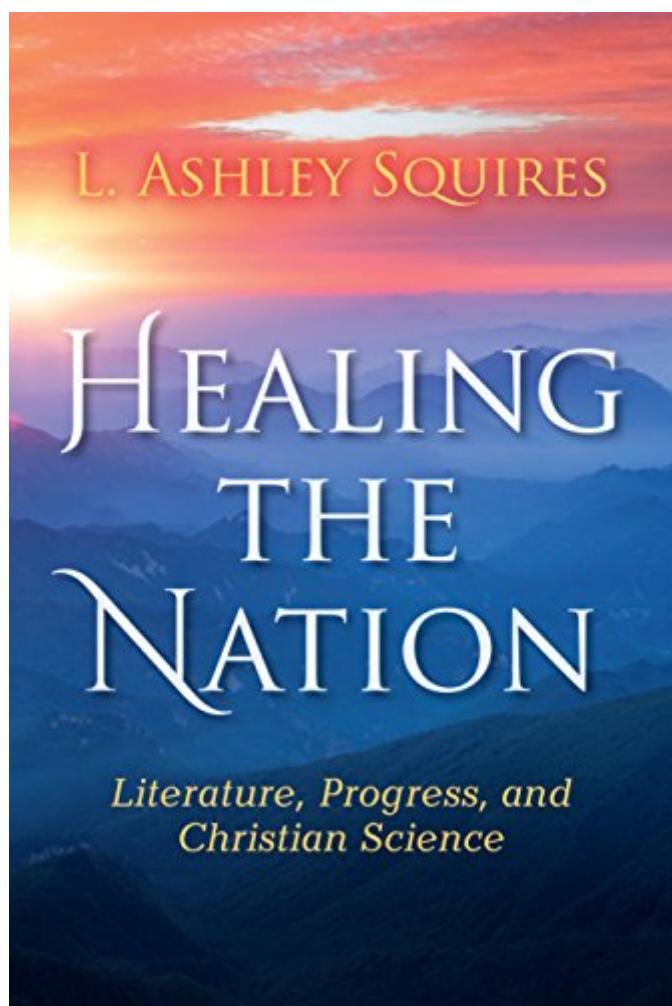


The book was found

Healing The Nation: Literature, Progress, And Christian Science (Religion In North America)



Synopsis

Exploring the surprising presence of Christian Science in American literature at the turn of the 20th century, L. Ashley Squires reveals the rich and complex connections between religion and literature in American culture. Mary Baker Eddy's Church of Christ, Scientist was one of the fastest growing and most controversial religious movements in the United States, and it is no accident that its influence touched the lives and work of many American writers, including Frances Hodgson Burnett, Willa Cather, Theodore Dreiser, Upton Sinclair, and Mark Twain. Squires focuses on personal stories of sickness and healing—whether supportive or deeply critical of Christian Science—'s recommendations --penned in a moment when the struggle between religion and science framed debates about how the United States was to become a modern nation. As outsized personalities and outlandish rhetoric took to the stage, Squires examines how the poorly understood Christian Science movement contributed to popular narratives about how to heal the nation and advance the cause of human progress.

Book Information

File Size: 1226 KB

Print Length: 226 pages

Page Numbers Source ISBN: 0253029546

Publisher: Indiana University Press (June 16, 2017)

Publication Date: June 16, 2017

Sold by: Digital Services LLC

Language: English

ASIN: B0748BRXRD

Text-to-Speech: Enabled

X-Ray: Not Enabled

Word Wise: Enabled

Lending: Not Enabled

Screen Reader: Supported

Enhanced Typesetting: Enabled

Best Sellers Rank: #553,866 Paid in Kindle Store (See Top 100 Paid in Kindle Store) #31

in Kindle Store > Kindle eBooks > Religion & Spirituality > Christian Books & Bibles > Christian Denominations & Sects > Christian Science #35 in Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Genres & Styles > Religion #72 in Books > Christian Books & Bibles > Christian

Customer Reviews

Healing the Nation is a well-researched and very well written overview of little known nor appreciated historical connections that had profound effects on American culture and literature at the turn of the 20th century. I found it to be a real page turner with regard to the history it covers. As a physician who has practiced medicine for 30 years and whose main side interest is studying the history of science, medicine, and religion in the US, this book was for me a home run. The historical discussion on the development of the concept of professionalism in medicine is provided as a backdrop in the first 2 chapters, but is in and of itself excellent and insightful. How the professionalization of medicine was used in an understandable but often self-serving way to gain control and power over the many alternative/sectarian practitioners of the day and how personally and spiritually unsatisfying was its biologically deterministic narrative to the mainstream, sheds light on what we face even today in how our culture views and struggles with these same issues. The book highlights a similar biased and messy process in the development of ethical standards in journalism, a battle that led to the founding of the Pulitzer Prize winning Christian Science Monitor. The author is fair in the treatment of Mary Baker Eddy and Christian Science, seeking to mainly place her in historical context and show the surprisingly broad influence of the movement on American culture that would continue far into the century. The book shows this surprising influence in the literature of the time, some of which (The Secret Garden, A Little Princess) are beloved even today. The arguments are compelling and well referenced.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Healing the Nation: Literature, Progress, and Christian Science (Religion in North America) Healing: Reclaim Your Health: Self Healing Techniques: Fasting, Meditation, Prayer, Healing Medicine, and Energy Work (Channeling, Shamanism, Chakra Healing, ... Qigong Healing, Ayahuasca Book 1) Crystals and Gemstones: Healing The Body Naturally (Chakra Healing, Crystal Healing, Self Healing, Reiki Healing) The Pilgrim's Progress (Listener's Collection of Classic Christian Literature) Neotectonics of North America: Decade Map Volume to Accompany the Neotectonic Maps, Part of the Continent-Scale Maps of North America (Geology of North America) Reiki: The Healing Energy of Reiki - Beginnerâ™s Guide for Reiki Energy and Spiritual Healing: Reiki: Easy and Simple Energy Healing Techniques Using the ... Energy Healing for Beginners Book 1) The Autobiography of Emperor Haile Sellassie I: King of Kings of All Ethiopia and Lord of All Lords (My Life and Ethiopia's Progress) (My Life and ... (My Life and Ethiopia's Progress (Paperback)) Crystals: The

Ultimate Guide To: Energy Fields, Auras, Chakras and Emotional Healing (Aura, Healing Stones, Crystal Energy, Crystal Healing, Energy Fields, Emotional Healing, Gemstone) Crystal Healing: Simple Guide To Understanding The Benefits Of Crystals (Healing Stones ,Energy Healing,Crystal Healing Book 2) Crystal Healing: The Ultimate Reference Guide To Understanding The Benefits of Crystals (Healing Stones, Energy Healing, Crystal Healing, Chakras Book 1) Crystal Healing: The Ultimate Reference Guide To Understanding The Benefits of Crystals (Healing Stones, Energy Healing, Crystal Healing, Chakras) Motherâ™s First-Born Daughters: Early Shaker Writings on Women and Religion (Religion in North America) Religion and Hopi Life, Second Edition (Religion in North America) Combustion Instabilities in Liquid Rocket Engines: Testing and Development Practices in Russia (Progress in Astronautics & Aeronautics) (Progress in Astronautics and Aeronautics) Guide to Law and Literature for Teachers, Students, and Researchers: Companion Text to Literature and Legal Problem Solving : Law and Literature As Ethical Discourse One Nation Under God: How Corporate America Invented Christian America The Bible: The Complete Guide to Reading the Bible, Bible Study, and Scriptures (bible, religion, spirituality, holy bible, christian, christian books, understanding the bible) Portrait of a Nation: Culture and Progress in Ecuador The Veterinary Clinics of North America: Small Animal Practice Volume 29 Number 2 March 1999 Progress in Gastroenterology Progress in Heterocyclic Chemistry: A Critical Review of the 1999 Literature Preceded by Three Chapters on Current Heterocyclic Topics: 12

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)