

A decorative banner for the 'EXHIBIT OF THE AMERICAN EXHIBIT OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY'. The banner is flanked by two female figures. On the left, a woman in classical attire sits and reads a book. On the right, a woman in a dress with an American flag motif sits and holds a shield. The central text 'EXHIBIT OF THE AMERICAN EXHIBIT OF THE NINETEENTH CENTURY' is written in a stylized, arched font across the banner.

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To this day a feeling of terror takes possession of us when we recall the fearful sufferings, the agonizing tortments to which the foul and hideous Inquisition condemned its martyrs. And it was in the name of Jesus God, of a God of love and mercy, that such terrible deaths were perpetrated by those who dared to sacrifice themselves as representatives among men.

There is a bright side to this dark picture. The history of eternal truth was never entirely extinguished by the mass of barbarism and faith which obscured it. To original simplicity, to the noble souls among the people in favour, *despite* their theological training, which

the latter of whom has been called

Having demonstrated to him above the possibility of a doubt his *theivable* immortality, it teaches him that, through his own exertions, and not through faith in any vicarious atonement, he can obtain happiness in this life; to come; that through his own self only can he be saved; that he must be stoned. It teaches him that by his thoughts, words, and actions he is constantly building up his future life, and that his life and his future life will be in exact correspondence with what he has been in the material form. It teaches him the monstrous doctrine of eternal damnation, and that the progress is inherent in all of his life and that spiritual progression will sooner or later be attained by each individual soul. More or fewer

How far we as finite beings will ever be able to comprehend these laws is more than can be said at this time; to what extent of development these manifestations will attain, is also a question that we cannot presume to answer. Comparatively little has as yet been done to bring their investigations to a scientific basis. Perhaps it is best so, for as soon as we go above the rudiments of the science, we find ourselves confronted by the Infinite. Modern Spiritualism is but in its infancy, yet it has opened to science immense fields of inquiry, and it has given it a key to unlock its great mysteries. The knowledge of spirit-control and of spirit-affinity is a powerful solvent to metaphysical

Q If it were not for the hope of immortality, why would this life be? Life would not be worth living.

A All the happiness and pleasure we anticipate would be like so many bubbles painted with glittering rings, which, when grasped, would leave only a tear on our hand. Why, if there is no immortality, should we strive to learn so many things that cannot be put to practical use in this life? All of you have learned some things beautiful which you cannot use practically, and yet it is a pleasure to possess the knowledge.

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The Southampton school of whales escaped no doubt rejoicing at the conscientious regard of the New York State authorities for the human Sunday, which is a very different thing from the Jewish Sabbath. It is said that for some time past the fishermen were heard to use various unkind terms to those who were opposed to the Sabbath. Both the whale fishermen and the Sunday school teachers were supporting themselves unobtrusively in the liquid holder of the "risky deep."

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Banner of Light.

ALL SORTS OF PARAGRAPHS.

SPIRIT CHILDREN'S DAY.—On Tuesday afternoon, June 19th, our Public Free Circle will be devoted exclusively to spirit-children who are anxious to send messages to their parents or other loved ones.

DECORATION DAY

It was largely celebrated on the 30th ult. Take from your flag its fold of gloom, And let it float undimmed above, Till over all our vales shall bloom The sacred colors that we love.

Not there, but freed from flesh they go Where angels tread with light and flowers: They fought to give us peace; and, lo! They gained a better peace than ours. —Phoebe Cary.

Greenville, Texas, was visited by a very destructive tornado Saturday, June 2d, which did about \$100,000 damage.

In all the European States the expenditure for war is largely in excess of that for education. The proportion is greatest in Russia, which expends eighty times as much for war as for education, and least in Switzerland, where nearly as much is spent for education as for war. Denmark ranks next to Switzerland in this respect.

Talmage says: "I tell you plainly if the muskrat was your father and the muskrat your mother and the kangaroo your great-uncle and the toads and the snapping turtles your illustrious predecessors, my father was God." Thoroughly reverent and devout worshippers have a right to resent this declaration as a reflection on God. —The Index, Boston.

The anniversary of the demise of the patriot General Garibaldi was commemorated throughout Italy last Sunday. The syndicate of Rome unveiled a bronze bust of the hero in the capitol.

It is only by purification of the homes and haunts of the poor, and by the preventive measures of friendly visitors, that Tewksbury will have fewer inmates, and the woman's prison become a less terrible necessity.

There is soon to be published in this city a "Life of Theodore Parker" for young people.

The heirs of Peter Cooper will add \$100,000 this year to the same amount bequeathed to the Cooper Institute by the philanthropist.

Each of the six tollmen on the Brooklyn bridge on Saturday received fares from eighty foot passengers a minute. The tolls received on that day amounted to more than fifteen hundred dollars.

In Sebeo, Me., there is a factory that uses over a thousand cords of wood annually, making a two-horse load of tooth-picks each day. These are all sent to Boston, and thence in every direction.

The Spiritualists having received stronger evidences of the life beyond, are receiving large accessions to their belief, and are agitating the creation of a hall in this village. —South Shore Herald, North Scituate, May 16th.

A solid and substantial greatness of soul looks down with serene calmness on the censures and applause of the multitude.

A writer in Nature says that "the opinion once commonly entertained that sheet-lightning is a distinct form of lightning, unaccompanied by sound," is an erroneous one, and pronounces the verdict that "ordinary sheet or summer lightning is simply the illumination produced by a distant thunder-storm."

An exchange says a fisherman's favorite instrument is the cast-net. In this region they somehow remind one of the lyre. —Lynn Item.

Their music, however, is both vocal and instrumental, consisting of a variety of tongues and sounds, comprising many scales.

The fact that a hundred members of the House of Commons have signed a letter to the Premier in favor of extending the county franchise to women is an indication that the Woman's Rights movement is gaining ground in England.

The coronation of Alexander III. as "Czar of all the Russias" occurred on Sunday, May 27th. Nothing transpired to mar the solemnities, (2) or disturb the grand farce; the same is true of the festivities which followed.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF INSTRUCTION.—The Annual Meeting of this Association will be held at Fabyan's, White Mountains, July 11th-13th. This will be an occasion of unusual interest and attraction for the friends of education in New England, and all parts of the country. The subjects to be brought before the meeting are among the most prominent and interesting of the day. The officers of the Association are: Geo. A. Walton, President, West Newton, Mass.; Robert C. Metcalf, Secretary, Boston; James W. Webster, Treasurer, Boston.

The belief that the people of Pompeii cultivated watermelons is strengthened by the discovery in the recent excavations there of a man with his hands clasped across his stomach. There was nothing, however, to indicate that he was of African descent.

The Medical Society of Scott County, Iowa, has elected Dr. Jennie McGowan, a well-known woman physician of Davenport, as its President for the ensuing year. This is the first instance in the history of the medical fraternity in which a woman has been chosen for the executive position of a medical society.

The reduction of the national debt for the month of May will amount to about \$3,500,000.

A rupture between the Prussian Government and the Vatican is reported.

Light diet during the heated term, which soon begins, is conducive to health. Everybody should bear this in mind; but we do not suppose they will, and so they must take the consequences.

Love is the palace of the soul; its furniture; patience its apparel; peace its surroundings; happiness its goal.

Cyclones, riots, strikes and lynchings seem to be uncommonly frequent at the West of late.

William A. Heney, according to the New York Sun, who has acted as the business manager and private secretary of Dr. Francis W. Monck, of England, the Brooklyn "healing preacher," has begun a suit against him for \$25,000. Mr. Heney, in his affidavit, swears that Dr. Monck was called a fraud by a newspaper, and that he had never denied it.

What I ask for myself is what I wish to accord to others, whatever form of faith, or no faith, it may please them to adopt. Whoever fears his religion will not endure this liberty, and therefore seeks to ally it with the State, evidences a suspicion, if not a consciousness, that that religion is fatally weak. —Oliver Johnson, in the Atlantic Monthly for June.

A friend—whom we suspect to be Bro. L. K. Conley—sent us recently from Marshfield, Mass., a fine sample of rhubarb or "pie-plant," which grew from roots imported by Daniel Webster. Thanks.

TO REMOVE TAR FROM THE HANDS.—Rub the tarred places with the outside of fresh orange or lemon peel, and wipe dry immediately. The volatile oils in these fruit skins dissolve the tar, so that it can be easily wiped off.

A London clergyman is said to have told his congregation that there was still many a one who, while engaged in slaying another with all his heart, the lines—

"Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small,"

was diligently engaged with one hand in his pocket scraping the edge of a three-penny piece to make sure it was not a four-penny piece.

Ananias had a bad reputation for truthfulness, but it is to his credit that he never wrote the reports of foreign missionary societies.

Any pimply, rough, dry, scaly skin disease (varieties on use of Dr. Benson's Skin Cure. Unparalleled.

Spiritualist Meetings in Boston:

Banner of Light Circle.—Every Sunday, 8 o'clock. Admission free. For further particulars, see notice on inside page. L. B. Wilson, Chairman.

Northwestern Hall.—Evening, Sunday, at 10:15 A. M. and 7:15 P. M. William Fletcher, Speaker. The public cordially invited.

Palmer Memorial Hall.—Children's Progressive Lyceum No. 1, Appleton street, Sunday, at 10 o'clock, Benjamin Weaver, Conductor.

College Hall.—Evening, Sunday, at 7:30 P. M. E. B. Ebb, Conductor. Meetings also Wednesday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

Harmack Hall.—34 Essex Street (at night).—Sunday, at 10:15 A. M. and 7:15 P. M.; Thursday, at 8 P. M. Prescott Robinson, Chairman.

Eagle Hall.—Spiritual meetings every Saturday evening, at 7:15 o'clock.

Wells Memorial Hall.—287 Washington Street.—Spiritual Phenomena Association. Every Sunday, at 7:30 P. M.

Charlestown District.—Mechanics' Hall, 212 Main street.—Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock; Sunday evenings, at 7:30 P. M. Robinson, Conductor. (See the Banner of Light for details.)

Myrtle Hall.—70 Main Street.—Sunday afternoon, at 8 o'clock. C. B. Marsh, Conductor.

Chelsea Spiritual Association.—Old Fellows Building, 177 North Street.—Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock; Sunday evenings, at 7:30 P. M. Next Sunday afternoon and evening, at 7:30 P. M. Robinson, Conductor. (See the Banner of Light for details.)

The True Mission of Spiritualism and the Dignity of Mediumship.—Evening, "How Can We Best Secure the True Mission of Spiritualism?"

The Ladies' Harmonical Aid Society.—Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, in same hall. Business meeting at 4:30. Entertainments in the evening. Mrs. S. A. Taylor, President.

New Era Hall.—To-day was our closing session of the season. In the morning, rested and invigorated by education, we then opened our doors with renewed courage to battle for the cause. Our ranks were full to-day, and our children ready to make it one of the most interesting sessions of the season. After the regular morning exercises came the following: The beautiful story of the sentiments of love and devotion, with uigala to-day, and presented each scholar and leader with a bouquet. Remarks were made by Mr. Hatch, Conductor, and Mr. Rand, Assistant. Miss M. T. Steinhilber was also present, and gave words of encouragement for the future. The session closed with Physical Exercises, led by Master Arthur Rand.

The Lyceum, on Saturday afternoon next, at 2 o'clock, will make a visit to the Soldiers' Home, Chelsea, to entertain their soldier friends. Much pleasure is anticipated in consequence. FRANK HAZEN, Assistant Conductor, Shawmut Lyceum, 8 Webster street, Charlestown District.

PAINE HALL, JUNE 30.—A large school and audience gathered to-day for the closing of the exercises of "Memorial Sunday." Only one member from this Lyceum has been called to the Summer-Land during the year—Mrs. May Southey, a Leader and zealous worker; but several of its best friends have joined the ranks of the immortal. Mrs. C. C. Currier, whose earnest words were always attentively listened to; Mrs. Nelson, who had a circle arranged for the benefit of our young people, when she herself was first called to part with her husband, and then herself received the welcome assurance of her own immortality; and Mrs. Conroy, who has spoken many words of cheer, comfort and admonition to members of this school. A large bouquet of wild flowers represented her on our platform, which was transformed into a beautiful flower-bed by kind friends. Conductor A. J. Taylor and his piano were decorated with floral tributes, and above all a beautiful floral arch. Beside those who have spoken of the soldier-friend were not forgotten. Mr. Parsons, our much respected Treasurer, with a delegation of John A. Andrew Post, G. A. R., Capt. W. H. Kinsley Post, Somerville, and others, represented them.

After the usual opening exercises, and a cornet solo by A. L. Gardner, the scholars were then introduced with a bouquet. Dr. Richardson was then presented, and said: "I am glad to see you here, and I am glad to have no doubt that you from the immortal shores his words of greeting, and to say to you, 'Go on in the good work.'" Some very interesting reminiscences were related by Mr. Parsons. He also paid a touching tribute in memory of Bro. Currier, who was a brother comrade in the G. A. R. Miss Amy Peters of Forest read a selection arranged by Past Conductor, Mrs. Sarah A. Byrne, although unable to make a lengthy speech, cheered us by a few kind and loving words. Mr. Fratt, of Braintree, after an eloquent speech fitting to the time and occasion, said Lyceums ought to have the support of the Spiritualists. "Gather with the children in the Lyceum; you will be benefited as well as they; the dialogue by Assistant-Conductor Russell was then given by the young ladies who participated in it at the Soldiers' Home. Mrs. Bagley, of Chelsea, the much respected test-medium, spoke of the angel-visitants present and of her own life in the Lyceum. Mrs. Robinson, of the School, treated us again to a whistling solo. Song by Annie Setchell. A beautiful selection, read by Mr. Fred. Cooley, was received with much deserved enthusiasm; a selection, "The Red, White and Blue," was read by Mrs. A. J. Taylor. A very acceptable manner by Miss Amy Peters, of Braintree, of Lynn, spoke interestingly and earnestly on the topics already suggested; remarks were also made by Dr. Lathrop. The exercises were closed by Miss Lena Outhorp with a fine reading. Again we were called upon to thank the friends of this school for their season.

FRANCIS B. WOODRURY, Cor. Sec., 210 Columbus Avenue, corner Berkeley street.

LADIES' AND PARLORS.—Sunday last, June 3d, the Progressive School at a Song and Service, which proved to be very interesting. The visitors were entertained by addresses by the older ones and singing and speaking by the children. Every child received a small bouquet, and all that spoke or sang were presented with bouquets. The exercises were most successful, and much better than we had hoped for; the collection of wild flowers was especially admired by all. Will the many friends who sent us flowers accept the thanks of the school for their kind remembrance. We shall continue the school through this month, and hope to have many friends with us again before we close the season.

A. A. LORD, Secretary, 12 Causeway street.

BENEVOLENT CONCERT.—Readers in Boston and vicinity are requested to bear in mind the concert and variety entertainment to be given at the Soldiers' Home, ushers, and Mr. A. V. Abbott, Janitor of Horticultural Hall, to be held under the auspices of the Horticultural Temple on the evening of Thursday, June 7th. Doors open at 7. Exercises to commence at 7:45.

CHARLESTOWN, MYSTIC HALL.—Sunday, June 3d, the meeting was held at the usual hour. Mr. David Brown gave a very excellent discourse, talking for his theme "Individuality," the subject being given by a member of the audience. At its close he gave a large number of tests. Mr. Heath favored the audience with one of his sweet songs, after which Mrs. Stearns and Mrs. Davis gave a number of tests, nearly all of which were recognized as correct. These meetings are increasing in interest from week to week. Next Sunday, June 10th, Mr. Brown, Mrs. Stearns and Mrs. Davis will take part at 3 P. M.

C. B. M.

Horticultural Hall, Boston.

Mr. J. W. Fletcher, who has been heard in nearly all the large cities adjacent to New York during the past year, began a brief engagement in Horticultural Hall, on Sunday A. M. Richard Holmes, Esq., in introducing the speaker, said the regular meetings having closed in this hall it was greatly desired that Mr. Fletcher should be heard here. These meetings are friends had arranged for the present course of lectures.

"Mr. Fletcher is by far too widely known for his eloquence and rare meditative powers to need any lengthy remarks from me." After some fine music from Mrs. Clapp, Mr. Pope as accompanist, the speaker proceeded to deliver a discourse upon "The Mediums of the Past." Beginning with Jesus as the great medium, he plainly showed that his life was a prophecy of what the present is but a fulfillment; the purpose of his life was to bring "life and immortality to light"; and it was to be for this, for the purity of his acts and teaching, that he was crucified, rather than for any error he had committed. There are those who look for his second coming, later and later, but he is already here. The manifestations of spirit-power to-day, seen on every hand, are the embodiment of the Christ-spirit acting through universal law. The life of Joan d'Arc was graphically described, her sufferings touchingly narrated, and the lesson drawn that she, too, was a victim to that "ignorance which has so blinded the spiritual perceptions of man in all ages of the world."

The Salem witchcraft experience served to illustrate the same thought, while the mediumship of the present time is only another effort to prove the existence of the spirit. "What is mediumship? What is art? What is music? What is poetry? There are those who are wonderfully gifted, and there are those who are not. They are all mediums, and the difference is only in the degree of their gifts. The world is a vast temple, and the spirit is the great power. The world says it is genius; and what is genius but inspiration? Well, now, I place the power of the medium side by side with the genius of the poet or musician, and hold it as worthy of all honor and

reapment." The lecture, which was frequently applauded, was replete with striking illustrations.

In the evening there was a large audience in attendance who listened with rapt attention to a lecture upon "The Body and the Spirit." In reply to the question, "What will Mr. Beecher do with Spiritualism?" the speaker said, "The question is not of half so much importance as, 'What will Spiritualism do with Mr. Beecher?' The gentleman said, leave the subject to soliloquists. That was good advice; we always leave all such soliloquists, whenever they have registered these views of facts, to the people for their judgment. The report of the speaker upon the subject has been most favorable. Would their opinion of Mr. Beecher's theology be quite the same? If we mistake not, they exploded that some time ago. The truth can take care of itself without the patronage of brilliant names."

At the close of this great effort, Mr. Fletcher exercised his test powers, giving a large number of descriptions, every one of which was recognized. There was a large number of the old workers present, as well as many who were apparently attracted by a lecture of this kind for the first time. Mr. Fletcher will speak in the same hall next Sunday at 10:30, and in the evening at 8 o'clock, followed by tests.

Good Tidings from Greenwich, Mass.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

Of all the indefatigable and successful workers in the spiritual vineyard to-day, perhaps no one has been more instrumental in affecting public sentiment in a single town than Mr. H. W. Smith of Greenwich, Mass. When this gentleman introduced Spiritualism to that town, all the inhabitants were against him; to-day a spiritual lecturer is sure to meet there a large, intelligent and appreciative audience. If it is only known that Mr. Smith endorses a project, a general interest is awakened, and a desire manifest to share in the entertainment provided. In his very commendable efforts he has been ably assisted by that industrious worker in the spiritual cause, Miss Nellie B. Luchlan, formerly of Boston.

The week commencing Sunday, May 27th, was a gala week at Greenwich. The exercises of the following days were preceded by a delightful little circle held on that evening at Mr. Smith's residence. Monday, May 28th, W. J. Colville held a reception, which was attended by as many persons as could be accommodated in Mr. Smith's spacious parlors. Mr. Willis Milligan of Boston assisted in the evening's proceedings, rendering valuable service by his effective performance both on organ and piano. Mr. Colville's guides answered a great many questions relative to spirit-life, very intelligently, giving thirty-three symbolic, individual presentations, and two fine improvisations on subjects selected by members of the company. On Tuesday evening, May 29th, a grand concert was given at the church, which was crowded to its utmost capacity. A large choir of children, among whom are many quite effective soloists, trained by Mr. Smith, sang most beautifully some inspired verses given them by Miss Luchlan and set to music by Mr. Smith, who accompanied them on one of his finest organs. Mr. Milligan playing the piano in perfect accord throughout. The two instrumental blended exercises, and the sweet, clear young voices were heard in numerous solos and concerted pieces. The exercises were most successful, and another reception was held at Mr. Smith's residence, for which he so justly renowned. Miss Maud Jordan played four violin solos in charming style, and W. J. Colville sang two ballads and gave a fine inspirational poem. The exercises, which lasted over two hours and a half, were none too protracted to sustain the unflinching attention of the large audience; the children were beautifully attired in fancy dresses, and the church prettily ornamented.

On Memorial Day, Mr. Colville gave a lecture suited to the occasion before the Independent Order of Good Templars and their friends in Greenwich Village. On Sunday, May 31st, another reception was held at Mr. Smith's. Mr. Colville, under influence of his inspirers, answered several deep philosophical questions with rare ability, and then, under influence of "Winona," gave nearly twenty personal poems, many of those given to children being of rare beauty and appropriateness. Friday, June 1st, at 8 P. M., a lecture was given in Greenwich church by the guides of Mr. Colville on "The Cause and Cure of Crime and Poverty." It was highly appreciated by a large audience. The poem at the close on "Reform, Justice and Charity," was loudly applauded. Thus ended a series of six consecutive gatherings, each one of which has left many pleasing and instructive impressions on the minds of all who were privileged to attend them. So great is the demand for spiritual teaching in this place at present that Mr. Colville's guides have consented to speak in Greenwich on Sunday, June 17th, at 3 P. M., when the subject of the discourse will be "The Future of America, and the Secret of Her Coming Glory," followed by a poem on subjects to be chosen by the audience. At 7:30 P. M. on the same day Mr. Colville's guides will hold a public reception for the answering of questions and giving of poems. Mr. Willis Milligan has been specially selected to furnish music on both occasions. INDEX.

Meetings in Clinton, Mass.

The Spiritualist Society in Clinton, Mass., has been organized about a year, and all associated with it may well be proud of their efforts. It has grown so rapidly that Currier's Hall is too small to hold the audiences. Monday evening, May 28th, Mr. Edgar W. Emerson held a test-session in this hall. He was followed by short addresses from George A. Fuller and Mrs. Kate R. Stiles. The Clinton Times alludes to the meeting as follows:

"Currier's Hall was filled to overflowing Monday evening, May 28th, by a large audience. Mr. Emerson, the famous test-medium, Mr. Emerson was entranced and gave what purported to be messages from the unseen world, giving the names, ages, manner of death and the localities in which the people formerly resided, and all this in a most impressive manner. The exercises were most successful, and the audience was greatly benefited. The tests were not confined to those of the faith, but were given to unbelievers who admitted afterward their knowledge of the facts as related. After Mr. Emerson had concluded, Geo. A. Fuller, of Dover Mass., was introduced, and spoke for half an hour in a very interesting manner. He reviewed the progress of Spiritualism since its recent revival some thirty-five years ago. Then it was considered a new phase of skepticism which theologians prophesied would be the end of the world. Spiritualism, it said, had stood defiantly against the severest epistemic, could be hurled at it, and even inverted investigation. To-day the clergy and laity are investigating spiritual phenomena to find out whether they are right or wrong. Keep down the heresies which are rising in their own minds. From prominent clergymen, who have recently become converts, were instances as results of this investigating spirit which is abroad. In conclusion, he said he could not see how people could refuse Spiritualism and believe in the power of the unseen world. The great spiritual power which moves and controls the universe, will bind together every nation, kindred and tongue in one harmonious family."

Mrs. Stiles of Worcester also spoke earnestly, appealing to her hearers to open their hearts to the promptings and whisperings of the unseen hosts, that they might have an opportunity of assisting them to a higher and holier plane of living."

A New Meeting in New York.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

I am happy to inform the readers of the Banner of Light that a Mediums' Spiritual Meeting was very successfully inaugurated last evening in Currier's Hall, 44 West 14th street, this city, to continue each Sunday evening during the summer. A morning or afternoon session will probably be added, when the other meetings in the city suspend for their vacations. The exercises last evening were participated in by Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Dr. Somerby, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. S. M. Hall, Mrs. Mary F. Lovering of East Boston, Mass., presided at the piano, and discoursed sweet music, both selected and of her own composition. The inviolable by their mediums; and the audience generally, expressed great satisfaction at the movement, and it is prophesied good things will come out of it. F. W. JONES.

New York City, June 4th, 1888.

A MALARIAL VICTIM.

The Trying Experience of a Prominent Minister in the Tropics and at the North.

To the Editor:

The following circumstances, drawn from my personal experience, are so important and really remarkable that I have felt called upon to make them public. Their truth can be amply verified:

In 1871 I moved from Canton, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., to Florida, which State I intended to make my future residence. I purchased a home on the banks of the St. John's River, and settled down, as I thought, for life. The summer following the first winter I was conscious of most peculiar sensations which seemed to be the accompaniment of a change of climate. I felt a sinking at the pit of the stomach, accompanied by occasional dizziness and nausea. I had an oppressive sense of weariness. I had a thirst for acids, and my appetite was weak and uncertain. My digestion was impaired, and my food did not assimilate. At first I imagined it was the effect of nature to become acclimated, and so I waited a little. But my troubles increased until I became restless and feverish, and the physician informed me I was suffering from malarial fever. This continued in spite of all the best physicians could do, and I kept growing steadily worse. In the year 1880 my physicians informed me a change of climate was absolutely necessary—that I could not survive another summer in the South. I determined to return North, but not to the extreme portion, and so I took up my residence at Upper Sandusky, in Central Ohio. The change did not work the desired cure, and I again consulted physicians. I found they were unable to effect a permanent cure, and an extreme summer weather of summer came on I grew so much worse that I gave up all hope. At that time I was suffering terribly. How badly, only those who have contracted malarial fever can appreciate who have contracted malarial disease in tropical regions. It seemed as if death would be a relief greater than any other blessing. But notwithstanding all this, I am happy to state that I am to-day a perfectly well and healthy man. How I came to recover so remarkably can be understood from the following card voluntarily published by me in the Sandusky, O., Republican, entitled:

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

EDITORS REPUBLICAN: During my recent visit to Upper Sandusky, so many inquiries were made relative to what medicine, or course of treatment, had brought such a marked change in my system. I feel it to be due to the proprietors, and to the public, to state that Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure accomplished for me what other medicines and physicians had failed to do. The malarial poison which had worked its way so thoroughly through my system during my five years' residence in Florida had brought me to the verge of the grave, and physicians had pronounced my case incurable; but that is not to be wondered at, as it was undoubtedly one of the worst on record. Though Brothers, of your city, called my attention to the medicine referred to, and induced me to try a few bottles. So marked was the change after four weeks' trial that I continued its use, and now, after three months, the cure is complete. This is not written for the benefit of Warner & Co., but for the public, and especially for any person troubled with malarial or bilious attacks.

Such is the statement I made, without solicitation, upon my recovery, and such a standard at the present time, and I am convinced that Warner's Safe Kidney is all it is claimed to be, and as such deserves the great favor it has received. A remedy which can cure the severest case of tropical malaria of five years' standing certainly cannot fail to cure those minor malarial troubles which are so prevalent, and yet so serious.

ALFRED DAY,

Pastor Universalist Church, Woodstock, O., May 10th, 1883.

A "Russell Bill" Mooted for Michigan.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

Through the generosity of Bro. C. C. Pond the Spiritualists are furnished a hall in which they hold meetings every Sunday evening. I have been the regular speaker during several months, and am reengaged for the next six months. I spoke in Albion the 10th, 11th, 12th and 14th of May, and an effort is being made to secure my services again in June. I shall attend the U. S. Convention to be held the 16th, 16th and 17th of June.

Mediumship is largely on the increase, both in numbers and in quality, all over the country; hence our Christian enemies are at work through the law-making power. They have gained a seeming victory in Ohio. There is a like bill before the Legislature in this State, but steps are being taken to defeat it. The more the bishops try the law of force the weaker they will become in the future, and the stronger will be the cause they seek to crush out. J. W. KENTON.

410 West Main street, Jackson, Mich.

The Rev. Robert Collyer, on Sunday,

May 27th, in speaking of the Brooklyn Bridge, paid the subjoined tribute to the genius of Thomas Paine:

"When Thomas Paine got his idea of a suspension bridge from a spider's web and constructed a model in accordance therewith, the English pronounced it impracticable. The Americans in London, on the contrary, said it is just what we want on our side of the water. Thomas Paine is the true inventor of this side of Ohio of our bridge. He was a man of genius and a great man, with all his faults. His name should have received some mention from the orators who took part in the opening ceremonies."

The public is cautioned against a woman who is going about soliciting money for the cause of Spiritualism, showing as authority for so doing a letter of recommendation purporting to come from myself, and stating that she has received aid from me. I know no such person; and as she is procuring money under false pretences, I shall be very glad if you will state this in your valuable issue in the next issue, so that I can learn that some of my personal friends have been recently duped by her.

Very respectfully, M. E. WILLIAMS.

402 West 34th street, New York, May 29th, 1883.

The New York County Medical Society (Regular) has made what is taken to be a final settlement of the vexed question of medical ethics. By a unanimous vote it has approved the new and liberal code of the State Association which allows physicians liberty of consultation with practitioners of any school they may choose.

The manifestations of the marvelous powers of magnetism, in the prevention, cure or relief of disease, have been so clearly defined as to prove, beyond question, its natural and perfect adaptation to that end, if applied according to the directions of the Magnetic Shield. See advertisement on page 6.

Spiritualist Meetings in Brooklyn.

The Brooklyn Spiritualist Society, now permanently located at Conservatory Hall, in the corner of Broadway and Fulton street, holds services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:15 P. M. Speaker engaged: Mrs. F. O. Byer for June. All the Spiritual papers outside the hall, and all meetings free. B. W. Benson, President.

Church of the New Spiritual Dispensation.—Clinton Avenue, between Park and Myrtle Avenues (entrance on Clinton and Vary Avenue). Services every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday evening, 7:30 P. M. Ladies' Aid Society every Wednesday, at 2:15 P. M. Social Fraternity every Wednesday evening for social intercourse at 7:15 o'clock. Psychic Fraternity meets every Saturday evening, at 7:15 o'clock, for the purpose of forming classes in mediumship. Free. A. H. Bailey, President.

Brooklyn Spiritual Dispensation.—Friday evening Conference meetings will be held in the lecture-room of the Church of the New Spiritual Dispensation, Clinton Avenue, between Park and Myrtle Avenues, at 7:15 P. M.

The Eastern District Spiritual Conference meets every Wednesday at 7:15 o'clock in the lecture-room of the Church of the New Spiritual Dispensation, Clinton Avenue, between Park and Myrtle Avenues, at 7:15 P. M. Goma, Secretary.

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