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The Rostrum.

#### THE PERINE MOUNTAIN HOME

Anniversary Exercises June 26th, 1887.

[Reported for the Banner of Light by Miss H. M. Maynard.]

The second anniversary of the "Perine Mountain Home." Summit, New Jersey, was observed with appropriate exercises on Sunday afternoon. June 26th. The day was bright and beautiful, the spot one of surpassing loveliness, and the Doctor and his wife entertained a large number of friends from New York and the neighboring cities, besides many

residents in the vicinity of the "Home." After an organ voluntary by Mr. Isaac Kiersted Dr. Perine said: "We offer you all a happy greeting to this second anniversary of the services inaugurated here. We trust the seed sown will bring forth fruit in due season. We have with us this day many good spirits, some

of whom you will hear through Mrs. Wellace, Mr. Dawbarn and others. "He Leadeth Me" was then sung, and Mrs. Wallace, of New York, followed with an

INVOCATION.

"Thou Infinite Spirit, God! we, thy children, come together this beautiful summer day, giving unto thee by joy and sorrow, light and shadow thanksgiving and praise that thou hast led us onward ty and adversity, ease and hardship. to where we may become conscious o thy presence and of the power that has led us through the days of the past. We would give thanks for all | their share of the work begun here. Have we, thy mercies, for the light, beauties and blessings that have filled our lives. We thank thee also for the trials and sorrows through which thou hast enabled us to pass. Thou art a kind, loving father-thou hast guided us through the night into the perfect day; and as we have come unto this beautiful mountain top, where we may clasp hands with thy angel host, help us to realize thy presence, and that we are indeed sons and daughters of God-come into oneness with the Spirit of Truth, which shall cause us to reach out our hands wherever there is one struggling soul. Oh! that we may be filled with the tender, sympathizing love of Christ; that, bending low, we may uplift those who are bound and in darkness. Help us to see the love of the Infinite and come into the light and life of truth

Help those who are still bound in the chains of evil. that they also, through the power of the spirit, may overcome the material, and know that they are spirits and may attain unto heights of light while still held in the flesh. We thank thee, Infinite Spirit, for this place which has been dedicated to thee and the cause of the angel-world, and invoke thy aid that from it an angelic band may go forth, a power and light unto

the world. Ohi thou Spirit of Love, may each soul feel con scious of the presence of dear ones gone before. May each he conscious of thy love that hath never left them, and of the angelic host that would bear them in their arms of love to the grander Love Eternal."

"The Angel at the Window" was then beautifully rendered by Mr. Summers, of New York. after which Dr. Perine said that letters of regret at their unavoidable absence had been received from several friends, including Mr. J. Franklin Clark, Prof. Kiddle and Mrs. Rathbun. Mrs. Hill, controlled by the spirit daughter of Dr. Perine, rose and said:

"Papa, mamma, friends; with heartfelt thanks I come to you through this instrument to say that I welcome you to the home of my bereaved parents, where I come so often to give them joy and comfort. It is true that we come back to our loved ones, for love is boundless. By a law of nature, as well as a law of love ordained by our Father eternal, we come and go constantly.

I am pleased to see before me so many bright, eager faces. We, as workers, love to find the heart receptive to the truth. Not only in the Bible, but every where, is written the truth that life is eternal, and there is no death.' Why will you believe that your loved ones are either buried in mother earth, or sent so far away that they cannot return? Do not let this thought find lodgment in your heart. I am happy in my spirit home, and happy, too, to come to these dear ones. How can their child stay away from them? No: my home is where my heart is.

I cannot say all I wish-my heart is full. I am grate ful to the instruments who have enabled us to come back, while above all my gratitude is to that Great Spirit who doeth all things well. May I not hope in the future to be again present with you?"

reverberations of the voice of the All-Wise; | cannot be a medium without being under inwho can repeat, even though imperfectly, the wisdom of those gone on before; whose garments' have become spotless through purification, and who can touch the chords responsive to the loving watchfulness of guardian spirits and spirit-guides. Breathing the rarefled air, standing under the great dome of the heavens. who can visit the Perine Mountain Home without gaining a baptism of spiritual good, which shall follow or go with them into the great struggling human mass below, making its influence felt? From this lofty standpoint, seed has been sown, faithfully, with sacrifice, and in some instances watered with tears. Some seed hath fallen upon stony soil, and the hot sun of unbelief hath dried it up, making of it a fit plaything to be tossed about by the winds of ridicule and gossiping slander; some have fallen upon soil grateful for the trust, and on this second Anniversary of the Perine Mountain Home Services we joyfully observe promise of a fruitful harvest.

A band of earnest spirits, anxious to further the cause of Spiritualism by working for the enlightenment and elevation of humanity, chose this spot, and our Brother Perine and his faithful wife, with the few they were able to draw about them, formed a spiritual circle where spirits can come sure of a welcome and of cooperation in their labors to benefit mankind. The beautiful daughter, whose earthly presence once adorned and gladdened this home, was foremost among the band thus organized to promote spirituality and to hasten the day of "peace on earth." She comes to her dear ones not only silently and unconsciously to their senses, but, under favorable conditions, tangibly, telling them in her own voice of her love, and counseling them to patient fidelity, assuring them of the spiritual advancement already made.

From an upper chamber in this Home her spirit left its clay tenement, and to-day is the anniversary of her birth into mortal life. The father and mother heart naturally yearns for her as she was with them prior to that change, but that cannot be; and we thank God and the angels that these faithful ones have every consolation which can be bestowed upon mortals bereft of household lights.

May her bright presence be to them a beacon well as a cheering monitor and staff of consolation, until in glad reunion they clasp her hand upon the further shore of the river of life, and she shall lead them to their home in waiting at the end of a long journey marked by joy and sorrow, light and shadow, prosperi-

We are assured that spirits releas their earthly bodies have been very faithful in who still walk the earth as denizens, been equally faithful? Let us seek to know how far it is possible for us to advance, and strive to attain the point in view. May the Third Anniversary mark a greater prospective for future work, and may "the faithful" increase. May the Perine Mountain Home become the synonym of all that is good and glorious—then shall we hasten at the call for the Third Anniversary celebration, with hearts full and footsteps light, assured that on and on into future ages this work will progress, to be stayed by no unfriendly hand, turned aside by no opposing influence.

Then shall this branch of the spiritual vineyard become a mighty power for good, and none be able to withstand its might as it presses forward to the goal of right triumphant and truth unveiled."

After congregational singing of "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Mr. Charles Dawbarn said in part:

"When I received a polite invitation to come here to-day, I expected simply to listen with the others to the good things said. But I am delighted to come, and finding amid this beautiful scenery this spirit-home. I recognize the law that the spiritual can only be associated with the beautiful and the true; and we should bear this fact in our minds.

Now since I am to speak to you I want it understood that I throw the responsibility of my remarks on no spirit; that I assume the entire responsibility of what I say. I will take for my theme some of the laws governing communications between the two worlds. The nineteenth century has revealed to us the impossibility of a miracle. Things happen because of a cause; that cause is the effect of a cause, and so on and on. So it is with our spirit friends: They come because they find a way to come, not through any flat or permission of God-not upon any special mission which they have got to perform; they come whether they bring perfection or imperfection. I am going to try to make this practical. The apostle John said, 'Try the spirits,' and that verse has rung in the ears of many in this century. They have attempted to carry out the injunction, and dreadful work they have made of it. Even a spirit is entitled to a trial before an intelligent judge and jury.

All the influence of one mind over another comes from psychic laws. But when the mind is in the spiritual world it finds difficulties in the way of communication that do not exist The future to be again present with you?"

Next in order of exercises was the reading of the following

Anniversaries are pleasant occasions, for in celebrating them we are harmonized to pledge ourselves anew to fealty, and we grasp hands warmly, while soul unto soul pours forth its love and dearnest desire for the good which shall come through religion and recapitulation. Particularly bleased are they who can from the loty mountain aids at the first one influence over another which the doctors call hypnotism or mesmerism. In Paris doctors call hypnotism or mesmerism.

fluence all the time. The influence thrown upon them when unconscious reflects upon their life in their normal condition.

All your perceptions are produced by wibrations. Spirit vibrations are much more rapid than ours, so we cannot see them. Under normal conditions spirit and mortal cannot come in contact, but the spirit must find a medium whose organism can receive the higher vibrations. Then spirit and mortal medium meet half way, never closely, so that the interchange will always be imperfect. The spirit becomes subject to psychic influences. You can psychologize the spirit by your own willpower and destroy thereby the effect you were trying to obtain. We are always casting influences for good or bad. Every one takes on more or less of the animal. The fox leaves his slimy trail, although he walks on two legs and we call him a man. If the medium acts in an eccentric way, it is our own ignorance of the laws that has brought discredit upon us.

I want you to remember these truths, and then we shall have more true charity. Let the ory be for more light, using these blessings in all humility that the world may be blessed instead of cursed." (Applause.)

Mr. Summers then sang "The Palme," and, following him, Mrs. Wallace said:

"It is almost out of place for me to follow the able address to which you have just listened, but I want to tell you how happy I am to come to this beautiful spot. This is the beginning of a work that shall go on and on. As you throw a pebble in the pool and it circles and widens till it touches the further shore, so does this ripple spread, touching here and there a soul. Lo the seed hath fallen on the tender soil of the human heart and bringeth forth much fruit.

They come to you from the spirit-world as messengers from the dear ones to tell you of the love that is eternal. They come to you as guardian spirits to help you onward and upward When you understand that the way to learn the fatherhood of God is through knowing the brotherhood of man-that every good thought and word and act brings you nearer to that knowledge-then, indeed, you will understand something of the power that can uplift you. Yes, we must be born again into a consciousness of the life everlasting.

Sow the seed, that it may spring up in many souls and bring forth fruit. Ye are indeed doing a beautiful work, and on this anniversary day I come to tell you that love is a blessing from the Infinite Spirit. After the darkness shall come the brightness of perfect of substance, to pure spirit which is in its estain unto infinite day."

Mrs. Hill made an address of thanks in behalf of the spirit and mortal friends to the Doctor and his wife for throwing open their home to admit the light of Spiritualism to all.

Mrs. Wells next gave a number of tests, several persons recognizing the spirits she described; after which all joined in singing the doxology, which was followed by the benediction, pronounced by Mrs. Wallace.

Before the audience dispersed, the Doctor attend the meetings, which will be held at the Home every Sunday afternoon during the sum-

A Gem from Dr. Holmes.

One incident of our excursion to Stonehenge had a significance for me which renders it mem orable in my personal experience. As we drove over the barren plain, one of the party sud-denly exclaimed, "Look! Look! See the lark rising!" I looked up with the rest. There was rising!" I looked up with the rest. There was the bright; blue sky, but not a speck upon it which my eyes could distinguish. Again, one called out, "Hark! Hark! Hear him singing!" I listened, but not a sound reached my ear. Was it strange that I felt a momentary pang? Those that look out at the windows are darkened, and all the daughters of music are brought low. Was I never to see or hear the sparing songets at heaven's gate uplease up. soaring songster at heaven's gate—unless—unless—if our mild humanized theology promises truly, I may perhaps hereafter listen to him singing far down beneath me? For in whatever world I may find myself, I hope I shall always love our poor little spheroid, so long my home, which some kind angel may point out to me as a gilded globule swimming in the sunlight far away. After walking the streets of pure gold in the new Jarusalem, might one not pure gold in the new Jerusalem, might one not like a short vacation, to visit the well-remembered green fields and flowery meadows? I had a very sweet emotion of self-pity, which took the sting out of my painful discovery that the orchestra of my pleasing life entertainment was unstringing its instruments, and its lights were being extinguished—that the show was almost over. All this I kept to myself, of course, except so far as I whispered it to the unseen presence which we all feel is in sympathy with us, and which, as it seemed to my fancy, was looking into my eyes, and through them into my soul, with the tender, tearful smile of a mother who for the first time gently presses back the longing lips of her as yet unweamed back the longing lips of her as yet unweaned infant.—"Our Hundred Days in Europe," Atlantic Magazine for July. Professor Huxley is very severe upon the

Duke of Argyll in a recent issue of the Nineteenth Century, and, his Grace fares badly in the fray. The pathetic termination of Huxley's article on "Science and Pseudo Science" should be pre-served as the closing utterance of a great man, the summing up of a great life :

"My career is at an end— I have warmed both hands at the fire of life,"

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Spirit and Matter. To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

Noting a brief abstract of remarks made through my lips on the occasion of the debate between Dr. Dean Clarke and myself, at Parker Memorial Hall, Boston, Sunday afternoon, May 15th, from the pen of my esteemed friend, Mrs. Stickney; and learning from that lady herself that she felt at a great disadvantage, owing to the fact of my having no notes to hand her for perusal, while Dr. Clarke liberally supplied her, I feel moved to address these lines to the readers of the BANNER OF LIGHT. as I discover some inaccuracies and many vague statements in that report.

I desire to offer your renders, in the fewest possible words, a digest of the position taken by myself, under influence of my inspirers, on that occasion. Dr. Dean Clarke affirmed the existence of spirit and matter as distinct substances in the universe, but at the same time declared spirit to be in every way superior to matter. Spirit he spoke of as being the positive controlling power. Now it stands to reason, if spirit is positive and matter negative, spirit master and matter servant, that without admitting that all is mind and there is no mat ter, one can easily see how thoroughly subservient matter can be rendered to spirit.

The great practical question of the day pertaining to this subject is not an abstruce abstract metaphysical postulate, hard to be accented by the average human mind as at present developed, but one of the highest importance to every human being, and one moreover susceptible of logical demonstration to every enlightened intellect. The word substance con stantiv introduced into controversial arguments seems susceptible of a double definition : it may be interpreted to signify the understanding-that which stands under all things as bedlrock-or solid foundation-or it may be interpreted as that which is inferior to something higher than itself. I incline to the opinion that the former definition is the move accurate one; in that case substance is more enduring than matter; if scientists make a distinction between ether and matter, and declare ether to be more potent and enduring than matter, may we not, in thought, climb the ladder of existence all the way up through countless gradations of force-from matter which is the lowest and most evanescent manifestation day, when all shall understand that the grave sence solf-existent and eternal? With regard is the door through which they will at last at- to the absolute potency of spirit, granted that spirit is superior to matter, spirit can surely acomplish much which cannot be accomplished by material agencies; but how can matter, the inferior, do what spirit, the superior, is unable to accomplish?

Granted that what we call matter is something, is it not less-it surely can't be morethan spirit? How then, in the name of reason, can a position be tenable which attributes more power to a weaker than to an avowedly stronger agent? The unwisdom of those who believe issued a general and cordial invitation to all to that materia medica can accomplish more than spirit is self-evident to the mind of every thinker. One might as well believe one dollar could purchase more than one hundred dollars. I do not wish to be understood as saving that material agents, so-called, are, in the present state of human development, useless. I sim-

ply affirm their comparatively powerlessness when their efficacy is contrasted with the vastly greater potency of spirit. In alluding not only to Paul on the island of Mileta, but also to Daniel thrust into a den of lions, and three holy children cast into a burning, flery furnace, illustrations of exceptional moral excellence, thereby leading us to infer that our safety from external ills is the result of our conquest over our lower nature.

If every one could be led to see that the spiritual science of health is the science of a pure and elevated life, in thought as well as in word and action, the wholesome doctrine would be preached to youth and age alike that perfect health is only to be obtained as we conquer our weaknesses and subdue our passions. The ethical value of spiritual science is its greatest commendation to all lovers of virtue; and instead of discountenancing the study of physiology, which is the study of function, as anatomy is the study of frame, pathology and morbid anatomy are discountenanced by all true spiritual scientists. At the same time it must be admitted that mental pathology is as yet a branch of the studies pursued in classes for instruction in the science of metaphysics as applied to

The statement "drugs kill but never cure is scarcely accurate, though I really do not much object to it; the words used were substantially. "No drug has power of itself to either kill or cure—the cure or the injury seemingly resulting from the employment of a drug is due to the thought consclously or unconsclously associated with it; drugs, however, at the present day, on the testimony of the most eminent contemporary physicians, kill for more fragmently than they qure."

far more frequently than they cure."

As Dr. Clarke spoke very much of healing mediums, he drifted away from matter considerably as a therapeutic agent, and referred to the phenomena of Spiritualism which trench the phenomena of Spiritualism which trench directly on spiritual versus material science and experience. As to the cases cited as illustrations on both aides, metaphysicians and physicians cannot but admit their reality if adequate proof be forthcoming to substantiate them; attlit there is not one shadow of proof that spirit does not do the work in every case—no matter what external forms be observed.

Yours for truth, W. J. COLVILLE.

PILGRIM PENCILINGS. NUMBER THREE.

BY J. J. MORSE.

(Specially compiled for the Banner of Light. ]

Abundant experience has proven that if one desires a particular matter to reach the en-tire body of Spiritualists in the United States —and a very numerous majority beyond their —and a very numerous majority beyond their boundaries—no better vehicle exists than the veteran and breezy BANNER OF LIGHT. Its newsy columns, its interesting contributions, its records of phenomena, and its value in general to those who, like the writer, must keep posted on matters and things, make it a prime necessity in our periodical literature. And this implies no dispressional of any other lowered. necessity in our periodical literature. And this implies no disparagement of any other journals, all excellent in their ways, and all deserving the writer's grateful thanks for help and encouragement extended to him for upward of eighteen years now past. Bearing all above points in mind, the Pilgrim again turns to your pages, Mr. Editor, to jot down a few more "Pencilings" in answer to the questions pouring in upon him continually from all parts of ing in upon him continually from all parts of this land, from England, Australia, New Zea-land, and other British possessions: for he knows your paper travels to all such places, and will meet the eyes of his numerous friends

and will meet the eyes of his numerous friends therein resident.

Early in October last your columns contained the previous contribution under this heading, and the time since has passed "like a midsummer's dream," so pleasing have been the months and their incidents. So many loving hearts have twined their loves around his family and himself, that in very truth it will be more than hard to leave these shores when the wise and unseen directors of our pilgrimage bid us homeward turn.

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During the months of October, December and February last the Pilgrim's labors were in Grand Opera House Hall, New York City, under the auspices of the First Society of Spiritualists, presided over by that noble and earnest-minded gentlemen. Henry J. Newton. Very excellent audiences assembled, and the labors of the control were of such a nature as to account. of the control were of such a nature as to—according to reports in private and in public—help our work very greatly. The scene on the closing Sunday evening was quite affecting in the warmth and evident emotion characterizing the farewells to the Pilgrim, his house-hold and his control. Mrs. M. A. Newton is, as all know, an efficient and devoted coadjutor as all know, an efficient and devoted coadjutor as Secretary, and we are under many grateful obligations for numerous social courtesies that Mr. and Mrs. Newton have extended us during our labors in the metropolis during the five months in all thereof; while a truly deserved word of thanks is due our good friend, Mr. John Franklin Clark, for the public records he has made of the results achieved by my beloved inspirers. Many others deserve acknowledgments herein—Mr. and Mrs. Maynard of White Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Ratbbun of Mount Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lovell, and Mrs. Hester M. Poole, Mrs. Hindley—the well known medium—all of New York City, and many more there are whose names lack of space alone precludes mention of, but to all our warmest thanks are tendered here. We will meet you all once again, good souls, ere we bild farewell, to the great land of headely arenticed. once again, good souls, ere we bid farewel to this great land of hopeful promise.

The months of November and January were

devoted to work at Conservatory Hall, Brooklyn, N. Y., whose genial proprietor, Bro. W. J. Rand, does all that can be done to make the meetings a source of pleasure to all attending his clean and handsome hall: While Bro. Jeffreys, acting as President, brings a smiling face and a genial influence to his task that are won-derfully inspiring to the occupants of desk and derfully inspiring to the occupants of desk and seats alike. The meetings were large, enthuciastic, and financially successful—so, therefore, pleasing to all concerned. The Pilgrim has pitched his tent for eleven months, in all, in the City of Churches, in the same quarters all the time, making some true and abiding friend-ships while there, and helping onward the tide of a sensible and rational thought connected with our beautiful gospel. As among those with our beautiful gospel. As among those ever to be remembered with feelings of deepest regard are that great hearted and earnest souled brother—now ascended—S. B. Nichols, his sweet-natured wife and brightly active daughter; Judge A. H. Dalley and Mrs. Dalley—royal souls both, whose friendship is a prize worth having—may the angels bless them: Mr. Frederick Haslam, Mr. George W. Close, Dr. Owen E. Houghton, and his good wife, with others who crowd before the mind's eye as inthe point made was that the record which introduces us to the remarkable deliverance from danger and frightful death of these exceptional characters holds them up as typical at the close of the Pilgrim's labors, and the only hone he has is, that some day their sub-

at the close of the Pligrim's labors, and the only hope he has is, that some day their subject may be able to feel himself worthy of all the good things said of him.

Twelve years is a lapse of time more than long enough to be forgotten in. yet, though that period had elapsed since the Pilgrim's previous appearance in Philadelphia, there was no sort of sign that he had been forgotten in the meanwhile. The welcome could not have been warmer, the audiences could not have been larger unless they had stood on one auother's heads and the visit could not have been more pleasant. Part of the time was spent with Bro. Winner, an old and indefatigable worker, with whom and his motherly natured wife a pleasant and comfortable visit was spent. It was here that Mrs. Sarah Patterson, the It was here that Mrs. Sarah Patterson, the slate-writer—than whom the Pilgrim has not yet seen better—was staying at the time of her ut-terly unjust persocution, resulting in her being fined one hundred dollars for advising a man to poultice his eyes!—the medical society secur-ing her conviction for practicing medicine with-out a license! Verily, all the bigots are not in surplices.

The remainder of the visit was spent at the comfortable and elegant home of Mr. W. H. Jones, whose large hearted liberality in aiding the financial work of the First Society in Philadelphia, and the great undertaking involved in the Parkland estate and Camp-Meeting, entitle him to every praise—to him and to his warm hearted wife and cultured daughter warm that the first forms. owe many thanks. The Pilgrim and Pilgrimess participated in the anniversary celebration, at participated in the anniversary celebration, at which, and during his engagement, he saw the largest and best sustained meetings outside of camp meetings, and his services in Boston, that he had then observed, the evening audiences running up to between seven and eight hundred people. The Pilgrim left under a solemn promise to return again—which promise he will surely keep—for he has never failed to keep a public engagement in all the elekten years of

public engagement in all the eighteen years of his public life.

From thence on to the nation's Capital— Washington, D. C.—arriving on a cold evening and finding that snow and slush covered the streets; leaving a month later, when the sun t was roasting, the trees all budding in emerald r verdure, and the beauty of May coyly stepping forth from the water cares of April.

Large audiences in the morning, hall crowd-

ed at night, weekly receptions filled to over-flowing, invitations to dinners, receptions, etc., more than could be attended, combined with an exploration of some twenty of the public departments, in the interests of "the young tour-ist," as the Pilgrim's daughter has been called, involving the ascent alike of the Capitol and Washington Monument—all these matters tended to so rapidly consume the time that the month ran away almost before we felt it had fairly begun. The good friends, the Stienbergs, the Edsons, the Clendanieis, Bros. Highes and Benton, our old friend, Geo. A. Bacon, Capt. and Mrs. Cabell, with others, are all thanked for more than kind attentions; while the closing reception, with its handsome testimonial of a Masonic jewel of rare beauty and value, and the wealth of loving sentiments showered upon the Pilgrim, his controls and his family, will ever be remembered as among the richest of his mental treasures.

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In due course Cleveland, O., was reached, where, under the arrangements of that veteran where, under the arrangements of that veteran worker and genial gentleman, Bro. Thos. Lees, good work was done on two Sundays in Memorial Hall, and during the two weeks of stay in private parlors. Our stay in the Garden City was made most pleasant, and the hospitable favors of Mrs. Oviat, Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Moss and Mrs. Lathrop are all duly treasured as pleasant memories. Very pleasant calls were made on Mr. and Mrs. Wade, the eminent banker and his wife, also on a relative of Mrs. Richmond, and a number of other eminent banker and his wife, also on a relative of mrs. Richmond, and a number of other eminent and earnest Spiritualists, all being glad to see the visitor from afar. One shade, however, fell upon our visit, from the utterly unexpected and quite sudden translation to the higher life of the eldest daughter of Bro. Lees. We owe Bro. Lees a wealth of thanks for all his bind extentions and trust that the sympthical kind attentions, and trust that the sympathies of friends and the consoling facts of our philosophy will help him to bear the trial a parent ever feels in losing the outward presence of a heloved child.

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A brief visit to Willoughby, spent at the charming country home of our good friend E. W. Bond, gave us a whiff of pure country air—sadly needed after two weeks of Cleveland's dreadful smoke—and enabled the family to see a model town, the Pilgrim to visit the Garfield homestead, and the controls to deliver an address to a large and highly appreciative audience. Brother and Sister Bond are among the true self of the earth and the Pilgrim and Pi true salt of the earth, and the Pilgrim and Pilgrimesses are proud to know them.

Fifteen hours of rattle, roll and rumble, through the dark of night, past Bro. French's little town on toward Lake Michigan, losing the sense of motion in snatches of sleep as "the sleepers in the sleeper" sped on, until at last Chicago, the wonder of the West, enfolded us in its embrace. One almost imagines London has dropped a piece off, dumping it there on the prairies, so much like London bustle, building, enterprise, push and smoke is it all. Immense parks, huge buildings, a splendid system of horse and cable cars, magnificent stores, an opportunity for almost illimitable growth: Chicago is truly the Queen of the West, and may ultimately prove a more than rivel to the cities. go is truly the Queen of the West, and may ultimately prove a more than rival to the cities of the East. The stay of the Pilgrims was limited, but with true British tennoity they saw all that could be seen "until wearied feet could no longer crawl." An item in your columns gave a passing notice of the two splendid meetings the controls addressed, but at this date all that need he said is the audione was reprethat need be said is: the audience was reprethat need be said is: the audience was representative, eminently cultured and respectable, the hall was subendidly attended, and the proceedings full of practical value. The "Young People's Association" were the parties responsible for the meetings, Mr. Coverdale, their President, presiding with true dignity and efficiency.

Our hostess, Mrs. Perry, and her every way worthy son, could not possibly have done more to make our stay pleasant beyond description. From our warm welcome on arrival, to the hearty "fod bless you all," and the well-filled lunch baskets handed to us on our departure, it was a long round of hospitable kindness, the which wipes out the sting of toil and

Then followed our ride of two thousand three Then followed our ride of two thousand three hundred and twenty-six miles—Chicago to San Francisco—the details of which must needs be held over until a future time. Suffice it now to say we arrived here safe and sound on Saturday, May 23th, having been met at Port Costa, thirty miles up the road, by a delegation from the State Camp Meeting Association—consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Elliot, Mr. Clark, Mr. G. H. Hawes, and Mrs. Elsworth. My many friends East will be glad to know that my advent here East will be glad to know that my advent here has been a complete success. Very flattering and quite extensive reports have been given in the Examiner, Chronicle and Call of San Francisco, and the Enquirer, Times and Tribune of Oakland. The Pilgrim is informed that his controls have thus received a public recognition which the press here has not hitherto extended to spiritual lecturers, but happily the exceptional of the past is the rule of to-day here, as the excellent and lengthy reports of Mrs. J. J. Whitney's remarkable test meetings at Odd Fellows Hall, on Sunday evenings, which appear the next day in the pages of the enterprising Examiner, clearly indicate. The Pilgrim attended the lecture of his old-time friend, Prof. A. R. Wallace, and was much delighted to hear that able man was much delighted to hear that able man and deep thinker pay a pleasing tribute to his control—which was duly reported in full as published in the Golden Gate and the BANNER or Light.

The Pilgrim wishes the Bannen every success, and trusts that its faithful zeal and earn eat work may continue to win troops of friends, for its great aim is to help the angels in their work for the uplifting of humanity to the highest life. To this end, good friends let us all unite and help it as far as each is able. 331 Turk street, San Francisco, Cal., June 27th, 1887.

A. A. Wheelock in Springfield, Mass.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

Denton Hall Association closed the lecture season May 29th, Mr. A. A. Wheelock, of New York, speaker. Mr. W. has given twenty Sunday lectures before our Society the past season; he has also given three other lectures and held three discussions with Dr. Dutton, of Boston, which were generously offered for the benefit of the Society and to advance the truth of important subjects, from which the Society realized twenty dollars financially, and much more mentally and spiritually. Among the many deeply interesting and important subjects most ably treated by Mr. Wheelock, we mention, that the public may see the character of thought and logic his guides presented, farreaching in scope and interest: "Philosophy and Phenomena of All Forms of Life"; "The Science of Mind, and How Manifested"; "The Unity and Individuality of Life. Its Scene and Science of Mind, and How Manifested"; "The Unity and Individuality of Life; Its Scope and Power"; "The Necessity of Organization; Its Use and Abuse"; "Superstitions of Faith and Mental Healing and Mind Reading"; "The New Theology in the Light of Truth"; "The Battle of Life; How Won and who Wins It"; "The Endless Journey; Crosses and Crowns, Stargleams and Sunbeams Along the Way."

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deep, scientific thought, clearly and forcibly expressed, and have been listened to by large and highly appreciative audiences. At the close of the meetings the following resolution was read and unanimously adopted:

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Resolved, That the thanks of the Denton Hall Association of Springfield are hereby given to its officers for procuring means for holding meetings; to the Ladies Aid Society for their assistance in furnishing the hall; to Mrs. N. E. Smith, our indefatigable President, for her generous labors in promoting the success of the meetings; to the speakers and mediums who have made our platform a beacon light for the truths of Spiritualism. As Brother A. A. Wheelook closes the course it is with pleasure that we tender him our thanks for his series of thoughtful and practical lectures. May his voice be heard yet many years in all parts of the country defending and expounding the Spiritual Philosophy as given to him by his intelligent band of spirit guides.

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The President of the Society then presented many in one.

the following address: "Bro. Wheelook, in behalf of Denton Hall Association, we would express to you our high appreciation of the character of your work, which has been marked by acter of your work, which has been marked by giving in your lectures clear and logical instructions pertaining to the elevation of conditions in human life, as well as scientific demonstration of our relation with and dependence upon the realm of spirit. Your natural ability in scientific research, as well as your many years of experience as a public medium and speaker, have enabled you to attain a marked degree of intellectual power; and not only to you, brother, for your efforts in our behalf, would we give thanks, but to those beneficent forces in spiritlife which have ever impelled and sustained you in your labor of love for humanity, and for the angel world as well, would we express our gratitude; and especially to our arisen Bro. gratitude; and especially to our arisen Bro.
Denton, whose very name seems to us an embodiment of courage, power and noble purposes, and in whose presence we have received a holy baptism, not of water, but of the spirit—whose intelligent, instructive and practical thoughts have flowed into our consciousness, through the have flowed into our consciousness, through the medium of your brain, and whose words have come to us through the eloquent expression of your lips; whose spirit presence, as well as yours, we are here to enjoy this evening: to him and to you we would express our grateful satisfaction for his remembrance and interest in our behalf; nor would we forget the eloquent utterances of Starr King, and others, who have combined to instruct and benefit all who have listened to their ministrations."

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who have istaned to their ministrations. Bro. Wheelook responded in a very pleasing manner, recognizing most fully the appreciation of his efforts in the promulgation of truth. After the literary exercises a bountful collation was served. Thus ended a most harmonious and enjoyable soul feast.

#### **X**yccum The Children's

For the Banner of Light. THE PRESENCE OF ANGELS.[.] BY MRS. C. B. FITCH.

Ques .- Did you ever think that angels Were around your weary way? Did you ever think they listened, Hearing what you had to say?

Ans .- Yes, I've often thought that angels Were around us day and night. If the vell were only lifted We could see their robes of white.

-Did those angels ever strengthen? Help support your weary load? Did they give you timely succor Ere you fainted on the road?

 Did not angels strengthen Jesus When so weary, weak was he? And may we not, if we ask it, Strengthened by the angels be?

Q.-Did those angels ever whisper Words of comfort for your fears When you tossed upon your pillow And that pillow wet with tears?

A .- When o'erwhelmed with grief and sorrow And earth dark and dreary seems, Then come angels (God permitting) Whispering to us in our dreams

O .- Did you ever think, if faithful, Loving God and man below. Earth might be a type of heaven If we'd strive to make it so?

A .- If we try to do our duty, Live unselfishly below Daily shall a glimpse of heaven

Cheer us as we journeying go. In Unison:

Do we ever doubt and question-Idly question, doubt and fear? There's a voice above the tumult Saying to us, loud and clear:

All that gives us peace and comfort When these earthly ties are riven-All that gives support in trial Must proceed from God and heaven.

(\*This poem is recommended to Lyceum officers in its present form as a good selection to be used as a Silver-Chain recitation or a dialogue by their pupils.—Ed.]

Visitors to the Cleveland (O.) Lycenm To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

A party of earnest Spiritualists from Toledo, O., visited this city on Sunday, June 19th, for the purpose of witnessing the Lyceum exercises, on which cocasion both our own Lyceums held a joint session, but owing to the train's delay and a misunderstanding on the part of the tourists, they did not reach the hall in time.

The party consisted of Mesdames Dr. M. E. The party consisted of Mesdames Dr. M. E. Jameson, F. F. Blakeley, A. A. Kewley, with Messrs. W. H. Smith and Fred. H. Pierce, the medium, as escort. While here the visitors made the most of their time. In the afternoon they called on Mr. and Mrs. R. Coleman of Newburgh—old friend of Dr. Jameson—and in the evening "all hands" met at "Liberty Hall," 105 Cross street, where a very enjoyable time was had, four of the Toledo party being mediums. In these brief notes no attempt can be made to speak of the many bright spiritual things spoken and sung.

things spoken and sung. On Monday the party were escorted by your humble scribe to Lake View Cemetery, to see its beauties, where, prominent among the many fine monuments and picturesque scenes, is the nearly completed Nation's Monument to the martyred President Gerfald nartyred President Garfield.

Enough was learned of the party during their short stay in the Forest City to know they were all live, enthusiastic, energetic Spiritualists, and that the Spiritual Society which these new workers in the cause have put in such good new workers in the cause have put in such good running order the past year, under the able leadership of Dr. Jameson, cannot but be a success. We hope to hear of the early starting of the proposed Children's Lyceum, as auxillary to that Society, and trust the friends one and all in Toledo will rally to its support.

Mrs. Blakeley, if we mistake not, has remarkable mediumistic gifts which, when fully developed, promise wide-spread fame. Fred H. Pierce, the clairvoyant and musical medium, is now making Toledo his home.

The party left for home Monday evening in the most exuberant spirits.

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Come again, friends. And if you only give us seasonable notice the Cleveland workers will guarantee you a good time, a full Lycoum, and THOMAS LEES. a happy greeting. THOMAS LEES.

The Power of Character.

Brains and character rule the world. The most distinguished Frenchman of the last century said: "Men succeed less by their talents than their character." There were scores of men a hundred years ago who had more intellect than Washington. He outlives and overrides them all by the influence of his character.— Wendell Phillins. Wendell Phillips.

The above paragraph embodies a whole sermon, and a most excellent one, to young men. An unassallable character is the best guaranty of a successful career. Wendell Phillips himself was a type of a true nobleman, and his name will be honored for generations to come hacause he was a true man who subordinated because he was a true man who subordinated wealth and position to principle. Where can a young man find in American history a loftler ideal than Wendell Phillips?—Saratoga (N. Y.)

MANY IN ONE.—From the largest animal to the smallest, all need nourlahment—not one of them can subsist alone—from the All Father's A reception was given Mr. Wheelock on the evening of Monday, May 30th, at the house of N. E. Smith, No. 43 Pynchon atreet, which was largely attended. The time was passed in a stance, of the 245 bones of the human body, social manner, with music, short addresses by Each one has forty distinct scopes or intended. The time was passed in a stance, of the 245 bones of the human body, social manner, with music, short addresses by Each one has forty distinct scopes or intended. An original poem was recited by Mrs. S. A. Smith, and an inspirational poem by alone some 20,000 varieties, or different intended. each; one has forty distinct scopes or inten-tions; and each of the so-called 400 muscles have ten each, making for bone and muscle alone some 20,000 varieties; or different inten-tions and adaptations. Here: we have indeed

### Banner Correspondence.

New York.

GRANVILLE.-R. F. Baldwin writes that having been much reduced by ill health and resultant nervous prostration, W. H. Vosburgh, of Troy, a magnetic physician of prominence in this specialty, was summoned-his treatments proving of great and assured value to our correspondent.

NEW YORK OLTY,-"J. G." writes: "'My wife is sitting for materialization, but I hope she will not succeed, said a gentleman in my hearing not long since. Doubtless he would not have her, howevere conscientious, subjected to suspicion, or her life imperiled in a field which invites no accessions—not even with the prospect of compensation.

Those who entertain feelings of distrust in one and another of those who are said to be mediums for materialization, with the reassuring concession, But I believe there is such a thing as materialization,' should be invited to state where they have seen it, or believe it is to be seen, that those whom they deem incompetent to correctly observe, may, for once, rest in the consciousness of witnessing undoubted manifestations; for it will certainly be much more congenial, as well as profitable, to take cognizance of the genuine, rather than the spurious.

Such expressions as 'fraud-supporters,' 'defending fraud,' and 'endorsing fraud,' are so often heard, that It would be quite in order to relieve the suspense incident to prolonged speculation as to the identity of the individuals referred to, by explaining who it is that is defending fraud. It cannot be intended that those to whom such language is addressed are consciously endorsing fraud. I do not apprehend that any issue can be raised as to the nature of fraud, or that any investigator wants himself or his neighbor to be victimized. It is suspected that those who 'support fraud' are about as few in number as those who discover it and it is believed that the occasion has not yet arisen for invoking the intervention of doctors, legislatures, or 'rational Spiritualists.'

One man's senses may be more scientific than another's, but unless he makes a practice of using them at séances for form manifestation, he may well hesitate before dogmatizing to those who do.

There are conspicuous exceptions, but it is not so apparent that scientists as a class have disclosed so much more aptness for the investigation of Spiritualism than many of those of less humble pretensions, but who were, nevertheless, affectional, and impressional

It may sometimes be that as receptives of truth, little children are nearer the kingdom of heaven than the opinionated. Materialization is indeed a stupendous fact.

No doubt spirits have been experimenting and parfecting processes: and it may be found more profits. ble to observe repeatedly, and study the result of such experiments, than to assume to discipline Spiritualists whose experience in the séance-room leads them to know that form manifestation is indeed a truth.

Some of those who are believed to be mediums for this crowning proof of spirit presence seem to be subjected to a phenomenal suspicion on the part of some Spiritualists, germane to that which is marvelled at by these same Spiritualists when entertained by the church as to the claims of Spiritualism in general. After Spiritualism has been taken down from the cross, let it not be again crucified, or grieved away, when it would greet us in the form of the real pres-

Massachusetts.

NEW BEDFORD .- Mrs. Auna Terurlegar writes: 'Spirit Lake is an overflow of the Acushnet river into a nearly land-locked basin on the low lying shores of the estate of the Widow Nye, and washing the north shore of what is well known in New Bedford as Dogish Bar. In the centre of the lake is a most beautiful isle, of probably not an acre in extent. The shores are level and green; the centre rises in a long ridge and is crested with foliage, giving it at a distance the appearance of a small fortification. When the tide is in the view is most levely. In the long ago, the spirits tell us, this vicinity was a favorite resort of the Indians for fishing, and spirits of the red men still congregate in vast numbers on and about the isle. At the present time there are but three costages near this spot. The one adjoining the lake is owned by two mediumistic people, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Geddis, who have dedicated their cottage to the use of the spirits. They have formed a circle of eight members, your the truth. We have been working hard for eight crowned with signal success. Nearly at the beginning of our sittings we had marvelous spiritual manifestations. At one time the table was taken and held against the ceiling until I counted more than one hundred. I tried to pull it down, but could not. Spirit hands at length lowered it as softly as a snowflake, although it had gone up with great speed. We have been readers of your paper for many years, and have received untold benefits from its cheering columns. We cannot better show our appreciation of it than to say we would part with any material comfort rather than it. Long may it bless mankind.

We sit two hours three times a week, sometimes in the dark, sometimes in the light-for control it makes little difference. We often say we are sitting just outside the gates ajar, and our friends are continually passing in and out, bringing to us celestial fruits and joys unspeakable. We have a black cambric cabinet, into which the controls take their mediums at their discre-

We had the pleasure of entertaining Mrs. James A Bliss and her very efficient band of controls, or rather I should say they very delightfully entertained us one evening last winter. There was not a person present who had the shadow of a doubt as to the genuineness of the manifestations. We believed in Mrs. B. and had entire confidence in her controls, so they were enabled to do their best. Our room is only twelve feet square, and there were, I think, twelve persons present. The spirits came out of the cabinet two and three at a time, and when the curtains parted I distinctly saw several white forms inside. Yet we knew there was but one mortal form seated therein. We had light enough to see them all distinctly. Mr. Nickerson, who accompanied Mrs. Bliss, repeatedly exclaimed: 'Well, I never saw anything like this before!' and 'Billy' would as often reply, 'You see what harmony does.' It was our faith in them that enabled them to work such wonders. Not one of the spirits that emerged from the cabinet resembled in the least the medium."

Michigan.

SISTER LAKES .- Mary H. Gardner writes that on the 8th of June " a congenial party of way-worn trayelers came to this beautifully embowered retreat for the purpose of rest and recuperation. That our retreat was well chosen we have had ample proof in exhilarated spirits and increased avoirdupois." Mrs. Maud E. Lord was of the party, and she entered heartly into all the recuperative pleasures the place afforded—such as boating, fishing, etc.

"Our pleasures do not end with the day. 'Clarence and 'Snowdrop'-known so well wherever Mrs. Lord visits that further introduction would be needlesshave given us grand entertainments almost nightly, They pass from room to room, beautifully lighting them with phosphorescent lights, playing upon the banjo, singing or talking to us with independent voice in such a familiar way that we feel them to be most important members of our happy company. Our rooms, ranging side by side, open into a hall. The night of June 24th Clarence gave us the grandest of the season.' After amusing himself in diverse ways in Mrs. Lord's room, he took the banjo, tuned it, and passed into the ball, opening and closing the door himself, then pausing by each door, gave us a serenade, improvising as he sang, weaving into poetry our names and appropriate sentiments. There was no doubting the strong male voice; greater volume in song I never heard, and think it would be classed as baritone. The opinion of enraptured listeners was that he sang at least ten four-line verses. There was no faltering of voice or words, during the time, and one guest said it was worth a thousand mile journey. if not one half round the globe, to hear, such an inde pendent spirit voice. do dispitante

As a psychometrist I have never seen Mrs. Lord ex-

celled. It is only recently that I have tested her to any extent in that particular. Now I find her reading of letters, and, in fact, everything given her for that purpose, marvelous indeed. Still with all these manifold gifts, Clarence promises us something yet more wonderful, if for a time she will obey his command and give herself the needed rest that so many years of active service merit. We shall 'break camp' here in July. Mrs. L. will go Eastward to enliven camp-grounds, and I to my Chicago home, to live over in memory the happy, happy days the glorious month of June has brought into my seemingly unprofitable life. God knows if it be such. In him and his guardian angels I trust."

Ohio.

CINCINNATI.-Jacob H. Wright reports a scance held in his own home, as follows: "On Wednesday, May 18th, Dr. A. W. S. Rothermel and Edwin Powell came to our home and said Mr. R., late husband of Mrs. R., insisted on their spending the day with us; also that Mr. R. told them to make arrangements to hold a materializing scance, only Mrs. R., my wife show himself to us in our own home and in the room he passed away from. The Doctor's controls said the conditions were so good and harmonious, the air so pure and laden with fragrance of thousands of sweet flowers, that they thought we should witness something grand. ' So, by agreement, the Doctor and Mr. Powell came on the following Friday evening.

After tea the Doctor, Mr. P. and myself walked in the grounds while Mrs. R. and my wife made a cabinet by hanging two blankets on a wire I had previously stretched across a recess in the north end of Mrs. R.'s bedroom. The room is large and airy, one window back of the recess, one in the south end of room, and two on west side of room and opening into the grounds. The evening being warm the windows were left open to admit the fragrant air. When all was ready the Doctor took a chair and seated himself in the cabinet. Mrs. R., my wife and I formed a circle a short distance from the cabinet. Mr. Ed. Powell stood in front of us and near to the cabinet, so that he could give strength to Dr. Rothermel.

After all was ready my wife turned down the light to a mellow glow. Soon we heard the voice of Jimmie. the Doctor's control in materializing. He said the conditions were good, but the music-box (which is a large, fine one) must be placed on the floor, near the cabinet. After this was done and the box started. forms commenced to appear. After several had come Emma Hirst, one of the Doctor's brightest controls came out, opened and stopped the music-box, then closed it, said it was to be her seat, and sat on it. She then took a zither and played three or four tunes so sweetly we sat perfectly spellbound. At the same time our Dalsy stood in the opening of the cabinet and held the curtains apart. Emma, after she was done playing, went to a vase of flowers, and, handing them to Mr. Powell, told him who of us to give them to. Then she came to us, went back to the music-box, wound it up, set it going and sang to the tune it played.

Mrs. R.'s husband came to us, held his hand over us, and blessed us, then went and sat beside Mrs. R. for about five minutes. Upon his return to the cabinet, Jimmle requested to have the light turned down quite low. Then a luminous vapor began to form at our feet, which rolled about and increased in size until it assumed the size and shape of a beautiful woman. We were told she was an Indian Princess, who lived on earth some centuries ago. She floated before us, and touched us. Then passing behind us to a door that led into a small hall at the head of the main stairs, she locked and unlocked it several times that we might notice where she was going. Then she opened the door wide, and floated into the hall, which was quite light from a lamp in the lower hall that threw its light up the stairway. There she materialized, and said she was going down the stairs. Mr. Powell begged her not to try it. She went to the head of the stairs, then turned back, and came into the room again, locked the door, then etherealized and floated over a bed that blocked the way between the door and cabinet, and vanished at the entrance of the cab inet. I will here state that Mr. Powell always followed the spirits, they deriving strength from him, sometimes putting their hands upon him to do so. The next spirit that came was a minis ter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in England, whom Mr. Powell said he knew while in the form he came to us, and blessed us. The next was Bright Star, whom we all knew as the control of Mrs. Falkner, of this city. She came in full glee, with a bright star shining on her forehead. Next came Emma Hirst | York: Funk & Wagnalls. correspondent being one. We are sincere seekers for again. She came without her veil, said she had los it, and looked around for it. There was a large wardsaid she thought she would find her veil in that wardrobe, so went to it, unlocked the door, and sure enough brought out the vell. She locked the door again, and

came to us with the veil over her head and shoulders I cannot describe all that was said and done. Abou fifteen spirits came, male and female, large and small and as sure as spirits do come and materialize they certainly did come to us. The seance continued for about three hours."

July Magazines.

THE CENTURY.—In keeping with the season before us, the opening paper of this month is one by John Burroughs, "Among the Wild Flowers," illustrated with a profusion of exquisite drawings by Helena de Kay Gilder and Harry Fenn. Another seasonable article is that entitled "The Sportsman's Music," giving pictures of birds and transcripts of their musical notes. Rev. Dr. Buckley, whose previous articles upon "Faith Healing" attracted much attention. gives a very searching review of the doctrines and practices of "Christian Science," occupying sixteen pages. In a new installment of "Lincoln History" the Kansas troubles are continued to their conclusion the Lincoln Douglas Debates being treated upon, and letters of Lincoln and Greeley for the first time published. The illustrations of Talcott Williams's contribution, "Animal Locomotion in the Muybridge Photograph," is one of the most interesting features of this month's Century, being copies of a remarkable series of instantaneous photographs of men and animais in motion, taken in California nine years ago. In the way of fiction is a humorous story, "Sister Todhunter's Heart," and new chapters of Frank R Stockton's "Hundredth Man." The war history includes "The Struggle for Atlanta," "Gen. Sherman and the March to the Sea," and "The Question, of Command on Cemetery Ridge." In the supplementary portions some of the contents are. "Reform in Muni cipal Government," "College Expenses," "Labor and Capital," "American Students in Germany," and a column of "Uncle Esek's Wisdom." The Century Co., New York ; the Old Corner Bookstore, 283 Washington street, Boston. THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY opens with a lengthy

poem, "My Country," by George E. Woodberry; an exceedingly interesting article follows wherein Louise Imogen Guiney tells of "The Water-Ways, of Portsmouth" [New Hampshire]; (every son of that old seaport should make it a special duty to read this narrative); Abby Sage Richardson has a touching story with a moral, entitled "Dona Quixote"; "The Second Son" and "Paul Patoff" are continued; "An Old Kentucky Home," by Patty B. Semple, is a fine piece of word-painting; poetry is furnished by Julie K. Wetherill and H. O. Bunner; Isabel F. Hapgood treats of "Count Tolstor and the Public Censor"; Agnes, Repplier writes of "The Decay of Sentiment"; W.A. Crafts speaks to the query: " Is the Railroad Problem Solved?" Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes contributes another installment of "Our Hundred Days in Europe"; other articles, together with reviews," The Contribu-tors' Olub," and "Books of the Month," are to be found within the covers of this charming number of an old favorite. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., publishers, Boston, Mass. Alexander of the A

MAGAZINE OF AMERICAN HISTORY. -The opening article is an interesting narrative of "Henry Laurens, in the London Tower," and events related thereto. The frontispiece is a very fine picture of Laurens as President of the Continental Congress, from a Dainting by Copley. There is also given a copy of a faire Buglish print of "The London Tower as it is presided at the Time of Mr. Laurens's Incarestification with the Congress of the Con

acceptable reading to thousands. Se-quo yah, known among the Cherokees as their great schoolmaster, perfected for them the first alphabet invented by aborigines for more than a thousand years. Like many inventors and apostles of better things for mankind. Sequo yah was accounted insane; was said to be, as our Seybert friends would have the world believe Zöllner was, "decidedly not in his right mind." Nevertheless, he persevered, and the result was the first printing office among the American Indians, and the first Indian newspaper, The Cherokes Phonix, in February, 1829. One-half of it was printed in the 80quo-yah alphabet, in which was also printed within five years 733,800 pages that were eagerly read and reread by the Cherokees. The infamous treatment of these inoffensive, progressive Indians by the U. S. Government, served to stay their advance, for the particulars of which, for want of space, we must refer our readers to the article itself. Of the remaining con-tents of this number are "Some Account of Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg," "One Day's Work of a Captain of Dragoons, and Some of Its Consequences," and a skatch of the United States Mail Service. There are and myself to compose the circle, as he wished to also given several original documents and historical and social jottings. New York : 743 Broadway.

BUOHANAN'S JOURNAL OF MAN .- " Magnetic Edueation and Therapeutics" is the title of an essay in Sphinx, by Dr. Charles du Prel, extracts from which constitute the opening article. This is followed by an editorial upon "The So-Called Scientific Immortality," a sharp and pungent review of Lester F. Ward's theory, of which the non-immortality of ithe individual man is the conclusion. In "Victoria's Half Century" à comparison is made between the appliance of human life fifty years ago and now. The "Outlines of Anthropology" are continued, the special topic being "Cranioscopy." Boston.

THE CARRIER DOVE .- A portrait of the English lecturer, J. J. Morse, serves as a frontispiece, and following it an interesting sketch of his career as an apostle of Spiritualism. On subsequent pages Mr. Morse's address at the opening of the Camp-Meeting is given in full. Dr. James L. York is the subject of the biography that follows, of whom there is also a portrait. Another full-page lithograph is a "Spirit Picture by Mrs. A. Livingstone," exhibiting more artistic merit than is ordinarily met with in such productions. Of the picture, portrait of a female spirit, no particulars are given. Other subjects of interest to Spiritualists occupy the remaining pages. San Francisco, Cal.: 32 Ellis street.

VICE'S ILLUSTRATED MONTHLY .- In exquisite coloring two varieties of Cypripedium are given as a frontispiece. "The Snowdrop Tree,""Old Fashioned Herbs," "Calla Lillies" and "Hydrangens," are treated upon at length, and hints and instructions upon flower culture given in shorter articles. Mention is made on the authority of English journals that the apples received in England last year sold for three million five hundred thousand dollars. Rochester, N. Y.: James Vick.

THE ELECTRICIAN.-In an editorial on "Jubilee Days," It is remarked that the coincidence of the royal jubilee with the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the telegraph by Wheatstone, in England, and of Morse's caveat for his invention filed in the U. 8. Patent Office in the same year, suggests still further closeness of relation between Great Britain and America than that based on relations previously named. New York : Elec. Pub. Co.

Cassell's Family Magazine.—A new serial story that promises to be one of much interest, "A Man by the Name of John," by Florence M. King, is commenced. Very pleasing short stories, complete in this number, are "Bunch," "Miss Chance," and "Mr. Barnes's Dilemma," while matter of practical value is found in "Common Sense about Children's Diet," 'What to Wear," "The Garden in the Leafy Month." etc. "The Gatherer" reports new discoveries and inventions. New York : Cassell & Co.

OUR LITTLE ONES .- It will be a very-hard-to-pleaselittle-one who is not made happy by the visit of this number, in which they are told of "Piggy at Church,"
"Every Day Fairles," "Saucy Little Sparrows," Tricky Little Polly"-Polly being a little colored girl n a Southern plantation—and are supplied with many other, short, stories, sketches, poems, and a profusion of handsome pictures. Russell Pub. Co., 36 Bromfield street, Boston.

THE HOMILETIC REVIEW contains eight contributions to its "Review Section," the same number to its "Sermonic," followed by miscellany designed to aid the Evangelical clergy in their clerical labors. New

> [From the Golden Gate, San Francisco, Cal.] A Musical Surprise.

The congregation which assembled at Father Ubach's hurch for 8 o'clock mass yesterday morning, were reated to a surprise in the way of music which they vill not soon forget. The edifice was crowded, many The congregation which assembled at Father Ubach's church for 8 o'clock mass yesterday morning, were treated to a surprise in the way of music which they will not soon forget. The edifice was crowded, many kneeling in the vestibule for want of room inside. At a few minutes past 3 Father Ubach ascended the altar steps, when soft tones from the organ seemed to impress the congregation that something unusual was about to transpire, and, sure enough, a soprano voice, clear and sympathetic, began the first notes of an Ave Marka. The voice, growing louder as the air proceeded, rose to the highest attainable pitch, making the church for the moment seem like a vast cathedral. But this was but a prelude to what was coming. After the sermon the organ again played a solemn and inspiring air, no one for a moment suspecting the rich vocal treat about to follow. This time a wonderful bass voice, vibrating and sonorous, was heard, beginning on the lowest notes, gradually rising to a tone of pathos and power that fairly made the church ring, causing many to turn in their seats to see who the singer could be, when just at this moment the same magnificent soprano voice caught up the air, making of it a kind of duet, alternating between the lowest and the loudest bass tones and the highest and most powerful soprano notes possible to conceive. To say that all this produced a sensation in a church where no music is ever heard at early Sunday mass will cause no wonder. When Father Rousselle, of the Old Mission of San Luis Obispo, made it known here that Mr. Jesse Shepard and gratification caused by his generous act were complete, and appreciated by one of the largest congregations ever gathered in that church. It is well that but few persons knew of Mr. Shepard's intention to sing, for had it been generally known the crowd would have so the standard distance.—Datly San Diegan, Jume 13th, 1837. San Diegan, June 18th, 1887.

Editor of Golden Gate: Should some of your readers think the above description of Mr. Shepard's singing in St. Joseph's Church exaggerated, I take this opportunity of saying that the reporter of the San Diegan might have said much more. I was among the fortunate number who heard the music on that occasion, and the next day I called on Father Ubach at his residence in order to see what opinion he might express concerning it. His enthusiasm knew no bounds. He declared that he never had heard anything so grand and wonderful; that the singing seemed to fill the space around the altar where he was, and that he noticed several in the congregation turn pale with emotion. After the services, the nuns from the convent, who occupied the front pews, asked Father Ubach who the singers, were that composed the grand choir, and he smilingly an-swered them that the music all came through the broat and flugers of a young man named Jesse Shepard.

This truly cultured priest understood and appreclated every requisite condition to obtain the highest, and most sublime inspiration, for he said to me that, it was the "infusion of the Holy Spirit?"; that such a: gift was superhuman, and could not originate in evil controls, for it was ennobling in its influence and effort fects. He said he could readily understand how no cessary it was to have perfect, quiet and harmony to obtain such inspiration, as it required such great, concentration of thought and a most powerful brain, to develop such faculties. Father Parley, who was also present, said that the music was "heavenly," and that Mr. Shepard was the most wonderfully gifted Joung man be had even met. Xours graternally.

### The Medical War.

You are Right, Bro. Hall.

The Aroostook Herald, a broad-gauge and fearless secular newspaper, published at Presque Isle, Me., J. B. Hall, Esq., editor, has the following in a recent issue, bearing on the 'veto" controversy now going on in that State. With the principal facts of this discussion the BANNER's readers have already been put in possession; we cannot refrain, however, from copying the remarks of Bro. Hall, and assuring him that he has our hearty sympathy and endorsement in his bold course in approval of the moral courage of Gov. Bodwell, and his openhanded reproof of the medical bigots of Maine for their efforts "to compel the people to submit to their dictation": We have nowhere seen a clearer or more pointed statement of the matters at issue, and trust that no patron of the BANNER, wherever residing, will fail of thoughtfully perusing it, for in its terse and compact sentences will be found evidence, applicable to any meridian, as to the utter unscrupulousness of the Regulars in medicine in their determined efforts to obtain (where they can) the enactment of what Bro. Hall rightly characterizes as "medical monstrosities, proposing in the interest of a class [themselves] to take from the people a portion of their inherent, natural rights under the Constitution":

The Maine Medical Association has recently put on record the opinion of its members that Gov. Bodwell has violated his official oath, a grave charge to make against any official without regard to his past record, and one which should not be made without fully understanding its import. The physicians of Maine are as intelligent as any other class of men, but they are not infallible, and in this case appear to have "slopped over." They have formally, and as an association, officially issued a pronunciamento against the chief magistrate of the State and a fellow citizen "who." says the Portland Press, "has grown up in this State from boyhood, who has carried on great business enterprises which have brought him in contact day after day for many years with his fellow citizens from all parts of the State, who has lived in the glare of publicity, and against whom there has been until yesterday no insinuation reflecting upon his integrity or honor. His word has always been as good as his bond. Through a fierce political campaign of months, when party passion ran high, not one word was breathed by the most reckless and irresponsible speaker on the stump to impugn his moral character. But now like a thunderbolt from a clear sky, without warning, comes a charge made by the Medical Association of Maine, that he has been guilty, in their opinion, of a violation of his oath."

In view of such a charge against such a man, made by such a body of men, the people of Maine desire to know what he has done. The reader is undoubtedly aware that last winter a bill concected in the interest of the doctors, called the medical registration bill, was pushed through the Legislature without due con-sideration. When it reached the Governor, he hesitated, but at last signed it, and it was carried to the Secretary's office. In a short time, however, the Governor, who seems to have had grave doubts when he signed it, decided that he could not approve it, erased his signature and returned the bill to the Senate with his veto. The doctors claim that having signed the bill, the Governor had no right to erase his signature. that the bill is a law, and that the Governor violates his oath because he does not enforce a measure that

he does not consider law. The Constitution allows the Governor five days for consideration of any bill presented for his approval. During that time, as the Kennebec Journal fairly states it, he may sign, erase his signature, sign again or return the bill with his objections to the House in which it originated. In this case the Governor signed the bill, crased his signature and returned it to the Senate with his veto within the time allowed him by the Constitution. Still further, when the Governor has finally approved a bill, the Secretary of State is required to give written notice of such fact to the presiding officers of House and Senate, giving title of bill and date of approval. In the case of this medical registration bill no such notice was given. And yet the Maine Medical Association make the groundless accusation that the Governor of the State has violated "The object in your coming here this morning is that an old friend of yours might, eat the bill and date of approval. In the case of this medical he understands that duty to be under the Constitution, because when he believed he had made a mistake he had the moral courage to correct it.

The bill had not passed out of his jurisdiction; the time allowed him by the Constitution in which to consider it had not expired; no written notice had been given to the Legislature of its approval. He had a perfect right to reconsider his action, erase his signature and return the bill with his objections. He violated no duty or constitutional provision in doing so. He had the same right to reconsider that the Legislature has, within certain well-defined limits, and it has sometimes occurred that bills having passed both branches and received the signatures of both presiding officers, and sent to the Governor, have been recalled, reconsidered and killed.

The Herald does not believe in the wisdom or justice of such a law as that would have been had the Governor approved it. It was what might be termed a medical monstrosity, proposing, in the interest of a class, to take from the people a portion of their inhe-rent, natural rights under the Constitution, and we honor our chief magistrate for having had the manifness and moral courage to veto it. He did right; and the people justify him. The doctors are all good fellows, nice men and good citizens as a rule, but they are not infallible, and made a bad mistake when they undertook to compel the people to submit to their distation. They "slopped over" pretty seriously when they charged an executive of incorruptible integrity with violation of his official oath because he does not enforce their pet measure, which is not law.

#### Medical Matters in Maine and New York.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: "The Maine Medical Society"—so avers by paragraph the Boston Sunday Herald of a recent dateappears to have diagnosed Goy. Bodwell's complaint.

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graph the Boston Sunday Herald of a recent date—
"appears to have diagnosed Gov. Bodwell's complaint. The weakness is to be located somewhere about the spinal column." Like a majority of diagnoses made by the Regulars in their practice, this one is mistaken and erroneous to a fault: Gov. Bodwell has proved that he has a backbone, and that it has atrength; while the angry medicos, in their fiery resolutions demonsing him; as passed at their Fortiand meeting, have given additional proof that they are the last people on earth to whose sole and unquestioned keeping the rights of private individuals and the characters of public men can be safely entrusted.

Gov. Bodwell did not scruple in this action of his to look after the people; interests leaving the antiquated medical systems to fight it out as best they might with the progressive and more successful methods of treatment now in vogue; and I trust that the people will remember their friend when the next election comes on, and place him again; in the gubernatorial chair of the Pine Tree State—a place he has honored and proven himself so eminently fitted to fill since he was chosen to occupy it.

The Senate, too, in sustaining Gov. Bodwell's veto message almost to a man, indicated its determination to defend the rights of its constituents; and I trust this action will be borne in mind when voting is next in order among the people: let no friend of medical freedom in Maine countenance by his ballet any political sispirant who is willing to cisaleve the mahy for the real and aim of what are called "Registration Laws," etc., etc.

In view of the great noise created by the Maine Regulars regarding their desire to protect the dear people." from all deception, etc., in medical practice—a desire which the Allopaths say has been thwarted by GoviBodwell and the Senate—I would like to ask these self-appointed candidates for a medicalegal guardianahip of the public, if, there is now any criminal action and proved for a to punishment by the existing statutes of the State; I t

X am glad to see that the public press of Maine gives

no uncertain sound at this crisis, but proves itself true to the people's interests, and is reading these rampant medical gentlemen a useful lesson as to the ridiculous light which their late performances have placed them in before the world. As instances of the feeling evinced by many Maine journals which have fallen under my notice, I desire to put the following editorial paragraphs on record:

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"Those astate members of the Maine Medical Association who solemnly resolved by a unanimous rising vote that Gov. Bodwell is 'guilty of violating his oath of office' for not enforcing the medical registration bill, which every schoolboy knows is not a law, are making a sorry exhibition of themselves as their work comes to be subject to the test of public discussion; and their ill-advised course is likely to materially diminish the respect which the people have heretofore entertained for their association and the learned profession which it represents. These profound medical gentlemen are behaving quite as unseemly as a crowd of ten-year-old urchins who were not allowed to have their own way at school and sought to revenge themselves by throwing mud-balls at the schoolmaster's slater."—Bridgeton (Me.) News.

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sister."—Bridgeton (Mc.) News.

"The Maine State Medical Society, which held its meeting in Portland recently, denounced Gov. Bodwell's veto of the medical registration bill in unmistakable terms, saying that he has: violated his cath of office, and by his refusal to submit the disputed case to the Supreme Court 'displays either the disposition of a despot or the servility of a pusillanimous agent of unscrupulous political masters. We do not think the Medical Association will help its cause any by such a course. If the Legislature had been any ways unanimous about the matter they could have passed the bill over the Governor's veto, which they refused to do by a very unanimous vote, if we remember rightly. We believe the people never demanded this bill, and, what's more, do not believe they ever will, or sustain it if it is passed, and if the question overcomes squarely before the people they will decide it in a manner that may be quite as unpalatable to the Medical Society as is Gov. Bodwell's veto.—Gardiner (Mc.) Home Journal."

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As regards matters in New Yonk, I find a totally misleading paragraph in the daily press, to the effect that that State "has at last got a law requiring the licensing and registration of all physicians and surgeous. It makes it necessary that any person practicing medicine or surgery shall be registered in the county in which he practices, after presenting proper evidence of his qualifications,"etc.

The real facts in the case are that largely signed petitions in the name of the people were presented this session, and also last year, to the New York Legislature, asking that the old and liberal law of 1844 should be restored and take the place of the "Doctors' Plot Law," enacted in 1880; but by and through the shrewdness of the Medical Society or its legal counsel a new bill, which included all the essentially objectionable points of the law of 1880 was substituted for the one that the people really desired to have reinstated; and this is the sum and substance of all that has been accomplished by the new law.

The law of 1880 required that all individuals in practice should be registered in the county where practicing, and that they shall have a diploma from the Harvard Medical School desired to practice in New York, he must pay over to the officer of any one of a certain number of colleges in New York twenty dollars before he could be registered for such practice. The present law is no better or worse than that of 1880, but by this sharp practice on the part of the Regulars many persons residing in the Empire State are misled into supposing that some great victory for medical freedom has somehow been achieved.

JUSTICE.

### Spiritual Phenomena.

Interesting Psychographical Phenomena.

In a late number of the Medium and Daybreak Mr. Burns gives an account of an interesting séance held with Mr. Eglinton in London, Mr. and Mrs. Burns and a clergyman, Mr. Manners, being the only persons present with the medium. The room in which it was held was as light as the full rays of a clear noonday sun could make it. Following some preliminary remarks in which the above points are stated at length, and a brief account given of responses to questions of Mr. Manners, Mr. Burns says:

Mr. Eglinton desired that I write a question on one of the slates. I took one of my own slates, and wrote privately on one side: "Have the spirits any object in my being here this morning?"

here this morning?"

The slate was turned over, and the piece of pencil placed on the clean side, when Mr. Eglinton held it under the table, close to the top, with his right hand. Very soon writing was heard. When it concluded, and three little taps were given, the slate was removed, and the following was found written in a bold hand, beginning at the middle of the slate and writing to the and then heatprings at the middle.

opportunity of meeting with an old friend of yours who has been on our side many years." A sheet of my note paper with a printed heading was put between two slates with a crumb of lead pencil, and held under the table. On the taps being heard to remove it, Mr. Eglinton did so, when the following was found written on the sheet of paper:

"We shall be glad if you will ask Mr. Eglin-

ton to put some drawing-paper upon the slate. This friend of Mr. Burns's wishes to give him his portrait."

his portrait."

Mr. Eglinton accordingly went to a drawer, from which he took one of several sheets of drawing-paper with a rough surface. He felded it, and tore it into two pleces. On one I put my initials, and it was placed between two slates; along with it was put a small plece of black lead, and a small piece of violet indelible pencil, which I cut from the pencil case I carry in my pocket. Mr. Eglinton held the slates under the table, when he was considerably jerked and pulled by the influences. Mr. Manners also took hold of the slates with his left hand. After some delay, the signal was given for the slates to be withdrawn. On removing the upper one, the piece of drawing-paper was found to contain a double triangle, drawn with the violet pencil, and in the space formed by

the upper one, the piece of drawing paper was found to contain a double triangle, drawn with the violet pencil, and in the space formed by the combined triangles was an inscription with the black lead pencil, naming six points of moral doctrine around which all religious center. This manifestation was for Mr. Manners. The second piece of drawing paper had been put between a pair of slates, with the two kinds of pencil as before; while the slates were under the table I assisted in holding them, my left hand touching Mr. Eglinton's right. A very faint action was heard going on between the slates, and the short time which it continued passed almost unperceived. Soon the signal was given, the slates placed on the top of the table, the upper one, removed, when, lo! a most artistic and delicately drawn portrait was disclosed. It was at once recognized by Mrs. Burns and myself, and our simultaneous exclamation was, "Oh! it's old Cogman." Mr. Cogman presented in life a most noble and venerable appearance, and we had known him so familiarly for many years that there was not the slightest difficulty in recognising him. And as to the terms used, he frequently calls himself "old Cogman," when he manifests to me through a medium, which he does whenever he gets an opportunity. He is often seen by clair-voyants both with my wife and self.

The drawing is executed in such an exquisite manner that for a time we were lost in admiration. Both kinds of poncil had been used. With the black lead the faint fine lines of the white hair and beard are most delicately drawn, while the shading on the off-side of the face and background is done with the violet pencil, making a much deeper tint and throwing the violet pencil, where it had been out off, were

making a much deeper tint and throwing the portrait well up.

It was observed that the sharp angles of the violet penoil, where it had been cut off, were worn by the use made of it in producing this drawing. There is accordingly absolute certainty that the drawing was produced there and then with the materials present and in the manner described. It was my own spontaneous proposition that the violet penoil should be used an experiment which Mr. Eglinton possibly herer had before attempted. All these considerations show the futility of any endeavor to explain the manifestation by trickery.

Mr. Eglinton had been to only one of Mr. Cogman's meetings many years ago in the East. End, and we do not think he recognized the likeness. Mr. Manhers had never made our friend's personal soquisitation:

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ability. He will add his initials if you put it under."

The drawing was accordingly placed on the slate with the piece of violet pencil, and held under the table, when the name, "A. Cooper," was instantly placed obliquely on the righthand side of the figure, as is usual with artists. None of us could remember an artist of that name.

name.
We now realized that the object of our visit had been attained; but to enable the spirits to make any statement which they might deem necessary, another slate was held in position, when it was written quite full in a very short time. The following is a transcription:

time. The following is a transcription:
"Dear Sir—The portrait which you have received is, as you will aiready have recognized, that of your old friend and fellow-worker, Cogman, drawn to you by bonds of the greatest sympathy, because your labors lie in the direction in which he so faithfully worked for so many years. He comes to you this beautiful morning to give you this token of his unceasing regard. He wishes you to accept it as an incentive to still greater works, and begs you to believe that he is doing his share of it, although on the other side.' There is a great power carrying you onward in your mission, and, aided by such guides as Cogman, you cannot fail to do the work to which God and his angels have appointed you. Your friend, REMEST."

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nave appointed you. Your friend, ERMEST."

This certainly was written in one-tenth of the time that it takes to transcribe it. The punctuation was all added and the capital letters appropriately introduced. It was in "Ernest's" peculiar handwriting, whereas all the other writings were in a round hand. Both hands are quite unlike that written by the medium.

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In conclusion another slate was used, when the following words were given:
"Good-bye. God bless you! Bruce is here and sends his love."
It will be remembered that a portrait of "Bruce" was given when Mrs. Burns sat with Mr. Eglinton on a former occasion. It appeared in the Medium Dec. 10th, 1884.
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#### Concord, not Unity.

This was the theme of a regular discourse of the late Henry Ward Beecher in the Plymouth Church pulpit three years ago, and it abounds with suggestions and injunctions which are courageously, as he did in more than one of the equally pertinent to mark, learn and inwardly churches of Boston, Mr. Bland has been not digest at the present hour, and among all classes of minds.

There is no confessed necessity among people of all shades of belief more urgent than that | promptly challenged his accusers to establish. of cultivating a spirit in which all shall agree and whose motif he repelled with honest indigto disagree, and of striving for a helpful har- nation. mony in advancing human welfare rather than a mere unity of professed belief. Mr. Beecher remarked that the art of living together, look- over the red man. His position, as Secretary ing at man largely, constitutes one of Paul's of the National Indian Defence Association, continuous thoughts; how, with all the various | should give his opinions—based as they are on differences and diversities, men shall be able to interbranch each other, interlock with each other, and not tear and rend and rasp and quarrel with each other; how, maintaining their largeness and their individuality, they still shall be held to such intimate relations as that they shall be said to be united and to constitute a unity.

We see this law of diversity running throughout the external world. The law of the vegetable kingdom is variation. While there is a tendency to permanence, or reproduction, there is a parallel tendency to variation-to constant minute differences which in many cases finally become permanent. And what is true and the glory of the vegetable kingdom is also true of the lower animal kingdom; and the same law prevails in the higher animal kingdom. When we reach the human family, we see its more perfect operation more than anywhere else. In a household of six or eight children there is a constant tendency to vary and to differ. Nature herself provides for diversity. There is a creative and creating principle of variation, put there by the purpose of God, through long periods developing extreme differences. So that the differing of one thing from another, instead of being, as theologians have taught, a sign of weakness, is a sign of strength, or rather of riches; and the glory of creation, said Mr. Beecher, lies not altogether in its unities, but in its differences as well. Nature is contriving after differences all the time. She strives for harmony-never for unity, except in that sense. Harmony is not unison; it is concordant differences.

A house is not one room, but many rooms; so that grouped together we call it one house. Nobody thinks of trying to make all the rooms just alike. We glory in the fact that there are such diversities of structure, and form, and attitude, and all the elements. Over all these differences the architect throws an exterior that seems to unite them all. But within that exterior unity everything is diverse each from the other, and we wish it to be so.

It is the want of a right understanding of this genius of nature, said Mr. Beecher, that has filled the world hitherto with mistakes, and been the fruitful source of interferences and quarrels unnumbered. The ruling idea in the churches to-day is an ideal oneness in thought, in worship, and in organization. It is not a divine idea at all, but at a discord with the divine idea. It is running against the genius of oreation. This idolatry of unity has taken possession of the best men in spite of nature and Providence. The common preaching, literature and the popular thought are fed on it, and call for unity in such a sense as suppresses varistions and diversity. The popular stream of thought runs toward unity in the sense of iden-

tity, or the effacement of differences. Life is forever producing difference; men are forever stupidly trying to rub it out. Humanity is thus at perpetual quarrel with nature, and is perpetually rowing against the stream

tify God's thought and work. In the sense of sameness, unity is the mortal heresy of life and of society. It is harmony that is to be sought, for his prompt action in thus defeating the not unity, except in the sense of harmony. Harmony, however, can never be made up by | the nation their houses and their improvements, putting the same sort of things together. It is the different notes in music that make the harmony, not the sameness. The individual is made up of many faculties, yet the variation itself constitutes the strength of the man; and the perfect man must have something of everything that God thought of when he made him. The one power in the human soul that will bring harmony and obedience everywhere else is Love. This is the fulfilling of the law. it is the central crystallization for character. However strong the variant parts of a man's conflicting nature, if once they consent to take the law of Love and bow down in allegiance to it, the character is harmonized, and the harmonization of it makes it strong just in proportion to the amount of its differences.

Over intense individualism in society will never produce unity in the larger sense of that term. Education ought to be the development of every part of a man's mind. Life teaches both differences and reconciliation. Yet the teaching in the family and the academies is not based upon a true mental philosophy; the very idea of education has as yet hardly come forth, which gives life and power to every side of a man. There is but one orthodoxy-that of the heart; which reconciles all things in the individual, unites one's self to all one's fellows, and is in sympathy with that Supreme Heart whose vibrations are the light and the life of the universe.

Jerusalem is pictured in the Revelation as having twelve gates. It is very certain that if a city has twelve gates, those who cannot go in at one can go in at another and opposite one; and they have to take different roads to get into them. And so in regard to the great things of religion, and love to God and man. It is no matter how far one travels or by what road he gets there, if he only reaches the gate. Hence the word Unity is misleading, and should be discarded. In its place should be put the word Harmony, by which all things are reconcilable and reconciled. No man has a right to say: "I am the eye, and you are only the nose"; the eye and the nose and the mouth are all necessary to the perfect composition of the face. We are all seeking one immortality-all seeking the one disposition that shall immortalize us.

The great Power of unfolding Life under Natural Law can be trusted to take care of the outcome of all things. It is developing this earth and its people individually and collectively: Let each man endeavor, therefore, to place himself in harmony with its requirements, and, thus doing, have no fear but that in the end the best results will accrue for the whole human family.

#### About as We Predicted.

The contention of Mr. Bland on behalf of the Indians, in connection with the severalty system which constitutes the vital part of what is known as the Dawes bill, has been simply that, at the very beginning, the severalty plan would operate in favor of the land-grabbers, who intended to crowd the Indians off of all the lands that are good for anything and secure them for themselves. For saying as much frankly and only criticised with harshness but roundly abused; and even accused of self seeking himself in the matter, a charge whose truth he

Mr. Bland has frequently, and in no doubtful terms, proclaimed the danger now impending extended experience among the Indians themselves-great weight with all friends of these long-persecuted peoples. This gentleman has time and again declared the existence of a great likelihood, bordering on almost a positive certainty, that under the provisions of the Dawes Severalty Bill, the Indians will be ousted from their present reservations-or at least the choice portions of them-under the specious plea of civilizing them, and the better portions of their present possessions will be legally (?) conveyed within the grasp of unscrupulous white schemers and plotters against the rights of the weak. And no less a man than Superintendent Armstrong, of the Hampton, Va., Institute-though himself a firm friend of the Dawes bill-has been forced to acknowledge that unless the proper order of men are chosen to conduct the allotment, the Indian will be cruelly despoiled under cover of law.

One of the very first reported movements under the way of allotting land in severalty seems to verify these unfortunate apprehensions. The Portland Oregonian of June 24 quotes from the Helena Exchange to the effect that Surveyor-General Greene has just received notification to contract at once for the survey of some lands on the Crow reservation. Of the one hundred thousand dollars appropriated by Congress last winter for the survey of lands to be allotted to Indians in severalty, six thousand dollars have been apportioned for the survey of lands on Pryor Creek in the Crow reservation. The Pryor Creek Valley has been settled by a Crew tribe who have made some progress in agriculture and show a strong desire to succeed. Therefore it is decided that their lands shall be surveyed. The Department directs that the land to be surveyed shall be in Pryor Creek Valley - twelve townships in ranges 25 and 26, east of the principal meridian, six townships in each range.

On examination, however, Surveyor-General Greene finds that if it is desired to allot lands in Pryor Creek Valley, a survey of townships in ranges 25 and 26 will be of no value whatever, as they are not in that valley. Therefore he has communicated to the Department a recommendation as follows: "that inasmuch as ranges 25 and 26 are not in Pryor Creek Valley. ranges 27 and 28 be selected as the field or survey. These latter ranges are in that valley, and are now occupied by the Indians. And, says the Helena paper above quoted, "there is no possible excuse for not giving them the land which they occupy."

If this is not hocus-pocus for the purpose of chousing the Indians out of the good lands they now occupy and have brought under more or less cultivation, then it would be hard to

say what is. No doubt, now that the public attention is being called to this attempted direct outrage on a partly civilized section of the Indians, we shall hear that it was all a mistake on the part of somebody as to figures, ranges, etc., etc.—or any filmsy excuse that comes to hand; but the particulars on the part of those desiring to secure of tendencies in creation. Men would fain rec- damning fact remains the same, if the paper we seaside home.

quote from is reliable, and we are quite sure it is. Thanks are due to Surveyor-General Greene proposed wrong, and saving to these wards of as well as their farm land.

We put this case of "Pryor Valley" on record. and respectfully ask those in authority at Washand purse and honor of the nation are confided, if they desire to have it understood throughout the country that this is to be a precedent-a specimen of the manner in which the allotment of land to the Indians is to be conducted? That it is really a foretaste of what is to come, is to our mind painfully certain, and we call upon every true friend of humanity on this continent to join us in uttering an indiguant protest against such gigantic injustice!

#### A Worthy and Noble Work.

In the Message Department of our issue of June 4th appeared the following communication from the Spirit Chairman of our Circle. We reprint it, that our readers may have a distinct idea of that noble charity now in operation in the city of Cincinnati, O., which the spirit came to commend:

JOHN PIERPONT, TO MRS. H. D. MACKENZIE.

I desire, Mr. Chairman, to voice a message to a lady who is at present in Cincinnati, Ohio, as the thought of the spiritual band interested in her work, and who understand the motives which inspire her mind and prompt her actions. This lady has in contemplation the formation of a practical home that will result beneficially for little homeless children. A spiritual band, headed by our noble friend, Henry Clay, is interested in this spiritual work, and is exercising its influence to bring about certain results in more effective ways than it has been attempted before.

The lady to whom I refer has already under her charge several little waits who were without home and friends to care for them. Having come into the light of spiritual knowledge, and realizing the fact that there are unseen friends around her to endorse and bless this work, she desires to extend its limits. We feel that a word of encouragement to such a soul as this will not be out of place from the Banner of Light Circle Band, and I express the sentiments of that band, as recently expressed to me by Mr. Clay, in relation to this movement. JOHN PIERPONT, TO MRS. H. D. MACKENZIE.

as this will not be out of place from the Banner of Light Circle Band, and I express the sentiments of that band, as recently expressed to me by Mr. Clay, in relation to this movement.

I will say to that lady: Be of good cheer; the angels understand your object and will guide you; they are now forming their plans as rapidly as possible, that you understand in a measure, and which they feel will be outwrought as you desire. They will bring you the material advice and assistance you have craved. We know that you are willing to give your all to this work; but what is mostly needed is the strong, good advice of brave minds who are wise enough to guide you clearly and not direct you on to the shoals. This we hope will be brought to you from near places, and the outlook is promising.

I wish to say that the good friends who are interested in humanitarian works should particularly be interested in the welfare and care of the little children—the walfs of the streets, the outcasts from society—who, if left to themselves and their own unlovely surroundings, will become a curse to mankind and of Be

—the walls of the streets, the outcasts from society—who, if left to themselves and their own unlovely surroundings, will become a curse to mankind and of no service to themselves or to the world, but if gathered in and cared for in loving ways may be taught wholesome influences and assisted to form such correct habits as will make them industrial, honest and pure-minded members of society. Therefore I bespeak sympathy and something more practical from those who love humanity and desire to see it advanced to the highest possibility of unfoldment.

The time is not far distant when, in private ways, such advice and suggestions will be given to the lady I refer to—Mrs. H. D. Mackenzie—as will guide her steps and movements and give her practical support. It seems to me that if she can, after securing the home — which appears not only a possibility but a certainty—interest a number of good men and women who will be willing to invest twenty-five dollars each in the operation, it will be a grand and lasting satisfaction for them to know that by investing these few dollars they are really providing some child of God with a home. This is a work, we trust, that we shall see accomplished. When I say we, I mean a band of spirits who intend to work until such practical labors are established in all quarters of the globe. John Pierpont.

On the 12th of June we received the following note from a friend in Burlington, Vt.: "On reading the Banner of the 4th inst., I noticed the message from Father Pierpont concerning a home for waifs in Cincinnati, and was impressed to make the following proposition:

"The object is a worthy one, and should be carried into effect. Why not start a list? I will head it with \$25,00—not under my own name—but that of Lotels. You might say that a gentleman who has received many benefits from her, and who desires to recognize the same, while doing a little in helping the spirits with their good work, has started the list in that spirit's name. Lotela has done grand service in assisting many, and consequently many should respond."

Immediately upon the receipt of the above tter we took steps to ascertain the object mentioned, and of the lady who has it in charge. The result of our inquiries proved most satisfactory. We learn that Mrs. Mackenzie is a lady of most exemplary character one earnest in purpose, sincere in method. and a devoted Spiritualist. She is at present located at 114 Broadway, Cincinnati, O., where, in addition to caring for several little waifs whom she has rescued from a life in the streets, she has taken charge of a first class lodging-house, from the income of which she gains the means for caring for her little wards.

Mrs. Mackenzie has property of her own which she intends to devote to her benevolent work just as soon as she can dispose of it to the best advantage. Her plan is to purchase a farm, upon which she may establish a home for as many little waifs as she can properly attend to. It is a grand idea.

The lady has made no appeal to the public for pecuniary aid; but hers is a work that should receive noble responses from the benevolently inclined, without solicitation; and we have reason to know that any contribution, however small it may be, will be thankfully received for the object mentioned.

Such a labor as this should not call for words in its defense; let the thought of the outcast waif. rescued from a life of shame and ignorance, plead for its continuance. It is a case wherein the dollars of the benevolent rich man can assist to noble purposes, and one in which the mite of the poor, who wish to aid in doing good, will not be refused. We have before us a cabinet picture of one of the waifs that Mrs. Mackenzie already has in charge. It is that of a little girl three or four years of age. The child looks happy and contented with her surroundings, and her tiny face pleads eloquently for the sustenance of that home which is providing her with its comforts and privileges. It may be seen at our counting-room.

We will gladly receive and acknowledge in these columns any donation for this laudable object that our friends wish to bestow. At present the list of contributions stands as fol-

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#### Mrs. Richmond.

This noble worker for the angel world has just comploted the twelfth year of her ministrations in Chicago, Ill., and is engaged for the next. By-and-bye she will be wanted in Boston, where she is ever welcome. Our people must bear in mind that Mrs. Richmond lectures at Onset Bay on Sunday, the 21st of next month.

Coma's Beach, West Gloncester, Mass. (a locality which all who have visited Cape Ann will remember as a grand piece of Nature's handiwork in the way of fine ocean view, etc.), is now about to take upon itself the more imposing name of . Willoughby Park-that is, the two hundred acres of upland thereunto appertaining are-a dompany having recently purchased the location, and improvements now being in order. "Fullerton"—in care Cape Ann Advertiser Gloucester, Mass .- will willingly answer all calls for THE STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE P

The Seybert Commission and Prof. Zoellner.

We have recently shown that the attempt of the members of the Seybert Commission to convict Prof. Zöllner of having been disqualified to attest to the phenomena occurring in the presence of Dr. Slade, because of "unsound mind," was a signal failure; and that, too, by out and brought to the witness stand for a diametrically opposite purpose from that they eventually subserved. Herr Wundt was the only one that seemingly sustained the charge, and he was least of all qualified to give an opinion. He attended by invitation of Zöllner the second seance, remained in the room one half hour and then left; that was the extent of his

The charge of unsound mind did not originate with George S. Fullerton as the representative and spokesman of the Commission. Zöllner had always been inclined to heresy in science; he was constantly transgressing the rules it formulated as its creed, and going beyond the stake it had driven as the limit of its advance. There was constantly looming up in his mind a vision of a greater realm in nature than any the foot of science had trod; of possibilities its votaries had never dreamed of in | ceived its most crushing blow"! Our readers their philosophy. Hence he pressed on, and the character of the treatment he received from his confréres may be inferred from this passage in the dedication of his "Transcendental Physics" to William Crookes, F. R. S.:

"To you, also, ingratitude and scorn have been abundantly dealt out by the blind repre-sentatives of modern science, and by the multi-tude befooled through their erroneous teach-

He was not, however, to be browbeaten by the animadversions of his associates, or the slanderous abuse and false charges of the ignorant followers of professional thinkers, for the reason that, as he says further on:

"In the first place it is necessary that the truth should be regardlessly outspoken, in order to encounter lies and tyranny, no matter under what shape they threaten to impede human progress, with energy and effect. In this sense I beg you to judge my combat against scientific and moral offences, not only in my own, but also in your country."

Is it to be wondered at that a man with such thoughts and thus forcibly and pointedly expressing them, should be charged by some men with being of "unsound mind"? or that as soon as his clear and bold account of his experiments in the presence of Dr. Slade and the convictions they forced upon his mind were given to the world, it was affirmed he was so? As if history that eighteen centuries ago reported Festus as saying unto one who had been arrested in a course of persecution by a manifestation of spirit-power, and was thereby led to proclaim truth, "Paul, thou art beside thy self; much learning doth make thee mad," was repeating itself in our own day.

The charge has been repeatedly disproved. and by no one with greater directness and force than by Baron Hellenbach, who has experimented with and studied spirit-phenomena for the past twenty or more years, often in company, patiently and understandingly, with Prof. Zöllner himself, and hence better qualified to judge of the man and the subject than Herr-Wundt after his half-an-hour of skeptical observation. Helienbach says, referring to the appearance of Zöllner's book, "Transcendental Physics ": "The publication of such instructive and in-

teresting facts, the importance of which was recognized by the two greatest thinkers of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries,\* brought eighteenth and nineteenth centuries,\* brought upon the courageous as well as gifted Zöllner the hatred and persecution of the learned professors, according to Schiller, as a matter of course; and as I stand in personal relationship to Zöllner, I have learnt to know the pitifulness of his opposers. There is no doubt that there are exceptions in every nation and every caste or religious sect; inasmuch, however, as no knowledge is possessed of particular indino knowledge is possessed of particular indiritis quite right to accept the rule as a general principle. This sets forth that the learned professors are on an average one-sided, vain and arrogant men, to whom ignorance might be more justly attributed than learning, and it is the duty of all courageous and independent men to emancipate public opinion from their dominating influence; and since so many of these gentlemen did not hesitate to assert that Zöliner was crazy or imbecile, I here declare that I had frequent intercourse with this man, that I corresponded with him, that I received a letter from him a few days before his death on the subject of my Magic of Numbers —an earnest and thoughtful theme; and that not the slightest foundation exists for the above named stigma. Zöllner possessed great quickness of thought, an over great liveliness of spirit, and was in his last days deeply wounded and em-bittered by the treatment of his colleagues, whose assaults he took too much to heart (though I repeatedly said and wrote to him that they were quite beneath his consideration); Zöllner, however, was in perfect possession of his intellect till his last breath. If Schopenhauer could not pardon the 'frock-coat professors of philosophy' as he nicknemed them fessors of philosophy, as he nicknamed them, for ignoring him, it is not astonishing that Zöllner felt himself injured by the treatment he received from his colleagues. To me the antagonism of the professors is a matter of as perfect indifference as their approbation or their silence would be; I am only of opinion that the mask should be torn from the faces of these Pharisees, with the help of which they impose upon public opinion."

\* Kant and Schopenhauer.

SPIRIT MESSAGE DEPARTMENT. - FOI contents the present week, the reader will find on our sixth page communications from William Horton (to friends in Portland, Ore.) Samuel Chase (of Providence, R. I.); Helen Gilmore (to those who once knew her in Springfield Ill.); William Pritchard (of Salem, Mass.); Elizabeth Owens (to friends in Oneida, N. Y.) Harriet Carson (of Charlestown District); Ruth Armand (to friends in Lawrence, Mass.); Robert Ferguson (to former associates in Plainfield, N. J.); George A. Cotton (of Pitteburgh, Pa.); Wealthy Andrews (to her people in Brooklyn and Harlem, N. Y.); and Johnnie Bartley-to his mother, who was present at the seance. Questions are answered by the Controlling Intelligence concerning the conditions attendant on the exercise of sight by the excarnated; anxiety on the part of the mortal, and its effect upon the returning spirit, etc.; and the Spirit President speaks messages in behalf of Marie Depew, Catherine A. Rogers, John H. Bond and August Labouker, who were unable to control in their own behalf.

Dr. Abbie E. Cutler's school for physical and spiritual development, at Wickett's Island Home, Onset, Mass., is now open. Lectures and seances are held daily, we understand. This island is one of the most salubrious localities in the State. The late Dr. S. B. Brittan, who several years ago paid it a visit, pronounced it the coolest and finest summer resort on this continent.

BACK NUMBERS OF THE BANKER (for last year) can be obtained at this office at four

#### Killed-Again!

According to the daily and weekly secular press of the country, one would suppose that Modern Spiritualism had received "a crushing blow," anent the report of the Philadelphia savants(?). But the daily press is unreliableas unreliable as the "Seybert Commission"\_ and those who compose the latter body appear ington and elsewhere, in whose hands the sword | the testimony of three of the four men searched | in the eyes of the thousands of Spiritualists all over the country as "literary idiots"; though we prefer to designate them, instead, literary bigots, and shall prove them such to the world before we are done with them.

Mr. Seybert made an egregious mistake when he selected the agency he did to investigate the phenomena of Spiritualism.

We knew long ago-after Mr. Fullerton made an address before the Harvard Psychic Society, in which he took strong ground against Spiritualism and its phenomena, in order to please his hearers, (as he and they, evidently, knew nothing of the laws of spirit-control)-that when the Commission reported, it would be in a line with Mr. Fullerton's Harvard talk. In this we were not mistaken.

But to the point wherein the newspapers, Tray, Blanche and Sweetheart, have endeavored to make it appear that "Spiritualism has rewill, by simply referring to the second page of last week's BANNER (July 9th), ascertain the fact that that "blow" has not been felt outside of Philadelphia, which city of late years has been the hotbed of bigotry, superstition and intolerance. Let any thoughtful person read the whole Bannen page, referred to above, and then decide whether Spiritualism seems in the least on the wane. It was never more alive. The correspondence from our friends in Massachusetts. New York, Indiana, Connecticut, Wisconsin, Kentucky, Iowa, Missouri, Michigan and Vermont-embodying succinct accounts of Spiritualistic meetings of a recent date in those States-gives the lie to the sensational tlrades against our Cause which periodically appear in the daily press, with of course some honorable exceptions. Indeed, we may confidently aver that every issue of the BAN-NER OF LIGHT contains ample evidence of the onward march of Modern Spiritualism, notwithstanding the constant outcry in certain quarters against it.

No I gentlemen of the press and the Commission I the wish may be the father to the thought in your case, but Spiritualism, so far from being "killed"-as several papers which have reached this office ostentatiously put it-by the late report, is still alive; its feet are planted on the rock of eternal Truth, its arms are upheld by the denizens of the upper skies, and despite all the assaults of its enemies on earth. it shall never be overthrown I

#### Free Excursions for Children.

The committee having in charge the benevolent enterprise of giving free excursions into the country to the children in Boston, who otherwise would not enjoy the sight of rural objects or a breath of country air at all, sent out six excursions of them last year to Lake Walden, enabling six thousand eight hundred and ninety-one young children to spend a happy day in the country. The greater part of them would not have left the city through the whole year but for this service of kindness. The number going on each excursion averaged one thousand one hundred and forty-nine. In no other way could the expenditure of a sum comparatively so small give so much pleasure to the poor little ones whose only chance for play and recreation is in the hot and noisy streets of a large city. Devoted attendants, giving their services free-

ly, jealously guard against all physical and moral injuries that sometimes attend large gatherings, and improve the opportunity to inculcate useful lessons in thought and conduct. find the very ones who ought to be the recipients of such a charity, the city is carefully canvassed by the police and charitable agents. Contributions of money, however small, are cordially solicited of all those who appreciate both the necessity and value of this seasonable recreation, and the services of voluntary assistants of high character and refined and winning manners are at all times acceptable. One dollar will make a long day of happiness for three poor children. Address Parkinson & Burr, 35 Congress street, Boston, who will acknowledge all donations through the public

We received recently a pleasant visit from J. C. Batdorf, M. D., of Jackson, Mich. who is at present on an Eastern tour, seeking the change and recuperation which the sea-

Get Dr. Street's New Book. It is for sale at this office. A wonderful production. We shall review it next week. Boston: Published by Lee & Shepard.

#### Mrs. Ada Hoyt Foye,

Of San Francisco, Cal., who has of late been doing excellent and effective work in Chicago, Ill., as a platform test medium, etc., has been obliged-very reluctantly on her part—to cancel all her Eastern engagements and return to California, by reason of severe illness. Her trouble took the form of an ordinary cold contracted before she left home, but the disease has now attacked the lungs, and has advanced so rapidly during her stay in Chicago, as to render a hange of climate at once an imperative necessity. She writes us that she hopes ere long to compass an entire recovery, when it is her intention to return East, and answer the calls for her services which were so generously extended. We sincerely regret the lady's affliction, and join with her friends in the hope of her speedy restoration to health, and her successful completion in the future of the projected tour which has thus been so unexpectedly interrupted.

#### J. W. Fletcher,

The trance lecturer, who is to speak at Parkland Camp on Sunday, July 17th, has forwarded the following invitation to the Seybert Commission time

6 BEACON STREET, BOSTON, MASS, July 11th.
H. H. FURNESS, ESQ.—Dear Str.: I am to lecture at
Parkland Camp on Sunday, the 17th, Subject, "How
Best to Investigate Spiritualism." May I be allowed
to extend to you, and the Soybert Commission through
you, an invitation to attend? Very truly yours, JOHN W. PLETCHER.

COL. WM. D. CROCKETT-President of the Onset Bay Camp-Meeting Association—so writes a correspondent, has recently sold his nice Dale street residence and purchased a new modern gem of a house on How-ard street, Dorchester District, where the writer found him and his family recently enjoying the cool breezes.

He made the exchange that he might be on the line of the steam railroad. Col. Orockett is a sound, active, cool headed business man, and has the confidence of the officials at the Massachusette State House, where, during the session of the Legislature, he is constantly on the watch that the State printing may be attended to with prompt despatch. Col. Crockett gives univer-shi sitisfaction at the State House, and the new con-tract, by the Commonwealth has just been granted to the Company that he has been engaged with for many years.

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Spiritualist Camp-Meetings.

The season of out-of-door gatherings on the part of the believers in the New Dispensation has come again; and the reader will find, by reference to the subjoined, an extended list setting forth the localities and the time of session where such convocations are either in progress or in immediate prospect.

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ONSET BAY, MASS.—The cloventh Camp-Meeting at this
place will close Aug. 28th. During the season trains will
leave Boston for Onset from the Old Colony Railroad Station
at 3:18 A.M., 9 A.M., 1 P.M., 3:30 P.M., 4.05 P.M.; on Sundays only 25 7:30 A.M.

THE NEW ENGLAND BPIRITUALISTS' CAMP-MEETING
ASSOCIATION will hold its fourieonth annual convocation
at Lake Pleasant, Montague, Mass., July 20th to Aug. 29th.
The train leaving Boston at 11:85 A.M. will stop at the Lake
provided there are passengers to leave or take.

THE CAPE COD CAMF-MEETING will convene at Ocean
Grove, Harwich, Mass., from July 17th to 21st inclusive.
RINDGE, N. H.—The Camp-Meeting at this place closes
Aug. 18th.
LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN, TENN.—The fourth annual meeting is now in session on Lookout Mountain, near Chattanogra. Tenn., continuing to Aug. 1st.

BUNATUE LAKE, N. H.—Sessions for the tenth Annual
Meeting commence Bunday, July 31st, and close Aug. 31st.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY BPIRITUALIST. ASSOCIATION will
be held at Mount Pleasant Park, Ulinton, Ia., commencing
Aug. 7th and continuing through the month.

PERINE MOUNTAIN HOME.—A Sunday afternoon meeting (at 2:00) will be held for the summer at this place—near
Summit, N. J.

PARKLAND, PA.—The Camp-Meeting heretofore held at
Neshaming Fails now takes place at this locality. Its ninth
annual session will close Sept. 18th.

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THE QUEEN CITY PARK CAMP-MEETING, Vt., commences Aug. 17th and closes Sept. 12th.
CASSADAGA LAKE, N.Y.—Begins Saturday, July 30th,
and closes Monday, Sept. 4th.
TEMPLE HEIGHTS, NORTHFORT, ME.—Camp-Meeting
commences Aug. 18th; closes Aug. 21st.
VERONA PARK, ME.—The Camp will continue during
Anunst.

#### English Items.

Elder Evans was announced to address the Spiritulists of London on the evening of Sunday, July 3d. Dr. Peebles was to be present, and it was anticipated that his many friends in the world's metropolis might be privileged to hear his voice once more from the platform.

Mrs. Emma Hardinge-Britten is about to suspend her labors for the purpose of a season of rest and recuperation. She latends to resume the first of September, from which time to the close of the year she will employ Sundays in speaking in Liverpool, Salford, Not-tingham, Bradford, Blackburn, Newcastle, Burnley, and contiguous places.

Gerald Massey's Sunday afternoon lectures in St. George's Hall, London, on the peculiar phases of Christianity, are being well patronized, and afford much satisfaction to highly intelligent audiences.

The Children's Progressive Lyceums in various parts of England participated in the recent Queen's Jubilee observances, joining in processions and marching with their banners.

Hours of Labor. - The Rand-Avery Printing Co., of this city, have published on a large sheet and in conspicuous print the new form of notice regulating the hours of labor in all manufacturing and mechanical establishments in Massachusetts, which every establishment is required by law to have posted conspicuously in every room where minors or women are employed. It is desirable that manufacturers post this new form, authorized within the last few weeks, for the reason that as there is a heavy penalty attached to its violation; if so posted according to law, "neither the employer, nor any superintendent, overseer, or other agent of the employer, shall be held responsible for such employment."

A three days' State Convention to formulate plans for organizing an American party closed July 6th in San Francisco. The platform calls for the unconditional repeal of the naturalization laws: modification of the laws permitting and encouraging immigration, so that the shiftless, the criminal and the other unde-sirable classes may be excluded; prohibition of allen land-holding; total separation of Church and State, and no interference by any church with the public school system. The platform also calls for a law compelling citizens to vote at every election. A State Central Committee was organized.

THE NEW ENGLAND MAGAZINE in the course of a series of articles on "Isms," reaches, in its issue for the present month, "Spiritualism," the leading/features of which are clearly set forth by Hudson Tutie in an ably written article occupying six pages. The remaining contents are chiefly historical, and include remaining contents are chiefly historical, and include illustrated accounts of Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, and Friend's School, Providence, R. I. Publication Office, 36 Bromfield street, Boston.

"STANDARDS AND SOURCES OF KNOWLEDGE REGARDING MORAL DISTINCTIONS," was the subject of a paper read at the meeting of the American Akadêmê, May 17th, by Rev. W. N. Campbell, of Carrollton, Ill., which, together with the conversation that followed, and "Selected Aphorisms," comprise the contents of the June number of its Journal, of which Alexander Wilder is the able and efficient editor. Published at Orange, N. J.

"The Magnetic and Botanic Family Physician," a book of upward of five hundred pages, is soon to be published by its author, Mr. D. Younger, whose address is 22 Ledbury Road, Bayswater, London, W. Eng. It will be illustrated with designs showing various phases of mesmeric treatment.

Dr. J. A. Shelhamer is at present traveling with a patient. He will return to his Boston office Room 5, No. 814 Bosworth street. on or about Sent 10th. His letter address is "BANNER OF LIGHT

In the advertisement of Mrs. L. Higgins (seventh page) please read Phila street, instead of Philadelphia street, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. A correction to this effect reached our office too late to be of use this

MISS M. T. SHELHAMER will address the people at Onset Bay Camp-Meeting on Saturday next, July 16th Mrs. Demond will be at the Union Villa, Onset

Mass., Saturdays and Sundays during July. Spiritualistic Meetings in Boston.

College Hall, 36 Easex Street.—Sundays, at 10% A. M., 1% and 7% P. M.; Eben Cobb. Conductor.

Eagle Hall, 616 Washington Street, corner of Easex.—Sundays, at 2% and 7% P. M.; also Thursdays at 2 P. M. Able speakers and test mediums. Excellent music, Prescott Robinson, Chairman.

1031 Washington Street.—The First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid Scolety meets every Friday. Mrs. H. O. Torrey, Secretary.

Ohelses. The Ladies' Social Aid Society meets in Mrs. Buffum's pariors, 196 Chesinut street, every Friday afternoon and evening. All are invited. Mrs. E. H. Pratt, President; Mrs. M. A. Dodge, Secretary.

Eagle Hall, 616 Washington Street .- Interesting meetings were held in this place on Sunday.

the 10th inst. The afternoon exercises consisted of a large number of recognized tests and spirit descriptions through the mediumship of Mrs. Neille F. Thomas, Dr. M. V

Thomas, Miss Garner, and Mr. J. T. Coombs; psycho metric readings by Miss Garner and Mr. Coombs, which were pronounced correct, and remarks of an unusually interesting character by Father Locke and Col. E. C. Balley.

Col. E. C. Balley.

In the eyening Miss A. E. Colt gave many psychometric readings, which were unusually clear, and pronounced the best ever heard by the parties to whom they were given. Bhe was followed by Dr. M. V. Thomas (under control of "Red Jacket"), who gave an excellent address upon "Full-Form Materialization,", the subject being handed in by a person is the audience. He handled the subject in a masterly manner, explaining many points which were entirely new to many of his bearers.

The meeting closed with a few appropriate remarks by Mr. George A. Badger.

College Hall During the absence of Rhen Cobb at the Camp-Meeting at Parkland, Pa., on Sunday,

July Ed. Edwin Powell of England conducted the hears of sections at this half—speaking and giving tosis to the is only the blockhead who remembers nothing that street, Boston, answers scaled letters. Terms satisfaction of every one present.

ALL SORTS OF PARAGRAPHS.

Energy, invincible determination, right motive, are the levers that move. All young men just entering upon the activities of life should constantly bear this fact in mind.

For about a month past, the whole British empire has been, quite commendably, shouting itself hoarse over "Jubilee Year," and the worthy maiden, wife, mother and widow who has presided over its destines on the mortal side for half a century. The echoes everywhere have borne the burden:

'(God prosper that banner, that old Saxon banner,
'That waves its red cross ever every sea;
With hearts firm and loyal, cheer loud for the royal,
The famed royal standard, the flag of the free,
And where'er its loved folds are triumphantly seen,
Let the rallying cry be 'God Save the Queen,'

Now, let the English nation prove the truth of this claim to freedom (from prejudice, at least,) by following the Liberalist Gladstone, rather than his Conser-

vative opponents.

Probation after death isn't crushed to earth yet. Let the heathen have courage, and wait till the clouds roll by.—Boston Herald.

The Boston Daily Advertiser and Evening Record are for sale. A recent number of The Record thinks that the Spiritual Temple at the Back Bay, since the Seybert Commission report has been made adverse to the epiritual phenomena, will in less than ten years have to be sold. This the Spiritualists may consider as a parting salute of these nearly defunct concerns. Now that The Advertiser's sensational off-shoot, The Record, has lost caste in endeavoring to kill off the West End Land Company and the Water Meter project, it may possibly live a few days longer by attacking the Coggswell Fountain on the Common. August.

MANTIA STATION, Q.—A three-days' meeting will be held at this piace Aug. 4th, 5th and 6th.

Geatuga Lake, Q.—A two days' Grove Meeting will be held at Kent's Grove July 22d and 2th.

HABLET PARK, MICH.—A Camp-Meeting will be conwined here from Aug. 3d to Sept. 5th. than the Temple, under the present outlook of the

The man who's en the ocean
And seasick in his berth,
Amidst the storm's commotion,
Is the man who wants the earth.
—Sunday Courier.

More earthquake tremors have been felt in South Carolina.

The new Sunday law has gone into effect hereabout, to the satisfaction of the Boston newsboys, the apothecarles, and all good citizens generally. But the greatest victory is the establishment of a precedent; and many other of the blue laws still on the statute-books of Massachusetts may yet be amended, in consequence, now that "the ice is broken."—if the use of this simile "in flaming hot July" can be pardoned.

Sells, as a rule, are not beatting, but the cell of a honeycomb is the most beatting thing in the world.—

Yonkers Gazette.

The steamer Merrimack (1119 tons), from Hallfax for Boston, was totally wrecked in a thick fog July 10th on Little Hope Island, off Liverpool, N. S. The pas sengers (87) and crew were all landed in safety.

The yellow fever is at Key West.

The business part of Hurley, Wis., was burned July oth, loss, \$500,000; a score of persons, mostly actors, perished in the Alcazar Theatre, where the fire originated,

THE BANNER OF LIGHT, in commenting on the "Opening conflict in the Orthodox camp," characterizes as progressive the views held by Prof. Smyth and his school, and those of his opponents, as the dreary, dismal, and abourd dogmas hatched from the clouded brain of John Calvin. Prof. Smyth, of Andover, holds that man may have another chance in the future life—that the Omnipotent-Benificence has not exhausted his power in this world and will continue on—"Working its will on age and hour."—The Republican, Wausson, O.

The Overland Monthly for June has an article on "Agriculture as an Occupation for Women in Cali-fornia," which is worth the attention of all women, young or old, who have their way to make in the world, and their living to earn.

The thriving village of Marshfield, Wis., was almost entirely destroyed by fire at noon of June 27th. Fifteen hundred people were rendered homeless, and property losses inflicted which are variously estimated at from \$800,000 to \$2,000,000.

The Boston Herald of July 9th announced that its Sunday edition of the 10th would introduce a new feature as to contents, in the form of a story by Jules Verne, treating of the American Civil War, and titled "Texar's Revenge." The ordinary reader amid the rush and swirl of this work-a day world might naturally be supposed to get the idea-on perusing the Herald's "send off"-that by some coup de main of journalistic enterprise our contemporary had se-cured something original and prepared for its own columns. But as the same story substantially, under the title of "Nord contre Sud" (North against South) is now running through the pages of a Paris periodical," Magasin Illustré D'Education et de Récréation, the enterprise is not so apparent, and what there is of it squints in the direction of Capt. Kidd.

Of mountain, lake, and river clear,
From Chunkamunk to Punkapaug,
I've heard of names that seemed absurd;
But never yet, upon my word,
One-half so queer as this one here:
Chargoggagoggmanchangagoggagungamaug!!!

The full name of a Lake near Webster, Mass.; abbreviated on the maps to Chaubunagungamaug.

If there is any one thing in life meaner than any thing else, it is the betrayal of confidence. It not only injures the feelings of the friend betrayed, but it forever disgraces the betrayer in the estimation of all fair-minded people.

Is n't it strange that a rooster should erow, and a crow should hawk, and a hawk should flay, and a fly should flee? but, come to think, it doesn't flee so much as we wish it did.—Philadelphia Herald.

AEBIAL NAVIGATION .- The Aerial Steam Navigation Company, of San Francisco, is constructing a remarkable air-ship which will be tested about August ist. The ship-balloon is built in cigarshape, and with compartments fitted so that if one collapses the machine will not fall. The length of this wonderful vessel over all will be 180 feet: breadth over all 48 feet; depth of car 12 feet; capacity of balloon (hydrogen) 182,900 cubic feet; engines, 12-horse power, three; litting capacity, 15,000 pounds; total weight, five tons.

WEIGHED DOWN BY ANGESTORS.—You cannot stop the life of a great city for twenty-four hours as you dam up a mill-stream. The wheel once started must be kept going all the time. The Bunday trains are just as necessary as the Sunday breakfast. Our Puritan forefathers had laws to sult themselves, but their laws do not fit us any better than their old coats or broad-brimmed hats would. As Sir Boyle Roche would say, we sllowed our ancestors to do as they pleased; they should allow us the same privilege.—New York Herald.

A morning hand bath in cold sait water is delight fully invigorating.

Bishop Potter thinks that he will get his six-million-dollar cathedral in time. He counts up a haif million which he has taken in passing the hat so far. The trouble is not that New York millionaires are scarce, but that they want to hang to their money until death.—New York World.

Colman's Rural World (St. Louis) save that the article going the rounds of the agricultural press to the effect that the "giant asparagus," so-called, is a new and extraordinarily fine variety of asparagus, is a myth. Authorities upon the subject, however, assert that the species alluded to is known to botanists by the name of orobranches, the stems of which are from two to three feet high. The orobranches are parasitical plants which grow from the roots of other plants, especially leguminous plants, such as clover, and commonly called broom-vapes.

Movements of Mediums and Lecturers.

(Notices for this Department must reach our office by Monday's mail to insure insertion the same week.]

Hon. Warren Chase speaks at Onset July 24th and Hon. Warren Onase speaks at Onset July 24th and 26th; at Hanson, Mass., July 31st; at Sunapee Camp, N. H., Aug. 16th to 23d; Queen City Park, Vt., Sept. 7th and 9th; in Troy, N. Y., last two Sundays in December; in Lynn, Mass., last two Sundays in February, 1888. Other Sundays, till March. open for engagements in New England and Eastern New York. He will go West in March, and be ready for engagements after April in the Western States.

April in the Western States.

Bishop A. Beals will sprak and sing at the Parkland,
Pa., Camp-Meeting July 24th, 26th, 28th and 30th. He
will also speak and sing at the Hasiett Camp-Meeting,
Mich., on Bunday, Aug. 7th.

Frank T. Ripley, lecturer and platform test medium,
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Mrs. M. A. French of Washington, D. O., is at present in the East, and may perhaps visit some of the camp-meetings ere her return.

J. Frank Baxter on Bunday, July 17th, will address the annual grove gathering in Wachusett Park, Westminster. Clinton, Fitchburg, Leominster and neighboring places please take notice. On Bunday, July 24th, he will lecture (with Miss Jennie B. Hagan) at Harwich, at the Cape Cod Camp-Meeting in Ocean Grove, continuing there through Thursday, July 28th, when he will lecture again, and on the 28th leave New England for appointments in Eastern Ohio, then, working eastward, will fill engagements at Cassadaga, Niantic, Lake Pleasant and other camps.

Dr. Dean Clarke was obliged to disappoint the Park-

Dr. Dean Clarke was obliged to disappoint the Parkland campers, who expected to hear him this week, on account of iliness. Though always delicate in health, this is the first time in twenty-one years he has failed to meet his engagements. He hopes to be able to resume labor in a few weeks, and solicits engagements for August and the fail months. His address for a short time is Shrewsbury, Vt. General address, at this office. this office.

Dr. H. F. Merrill has engagements for the Verona Park and Madison, Me., Camp-Meetings. Will also be at Rtna, Me., from July Sist to August 20th; he can be addressed care Dr. O. F. Ware, Verona Park, Me. Societies desiring to make engagements for autumn and winter should address care Star Publishing Co., Springfield, Mass. Mary L. French will be at Lake Pleasant, at the Ward Cottage, Broadway, from July 25th until Sept. 1st. She may be addressed accordingly.

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I want to give my greetings to my friends, and tell them I am getting on first-class. I don't ask for anything better, because, so far as I can see, every man has a show, and that's

as I can see, every man has a show, and that's all I ever did ask. I would like, more than I can tell, to have a chance of getting to my friends and having a right-down good talk, but I don't much expect that for one while, because, you see, they don't have this sort of privileges much in that part of the country that you people have down here; still, it may be I shall find a way in some corner. I am going to keep my eyes open and look for it.

I want very much to have a talk with some of my friends about the way I left affairs on this side. I did n't have much of this world's goods. I had a little something, and I should like to see it going where it would do a bit of good. It seems to me if I could only get to 'em and have a talk they would take kindly to what I say, and perhaps would look out and see if they couldn't be doing something to kindo' 'chirk' up their accounts, you know, on the other side, have 'em run up a little bit, so they'll have a balance when they get over. If there ever comes a time when any one I have known thinks they can give a call for me. I will how the privale when they set over. so they'll have a balance when they govern. If there ever comes a time when any one I have known thinks they can give a call for me, I will be on hand and answer back, loud and clear, if

I was called Bill Horton, although I suppose it would be more proper to say William Hor-ton, at your service.

Samuel Chase.

Anold man comes among you, not to take part in any public exercise, but in search of his friends, for he feels that he has such on this side of life. I lived a good while in the body, and I was slow to part with it; I mean slow in inclination as well as in breaking the material ties. I did not learn much of the other life, and although I knew I must go on and face it, and I did so with a certain amount of courage, yet had I understood what it really is, and what it means for man, I should have been

Elizabeth Owens.

Will you, Mr. Chairman, permit me to say a few words? My name is Elizabeth Owens, and though I am not acquainted in this part of the country, yet I have been told that this would be suspect, think very much of Spiritualism; it has never appealed to them with its vital information, yet I come in its name, asking to be and I understood what it really is, and what it means for man, I should have been glad and proud to meet it, rather than shrink as I did, a little, from its approach.

I come to give greeting to my friends, and to tell them I have found that although on this

There were some little financial matters on earth which troubled me, to an extent, before I passed from the body, and their efforts did diumistic. She sometimes puts her hand to her follow me into the other life; I felt cramped and tied down because of them. I was glad when they were away, and though I felt sorry that those who felt they had a claim on them didn't get what they wanted, because I mished to please all, yet I could not help feeling rejoiced over the situation, for it seemed to free me completely from the old ties and let me aide and a concentration of truth not only confree me completely from the old ties and let me get up above that condition. You see we are all selfish, and whatever happens to make us a little less burdened and wearled, or sad and un-happy, gives us joy, even though somebody else

happy, gives us joy, even though somebody else is disappointed.

I ask my friends to look at these things in a different light; don't brood over them altogether; just come and sit down and reason on them, and ask, would they be any happier if they had had a little more of this world's goods for making a show and setting up above their neighbors, and if not, if they wouldn't be any better in spirit because of it, it is just as well it did go. They have enough to live in comfort and peace, and I think that will do for this side of life. I want them to look a little after the spiritual side, and see if they have got the truth and if they are making the most of what truth they have got, for their own happiness and comfort and for their neighbors; if they are doing this it is all right; if they are not, I are doing this it is all right; if they are not, I hope they will turn around and look after it in

Abort order.

I am a queer kind of an old chap, Mr. Chairman, and you, I think, will look with leniency on my garrulous way. You have here, I think, only kindly feelings for the spirit-world. |

I am called Samuel Chase. I have with me a very hear relative whose surname is the same, whose Christian name is William. He desires to send his greeting to friends and to ask them for an opportunity of reaching them personally, as he has what he considers important news

ly, as he has what he considers important newsto communidate to them alone. This relative
of whom I speak has friends in Fall River,
those whom he most particularly wishes to
reach. I am from Providence, R. I.

#### Helen Gilmore.

I had a home once in Springfield, Ill. Per-haps mortals will not accord me a home there haps mortals will not accord me a home there now, because I have long been unseen, the form that I used being laid away; but although I am not deprived of a home, which is a beautiful one to me, where I have pleasant associations and kindly companionship, and where I have the power of making use of those faculties which I posses, yet I do claim that I have still a home in the old place, for there are friends and relations whom I love, and who, although they do not know I am sometimes with them, oherish a kindly thought and memory of my life. It seems to me they would be glad dould they know I have returned to them; that I have life and consciousness, and that I remember each one with the warmest regard and affection. I have tried many times to speak at such places as this, but I could not.

To day I am more than happy to come and ane them my love. Bertha is with me; and ahe joins in many greetings. Oh! It is impossible to express in speech all the emotions of the second of their carthily and one communion with thy angel ones; we would receive of their love and sympathy, their kindly feelings, their circuit and hol our Father, while lings, their circuit and only our particular in the same and uplit those who come within its sphere. We ask thy blessing to rest upon all makind, the lowly and the exaited, the strong and the weak; and may those that are in greatest need of protection receive that grand bounty, that uplifting love which shall inspire their lives forevermore.

Questions and Answers.

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Ans.—When a spirit approaches an earthly and the exaited, the strong and the weak; and that I remember each one with the warmest regard and affection. I have treatment to them the sum of the particular in the control of their earth-friends, and not the mortal base of the protection of their earth-friends, and not the mortal base of

our hearts when we think of all the dear ones who are left here to struggle along over the pathway of life. We had our own experiences; some of them were adverse and unpleasant, while others were filled with gladness, and the while others were filled with gladness, and the friends we have left have something of the same, though not exactly like them; yet they have their trials and their joys, and sometimes life seems hard to bear, while at other times they meet it with gladness and fortitude. I wish to say to them that all these experiences; go to make up, the sum of life the shadow and the sunshine, and each has an effect upon your partirit. The sunshine to warm and brighten spirits; the sunshine to warm and brighten your higher powers, the shadows to give strength and prevent you from rushing too far into the material part of life, with its follies; but rather to turn often into deep contemplation of its more serious aspects.

I wish that I could tell my friends of all the

love and the joy that belongs to those whom they have mourned. They are not dead, they still live, they cannot take away all their friends' burdens, nor would it be wise, for they must share these, and bear them themselves, because it will round out their judgment, and give them strength of character. These spirit friends can help you bear them; they can bring you an influence which will give rest and strength of spirit, even in the darkest hour. Helen Gilmore.

William Horton.

[To the Chairman:] I hope, stranger, you will not tell meto go when you find that I come from a far-off place. [You are welcome.] I thank you, but really I do come from, or twould be, perhaps, nearer the truth to say that I am trying to get to, Portland, Oregon. I have friends far up in that region, and I take great interest in them. Sometimes I made my home with them, but I did not remain there: I had business in other places in the old Territory. I was engaged sometimes in stock-raising and sometimes in other things, so that I did not stay in one place all the time. I was a rover.

My life, for a good many years, was a pretty rugged one, I tell you; I was not what is called out there a tender-foot. I got roughened to the ways, so perhaps people thought I did n't amount to much. After all, I don't know there are some warm hearts here on this footstool that I feel very kindly to. I want to give up the body. I passed in my toll a good while ago, and rounded up my account, so far as I could, on this side; but I find I have to give ou p the body. I passed in my toll a good while ago, and rounded up my account, so far as I could, on this side; but I find I have to give an account all the time; something or other comes up that I have to face, look it over and see just what has been made of it. It is a pretty good kind of an educational work, I can tell you.

I want to give my greetings to my friends, and tell them I am getting on first-class. I the profession of first-class. I they will do that, it will not matter about paying the very best form of law and instruction to them, thus trying to bring them is to ever the old State, but there are many more in the spirit-world like me, and many who also broaden out in feeling, taking a genuine broad instruction to them, and many who also broaden out in feeling, taking a genuine broad instruction to them at the whole nation, and indeed in the whole world, in humanity at large, and I feel that I can join with them heart and soul. I have friends, and I think

broaden out in feeling, taking a genuine broad interest in the whole nation, and indeed in the whole world, in humanity at large, and I feel that I can join with them heart and soul.

I have friends, and I think I can still claim them; it does not seem to me that they will give me the cold shoulder, or turn away when I stretch out my hand in greeting and remembrance; and I do most certainly come with a heart of love and sympathy for those friends. I bid them press on, and in God's name do the very best they can, make the very most of life as it is given them, and be faithful to duty. If they will do that, it will not matter about paying court to any especial belief, or binding themselves by any particular creed. They may feel perfectly free in spirit, and worship God out in the fields of nature if they will, or upon their own farms, or in their own workshops, without the intervention of priest or prelate. If they only follow this little rule of conduct and do the best they can for their own souls and their neighbors, they will surely find a pleasant home when they part with the body.

I am not a religionist, and yet I have a certain amount, perhaps, of religious belief, and it may be that some theological ideas did find lodgment in my brain, yet I have cast them off, for they have done their work, if they ever had any to do, with me, and I have no need of them at present; they have all gone, and my mind is free to entertain any truth that comes up for its inspection. I am interested in several fields, yet it seems to me the study of mankind and the principles of health are as important as any I can undertake, so I am looking into these with a different air than I ever undertook any study on earth.

I want my friends to know I am very much

with a different air than I ever undertook any study on earth.

I want my friends to know I am very much pleased with things as I find them, although perhaps I would change matters a little on the earthly side if I could. They may understand what I mean; yet, take them all in all, with the surroundings, perhaps it is just as well.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman, for your courtesy in listening to me. William Pritchard.

#### Elizabeth Owens.

weak and frail in body. I felt as though life weak and trail in body. I felt as though life was a burden, it was so hard to keep up under the weakness, and when I was called from earth I obeyed gladly. I found life different then from what I had known it before. I saw the mistakes of the past and I tried to rectify them. I am trying that all the while, and seeking some way of doing a work that will tell in the coming time. I thought if I could reach my earth-friends, with a knowledge of this power, it might help me in my work and certainly tell them I have found that although on this mortal side the vital powers grow weak and the bodily vigor fails, the form becomes bent and trembling, yet on the other side the same life is given new powers and energies, and a new form, strong and adapted for work and use, is provided. That is what I have found, and I think it an experience worth relating to those who are asking what kind of a life is there after this one of earth.

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be given them.

There is one whom I love who is strongly meside, and a conception of truth, not only con-cerning the things of the body but those of the cerning the things of the body but those of the spiritual. I hope that dear one will not be alarmed at the strangeness that comes over her, because as it grows she will develop fine powers, and I think by-and-bye will be of use to humanity. This she has never dreamed of. I will do all I can to make her life pleasant and bring good conditions. I want her to go on as she has been doing during the last four months. It is the best way, and if she maintains her courage and does not give up to the opinions of courage and does not give up to the opinions of those who have tried to dissuade her she will find a sure victory in the end. I have a feeling that my message will be seen by the dear one and others, so I trust it to the world, hoping it will accomplish some good end.

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Oh tour Father, we praise thee, not so much with the power of the tongue as with the voice of the spirit; with the aspirations of the inmost heart do we sing our praises and our gratitude to thee. We resognize thee as the supreme power, the grand overruling influence of the universe; we acknowledge thy wisdom and thy will. Oh; our Father God, through all the experiences of life the human heart may truly realize that thou art leading it onward and upward, guiding its ways over all difficulties, aiding it to solve all problems, to find a solution and explanation of every mystery. As the soul expands in knowledge, as the possibilities of power within unfold, the mind may grasp more and more of thee, and comprehend still more of thy laws and thy eternal ways. We would seek for such understanding, we desire such knowledge; we come to thee with our souls attuned in harmony with thy spiritual laws, hoping to grow receptive to grand truths, to become fitted for the companionship of angelic lives, and to receive from the holy and true who have passed on to higher scenes and grander attainments, such lessons and teachings as they alone can bestow. We would at this time come into communion with thy angel ones; we would receive of their love and sympathy, their kindly feelings, their eternal peace; and oh! our Father, while willing and eager to receive all things from thee and thy heavenly hosts, may we also be ready and willing to give forth from our own lives an atmosphere of purity, an influence of harmony and concord, that will bless and uplift those who come within its sphere, we ask thy blessing to rest upon all mankind, the lowly and the exalted, the strong and the weak; and may those that are in greatest need of protection receive that grand bounty, that uplifting love which shall inspire their lives forevermore.

that spirit-friend to make use of his physical and magnetic aura in forming a link, a chain between himself and the earth-life, the spirit visitant will have no difficulty in not only beholding the mortal organism of his friend, but also the physical objects that surround him. But the mortal may not be mediumistic, and he may not be in the presence of any mortals who are mediumistic; the spirit may perhaps be in sympathy with his friend and love to associate with him, but not finding that magnetic and physical aura which acts as the machine or instrumentality to the spirit in coming to earth-life, this intelligence will not, perhaps, be able to perceive the mortal form or the physical obto perceive the mortal form or the physical objects surrounding his friend, although he will have no trouble in perceiving the spirit-body and spiritual thoughts and ideas of that friend

whom he may approach.
Q.—[By the same.] There are persons who
are uncontrollably nervous from fear, when
alone at night, in consequence of the belief
that near and dear friends who have lately passed on are with them and wish to be recognized. The persons also desire intelligence from the spirit. Is this fear any hindrance to the spirit's making itself known to the earthfriend?

friend?

A.—Most certainly. The more passive and tranquil a mortal is, the more readily may his spiritual friends make use of his surroundings and conditions for presenting themselves intelligently to him. Fear, anxiety, grief or other excessive emotion of the human mind exert an influence upon the surrounding atmosphere of the individual. These contending emotions set the atmosphere into vibration, causing a confusion of its elements, and therefore the spirits who approach cannot make use of those elements to their satisfaction, in making themselves known to their friends on earth. This spirits who approach cannot make use of the spirits who approach cannot making themselves known to their friends on earth. This is one reason that can be scientifically explained why a spirit cannot manifest himself to a friend who is what is called in a condition of nervous excitement, from whatever source that condition may arise. If, also, a mortal is exercised in mind, his state will reflect itself more or less upon the susceptible, sensitive mind of his spirit-friend; if the mortal is disturbed the spirit will be disturbed, also, to a corresponding degree, and the more sensitive, the more in sympathy or harmony that spirit is with his earthly friends, the more likely will he be exercised in that direction; the spirit, feeling thus disturbed, will be unable to gather feeling thus disturbed, will be unable to gather the spirit was on earth.

I know that ne is capable of directing, his own thoughts and exercise ing his own energy, yet I think I can see into things a little closer, at least in some ways, than he can do, because he has external limitations to cope with.

When I was in the body this relative was always glad to confer with me on any plan that he had in mind, and I feel that he may not be less so now that I come as a spirit. Truly I am a spirit, but what is that? Nothing more nor less than a human being with conscious activity and reasoning power, and the fullest facility for exercising judgment upon any thought or plan which comes before him; that is all, and I am but little different from what I was on earth. feeling thus disturbed, will be unable to gather his forces and to control the elements suffi-ciently to give a manifestation of his presence to the friend whom he desires so much to reach.

#### Harriet Carson.

My name, Mr. Chairman, is Harriet Carson, and although I never was in this place in my life, yet I feel almost at home here, because only a short distance away was the home which

only a short distance away was the home which I claimed when in the body.

I lived in Charlestown. I have dear relatives and friends there who I hope remember me with the same love that I cherish for them. I do indeed feel that I have a claim upon them, and that there are ties linking their hearts to mine. They do not understand this Spiritual Philosophy, and they may be surprised to learn that one of their number has come back from the dead; but they need not; if they will only that one or their number has come back from the dead; but they need not; if they will only reason and consider the subject well they will have no difficulty in understanding that the intellect, the affection, the consciousness that daily grows here cannot possibly be extinguished just because the outer body cannot retain its hold of the spirit.

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I bring my love to my friends, and I want them to sit quietly in their own places and see if they cannot learn something from the spiritworld. Sarah is truly mediumistic, and I believe I can make use of her organism in speaking to others of our family, and making them know something of the life beyond. Henry wishes me to send his love with mine, and to tell all who care to know of his doings that he is well and happy; that his spirit-life is in advance of the one he had here; that he is not now orippled in opportunity or in outward condition, but he has greater facilities for working out that which was within him than he ever had before. I think our friends will understand why he speaks in this way. I am very glad to bring his little word with mine, hoping they will be received, or at least that we will not be rejected; that our friends will think there may be a truth in this and seek to discover it for themselves.

#### Ruth Armand.

I feel that this is a great privilege, to be permitted to speak after the grave has closed over the bodily form, after years have passed, leaving no impress of my life and its doings upon those on earth whom I love. Yet I have not been so quiet as it may seem; I have been making myself felt in little ways by my friends, though they do not know what caused those things to which I refer. Sometimes I have been able to touch a very dear sister; she has felt a hand pressing on her, and wondered why it was hand pressing on her, and wondered why it was hand pressing on her, and wondered why it was so, and what it could possibly be, not knowing that Ruth stood by her side, trying to manifest in spiritual ways, hoping to open the eyes of her friends to the beauties of an immortal world. I bring my love to that slater, and to many dear friends. I remember each one so well, and I do not think they can have forgotten

me.
Life had not become weary to me; I was not old in years when I died; it seemed to me as though life was just beginning to stretch out more fair before me; some of the burdens I had borne were dropping away when that last illness which took me from earth came upon me. My friends did not feel reconciled; they thought it was hard for me to go just as my prospects were beginning to be more bright and promis-ing than ever before; but I have not wished ing than ever before; but I have not wished them to feel so, because to me this new existence has been more beautiful, more filled with promise of good things to come than even those brighter prospects which I had in view. It seems to me that if they can understand that even the best which they could give me here cannot be compared with those studies and opportunities and blessings which I find in the spirit-world, they will cease to regret my loss, as they call it, and rather rejoice with me that

spirit-world, they will cease to regret my loss, as they call it, and rather rejoice with me that I have been transplanted to another life.

I speak in this way because I think these words are needed. My friends do not understand the spiritual life as I wish them to, and I come hoping to reach their hearts, and give them an idea of this new existence, that they may know their friends live in homes that are pleasant and sweet, and that it rests with themselves whether those homes become more fair selves whether those homes become more fair or not. If every one tries to do his duty he need not fear any unpleasant conditions. I come from Lawrence, Mass. My name is Ruth Armand.

#### Robert Ferguson.

I am Robert Ferguson, Mr. Chairman, and 1 come here with the hope of reaching friends and former associates. I do not suppose they are seeking for those who have dropped out of the ranks, but I do suppose that when one who is missed sends forth a call, those who are left is missed sends forth a call, those who are left will give him greeting, or at least exercise curiosity enough to learn where he comes from and what he has been about. I come here to my friends expecting that much of them. I have not by any means lost sight of them during the few years which have passed since I left them. I spent the years of my earthly life in trying to make the best use of those energies which were mine—I mean in a material sense. I tried to live a practical life, and to reap all I could from that life. I did not succeed altogether as I desired, in a worldly sense. I could count up many losses as well as gains, and there were I desired, in a worldly sense. I could count up many losses as well as gains, and there were times when I felt disheartened and disappoint ed; but in looking back over my career I find it was all right; that those very losses which seemed so hard then did more good than many gains possibly could have done; so I tell my friends they must not descend into gloom when they find themselves not reaping that harvest of material wealth that they set out to do. I know it is very desirable for a man to find a competency, and to gather what he can of this world's goods for his enjoyment; but I also know it is, possible for such a man to devote more time, attention and thought to these things than properly belong to them, and in your heart, and realize that cyring in your can number they are done; stand the experitual part. I might this way neglect the spiritual part. I might have done that, and probably would fit indo not been wrought up, several times by those in your along your along braining in your heart, and realize that cyring hearts.

tention to other things; and so after all I find they were necessary factors in my experience.

I would like to communicate privately with my friends, for I have many things to speak of that do not belong to the public ear, but are connected with material things. I find that one who is very near and dear to me—a delicate young girl—is sadly in need of counsel. I think I see her surroundings better than she can understand them herself, and I would like very much to find a way of communicating with her much to find a way of communicating with her in private. There are other friends whom I wish to reach, and I send out these few words hoping they will be received, and that the way will be secured for me to get into closer communication with those in whom I am most in-terested, and who are in Plainfield, N. J.

#### George A. Cotton.

Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman. I am glad to be here. I might say that I came from Pittsburgh, Pa. I had an interest there when on earth, and although that which I have now is not of a material kind, yet I can truly say I have an interest there now, for relatives and triends line in that site. I direct my thoughts friends live in that city. I direct my thoughts to them, and now what words I can speak, hoping they will receive me and give me wel-

I was a man of business energy. Perhaps did not always succeed in directing that energy as well as I wished, but, after all, I did very well, at least quite as well as I ought to have done, and I have no complaints to make on that

I have a young relative who is in business whom I would like very much to converse with; he is interested in the manufacture of iron, and recently he has been branching out in other lines of manufacture. I know that he is capable of directing his own thoughts and exercising his own energy yet. I think I can see into

is all, and I am but little different from what I was on earth.

I have friends in the spirit-world who join me in what I say to those who are here. They would like opportunities of coming quietly to those whom they love. It seems to me that in this day and generation there should be opportunities afforded every spirit who desires to return, and I hope my friends will find the ways and means of providing such for their friends who wish to come to them from the other life. I am George A. Cotton.

#### Wealthy Andrews.

Wealthy Audrews.

Do you allow old ladies to come in here, Mr. Chairman? I did n't feel quite sure about coming. I was quite advanced in years when called home, and I have been gone quite a stretch of time, and I thought, perhaps, you did n't want any old people here, because, you see. I have not got the new notions and ideas that you people have in these days. I do n't want you to think I have been asleep and not grown since I went away, for I verily believe I have been keeping pretty good track of what is going on, and I have been trying to regulate my ideas along with the times; but, you see, sir, when I try to get back in this way I feel as I did years ago, and perhaps a little stiff and old-fashioned, and you might not like to have me come.

I've got some people here somewhere, and I know they have been making changes since I i lived among 'em: they've been getting into new houses, and fixing up a bit, and looking after the outside a good deal. Well, I don't care, sir, about that, if they just look after the inside as well. And then, sir, I don't care to find fault with anybody, but I do just want to say to my people, those that have sort o' kinship with me, and I feel privileged to talk with and scold a bit, if they need it, that I used to feel that privilege when I was here, and they all know that I did n't hold my tongue when I thought it ought to be used; so I want to say to 'em just now, that I have been watching things as they go along, and I am rejoiced at the pros-'em just now, that I have been watching things as they go along, and I am rejoiced at the prosperity that comes to them. I am very glad they are getting ahead, and can have such nice things and pleasant surroundings, and I just

way or tother; out for your own sages, pecause by and bye you are coming over to this great big world where I live, and you'll want to find a pleasant home, with a good patch of ground, and a pretty garden. If you don't look after these things I speak of, I am afraid you won't find the possessions you want for yourselves in time.

Now sir if f am out of order instead me

Now, sir, if I am out of order, just call me up, and I'll ask your pardon. My name is Wealthy Andrews. I want to say I am not alone here, for I have a good company of friends and relatives, and they all send their greetings. There is John Andrews and Dorothy, and William, and he, too, wants to be heard sometime; and, in fact, they are all safe and sound on tother shore, and send their love to those friends who care to know anything about them on this side of life. I lived in Brooklyn, N. Y. and some of my people are there, and some in Harlem.

#### Johnnie Bartley.

I accept the expressions of your heart, dear mother, and they are to me more precious even than the flowers; they are spiritual treasures which I shall bear to my home above, and I assure you the thought that comes to me from your soul at this time, as well as that which reaches me often in my spirit-home, is most grateful to me. The years come and go, dear mother, bringing their own sad experience to you, bearing the burdens of life down upon you, from time to time, and only affording me, in my spirit-home, greater opportuni-ties and brighter conditions for rounding out those energies which were so feeble here, yet which I felt and understood, but could not ex-

press.
This is a time when thoughts of the old life recur to me-when remembrances of the last pain and disease fall upon my mind-yet now, not with the shadow; I know it was all for the best, and that the experience was good for me, that it was needed to take me to a higher home and to better conditions. Do not feel that I have left or ever can leave you, for although life gave me something higher and better than earth could afford, yet it opened a way for me to get close to your life and bring you influences from the world beyond.

Our friends all join in much love and sympathy for you; they watch over your life from

Our friends all join in much love and sympathy for you; they watch over your life from day to day, and know its shadows and its trials, and try to bring you peace and sunshine and much that is pleasant from the spirit-world. Sometimes you feel this condition and sometimes you catch the reflection, and your soul rejoices in a thought of what is around and above you, unseen by mortal eyes. By-and-bye you will join us in our own pleasant home; the reception will be a pleasing one to you—the way will be made straight, and you will step forward with joy and without fear.

Remember, dear mother, these anniversary

Controlling Spirit.

We find two or three spirits pressing forward who are very anxious to communicate through the medium, but are unable to make use of her organism personally. We will speak

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#### Marie Depew.

One gives us the name of Marie Depew, a beautiful young girl of French extraction. She is unable to make use of the medium's vocal powers. She desires to send her love and greeting to her friends, and to relatives in Montreal. She tells us she has a young cousin in that place, who is a very sensitive, delicate young woman, highly mediumistic, and to whom she is attracted. She calls this cousin by the name of Adele. While bringing a message of cheer and affection to all her friends, this spirit especially desires to reach that relative of whom she speaks with a stimulating influence, a strengthening power, for the life is fragile, and requires magnetic support. As a guardian spirit, this intelligence may work with and for the young life, and bring it much of usefulness. She is sad, because she is not recognized by those whom she approaches; they do not know what a beautiful spirit stands by their hearthstones, bringing them high and holy influences from a purer world. We trust that they will soon learn and understand, and be ready, if mossible, to onen a way for her to tought their soon learn and understand, and be ready, if possible, to open a way for her to touch their lives, and communicate with their minds, both for her own advancement and their profit.

#### Catherine A. Rogers.

Another spirit, a woman who was of middle age when she passed from earth, who has very dark hair and also deep gray eyes, stands before us. She tells us that her home was in London, and that she has friends there and relatives, as well as in Kensington. A family of friends to whom she is attracted has, within the last two years, become interested in Spiritualism; they are experimenting for themselves, seeking, if possible, to develop mediumship in their own home. This she would encourage, and she tells them that their own personal relatives from the spirit-shore are ready to do all atives from the spirit-shore are ready to do all possible to aid them in their work. She gives the name of Samuel, who is the father of a friend of hers, who says he is ready and waiting to impart his knowledge and give strength-

ing to impart his knowledge and give strengthening power. Persist in your efforts, and we believe that a good result will follow.

To other near relatives and friends the spirit sends greeting. She feels assured that in speaking in this circle she will reach them and be able to hold an influence over their lives. There was much connected with the earth-experience of this spirit that was painful, both of a physical and mental nature; she had to struggle with many trials, but she wishes it known that she has risen above them all, and that the new life to her, is grand and free; she that the new life to her is grand and free; she would not exchange the present for the past, but she hopes to lead her friends on to a fulfillment of bright hopes and pleasant prospects in the spirit-world. We get the name of Catharine A. Rogers.

#### John H. Bond.

An elderly gentleman, stout and rather short in stature, with iron-gray hair brushed back from a lofty brow, appears anxious to reach his friends, especially friends in Hoboken. They are at present concerned with some material are at present concerned with some material affairs that are very much tangled, and it would seem as though this spirit held the clue by which these matters might be straightened, yet he does not wish to speak in public concerning them, as we learn that if he did so he would involve two young men in a difficulty; but he desires to communicate with those friends privately. He cannot make use of this medium's organism, nor would he wish to, because he wishes to get to the homes of those he has known. We are glad to speak for him here, hoping that attention will be called to his case, and that the opportunity which he seeks will be provided him. The spirit sends greeting; he would also have his friends know that all things are well with him, so far as the spiritual is concerned, but there are ties and attractions is concerned, but there are ties and attractions binding him to earth which at present he can-not overcome, and which rather hold him down. He seeks an avenue of escape from these limitations. We hope his friends will assist him in his efforts. This spirit gives us the name of John H. Bond.

#### August Labouker. One here who is a German gives us the name

of August Labouker. He cannot speak our language clearly, yet tries to express himself in broken terms. There is a young man over whom this spirit is very much exercised, he seems to be in some trouble, perhaps of his own creating, yet it causes not only himself but his near friends anxiety and care. This state of things has obtained for some months, and the spirit comes here seeking relief. We do not know that he will be able to give advice such as will assist his young relative in breaking through the bonds that confine him, but he feels he may be able to carry an influence from this place which may, perhaps, be of assistance. He sends regards and remembrances to all who know him, whiching them to understand that he is glad to be freed from the body; it disturbed him, gave him much pain. We can now see there was a great swelling of the limbs, and a general feeling of discomfort. The spirit is freed from this, and were it not for the anxieseems to be in some trouble, perhaps of his own is freed from this, and were it not for the anxieties that afflict his near friends, he would be in a condition to rise above those physical limita-tions which were his in the past. This intelli-gence claims to be from New York City, and those to whom he sends his influence belong there at the present time.

#### SPIRIT MESSAGES

TO BE PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK. April 29.—Emma Crosby; George L. Thayer; Samuel trooks; Ellen Makay; Suele Reynolds; Henry Jacobs, May 3.—Sebastian Birceter; Benjamin White; Maria Isher; John Stratton; Alice Briggs; Mary Homer, THE MESSAGES ON HAND.

Not mentioned above, will appear in due course.

#### Vaccination and Mortality. For thirty-four years I have been a close and

observant student of the vaccination question, and in particular upon that phase of it which and in particular upon that phase of it which refers to the influence of vaccination upon the mortality of the people. It is my decided opinion that vaccination is the direct cause of fifty thousand deaths per annum in this country; that is, in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. I am fully aware of the importance and responsibility of the statement above recorded, and if opportunity is given, such as a Second Inquiry or a Royal Commission, I shall seek to testify in detail as to my reasons for such opinion.

such opinion.

JNO. Pickening, F. R. G. S., F. S. S.

(For further information apply to W. Young,
77 Atlantic Road, Brixton, London.)

#### Verification of a Spirit-Message. DE. L. K. COONLEY.

Soon after the demise of DR. L. K. COONLEY there came a message from him, through Miss Shelhamer, which was published in the BANNER OF LIGHT, and which I recognized as very characteristic of the man. I have only waited for the verification to come from other quarters, but as more than a year has passed without it, and now another message has been given equally characteristic of him, I feel it my duty to say that I recognize the messages as from L. K. Coonley, whom I well knew, and thank him for the same as an added proof of immortality. edded proof of immortality.

Plymouth, Mass., June 5th, 1887.

### The Rebiewer.

(From the Religio-Philosophical Journal.) "Unanswerable Logic."\*

BY WM. EMMETTE COLEMAN.

In several cities of the Union it was my good In several cities of the Union it was my good fortune, during the earth-pilgrimage of Thomas Gales Forster, to be a delighted auditor, of some of the grand, inspiring and eminently logical discourses of that zealous champion of Spiritualistic verities; and truly did I prize the priceless privilege. I have always been sorry that circumstances placed me for the most part during Mr. Forster's occupancy of the spiritual rostrum in localities apart from those blessed with his labors; so that only at long intervals and for brief periods did I have the pleasure of hearing his masterful addresses. I rejoiced to learn from him a few years ago that pleasure of hearing his masterful addresses. I rejoiced to learn from him a few years ago that he intended publishing in book form a selection of the best of his inspired productions; and in the volume recently issued is found the fulfillment of that resolve, published, not by himself, as originally purposed, but, owing to his translation to the "thither side of life," by his loying, estimable companion, Carrie Grimes Forster.

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Thomas Gales Forster was for years a power
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by the logical and foreible presentation of nature's principles in eloquent strains, permeated
with sound common sense. There are other
good trance orators whom I have not heard, of
whom, of course, I cannot speak in thorough
understanding. I speak now only of those
whose lectures I have personally listened to.

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#### Passed to Spirit-Life From Manchester, N. H., June 29th, Samuel P. Bailey,

From Manchester, N. H., June 29th, Samuel P. Balley, aged 60 years.

He was a citizen honored, esteemed and beloved, one whose form was a most pleasant and familiar one, and whose warm, generous nature and kindness of heart endeared him to all. Without premonition the death-angel touched him to all. Without premonition the death-angel touched him as he sat in the cool porch of his quiet home, and having but time to call the name of his loved companion, who instantly came to his support, he sank from her arms and gilded peacefully to the spirit-world, so long familiar to his daily thoughts, and to the enjoyment of that immortal life in which his confidence has been fully grounded and established for many years.

Mr. Balley was native of Hancock, N. H., but his active business life has been spent in various industries in several towns of New Hampshire and Massachuseits, being last engaged at Roxbury with his son, George A. Balley, well known as the lecturer and head of the order of Good Templars in New Hampshire, He was widely known and everywhere respected for his integrity of character.

Himself and wife having long been prominent Bpiritualists, Dr. H. B. Storer of Boston was called to officiate at the funeral. After prayer by Rev. A. T. Hillman, and a chant by an excellent quariette, Dr. Storer read several appropriate selections, and then spoke at length to the friends assembled in regard to the noble, manly and generous traits of their deputed fellow-citizen and friend. The speaker was especially touching in his words to the bereaved family, and there were sympthizing tears from many wholistened. A very large number of friends were present. The hearers were of the Masonie Fraternity, of which Mr. Balley was a member, and the profusion of heautiful floral offerings symbolized the fragrance of his memory in the hearts of his friends.

A widow, and the son above mentioned, survive, also a nephew, W. F. Gilbon, principal of the Webster Grammar School, who has made his home in the family since child-hood.

From Boston, Mass., June 23th—after a year of severe suffering from cancer—Anna L. Rowell, wife of Richard H. Rowell (formerly of Greenfield, Mass.), aged 50 years

and 5 days.

The deceased, despite her intense pain, was patient and resigned to the last, and met the change without fear. She was a Spiritualist in every sense of the word, and reduced her faith to practice for the good of all around her during her useful life. She passed on with a firm conviction of continued existence, and repeated assurances to her husband that she would return and in some appreciable manner make her presence known to him.

May the consolations of the faith she so ardently cherished be and abide with herstricken husband and lonely children, assuring them of a blessed future refinion with their loved one beyond the storms of time, upon the sun-bright shores of the Morning Land!

From Howlett Hill, N.Y., April 22d, 1887, Delina Coburn,

From Howlett Hill, N.Y., April 22d, 1887, Delina Coburn, wife of Otta Coburn, aged 81 years.

The subject of this notice, Delina Martin, was born in Ellisburgh, N.Y., where, about sixty years ago, she united in marriage with Mr. Coburn, who yet remains in earthering. Four children came to this honored and respected couple to bless them by their presence and worthy deeds. Formerly Mr. and Mrs. Coburn were freshyterians, but not finding the "hered of life" adapted to their natures in that creed, they sought and found in Universalism that which satisfied much better, but still lacking positive proof in regard to the continuation of life, they entered they sater province of Spiritualism.

Mrs. Coburn passed into spirit-life with full faith in the truth of the New Dispensation. Her funeral took place April 25th; when spiritual discourse was delivered by Rev. J. H. Harter, of Auburn; N.Y., sfer which her body was taken to Ellisburgh, N.Y., for interment.

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Douglass, aged 73 years.
Mr. Douglass was a son-in-law of Mrs. Otis Ceburn, who,
frem the same house on Howlett Hill, preceded him into
spirit-life in April last. Like Mr. and Mrs. Coburn, Mr.
Douglass and his faithful wife were intelligent Spiritualists.
The funeral of Mr. Douglass was attended at his late residence at Howlett Hill on June 1st, when Rev. J. H. Harter
of Auburn gave to the people convened some of the comforts
and consolations of Spiritualism; after which the remains
were taken to Union Square; N. Y., for burial. Com.

From Scranton, Pa.; June 19th, 1887, William Atkinson,

aged to years.

Mr. Atkinson was one of the most faithful workers for
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# Banner of Fight.

BOSTON, SATURDAY, JULY 16, 1887.

Onset Bay Camp.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: To-day marks the beginning of the Eleventh Annual Camp-Meeting of the Onset Bay Grove Association of Spiritualists. The severe rain in the morning interfered somewhat with what promised to be a most

Camp-Meeting of the Unset hay Grove Association of Spiritualists. The severe rain in the morning interfered somewhat with what promised to be a most auspicious opening, by preventing the usual crowd of pleasure-seckers from coming on the morning train from Boston and other points. However, there are already enough people on the ground to present a very respeciable front.

Mr. Bourne, the agent, says that there were more people at Onset this year on the first day of June than in any other year since the opening. And no wonder! For where can another spot be found to compare with Onset as a retreat from the burning heat of these summer days? Not a blinding glare of sun and beach and sand as at Nantasket, and all other sea-side resorts near Boston, nor the higher temperature of inland towns, but a charming combination of grove and sea-shore, with the advantages of good hotels and stores, and so many trains daily to and fro that one may go himself or send at almost any hour for any luxury or necessity not to be found here.

Heretofore, a great drawback to the prosperity of Onset has been the exorbitant prices demanded for cottages or rooms. This year a change has been effected, and if any are staying away, feeling that their moderate means will not allow of their induigence in a visit, let such "come right along": They will find good accommodations at reasonable rates. The season has but just begun, and the meeting continues until nearly the end of August. Every indication points to a very successful season.

Much adverse criticism is heard about the Camp in regard to the action of the Directors in exacting a wharfage fee of ten cents from every passenger landed by the steamers. It will certainly be a misfortune for Onset if the thousands of excursionists coming from New Bedford and other points are diverted to other places, and we hope that some satisfactory arrangement between the Board and the Steamboat Company may be arrived at.

The ever popular Middleboro' Band has been reengaged for the season, and has favore

and sins.

Mr. Walter Howell in the afternoon gave a most practical and wonderful discourse, taking for his subject. Death. Nothing short of a verbatim report of the entire lecture would give any idea of its beauty

and depth of thought.

Edgar W. Emerson, during the two services held, gave fully one hundred tests that were fully recognized, and some of them were very wonderful proofs of spirit control.

Prof. Crane presides at the organ, and Mr. Charles Rullwan leads the shoring

Prof. Crane presides at the organ, and Mr. Charles Sullivan leads the singing.

The Lyceum is prosperous and its sessions attract great public attention. The Leaders are doing all in their power to make it a success, and the children are both interested and interesting.

There has not been as much building this year as in some previous seasons, but many of the cottages have been improved and enlarged, and stand radiant in new bright colored coats of paint. There has been, probably, about a baker's dozen of new houses added since last year, and some few new booths and stores.

Hotel Onset has been wonderfully enlarged and improved, and is one of the most popular resorts on the island.

Almin Villa is, as usual, one of the most popular

Almin Villa is, as usual, one of the most popular bouses on the grounds. The rooms and appointments are well-nigh perfect, and the board is, so they say, very good indeed.

very good indeed.
Hotel Brockton, under the management of Mr. Dimmock, is prospering, and the prospect is that the new proprietor will realize a handsome profit from his in-

restment.

Glen Cove House—under the management of Mesdames Ring and Williams, and their genial clerk A.

R. Williams—is making a good start. These ladies, by their pleasant and accommodating ways, made many friends last season, and this season will doubt-

Hotel Washburn still remains the same popular resort it has always been, and its best recommendation is that the same faces are seen there each succeeding

year.

Mrs. Bullock still holds out the very best inducements for tired and hungry travelers at her very homelike restaurant; and she has also many pleasant 1 coms

like restaurant; and she has also many pleasant i coms to rent, and one or more cottages.

There are a score or more of other places where one can get good board at reasonable prices, notably Mrs. Putman's, at the Plummer Cottage, South Boulevard, and Central House, West Central Avenue.

One of the necessities of a village as large as Onset is a place where good medicine can be procured, and no botter than the Onset drug-store can be found. Mr. Archibaid Dakin will personally supervise the business this season; and let me add that the BANNER is also on sale here.

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of men and women's battning suits, for sate and toside the daily and weekly newspapers. Here also the
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Conant, Dr. Eldredge, Mrs. H. V. Ross, Edgar W. Emerson, Dr., Hayward, David Brown, Dr. Mack, Mrs.
Hervey, Mrs. Shirley. Carrie E. S. Twing, Mr. Bridge
and Mrs. Fay are expected.
Mrs. E. Gertrude Berry gave her first scance at Onset this scason last evening. It was a brilliant success.
Mr. E. T. Johnson is developing into a very fine
physical medium, and will give circles this summer.
Mr. John Weeks, a resident of Onset, is also devel-

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Mrs. H. V. Ross has been quite ill for a few days, but is convalescing.

Mrs. Lita Barney Sayles and M. Eugenie Beste have taken William F. Nye's cottage, occupied by W. 8. Butter and family last season.

Miss Helen C. Berry will occupy her new cottage on Pleasant Avenue. She will give no public circles this

Mrs. Thomas Gales Forster enjoyed her sojourn at

Onset so much last year, that she has returned this season. She is stopping with Mrs. Townsend-Wood on Pleasant Avenue

Pleasant Avenue.
Visitors at Onset must not forget to visit Charlie Bullivan's Museum of Early Colonial History on Longwood Avenue. Mr. Sullivan has one of the best collections in the country.
George W. Allen and family of East Bridgewater are here for the season. Mr. Allen is about to open a boot and shoe store on Union Avenue.
Mr. John Low of Chelsen is stopping at the Washburn House for the season.

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Mr. Harry Stratton, the efficient organist at the séances of the Berry Sisters, is here for the season.

Mr. E. Morse, of Minneapolis, arrived last evening; will slay for a season, and then visit the Camp at Lake

Pleasant.

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Mrs. M. B. Hammond, Miss Blanche Sheidon, Miss Bessle Myers, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hartwell occupy a cottage on Union Avenue for the season.

Dr. C. O. York can be found on Pearl Avenue. Mr. G. F. Allen, R. H. Aldoes, and E. A. Batcheider occupy a cottage on Pearl Avenue.

Mr. A. F. Riug, Miss Florence Ring, Simeon Snow and wite, Mrs. Forbush and daughter, W. P. Earl and wife, Mr. R. H. Smith and Isam Mitchell are stopping at the Glen Cove House.

Mr. and Mrs. Budington occupy their new cottage on West Boulevard.

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The following are stopping at Hotel Onset: Wm. R. Tice, Brooklyn, N. Y.; B. F. H. Reed, New Bedford; Edward B. Perkins, Balem; Wm. Veazle, wife and daughter, Somerville; H. R. Shurtland, Boston; R. E. Grimn, A. W. Grimn, A. C. Grimn, Haverbill; W. H. Barnes, L. R. Clark and wife, J. B. Thresher, R. J. Fittggerald, Chas. Thresher, Chas. Howard and wife, Boston; W. H. Stanford, wife, son and daughter, of Rilzabeth, N. J., and C. Burkhalter and wife, Elizabeth, N. J.,

Rigabeth, N. J., and C. Burkhatter and wife, Rigabeth, N. J.

Mr. George T. Albro, Boston, Manager for Berry
Risters, is here for the season.
George B. Arnold and wife, New York, are at their
cottage on South Boulevard; Wm. B. Arnold of Providence is stopping at same cottage.

Dr. J. H. Ostrell, Montville, Marshail Co., Kansas,
comes for the tenth time to attend the camp-meetings.

Mr. C. is more than eighty years of age; he rides over
two thousand miles in the care every year, and by his
general appearance I should judge he would be able
to come here many more times yet. He has read the
BANNER since its first issue.

Mrs. A. B. Blinn, Boston, President of the Ladles'
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Dr. Fred Crockett, Mr. Chas. R. Whitney and Mrs. Relite E. Whitney are stopping at the Owaissa Cottage, Pearl Ayeane, where the Doctor will give scances during the weak.

A. W. Bisbes, Station Agent O. C. R. R. at Onict, is, with his wife and family, occupying one of the Association scittages for the season.

The Camp Meeting veteran, Sidney Howe, who has attended all of the meetings here at Onict, can be seen daily about the camp.

Postmaster Bullock—aided by his very accommodat-ing assistant, Miss Etta Burgess—is "on hand," ready and willing as ever to answer the thousand-and-one questions as to the precise time your mail should ar-

rive.

Mr. L. L. Whitlock and Dr. A. H. Richardson, Boston, are in attendance.

Last, but not least, comes the veteran, Hon. Warren Chase—of the United States, as he once told your sorbe whom asked for his address, and I have often thought the answer quite correct, as his spiritual work takes him all over the country.

Sunday, July 10th, 1887.

THEODORE.

In addition to the above from our regular correspondent we are in receipt of the appended, from Mr. Chase

ONSET CAMP MEETING.

On Friday, July 8th, we were hurried down the Old Colony road in dust which was not laid till Saturday, and landed at Onset Station, from which in four minutes "the dummy" took us to the centre of the settlement; "the dummy" took us to the centre of the settlement; and in a few minutes more we were costly quartered in an appendix to Sister M. S. Wood's cottage, and began camp-meeting life on the grounds. Onset seemed to us more beautiful than ever before in its wealth of living and growing foliage. Its streets and sidewalks have been greatly improved since our last visit, some years ago, and many very convenient and comfortable cottages added. Hotel Obset and other buildings bave been tastefully refitted. The almost surrounding bay looks as mirror like as of old.

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Saturday we tramped the grounds over, and took notes of the progress; we met many old and familiar faces and got many a hearty shake of hand. In no place were we more delighted than at the remarkable collection of curiosities which our musical Charlie Sullivan has gathered and stored at his home, and which every visitor at Onset ought to see. I regard it the greatest array of odds and ends of the old and new that I have seen in a private collection in many years of travel. of travel.

Saturday quite a number of distinguished public and private mediums arrived on the grounds. (Named in

article above.]
Baturday night it rained; Jupiter thundered hard Saturday night it rained; Jupiter thundered hard and heavy; the dust was quieted and the air cooled. On Sunday morning there were too many clouds hanging over us for meeting in the auditorium, and we all repaired to the Temple, which no doubt excels that of Solomon, if it has not the bull's head and horns on its altar, nor as much gold and preclous woods in its composition. The exercises were opened by the Middle-bord Band, one of the best in the State, I am told, and

position. The exercises were opened by the middle boro' Band, one of the best in the State, I am told, and certainly an honor to Massachusetts—a temperance band, as I learned from remarks of the speaker, and as was also apparent from the clear and intelligent countenances of its members, who gave us some of the best and livellest music I have heard on a Sunday in many years, except that we had last year at Liberal, Mo., on the 4th of July, which was on Sunday, and celebrated as if on any other day.

Colonel W. D. Crockett, the President, with a few appropriate remarks opened the meeting; Onset's, and our, favorite singer, Charlie Suilivan, accompanied by Mr. Crane (with the organ) gave us beautiful words in song, and then Mrs. M. S. Wood, so long, so well, and so favorably known (I need say no words in her praise), gave us all a grand and glorious greeting and welcome once more to the Onsetcamp grounds. No words of hers were lost and none were out of place or time, and the large audience drank them in as a thirsty man does water, and felt the better for them.

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At 2:30 a still larger crowd assembled in the auditorium, and the band and choir did excellent work, and then Mr. Howell, the trance speaker, gave us a most stirring, enthusiastic, logical and rat onal lecture, or rather a spirit did through his organism. Much of it was replete with sound and rational philosophy and not tainted with the subtlettes of theology; it was well received and heartily greeted.

Following each lecture our faithful and efficient young brother, Edgar W. Emerson, gave from the platform many tests of spirit presence—nearly all recognized as old acquaintances of persons present of whom he could have known nothing. Several of my friends I know he never could have even heard of. All seemed pleased, and it was a season of joy and rejoicing.

THE FACTS CONVENTION at Onset, Mass., under the management of Mr. L. L. Whitlock, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, July 27th and 28th. Afternoons, Facts Meetings, with test mediumship; evenings, special physical scances, musical, literary

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Dr. A. W. S. Rothermel is now at Onset for the season, and would be pleased to afford opportunity for all who wish to investigate the phenomena which are brought to pass through his organism.

Rindge (N. H.) Camp-Ground.

The opening days at Rindge, N. H., July 3d and 4th, proved a great success. The audiences were not large, but made up in quality what they lacked in numbers. The most perfect order reigned on the grounds, and the meetings were conducted in a manner that redounded to the credit of the Association.
The surrounding towns were quite well represented.
We noticed people in the audience from West Rindge,
East Jaffrey, Troy. Fitzwilliam, Peterboro', and
Francestown, N. H.; also from Boston, Cliftondale,
and Worcester, Mass.
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The Lake never looked more beautiful, and Mt. Monadneck appeared at its best. Theigrounds were in far better condition than in former years, quite a large space having been cleared this season. The restaurant, under the management of Mr. Nelson L. Orcutt, of Boston, was all that one could wish. It is the intention of Mr. Orcutt to please all who may board with him during the summer. He intends to keep his tables well supplied with all the delicacles of the season.

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At 11 A. M., July 3d, the opening address was given by the President, George A. Kuller. Among other things the speaker said, "We are not here merely for a few days' enjoyment, but for earnest work in behalf of humanity. Spiritualism is our religion, and we intend to conduct all our meetings with dignity. It is not necessary for us to discuss spirit-communion, for that is an established fact. But there are questions pressing upon us, and demanding that we answer them. Let us try to discover the best methods for opening up intelligible communion with the unseen world, and strive to find the means to better the present condition of humanity. Let us endeavor to lay the foundations of a refined and cultured Spiritualism that shall demand broader education and toleration for all beliefs. This platform shall remain absolutely for all beliefs. This platform shall remain absolutely

that shall demand broader education and toleration for all beliefs. This platform shall remain absolutely free for all men and women of every denomination, and also for those outside of all religions, who may desire to express their thought."

At 2 r. M. the address was given by Mrs. Juliette Yeaw, of Leominster, Mass. She chose for the subject of her remarks, "Liberty," and gave an address that won the hearty commendation of all present.

On July 4th an address, was given by Geo. Dutton, A. M., M. D., Dean of the Vermont Medical College, on "The Principles of Government." It was a masterly effort, one that it is impossible to do justice to in a short abstract. We wish it might be heard on all our camp-grounds this summer.

During the two days' services Dr. C. T. Buffum of Boston rendered in a manner that charmed and delighted all, many beautiful songs; among them may be mentioned "Tired," "Dream Faces," "Little Brown Cot on the Hill," and "When the Mists Have Cleared Away." Dr. Buffum has been secured for the entire camp-meeting. He has already made many friends in this locality, and his return, July 17th, will be looked forward to with great pleasure. Mrs. G. Davenport Stevens was our organist. Her voluntaries were beautiful and as an accompanist she cannot be excelled. With Dr. Buffum and Mrs. Stevens the excellence of the inusical part of our programme is assured.

NOTES.

The Howland House, under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Howland of Boston, is now open for the season. It contains twenty rooms, nicely finished and excellently furnished.

The cottage owned by Mrs. Abbie Ripley of Boston was filled to overflowing during the 3d and 4th, and many rooms are engaged for the camp-meeting.

A party of six young people are camping near the Lake on the lots owned by Mr. John A. Raton of Cliftondale, Mass. They intend to remain through the summer.

summer.

If you want to find a quiet place where you can rest, enjoy mountain breezes and mountain scenery, and find good wholesome table board at reasonable rates, be sure you purchase your tickets for Rindge Camp-Martin.

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Dr. Buffum was accompanied by his friend Mr. C.
W. Turner, of Boston. Mr. Turner is a fine, genial,
whole-souled young man. He came as a stranger, but
left the camp-ground a highly esteemed friend of all.
As he left the ground he said he never had so good a
time in his life. Generally when we try to make
others happy we are rewarded.

Among those who were present from Boston and
vicinity, besides those already mentioned, were the
following persons: Mrs. Sarah A. Rice, of Wisthrop;
Mrs. Abbie Ripley, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Goodwin, Mr.
Nelson Woodbury and Mrs. Cooley.

We saw the genial face of Dr. Justus Fisher, of
West Peterboro', N. H., in our audience. We are
always glad to see this carnest worker in the cause of
Spiritualism.

Mr. George Epps, of Francestown, N. H., was one of the attentive listeners on Sunday and Monday. He kindly assisted us last season in the musical part of

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It is expected that during the first week of the campmeeting Mrs. Jeanette W. Crawford, of Auburndale, Mass., organist of the Second Unitarian Church in Boston, will be present, and assist in the musical part of our meetings. She is one of the finest and most cultured musicians in the country.

Wednesday, July 6th, was the annual meeting of the Rindge Camp-Meeting Company. The Committee on Grounds and Privileges made a most favorable report. The Treasurer reported that the financial condition of the company was improving, and all the other Committees gave favorable reports. The following officers were elected for 1887: George A. Fuller, President; Mrs. R. Howland, Vice-President; Mrs. Abble Ripley, Assistant Clerk; and the entire Company as a Board of Directors. The List of Committees will be arranged at future meetings, as the old Committee hold over until their successors are chosen. of our meetings. She is one of the country.

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Tickets for Rindge Camp-Meeting are good from

July 16th to August 18th. You can buy them at 228 Washington street. Fare for round trip from Boston, three dollars.

Tents may be secured of Mr. Nelson Woodbury at reasonable rates.

The restaurant will certainly please you; it is conducted in a manner that cannot fail to give satisfaction.

ion. The speakers' stand was a beautiful sight on bunday The speakers' stand was a beautiful sight on bunday morning. Streamers of red, white and blue were looped across the front and wound around the posts; also ferns, evergreens and wild flowers were used in great abundance in making the whole a work of art of incomparable beauty. Dr. B. H. Prentiss of Worcester deserves great credit for his labor in making the speakers' stand beautiful; he was assisted by several of the lady members of the Association. The Doctor has hosts of friends here who value him not only for his untiring efforts in decorating the speakers' stand, but for his many social qualities and his remarkable mediumship. He will be with us at least a portion of the camp meeting.

For further particulars address either Mrs. Abble Ripley, 126 Chandler street, Boston, Mass., or the President.

Dover, Mass., July 7th, 1887.

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Lake Pleasant.

[From Our Special Correspondent.]

Dr. Joseph Beals, of Greenfield, for the past thirteen years the efficient presiding officer at this Camp-Meeting, has very kindly loaned us a scrap-book Meeting, has very kindly loaned us a scrap-book, which is made up very largely of newspaper reports and records of the early days of Lake Pleasant. It appears that many of the old-time speakers, though of the liberal element, were not straight out-and-out spiritualists, but rather investigators, and ready to accept facts when properly demonstrated. They were gentlemen of culture and education, and were listened to by large audiences. There were others, veterans in the cause, whose knowledge of the philosophy was unquestioned, and they, too, drew immensely. The list of the mediums of those days is very large, and most remarkable scances were held at various places. There was a new sensation among the hill towns of Western Massachusetts. The sturdy yeomanry of the surrounding country, who had been nurtured on a "warm" theology, were treated to a new and more palatable dish. Pulpits stormed and pews raved, but to little purpose, for people would go to Lake Pleas to little purpose, for people would go to Lake Pleas-

ant.

The present year will be no exception; there will be a grand rush, and to the question "What good?" there will be but one answer: Development, progress improvement.

NOTES. Dr. A. E. Towne and family, of Springfield, have been "in town" for a few days. The Doctor's profes-sional engagements will not permit his locating here

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Mr. Arthur Conant, of Orange, has been appointed Station Agent, and is now serving in that capacity.

Mr. N. S. Henry will attend to the express business.

The shells which adorn the lawn in front of the Lake Pleasant Hotel are a decided attraction. Landlord Barnard is a host indeed. The cares of this world never cause him to fret or worry.

H. A. Budington, of Springfield, came in on the "Fourth."

The friends at Amesbury should send a large delega-tion out here the present season—likewise Merrimacport.
When is John Slater coming? Judging from the

number of times we have answered that question dur-ing the past two weeks, Mr. Slater will have plenty of business when he does "come astore."

The stores are now open. The BANNER OF LIGHT is having a good sale.

Mr. Frank Crozier, the photographic artist of Readsboro', Vt., should be packing up his plates for Lake Pleasant. We have found a new position for one of

Mr. John F. Whitney, of St. Augustine, Fla., now here for the summer, is a veteran Spiritualist and a true philosopher. His experience with mediums, extending over a period of nearly forty years, is a most remarkable one, and an hour with him is one used to

remarkable one, and an hour with him is one used to advantage.

W. L. Jack, M. D., of Haverhill, has greatly enjoyed his brief sojourn at his "Palace Cottage." The Doctor is well and favorably known, being one of the oldest campers here. His health is somewhat improved, and he reports business good. Will return here about Aug. 1st. "Chippy" sends compliments to all.

The train leaving Boston at 11:35 A. M. now stops at the Lake, provided there are passengers to leave or take.

take. Mr. W. H. Rynus and wife, of Brooklyn, are at Mr. W. H. Rynus and wife, of Brooklyn, are at "Heavenly Court."

Mr. John Davis, of Bradford, is being inquired for. He should put in an appearance.

The lawn in front of Mr. E. Terry's cottage on Lyman street is beautifully adorned with vines and flowers, the work of Mr. Nevins, florist.

A. W. Caswell and family, of Gardner, are in town for the season. During the War of the Rebellion Mr. Caswell was Captain in the 27th Mass. Vols.

Mr. E. W. Clark, and Mrs. J. J. Clark, of New Haven, Conn., have arrived for the summer. Mrs. Clark's mediumship is of the finest order, and an hour in her presence is an inspiration.

Anxiously awaited—the arrival of the Worcester Cadet Band. They will receive a most cordial welcome.

come.
The "Fourth" was a most remarkably quiet day.
There was not a horn of any kind on the entire Campground.
J. M. Y.
Lake Pleasant, Mass., July 9th, 1887.

Lookout Mountain Camp-Meeting

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: On Sunday, July 3d, the Lookout Mountain Camp-Meeting, six miles from the depôt at Chattanooga, Tenn., was formally opened for the present season. A social meeting had been held the previous evening, but the regular exercises commenced on Sunday at 10:45 A. M. The President, P. R. Albert, made a few felicitous remarks to the assembled audience, and then called on W. J. Colville to deliver an invocation, which was thrown his the form of a dedicatory prayer in verse. The lecture through Mr. Colville's mediumship was an eloquent and practical 'elucidation of the fundamentals of the Spiritual Philosophy, well calculated to impress strangers favorably, as well as to interest and edity experienced Spiritualists. A very kind and fraternal spirit characterized the address, which eulogized every phase of mediumship, and warmly commended all the mediums present to public sympathy. Speaking of Dr. Alfred Russell Wallace, the great Naturalist, and his outspoken advocacy of Spiritualism based on practical experience, not hearsay evidence, the lecturer showed how utterly divided renowned men of science are in their estimate of this subject. When professors disagree the wise course for the investigator to pursue is to turn from the confused babel of conflicting opinion, now so rife, and determine to practically and personally verify matters, each one for himself. The speaker and speech were received with unqualified enthusiasm.

Following the lecture tests were given by Mrs. Kates, nee Zaida Brown. In the afternoon Mrs. Talbot and Mrs. Is a Wilson-Porter were the speakers. Both ladies interested the audience greatly Mrs. Talbot by her fine sympathetic inspirational oratory, and Mrs. Porter by her strikingly convincing readings of character and delineations of spirit friends, as well as of leading ovents in the history of her additors, many of whom were total strangers, just arrived from a distance. Tenn., was formally opened for the present season, A social meeting had been held the previous evening, whom were total strangers, just arrived from a dis-

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In the evening at 7:45 W. J. Colville lectured on "Ancient Egypt; Its Religion and Its Pyramids." The orchestra engaged by the Association furnished music at the day sessions, at which there was considerable congregational singing. Mr. Colville sang solos and Rudoli King presided at the organ at night. The attendance was good at all three meetings in every sense of the word, though they could scarcely be called large, as heavy rains had fallen and the means of approach from Chattaneoga were not at that time fully perfected. The Pavilion, where all the public exercises are held, is a substantial, circular building, seating about eight hundred persons. There are four hotels on the mountain and numerous cottages; tents are scarcer than at most of the eastern camps. The grounds are beautifully situated; the scenery is truly enchanting and very extensive—so much so that

tents are scarcer than at most of the eastern camps. The grounds are beautifully situated; the scenery is truly enchanting and very extensive—so much so that from the highest eminence, on a very clear day, portions of seven States are visible.

On Monday, July 4th, the one hundred and eleventh anniversary of American Independence was duly celebrated with appropriate and feative exercises. All the speakers and mediums on the ground, as well as all the musical talent, aided in making the occasion memorable. New arrivals are expected hourly; the grounds are rapidly becoming througed, and the officers seem sanguine of a successful season. Many important improvements have been made since last season, and the financial condition of the Society is better than ever before. Two public meetings are held daily, and in addition to these W. J. Colville is holding a class in Spiritual Science three alternoons each week, and numerous circles and entertainments are being arranged for. The best of harmony prevails among the campers and officers.

[Additional particulars, received just as we were going to press, will appear next week.— Ed.]

Parkland, Pa.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: Our camp opened in June by Mrs. R. S. Lillie, with a Grove-Meeting on Sunday; followed by Mrs. H. S. Lake the next Sunday and the two subsequent Sun-

raising on a handsome large pole—also the gift of the Lyceum—after which many enjoyed a season of dancing in the Grand Pavilion; the rest of the vast throng distributed themselves in the beautiful groves or sailed on Parkland Lake.

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In the evening there was a grand display of fireworks under the direction of Professors Schultz and
Thompson; grand ball under management of Messrs.
Mayberry, Keffer and Huber. The Lyceum Committee, Messrs. Peterson, Fray, Koffman and others, deserve great praise for the manner in which they conducted the affair. The gentlemen and ladies of the
choir and Lyceum combined with the assistance and
counsel of our worthy Superintender Cent Keffer choir and Lyceum combined with the assistance and counsel of our worthy Superintendent, Capt. Keffer, and able Vice President, Mr. B. Benner, with Trustees Ballinger, Bronson, Hand. Beals, Wisdom, Galloway, McCahan and Jones, all rendered valuable assistance. The utmost harmony prevailed, and it was a grandly successful ith of July.

Sunday, July 10th, Mrs. Dr. English of Vineland, N. J.

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Our camping ground was let out in lots, upon which many have erected near cottage tents. The Park side — Nesbaminy Park—is laid out in building lots 50x100 feet. Last Thursday at a sale, the lots sold brought from \$90 to \$300 premium. The railroad company are about to erect a station, which, with private improvements, will render Parkland more interesting and attractive. We have a goodly number of our old tenters, and expect more to build and be with us in a week or

Bros. Bronson and Jones secured the top lots. Capt. Keffer is getting the big camp grounds in Capt. Keffer is getting the big camp-grounds in good shape.

The grand Pavillon will be finished and painted this

veek. Bro. Bardsley can't stay away from Parkland. Brother and Sister Shumway help to keep West End in motion.
"Will" Mayberry keeps the ball going every even-

ing but Sunday.

Bro. Benner has grand circles in Parkland Cottage.

Prof. De Barth's orchestra is most excellent.

Mrs. Cutter will give readings from our platform,
commencing next Sunday.

The Catering Co. is a great improvement on the

past.

Everybody: consider yourself specially invited to
Parkland.

R. A. THOMPSON.

Grove Meeting in Oregon.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light : Perhaps a word in regard to our grove meeting of five days' duration, held at New Bra, Oregon, which began on the 23d of the month, will be acceptable to your readers.

Some few campers arrived a day in advance. Some few campers arrived a day in advance. The 23d was spent in setting up tents and in social intercourse, which is an important feature of our meetings. On the 24th Dr. Stansbury, an independent slate-writing medium of San Francisco, and his estimable lady, arrived on the grounds. The Doctor at once set to work to exhibit this rare phase of mediumship to hundreds of eager investigators. He also gave us several fine lectures on the phenomena and philosophy of Spiritualism.

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Mrs. Amanda Bruce, of Lebanon, Lynn County, Oregon, another independent slate-writing medium of thirty years' practice, which is perhaps more years of slate-writing than any other slate-writer in the United States can claim, was one of the first to arrive. This lady, unlike the Dector, writes, or, rather, the writing is done, on a single slate held by one of her hands under the stand, while the other hand is above the stand and visible to the slaters. Sometimes the questioner will hold one end of the slate with the medium, but it is immaterial which mode of holding the slate is adopted; the writing seems to come with great case.

Mrs. K. J. Ladd Finican, also of San Francisco, here on a visit to friends, attended this meeting. Mrs. Finican was developed as a clairvoyant and test-medium here in Portland, near thirty years ago, which powers have not only remained but have increased with her as time moved on, until now she is deemed one of the best public test-mediums in the United States. She gave us an exhibition of this power on the evening of June 26th, to an audience of about three hundred people—allour hall would hold—during which time she gave to the public some twenty five or thirty tests, some of them remarkable for their powers and scope, and all of which were recognized by those who received them as being strictly true.

We had from ten to fifteen private test-mediums in attendance, but I cannot particularize further in regard to their work here than to say many confessed through and from the guides of these mediums.

The Business Committee of the State Society of Spiritualists was in attendance and held a business meeting for that society, in which it was agreed to call a State Camp Meeting, to be held at New Bra, beginning September 15th and holding twelve days.

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Queen City Park, Vt.

The following is the official list of speakers for the Camp-Meeting season of 1887: Aug. 17th, Wednesday, Mrs. Abby Crossett; 18th, Thursday, Mrs. L. Manches-Mrs. Abby Crossett; 18th, Thursday, Mrs. L. Manchester; 19th, Friday, J. C. Wright; 20th, Saturday, J. Clegg Wright; 21st, A. M., Sunday, Mrs. Emma Paul; P. M., Sunday, J. Clegg Wright; 23d, Tuesday, Mrs. M. Baker; 24th, Wednesday, A. A. Wheelook; 25th, Thursday, J. C. Wright; 28th, Friday, A. A. Wheelook; 27th, Saturday, Jennie B. Hagan; 28th, A. M., Sunday, Mrs. Fanny Davis Smith; P. M., Sunday, A. A. Wheelook; 30th, Tuesday, Hon. A. E. Stanley; 31st, Wednesday, Mrs. Juliette Yeaw; 8ept. 1st, Thursday, Mrs. Clara A. Field; 2d, Friday, Mrs. Juliette Yeaw; 3d, Clara A. Field; 2d, Friday, Mrs. Juliette Yeaw; 3d, Saturday, Mrs. Fanny Davis Bmith; 4th, A. M., Sunday, Mrs. Juliette Yeaw; P. M., Sunday, Hon. A. E., Stanley; 5th, Monday, Fact Convention, L. L. Whitlock; 6th, Tuesday, Fact Convention, L. L. Whitlock; 7th, Wednesday, Warren Chase; 8th, Thursday, A. E. Tisdale; 9th, Friday, Warren Chase; 10th, Saturday, J. B. Hagan; 11th, Sunday, A. E. Tisdale.

Temple Heights. Me.

THE MAINE STATE SPIRITUAL TEMPLE will hold its Fifth Annual Camp-Meeting at Temple Heights, Northport, Me., commencing Aug. 13th, and closing Aug. 21st.

Saratoga, N. Y .- Mrs. Clara A. Field, whom The Eagle pronounces rightly to be "one of the most popular, original and intellectual lecturers on the libera platform," addressed the Spiritualists of this place at the Court of Appeals room, Town Hall, Sunday morn-ing and evening, July 3d. In its announcement of her intended coming, the same paper of the 2d inst. said: "Mrs. Field has lectured frequently and with great acceptability in Saratoga during the past year, and her return will undoubtedly be greeted by large and ap-preciative audiences." Dr. W. B. Mills gave spirit-descriptions after the evening lectures. descriptions after the evening lectures.

Quincy, Mass .- George A. Badger writes: "A few of us started meetings in the interest of Spiritual ism and its phenomena at this place; and were favored during the mouth of June with discourses from that gifted speaker, Mrs. Abble N. Burnham, of Boston. Her lectures are full of thought and inspiration. At the close of her lectures she gives very satisfactory tests and readings. We hope to have her with us often.—Mrs. Loomis Hall, of Boston, has been with ns two Bundays, and all were pleased with her efforts as a psychometric reader, etc."

Lynn, Mass.—Our Lyceum has adjourned for the summer months, and will meet again on the second Sunday in September.—The members who attended the picnic of the Bosion Lyceum at Downer's had a very enjoyable time. They greatly appreciate the invitation extended to them by that body, and especially the kindness of Mrs. Butler, who procured free tickets for all the children, and whose efforts to make the occasion a success are deserving of much praise 8. H. Holbrook, Sec'y.

Newburyport, Mass.—Hdgar W. Emerson of Manchester, N. H., has been spending his vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lowell, at Salisbury Point.—Late numbers of the Golden Gate speak in highly complimentary terms of Mrs. Dr. M. A. Green of this city, who is now "doing" the Pacific Slope and enjoying well-earned and merited rest and recreation.

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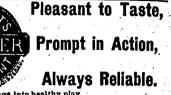
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J. Frank Baxter's Work.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: Mr. J. Frank Baxter concluded his Plymouth County work for the present, on last Sunday, July 10th, in Park Hill Grove, West Scituate, and South Hingham. The day was dublous—sunshine and showers, and some of the latter heavy, alternating throughout the day. The West Scituate meeting was announced to be held in the grove if pleasant, but if not in the Universalist Church. Notwithstanding the doubtful weather, so large a concourse from around gathered, and the sun was shining so clearly at the time of the afternoon session, it was decided to assemble in the grove.

Mr. Baxter sang, read and sang, and then had proceeded for some twenty minutes most interestingly, when a sudden thunder-shower compelled all to seek shelter. After a half-hour Mr. Baxter was besought to continue to the hundreds who remained. He did so from the steps of a store, where within the building was crowded, without the people were standing en mass, flanked in large semi-circle with carryalis and covered wagons and barges loaded with listeners. The sight was novel, but proved conclusively how eager the people of this vicinity are for the spiritual food Mr. Baxter, amidst his remarks, was often called to describe spirits and to give tests. One spirit, announced by name, was a former owner of the building in and about which the assembly was gathered, though the house then was several miles away in another town, and had been moved to this spot in sections and reference. Another picked out his nephew, giving a greeting and communication, and calling himself "Uncle Roland—Uncle Roland Cushing." When the gentleman was asked if he had an uncle of that name dead, he repiled: "Yes, sir; and he was found dead a great many years ago." But it is not purposed to detail this matter.

In the evening at 7:30 in Wilder's Memorial Hall, South Hingham, before an unexpectedly large audience—for it was still raining—Mr. Baxter, after an introduction by the pronounced Spiritualist, Mr. Redwin Wilder, Postmaster of Hingham, proceeded in songs, poem and lecture of more than ordinary merit. Mr. Baxter's services have been secured for another year—as information comes—sury sith, 1883. It is a long time hence, comparativ The day was dublous—sunshine and showers, and some of the latter heavy, alternating throughout the

Chicago, Ill.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: The First Society of Spiritualists of Chicago is such a success to point of numbers and quality, that the constrained condition of its finances and membership is a matter of no further apprehension.

The entertainments given by the Society during the nter were of en last winter were of such a character that the preju-dice of the past is becoming "beautifully less."

The almost phenomenal floral decorations without interruption for eighteen months have converted the large platform into a shrine of beauty, and the fra-grance, color and massive banks of moss not only have grance, color and massive banks of moss not only have alded the controls, but been an attraction and a joy to every human heart that seems growing up to the high standard of the divine teachings which come through that wonderfully gifted woman. Mrs. Richmond.

The attendance of the last Sunday of her ministrations for the year was a decided tribute, not only to her popularity, but the very evident appreciation of her work.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richmond leave for their summer trip this week. Mrs. Richmond will lecture in Western New York and in Pennsylvania during July. She will speak in Cassadaga, August 7th to the 14th inclusive. In Onset Bay, August 2ist, in North Collins, August 28th, returning in time for September 11th in Onicago, when she will commence her year's labors here.

I am glad not only to report favorably in a localized sense—in a sense where my most cherished hopes are based—but in so general a sense as to comprise all the phases of Spiritualism, from table-tipping to the highest philosophy. The older and more conservative stratum, that element which commends and will only end in an irrepressible rush for tests, is being inflitrated by a more youthful, vigorous investigation. Societies of young people are forming, many of which are promising well. From these ranks our society is being vitalized, as the grammar school, preparatory to those grander and final lessons given by Mrs. Richmond's controls, and which are beginning to be incorporated in her lectures from the public platform, and from which comes the prophecy of a New Dispensation.

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Two Days' Grove Meeting at Geauga

Lake, O. The friends of Cleveland and surrounding country are respectfully informed that a two days' Grove Meeting will be held at Kent's Grove, Geauga Lake, Saturday and Sunday, July 23d and 24th. Mrs. B. Shepard Lillie of Boston, the eloquent inspirational speaker, and others will be present. Come, friends, and enjoy the meeting. Fine hotel accommodations. THOS. LEES, Chairman.

Spiritualist Meetings in Brooklyn. Conservatory Hall, corner Fullon Street and Bedford Avenue.—Services every Sunday at 11 A.M.

Fraternity Booms, corner Bodford Avenue and South Second Street.—Services every Sunfay at 7½ P.M. Children's Lycoum at 3 P.M. The Spiritual Literary Union meets the first and third Saturday of each month at 8 P.M. Avon Hall, Bedford Avenue and Halsey like — Mr. John Slater holds meetings on Bundays at 5 r. M. 5 8 r.M. tharp, Everett Hall, 396 Fulton Avenue.—Brooklyn Pro-ressive Spiritual Conference every Saturday evening, at 8

Spiritualist Meetings in New York. Spencer Hall, 114 West 14th Street.—The Popple's Spiritual Meeting every Sunday at 35 r. M., and Thursday afternoon at 8 o'clock. Frank W. Jones, Conducter. Adolphi Hall, corner of 53d Street and 7th Avenue.—Services every Hunday at 11 A.M. and 7M F.M. Conference every Sunday at 2½ F.M. Admission free to each meeting.

ST. LOUIS, MO.—The First Association of Spiritual-ists meets at 34.7.8. every Bunday in Brandt's Hall, south-west corner of Franklin Avenue and Ninth street. Friends of the cause invited to attend, and correspondence spicited from America and Europe. H. W. Fay, President, No. 63 Bouth Brackway. Isaas St. Lev., Cor. Sec., Mp. 163 Morth. 18th street, Bt. Louis, Mo.

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