicitor. In his spare time, he taught himself the classics, and when he entered University College London, he carried off both the Greek and Latin prizes. He entered [into Law] at Gray's Inn in 1830, but gave up his legal studies for a post at University College School and wrote on classical subjects.*



**Career**

*Smith turned to lexicography. His first attempt was *A Dictionary of Greek and Roman Antiquities*, which appeared in 1842, the greater part written alone. He next wrote the *Dictionary of Greek and Roman Biography and Mythology* in 1849. A parallel *Dictionary of Greek and Roman Geography* appeared in 1857, with some leading scholars associated.*

*Meanwhile he published several school dictionaries in 1850, and in 1853, he began the *Principia* series, which marked an advance in the school teaching of Greek and Latin. John Murray was the publisher of his 1214-page *Latin–English Dictionary* based upon the works of Forcellini and Freund that Smith completed in 1855. This was periodically reissued the next thirty-five years.*

*The most important books Smith edited dealt with ecclesiastical subjects. These were the **Dictionary of the Bible (1860–1865)**; the *Dictionary of Christian Antiquities (1875–1880)* with Archdeacon Samuel Cheetham; and the *Dictionary of Christian Biography (1877–1887)* with Dr. Henry Wace.*

*From 1853 to 1869, Smith was classical examiner to the University of London, and on his retirement, he became a member of the Senate. He sat on the Committee to inquire into questions of copyright.*

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William\\_Smith\\_\(lexicographer\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Smith_(lexicographer))



Figure 41 - Light of the World, Oil and Pastel Study by Holman Hunt - 1853

A reproduction of the Holman Hunt painting "*Light of the World*" appears as a full page engraving just prior to the New Testament. There may be a nod to the artist by Holman Publishing with their business name and their "Light of the World" trademark.

Three versions of this painting exist. A vibrant life-size full-color painting fits on a side aisle niche in St. Paul's Cathedral in London. That 1906 version was unknown during this 1881 Bible. Thus, the black and white reproduction (shown on the left) comes from the oil painting hanging at an Oxford side-chapel. Manchester City owns the smaller 1856 study done in pastels (shown on the right). The pastel hints at the color palette had this particular Bible sought reproduction rights for a multi-color plate of the oil version.

Hunt and this painting (edited):

*The Light of the World (1851–1853) is an allegorical painting by the English Pre-Raphaelite artist William Holman Hunt (b.1827–d.1910). [There are three versions.] A small [pastel study] painted by Hunt [about 1851], is on display at Manchester City Art Gallery, England.*

*The [original] oil painting completed by 1853 is in a side chapel at Keble College, Oxford. Donated by his patron in an understanding that it would hang in the large chapel (constructed 1873–76), the architect was opposed. When the college library opened in 1878, it was placed there. It moved again only after the construction of the side chapel in 1892–95 by another architect.*

[Fifty years after 1853,] *Hunt felt he had to explain the symbolism [to the young secular generation of 1904]: "I painted the picture with what I thought, unworthy though I was, to be by Divine command, and not simply as a good Subject." The painting represents Jesus knocking on an overgrown and long-unopened door, illustrating Revelation 3:20: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me". The door in the painting has no handle, and can therefore be opened only from the inside, representing "the obstinately shut mind".*

*That [sense of an irreligious 1900's and that Oxford] charged to view it, persuaded Hunt to paint a large life-size version completed in 1904, which was purchased by ship owner and social reformer Charles Booth and hung in St Paul's Cathedral, London, where it was dedicated in 1908. Due to Hunt's increasing infirmity and glaucoma, he was assisted in the completion of this version by English painter Edward Robert Hughes. Hunt was buried in St Paul's.*

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_Light\\_of\\_the\\_World\\_%28painting%29](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Light_of_the_World_%28painting%29)

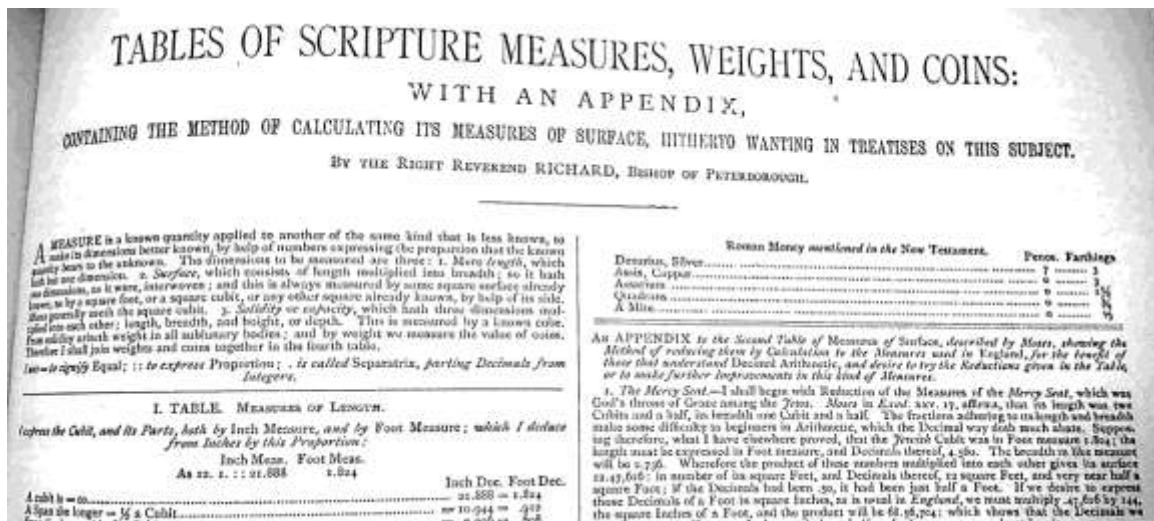


Figure 42 - Measures, Weights, and Coins by Richard of Peterborough



This elegant certificate could only accommodate marriages between 1881 and 1889.



Figure 43 - LHG 2009.03.01 Marriage Certificate (Holman, 1881)

Old Family Bibles

While marketed by Russell Publications, this Bible was indeed printed by Holman Publishing by virtue of its trademark on the Title page for the New Testament.

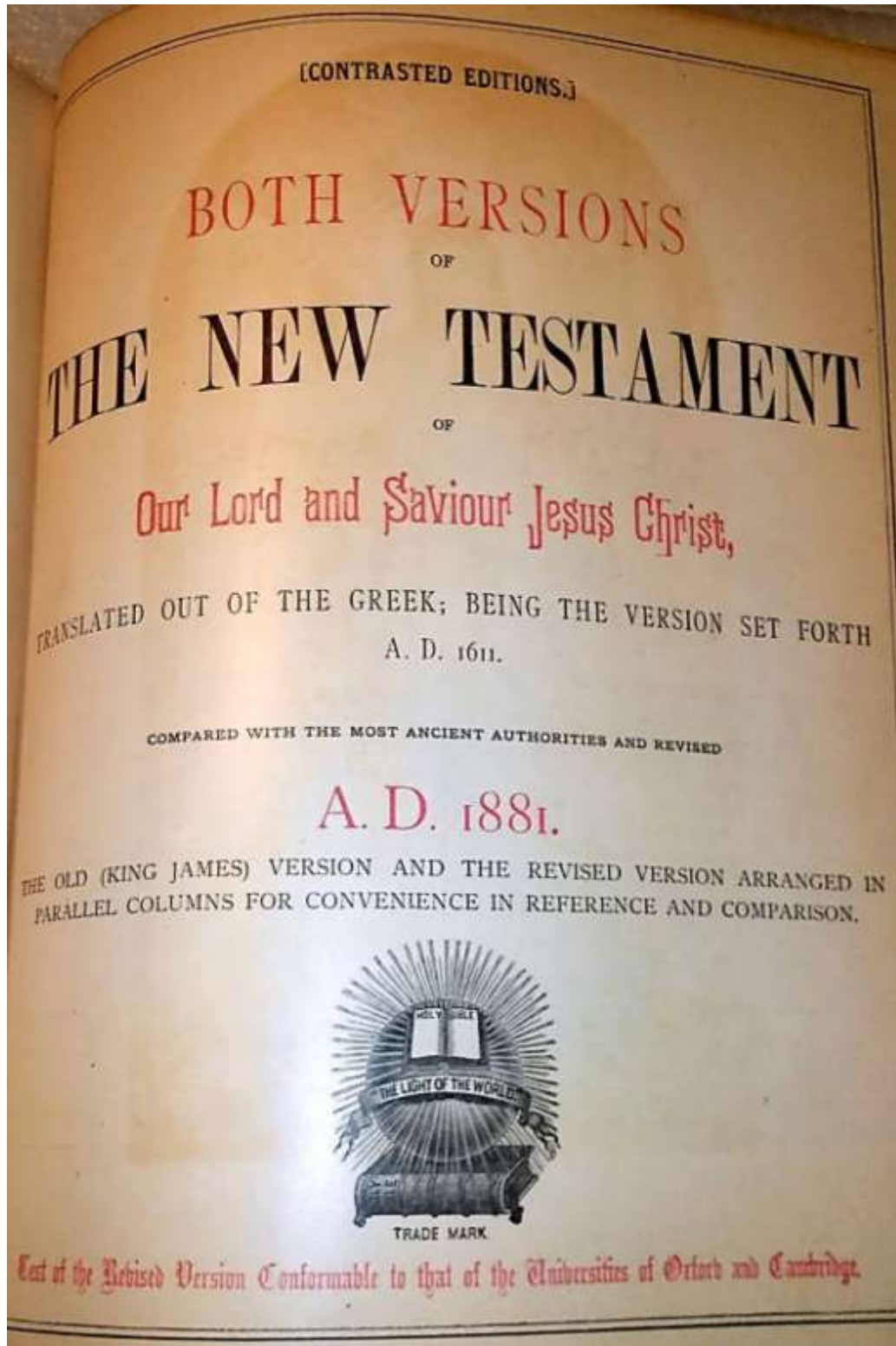


Figure 44 - LHG 2009.02.01 Title Page NT (Holman, 1881)



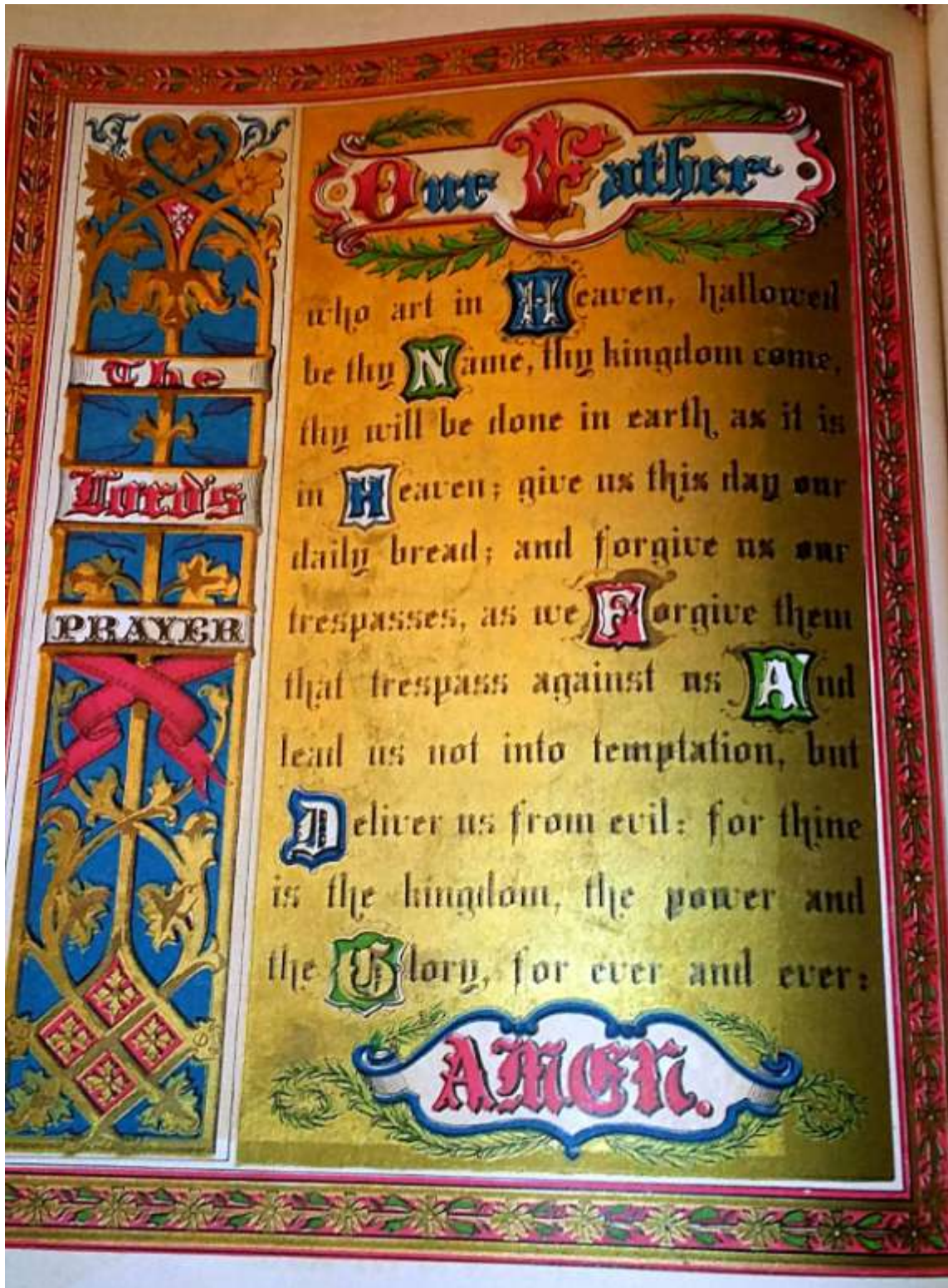


Figure 45 - Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6 KJV (Holman, 1881)



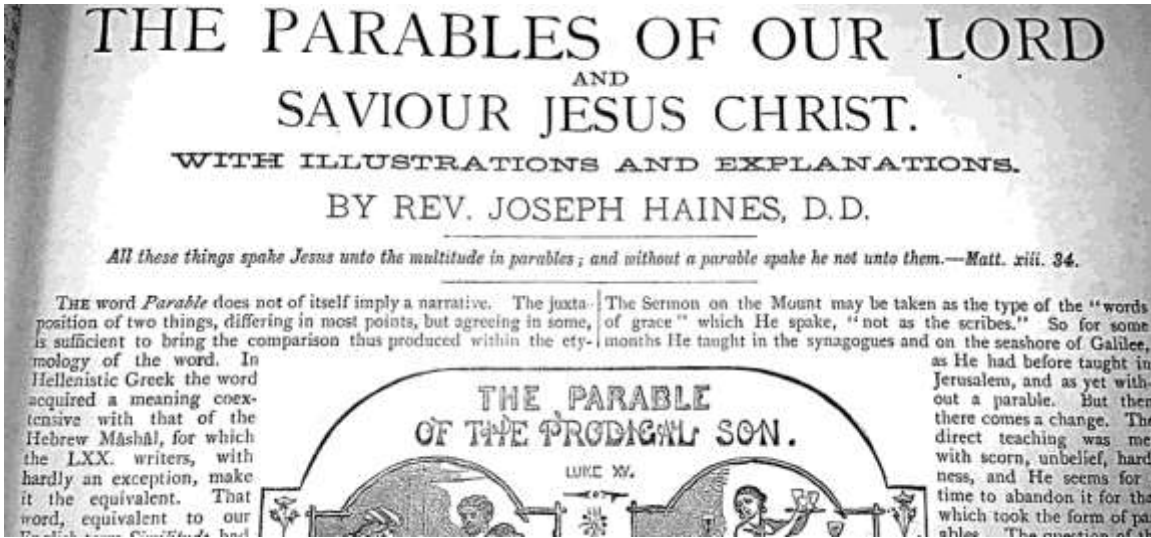


Figure 46 - Parables of ... Jesus by Joseph Haines

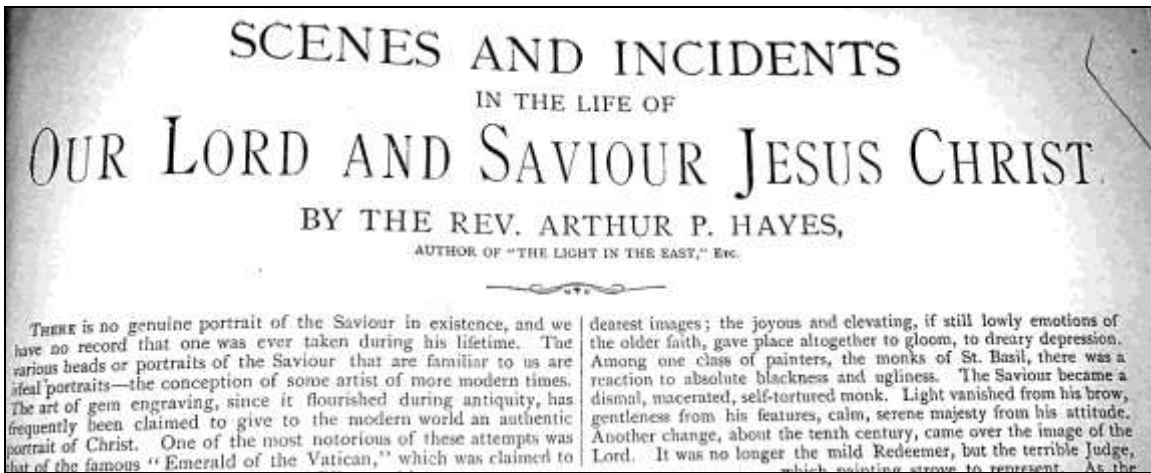


Figure 47 - Scenes and Incidents of ... Jesus by Arthur Hayes

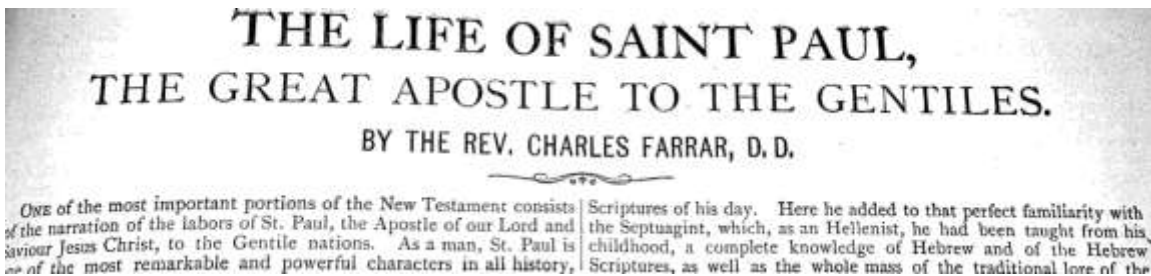


Figure 48 - Life of Saint Paul by Charles Farrar

Most followers of Jesus died in obscurity, but much of Paul's adult life is known through a travelogue ("Acts of the Apostles" or simply "Acts") and his preserved letters to cities where he had ministered. By the mid-1800's, scholars had visited the sites mentioned. Their research fleshed out Paul's travels with archeological and historical background for the many towns, regions, and people groups. Dr. Farrar collected that data of the time into a supportive narrative of the New Testament, by focusing upon Paul.

CONCORDANCE TO THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS.				
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<p><b>A</b>BASE, make low, &amp;c.                      Job 40. 18. every one proud a.                      Eccl. 10. 26. scold him that is low and                      a. but that is high                      Job. 4. 27. those that walk in pride he                      is able to a.                      Psal. 12. 10. whosoever shall exalt him-                      self shall be abased                      Phil. 4. 12. how to be a. and how to                      LIVE 12. 7. offend in abasing myself                      ABATED, waters were, Gen. 8. 3.                      Gen. 8. 11. so Noah knew that the wa-                      ters were a.                      Lev. 17. 11. it shall be a. from thy esti-                      mation                      Dan. 12. 7. his eye was not dim, nor                      his natural force a.</p>	<p>1 John 3. 6. who is a. in him sineth not                      24. hereby we know he is a. in us                      John 8. 28. not his word abiding in you                      1 John 2. 25. so inordinate hath sin                      26 a.                      John 14. 23. make our abode with him                      ABILITY, in strength, wealth, &amp;c.                      Lev. 17. 8. Earn 2. 69. Neh. 5. 4. Dan. 1. 4                      Matt. 25. 15. in every man according to                      his a. Acts 11. 27.                      1 Pet. 4. 21. no of the a. God giveth                      ABJECTS, base wret. Ps. 35. 13.                      ABLE man, such as fine Gold, Eccl. 18. 21.                      Lev. 14. 22. such as he is a. to go                      Deut. 16. 17. every man give as he is a.                      Chron. 20. 6. none is a. to withstand                      Eccl. 45. 11. as he is a. to give                      Dan. 3. 17. our God is a. to deliver us                      12. our strength is a. to slay us</p>	<p>Gal. 4. 28. Jerusalem, which is a. in free                      Eph. 4. 8. see God who is a. all                      Col. 2. 4. see things which are a.                      2. set your affections on things a.                      Jas. 4. 17. every perfect gift is from a.                      3. 17. 17. wisdom from a. is pure                      ABOUND, become very full, large,                      Prov. 2. 24. Ross. 3. 2.                      Prov. 28. 26. she that is full shall a. with                      blessings                      Matt. 24. 12. because iniquity shall a.                      Rom. 5. 20. offence might a. but where                      sin a. grace did much more a.                      6. 1. shall we continue in sin that grace                      may a.                      1 Cor. 9. 8. able to make all grace a.                      that ye may a. in every good work                      Phil. 1. 9. that your love may a. more                      4. 22. know how to be abased and low</p>	<p>Acceptance day of the Lord, Luc. 21. 3.                      Ex. 29. 14. let the ministers of my                      heart be a.                      Eccl. 22. 20. sought out a. words                      Isa. 49. 8. in so a. time I heard them                      61. 4. 30. proclaim the a. year of the                      Lord, Luke 4. 21.                      Dan. 4. 27. let my counsel be a.                      Rom. 12. 1. sacrifice holy a. to God                      9. know good and a. will of God                      Eph. 5. 10. proving what is a. to the Lord                      Phil. 4. 18. sacrifice a. well pleasing                      1 Pet. 2. 9. as to God by Jesus Christ                      Heb. 12. 18. serves God acceptably with                      fear                      1 Tim. 1. 15. worthy of all acceptance                      ACCUSE, admission through Christ,                      Rom. 5. 2. Eph. 4. 18. 6. 3. 21.                      ACCOMPLISH, perform fully, finish,</p>	<p>Col. 2. 2. to the abridgement of the                      mystery of God                      ALIQUANT, thyself with him, John 22                      Pa. 136. 2. accompanied with my ways                      Isa. 53. 3. with grief                      ALIQUANT, intimate friends or com-                      panions, Job 19. 13. Eccl. 12. Ex. 31.                      11. Eccl. 12. 8. 26. 8. 28.                      ALIQUANT, best associates, Job 11. 14                      Job. 5. 3. will not at all a. the wicked                      ACTS of the Lord, Deut. 31. 3. 7.                      Judg. 5. 11. witness righteous a. of the                      Lord                      1 Sam. 14. 7. reason of all righteous a.                      of the Lord                      Pa. 106. 2. after mighty a. of Lord                      145. 6. speak of thy mighty a.                      150. 2. praise him for his mighty a.                      Job 26. 21. his a. his strength a.</p>

Figure 49 - Concordance by John Brown of Haddington - 1868

A Concordance is an alphabetic listing of all (mostly) words found in the Bible with a partial line bearing the word. Each entry for that word is listed in the same book order as found in the Bible (Genesis first through The Revelation last).

Alexander Cruden (published in 1737 London), John Brown of Haddington (published in 1868 Scotland), and James Strong (published in 1890, Drew University, New Jersey ... a decade after our 1881 Bible) each used cards or slips of paper to record these massive volumes of partial lines. This matched how the Oxford English Dictionary began in 1857 with its many quotes of a word as used in books. Sorting these cards was an immense problem that took decades to complete. None had the privilege of computer sorting, a word processor, or even a typewriter. Everything was hand-written and woe to the person who tripped and dumped a wooden drawer of sorted cards to the floor!

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TO  
ALL THE FACTS RELATING TO THE PRINCIPAL PERSONS, PLACES AND SUBJECTS  
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THE WORD OF GOD.

<p><b>A.</b>  <b>ABON</b> appointed to assist Moses,                      Ex. 4. 14, 27.                      his commission, Ex. 5-12; 16. 33;                      37.                      door high priest, Ex. 28.                      associated (Ex. 29), Lev. 8. 9.                      in first offerings, Lev. 9.                      his death to mourn for his sons' death,                      12.</p>	<p>his valiant deeds, 2 Sam. 21. 17; 23.                      18; 1 Chr. 11. 20; 18. 12.  <b>ABNER</b>, Saul's captain, 1 Sam. 14.                      50; 17. 55.                      taunted by David, 1 Sam. 26. 5. 14.                      at first adheres to Ishboseth, 2 Sam. 2. 8.                      but revolts to David, 2 Sam. 3. 8.                      treacherously slain by Joab, 2 Sam. 3. 27.                      lamented by David, 2 Sam. 3. 31.  <b>ADAMINATION</b>, what to God,</p>	<p><b>ACHAN'S</b> trespass and punishment,                      Josh. 7; 22. 20; 1 Chr. 2. 7.  <b>ACHISH</b>, king of Gath, his kindness                      to David, 1 Sam. 21. 10; 27. 2; 28. 1;                      29. 6. See 1 Kings 2. 39.  <b>ACHOR</b>, valley of, Achan slain there,                      Josh. 7. 26. See Hos. 2. 15.  <b>ACHSAH'S</b> request to Caleb, Josh.                      15. 16; Jud. 1. 13.  <b>ADAM</b> created in the image of God,</p>	<p>worldly, to be mortified, Rom. 1. 32;                      6; 8. 13; 13. 14; 1 Cor. 9. 27; 1                      4. 10; 5. 16, 24; Eph. 4. 17; 1 Ti.                      4. 5; 2 Tim. 3. 6; 2 Pet. 2. 10; 2  <b>AFFLICTED</b>, our duty toward                      Job 6. 14; 16. 5; 29. 25; 31. 19;                      32. 3; Prov. 22. 22; 31. 6; Acts 1:                      Rom. 12. 15; 2 Cor. 1. 4; Gal. 1:                      Phil. 1. 4, 29; 4. 14; 1 Thes. 1:                      1 Tim. 5. 10; Heb. 13. 3; Jam. 1:                      5. 11; 1 John 2. 17.</p>
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Figure 50 - Bible Teachers Textbook (Holman, 1881)

## The Psalter

The "Psalter in Metre" or "Psalms of David in Metre" were the 150 Psalms set out for congregational singing, either accompanied by musicians or sung a capella (voices only, no instrumental music). Many of their hymnals used the same meters, meaning that any tune that matched the defined meter could be repurposed for singing that given psalm.

The Psalters within our Family Bibles predates the "Psalter of the United Presbyterian Church of North America", 1887 version. A closer inspection may reveal the source but a date was not found on the title page.



Figure 51 - Psalter (Psalms in Metre)

The web-site "Music for the Church of God" ([www.cgmusic.org/library/index.htm](http://www.cgmusic.org/library/index.htm)) defined eleven versions of the Psalter including

- the 1562 "Old Version",
- the 1564 Church of Scotland version
- the "Scottish Psalter of 1635"

The New England Puritans used a version dated in 1640. The web site gives historical notes and full text renditions of three versions (1562, 1650, and 1696) along with details about metre notations. They compare some Psalms using all eleven English versions.

The Hetherton Presbyterian Church in Michigan sings the Psalter "a capella". Their modern copy differs only slightly from our century-old Bibles.

The tags of C.M., S.M., and L.M. for each Psalm reflects the meter cadence of the Psalm,

- C.M. = Common Meter of four lines: eight syllables, six syllables, eight syllables, and six syllables per stanza (annotated as 8.6.8.6 in hymnals).
- S.M. = Short Meter, noted in hymnals as 6.6.8.6
- L.M. = Long Meter, noted in hymnals as 8.8.8.8



### 1910 Crane (LHG Crane)

This 1910 American Bible Society (ABS) version is an unremarkable copy with no explanatory footnotes or a central column for cross-references. They mass-produced this non-sectarian version for low-cost distribution among all denominations and colleges.

In the middle 1800's, there was higher interest in Greek papyri located by fledgling archeologists. These were older than the sources used by the King James Version. The famous Westcott and Hort examination of all known Greek sources (1853 through its publication on 1881) was widely referenced in the 1900s. The ABS still used the King James Version as its base, but used these older Greek documents to cross-check the text.

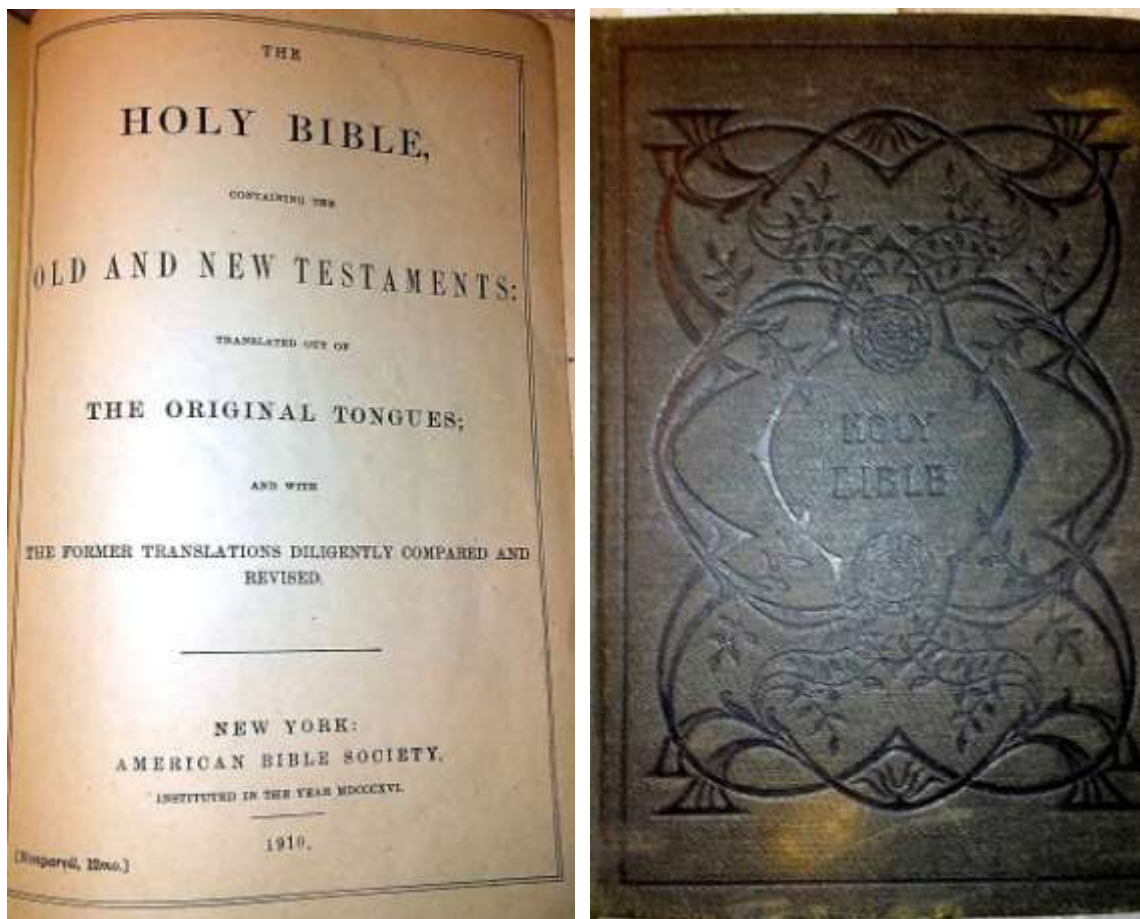


Figure 52 – LHG Crane Title Page and Fabric Cover (ABS, 1910)

The back fabric cover is embossed with “ABS”. In many ways, the familiar Gideon Bibles in hotel rooms through the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century followed the same non-sectarian principle using the New King James Version without footnotes or cross-references.

**1930 Nathan Maclean (LHG 2013.18.06)**

The undated (pre-1931), ordinary, and unused 'routine use' Bible was pressed by Cambridge University using a low-cost paper faux-leather cover. It was common for youth in every church-attending Livermore family to have their own Bible. Beryl Maclean donated this particular Bible.

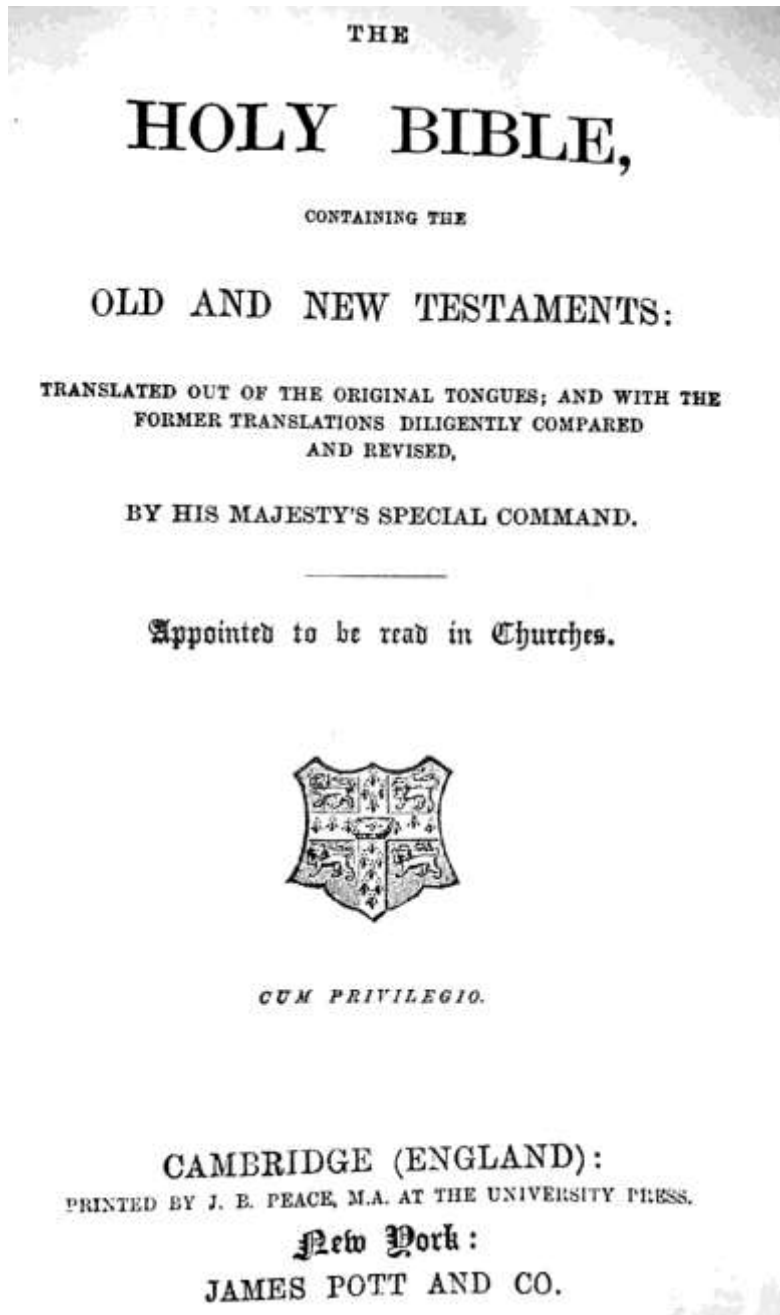


Figure 53 - LHG 2013.18.06 Title Page (Cambridge)