

for human life to continue upon the earth. Without it men and animals would long ago have died out everywhere except in tropical regions.

~~The reason for this is that,~~ ^{if} if it were not for this provision, when a stream begins to freeze the water would contract as it became ice, so that the ice would be heavier than the water around it, and would consequently drop to the bottom of the stream. ^{Therefore} ~~The result would be that~~ all streams would freeze from the bottom up, and so would become frozen solidly through. No water would flow in winter, and life of all sorts would be impossible, except in tropical regions. However, God has made ice a great exception to the usual rule. It expands, when it is made. As a result, streams and lakes freeze at the top instead of at the bottom, thus forming an insulating barrier between the cold air above and the water below. The water underneath continues to flow, unfrozen, and is available for human beings and animals. We must recognize in this a marvelous sign of God's wonderful provision of the earth as a place where man should live. (2")

A 235 Truly man is wonderfully made. The structure of the body that God has given us is marvelous indeed. Thousands of parts are involved. Medical science has learned a tremendous amount in the past few centuries, but many a secret of human life is still far from understood. ^{It seems} The more we learn the more we find that there are great mysteries which we do not yet know.

A most interesting illustration of this fact is shown in something that has occurred within my own lifetime.

Thirty years ago there was a string of restaurants in the eastern part of the United States, which stated on each menu just how many calories each order of food contained. These menus were so arranged as to make it easy for the person dining to construct for himself a scientific meal, having just the