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Original Essay.

THE GENESIS OF THOUGHT.

BY A. E. NEWTON. In Two Parts - Part I.

"Whence come our thoughts?" is a problem which, in some of its phases, has puzzled the mind of many a thinker and writer, from the earliest days to the present hour; and various

answers have been essayed by mental philosophers of different schools.

The more ordinary and commonplace grades of thought are perhaps sufficiently explained as the perceptions of the senses, as they take cognizance of the facts of external nature, and of the expressed thoughts of other minds, acting upon that subtle something in ourselves which is called mind. These ordinary mental activietc., which make up the staple of common

with all their glowing imagery, and expositions | modern, merely because they are inspired. of philosophic truth, but also the plots of noted works of fiction with their multitudinous and artistic details, and conceptions of great inven-recent English fiction-writers, bears similar tions, by which the subtle forces of nature have testimony to the origin of his ideas largely in a been subdued to human service, have been source outside of and beyond himself, over seemingly injected into the human mind by this | which he had no control. In one of his "Roundextraordinary process.

Sometimes these flashes or visions come in dreams, in the hours of natural sleep, leaving vivid impressions that remain on awakening; stubborn and intractable animal, which he again they come in passive moments between could never compel to do his own bidding, but sleeping and waking; and still again, in many which would go its own way in spite of kim, he instances, in full wakefulness, but in times of | says: clusion, and always doubtless in states of receptivity or of yearning desire for something yet unattained.

The problem of the source of this order of mencommonly called inspirations-finds an adetion, to be wholly satisfactory, necessitates the recognition of invisible intelligences of some order, as having access to the human mind and ability to communicate to it under certain conditions.

Many of the prominent thinkers and writers his bodily organ?" of our time have recognized their dependence upon and indebtedness to some invisible or spiritual agency, distinct from and foreign to themselves, for the highest and grandest thoughts they have given to the world, and even for framing the fitly chosen sentences in which those thoughts have been expressed. Some seem to have but vague and confused notions of what that agency is, at times using language which might imply that it is merely higher origin for events than the will I call mine. As "automatic, unconscious action," or some oc- with events, so it is with our thoughts. When I watch cult and mysterious power pertaining wholly to that flowing river [of thought], which, out of regions I themselves; and others again clearly acknowl- | see not, pours for a season its streams into me, I see edge the dictation of an intelligence "ab extra," that I am a pensioner; not a cause, but a surprised i. e., outside of themselves. The following remarkable passage is cited from Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, in his essay on "Mechanism in Thought and Morals." I take the liberty to italicise some lines:

"The more we examine the mechanism of thought, the more we shall see that the automatic unconscious action of the mind enters largely into all its processes. Our definite ideas are stepping-stones; how we get from one to the other, we do not know: something carries us; we do not take the step. A creating and informing spirit which is with us, and not of us, is recognized everywhere in real and in storled life. It is the Zeus that kindled the rage of Achilles; it is the Muse of Homer; it is the Daimon of Socrates; it is the inspiration of the seer; it is the mocking devil that whispers to Margaret as she kneels at the altar; and the hobgoblin that oried, 'Sell him! Sell him!' in the ear of John Bunyan; it shaped the forms that filled the soul of Michael Angelo when he saw the figure of the great Lawgiver in the yet unhown marble, and the dome of the world's yet unbuilt basilien against the blank horizon; it comes to the least of us, as a voice it frames our sentences; it lends a sudden gleam of sense or eloquence to the dullest of us all, so that like

Katterfelto with his hair on end, we wonder at our- | rical circles, gave to an interviewer the followselves, or rather not at ourselves, but at this divine visitor, who chooses our brain as his dwelling-place, and invests our naked thought with the purple of the kings of speech or song." . .

"There is," he continues, "a Delphi and a Pythoness in each human breast.... The poet always recognizes a dictation ab extra: and we hardly think it a figure of speech when we talk of his inspiration. The mental attitude of the poet while writing, if I may venture to define it, is that of the 'nun breathless with adoration.' Mental stillness is the first condition of the listening state; and I think my friends the poets will recognize that the sense of effort, which is often felt, ac companies the mental spasm by which the mind is maintained in a state at once passive to the influx from without, and active in seizing only that which will serve its purpose."

"And so the orator...only becomes our master at he moment when he himself is surprised, captured. taken possession of by a sudden rush of fresh inspira-

Such is the testimony of Dr. Holmes himself the most honored poet, philosopher and physiologist in one, of which our country at present can boast. It is to the effect that poets, orators, and men of genius in all time, in heir grandest and worthiest achievements, are the subjects of a genuine influx of thoughts ab extra "- and it is this alone which gives them commanding power.

In this connection it is worthy of note that Dr. Holmes gives utterance to a weighty opinion on the subject of plagiarism by inspired writers, which has a not less important bearing on the doctrine of plenary inspiration as held by mental experiences accompanying the rush of inspirational influx, he says:

"It is not strange that remembered ideas should are always stealing unconsciously from each other being the results of the stimulus afforded by Our minds are full of walfs and estrays which we think are our own. Innocent plagiarism turns up every

This being so, as an obviously necessary result of the constitution of the human mind, not only is the liability to unconscious and inties result in the production of certain ideas, nocent plagiarism apparent, but it follows that comparisons, conceptions, deductions, opinions, the extreme notions of verbal infallibility with which some religionists are wont to invest the writings of ancient inspired men are extremely But many people—perhaps most people—are improbable, if not impossible. At all events, conscious at times of flashes of thought, or the numerous discrepancies, faults of memory, gleams of interior perception, which they can perform of quotation, etc., which a careful critiin no way trace to any external source, or connect with any sensuous mode of communica- are readily explainable on the principle sugimagery and symbolism of the loftiest and most ideas" of the writers correct or incorrect poetic character, and are capable of being ex- sometimes "took advantage of the crowd of panded into essays or poems of greater or less, thoughts, and smuggled themselves in." This length, and embodying consecutive ideas often shows the folly of accepting as absolute truth of great beauty and value. Not only poems the words of any inspired writer, ancient or

> But to return to our main topic. Thackeray. the novelist, by many considered the prince of about Papers," "De Finibus," he takes his readers into his confidence, and after describing his "Pegasus" (or power of authorship) as a most

mental quiet, abstraction, perhaps in partial se- 1 "I have been surprised at the observations made by some of my own characters. It seems as if an occult Power was moving the pen. The personage does or says something, and I ask, How the dickens did he come to think of that? Every man has remarked in dreams the vast dramatic power which is sometimes tal phenomena-these injections of thought, evinced; I won't say the surprising power, for nothing does surprise you in dreams. But those strange charquate and rational solution alone in the philoso-acters you meet make instant observations of which phy of Modern Spiritualism; while such a solu-tion, to be wholly satisfactory, necessitates her, the imagination foretells things. We spake anon of the inflated style of some writers. What also if there is an aglated style—when a writer is a Pythoness on her oracle tripod, and mighty words, words which he cannot help, come blowing, and bellowing, and whistling, and mouning through the speaking pipes of

This brings to mind the remarkable testimony, in the same direction, of that prince of modern philosophers, Ralph Waldo Emerson, who in his essay on "The Oversoul" gives us the following glimpse of his personal experience as a thinker and author:

"Man is a stream whose source is hidden. Our be ing is descending into us from we know not whence. . . . I am constrained every moment to acknowledge a up, and put myself in the attitude of reception, but from some alien energy the visions come.'

Mr. Thackeray, in connection with his own experience as quoted above, cites that of Dumas, the great French novelist, which, though presenting a somewhat different phase, yet points in the same direction. It recognizes the value of mental quiet, seclusion, abstinence, or the attitude of receptivity, as the condition requisite for the ingestion of a plot for a work in his own mind:

"Alexandre Dumas describes himself, when inventing the plan of a work, as lying silent on the deck of a yacht in a Mediterranean port. At the end of two days he arose and called for dinner. In those two days he had built his plot. He had molded a mighty clay, to be cast presently in perennial brass. The chapters, the characters, the incidents, the combinations were all arranged in the artist's brain ere he set

Mr. Robert Louis Stevenson, reputed author of that singular psychological creation entitled 'Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde," which has recently caused such a sensation in literary and theat-

ing curious account of its origin:

"On one occasion I was very hard up for money, and I felt that I had to do something. I thought and thought, and tried hard to find a sitbject to write about. At night I dreamed the story, not precisely as it is written, for of course there are always stupidities in dreams, but practically it came to me as a gift, and what makes it appear to me the more odd is that I am quite in the habit of dreaming stories."

It is well known that Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, whose story of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" has been probably the most widely-read and case of this kind manifests a growing disposieffective work in the line of moral fiction ever tion on the part of employers to meet more produced in this world, has always declined to than half way and recognize at its proper worth be regarded as the real author of that work. She has insisted that it was dictated to her mind from an invisible and superior source, and that she only acted the part of an amanuensis. selves upon a basis of equity, it is no less a duty amazement. "God wrote it," she replied. "I merely did his dictation."

Precisely what idea Mrs. Stowe entertains of the method of divine agency in her casewhether she conceives that God, as a limited from a source beyond themselves - "a dictation | personal being, actually came to her, and put into her mind the ideas embodied in that entertaining work, word by word, and sentence by sentence, through the weeks and months occupied'in its production, thus making it a plenarily inspired book in the Orthodox sense-or whether she merely regards God as the Infinite Spirit of Good, pervading the universe, and one class of theologians. In describing the acting in and through all finite intelligences few can succeed, and then only at the expense who love good and desire to do it, and thus in of others. In profit-sharing, on the contrary, a large sense may be said to be the author of 'all being reciprocally related, each assists the all good acts, by whomsoever performed - which other and the whole are benefited. A direct often take advantage of the crowd of thoughts, and of these conceptions Mrs. Stowe entertains, her pecuniary interest stimulates industry and insmuggle themselves in as original. Honest thinkers language does not indicate. If the former, it is creases responsibility. A sense of personal to be feared that many of her Orthodox breth- ownership creates a conserving power in every ren and sisters will solemnly protest against community where it exists. their God being presented in the rôle of a novelwriter- the immediate inventor of the tricks of Topsy, the barbarities of Legree, and all the tion of boss and laborer, instead of antagonizdetails of that ingenious story! But if she ing, becomes harmonizing. Instead of war, adopts the broader conception, then there is no peace reigns. Under a well-devised scheme of difficulty in recognizing finite spiritual beings, 'profit-sharing, the conflicting interests that or ministering spirits, as the actual personal grow out of competition no longer exist; they agents in executing the Divine Will, and hence become merged into one accordant, harmonious the messengers employed in inspiring human, whole. The most simple-minded realizes that Infinite Spirit presents himself to the children he becomes a part owner in the labor and maeach an individuality of his own, and a sphere result is that self-respect self religing and self of personal freedom, within the limits of which improvement naturally follow works of any class.

est and grandest creations of genius through to divide a portion of their profits for the year their agency- to an origin outside of, above among their two hundred and fifty employes selves "pensioners-not causes, but surprised was from \$38,50 to \$77,70. spectators" of the tide of thought which "at seasons out of regions they see not, pours its streams into them." Small minds, narrowed year, proposed to their help that every six by egotism and self-conceit, are often disposed lect and flashes of genius that may be exhibited cent, on their capital and reasonable salaries their own unaided minds, or perhaps the product of some occult power wholly within and the capital and the wages earned. This offer ly; and they are wont to claim credit and honor given that no outside influence should disturb modest; true genius is attended by humility, while egotism necessarily closes the avenues of the highest inspiration.

The God Idea.

As long as mankind form their ideas of God from the Bible they will clothe him with attributes unworthy of a perfect being. Thomas Paine asks the suggestive questions:

"Is man ever to be the dupe of priestcraft, the slave of superstition? Is he never to have just ideas of his Creator? It is better not to falsely. When we behold the mighty universe falsely. When we behold the mighty universe that surrounds us, and dart our contemplation into the eternity of space, filled with innumerable orbs revolving in eternal harmony, how paltry must the tales of the Old and New Testaments, profanely called the word of God, appear to thoughtful man? The stupendous wisdom and unerring order that reign and govern throughout this wondrous whole, and call us to reflection, but to shame the Bible! The God of eternity and of all that is real, is not the God of passing dreams and shadows of man's imagination! The God of truth is not the God of a fable; the belief of a God-begotten and a God-crucified is a God-blasphemed - it is making a profane use of reason.

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY .- For four hundred years the human race has not made a but what has left its plain vestige behind. enter now upon great centuries. The sixteenth century will be known as the age of painters, the seventeenth will be termed the age of writ-

ers, the eighteenth the age of philosophers, the nineteenth the age of apostles and prophets.

To satisfy the nineteenth century it is necessary to be the painter of the sixteenth, the writer of the seventeenth, the philosopher of the eighteenth, and it is also necessary, like Louis Blanc, to have the innate and holy love Louis Blanc, to have the innate and holy love of humanity, which constitutes an apostolic, and opens up a prophetic vista into the future. In the twentieth war will be dead, the scaffold will be dead, animosity will be dead, royalty will be dead, and dogmas will be dead, but man will live. For all there will be but one country—and that country the whole earth; for all, there will be but one hope—that hope the whole heaven. All hail, then, to that noble twentieth century which shall own our children, and which our children shall inherit!—Victor Hugo. PROFIT-SHARING-No. 2.

BY GEORGE A. BACON.

Recently in these columns, under the above heading, the writer briefly referred to a very commendable case of profit-sharing on the part of an extensive flour-mill firm in the great Northwest, Messrs. Pillsbury & Co., Minneapolis, Minn. It was but one of many of a like character, though the latest the particulars of which were known to us. Every additional the service rendered by their employés.

While the economic relations of life are struggling, with more or less success, to settle them-Recently she is reported as saying, rather blunt- than a pleasure to make public record of each ly, to a gentleman who congratulated her as and every instance where the principle of profit-the writer of the book: "I did not write it!" sharing has been practically adopted, knowing "Who did, then?" asked the gentleman, in that this process of adjustment between labor and capital, between employer and employé that this form of mutual partnership, this comprehensive scheme of practical cooperation, has every consideration to commend it.

Briefly outlined, profit-sharing presents itself as follows: Allow current rates of interest for capital invested. After paying fair salaries, necessary expenses, etc., divide the surplus pro rata among those who assist in producing it, adjusting wages to the relative value of each employé.

Our industrial system is founded upon profits secured through rivalry. By competition but

In a system of profit-sharing, "strikes, "lock-outs," etc., become unknown. The relaminds on earth. These angelic messengers are his own interests are directly increased in prodoubtless the real, prisonal forms in which the portion as he faithfully works for others; that of earth. But these divine messengers have terial furnished by his fellow associates. The

individual peculiarities and individual genius. The following instances where profit sharing have their full play, and hende may readily be has been adopted came to our notice during the pages of the worn, battered diary which conceived of as the inspiring outhors of useful, the past year. Doubtless there are many more that have not found special mention in the dai-All the distinguished writers above cited agree - ly press. - About two years ago the firm of Norin attributing their best productions the high-ton Bros., Chicago, having voluntarily offered and beyond themselves. Many more testimo- who worked continuously for six months, subnies to the same point might be quoted; and sequently divided the sum of \$13,275 among doubtless were all men and women of genius. them. Each employe received over seven and 'How my mind revolted from this business-like presenequally frank and equally clear-sighted, they a half per cent, on his year's earnings, which tation of what is at least claiming the attention of would, with Emerson, humbly confess them: ranged from \$500 to \$1500. This extra amount carnest men and women. But I had a good share of

A Cincinnati firm (Messrs, Proctor & Gamble, manufacturers; toward the beginning of last months an investigation should be made of to claim that all the higher creations of intel-their business, and that after allowing six per, through themselves are the excogitations of tomembers of the firm, the remainder should be divided among the employés in proportion to of themselves, working subtly and unconscious- was received with thanks, and a promise was accordingly. But the highest merit is always the cordial relations between them and their employers.

When the late new proprietor of the Detroit announced that at the end of each year his intent was to divide a percentage of the profits among his employés in addition to their usual salaries. And here is a case where the capital is represented by a corporation! President Ashley, of the Toledo, Ann Arbor & No. Michigan Railroad Co., not long since submitted the following proposition: That all officials and more, shall, in addition to the regular wages paid to each, receive an amount which shall as the universe. equal the proportion hereinafter named of such dividend on the capital stock as may be declared by the board of directors of the Company in any one year.

Here is the case of the great dry-goods merchant of Philadelphia, John Wanamaker, Esq., recently mentioned as likely to become a member of President Harrison's cabinet. Having resolved to divide the profits acquired by the popular fact." combined unification of capital and labor with the employés through whose assistance he was enabled to accomplish such satisfactory results, he called together four thousand of these employés last spring and distributed among these men and women \$59,158.66, arising from monthly dividends, from April, 1887, to March, 1888; and in addition to this \$40,281.02, covering annual dividends, was divided among "seven-year employés," those who have performed an unbroken service during this period of time; a large sum was also paid over to trustees as a pension fund, the total amount aggregating \$109,439.68. But why go away from home? Boston itself furnishes at least three notable instances of this beneficent scheme for the amelioration and encouragement of those in their respective employ. Foremost, the Boston as it is a very successful concern, but this ex- electric sounds. This one sledge-hammer rap was the

ceptional action is none the less commend-

A popular dealer in fancy goods, on Washington street, gave notice to his help last year that it was his intention to divide the profits of his extensive business with those who have been in his employ one year, each January in future. He will divide one-half of the net profits over a certain sum reserved for himself, this to be based on the previous year's business. The employés are to be separated into three classes: those in the first class comprising all who have been in his service five years or upward; the second class, those from three to five years; the third class, those from one to three years.

Personally I would go out of my way to trade with such a merchant.

The Workingmen's Cooperative Bank of Boson is also practically run on this basis. It has proved to be a very successful institution- and

In these days of gigantic "trusts," "corners," combines" - heartless monopolies of every kind and character-no one expects that the element of selfishness in man is to be eradicated. Implanted for a wise purpose, it only needs to be wisely directed. But in the economies of life to seek to substitute more righteous and equitable relations for those that generally prevail, is always in order. Hence the emphasis given to the foregoing instances of practical cooperation in profit-sharing. Let these examples become multiplied a thousand fold. The relief that is born of confidence, and which brings legitimate increase, moral and financial success, awaits all such economic action

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1888.

THINGS WORTH RECORDING.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light

A letter lies before me which probably expresses the question asked by many at this time. The writer says:

"I knew the compiler of Dr. Kane's letters. Slo was a woman of much power, and had done our part in the literary world forty years ago. I had considence In her desire to do justice to a young woman. I it now that Margaret Fox has acknowledged to forty; cars of fraud and decelt, must we not infer that her tions in regard to her alleged personal matters were also false? And did not Mrs. Ellett take upor aerses a task that had better have been left undone?

We all honored Dr. Kane for his courage and his power. We do not wish to associate his name with deceit or trickery. Will Miss Fox relinquish her claim to his name as readily as she has to the respect and confidence of these who met her long ago, and have

Are not these questions pertinent?

And this makes as anxious to turn back to represents the past. How yellow the leaves are! how poorly they represent the thoughts that once sought to fix themselves there! We will not quote from these pages chronologically, but as subjects suggest:

"New York, May, 1856, To-day met a friend of Broadway, who said, 'Come, let us go in and see Katie Fox. It will cost you nothing; good show, cheap curiosity, and said, Why for nothing? must be oble not live? and hiring rooms takes money, as I have sadly learned.' Oh! a rich man pays all expenses. and lets us poorer mortals partake freely of what he ealls a feast. See, there is Charles Partridge going in. Let me introduce you.

"Not now," I said, holding back my name as if it might possibly be read by a table.

The room we entered was like many up-stairs Broad way rooms. A common table was in the centre. half-dozen fine-browed men sat reverently near, and Miss Fox held her hands lightly on the boards. Her smile of welcome was beautiful to look upon. Her face bore a radiance and a confident screnity that claimed attention at once. I was charmed with her. I longed to put my hand on hers and respond to her gentleness. But a kind of awe filled me, for amid the roat Evening Journal, W. H. Brealy, Esq., took pos- of Broadway there was distinctly heard the delightful session of that paper, a year ago last May, he | rap. I say delightful, for I know of nothing that holds one, mind, ears, eyes, in expectancy and hope, as do those proofs of a power outside of human control. Sweet messages were being spelled to the sitters, simple words of love; 'trite,' my friends say; but what words of love are not just as old as the English language, and just as oft repeated as human hearts feel the thrill of life? But, alas for my hope! I got no words, but was nevertheless satisfied. That fair young girl seemed like a priestess to me. I could not prove employés of the Company who shall have been that she was all she seemed-one called to a great continuously in its service for five years or work. I looked at her reverently; I called her beautiful, and I felt that back of her was a power as infinite

I liked the self-possession of Charles Partridge His manner seemed to say, 'What have I to do with sentiment? Here, in this great world, I seek for facts, and when I find one I hold on to it. He will have a hard tussle who tries to wrench it from me.' He invited me most cordially to call at the office of the Spiritual Telegraph, 342 Broadway, and I shall go. I want to see a man in the midst of his work who has wealth and power and position and yet devotes all to an un-

This inspires me to turn over the pages of my ournal for a later impression

"May, 1868 .- To-day I called at a fashionable house on 30th street, and learned that dinner had just been served, and most of the participants had left. Among those present were Katle and Margaretta Fox, they still remaining at the table, and the hostess also Would I go down and see some wonders? The extension table was spread from end to end of a large room. The crystal and delicate china of the after-courses were still on the table. While still standing three feet from the table a tremendous noise, as of a sledge-hammer, came apparently upon the table. The table then vibrated so that the glass rattled, and it perceptibly raised from the floor. Then the ordinary raps, clear and distinct, came, and [by aid of the alphabet] gave short messages of love and hope. What are all these phenomena except what they purport to be? I have an acquaintance in Washington who professes that she can make sounds with ther toe-joints. We had a Herald, to its credit be it known, has adopted | trial. Thin, enapping sounds there were, much like this worthy plan. It can well afford to do it, the sounds from finger-joints displaced, but no ringing,

loudest I ever heard, and seems to me to be proof of a

Now, twenty years later, the too-joint theory is promulgated. It seems not best to waste valuable space in criticising such puerile efforts to set uside a great power.

As early as 1001 Mr. John Montpesson of England had a "knocking drummer," who answered questions by distinct knocks: as, for instance, "If So-and-so, give five knocks," which request was responded to at once. Also the Rev. John Wesley requested the knocks to respond a certain number of times, and was answered. But to "little Katie" have we always attributed the first inspiration to receive an answer by calling the alphabet. I think Leah (Mrs. Underhill) in her book gives to Katie this credit.

Even in our spiritual aspirations we partake of the fast character of the age. Could we fully digest the simplest of the communications that we receive we should be better prepared for the higher.

Let me turn to the last entry in my Diary: " Nov. 5th, 1888.-Went to-day to visit a friend who re ceives communication according to earliest methods, by table-tipping. For twenty years this little stand has served as a learned physician, giving daily dia moses and prescriptions, as called upon, with marvelous accuracy; so much so that a talented and well read M. D availed himself of its knowledge in all cases demanding insight and skill. Sometimes raps responded instead of tips, but there was always a decision and an unhesitating response. The remedies were always according to Hahnemann's theory, and purported to come from the band of spirits in his sphere. How many hundreds have been blessed by this ministration, and how farreaching is the influence of that simple table! To-day it was a message of love that was sought, and it was given, and the test of a name. There was no toe-joint here; there was no collusion. Beautiful prophecies, that only a future can declare true, came letter by let ter. Among other communications was this from a spirit recently passed over: 'You think you know something of the glory of the spiritual world, but you can form no adequate idea of its beauty, of its rest and

Shall we turn away from this consolation that we find in the outer temple of our aspirations, because, perchance, the money-changers have been there, or because some have sold their right to serve in this tem ple for a mess of pottage?'

New York City. OBSERVER.

Spiritual Phenomena.

Under the above heading the BANNER OF LIGHT publishes from time to time communications contributed by reliable people describing the spirit-form manifestations they have witnessed; but we desire it to be clearly understood that we cannot be held responsible for any accounts of such manifestations appearing in our columns, except those we have witnessed and personally endorsed: Writers in describing the phenomena they have seen, must alone bear the responsibility of their statements. - Publishers II. of L.

OLD AND NEW PHASES OF MATERIAL-IZATION.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light

I have long desired to give your readers a few of my many experiences since I first became a Spiritualist in 1872, and now feel that in justice to a good and reliable medium for independent slate-writing and materialization, I must do so.

The medium to whom I refer is Mrs. M. S. Mayer, of No. 16 St. Mark's Place, New York, who has but recently removed there from Chattanooga. I have had the pleasure of being acquainted with Mrs. Mayer since 1873, when her first development as a medium began in Chattanooga. Her husband I have known since 1865. In this communication I describe but one séance, the last before their departure for the East, though I have attended a hundred or more, from the time of the showing of a first hand at the cabinet aperture.

The séance was held at the house of Mrs. Mayer on Sunday night, Aug. 26th. Myself and family, consisting of my wife and daughter, and four others of Mrs. Mayer's oldest and most intimate friends, had been invited.

The visitors being seated, Mrs. Mayer entered the cabinet, simply two heavy dark curtains hung across one of the corners of the room, and took her place in an ordinary chair. After a tew appropriate remarks by Mr. Mayer, and an organ prelude, followed by singing, the curtains were dropped, Mrs. M. in the meantime having become deeply entranced.

Scarcely had this been done, when the voice of what seemed to be an Indian gave orders as to how the light was to be regulated, which during the séance was sufficiently strong to read THE BANNER.

No sooner had the voice within the cabinet expressed satisfaction in regard to the light, and even before Mr. Mayer, who arranged it, had resumed his seat, a materialized form walked out, and approaching me was immedia ely recognized by myself and wife as a stepfather, who passed away in 1875. Every lineament of the face was perfect, the figure was the same as in life, the gesticulation a complete repetition of his in earth-life. He had been, while on earth, extremely fond of music, and recalled this fact to us by walking to the opposite side of the room, where stood a piano, on which he struck a few chords, then came to us and attempted to speak, but failed to do so. He then greeted every one in the circle, and placing his hand in mine, as a token of farewell, walked to the cabinet, and with a bow to all disappeared. This spirit remained in view

fully six minutes. Hardly had he disappeared, when another mantel and taking from it the picture of E. V. and not a few were disappointed at her sudden identity of our beloved pioneer worker in the cause of truth; but I had the pleasure of knowing Bro. Wilson in earth-life, and should have recognized him without the aid of the photograph. Bro. Wilson conversed with us quite audibly and fluently, though not as distinctly as I had previously heard him speak. In fact, | failed to gain admittance for want of room. At on some occasions, Mr. Wilson would give us precisely eight o'clock Mrs. B. announced her quite a little address as to what work he was doing for the cause; how and what we should do on our side, etc. But he said he was not as and the guide, "Billy the Bootblack," announced capable of using his voice now, as he was look- the first visitor from the realms of the unseen ing more to the details of a perfection in his

describe every spirit that came, and what they upon approaching, immediately recognized him. did and had to say. Suffice it, that there were from thirty to forty appearances during the sitting of two hours and a half. There were | ly at the same moment the curtains parted and many surprises to the sitters. One of those the familiar figure of Dr. Hostetter greeted present as a visitor was the family physician of the circle. A lady was summoned to the cabintimately associated with the latter for eight | Doctor. She pronounced the manifestation years, and though at one time a hard skeptic, perfect, as also did several others who knew has through what he has seen with Mrs. Mayor become a confirmed believer. This doctor had a friend—his partner—who passed away several years ago, and who while in life perpetrated many jokes at the expense of what he believed the personal that the close of the se
A clergyman, after years of suffering from that louthsome disease, Catarrh, and valuly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this years ago, and who while in life perpetrated of each individual spirit that appeared; suffice to have a friend—his partner—who passed away several years of suffering from that louthsome disease, Catarrh, and valuly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this years ago, and who while in life perpetrated of each individual spirit that appeared; suffice to years of suffering from that louthsome disease, Catarrh, and valuly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this years ago, and who while in life perpetrated of each individual spirit that appeared; suffice to years of suffering from that louthsome disease, Catarrh, and valuly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this years ago, and who while in life perpetrated of each individual spirit that appeared; suffice to years of suffering from that louthsome disease, Catarrh, and valuly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer from this years ago, and who while in life perpetrated of each individual spirit that appeared; suffice to years of suffering from that louthsome disease, Catarrh, and valuly trying every known remedy, at last found a recipe which completely cured and saved him from death. Any sufferer who was a sending a self-addressed stamped or years ago, and who while in life perpe

make-up.

one whom all in the room simultaneously reit is known that the last spirit was a small and dle-aged woman, Wilson an elderly man, and the doctor but one of twenty-six years, the idea of personation by the medium would be simply absurd. But certain manifestations given by the band

themselves were more astounding than any I have before seen or read of. Mrs. Mayer has a number of Mrs. Hollis's former controls, among whom are Nolan and Ski-wau-kee. Captain Jack, former chief of the Modocs, is the head of the band for these demonstrations, and it is | test-conditions; not that it was deemed neces by his untiring work and patient application that he has made Mrs. Mayer so perfect an in strument. Nolan remains outside of the cabi- ply to escape the comments of those who are net ten to fifteen minutes, or more, moving about, speaking or singing all the time. On this occasion he came out and told us to prepare ourselves for a surprise. He then stepped to the middle of the room, and, asking us to look closely, but to keep singing, he turned his back upon the sitters, but immediately facing them again, all saw transformed from a rather tall. slender and bearded man, a small, but plump boy, without a sign of beard on his face, who are, says Mr. Hopps, living in a remarkable period of ran to Mr. Mayer, and was recognized by him transition; and "some historian, fifty years ahead, will as his little son Eddie. Thereupon the boy probably refer to these as the days when we came faced the cabinet and again turned, and there was the familiar form and features of Mr. No. lan. Smiling and bowing to the circle, he again turned from the sitters, then back again, and behold! another transformation had taken place. All of the male vestures seemed melted away, and there stood in the centre of the room a stately female figure, robed in white apparel with a free spirit of inquiry and research, and Mr with a long white train. Another transformation took place, in that the raiment began to assume a dark hue, the train of white seemed to fade out from the floor, and there stood before us the familiar form of an Indian squaw, in full Indian costume, recognized by those in the circle as one of Mrs. M.'s controls, Ki-wa-nee. She danced about the room and touched every one in the circle, looked each one in the face to make sure it was herself and none other, and then disappeared within the cabinet. At these most marvelous manifestations the circle began loudly to applaud, when Mr. Nolan stepped out and thanked us for manifesting our gratification, telling us that this was but a beginning of some of the band's experiments, which, when perfected, would astonish the world. Nolan further stated that it was one of their objects in order to accomplish this that they had arranged for a removal of Mrs. Mayer to New

I hardly think your readers have ever seen such transformations, and they must be seen to be realized. Remember, there were five transformations made, all outside of the cabinet, and that from the time Mr. Nolan first appeared and spoke to us until the time when Ki-wa-nee disappeared, none of the materializations entered or even approached the cabinet and that the features differed from that of a boy to a wrinkled old squaw. Captain Jack, the chief operator, was the last one to materialize. He but rarely comes out of the cabinet, as his work is "behind the scenes." He spoke a few words of affectionate farewell to the old friends of his medium, and thanked them for paying stood by her and her husband in the time of trials and disappointments; and the breadth of thought and liberal progressive spirit render

séance ended. I must add that there were materializations of babes, children, men and women of various ages and sizes; that several voices could be heard in dialogue at the same time, and that a quartette of voices from soprano to bass often joined in the singing. Many dematerializations also occurred that were startling.

Mrs. Mayer's manifestations for slate-writing as the manifestations themselves are all tests of a high order, and stand undisputed and in-

In conclusion, I will say that while I have not told a tithe of what has been my experience with this gifted lady, I would recommend her to all of our friends in the East as an honorable, truthful and amiable exponent of our faith, and trust she will receive the encouragement she so richly deserves.

Fraternally yours, P. R. ALBERT, Pres. Lookout Mountain Cump-Meeting Ass'n. Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 5th, 1888.

MATERIALIZATION SEANCES BY MRS. BLISS.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

With your kind permission I crave sufficient space to make brief mention of an interesting séance I had the pleasure of attending, the medium being that highly gifted lady, Mrs. C. B. Bliss of Boston. Some two years ago Mrs. Bliss visited our city and gave a series of interesting stepped out, much taller, wearing a gray beard seances, but was unexpectedly summoned and rather long white hair, crossed over to the home on account of the illness of her little boy, Wilson, walked to the sitters and handed it to departure. But we have strong hopes that she each to compare it with himself. It was a per- | will be able to sufficiently prolong her present feet fac simile, and certainly established the visit to afford all who so desire to become convinced that there is beyond doubt a possibility of locating the spirit after death.

The séance I wish to refer to was held at the residence of Bro. Wm. Creighor. The spacious parlors were comfortably filled an hour before the séance commenced, and a number of friends readiness to enter the cabinet. Singing was engaged in until the medium became entranced, -a gentleman attired in military costume. As he stood at the opening of the cabinet he sa-It would take up too much space were I to luted the circle, then beckoned a lady, who, The spirit remained for a few seconds and then dematerialized in full view of the circle. Near-Mr. and Mrs. Mayer. This gentleman has been inet who was personally acquainted with the

to be his duped senior. I had often argued with ance, they came in rapid succession, and him, and had medlums give him private sit mostly recognized. Several spirits appeared tings; but all was of no avail. He pool-pooled and warmly greeted their fellow Masons, while the arguments and explained away the tests. many others came and satisfied the anxious de-Since his passing away, the members of Mrs. sires of their friends, giving them undoubted Mayer's band told us that this young physician | evidence of the immertality of the soul. "Billy" was now repentant, and wished to make atone- endeavored to keep the circle in good mood by ment by returning to earth to be recognized. his humorous remarks, boy-like and natural; Not having him at the time in mind, imagine he incidentally made the remark that his wit to our surprise when, immediately after Mr. Wil- some would appear rather gross, t. e., his interson's disappearance, there stepped out briskly | polations might appear to be a passing "from the sublime to the sacrilegious," whereupon he cognized as the once doubting physician. When explained how foreign and unnatural it would be for him to return in the saintly guise of a slightly-built man, that Wilson was a stout and | priest. "Why, no one would recognize me," heavily-built man, and Mrs. Mayer as stout he said; "people acquainted with me or my life and heavy as both together, that she is a mid- on earth would say: 'Why, that is not Billy the Bootblack!" The unique little Indian guide, Blue Flower," was ever present, as well as Mrs. McCarthy," "Daisy," and several other cabinet spirits. The guide manifested but little, apparently for the purpose of giving way to the friends of the circle.

In conclusion I will say the séance was thoroughly enjoyed, and all expressed themselves as feeling better, spiritually and physically, for being present. The séance was under strict sary on the part of the medium, for Mrs. Bliss's mediumship stands unquestionable, but sim bent on seeking fraud.

Yours for the truth. Allegheny, Pa., Nov. 19th, 1888.

New Publications.

"SERMONS FOR OUR DAY," by John Page Hopps published semi-monthly in London by John Heywood reach their twenty-first number in a bright and hopeful discourse upon "Trust in the Living God." We clearly in sight of the parting of the ways. The great Established Church is notoriously harboring teachers of every variety of opinion; and not only harboring them but encouraging and glorying in them." As evidences of the great changes in progress he mentions the Wesleyan Conference as deliberately taking Hell out of its catechism for the young; the Congregational Union, seeking opportunities to show its sympathy Spurgeon, finding it necessary to "banish himself from the Baptists, who once laid their hands on their mouths when he spoke"; while the old, closely-guarded Presbyterian Churches of Calvinistic Scotland are giving to the world some of the freshest and freest sermons of our day. Following this scanning of the unconsciously growing field of free thought he says:

unconsciously growing field of free thought he says:

"Even the modern and near theological questions are becoming like a busk around the fresh grain. The Trinity, The Fall, The Atonement, Natural Depravity (that blasphemy against man), Eternal Punishment (that blasphemy against God), are all receding from the living interests: and, in place of these controverted doctrines, the one nighty question is becoming urgent—is there anything to rely upon? Is there any guide—to truth for to-day and to hope for to-morrow?"

He says we are pointed to the Biblet and be re-He says we are pointed to the Bible! and he responds to this: "Alas! behold its endless incapabiliies," and calls it an inconsistent book; that its ideal of God varies from book to book; that even in the very same book we seem to have glimpses of different deities; that it is a witness to "a method of search, not a ecord of infallible results." Still less, he says, do we find a sure ground of reliance in a holy Pontiff or an authoritative church; and asking, "Whore, then, is our hope?" he replies, "Here: 'We trust in the living

God.' We are all borne on by the steady flow of his providence. Nature is the sphere of his activity; and in nature we find the 'living God.' We have an inspiring God in him is whom we all 'live and move and have our being.'" And to this he adds: "Inspiration loes not involve infallibility. God's inspiration, like his fresh morning air, is not partial; does not stop at this gate or that, and ask, Who lives here? But it only enters as it is able; and it mingles with what it finds. Here is the deep truth for the religious consciousnes of to-day." To those in search of God, he says:

"Find your God where you find your conscience; find him where you find the mother's love, the father's heart; find him in the grave duties, the urgent needs, the daily blessings of our common life; and you will not no far wrong." not go far wrong.

We have given these few points from one of the latthem worthy of a wide circulation, and the appreciative perusal of our readers. Their publication is to be continued another year.

CHAPTERS FROM JANE AUSTEN. Edited by Oscar Fay Adams. 12mo, cloth, pp. 364. Boston: Lee & Shepard.

Jane Austen was one of five English women who it the first decade of this century held high rank as novelists, and the only|one whose works still find interest ed readers. She was born to this life in 1775 and passed and materializations require no test conditions, to another in 1817. Her writings are characterized by an absolute fidelity to the truth of things, and to this is ascribed her superiority to her cotemporaries. The chapters in this collection are from her six novels. Connecting links of explanation are given by which the main features of each plot can be traced. The introduction gives a brief sketch of Miss Austen's life. followed by estimates of her literary skill by various persons, including Lord Macaulay, G. W. Curtis, Mrs. Thackeray-Ritchie and Col. T. W. Higginson. The hook forms one of the "Cambridge Series of English

> TAKEN BY THE ENEMY. By Oliver Optic. With Illustrations. 12mo, cloth, pp. 344. Boston Lee & Shepard.

This is the first of a new series of books by a popu lar writer of literature for the young, to be issued as "The Blue and the Gray Series." It, though a complete story in itself, is an introductory one to the five that are to follow, presenting many of the characters whose history is to be more fully set forth in them. The ain of the writer has been to deal fairly with all, so that it will be equally acceptable on both sides of "the line."

THE LAST OF THE HUGGERMUGGERS. A Giant Story. With Illustrations. By Christopher Pearse Cranch. Sq. 16mo., cloth, pp. 70. Kobboltozo. A Sequel to "The Last of the Huggermuggers." With Illustrations by C. P. Cranch. Sq. 16mo., cloth, pp. 96. Boston: P. Cranch. Sq. 16mo., cloth, pp. 96. Boston Lee & Shepard.

Together or separate, both of these will be very ac ceptable to young readers who delight in the wonder ful and improbable. The present is a new edition: and the works having already won a reputation, they will, in this tasty and substantial form, find many pur chasers during the holidays.

SPLENDOR. For Singing Classes, Conventions, Normal Schools, Day Schools, Institutes, Academies, Colleges and the Home. By S. W. Straub. Special Contributors: T. M. Towne and W. F. Werschkal. Long 8vo, boards, pp. 192. Chicago: S. W. Straub & Co. A Collection consisting of seventeen pages of easy pieces for class and home practice; forty of anthems. four-part songs and glees; fifty of choruses, and nineteen of new songs, with accompaniments for parlor and concert. Prefatory to these contents is a department of elementary instruction, the clearness and conciseness of which commend it to popular patronage. CASSELL'S NATIONAL LIBRARY.-Recent numbers are: 144, "The Curse of Kehama" (poem), by Robert Southey; 145, "Essays on Mankind and Political etic," by Sir William Petty; 146, "The Taming of the Shrew," by Shakspeare; 147, "Essays on Burns and Scott," by Thomas Carlyle; 148, "Plutarch's Lives of Nicias, Crassus, Aratus and Theseus"; 149, "From London to Land's End," by Daniel Defoe. New York: Cassell & Co.

Catarrh Cured.

Written for the Banner of Light. A BIRD'S SONG.

BY MATTIE DAVIS.

A tiny bird sang gally, One morning long ago. He sang of joy and pleasure, Without one note of wee; He warbled forth an anthem, So joyous and so gay, It seemed as if all happiness In his voice imprisoned lay.

He sang as if to banish All sorrow far away From the weary hearts of mortals, And his song, as bitthe as May, Was heard by a weary woman; With earth's burdens bent was she. But she paused to hear the bird sing From his home near the glittering sea And out from the throat of the songster

Poured such a flood of song That into the heart of the woman Past memories did throng. She thought of many a loved one Now sunk 'neath the ocean wave Of the true and bonnie laddie Lying deep in an ocean grave.

No thought of a spirit-lover Who through the sweet bird-voice Was trying to say unto her: "Be happy, and rejoice! For soon the fetters that bind you To earth will be rent away, And then in a happier country We'll part no more for ave

But she smiled, looking up at the songster For into her heart there'd fain Come comfort and strength and gladness To battle with life again. And there, 'mid the flower-crowned glor; That the winds of summer bring, Came back the old, sweet story

From the history of her life's spring Oh! earth-friends, with your burdens And sorrows that life still brings, Try to grasp all happiness offered. And only a bird that sings May offer homely comfort; Still look with believing eyes

To a Heavenly Father's kindness. Who sent him from the skies. Orange, Mass.

Diphtheria.

to the Editor of the Banner of Light:

In some sections of the country the disease designated diphtheria has become epidemic-so prevalent, in fact, that it baffles the skill of the and those of older growth becoming victims to the terrible scourge.

Some three years ago a proprietor and editor of a paper in Boston had a young daughter, of some six years of age, who was stricken down with the above-mentioned disease. The family physician had some thirty patients sick with it, and he informed some one that three of these patients were past cure—naming them. The information reached the ears of the father of the child who was fated, and instead of going to the doctor to consult with him further, he at once purchased some oil of tar and turpen-tine, according to a prescription printed in the papers at the time, and which was reported to have been very successful in making cures. He took his child's case into his own hands and was successful. He informed the writer of the modus operandi he made use of in her cure—

which was as follows:

He obtained a saucer, and put in it one tablespoonful of the oil of tar, also one tablespoonful of spirits of turpentine, and then placed the sauor spirits of turpentine, and then placed the saucer in a large pan, to prevent damage, and ignited its contents. The pan was placed some distance from the bed where the little girl was suffering. Immediately the fumes of the burning ingredients extended to the child, causing her to cough, thus breaking or destroying the false membrane generated by the disease, and giving relief at once. This was repeated three times. The attending physician himself watched the results of the last, two operations with

results would be likely to injure, should be re-

I have also been informed that a policeman in an adjoining city heard the lamentation of the mother of a child who was afflicted with this disease, and who had been informed that it could not live, by the family physician. The policeman made the application of this remedy in a simple form, and the child recovered.

If parents, as a last resort when informed by the family physician that the case is beyond his skill and medicine, would not give up the patient as incurable until this simple remedy is fully applied, I believe a large saving of mortality would be effected.

Should such really successful treatment be prevented by statute laws, on the ground that the cure made is by an "irregular" method?

AN IRREGULAR PRACTITIONER.

Dean Clarke in Connecticut.

A correspondent of the Willimantic (Ct.) Chronicle gives in that paper the following summary of Dr. Clarke's afternoon and evening lectures in that place Sunday, Nov. 25th:

EDr. Dean Clarke, a noted inspirational speaker from Boston, is giving a course of rathspeaker from Boston, is giving a course of rather unique but very interesting lectures on Sundays, at 2 and 7 P. M., to continue through December. Last Sunday, Nov. 25th, he spoke upon the relations of spirit and matter in general, assuming that spirit is the ante-type and cause of all organization in the vegetable and animal kingdoms; and that all organizations are but 'materializations' of preëxisting spirit forms. He said: 'God's life is the indwelling, quickening force of all matter, as the human spirit is the animating and controlling power quickening force of all matter, as the human spirit is the animating and controlling power of the mortal body; thus "God is all in all," as was said of old. That the universe is alive is the deduction of the highest science as well as the most advanced Theism; therefore physical science and spiritual religion are but the inductive and deductive methods of "thinking God's thoughts after him." as Kepler said. In the evenloy lecture the speaker claimed that God's thoughts after him," as Kepler said. In the evening lecture the speaker claimed that there is a striking analogy between the Christian and the present Spiritual Dispensations. That the 'spiritual gifts' are identical, and that a knowledge of these occult phenomena and of their modus operandi is the key of all ancient mysteries, and that it is the duty of all religious teachers to 'add unto their faith knowledge,' for all thinkers demand 'a reason for the faith' held as a dogma. The incentive-to seek for truth and spiritual enlightenment and unfoldment is as great now as ever; for it is truth that makes us free from morbid fears and superstitions that originated in the childhood of humanity. There is not, nor can there be, any quarrel between true religion and true science, for truth, in all relations, harmonizes, and physical science is the handmaid of rationscience, for truth, in all relations, harmonizes, and physical science is the handmaid of rational religion; whatever dogma in the latter is irrational cannot be true, and should be discarded as soon as discovered. Unfortunately many religionists are 'making the truth of God of none effect by clinging to the traditions of men.' They should have the courage and fidelity of St. Paul to 'put away childish things' and think as enlightened men, accepting the newest truth of their own day and generation.

To those 'having eyes to see and ears to hear' God speaks, and he inspires men to-day as much as ever; and the same signs and wonders anciently attesting the presence of His 'ministering spirits,' and that were the means of divine manifestation, are now youchsafed to attract human attention to divine realities. Who shull mock at sacred things or commit the 'unpardonable sin' of attributing them to the devil, as of old?"

The Hest Helshown trance speaker, has kinds are given, and a Spiritual Hall, where J. L. Potter, the well-known trance speaker, has held forth many years. In whatever light the ground spoken of is viewed, it exhibits all needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed natural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of water. All that is needed antural advantages. It has good shade trees and a fine spring of wate

J. J. Morse in Brooklyn, N. Y. To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

The Spiritualists assembling in Conservatory Hall, corner Bedford Avenue and Fulton street. Brooklyn, N. Y., had the pleasure yesterday of welcoming again to their rostrum J. J. Morse, the eloquent English trance speaker.

Since Mr. Morse was with us during the month of June, 1886, he has visited our far Western brothren, and he returns to us rich in power and health as the result of his work among them.

In the morning a very large audience assembled to greet our brother, whose guides devoted their attention to answering questions propounded by the friends present. As usual a wide variety of subjects was presented, the answers to which were apt, eloquent and ex-

In the evening every seat in the hall was occupled by a brilliant audience of earnest and intelligent men and women, from whom a spirit of soulful enthusiasm radiated. Upon Chairman Deleree introducing Mr. Morse a hearty burst of applause greeted him upon his rising. Mr. Morse prefaced his labors by a brief eulogy upon Col. Aug. Morse, who had recently passed to the higher life from "failure of the heart." The gallant Colonel was a well-known attendant at the meetings.

ant at the meetings.

Afterward Mr. Morse read, with his accustomed finished elocution, Lizzie Doten's poem: "The Rainbow Bridge," at the close of which his daughter, Miss Florence, Morse, sang, with fine effect, "Life's Story," being warmly applauded,

Then, under control, Mr. Morse, proceeded with the subject of the evening: "The Social War in the Light of the Spiritual Philosophy," an address of superior ability, which elicited the closest attention of all present, and fre-quently called out loud bursts of applause. The meeting was brought to a close by a series of very excellent and accurate psycho-metric readings by Mrs. Henderson, after which the large audience dispersed, evidently

much pleased with the various events of the evening.

Mr. Morse and Mrs. Henderson will be with us every Sunday morning and evening during the remainder of the present month, and as

this is Mr. Morse's last appearance in Brook-lyn prior to his return to England, it is to be hoped his many friends in this city will utilize the opportunity now presented.

Dec. 3d, 1888.

KINGS COUNTY.

Resolutions of Commendation to Lyman C. Howe.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: At the close of the lecture, on Sunday evening, Nov. 25th, one of the Trustees remarked that the First Society of Spiritualists desired to express its appreciation of the earnest work so-called "regular" physicians, many children | performed by Mr. Howe, and presented the fol-

Resolved. That we recognize in Mr. Lyman C. Howe one who occupies a position second to none, as an expounder of the beautiful truths and philosophy of Spiritualism.

Resolved. That we fully appreciate the sacrifices he is called upon to make in depriving himself of all home comforts, by being separated for many weeks and even months from his family. from as tuning.

Resolved, That we wish him Godspeed in his good work
and most earnestly recommend him to kindred societies who
desire an able lecturer.

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Luther R. Marsh arose and said he would with pleasure second the Resolutions offered; he had practiced law for fifty-two years, and one of the requirements of that profession is public speaking. He had paid special attention to oratory, had listened to all the most noted speakers of his time, and had been personally accurated with many of them—mentioning. speakers of his time, and had been personally acquainted with many of them—mentioning the names of a large number, among them Henry Clay, and Daniel Webster, who was formerly his law partner. He said none of these could have done what Mr. Howe had accomcould have done what Mr. Howe had accom-plished this evening and, indeed, he did not believe there was a person living who could of himself, unaided by a power outside, take the platform, without knowing the subject on which he was to discourse and treat it as had Mr. Howe. If a month had been spent upon the theme it could not have been more clearly presented in all its bearings, or more logically handled in detail. He considered it a "mira-

ingredients extended to the chiral cough, thus breaking or destroying the false membrane generated by the disease, and giving relief at once. This was repeated three times. The attending physician himself watched the results of the last two operations with great pleasure and satisfaction. The child was soon on the road to health, but the two other with the majority in the spirit-world.

In making use of the above ingredients, due care should be exercised; everything in the apartment that the thick black smoke which apartment that the t New York City.

Tribute to Mrs. Foye. To the Editor of the Banner of Light

A complimentary séance having been tendered to the members of the Board of Trustees and their wives, by Mrs. Ada Foye, of San Francisco, Cal., the same was held at the parlors of Mrs. Hamer, North 10th street, above Spring Garden, Nov. 28th. A very enjoyable time was the result. Every one present received some message of love and encouragement ceived some message of love and encouragement from spirit friends. Mrs. F. left us after the séance. All regret her departure, for, aside from her mediumship, she is such a cheerful and kindly person. Those present at the séance were Mesdames Hamer, Hines, Wisdom, Whitman, Benner, Misses Julia R. Galloway, E. Bronson, Mr. F. Keffer and wife, Mr. Bronson, Mr. Benner and wife Mr. Prayand wife Mr. Mr. Benner and wife, Mr. Pray and wife, Mr. Huber, Mr. Thompson and wife, Mr. W. Jones, Mr. Hand and wife.

On Sunday evening, Nov. 25th—it being the final sorvice by Mrs. Foye—the hall was full to overflowing, although the weather was chilly, rainy, and generally unpropitious.

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Among many recognized tests was one by a German from a spirit who wrote a message to him in his own language. Mrs. Foyc could not read it, but several Germans present did so. Groups of three and five spirits came, and gave their names. Certainly the phase of mediumship possessed by Mrs. Foye is wonderful as exhibited in such a crowded hall—with no mistakes. Even our mest hitter skentics admit takes. Even our most bitter skeptics admit that there is something in it.

Let us all now feel encouraged to work with even more zeal for the good cause.

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Philadelphia, Pa.

Spiritualists' Camp Ground in Wisconsin.

A movement is being made to permanently establish a camping ground for Spiritualists in Wisconsin. A location has been thought of in Wonewoo, that village being nearly in the centre of the State, accessible from all points, as the C. and N. W. R. R. runs through it. Of its general features and advantages a writer in the Wonewoo Reporter says:

"It consists of twenty acres of table land belonging to Ambrose Kent. The locality for miles around abounds in romantic interest. There is no healthier spot in the State. The town contains first-class schools, and churches of various denominations. There is a good Opera House where excellent entertainments of all kinds are given, and a Spiritual Hall, where J. L. Potter, the well-known trance speaker, has

Bunner Correspondence.

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ELYRIA .- James Hulburt writes: "The Pox exposé and explanation of the raps appear silly and foolish to those who have been in circles and heard genuine raps. In 1854 I was a member of a circle where raps were loud enough at times to be heard at a far distant point. When a little tardy in going to the circle I frequently heard them thirty rods off. These manifestations were in a farmhouse in the country During the time our circle was in existence a cherry table was broken by the force of those raps, and this in broad daylight, when but the medium and three others were at the table. The invisibles first obtained the consent of the owner, and then by one prodigious rap away went the end rail and two legs, completely separating them from the balance of the table. The table was repaired by a skillful mechanic, and is now in existence, and its owner is still living and will attest to the truth of what I have written.

The next day we had a circle in the afternoon, to ac commodate some investigators who lived several miles away, and who proved to be mediumistic and alded in giving more powerful manifestations than those of the day before, as every rap was as the stroke of a heavy hammer upon the under surface of the table, and every stroke lifted the end of the table at which I sat, al though I had both elbows resting upon the left-hand leaf, whilst the owner of the table which was broken the day before sat with his elbows upon the opposite leaf doing likewise, the medium being between us; still the table was raised at every rap, although it was a heavy one, and two of us were applying a pressure of at least fifty pounds each to keep it down. At about this time the father of the medium came riding into his yard upon a gallop, and came up to an open window and requested us to leave the table, as he feared such powerful manifestations would injure his son. The father said he heard the raps when sixty rods away. The medium was about sixteen years old. The genuineness of these manifestations was never questioned by the most Orthodox in the community. The materialist attempted to explain them by electricity. and the Orthodox by that scapegoat the devil, who has always had a big load to carry in order to screen man from the legitimate results of his own way of thinking.

The raps in our circle were so loud from the beginning, and the circles all in the light, that no question of fraud was ever raised or the genuineness of the manifestations disputed. Our rapping circle met two or three times a week for six or eight months, when a writing medium was developed, and we gave up the slow process of getting communications by the raps. I could add much more, as the manifestations were remarkable from the beginning, and yet not a word has ever before been published with reference to them."

Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA.—Mary E. Kase writes: "Horatio G. Eddy, who has within the past week been our guest, gave a series of seances, the audiences of which were composed of believers and skeptics, also a number of strangers.

My study served as the cabinet. At nearly the same moment Mr. Eddy entered this, peals of laughter rangout from a corner of the room in which we all satseeming to issue from the carpet, from behind a little pair of curtains. We turned and perceived, curling on the floor at the base of the curtains, a mass of white mist, through which, as it ascended to the height of a human being, the cheery voice laughed and talked incessantly. Another instant the substance condensed, and in our midst stood materialized Spirit Mrs. Eaton. She walked past us to the cabinet, where the medium lay entranced; there she disappeared through the curtains, and soon returning poured out sallies of witty conversation peculiar to herself, giving in poetical rhyme tests and prophecies. While she stood her voluminous draperies sometimes disappeared almost entirely, appearing again by a few manipulations.

Scarcely had she bade us good-night, and while she could still be heard talking, a young Indian sprang from behind the curtains from whence Mrs. Eaton came. He bounded into the middle of the room, and silently, two or three times, high in the air. He was unlike the medium and every one present, and a marvel of individualized materialization.

One of the interesting events of the seances was the this country, passed to spirit-life in New York City ence is to me an unceasing and joyful reality. only the week prior. He was identified by gentlemen with whom he had sojourned while in this city.

The little musical spirit, 'Mayflower,' chose the isolated spot distant from the cabinet to first make known her presence, and from a diminutive cloudlet of white mist on the carpet before the curtains she formed repeatedly. She is the 'conductor' and fascinating littie control of Mr. Eddy's dark musical séances.

Mr. Eddy's séances in this city made many converts

Minnesota.

MINKEAPOLIS .- Chas. Duckworth writes: "While talking with a friend in Chicago, he related an experience he had with Eugene Stevenson of 922 South 5th Avenue, Maneapolis, a medium for answering sealed letters. My friend was so profuse in his praises, l concluded I would show him how completely he had been duped. You must understand that I had been a very rabid materialist for twenty-five years. I took no stock in Spiritualism, having written several sealed letters to medium, with very unsatisfactory results. Hence, it was with a satisfied feeling of success in my undertaking to show my friend the duplicity of the medium he so highly extolled, that I prepared a letter to send him. After writing twelve questions that none but the deceased relative to whom they were addressed could answer, I cemented the edges together with white furniture glue; then after stitching it around the edges inside the glue. I placed it in an opaque envelope, which I also glued. I then had the seams well covered with scaling wax, and on the wax made eight impressions of my seal ring, and the end of a trunk key. All this I enclosed in a large envelope, with a substituted name and address, and mailed it the firs day of October.

On the 26th of that month I received my letter and a reply, which I did not open until I had the audience of my friend. Upon opening it in his presence, judge of my surprise upon finding each of the questions not only correctly but minutely answered. For example question No. 3 was, 'Where and of what disease did you die?' Ans .- 'I died in Augusta, Me., Dec. 27th, 1859. I died of no disease, but from wounds made by the accidental discharge of a shot-gur. I died the fourth day after the wounds were received, at the house of my Uncle Andrew.' This was correct in every particular. The other questions were as satisfactorily answered, and, as there was nothing else for me to do, I dropped my materialism and became a firm believer in Mr. Stevenson's spiritualistic phenomena Since coming to Minneapolis I have had several independent slate-writing sittings with Mr. Stevenson, and the genuineness of his accomplishments is beyond question, as the writings came between slates held by

Michigan.

GRAND RAPIDS.—Perry Alma writes: "Mr. C. 5, Barnes has been holding séauces at the residence of Mr. C. Winch. No. 54 Bostwick street. They were attended by ladies and gentlemen of high moral standing, some of them members of the First Methodist and Baptist churches in the city. Upon taking our seats around a table, upon which were placed a harp, a small music box, a tea bell, a trumpet, a tablet and pencil, all, including the medium, joined hands, and the light was extinguished. The harp was immediately placed in the lap of one of the sitters, and played on; then placed lightly on some one of our heads, and a familiar tune played in perfect time and harmony. The bell was taken and sounded in time with the tune played on the harp. Written communications were received by several, with the name in full at the bottom; frequently pertaining to business of much importance quently pertaining to business of much importance, and in every case subsequently proved correct, showing beyond a doubt that our spirit friends enter into and cooperate with us in all laudable undertakings. Through the trumpet familiar voices talked to us as in bygone days. Charles Brown, one of Mr. Barnes's controls, in this way talked twenty minutes at a time,

and answered questions of a scientific nature. He also sang tenor in a familiar song with one or more of the company. John King, another of Mr. B.'s controis, gave us words of good cheer and encouragement, and dismissed the circle with blessings for all of earth's inhabitants. Honto, another of Mr. B.'s controls, came in her own beautiful way, giving readings in business and other affairs. I recommend Mr. Barnes and his controls as strictly reliable. Mr. Barnes is now (Nov. 22d) in Springfield, Ill., and will be in Grand Rapids again about the 10th of January, 1889."

New York.

NEW YORK CITY .- James A. Anderson writes, Nov. 28th: "About two months ago I visited your city on business, and the subject of Spiritualism came up between an old friend and myself, and he advised ne (on account of my being a non-believer) to visit Mrs. F. K. Rich, 175 Tremont street, and see if she could not tell me of what I did know and of what I did not know. I called upon the lady, and during the sitting, which lasted about half an hour, I was told of many occurrences which had taken place during my life; but the strangest of all was regarding my sister, who was living in Toledo, Ohlo, and in the best of health. The medium informed me that my sister would pass out of this life before seventeen days. I could not believe this, but alas! on the thirteenth day she passed away on account of a paralytic shock and apoplexy. I cannot help now being a firm believer. take your very valuable paper, the BANNER OF Light, regularly."

WORCESTER .- J. B. Robinson writes that he was one of the first who embraced Modern Spiritualism. and has been a subscriber to the BANNER OF LIGHT most of the time since its publication.

GENEVA .- Mrs. Julia H. Abbey writes: " Last auunn while breaking an egg on a plate, a strangeooking object was found, resembling a worm. The thick white substance which is often found in eggs rlung to it. On examination with a magnifying glass, by a doctor, it was proved to be a tape-worm, head and joints plainly visible. Even before placing it under the magnifying glass, the head and joints could be seen quite plainly. It was two and one-half inches long. Others have found them, and one is preserved in alcohol in Waterloo, near by here. It would be well to examine the nucleus of white often found in eggs."

NEW YORK CITY .- "S. H. T." writes: "By the date on the wrapper of my copy of THE BANNER I see that a renewal of my subscription is in order, and today send check for another year. Thank God! enough faith remains, despite recent untoward experiences. n the solid truths of intercourse with our dear ones eyond the veil to make us unspeakably happy. It is only that now, in the spirit of your note appended to the report of the American Spiritualist Alliance proreedings in a late number of THE BANNER, we are lisposed to try the spirits whether they be from God or not, before believing all they say.

In this narrowing of our faith the BANNER OF LIGHT omes week by week as a kind and faithful friend, bringing always words of comfort and cheer. It stands firmly and ever at the front, battling for the true and against the false, in this great and grand spiritual novement of the nineteenth century. I cannot do without it. Long may it so stand, and long may Colby

California.

LOS ANGELES,-Ella L. Merriam forwards the folowing, addressed to her spirit-mother. While as a personal address to a spirit related to herself, under general principles we might hesitate to publish it, yet as the production voices the aspirations of the hungry hearts of thousands who are reaching out to their beloved in spirit-life, we give it place:

"I would pay thee a loving tribute! Not thy memory alone, as in the mistaken past 1 was wont to do. but with a clearer knowledge of thy spiritual exist ence, a consciousness of thy immediate presence, a Joyful recognition of thy loving attentions and faithful

care, I address thee, my mother! Oh! glorious truth, whose bright rays have shed ver my lonel pathway this new and most radiant light, that has penetrated the innermost recesses o my heart, and revealed to me my mother! Oh! with what joy do I repeat that sweetest and dearest of names, mother! Angels can repeat nothing more divine. The most enraptured strains of heavenly music, return of the East Indian, Sattay, who, while visiting methinks, can produce no sweeter melody. Thy pres

> My heart receives thy loving demonstrations and for the first time is satisfied. Oh! my mother, would I had the wisdom of sages, the eloquence of Cicero, the inspiration of angels, to bestow upon thee one tithe of the love and admiration that fills my heart to over flowing but has no appropriate vent. Day and night does thy sacred presence comfort and influence me. and impart an inexpressible peace to my soul. With an eager longing do I await the day when the

veil that death places between us shall be withdrawn. and thy dear face, radiant with heavenly brightness, reflecting the tenderness embodied within thy soul shall be revealed to my spiritual vision.

Oh! bright star of my earth night, shine on in thine eternal brilliancy and illuminate my future pathway, guiding me safely through its numerous and intricate windings into the eternal brightness of the Summer-Land, where we may roam at will among its inexhaustible delights, never, never more to be separated.'

Colorado.

DENVER .- H. J. Ford writes: "Having been a eader of THE BANNER for some years, I trust you will grant me space to report one of the strangest and most convincing exhibitions in spiritual phenomena ever produced.

I chanced to meet upon the street in Denver very re cently a gentleman of my former acquaintance whom knew to be a genuine spiritual medium. After much persuasion he consented to call at my room and give me a sitting—he by the way remarking that he was developing a new and wonderful phase, which he would stonish me with. He came at the appointed time, and after a social

that, turned the gas partially down and took his seat n one corner of the room. Presently his face and features became perfectly dark and unrecognizable; then appeared instead of his own, the outline of a female ace, which gradually developed into the face of a very beautiful young lady with large, dark eyes and black hair. The next moment this face gradually became dark again, and soon appeared the face of an aged man with iron gray whiskers long, and covering the lower part of his face, also his hair was quite long. Then appeared the medium's natural face again, which he vigorously rubbed with both hands, declaring he could hardly bear the tickling sensation produced by the transfiguration. He sat again and it was transfigured several times, producing strange faces to me, but they are all known to him, being his materializing oand of spirits."

Connecticut.

NORWICH.-Mrs. J. A. Chapman, Secretary, writes: Sunday, Nov. 25th, J. F. Baxter concluded his month's successful labor for our Society. Mr. Baxter has ever at hand a store of useful facts and figures, which, combined with his scholarly productions, his excellent songs and descriptive tests, cause his work in the broad field of Spiritualism to be of marked value.

Some very remarkable tests were given by him in his late series-notably the following: A lady who vassed to spirit-life a year ago, in manifesting described some peculiar experiences of her earth-life with the double-also related the experience of passing out of the body as a very strange one. A lady in the audience said: 'Mr. Baxter, it is perfectly correct, as I had the story from the lips of the nurse who attended her at the time of her transition.' Others equally correct were given, thus demonstrating the truth of spirit communion."

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The next number of The Banner will contain choice reading for the holiday week,

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An Original ESSAY, by Mr. A. E. Newton, the well-known and highly-appreciated writer upon spiritualistic topics.

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Who Is a Spiritualist?

Generally speaking, a Spiritualist is one who cherishes a firm faith in the existence of a spiritual world, and in the ability of its occupants or citizens to hold communication with spirits your conscience and to your reason...Dr. work rather than worship, a religion of life work rather than worship a religion of life worship and political. We will be a summer, and which attracted great interest and being the latest worship and political worshi still in the flesh; yet, as has well been said, this Kerr had just as much authority to build a description fails to give any idea of the believed the church as had Martin Luther and John Western Luther Luther and John Western Luther Luther and John Western Luther Lut er scharacter, or of the significance and value of his creed. Among such believers may be we have such a right." The current idea al months longer, and expects in that time to classed the Shaker Celibate, the African Obilamong the churches, said the Doctor, is that deliver lectures in the principal cities of Ameriman, the Hindu and the Christian. Thomas Brevior observes in a suggestive tract, publisted in England, and entitled "What is Rehon?" that Spiritualism is something more than a theme for the exercise of the intellect and the gratification of an intelligent curiosity. He alone is a Spiritualist in the full and true sense who strives to bring his life into entire harmony with the great truths which its facts demonstrate; in whom these are outwrought in the character, and their effects made visible in the home, in business, in social intercourse, in times of trial and of suffering, and in the duily affairs of common life.

Such a one, says this writer, so far as he realizes Spiritualism, as it is embodied in him, is all of a piece, of the same web and woof throughout. He is not the creature of time, but the heir of all the ages to come. He knows that the life that now is shapes the life that is to be, and that is to endure through the evermore, and he cannot regulate his conduct by ents of absorbing interest and abiding value, merely temporal considerations. He has a are invited to peruse the announcement of higher ground of action than worldly prudence. He subordinates desire to duty, his lower, perishable appetites to the nobler spiritual faculties, which alone are his true, permanent endowment. The true, consistent Spiritualist is thus Christ-like, working out his highest ideal through all the varied uses of a well-ordered

And while, therefore, Spiritualism, in its elementary sense, is simply the recognition of a spiritual world and of the facts of spirit manifestation, it has, to the truly comprehensive mind, if followed out to its consequences, important lessons in science, art, philosophy and history to teach; and in its ultimate issue and crowning development it coincides with the highest Christian aspiration and endeavor. It is the life of God in the soul of man. To realize this, to aspire after this communion and blending with the divine, is to be a Spiritualist indeed-a Spiritualist of the truest, noblest type. And here Spiritualism, in its moral, religious, divine aspects, in its lesson and its influence, is open to all alike; the lowliest as well as the loftiest minds may be taught, consoled, strengthened, purified by it, made fitter not only for the present life but for that which

is to come. To judge by present appearances, at least, the newspapers and the public at large think that Spiritualism chiefly consists in "spiritrapping," and have little or no other conception of it than is conveyed by this cheap term. Even among Spiritualists themselves there are some who regard it as only a somewhat wider range of phenomena—the direct manifestations of spirits through human media. To others ory of the late Richard S. Spofford-one who Spiritualism means attending séances, witnessing spirit-manifestations, and receiving com and prospective prosperity.

munications from spirits. To still others it means the doctrines and the supposed general scope and tendency of the body of tenchings put forth by spirits, or by those who believe in the reality of communion with them. And still again to others it means not only the outward phonomena of spiritual agency, but the facts of spiritual influx which belong to the inward consciousness, and whatever conclusions are fairly deducible from those phenomena and these experiences, and which they deem to cover a wide field, are of great significance, and admit of varied application in relation to subjects of momentous interest.

Thus Spiritualism is variously regarded by individuals according to their several characters and states. The one accustomed to regard things from the external will see and will care to see only the outward manifestations of spirit; while the philosophic thinker will look beyond and seek to discover the truths and principles to which they lead. To the student of human nature and human history Spiritualism, regarded as a body of facts, will show a new element in some of the difficult problems and obscure passages which these studies present, and which may go far to their solution. To the physician, the jurist, the artist, the theologian -all who dare to see—it opens up wholly fresh fields of knowledge and of thought, illuminating and inspiring where all was comparatively blind and barren before.

More Ministerial Freedom.

We have at hand published reports of two addresses by Rev. Drs. Kerr and Thomas in the Rockford, Ill., Register, on the occasion of the laying of the corner-stone of the Christian Union Church, the broad and liberal spirit of which challenges the approbation and sympathy of all progressive natures. The Church, as Dr. Kerr stated, one day found itself outside of the prescribed limits of religious institutionalism. He was himself propounced a heretic. Levish laws but no Jesus can use the pat. laying of the corner-stone of the Christian ism. He was himself pronounced a heretic, not for anything he had said, but for what he will wash out one single internal blot. Nothhad not said. That was eighteen years ago, and had not said. That was eighteen years ago, and his congregation followed him to a hall in which character here or hereafter; death does not, he held Sunday service. The congregation in a cannot do it. few weeks organized as a church and society. As the new liberal church gained new experience the characteristic thought and inquiry that mark the present day began to be discerned and understood generally. These new methods of thought he observed are working years has failed to saye the world, and it must methods of thought, he observed, are working methods of thought, he observed, are working now through all Christendom. Such a movement could not go on without influencing and entering into religious thought. It was diffused in the churches as well as outside of them.

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broader conception of humanity in its various 25 Before the oncoming light of Truth Creeds relations, and of the things that enter into the tremble. Ignorance dies, Error decays, and Humanity rises to its proper sphere of Knowledge.—Spirit John conceptions take us outside the limits of institutionalism. He admitted that for eighteen years past he had been fully occupied in taking care of this continued and steady influx of ideas, facts and suggestions that were coming from the activity of minds to which he had been in the habit of looking. He finds the world of to-day but an outcome, an evolution of that which preceded it; so that religious of that which preceded it; so that rengons ideas, instead of having any particular revealed origin, are only historic knowledge, and no religious conception has any other source than the religious consciousness of the human heart and soul. The manner of religious conception

In many the coming religion must be founded on knowledge, and the phenomenal Spiritualist stands level-footed on the only ground of fact that is or ever has been offered by nature for human foothold in the unseen.

Spiritualism alone reveals a bridge on which was one are now hit of actual foothold for crossand idea is one of evolution. In the consciousness of man is the germ of what he can be and shall be. What once were essentials, foundations, sacred, and an essential part of our lives, have gradually melted away and disappeared; glimpses on the way. and in their place is a larger, clearer, brighter, revolution. We mean, for one thing, to rescue broader, more beautiful, more practical and spiritual consciousness of life, its duties and its to try and rescue this world from the clutches fundamental principles.

> ley. Thank God we live in a country where some one must look after your religion for you. There is a kind of law-suit in heaven over it. Salvation comes through certain channels, and works. His lectures have been privately printthey have got hold of the channels. The idea is that something must be done for you. The Pauline idea, on the contrary, is not that religion is something done officially for you, but rather something, done officially on your own part. It is a religion of what you are, a religion of character. For himself, he liked to shake hands with the clergy founded on brotherhood -the brotherhood of man. We have gone as far as we can, he added, holding on to the old truths. We need organization to hold on to the new truths. He looked for a new churchthe great living church, through the right of the great spirit of humanity.

The Holidays

Are coming, and those who wish to make pres-"Gifts for the People" made by Colby & Rich. on our eighth page.

The Two Worlds (Manchester, Eng.) com menced the second year of its publication with its issue of Nov. 16th, and we are pleased to note in the editor's review of its rise and progress, that all concerned have reason to be thankful for a good measure of success, and to be encouraged to continue in the good work. Our earnest hope is that greater success may attend it in the future, and that Mrs. Einma Hardinge-Britten as its editor may find the generous reward for her labors to which she is fully entitled as a faithful servant of the spirit-

None of the ancient Pagans were as hostile to the Hebrews as the disciples of Mohammed have been to the Greek Christians. But not even the Mohammedans have been so intolerant to those whom they call infidels as Christian sectarians have been, and still are, to persons they dogmatically adjudge to be heretics.

world.

The United Hospital and Dispensary, situate on Charter street, Boston-No. 20-is a noble charity, and richly deserves support at the hands of a generous public. Albert C. Smith is its efficient President, who will on application give all needed information regarding the scope of its valuable work.

North Bridge street, Newburyport Mass., has just had a change of name, and will hereafter be known as Spofford street, in memloved that city and did much for its present

"The Coming Religion."

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 9th, the ninth discourse in the Independent Club Series in Berkeley Hall, Boston, was delivered-the lecturer on that occasion being the world-famous author of "The People's Advent"-GERALD MASsky! His theme was "The Coming Religion," and his remarks were replete with gems of crystallized thought, which were ably and eloquently enunciated. His illustrations were rendered with a pointedness which was quickly appreciated by his attentive auditors.

Those who have been fortunate enough to hear the lectures previously delivered by him in this course do not hesitate to say that Mr. Massey excelled himself in this latter one. It abounded in evidence of studious labor and pa-tient research, combined with comprehensive thought. It is a matter of regret that his whole series of lectures cannot, upon his present visit, be placed before the thinkers of Boston. The following synopsis from the Boston Post of Dec. 10th gives a good outline of his positions taken to true the synopsis from the synopsis from the boston Post of Dec.

the so-called "revealed religion" is simply unrevealed mythology. A spurious system of salvation was proferred to those who would account to the so-called mythology. eapt the ancient mythology transmogrified into historic Christianity, and be bribed into changing their old lamps for new ones. Orthodox preachers will go on asserting in the name of God any number of things which their hearers do not believe, only they have heard them researches of the things which their hearers are the second to the things which their hearers are the second to the things which their hearers are the second to the things which their hearers are the second to the things which the property are the second to the things which the property are the second to the things which the second to the things which the second to the seco do not believe, only they have heard them re-peated so often that their sense is too outwearied to rebel. They have taught us to look for God in the wrong way. They have based religion on erroneous grounds, and have made us the victims of false beliefs.

Jewish laws, but no Jesus can upset the nat-

It is not in sorrow but in joy that we can attain the greatest unconsciousness of self and live the larger objective life for others. We are often told that our civilization is infinitely

the blood and fire of the Salvation Army, nor by presenting our cast-off clothes to the abo-rigines. It is being rejected at home faster than you can give it away abroad. Nature works by transformation, not by repetition. Her changes imply growth as the outcome of a new life. It is not possible for us to swap creeds, or formulate a new religion. Religion is not a set of precepts or a mode of worship. It is not what we believe or profess, but what we are.

we are.

Nothing avails but the life lived. Our past the lived will make our future fate. The deeds must and will make our future fate. The only way of showing love to God is in working for humanity. The Lord does not want your long and loud laudations or offerings of false money. The coming religion must be founded

Spirituansmajone reveals a bridge on which we can get any bit of actual foothold for crossing the gulf of death. Spiritualism is going to be a mighty agent in carrying on the work of this world, in producing loftier souls for the life of another world, of which it gives us

undamental principles.

Rev. Dr. Thomas of Chicago said that these emples and churches are for the spirit of man temples and churches are for the spirit of man. I mean for women to have perfect equality with

> Mr. Massey will remain in this country severca, and also to make arrangements for the publication of a new American edition of his ed, and are on sale at the BANNER OF LIGHT Bookstore, 9 Bosworth street, by Colby & Rich.

Is it a Re-embodiment?

The Duke Confucius, lineal descendant of China's greatest sage, is one of the most noted personages in Pekin. He is about twenty, and of singularly aristocratic and prepossessing appearance. His nose is of a kind very uncommon amongst the Chinese, being of the type known as the Roman, but small and finely chiseled.—Ex. This reminds us of what was said twenty-two

years ago, through Mrs. J. H. Conant, at a private séance held at her residence in this city by a spirit while a discussion was going on in regard to Allan Kardec's theory of the reincarnation of spirits, the intelligence taking the ground that he was aware of the fact of reincarnation; that in two years from that time, Confucius, the Chinese philosopher, would be reëmbodied, and under another name give to his people great light on spiritual topics; but that the new form in the flesh that he would take on would not be fully developed or understood until he had arrived at middle age. May not the young man alluded to in the above extract be the coming Confucius predicted by the spirit | Hawkins, publisher, Mount Vernon, N. Y. at the aforesaid séance?

"Our Foes Without and Within." The two discourses delivered in this city with

reference to Margaret Fox Kane's denunciation of Modern Spiritualism, by Mrs. R. S. Lillie, and bearing the above name, have been issued in a pamphlet of twenty-four pages for general circulation. The matter is treated in a courteous and forcible manner, and is destined to do much good service in placing it in its true light before the public. This, together with the low price at which it is supplied, should prove strong incentives to its distribution. For fuller particulars see the advertisement in another col-

"The Bubble Burst,"

Was the caption of THE BANNER'S article, published Nov. 17th, wherein Margaret Fox-Kane was so fully exposed in this city. But it now eems, although deserted by her theatrical managers, a new party has taken her in tow, as the following paragraph from the N. Y. Clipper (a sporting sheet) of Dec. 8th shows!

"Signor de Vivo is announced to direct the tour of Margaret Fox-Kane, the Spiritualist. Alfred Joel has been engaged to assist him." Give these humbugs a wide berth.

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Form-Materializations.

Mrs. M. E. Williams of New York City, recently gave two seances before the Fraternal Union of Boston (having been engaged by that society for the purpose.) All the arrangements for the scances were attended to by Dr. O. H. Wellington, at his residence, 123 Concord street. Helow is the account of the first seance:

The writer states that shortly after Mrs. W. entered the cabinet the friends were greeted by little "Bright Eyes," who gave the names of many spirit-friends whom she saw in the audience. Dr. Holland and Mr. Cushman, the chief controls, greeted cordially the eighteen persons present and gave some directions regarding the formation of the circle, when the spirits came out, one after another-in several instances two appearing at the same time-giving their names and calling on friends to come up to the cabinet. In every instance the spirits were recognized.

A notable feature was the appearance of the Cary Sisters, who informed a lady in the audience that they had given her written messages, which proved to be

One of the most striking features of Mrs. W.'s seances are the male forms, which come with perfect ease, walk out and talk in their usual manner. Men, boys and little girls appeared and walked out into the room. Spirit Dr. J. R. Newton presented himself, called Dr. Wellington up, walked out with him, addressed the circle, and asked Dr. Mayo to come for ward, which he did, and held an animated conversation with him in regard to relieving his patients of pain, mentioning an anæsthetic to be given-all of which the Doctor was delighted to hear. Dr. Mayo then advanced with Dr. Newton. The spirit raised his hands nd said, "Keep the mind and soul in harmony with Nature, and you shall overcome all disease."

Dr. Holland then invited questions, which some of he friends presented, and they were intelligently re-

sponded to by the spirit. A most convincing manifestation was that of a boy about twelve years old, who came with " Bright Eyes " both could walk out into the room, and they did so, several feet from the cabinet, and talked to each other, and to the audience. The boy then retired into the cabinet, while "Bright Eyes" dematerialized outside, and materialized again in plain view of the sitters.

In the presence of these facts are we not called upon o render the conditions as harmonious as possible, in order that our spirit-friends may manifest so tangibly that all who knew them in the earth-life can fully recognize them when they return?

The séance closed with appropriate words of wisdom from Dr. Holland, the entire audience expressing their satisfaction with what they had seen and heard.

The second evening seance, which occurred at the came place, and under the same auspices, also proved successful beyond peradventure, we are informed, and great desire was manifested on the part of her patrons that the lady remain over Sunday for further sittings. Previous engagements, however, necessitated her return to New York.

It is to be hoped that Mrs. Williams will, from time to time, visit this city, thus giving our people an opportunity to know more of the occult laws that govern her mediumship.

Receptions to Lyman C. Howe.

On an evening just previous to his leaving New York Newton, Esq., 128 West 43d-street. It was a very fine | list," and the Fox-Kane affair. New York: 206 Broad affair, and comprised among its attendants many rep- way. esentative Spiritualists of that city. Such gatherings tend to the cultivation of unity, harmony and good feeling among Spiritualists as individuals, beside being in the direct line of brotherhood laid down by the Spiritual Philosophy.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 6th, a congratulatory meeting in honor of Mr. Howe was held at the restdence of Mrs. M. A. Pope, 375 Columbus Avenue, Bos-

ton.

The company was select and representative, and the occasion was a pronounced success. Mrs. Ida P. A. Whitlock presided; remarks, in brief or otherwise, were participated in by Mr. Dowling, M. S. Ayer, Mrs. Pope, Capt, Richard Holmes, Mr. Algerton tof Chicago), Mrs. King, Dr. Street, Dr. Wilder, W. H. Randall, Dr. Harding, L. L. Whitlock and J. W. Day; Adolph Lowinsky greatly enhanced the interest of the occasion with choice selections on the violin, being skillfully accompanied upon the plano by Mrs. Nellie M. Day; Miss Maria Falis, a promising pupil of Miss Lucette Webster, gave evidence of great talent as an elocutionist; Mrs. L. C. Clapp and Mrs. Day sang very acceptably; and Mr. Howe gave a very interesting relation of some of the early trials which came to him as an advocate of Modern Spiritualism.

"The Science of Immortality."

neat and attractive pamphlet form by Colby & Rich. It is a scholarly production, eminently adapted to circulation among thoughtful, educated classes, as it is a presentation of facts in science which no one can gain say or dispute, but which in the conclusions to which their admission naturally leads, though possibly not apparent at the time, fully sustain the spiritualistic theory. It should have the wide circulation and the attentive reading it deserves.

Felix Adler at Chickering Hall, New York, last anday, took for his text Tolstor's "What to Do?" He said

Who is Tolstor? He is certainly one of the grand figures of the age, a unique genlus, a glant who knocks at the gates of the world's selfishness and makes them at the gates of the world's selfishness and makes them ing and ring again under his powerful strokes. He denounces wealth and rejects culture, yet he is read and respected by the rich and cultured. Tolsto'is a member of the Russian aristocracy, who, having seen worldly life in all its phases, has tired of it, and he struggles to find a meaning in life. He turns from philosophy which cheated him, from human reason which gives him no answer, from exact seenes which are no longer exact when they touch the problem of life, rejects superstition, and turns at last to the law of conduct and finds his answer in the instinct of the masses, who know that the true meaning of life is to labor. who know that the true meaning of life is to labor The only science is the science of life, the only scient tist is the laborer."

When he says "the only science is the science of life, and the only scientist is the laborer," Mr. Adler expresses a thought that will live for all time

"THE GROWING YOUTH."-The contents of the December number are enriched by a fine Christmas Story by Mrs. H. M. Rathbun, entitled, "How Clarence Merton Earned his Christmas Dinner." Mrs. Rathbun is a devoted Spiritualist, and a noble woman. F. B.

The New Thought has left its former home at Des Moines, Ia., and established itself at 675 W. Lake street. Chicago, Ill., where it will continue to bravely fight medical monopo- of Rock Island, Ill., \$5-total \$20-making in all rely, clearly explain spiritual topics, and judiciously treat of the labor movement, as of old. Moses Hull, its editor, has had extended experience in the journalistic profession, and the wider field now opened to him will be of advantage not only to himself (as a publisher) but to his readers as well.

The December number of the North American Review contains a grand essay upon Modern Spiritualism, from the pen of A. E. Newton-the appearance of which is of special import and value at a time when so much misrepresentation of the cause is being foisted upon the public attention by the sensational press of the nation. We are glad to note that one, at least, of the leading magazines of the in defense of the New Dispensation.

We specially recommend Mr. C. F. Watkins, who is located at 107 Falmoutly street, Boston, as one of the best mediums/extant. Honest investigators, therefore, who desire to learn the truth for the truth's sake, should visit Mr. Watkins. All others-of the spirit-grabber | dorses it, and advises her to refund the fee to genue—are not fit to commune with the angels, and had better keep away.

San Diego, Cal.

W. J. Colvillo's ougagement in San Diego has proved this season even more successful than on former occasions; the audiences have several times severely tested the seating accommoerai times severely tested the scatting accommodation of the halls. On Thanksgiving Day abeautiful service was held; the gifted soprano, Miss Drake, was in her best voice, and the entire exercises were in harmony with the true spirit of the day and the teachings of the spiritual philosophy. The lecture was pronounced a remarkable effort by all who heard it, for, though the advertised topic was "Special Reasons for Thanksgiving in Southern Galifornia," the speaker dealt with the theme for the most part so universally, that the spiritual and moral the speaker dealt with the theme for the most part so universally, that the spiritual and moral lessons conveyed were of cosmopolitan import. The Golden Gate presented its readers with an extended report, and the press in San Diego noticed it favorably. During the service a col-lection was made of \$20.55 for charitable pur-

Sunday, Dec. 2d, the services in Lafayette Hall were largely attended afternoon and evening. Mr. Colville's subjects, by request, were "The Rich Man and Lazarus," and "Why Does Not God Kill the Devil?" Both discourses Not God Kill the Devil?" Both discourses went far toward presenting a rational solution of the ever-perplexing problem why there is suffering and seeming evil in this state of existence or the hereafter? Mr. Colville's lectures on Theosophy and Metaphysics have been very largely attended and given great satisfaction. His engagement in San Diego closes Sunday, Dec. 16th. He will speak in Los Angeles Dec. 17th, and every following day until Jan. 3d inclusive. His work in San Francisco commences with a public reception in College Hall, 106 McAllister street, Saturday, Jan. 5th, at 8 p. M. Sunday services commences Jan. 5th, at 8 P. M. Sunday services commence Jan. 6th, at 10:45 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. In addi-tion to San Francisco engagements he will speak regularly in Oakland and Alameda, and expects to visit San José, Stockton, Sacramen-to and other places in Northern California. He is definitely located on the Pacific coast until June. Address until Jan. 1st, 640 S. Hill street, Los Angeles; after that date, 103 McAllister street, San Francisco.

Christmas Presents.

COLBY & RICH, at their Bookstore, No. 9 Bosworth street, have on sale a large assortment of highly interesting books suitable for Christmas presents, which they offer to the public at very reasonable rates. Give this firm public at very reasonable rates. Give this firm a call and examine their assortment for your-

HALL'S JOURNAL OF HEALTH.-The thirty-fifth volume of this popular monthly closes with the present number, and the thirty-sixth year of its publication commences with the January issue. It has thus far ably advocated the maintenance of good health by good living, and has spoken fearlessly in defense of truths old and new, scorning to set aside the latter, though unpopular, or to cling to the former though by some looked upon as sacred and infallible because of age and general acceptance. Its editor announces it will follow the same liberal and progressive course during the coming year. In the current number Dr. E. D. Babbitt writes upon "Mind Cure Matter," S. H. Preston upon "What to Eat," and of other subjects o fulfill his present engagement in Boston a reception in addition to those on health and diet treated upon, was tendered Mr. Howe at the residence of Henry J. are "Psychometric Power," "A Soldier Somnambu-

> "THE THEOSOPHIST," Madras, India, for November, introduces its contents with a chapter from Madame Blavatsky's recent work: "The Secret Doctrine." Following is "A View of the Universe and the Nature of Man," by a Prince of Siam. An interesting article upon "The Gypsies" is contributed to the remaining contents, among which is an "Evening Hymn to the Sun," said to be of extreme antiquity, in an English version by Mary Frances Wright, F. T. S. The series upon " Nature's Finer Forces" is continued in a consideration of "Yoga; the Soul," and a thrilling sketch is presented by Helen Fogg, "The Phantom Virgin." For sale by Colby & Rich, 9 Bosworth street. Boston.

> EP The Spiritual Reformer, published by the London Occult Society, edited by A. F. Tindall and F. W. Read, is designed as a journal of the work accomplished by that organization in providing means for investigating psychic phenomena

> ES Lyman C. Draper, LL. D., the distinguished historian, is spending the winter in New York City, seeking the skill that the noted physician, Dr. Dumont C. Dake, knows so well how to impart

Cleveland (O.) Notes. To the Editor of the Banner of Light

Mrs. Ada Foye, by her pungent tests and varied mediamship, has called out the largest audiences of any speaker for several years. [A press report of one of Mrs. Foye's seances, sent by our correspondent will appear next week.—Ed. B. of L.] The phenomenal success that has attended her everywhere since leaving San Francisco, follows her in Cleycland, and her ing San Francisco, follows her in Cleveland, and her mediumistic gifts are much sought after both in public and private. For want of room many have been unable to gain entrance to her public meetings in Memorial Hall. Week-day meetings are to be held by Mrs. Foye at Memorial Hall Friday, Dec. 14th, Thursday, 20th, and on Friday, 28th, a grand farewell reception is to be tendered her, which occasion will be the event of the season, from the fact that Miss Clair Tuttle, the youngest daughter of Hudson and Emma Tuttle, will make her debat in this city as a dramatic reader. This prepossessing and takented young artist is extraordinarily gifted, and her many friends in this city are confident of her success.

Miss Tuttle's costume reading will occupy one hour, Mrs. Foye's marvelous séance one hour, and the bal-

Mrs. Foye's marvelous seame one hour, and the balance of the evening will be devoted to social enjoy-The friends of Lorain, O., have invited Mrs. Foye to give a lecture and séance, which will probably take place Thursday or Friday, Dec. 27th or 28th, and perhaps both dates.

Thus. LEES.

California Medical Laws. To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

I notice in your latest issue that you allude to a movement on the part of the Allopathic physicians of character, and remark that "Equal lights" will have something to say in your next issue on the subject. This was my intention when I sent you the article which I thought would meet the issue, but certain friends of medical freedom in that State have just communicated to me their desire that the matter be held in abeyance (as to details published) until further developments of the plans already culminating for the defeat of the proposed scheme. I owe this explanation feat of the proposed scheme. I ov both to yourselfand your readers. EQUAL RIGHTS

Acknowledgments.

Since my last acknowledgments of receipts toward my cottage, I have received from a helper in Massachusetts (same reserved), \$15; from E. R. Reynolds, ceived to date \$174 toward the \$500 needed. The materials are being collected, and the spirits

still assure me the means will come, but they come slowly, and may leave me under a lien or mortgage at last, something I have never given and hoped never to be obliged to. WARREN CHASE.

(vbden, Ill., Dec. 7th, 1888.

Our men of science do not seem to have learned, even after forty years' experience, the simple fact that misrepresentation and the suppression of evidence will not kill out Spiritualism. Such biased reports as that of the Seybert Commission only stimulate the curiosity of outsiders to witness for themselves the wonderful phenomena, and the zeal of Spiritualists to bring the truth before the world. Indirectly, therefore, they promote the cause of truth. country is willing to open its pages to a writer and only leave the schemers to be laughed at by posterity.-H. S. Oleott, in the Theosophist, Madras, India.

> "MRS. M. E. JOHNSON, 123 Concord street, Boston, is the second best medium I ever saw. and I have had sittings with many," said an eminent lawyer. The Fraternal Union en-

any one dissatisfied. O. H. WELLINGTON, Sec'y of the Union.

A Choice Holiday Gift,

"ECHOES FROM AN ANGEL'S LYRE." A handsome book-sheet music size-containing twelve choice and beautiful songs from the repertory of that well-known composer, C. P. Longley. This book bears upon its title-page a finely executed engraving, representing the composer seated in the valley playing upon a harp; around the musician are rocks, and grasses, and flowers; while from above streams a golden light breaking through the clouds of heaven, amid which is seen an exqusitely shaped female hand, playing upon a golden lyre, surrounded by the title of the work: "Echoes from an Angel's Lyre." This scene and the title were depicted and given to

Prof. Longley, by Dr. S. B. Brittan, many years ago, as the representation of the title-page of the first book of songs the composer should issue from the press, and is now embodied in external form for the first time.

The work contains an introduction by Miss M. T. Shelhamer-now Mrs. Longley-which of itself will challenge attention from the public, and one which if read will be appreciated. This musical work of Bro. Longley's is one that has long been demanded of him, both by the angel-world and by his music-loving friends on earth. Its contents are nearly new, only three of its songs having before been published, and these three, the well-known favorites: "We'll All Meet Again in the Morning Land," " In Heaven We'll Know our Own," and, "Only a Thin Veil Between Us," will meet with favor in their new appearance. The nine new selections are: "There are Homes OverThere," "Mother's Love Purest and Best," "Open those Pearly Gates of Light," "They'll Welcome Us Home To-morrow," "All are Waiting Over There,"
"On the Mountains of Light," "Glad that we're Living Here To-day," "The Angel Kisseth Me," and "We'll All be Gathered Home." This book is number one of a series of song-books soon to be published by the same author, and as an earnest of what may be expected by the music-loving public, will, we have no doubt, meet with a warm reception. Reference to the advertising columns will inform our readers that this work is on sale at this office at the low price of

ALL SORTS OF PARAGRAPHS.

We should all remember That this is December. When destitute ones need our aid; That if we would be blessed We should help the distressed And thus by Jehovah be paid.

Liars, backbiters and slanderers, who possess the least grain of intelligence, must, in their moments of reflection, consider themselves desplcable creatures! Why God allows such pests of society to thus injure their fellows is a greater mystery than anything else.

When the Catholic church bore sway in Mexico ninety-three per cent, of the people could not read or write. In Italy, with 22,000,000 of people, 17,000,000 could neither read nor write. In Spain, in 1860, 69 males in 100, and 91 females in each 100, could neither read nor write!

"THE QUEEN'S MATE," at the Hollis-Street Theatre, should be seen by all those who desire to while away a pleasant evening. It is a gorgeous spectacle, with splendid music, and an abundance of fun

Bold burglaries are becoming altogether too prevalent in this State. The law against those who commit them is not half severe enough. It ought to be amended when the next General Court sits. These men, when caught, ought to be imprisoned for forty years.

Rev. Phillips Brooks, of this city, says religion has no place in our public schools.

The Berkeley Temple, Boston, gave a farewell reception recently to the Rev. William H. Noyes and wife, prior to their departure for Japan, where they will serve as missionaries. The sending out of a missionary who is not directly under the control of a missionary organization is an entirely novel feature in the annals of Congregationalism, and may be regarded cas we have before said in relation to the case of Mr. Noyes) as one of the direct fruits of the present widening of religious opinion.

The Canada annexation scare was the worst fizzle the N. Y. World ever got off. Now it says "not a living soul in the United States cares a fig about annexation." That map was a cute "Yankee trick" to simply introduce the World newspaper into Canada

A fire broke out about 11:20 o'clock on the night of Dec. 7th in the transfer boat Maryland, used for conveying passengers from the Pennsylvania railroad station at Jersey to the New Haven and Hartford station at the Harlem River.—It is said to have caught in the kitchen of the boat.—The boat was a total loss, and the four cars on board were burned down to the running gear. There was a severe panic among the passengers, and all the baggage was destroyed but no lives lost. The pecuniary loss was heavy.

"Oh! Mrs. Watts, you should join our literary society." "Should 1?" "Yes, indeed. We study and learn so much. Last evening we took up Carlyle's quarrels with his wife." "It must have been interesting." "Very. Next meeting we shall investigate the private life of Goethe and his love affairs." "How instructive!" "Yes. And we have found out everything about Poe's dissipation and disreputable conduct, and purpose soon to thoroughly investigate the immoral actions of Voltaire." "Indeed!" "Oh! there's nothing like a literary society to increase one's culture. You ought to join."—Time.

Hyglenists have been claiming for a long time that tea, coffee and cocoa impair digestion, and that their use on this account is harmful. Too many doctors, however, have encouraged their use, or at any rate have failed to discourage it. Dr. J. W. Frasier has recorded, in an article published in the Journal of Anatomy and Physiology, the result of a large number of anatomical experiments, which go to show that both the stomach and intestinal digestion are interfered with by all three of the mildly stimulating beverages in common use-tea, coffee and cocoa.

WHEN THE LADIES VOTE.

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Will conductors pull their bells,
When the ladies vote?
While the fair exchange farewells,
When the ladies vote?
Will they start their cars and go
As they do just now, you know?
No, they will not dare do so
When the ladies vote.

LATE FOREIGN NEWS .- The Liberals have just won a victory in the London School Board elections. =Severe fighting in East Africa continued at the latest dates, the rebel losses having been heavy. Several Germans were wounded.=Belgium strikers have been put down by government troops.=Mr. John Bright had an ill-turn on Dec. 9th, which left him very weak. = The Spanish Queen Regent has entrusted Senor Gagosta with the formation of a new Cabinet.

Munkacsy's celebrated paintings, "Christ Before Pilate," and "Christ on Calvary," have been reproduced in their original colors, each on plate paper, 21228 inches. The original paintings were exhibited in all the chief cities of this country and Europe, and finally purchased by Mr. Wanamaker of Philadelphia for \$245,000, and are now in his possession. Each painting consists of from forty to fifty figures and heads, displaying varied expressions of hate, fear, curlosity, compassion and reverence. These reproductions are issued by the Phelps Publishing Co., Springfield, Mass

Waltham, Mass.-A large number of friends of Mrs. Warren Wetherbee called upon her last Wednesday at 8 o'clock, at her home on Moody street, where a few hours were passed in communion with the spirit-world. Mrs. Jennie K. D. Conant, of Boston, was present, and her little control, "Sunflower," gave us all some very remarkable spirit communications. At the close of the meeting arrangements were made for a seance to be held at the same place on Thursday, Dec. 13th, at 3 o'clock. XXX.

Now London, Ct.-H. P. Miller writes that J. Frank Baxter appeared before this Society on Monday evening, Nov. 26th, as previously announced. The songs, recitations and exercises in mental medium-ship were as usual, highly interesting in their several phases. Mr. Baxter is expected there again Jan. 28th. Mrs. R. S. Lillle was to speak for this society on Wednesday evening, Dec. 12th.

Movements of Platform Lecturers. (Notices under this heading must reach this office by

fonday's mail to insure insertion the same week.)

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Mrs. Kate R. Stiles addressed large and attentive audiences at fail River, Dec. 2d. She spoke in Brockton Dec. 0th; is to be in Portland Dec. 0th; and would like to make further engagements. Address No. 16 James street, Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Jennie K. D. Conant, of Boston, spoke Dec. 2d at Grand Army Hall, Chelsea, Mass. The following Sunday (0th) she addressed the Spiritualist Society of Fail River—the services including poems, psychometrizations of various articles, and the giving of many spiritual tests. Mrs. Conant would like to make engagements with other societies for the Sundays of January and February, 1889. Address 10 Charles street, Waltham, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Longley are under engagement in New

Mr. and Mrs. Longley are under engagement in Nev Bedford, Mass., for next Sunday. Mrs. H. S. Lake is speaking for the Spiritual Society of Paterson, N. J., the Sundays of this month. Persons will address accordingly.

Prof. W. F. Peck is speaking to large audiences in Philadelphia, Pa., during December. Will lecture on week-evenings anywhere in the vicinity. Address 2139 Uber Place, care L. R. Chase. During January he will be in Albany, N. Y.

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Bishop A. Beals will speak in New Britain, Conn., Sundays, Dec. 16th, 23d and 30th.

J. Frank Baxter lectured Monday evening, Nov. 26th, in New London, Ct.; Tuesday evening, Nov. 27th, in Noank, Ct., and Wednesday evening, Nov. 28th, in Mystic, Ct. He began Sunday, Dec. 2d, in Buffalo, N. Y., and will minister there every Sanday of the month, and from thence go to Portland, Me., for the first two Sundays of Jan. 1889. He is announced for Lockport, N. Y., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Dec. 11th, 12th and 13th.

C. Fannie Allyn, has been speaking in Lynn, Salem

C. Fannie Allyn has been speaking in Lynn, Salem and Portland. Will speak in Pittsburgh, Pa., five Sun-days, beginning Dec. 16th; in Worcester, Mass., dur-ing Feb.; in Troy, N. Y., during March; in Lynn dur-ing May. Will arrange for unoccupied Sundays.

Mary L. French is filling appointments in various places in Massachusetts and elsewhere. Will attend unerals, or give week-evening scances or lectures. Address box 98, Townsend Harbor, Mass.

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Frank Winfield Baker has, we are informed, had successful engagements during the season. He spoke in Eagle Hall, Oct. 7th and Nov. 11th: Grand Army Hall, Oct. 13th, 20th, 27th, Nov. 3d, 10th, Dec. 1st, 8th; Ladles' Ald Society, Oct. 14th; Echo Hall, Oct. 7th; Spiritual Temple, Oct. 21st and 24th. After December his address will be at South Orleans, Mass. He wishes engagements for spring lecturing and the camp-meetings.

The two months' engagement of G. H. Brooks closed in Washington, Nov. 30th. He lectured in Glens Falls the first Sunday in December; the remaining Sundays he is to be at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. His address while there will be box 54, care Dr. W. B. Mills. The month of January he will be in Chelmuati, Ohio.

Ohio.

Mrs. Clara A. Field is at 33 Boylston street, Boston. She is convalescent, and will soon be out and able to attend to business. Correspondents should address her for engagements, etc., in care of BANNER OF LIGHT. Mrs. Field is a devoted Spiritualist, and should be kept fully engaged.

Frank T. Ripley, platform test medium, is engaged for the months of January and March at Taunton, Mass. Can be engaged for April. Address in care of this office.

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The time of Mrs. Helen Stuart Richings is all filled to the first of June, 1889, except week-nights during the months of February, March, April and May, when she will engage to speak and give psychometric readings in places convenient to the points of her Sunday engagements. February she will be in Connecticut; March in Ohio; April in Indiana, and May in Ohio. Will negotiate with parties desiring her services in these and contiguous States for courses of from three to six lectures. Correspondence solicited. Address General Delivery, Boston, Mass.

Miss Jennie Rhind spoke in Brittan Hall, Haverbill.

Miss Jennie Rhind spoke in Brittan Hall, Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 9th. Her present address is at 33 Boylston street, Boston.

Mrs. E. Cutler, trance medium and psychometric reader, is speaking this month for the Albany Society. Would like to make engagement for February or March; will go on reasonable terms. Present ad-dress, 221 Hamilton street, Albany, N. Y.

Mrs. Emma Miner lectured in West Duybury Dec. 2d; in Worcester, Dec. 9th; she speaks in Clinton Dec. 30th. Mary A. Charter is at present located at 59 East Liberty street, Ann Arbor, Mich.

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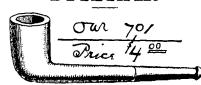
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Oh! thou Spirit of Love, whose divine tenderness is spread abroad over all creatures, who can embrace the entire world of humanity within thy divinity, and send forth unto each beating heart streams of force and influence from thy own omnipotent life, we, thy children, recognize thee as our parent of good at this hour, our tender and beautiful mother, from whom we draw all our sustenance and power from day to day, our benign and wise father, from whom we receive strength and guidance as the years roll on, and we acknowledge thee as the sum and substance of all things, the great over-soul, from whom comes forth every pulsation of being which we, as human children, feel and receive at all times. We acknowledge thee as the parent of all good, and recognize that thou art indeed all that is and all that ever shall be necessary to the sustenance of life, here and beyond.

Oh! we would imbibe of thy wisdom and drink deeply from thy fount of love; we would grow into likeness with thee, so that sympathy, tender feeling, and all that is sweet and comforting may flow forth from our hearts unto the souls of our fellows, so that we may know what it is to live in peace and concord with our kind, so that we may be uplifted in spirit and draw nearer to the great spiritual life itself, where angels dwell and do thy bidding in ministering unto each other and unto humanity.

Oh! our Pather and our Mother God, receive from our souls the aspirations that flow forth and rise upward; and may we draw from thee gliungess of truth that will lluminate our minds; may we quaff wisdom and that which will sustain, which will perish not, but which will elevate our souls and our thoughts unto thee and thy divine creatures.

We ask thy blessing to rest upon all mankind, and we would hay et t descend into every life, bearing with

thee and thy divine creatures.

We ask thy blessing to rest upon all mankind, and we would have it descend into every life, bearing with it that which will inspire, uplift and strengthen, so that not any one shall bow the head in sorrow or bend beneath the weight of woe unknowing of thee and thy great love. May all receive this understanding and look up to thee, now and forevermore. Amen.

S. B. Brittan.

Once more, Mr. Chairman, I stand upon what has become to me familiar ground, and I am proud to take my place with the valiant souls who from week to week guard this portal of the spiritual world. I say I am proud to stand here, because it does me good to occasionally send out my word and my thought to mortal life and to bring unto these friends and even life, and to bring unto those friends and earnest souls who care to hear from me, the tidings that I still remain firm and faithful in the cause of Spiritualism. This is something to say in these days, because I find, as I look abroad on both sides of life, that there is a spirit of dis-affection permeating many classes, and many minds, who have been interested slightly in our cause. This disaffection does not trouble me in the least, nor do I think it will any sincere and earnest. Spiritualist on either side of life Perhaps it is to be expected, since in every age, and undoubtedly in every class, there always has been and always will be found those vacillating minds who cannot hold fast to any one opinion or cause, but who are swaved by what ver breeze of thought happens to blow around them: therefore, in Spiritualism, as well as in other quarters, and in other worlds of thought and conviction, we may expect to find such minds, and we should not be disturbed, however vacillating their utterances may prove to

I come to-day, Mr. Chairman, happy to receive and to avail myself of the invitation extended to me by Bro. Pierpont, to send forth my greetings, my spirit of good-will to my friends wherever they may be found. I am especially interested in sending out a wave of spiritual influence toward the city of New York, since there are those in that city who are York, since there are those in that city who are at this time about to make special investigation and experimentation in the department of mediumship relative to the manifestation of the power of spirit over material things. I am attracted in sympathy with the body of friends interested in that work, and I desire to give them my God-speed and good will, and also to assure them that any earnest effort made to assure them that any earnest effort made to come into harmony with the spirit-world, suffi-ciently to assist that world in giving its demonstrable evidences of spirit presence and power, will indeed be received gladly by those ministering spirits who desire to aid and encourage humanity. Such work must of necessith win my approval, and I am pleased to believe that this will be gladly received by my friends on earth, and that they will not disdain my influence, and my assurance of sympathy and of helpfulness, because I feel that they are one with me, as I am with them, in all good works. Now, Mr. Chairman, I cannot enumerate my many friends, nor express a special word for each one, but I would like all to feel that I am

in harmony with them, that I hold each dear name and each dear heart close in my memory, and that there goes forth from my soul a wave of fraternal feeling and affection, which I trust will reach each one, and make him feel that he is my brother, and make her feel that I hold her as my sister still, in the spiritual world.

Your good Spirit President has once more re-uested me to take his position to-day, and to respond according to my ideas to questions which you may present, and therefore I am happy to do the best I can. S. B. Brittan.

Questions and Answers.

QUES.—[By O. S. P.] Will the Lick Telescope recently erected in California enable the astronomers to make any important discoveries as to the condition and inhabitancy of physical beings on any of the nearest planets?

Ans.—I have no doubt that the production of this telescope will result in some very interesting discoveries for mankind. It seems to me that as science advances in her work, and the harm invention and invention are as human invention and ingenuity also progress, devising means and ways for the better instruction of mankind in any department, so will humanity be blessed in consequence, and, so far as I have learned concerning the construction of the latest telescope at the Lick Observatory, it seems to me that the adjustment of this delicate instrument of far-reaching capacity will be a matter of great interest, and afford wide opportunity for study to those scientific minds engaged with it. I have, also, no doubt that it will bring into closer observation the planets against which it is directed, and possibly it may reveal to those who seek it information concerning various conditions of will humanity be blessed in consequence, and, tion the planets against which it is directed, and possibly it may reveal to those who seek it information concerning various conditions of is an established fact. I presume it is true, existence upon those planets. I do not know as this may prove so, but I am sure that the time will come when human ingenuity and interest and intelligent the mind of man to come into close proximity, by means of various instruments and appara-

tus, with other planets, so that those marching orbs will not seem so far away from the earth as they do to-day, so that all which pertains to them will not be so mysterious to mortal un-derstanding as it is just now. The human mind deratanding us to is just how. The name initial is expansive; it grows from year to year, and I hold that it is capable of taking up many great deeps of knowledge not yet explored, and making them its own.

Q.-{By Edwin Cheney.} Are convents and nunneries just and sound institutions to be toler-ated upon American soil?

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A.—Individually I am not highly prepossessed in favor of these institutions, and I have no faith in their good effects. It seems to me that American soil is not calculated to nourish and support them. The day has gone by for the maintenance of nunneries, monasteries and the like; what we want is free education for the masses; what we most essentially need is a system of instruction that will bear the closest, most open inspection. This is not provided in such schools and such institutions as are governed and directed by old superstitious priest-craft, and, consequently, I think these should not have any part in our American system whatever. whatever.

I am not despondent over the outlook of things and institutions in this fair, broad, beautiful country of yours. I have large hope in humanity, and faith to wait until the day shall dawn when universal education, together with a grand disciplinary influence, will be provided liberally by our communities, by our governments, for all who have need of such discipline, of such instruction. I believe in the growth of liberal sentiment. I also believe that liberty of the other hands in relative in the growth of the other in relative its result. thought is making its way all over the world, and that the American soil is especially calcuand that the American son is especially calculated to nourish and sustain it, therefore old superstitions must die; they cannot always cling and hold to this earth and its people. In the meanwhile I find much that is in need of correction. I find many who are really at a correction. I find many who are really at a loss how to formulate or to express their opinions; there is a necessity for guidance for many minds, there are those who require to be trained concerning the situation of affairs, looking to the best interests of your people, and I ever like to encourage expression and exchange of the order of the and all other subjects which thought on this and all other subjects which appeal to humanity. I believe the day is not far distant when all institutions founded by far distant when all institutions founded by bigotry, superstition and error will be razed to the ground, will be swept from the earth; not by violence, not by physical force, but because of the spread of public opinion, because of the growth of liberal thought, there will be no means of maintenance for such institutions. I believe the time is coming, and is not so very far away, when all that is ennobling and uplifting in the human heart will express itself more fully and clearly than it can just now, and when this time comes there will be a grander, more glorious disciplinary power; there will be less of restriction, in that form which makes restriction unholy and unbeautiful; there will be more of advancement for the human race, bemore of advancement for the human race, because our communities, our officers of government, our teachers at large, will have been educated for their positions, will understand something of humanity and its needs, and will seek to apply the most proper remedy to any evil which afflicts the race. We must expect oppo-sition, we must expect old institutions, old forms and forces of religious superstition to put forth every effort to hold their own ground, to keep their place in the world; but in spite of this effort the world is moving, humanity grows day by day, liberal thought expands and extends in all directions, and it will most certainly make its power felt in such ways as will give greater breadth and freedom and happi-

Q.—By A. J. Hollingsworth.: Are the deni-zens of the spirit-world subject to the law of gravitation as are those of this?

A .- The denizens of the spirit-world are subject to laws, just as surely as are the inhabitants of earth, but they may inform themselves ants of earth, but they may inform themselves so fully as not only to come into obedience with them, but to act intelligently in connection with them. There are spirits in the other life who have so thoroughly studied the law of gravitation as to almost make it subservient to their will; in some respects they have done so; they can rise above it by merely exercising their own positive power, and therefore they are not dependent altogether upon this law of gravitation, however, does exist in the spirit-world, and there are thousands of spirits who never and there are thousands of spirits who never make any movement or effort to act in opposition to it; they do not understand how to rise above, but they must follow the law of gravitation, wherever it operates. As we have said, there are others who can rise above it, merely by exercising their own will, and thus they may elect to travel from point to point in space, independent of the operations of that aw, because by their study and intelligence and by the exercise of their positive will-power they have brought themselves under the do minion of a higher law, which holds that of gravitation in its embrace, and may act in opnosition to it.

Q,-[By Mrs. Mary W. Jayne, Homer, N. Y So far as is known of the primary condition of all human beings prior to their being influenced by the mental characteristics of their earthly par-

nts, are they of one grade of intelligence ? A.-I believe in the law of heredity, and that operates unerringly and without distinction. believe that this law can be traced by intelligent study, through one change after another and that it reveals itself here and there and in unexpected places, where perhaps one would not look for it, yet while it seems to me that the child or the descendant is governed to an extent by this law of inheritance, and that this government is one from which it cannot appeal, it also appears to me, in another direc-tion, that the individual entity itself can, under certain environments and conditions, rise above this law of heredity, and express its own individuality and personality independent of it. We are certainly wonderfully made, and we are governed by law in every department of life. We have an intelligence of our own, which it is our duty and our right to exhibit and to cultivate. It is the duty of every person to develop his own individuality, and to make it as distinct as possible from all other person-

He has inherited, perhaps, some special quality which displays itself throughout his organism or in the operations of his mind; on the other hand, he has brought into this life his own marked individual powers, and these must express themselves if he gives them a fair op-portunity of doing so. As the man marches along in life, giving to his own personal being the opportunity and power for expression, he will find himself unfolding in new qualities and powers, such as did not belong to his family or to his ancestors; these he has brought with him direct, as an intelligent spirit, from the world from which he came, and these are his to do with as he desires. By-and-bye, when he has reaped his experience on this earth, and has passed on to other scenes of pleasure or of employment, the man will find these marked inherited tendencies are growing less conspicuous as his own individual characteristics and soul-powers put themselves forth into active expression; and so, while I believe in the law of heredity, and know it is unerring in its operations, yet I believe in the supremacy of individual personality and will. I believe that in the fullness of time and the development of human nature, each soul shall stand erect and distinct by itself, a marked individuality, a marked spirit, exercising its own powers, exhibiting its own forces and energies, and mak-

others can effect. Q.-[By A. D.] Are there not spirits who hest tate not to do anything to disprove to mortals the truth of the phenomena, ignorantly supposing they do so "for the glory of God," and do not such aim chiefly at the materialization phenome-non, leading the mediums for it into acts having the appearance of intentional fraud?

ing out for itself a distinct career which none

not now altogether prepared to say that I fully believe in such a material demonstration, for I yet have much to learn. I do not think that any honest spirit will return to earth willingly to deceive mortals. I do not think that any spirit, or class of spirits, will conscientiously come back into contact with mortal life, and wish to draw over the eyes and the minds of those with whom they come in contact, a delusion and a snare. It does not seem to me there can be many spirits who have learned anything concerning the laws of life, and the law of retribution, as well as that of compensation, who will dare to come back, day after day, and evening after evening, to deceive those who honestly desire to know the truth. There are mischievous spirits, of course, many of them, who perhaps will be pleased to hoodwink the public; there are mischievous spirits, a few of them, who might wish you to believe mediumship altogether a baseless fraud, but I have not come in contact with many such intelligences, and some of those whom I have seen have been under such restraint in the spirit-world that they have not the power to effect the mischievous work they would like to do.

This materialization, so called, is something not to be dismissed with a few idle words: it is not to be easily set aside; it is something which one should hesitate to declare for or against, until he had given it earnest, sincere investigation. I know that it is possible for scientific

until he had given it earnest, sincere investiga-tion. I know that it is possible for scientific minds in spirit-life to so utilize their knowledge as to produce wonderful manifestations of a material character on earth, provided they are given proper instruments for their work. I know it is possible for such scientific minds to know it is possible for such scientific minds to arrange and collate material, certain particles from the atmosphere and from mortals, that may be utilized in the formation of a hand, or some other part of the human body, which portion presents a close resemblance to those members of your own physical forms. I know this is possible, for I have experimented with it and have seen the results. Then the thought comes to me: If it is possible for a hand to be formed, why—given material and power sufficiently—is it not possible for an entire body to be formed? why—given material and power sufficiently—is
it not possible for an entire body to be formed?
I think this can be done, but I am not yet satisfied that it requires so much of material as to
build up a solid, substabtial body of flesh,
blood, bones, sinews and nerves, such as have
been sent out of your materializing cabinets
many times during the last decade of years.
Remember, Mr. Chairman, I am only expressing my own quition not that of any mortal—

ing my own opinion, not that of any mortal-certainly not that of any other spirit. I am open to conviction. I feel that I have oppor-tunities for investigation on the spirit side not easily provided to mortals, and I have taken easily provided to mortals, and I have taken advantage of some of those opportunities in seeking the truth. I have seen a few things that mystify me, just as the mortal investigator sometimes meets with that which is mystifying. I have seen many things to convince me that much is perpetrated in the name of mediumship which does not properly belong to that domain; other things have given me satisfaction, have awakened my devoted interest. I see here a wonderful field, not only for investigation but for labor, and any earnest medi-um, sincere and reliable, who can find himself possessed of these occult forces which may be utilized by returning spirits, will find much to repay him in his research and his labors by be-

ing faithful to the spirit-world.

I do not think that the present day is the time for the settlement of this question; there is much of conflict, of strife, throughout the country; there is much of the heat of passion and acrimony abroad upon this very subject, and the atmosphere is full of smoke and of din, spiritually speaking arising from these combating forces. In ten years from now, perhaps, when much of this discord has ceased, when earnest minds have taken up the subject reverently and sincerely, and followed it to their own conclusions, we may, perhaps, formulate not only an opinion but establish an incontro-vertible truth which cannot be gainsayed. You may be able to prove by the phenomena of ma-terialization that a hand—that indeed an enire body - can be formed out of seeming nothinguess which may bear resemblance to one that has departed this life, but yet that is not material, inasmuch as it cannot remain inas much as its elements must be dissipated and return back to the atmosphere again. I think the time is coming when civilization will prove to mortals, in private homes as well as before the public, that man lives beyond the grave and that he possesses a body in human sem-blance, strong and beautiful and well adapted

SPIRIT MESSAGES, Mrs. B. F. Smith.

Report of Public Séance held Nov. 9th, 1888-Continued from last issue. Obadiah Brown.

We are all glad to speak here, Mr. Chairman, hoping, through some channel, our words will reach some of our dear ones, as of course we would rather reach them than strangers or even neighbors. I promised Sophie that if possible I would send her a message from this platform, and now I find it is possible.

Langdon is here, also her own dear mother, and Ella; we all send greetings, and wish to be remembered. I am satisfied with my home, but I don't stop there; we have a great deal to do to make our homes more beautiful than we hind them in passing over.

I have very few relatives left on earth, but

am none the less grateful for the privilege granted me of speaking. I passed away in La-porte, Ind. My name is Obadiah Brown.

Mamie Ford.

[To the Chairman:] I know your good paper goes to my dear father, and he will be glad to see that his little angel child, as he called me when they placed me away, has been able to

Father, your darling child lives and has been growing to womanhood in spirit-life, although but a little girl when she passed away. Father, the flowers are so beautiful in spirit-life! and when you come to see them you will think yours in the hot-house very different—only like shadows compared to them.

I know you often wonder why little Mamie

does not come. Grandpa Worcester says we can only speak when the channel is open for us; we cannot take another's time. After passing out I well knew that my dear father felt he could not leave me where they made the mound, but realizing so much as he does of spirit return, he must feel that it is all right. spirit return, he must feel that it is all right. I know, dear father, that many clouds have overtaken you on your earthly way, but in spirit-life, as grandfather says, there will be nothing to mar our happiness; all will be harmony and peace. I have been in the grove when meetings have been held, and I have also stepped into the Lyceum meetings, where my father has an interest. I have often been there with the spirit children, for I feel like a child to-day, although somewhat older, and I have enjoyed them very much.

enjoyed them very much. ar grandma, do not mourn for the dear ones that have gone; not a day or hour passes but that some loved one comes to you. Grandones that have gone; not a day of him but that some loved one comes to you. Grand-but that some loved one estings. When loneliness creeps over you, think that the loved

I passed away not far from this city. My father is D. N. Ford, of Onset Bay, and he will know very quickly who has been speaking.

Mary Chase.

I have spoken here before, Mr. Chairman, three years ago. To-day there are some things drawing me closely to the dear one who yet dwells in the mortal form. He is entering his seventy-fifth year. These attractions are stronger, and they draw me to earth. I have been cognizant of the scheme he has in mind, of the home he is trying to build. I have been one of the invisibles with him, and many impressions has he taken from us on the spirit-

His angel-mother often stands beside him

Mr. Chairman, are to my husband, Warren Gould: Freddie Warren; Sarah Bicker; Daniel J. Ames; Chase. Mary Chase.

Augusta M. Bigelow.

Spiritualism was very dear to me while dwelling in the form, and I possessed a great deal of mediumistic power. My home is beautiful beyond the river, and I am waiting patiently for dear ones to join me there. I left a beautiful home, but I am permitted to visit it. Friends, as well as relatives, grieve not for those who have crossed over, for only too glad are we to be freed from the mortal form. How delightful it is to know that we are able to visit you again. again.

Lambert and myself have conversed many a

time of those who had gone before—father, nother, brothers and sisters, who were waiting to grasp our hands so warmly and to welcome us to the heavenly home. To-day, when you come to learn that it is only a transition, a change, you will not mourn the dear ones so much, but will understand a little more of what is termed Spiritualism. I am proud to say I was a Spiritualist; I did love the truth that name represents, and I loved the spirits returning to me. I am happy, and trying to use my influence for the benefit of mediums. Be sympathetic with the mediums, for you know not how much they have to bear in serving as instruments for dear ones returning to earth. I have often heard such words as these: "Why, if spirits come to earth, can they not come direct to me, and not through a stranger?"

and not through a stranger? God does not give to all the same talents; we know not why. In the present age, even as he

told you in the past, he gives to some one talent and to some five; let it suffice.

I lived, Mr. Chairman, in Shrewsbury, Mass. My name is Augusta H. Bigelow, and my hus-band is Lambert Bigelow.

Loyal Lovejoy.

I have been a silent listener here, Mr. Chair man, and there is deep gratitude in my soul for these channels that are given us to speak through. I have been in the halls also, and thought some one would understand I was there; at other times I hardly think they knew it or even thought of me. They will remember me in Shawmut Avenue. Loyal Lovejoy.

True French.

Eighty-one years I dwelt in the flesh, and I was glad to throw off the old mantle and put on the new, although, Mr. Chairman, I under-stood not of spirit return, for I had been taught in early life to look forward to a final day of judgment. I find the judgment day to be every lay, and that by our lives we build our homes

beyond the river.

I want my friends to know that I am happy.

Yery few of my dear ones are left upon the earthly shore. I have been in the home, but oh! how little they knew it. No more did I understand of my dear mother's visits, until after passing out. She said to me: "My dear child, you were not to blame for the prejudices in the control of the contro

stilled into your mind in childhood, which are very hard to cast aside."

As I look around I see that in religious ideas people are far more liberal than they used to be. I well remember when they would not allow a Universalist to go into the church and preach. I rather think it would have been worse still for a Spiritualist.

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I lived a long time on earth, and I heard Spiritualism and mediums talked of, but I passed it idly by, not wishing to meddle with it. I find now it would have been better if I had learned a little while here. I lived in Candia, N. H. My name is True French.

Harriet Metcalf.

It makes very little difference, Mr. Chairman where our homes were on earth, but it is of great consequence what homes we have on the of great consequence what nomes we have on the spirit side to-day. I desire to send a few words of greeting to my dear ones, who are quite a distance away. I feel confident that the spirit band is strong enough to make some manifestation in the home. I have often thought, as we have been there, that Mary, having so much power herself, must have felt our presence, but

still I could not be sure.

Now I will ask George to sit down with the others—you three in the home—and see what we may do. We ask you to willingly take whatever we may give, for that will enable us to do better than we otherwise could.

Hannah is with me to-day, and sends greet-ings to Lucy. In spirit-life it will all be made plain why your path was a little more rough than some others'. William, let me say to you it won't always be so dark, because you will learn a little of spirit return, and it will help to lighten the burdens of life. I do not say that all will be smooth, for some burdens seem to be placed upon your shoulders. I want you to feel that Harriet comes to you and the others in the home. I am very thankful for the few moments allotted to me. Harriet Metcalf Pittsburgh, Penn.

Sarah E. Johnson.

I would like to send a message to Columbus, Ohio, Mr. Chairman, and for reasons I am par-ticularly anxious it should reach there. Joseph, do not trouble about the little affair; it will soon blow over, as it don't amount to much, although it looks heavy to you. I have been working with the angel-band to lighten things a little; and they will be lighter by-and-

I have been anxious for you, for I knew low despondent vou were. Look up, Joseph, you are not alone. I often come to you, and often ask the angels to help you in your trials through the mortal life which I know have been many. Remember that you are not alone, because the invisibles

come to you with much power to sustain you. A little while ago you almost sank under the load, but soon rose again. You may ask where the assistance comes from. The angel-world. The higher intelligences came to you and lifted you up. Seek to know more of us in spirit-life. Think not because we have gone out of your sight we do not visit you, for we come often: especially when trials are heavy we are attracted most frequently and stay the longest Sometimes we come to earth, and flit away

as it were, in a moment; then again we are held here, feeling we may be of service to mor My name is Sarah E. Johnson, and my home was in Columbus, Ohio. I have friends in Portland, Me., and also in Cleveland, Ohio.

Annie Hague.

I've been in this meeting a great many times, frandma comes with me, and she says I must it just as still as a mouse. Now mice don't sit still; they run. She always tells me that. We have the most beautiful flowers over here; they

grow on the hillside where the green grass is, and oh! the birds sing so sweetly!

[To the Chairman:] Would n't you like to come there sometime? [Yes, I should.] You're

SPIRIT MESSAGES

like cross grandmas.

TO BE PUBLISHED NEXT WEEK. Nov. 16.—C. O. Benton; W. A. B. Wilson; Elizabeth Robin-on Burnell; Sarah E. Clark; Edwin W. Haven; James

THE MESSAGES GIVEN (THROUGH MRS. B. F. SMITH) As per dates will appear in due course.

Nop. 30.—William B. Evreitt, Mary E. Cramer, William Randally Margaret Fielding; Jano Martin; Chirche O. Floyd; Gertle Hagait, Joseph Bradley, Benjamin F. Dook; John Mondum; Dr. Joel Fay; Israel Morrill; Eunice Stone; Samuel Brimbleton; Annie Stigling.

Verifications of Spirit-Messages.

We were made glad by the very characteristic message from this dear friend. All is correct as may be. I shall take care that many to whom she has ministered unto in her long and useful life may read her words of kindly greeting. I have said many times that I wondered she did not communicate through the "Banner Circle." I am very grateful for her remembrance. She was a most excellent medium. Many, very many times has she given us unmistakable tests of the identity of our near and dear ones just out of sight. LUCRETIA FULLAM WESTON.

of the identity of our near and dear ones just out of sight.

She and her dear sister, Mrs. D. P. Wilder, were such willing workers for the good of all; always unselfish, always kind, making "Wilder House" a delightful home to visit. Such "good times" as we have enjoyed under its hospitable roof, when darling Nellie Kenyon and many others used to greet us there in the old happy days. But one by one they have been called higher, and the spirit and life have gone out of the place that knows them no more. But how cheering, how uplifting to a poor weary child of earth, to feel that truly angels from the higher pathway have stooped to shed a beautiful radiance over our earthly road, giving us assurances of their undying love, and that they are waiting for our coming by-and-bye. I hope dear Sister Weston will favor us always as she has opportunity, and ever be assured of our loving remembrance.

Mrs. Luther O. Weers.

Proctorsville, Vt., Nov. 30th, 1888.

BETSEY N. COOK.

With great pleasure I acknowledge the truthfulness of the message published in Banner Nov. 17th from Betsey N. Cook of Provinctown, Mass. She is a dear sister of mine. The message is correct in every particular. She was an invalid for years, a good medium, and through her organism have many weary, tired ones of earth found comforting words to cheer them over the rough road of life. Come again, dear sister; we welcome, thrice welcome you. Tell my beloved Angle I am looking, oh! longing for that promised message.

I also recognize the message from J. J. Pennington, Henryville, Tennessee, published in Banner Oct. 20th, as being characteristic of him. Many thanks to the medium, and may the Banner of Light continue to wave joy and comfort to the souls of earth, is the wish of your sister in truth,

Mrs. C. A. Haskell..

Menomonic, Wis., Nov. 30th, 1888.

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WILLIAM CHANDLER.

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I wish to verify the communications published in the BANNER OF LIGHT a few weeks ago of HIRAM, NEWTON and WILLIAM CHANDLER. William was father of a large family, and owned a farm near the Tyngsboro' line, but crossed the river of death from Tyngsboro'. He has children now living here, and as I am informed, they say that the statements are true. Yours truly, GEO. D. DANFORTH.

SAMUEL L. TOWERS.

The communication of SAMUEL L. TOWERS was acknowledged to be true by his stepson, who is a live Methodist. We have no mediums here, and we fail to

we have no meaning here, and we fait to get any words or exchange of thoughts.

The door seems open to you In the North, but we in the South are denied this glorious privilege.

Yours truly, J. K. Dearth.

South Lowell, Ala.

THE CHINOOK WIND.-Under this head the Governor of Washington Territory remarks as follows upon a singular provision of nature met with in that region:

"The Chinook wind is so called by the Indians, because it came to them from the direction of the country of the Chinooks. This is a balmy wind, coming from the great Japanese current of the Pacific Ocean. In the summer it is a cool wind, and tempers the heat of summer so that nowhere in Washington Territory decreased fell dearn with the control of the control o do people fall down with sun-strokes. In the winter it is a warm, moist wind, and is sometimes slightly odoriferous, as if spice-laden from the tropics. It is so gentle upon ordinary occasions that its presence could not be noted by its motion, and it is almost miraculous in its effects. Snow and ice disappear before it with rapidity, and it seems to be able to blow for long-distances between walls of colder air for long distances between walls of colder air without parting with its heat. Sometimes it constitutes an upper current, in which case the remarkable spectacle is witnessed of snow melting from the mountain-tops while thermometers in the valleys register below the freezing point. At other times it is the surface current and follows the valleys and gorges as a flood might follow them. It seems to bear healing upon its wings, like Sandalphon, the Angel of Prayer, and it is not difficult to conceive that the Indians would wish to personify it in order to fix upon it their devotions." to fix upon it their devotions.

MAKING HOPKINS'S LAST MOMENTS EASY.—Chaplain—"So poor Hopkins [a soldier] is dead. I should have liked to speak to him once again and soothe his last moments; why did n't you call me'

Hospital Orderly-"I didn't think you ought to be disturbed for 'Opkins, sir, so I just soothed him as best I could myself." Chaplain—"Why, what did you say to him?" Orderly—"'Opkins," sez I, "you're mortal

"I am," sez 'e.
"'Opkins," sez I, "I don't think you'll get

better."
"No," sez 'e.

"'Opkins," sez I, "you're going fast."
"Yes," sez 'e.
"'Opkins," sez I, "1 do n't think you can 'ope

to go to 'eaven.''
"I don't think I can," sez 'e.
"Well, then, 'Opkins," sez I, "you'll go to

"I suppose so," sez 'e.

"'Opkins," sez I, "you ought to be wery grateful as there's a place perwided for you, and that you've got somewhere to go. And I think 'e 'eard, sir, and then 'e died."—The London

Truth is too simple for us; we do not like those who unmask our illusion.—*Emerson*.

don Hospital.

Passed to Spirit-Life.

om Groton, Mass., Nov. 27th, Mrs. Jane Sawyer, wife of the late Silas Sawyer of Clinton, Mass., aged 74 years.

Mrs. Sawyer outlived her husband and children, but was sustained in her bereavement by a firm, unfaltering faith in Spiritualism. She was much loved and respected by all who knew her. About six weeks before her release she left her home in Clinton to reside with her brother in Groton, realizing that her cancerous disease, which was sappling the fountain of life, must soon terminate fataily. In this beloved family she was tenderly cared for, while she patiently bore her sufferings, calmily looking forward to a reinion with her loved ones. The funeral service took place from her late home in Clinton on the afternoon of Thanksgiving day. Many relatives and friends gathered there to look once more upon the face lighted with its wordless greeting, and comfort one another with the thought that far away from earthly pain the beloved sister and friend was keeping Thanksgiving in the family circle, made complete by her entrance to the higher life.

Leominster, Mass., Nov. 30th, 1888.

From Stoughton, Mass., Nov. 25th, after suffering thirty the late Silas Sawyer of Clinton, Mass., aged 74 years.

From Stoughton, Mass., Nov. 25th, after suffering thirty years from a chronic affection, Mr. Hiram Fogg.

To the Chairman! Wouldn't you like to come there sometime? [Yes, I should.] You're coming, sure. And when you come I'll run right up to you and tell you I was the little girl that talked in the meeting and that spoke of the pretty flowers.

But I suppose some other children do that. The children sing, too; they sing "Sweet By and-Bye," just like you do here, only better. I am so glad I got in this chair! the spirit chairman said I could come, but must n't talk too fast. I always did talk fast when I was here. When I went away my throat did ache so! Where I live now it do n't, and I don't be sick. A beautiful lady came and took me by the hand, but mamma did cry so! I suppose she didn't see the lady when she came after me. She came and talked to me, I suppose, so I swouldn't be afraid. And who do you think! Saw in a few minutes? Grandma. And she said, "Annie, come, now. I am going to have you live with me all the time."

Then I went to Washington. Aint that a nice city? Grandpa says that's where the peoples go when they want an office. I suppose they do n't go there without they have some business. That's where I lived sometimes. The strand a ferandpa is Grandpa Hague. Grandma says: "The Lord bless you." She's a lovely grandma; she's never cross. I don't like cross grandmas.

From Etchburg, Mass., Mr. William Carter, formerly of Jaffrey, N. H., aged 72 years. Oatherner of Affrey, N. H., aged 72 years.

From Fitchburg, Mass., Mr. William Carter, formerly of Jaffrey, N. H., aged 72 years. OATHERINE B, CARTER. (Oblivary Notices not exceeding twenty lines published gra-tultousty. When they exceed that number, twenty cents for each additional line will be charged. Tenwords on an overage make a line. No poetry admitted under this heading.)

MYES AND VOICES

If I could look with gently perfect eyes
On this strapge human world, as one who fears
No duty and no task, and who reveres
Truth more than any dream that minds devise:
One who can trace the false, the weak, the wise,
In each new day that dawns and disappears;
Who, through some wild, heart-breaking clamer,
hears

Hope singing sweetly in the earth and skies: Then I should be what men and women are
When they are wholly just and wholly brave;
Then I should speak from life and from the grave,
From every ashen globe and throbbing star;
No word of mine would be a word of wrong,
And there would be no discord in my song.

There are two voices in a human life—
One, the sharp cry of passion, hissing hot;
The other, calm and sweet, as though begot
Of perfect peace in some heaven-hallowed spot;
One is the cruel, mocking voice of strife,
Which falls to every heart, to every lot
And one the voice that whispers to the clot,
"Rise to thy living spirit; Death is not!"

Hearing these voices, there are men who hear
No message to their souls; they lust and plod
Under the flashing menace of a rod;
But there are natures, touched so deep and near.
That, like the seed of beauty piercing sod,
They break their flesh and crave the thought of God. -George Edgar Montgomery, in Collier's Once a Week.

December Magazines.

THE CENTURY .- Geo. Kennan continues his thrilling narrative of Siberian exile life, a vivid one of injustice to those who have had the hardihood to express themselves in favor of truth and right. Nicolay and Hay in their Life of Lincoln treat upon the "First Plans for Emancipation." A number of original Lin-coln MSS, are given, including one endorsed by Lincoln as follows: "The Emancipation Proclamation as first sketched and shown to the Cabinet in July 1862." A fac-simile page of the last manuscript of Henry Ward Beecher is accompanied by an account of the paper of which it was a part. There is also a paper relating to "Beecher in Liverpool in '63," by J. M. Buckley. The first of a series of stories of Irish-American life, is contributed by G. H. Jessop, and an interesting illustrated paper by Henry James on "London." Want of space compels us to omit mention of the numerous literary and artistic attractions of this number, of which are the second of "Strange Stories of Louisiana," "The Reorganization of the British Empire," "Another Side of the Woman Question," and poems by well-known authors. New York: The Century Co. Damrell & Upham, 283 Washington street,

CASSELL'S FAMILY MAGAZINE.-The closing number of the year brings to a conclusion the admirable serial stories, "For the Good of the Family" and "Comrades Once." It also contains a pleasing story in two chapters," One Good Turn Deserves Another," the third paper of "The Love Affairs of Some Famous Men," and "A Trip to Dutchman's Land," described by James Baker. Of the remaining contents are "Some Romances of Trade," "Preparing to Face the Winter," "Divers Ways of Cooking Apples," "How York City. to Knit a Stocking." several poems, a profusion of engravings and an illustrated record of invention, discovery, literature and science. New York: Cassell &

MAGAZINE OF AMERICAN HISTORY, ... The approaching centenary anniversary of the inauguration of Washington as the first President, April 30th, 1789, has brought into the contents of this issue an interesting collection of papers relating to that memorable event sufficient to give it the distinction of being, as it is called, the "Washington Number." Fine portraits of George and Martha Washington, made by the artotype process from Rembrandt Peale's paintings, never before engraved, precede a deeply interesting illustrated account of the inauguration, occupying twenty-cight pages, by the editor, Mrs. M. J. Lamb, written by special request, and read before the New York Historical Society last. October. A number of minor articles in reference to the same subject, are given on subsequent pages. Of the remaining contents are, "Holidays of the French Canadians," "French Colony of St. Domingo," "Original Documents," "Notes and Queries," and "Historic and Social Jottings," New York. 743 Broadway.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY has a fine table of contents, among which may be noted "A Flight in the Dark"; "A Devil's Passage"; a fine sketch of the late William Warren's histrionic career, (by Henry A. (lapp) the usual reviews, etc.—the whole constituting a fitting close for the year. Among the good things to come in 1889 may be mentioned the following: Three Sorial Stories, "The Tragic Muse," by Henry James, 'The Begum's Daughter," by E. L. Bynner, "Passe Rose," by Arthur Sherburne Hardy; also literary, social, historical essays, stories, poems, travel sketches, papers on education, politics, art, etc., by the foremost American writers. The January Atlantic will contain an entirely new steel portrait of the Poet Whittier. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., publishers, 4 Park street, Boston, Mass.

HERALD OF HEALTH .- "Important Facts Concerning Consumption and Kindred Complaints," "Seasonable Hints upon Colds," and "On the Proper Nursing of Children," comprise the general articles. The "Household," "Nursery" and other Departments are well filled. This number closes the thirty-eighth year of publication. New York: P. O. Box 2141,

FREETHINKER'S MAGAZINE .- In the leading article Nelly Booth Simmons asks for the laboring classes, "Justice, Not Charity." J. W. Dare criticises Lyman C. Howe's statements regarding Spiritualism; but millions of witnesses attest to facts that prove Mr. Howe's statements true. It cannot be presumed that Mr. D.'s knowledge without experience should be superior to that of these millions with. Portraits and brief blographies are given in this number of Horace Seaver and W. S. Bell. Buffalo, N. Y.: H. L. Green.

THE FOLIO for the current month-White, Smith & Co., publishers, 516 Washington street, Boston—has for pictorial illustration a full-page likeness of Wilhelm Gericke, and contains a good variety of professlonal news, together with twenty-four pages of musical compositions, vocal and instrumental.-We have also received from the same publishers the following new music: For pianoforte, "Chanson des Alpes" and "Dreaming of Flowers Waltz," for four hands, C. D. Blake; "Nation of Honor Grand March," Paul Keller; "Glad Hours," C. C. Stearns; for organ, "Contemplation," C. C. Stearns: vocal, "A Lark's Flight," A. C. Andrew; "Jacqueminots" (for contralto or baritone), and "A White Rose" (soprano or tenor), Max Ellot; "All the Earth is Glad Again," (Christmas anthem.) C. A. White.

THE BIZARRE, NOTES AND QUERIES .- The chief contents are "Women as Actresses," "Sayings of the Seven Sages of Greece," and "Biblia Sacra Nova." Interesting facts are given in Questions and Answers supplemented by a Mathematical Bibliography. Man chester, N. H.: S. C. & L. M. Gould. Boston: For sale by Colby & Rich.

OUR LITTLE ONES .- The usual quantity and variety of stories, verses, merry jingles and attractive pictures are brought this month for "little bits of children," with all of whom this monthly is a favorite. Boston: Russell Publishing Company.

THE ELECTRICAL ENGINEER.-The application of electricity to street railways and other service is the subject of the leading editorial. Electric lighting in England is considered, and a large number and variety of collateral subjects discussed in correspondence and contributed papers. New York: 11 Wall street.

BOOK NEWS .- The Christmas number of Book News (John Wanamaker, Philadelphia, 112 pages,) is the crowning issue of the year. It contains a descriptive price-list of over three hundred of the holiday publications, and is illustrated with about fifty representative pictures taken from the most attractive books of the

ST. LOUIS MEDICAL JOURNAL .- Wm. Tebb, in the opening article of the November number treats upon "The Question of Vaccine Diseases in Parliament." Mr. Wollner has become associated with Mr. Field in the conducting of this monthly, and with a view of extending its circulation and usefulness, the subscription price has been reduced from two dollars to one dollar a year. St. Louis, Mo.: Field & Wollner.

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Engle Hall, 616 Washington Street. Sundays at 6 and 7% P. M.; also Wednesdays at 3 P. M. Dr. E. H. Math-

Ladies' Aid Partors, 1031 Washington Street-Sundays at 2% and 7% P. M. F. W. Mathews, Conductor. America Hall, 724 Washington Street. - Services each Sunday. Dr. W. A. Hale, Chairman.

Chelsen. Spiritualist meetings are held in Pilgrim Hall, Odd Fellows Building, each Sunday evening, at 7½ o'clock. Cambridgeport. Meetings are held every Sunday even-ing at Odd Fellows Hall, 548 Main street. H. D. Simons, Sec-relary.

The Roston Spiritual Temple-Berkeley Hall.-Last Sunday morning, after singing by Miss Alice M. Black, Miss Ellen F. Burnett accompanying, Affice M. Black, Miss Effen F. Burnett accompanying, Mrs. Colby-Luther, under the influence of her guides, announcing as her subject "Social Life in the Spirit-World," said: "Everything in the universe shows sociability. There is something in and around life that requires a counterpart; something to be social with Humanity demands sociability, and the demand and supply are not confined solely to your physical life. You do not pass into the spirit-world leaving the social showed bear. Destroy the social with the social showed bear. supply are not confined solely to your physical life. You do not pass into the spirit-world leaving the social element here. Destroy the sociality of the people of earth and the human race would run out in fifty years. In this particular you will not change when you leave this life. The social conditions of spirit-life are exact counterparts of those of this life. When you enter the spirit-world there seems to be a balancing power. You there exist in a world adapted to you. When you enter spirit-life friends will care for you; they will instruct you in that you do not know, and unfold to your minds an understanding of the laws that are henceforth to govern you; naturally you will gravitate to your own sphere. Social life in the spirit-world advances the individual to the most advanced realms.

Evening.—Following the usual preliminary exercises Mrs. Colby-Luther proceeded to speak upon the reunion of families in the life beyond. She alluded to the strong ties that bound families in a social compact in this life, especially of the strong and persistent love of a mother for her child, as indicative of a continuance of the family relations in the spirit-world. Death, she said, does net destroy your love. Family relations are the most perfect of the conditions of earth-life; you go into the spirit-world, and eventually all members of your family follow, and you will find that the ties that exist here cannot be broken by death. Subject next Sunday. "The Locality of the Spirit-World."

O. L. R.

Spiritualistic Phenomena Association, Lyceum Hall, 1031 Washington Street.-Last Sunday the services opened with "Gates Ajar," finely sung by Mrs. Mary Niekerson. After an invocation and remarks by President Lewis, J. D. Stiles gave a poetical address of welcome and remarked that it was pleasant to turn from the excitements of our daily life to our friends from the spriit world. So long as there are any who desire to know something of those who have passed on we must meet to do what we can to inform them. Our religion is not the result of forty years' experience; centuries have been passed in the search after truth. We may talk fluently of another life, so that our rhetoric will dazzle you, but that does not convince. We may bring testinony upon testinoty, but you must see and know for yourselves. Demonstration of the life beyond is given in the ple nomena of Spiritualism. The speaker urged upon all day the services opened with "Gates Ajar," finely nomena of Spiritualism. The speaker urged upon all the cultivation of charity and the doing of good to others that their lives may be rounded out, and, living in the cultivation of cuarty and the count, and, living in ers, that their lives may be rounded out, and, living in conscious immortality, we may upon passing to that higher life, 'know as we are known.' The Indian control of Mr. Stiles then gave tests of spirit presence in his usual rapid manner, giving nearly fifty names, all of which were recognized. The controlling spirit remarked in closing that all the so called exposes of Spiritualism cannot kill it; it still lives, and will live when creeds shall have been forgotten and theology is a tring of the nast.

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Ecening.—Mr. Stiles—said we all have our buttles to fight, and if we keep our banners—aftest success will crown our efforts. Anything that opens the door to the angel-world should be welcomed. We need to study ourselving and wake our healing fit touche for the angel-world should be welcomed. We need to study ourselves, and make our bodies fit temples for the indeedling of the inmorral spirit. Unless the body be pure the spirit will be impure. Let us then begin our eternity here, and happiness shall be ours here and hereafter. After a song by Mrs. Nickerson, Mr. Stiles's Indian control said he was glad to know that people are opening their eyes and ears to receive the truth. Remarkable tests were given; among the names were those of Theodore N. Foque, and others, well known in Madden, especially in Mount Vermon Lodge F, and A. M. Nearly all the spirits announced were recognized by evidences given of their identification.

Next Sunday is Mediums' Day in the Association. Fine talent may be expected. Several children from the Progressive Lyceum will take part in the exercises. The Thursday evening circle will be held as usual.

Independent Club-Berkeley Hall -The Club has changed its quarters, and there was a large increase in the attendance on Friday (7th). The short leccrease in the attendance on Friday (7th). The short fecture by the guides of Mr. J. W. Fletcher stated the purpose of the Club to be to study spiritual phenomena from an unsectarian point of view, to sustain a platform upon which speakers not allied directly with the movement can be heard, and to suppress scandal because of the fact that unkindly criticism is unspiritual and unprofitable. A collection was then taken up for an unfortunate medium.

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At supper the tables were crowded, and in the evening the capacity of the hall was tested. The Grand Master opened the meeting by relating that recently he was in a room where there was a Methodist minister, a Universalist clergyman and an Infidel. Theologically they were enemies. Soon, music being proposed, they all began to sing, and then perfect harmony prevalled. What we need is to leave theology behind and enter into the realms of art and music where all can find accord. Mrs. Kate R. Stiles gave an address upon "Speak It Out," in which she held that it is not necessary for us to really speak aloud, but to feel our truth so deeply that it will be heard and realized though no word is uttered. Her remarks, which feel our truth so deeply that it will be heard and realized though no word is uttered. Her remarks, which were of a truly spiritual character, were attentively listened to and highly appreciated. Miss Emma Nickerson spoke of the power of the mind and thought transference. Mrs. Burnham emphasized the same thought. Miss Green rendered several recitations in costume, and was applauded. Miss Jennie khind also favored the audience. Mr. Holmes closed the meeting with a poem of his own.

Mrs. M. E. Williams of New York has offered her services to give a public séance for the benefit of the Club at an early date. There were many applications for membership. The musical efforts of Mrs. Case are highly appreciated, and the BANNER of LIGHT and Better Way cordially thanked for giving reports of the meetings.

F. V. Fuller, Sec'y.

The Ludies' Industrial Nociety held its regular session Dec. 4th. In the afternoon the business meeting was called to order by the President. The meeting was called to order by the President. The Secretary made a financial report for the year, which was approved, and it was voted that Mrs. H. W. Cushman receive two dollars per week from the Society during the winter. The Society has decided to hold Social Circles at four o'clock each Tuesday afternoon, instead of sewing, as heretofore, five cents to be contributed by each one present; its object will be mutual development and spiritual culture. Gentlemen and ladies cordially invited.

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In the evening, after supper, remarks were made by Lyman C. Howe, on "True Mediumship," followed by a song written for the occasion by George C. Paine, set to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne." Spirited remarks on "Woman's Era" were made by Mrs. Ida P. A. Whitlock, and J. William Fletcher, Capt. Richard Holmes, Dr. Brown and L. L. Whitlock vied with each other in their tributes to woman and her power. Recitations and music made the evening one long to be remembered.

EMMA J. NICKERSON, Sco'y.

College Hall, 34 Essex Street.-The regular services were held at this hall on Sunday last-the

sessions (three) being well attended, and the tests, deillocations, remarks, etc., of the usual talent being well received. Mr. Cobb. Conductor, aims to make these meetings not only attractive but instructive, in which direction his own cloquence and tack go far to reinforce the work done by the excellent mediums to be found at each session at College Hall.

America Hall, 724 Washington Street.-The Echo Spiritualists' meetings were held here Sunday last, Dr. W. A. Hale, Chairman. In spite of the disagreeable weather, large and appreciative audiences were in attendance throughout the day. Interesting remarks were made by the Chairman, also L. L. Whitlock, Jacob Edson, Mrs. A. E. Cunningham, Miss Nette M. Holt, Mrs. I. E. Downing, Dr. Eidridge and Mr. Ridell, which were instructive and well received. Mr. Whitlock spoke highly of the beautiful hall and the harmonious management of the meetings, as also did Mr. Edson.

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Couvineing tests of spirit-presence were given through the organisms of Mrs. Cunningham, Miss Holt.; Mrs. Downing, Dr. Eldridge, Mrs. Wilkims, Mrs. Rich and the Chairman, which were all recognized as correct. Services throughout the day were interspersed with beautiful music—Miss Campbell and Miss Grace Holton acting as pianists, and Dr. Hale as organist. Next Sunday Dr. W. S. Eldridge will be present and give some of his spirit-communications (written), which are said to be truly wonderful by those who have received them. Other able test and speaking mediums will also attend.

M. M. Holt.

Chelsen .- Mrs. Clark Kimball, the well-known test nedium, will occupy the rostrum at Pilgrim Hall Sunlay, at 2:30 and 7:30 P. M.

Buffalo, N. Y .- Sunday, Dec. 2d, J. Frank Baxter made his $d\dot{e}bat$ in Buffalo, N. Y. He did not know how great the press, pulpit and public prejudices are, and great the press, pulpit and public prejudices are, and much less, how they are brought to bear. Mr. Baxter's fame as a medium, a lecturer and a gentleman had preceded him from Cassadaga Camp and North Collins yearly meetings, and it was astonishing to many of the First Society of Spiritualists to see so many people out that they little thought to see. Every available seat was secured in the hall, many stood, and numbers could gain no admittance at the evening session. The meetings of the day exceeded in interest the most sanguine expectations, and many believe Mr. Baxter has cracked the hard conservative shell, and that a precedence bas been established whereby a hereofore mexpected many will listen to lectures, investigate phenomena, and unite with the Society. Resolution and back-bone are all the requisites necessary to make Spiritualists in Buffalo a power, and Spiritualism acceptable.

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Mr. Baxter did unfinehingly a noble work last Sunday, and has laid out a most admirable course of lectures and work for four Sundays to come. His singing was inspiring, his lectures were togical and magnetically delivered, and his mediumship most singularly interesting and convincing.

At a business meeting on Thursday evening, Dec. 6th, officers were chosen for the year ensuing, and Mr. Baxter's services accepted for a benefit entertainment to the Society, to be given Friday evening, the 14th inst. Mr. Baxter is to speak in Lockport, N. Y., three evenings of next week. evenings of next week.

Willimantic, Ct.-A correspondent writes of the lectures of Dr. Dean Clarke, that they are of the very best ever heard in this place. The Chronicle and the Journal (both local papers), have given good reference to his work: "To our sister societies allow us to say that if you wish to learn of the Spiritual Philosophy, engage Bro. Dean Clarke, and you will make no mistake, and the longer he stays with you the hetter thought he will give you. He has devoted a life-time to the cause, and evinces much study and thought in his lectures. He remains with us during December. Miss Jennie B. Hagan has been engaged for a course of six lectures on week-day evenings. (She was to commence on Tuesday, the 11th inst.-Eb.) Our Lyceum meets every Sunday at 12:15 with a good attendance of both old and young, and much interest is manifested in the exercises. best ever heard in this place. The Chronicle and the ed in the exercises.

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One of the prominent branches of our cause here is the seni-weekly 'Baked Bean' Social, so called. On these occasions a supper is furnished of baked beans and brown bread, and biscuit provided by its managers, and every one carries a loaf of cake, or a piecte: after the 'inner man' is provided, then a good time is passed by story-telling, jokes, and not infrequently by some ex members who step in to make known that they are near us, though unseen! The next 'Bean' Social will occur on Thursday, the 20th inst."

Philadelphia. Pn .- In spite of the rain large audiences gathered to listen to Prof. Peck's lectures upon "The Age of Reason es. The Age of Faith," and "The Philosophy of Spirit Manifestations." In the evening especially the large hall was filled with a most enthusiastic and appreciative audience. Mr. Peck keeps his hearers "wide awake" with his sound logic and apt illustrations. We are greatly pleased with him. L. R. C.

G. W. Kates and wife at Columbia Hall, Sunday night, attracted an audience that nearly filled the hall. Mrs. Kates, entranced, spoke upon questions proposed by the audience relating to the phenomena produced by East India Fakirs in contrast to that of Spiritualism—also the Fox Sisters "expose." Mr. Kates followed. —also the Fox Sisters "exposé." Mr. Kates followed, treating the same subjects. Mrs. Kates then gave minerous tests, descriptive and incidental, which were generally recognized.

Lillie, of Melrose, Mass., began their month's work for our Society. Good andiences assembled in G. A. B. Hall both afternoon and evening. Mrs. Lillie requesting the missing fourth finger. The medium of the andience wrong many former than the responsible of the missing fourth finger. The medium Hall both afternoon and evening. Mrs. Lillie requested the audience to present subjects for the afternoon address and improvisation, and the evening theme was in relation to the late so-called "exposures"; "Can Spiritualism be Exposed?" which topic was satisfacted the medical control.

isfactorily considered. - Mr. Lillie's excellent songs were heartily applauded. Mr. Lillie's everilent songs were hearthy applauded. Sunday, 9th, in spite of the severe storm good andiences listened again to the inspired utterances of this gifted lady upon subjects taken from the audience. The good work goes on. I heartily wish that the Spiritualists all over the land would give mediums and speakers so much work that they would not feel to leave our ranks and go into the churches for lack of remunerative employment. o leave our rams , remumerative employment, Mrs. J. A. Charman, See'y.

Haverhill, Mass.-Unity Hall.-Miss Emma J Siekerson, of Boston, commenced an engagement with the First Spiritualist Society of this city, Sunday, Dec. 9th, speaking at 2 P. M. upon the subject, "What

Dec. 9th. speaking at 2 P. M. upon the subject, "What Woman Has Done," Miss Nickerson is an easy speaker, at one getting the attention of her audience, and holding it to the close.

The 7 P. M. lecture was an argument for the equality of the sexes—statistics being given on the advance of woman in all of the departments of life, with a comparison of ability displayed in her public vocations, as compared with her brother man.

At the close of the evening lecture Miss Nickerson gave an exercise in mediumship, reading for persons in the audience very satisfactorily. She will occupy the same platform next Sunday. W. W. CURRIER.

Worcester, Mass .- A stormy Sunday and a good audience (considering the storm) greeted Mrs. Emma Miner's first appearance before a Worcester audience Miner's first appearance before a Worcester audience. Her subject in the afternoon, "Foundation and Surface," was full of deep thought and sound reasoning, commanding the strict attention of her hearers and eliciting well-merited applause at its close. She also favored us with several inspirational poems of more than ordinary merit.

Her evening subject, "The Demand for a New Theology," was equally meritorious. Mrs. Miner, who has but recently entered the lecture field, seems at once to step into a position which but few attain in so short a time.

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Haverhill and Bradford.-Last Sunday Miss Jennie Rhind, of Boston, whose peculiar style of address and interesting visions are an attraction, lectured and exercised her gifts as a secress before the First Spiritualist Association in Brittan Han, grawing large audiences both afternoon and evening. Miss Rhind gave illustrations of her gift of seeing both afternoon and evening, but in larger numbers on the latter occasion; all were of a very satisfactory character, E. P. H.

Lynn, Mass .- The Independent Spiritualists of Lynn on Sunday, Dec. 9th. held the third of their meetngs of the season at Cadet Hall, the platform being occupied by Prof. George Chainey, who gave us two
of his eloquent discourses. He is to be with us again
next Sunday, the subjects to be announced during the
week.
L. S. K., Cor. Sec'y.

Peconic, L. I .- We have been highly favored in having Mrs. Nellie J. T. Brigham visit us three times since last May, and also expect her appearance again on the 17th of December. Her lectures have been very instructive and pleasing. She meets with a warm re-ception among her many friends. WM. C. BUCKINGHAM.

Providence, R. I .- Mrs. Hooker delivered for us her lecture on "Prejudice" Sunday. Gerald Massey gives his essay on "The Historical Jesus of the Jews and the Mythical Egyptian Christ" next Sunday. I hope we shall have pleasant weather and a full house for this his last and hest lecture. E. H. WHITNEY.

Portland, Me.-A correspondent writes: "We have had a large attendance here of late, to listen to C. Fannie Allyn's ministrations. Excellent music has lent additional interest to the services. We have a lively Ladies' Aid Society among us, and the cause, in all respects, is 'marching on.'."

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Spiritualistic Meetings in New York.

Columbia Hall, 878 6th Avenue, between 40th and 50th Streets.—The People's Spiritual Meeting. Ser-vices every Sunday at 24 and 74 P. M. Mediums and speakers always present. Frank W. Jones, Conductor. speakers aiways present. Frank W. Jones, Conductor.

Arcunum Hall, 57 West 25th Street, N. E. corner 6th Avenue.—Meetings of the Progressive Spiritualists are held every Sanday at 3 and 8 P. M. Reliable speakers and test mediums always present in spirit phenomenal gifts. Prof. G. G. W. Van Horn, Conductor.

Meetings for Spiritual Manifestations will be held at Adelphi Hall, corner 7th Avenue and 52d street, New York, every Sunday at 24 P. M. Tests given by Mrs. E. A. Wells of New York.

Wells of New York.

Adelphi Hall, corner of 52d Street and 7th Avenue.— The First Society of Spiritualists holds meetings every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 74 P. M. Admission free. A General Conference will be held Monday evening of each week at 230 West 38th street, at the residence of Mrs M. C. Morrell. The First Society of Spiritualists.-Mrs. Nel

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The Meeting for Manifestations in the afternoon was well attended onsidering the inclemency of the weather, and the services interesting and instructive. The meeting opened with a piano solo by Miss Ella F. Porter, song by Miss Lilly Rumals. The applause that followed Miss Rumals's singling indicated the high estimation in which her abilities are held. Whistling solos by Miss Manie Horton elicited merited applause. Mark M. Pomeroy followed, giving a brief history of London as a great metropolis, and what it has done to accumulate material with which to make the coming of the Salvation Army a necessity. Mrs. Henry J. Newton read a notice of The Society of Mercy, organized for the purpose of establishing an unsectarian Home for the aged and indigent of both sexes, and spoke earnestly in its behalf. Mrs. Tingley dormerly Mrs. Parent one of our most reliable mediums for psychological readings, that were fully recognized.

Mrs. Brigham will occupy the platform of the First Society next Sunday morning and evening. M. M. Pomeroy will open the Meeting for Manifestations with a lecture on "The Mistakes

The Arcanum Hall Progressive Spiritualists' meetings, held Sunday, 9th inst., at 57 West 25th street, were well attended. Horatio G. Eddy held a light se-Norwich, Ct. - Sunday, Dec. 2d. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jance at 3 P. M., for physical manifestations. Musica has no blemish to his hands. Other remarkable manifestations occurred while the medium was in sight of

New York Specials.

At the meeting of THE ALLIANCE Wednesday evening, Nov. 28th, excellent speeches were made by Dr. Hicks, Mr. Morse, Mrs. Coleman, Mr. Jeaneret, Dr. Cetlinski and Mrs. Wallace. Mr. Morse gave an account of his meeting with Maggie Fox in London, years ago, saying that the raps came for the asking. Then we had our usual sitting, as a body, for the physical manifestations; when some five or six mediums present were used by the manifesting

Mrs. Diss Debar will be free about the 18th nst., and will lecture immediately after she gains her liberty, it is said.

Mrs. Moss, the excellent materializing medium, is forming a private Friday evening circle of six persons only.

Passed On.

From Haverhill. Mass., Dec. 6th, Edmund Gage, aged 86 years 6 months and 26 days.

In the very early days of what is termed "Modern Spiritualism," Mr. Gage, who was then residing in Cincinnati, O., became interested in the subject, and in connection with other gentlemen-several of whom have since become noted as Spiritualist lecturers and investigators—pursued the subject until he became fully satisfied of the truths of immortality thus revealed. Through all the years since that time he has continued his investigations, thereby constantly obtaining additional and satisfactory evidence of the truth of immortality, and of our continued conscious active and progressive life after the dissolution of our physical bodies.

Mr. Gage's home was ever open to mediums and investigators. He was connected with the First Spiritualist Society of this city, and, until the infirmities of age, and an accident which confined him to his house for nearly two years prior to his decease, was an almost constant attendant at its meetings, and always furnishing substantial aid in carrying them on. He was an active and prominent business man during his life, and for some years was a director in the First National Bank of this city, and was also quite efficient in securing the incorporation of the Five-Cent Savings Bank. He was a man of marked personality of character, and firm and tenacious in the expression of his opinions, after satisfying himself of their truth. Dr. P. L. H. Willis officiated at his funeral on Tuesday, Dec. 11th.

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Prof. Toohey was born in Fermoy, near the city of Cork.
Ireland, July 5th, 1822, and was educated for the ministry.
For years he was a friend and supporter of the late Wendell
Phillips, and list soice had often been heard on labor matters, which gave him a wide reputation.
Mr. Toohey years ago became convinced of the truth of
spirit-communion, and labored for the cause with eloquent
voice and crudite par in nearly every part of the United
States. Hoalso gave his attention to medical practice, lecturng at times upon the subject of health and disease. Ite has
often appeared before the Massachusotts Legislative Committees as a defender of equal rights before the law in matters remedial. It was his intention, had he remained in the
ropeal of the compulsory vaccination law. The latter years
of his life have been devoted to literary research and the
occupations naturally flowing therefrom.
Ho leaves four children. The funeral took place Friday,
Doc. 7th, from the residence of Mr. William James, 305 Co-

Spiritualistic Meetings in Brooklyn. Johnston Building, Flatbush Avenue, near Fut-ton.—Brooklyn Progressive Spiritual Conference every Sat-urday evening, at 8 o'clock. F. W. Jones, Conductor.

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J. F. JEANERET, Secretary, 44 Maiden Lame, New York, John Franklin Olark, Cor. Secretary, 89 Liberty street.

The American Spiritualist Alliance Held its regular meeting on the evening of Dec. 5th. The meeting opened by Dr. Cetlinski stating that at a scance a few days previous with a medium for independent writing, he received a message purporting to have been written by the Emperor Nicholas of Russia. The Doctor said that at the time he did not believe it was authentic, but that what had transpired later led him to believe it was. The statement was as follows: Mr. Jeaneret, who is a clairvoyant medium, described to him (Dr. C.) a spirit ant medium, described to him (Dr. C.) a spirlt whom he averred he saw standing by the side of the Doctor, and said, "He stamps his foot, and pronounces a Russian word that I don't understand the meaning of." "Well," replied the Doctor, "I know what it means. It is not very complimentary to me. It is the Russian word for stupid, and you have described the late Emperor Nicholas."
"Now," said the Doctor, addressing the chair, "the question that I wish The Alliance to help me answer is this: Why should the Emperor Nicholas come to me, while I not only have no love for him, but on the contrary hate him with an intense hatred, and have hated him for years,

love for him, but on the contrary hate him with an intense hatred, and have hated him for years, for the injury that he inflicted upon my country, Poland, and upon my family in confiscating our estate, and sending my brother to Siberia? Why, I ask you, should that man—now decarnated—whom I hate intensely, return and give me the message he did? I feel sure it was him, for that was a way he had of stamping his foot, and calling those he disliked stupid!"

Mr. Jeaneret stated that the spirit he saw standing by the Doctor looked and acted like a man who had always been accustomed to command and to be obeyed without any question.

mand and to be obeyed without any questionings, and impressed him as being one accustomed to rule with absolute authority.

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The Rev. Dr. Hicks, being present, was asked by Dr. Cetlinski to give his views upon the question and the latter did so at some length. The tion, and the latter did so at some length. conclusion arrived at was that there was a law of equal and exact compensation which was of equal and exact compensation which was operative throughout the realms of being, and that if emperor, noble or peasant wronged any person while living on this mundane plane, the time would come when from their homes in the supermundane world they would be compelled, how much soever they disliked to do so, to seek out such persons wherever they might be either in the mundane or supermundane. be, either in the mundane or supermundane spheres, and secure the forgiveness of such per-

son or persons for any wrong done them before they could make further progress.

Dr. Hicks then made a powerful appeal to Dr. Cetlinski to stretch forth his hand and grasp the spirit-hand held out to him in humble supplication for forgiveness for the wrong and injury done him and his, and which the spirit now fully realized and deplored in deep contrition, and to greet him as a brother man in distress, and by a full and free forgiveness help to remove the bars of the prison that held him in bondage; and thus, by this Godlike act of forgiveness and the changing of hate to love, and a strong desire to help a fellowman in dis-tress, be the means of setting this penitent prisoner free. Dr. Cetlinski replied that while he did not

know that his reason had been convinced as to the cause of Nicholas's coming to him, yet a chord in his heart had been touched by the Doctor's appeal, and had banished fully and forever the hatred that he had harbored for long years; and that henceforth he should have none but feelings of kindness for him and a desire to aid him in his spiritual advancement.

Mr. J. J. Morse, who was also a guest of The Alliance, spoke upon the same question, and while fully endorsing all Dr. Hicks had said, added that persons were often attached to each other through psychologic influences of which they themselves, might be whether incomes. which they themselves might be wholly ignorant; and it was to these psychologic attachments that we were to look for the explanation why, in scances, persons had spirits come to them with whom they not only had no person-al acquaintance, but of whom they had never

Many others also addressed The Alliance upon the question, the consensus of opinion beng as above expressed, and a number of inci dents of personal experience bearing directly upon the subject, and tending to confirm the

opinion expressed were related.

The next meeting of The Alliance will be at

P. M., Dec. 19th, at 219 West 42d street, Nev JOHN FRANKLIN CLARK, Cor. Sec'y.



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