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For the Banner of Light. SOUL MUSINGS.

BY MRS. A. B. SEVERANCE. Those golden days, the youthful days, So lovely, bright and sweet, They come to me like tuneful lays,

The charm of voices sweet in song, And mother's cheering smile, Will ever to my heart belong-Dear treasures all the while.

My later years to greet.

The father's kind and manly voice, In words my life to cheer: Brother's and sister's tones rejoice My soul with love sincere.

And one so sweet-though years depart-So loving, noble, true, Still dwells within my very heart-

Can ne'er be lost to view. Oh! may these thoughts of better kind My true companions be. And loving angels guide my mind The better way to see.

Then onward, upward, lead my way To sweeter, richer years, And may the good, from day to day, Dispel my doubts and tears.

Oh! make me strong to do the task That heaven to me assigned; True wisdom, too, I fain would ask, That I may bless mankind.

Spiritual Phenomena.

Some Experiences in Materialization.

BY DR. FRED. L. H. WILLIS.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

It is my purpose to try and present to your readers an account of some remarkable experiences I had during the last week of my recent engagement in St. Louis, Mo., with Mr. A. Willis, the materializing medium of Cincinnati, O.

When lecturing in the latter city some three years ago, I was introduced to Mr. Willis, but for reasons I do not now recall, I had no opportunity to witness any of his manifestations, although I learned much of their marvels.

It was with pleasure that I learned of his arrival in St. Louis just as my engagement was drawing to a close, for, with but one or two exceptions, I have been very unfortunate in my experiences with materializing mediums.

I had my first sitting with Mr. Willis in the presence of a select circle numbering fourteen. He had but just arrived in the city from New Orleans. His cabinet was simply two curtains. His séances were held in two parlors communicating by folding doors. One curtain hung flush with the casing of the doors; the other, suspended about two and a half feet in front of this, reached only two-thirds the way up. They were made of ordinary drapery damask of good thickness. The sitters were given full liberty to examine thoroughly both rooms before the séance commenced, and were themselves permitted to lock the doors connecting with the hall if they chose. There was but one window in the rear room, that and the door constituting the only means of ingress or egress. Of that fact I convinced myself beyond any reasonable doubt by a thorough investigation. The window was securely fastened upon the

I shall, for obvious reasons, confine myself to my own experiences, mentioning incidentally those which I shared with others.

At the first séance, as I have said, there were fourteen persons present. The light was supplied from a candle in a box fastened to the wall near the ceiling, opposite the cabinet. This box had a sliding door, from which a string passed through pulleys across the room to the cabinet, where it hung down between the two curtains composing it. To the end of the string was attached a knob, or tassel, and this was manipulated by the forces operating in the cabinet and varying degrees of light produced, from total darkness to sufficient to read even fine print easily by. The greater number of the manifestations occurred in a good light.

After sitting a few seconds in total darkness the voice of the controlling spirit of the cabinet, whose name I cannot recall, addressed the sitters intelligently with pleasant words of greeting, and predictions of a harmonious and successful sitting. Then the room was suddenly made light, and Mr. Willis, the medium -who, by the way, sits always outside of the cabinet, thus forming one of the circle, as does the young man who was with him, who man aged a fine music box, which, when there are no singers present, furnishes the music-was requested to take hold of the small end of a long tin horn, or trumpet, the larger end of which I was requested to hold,

The trumpet was an ordinary tin tube, at least three feet in length. I examined it critically previous to the sitting. Scarcely had I taken the large end of it in my hand when a voice-located about a foot from my handwithin the trumpet commenced talking with me. I exclaimed mentally, ventriloquism! Instantly the medium began talking with the sitters simultaneously with the voice that was carrying on a conversation with me in the

trumpet. The young man I have alluded to, and whom Mr. Willis averred was neither his assistant nor manager, but simply a friend traveling with him from New Orleans to Cincinnati, was also occupied in conversation with a sitter next him. This was the only trumpet manifests. This was the only trumpet manifests. The conversation with a sitter next terly impossible that any confederates could be conversation.

tion I ever witnessed that occurred in the | have escaped, or anything in the way of malight, and it was exceedingly satisfactory.

Then I was requested by the presiding spirit to enter the cabinet with a friend of mine who was present and the medium. Accordingly, we stepped behind the first curtain and stood there, hand in hand. Like a flash three magnificent forms stood before us at once. One was that of a German physician, well known to my friend. He had a striking face, no ordinary type that could be easily simulated, but strongly marked with individual characteristics, instantaneously recognizable. He spoke to my friend, giving strong test-proofs of his identity.

The second form-that of a lady most wonderfully, most perfectly materialized - came also to my friend with test-proofs of identity. The third form addressed me. It needed not the declaration of the name "Edwin Booth," which fell simultaneously from the lips of the materialized form and my own. The likeness was perfect, also the figure. Everything about him was like Booth in his best days. He was a favorite actor with me, and I believe if I ever saw him, I saw him that night in materialized

We returned to our seats in the circle, and several forms came out from the cabinet. One seemed to start out from the atmosphere in the medium's chair, at least three feet from the floor, as if the atmosphere were a solid pavecabinet. It did not go into the cabinet on disappearing. It seemingly sprang from the at-

mosphere, and was reäbsorbed into it again. At the close of the sitting the presiding spirit of the cabinet, who, it seems, died in the army, appeared in full army costume, and

made a closing address. But I think the most striking manifestations occurred at two private sittings given to the friend to whom I have alluded and myself. Both of these occurred in the afternoon with no one present besides ourselves, but the medium and his friend. Nearly everything occurred with the room well lighted. There was a parlor organ in one corner by the cabinet, belonging to the house, which on the previous evening was untouched, there being no one present who could perform. One lady made an effort to, but it proved a failure.

A female figure with flowing hair, dressed in Greek costume, came out from behind the curtain as we four sat there hand in hand, took he will surely have to pay the penalty. There her seat at the organ and with a masterly touch is no breaking of any law without punishment. commenced playing "Nearer, My God, to If a man puts his finger into a fire, he suffers Thee," in the key in which it was originally the penalty. Just so the minutest law-if written and which is rarely used by amateurs. broken, will bring its just punishment. Man We joined in singing the grand hymn to this can do great things if he will strive to keep marvelous accompaniment. My friend, who is God's laws, which are Nature's laws. complished musician, declared the effects produced in that accompaniment could have come only from a master-hand.

called into the cabinet, leaving myself and the er planes of existence. Thus he will develop, young man sitting side by side alone. The place his mortal self more in subjection to the room was well lighted, and I had one of his spiritual, and be surrounded by God serving hands in mine, when suddenly like a flash of guides that will make his mediumship such as electricity, appeared a form in the chair the to prove to the world the beauties of commedium had vacated, and which was next but munion with those dear ones whom many one to me on my left. It was a superb male think the grave closes over forever. Thus, one figure dressed in the classical costume of ancient | who conscientiously follows and tries to devel-Greece. No masterpiece of Phidias or Praxi- op mediumistic powers, will so advance in tiles was ever more faultlessly modelled. The spirituality that he or she can and will comfeatures were indescribably handsome, the face | mand respect, and will be trusted by his or her full of life, beaming with expression. I confess I was awed as I gazed for several seconds into the face of this mysterious apparition. I exclaimed, "Why, there is a spirit out here!" My friend and the medium insisted upon it that lost what would have increased daily had they my voice expressed terror, and had a great possessed the stamina to hold to their faith deal of quiet fun over it. I was certainly thoroughly astonished. Suddenly the form vanished as it came. It seemed to have no connection whatever with the cabinet, but vanished without rising from the chair, as if dissolving in air. It was the weirdest experience Lever had, and small beginning. Even man starts from a very left upon me the strangest effect.

noon of Mr. Willis's sudden departure for Cincinnati, in response to a letter received by him that morning.

satisfactory as those that preceded it, and of a governed by the same law. A medium is first similar nature. We had the same marvelous impressed, then led by easy stages and taught organ experience, with an equally satisfactory how to place himself (or herself) so as to retrumpet manifestation. My friend took some ceive the best good. He in time becomes beautiful roses with her. The outer curtain of the cabinet was thrown up, and she was requested to sit in the cabinet, facing us. The their friends through his particular phase of roses were lying in her lap. Suddenly three forms stood behind her chair. The central one stooped and took the roses from her lap, held them over her head for a moment, and and when that point is reached, then that methen the roses began to glow, becoming brilliantly luminous as they ascended above the cabinet and disappeared near the ceiling of the lofty room.

One very interesting manifestation, which was twice repeated, was the actual transit of are often, near those of their mortal friends. matter through matter. I was requested to throw my handkerchief into the cabinet, and take my stand near the curtain to receive it if time in the same manner they did upon earth it should be passed through. A large knot was then a desire comes to better themselves, and tied in my handkerchief after I threw it into a guide is at hand to aid in leading them upward. the cabinet, and presently I saw the end of Thus you see that even spirits do not attain one corner coming through the unbroken mesh of the curtain. I took hold of it, and it came slowly through, knot and all. There was no not be expected to be developed at once. Time seam near it, no aperture of any kind. The handkerchief came through the middle of a breadth of close textured curtain material.

This last sitting was extremely satisfactory. to me, from the fact that the instant it was over I was behind the curtains and in the

chinery or costumes could have been hurried out of sight.

We all searched for the roses, but no trace of them could be found.

It was very unfortunate that Mr. Willis felt obliged to leave St. Louis just as an interest was springing up in his manifestations that would have given more business than he could possibly attend to.

I consider him the most remarkable materializing medium I have ever seen.

Original Essay.

IN WHAT PROPORTIONS IS MEDIUM: SHIP DEVELOPED.

BY JUDGE JOHN W. EDMONDS.[*]

In the first place either man or woman must be of a nervous temperament to become mediumistic; for the spirit forces have to act on the nerve centre then it pervades the whole system of the medium. In preparing for mediumship the mortal is not invested at once with powers; development is a gradual progression from a feeling that comes over you that you can hardly describe as if some one the corner of the room by the cabinet behind were near you, and the looking up unconsciously to satisfy yourself that you are alone! Then you begin to believe certain impressions that ment to its tread. It did not come from the you get as referring to certain events. If you are thrown in contact with those enlightened on spiritual matters more than you are yourself, you will be drawn to seek more light, and as the light is unfolded to you so you grow in mediumistic powers. There are some who develop their powers quicker than others; yet one who develops slowly and surely is the one that will become the strongest in the end. The mortal body is very antagonistic to the spirit control, and for that reason man's spirit has to be strengthened and made more self-supporting than it is naturally; for man in the mortal until drawn by spirit power, allows his physical to control his spiritual. Thus you see every day man seeks to gratify his appetite, to accumulate wealth, to surround himself with every luxury, for his mategal comfort. That is a law of Nature to make the body as comfortable as possible—for then man enjoys rest from pain. Yet, when he forgets the law of Nature, and gives way to gluttony or to lusts,

In seeking mediumistic development, man must be sincere in his study. He should live a knee, Skab standing over me wringing his good, honest, upright life. As such he will hands and swearing like a trooper. After this my friend, with the medium, was draw to him those who will aid him on to highfellow-men.

> It does not appear that the gift of medium ship is properly appreciated by the majority of those receiving that power, and many have and await developments.

In speaking to your guides, some time ago, told you that man must not expect to have his mediumistic powers developed in a moment. There is no living thing but that starts from a small atom. Months pass before he sees the light My third and last sitting occurred the after- of day. Then the years roll on, and in time he reaches three score and ten, and perhaps more. This all goes to show it is an unalterable law of Nature that all things must start from the Although a hurried sitting, it was quite as smallest point; and so mediumistic powers are strong. Spirits find him in easy rapport with them, and they use him in communing with mediumship.

Remember this: that in mediumship there is the infancy, childhood, youth and manhood: dium is bound, by all the ties man can be bound with, to seek to do his neighbor good, and to endeavor to show him, through his mediumistic powers, that the spirits of those who have been called from the mortal life can be, and

It is true that man comes to the borderland just as he left the earth; many go on for a heaven in an instant. If spirits must progress by degrees, then surely true mediumship canworketh all things, and so time will perfectly unfold true mediumistic powers.

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Literary Aeyartment.

THE GHOST'S WAY.

A MUSICIAN'S STORY.[*]

PART EIGHT.

At a little city in Massachusetts the first incident of any note occurred, and it was the beginning of the end.

About midway in the concert a very excellent performance of one of Spohr's symphonies was encored, and I attempted to repeat it. Of course I failed, and my hands glided into an arrangement which I thought at first was the andante in A flat in Beethoven's symphony. But ere I had played two bars I found I was mistaken, and that it was one of my "unknowns.

What possessed me to do so I cannot tell, but I whispered to Tommy, "Original arrangement: Love's Question," and he shouted it out.

The piece was listened to in the profoundest silence, and well did it merit attention. As I say, it commenced like the andante in A flat, then it danced off into a kind of scherzo and then glided into the most pathetic music I have ever heard. My name was an inspiration. The whole arrangement was one grand question, and the anxious, timid, hopeful, halfdespairing way in which the chords groped about in doubt, now feeling their way, now rejoicing at a little light, now beseeching an answer, now putting it off as if afraid of what it might be, has never, to my knowledge, been equalled in music. It was the cry of a soul to a soul, "Do you love me? Can you love me? I am not worthy even of a thought, but, oh! think of me tenderly."

It said, in music, what Shelley only could say in words. "The desire of the moth for the star" was the undertone of every note, and so strangely did it affect me that tears trickled down my cheeks as I played.

All of a sudden I was conscious of a human eye piercing me through and through. I looked in the dress circle, and on the front row of seats a dark-eyed, gray-bearded man was contemplating me with a look in which wonder and fear were so blended that I caught something of each. In the midst of the most delicate and tender movement of the piece, my hands were violently lifted up at my throat and then dashed down so violently on the keys that I heard the strings of the piano snap, and I heard and saw nothing more until I awoke to consciousness in the green-room on Ivan's

Finding that I had only been out a moment, I insisted on going back, for to tell the truth I was in an agony, fearing that my power had left me.

Such, however, was not the case. The ghostly hands still exercised their sway, and I finished the concert. Once I lifted my eyes to the dress-circle, but the man I had seen had left his seat.

It appeared to me-it may have been fancy, but it certainly seemed to me-that the cold fingers on mine trembled, and that the execution was not as vigorous as usual.

PART NINE.

Next morning, about ten, a visitor to see me was announced. I told the bell-boy to usher him into my apartment, and so fully convinced was I of who the visitor was that my pulse did not beat one whit the faster, and I was cool and collected when the man whose glance had terrified me so the night before came into my

After the usual civilities, a kindly inquiry after my health and a few compliments on my matchless playing, as he styled it, the stranger, begging my pardon for what might seem an impertinent query, asked me if I had ever taken lessons from or known Rudolph Aronsonheim. I answered promptly and truthfully that not only had I never known him, but that I then for the first time heard the name.

"Strange, sir," said my visitor, half musingly, "strange. Your touch, your execution. everything about your playing, even down to your rather peculiar fingering, is Aronsonhaim's in every respect. And, stranger still, that beautiful concert piece you played was written by him. I never knew that any one but myself had even so much as seen the score. I have it with me. It is unfinished, and ends in a confused scratching of pencil-marks just where you were so unfortunate as to faint last

As he spoke he drew several stained pieces of music paper from his pocket and extended his hand, holding them toward me.

"You must excuse the dirty appearance of the sheets," said he in the same musing tone of voice. "The poor fellow cut his throat just before he finished the score, and that is his life blood on the paper."

"Gracious God!" I exclaimed, starting from my seat and waving back the accursed music. I learned that horrible music I do not know. I said it was original only because I could not lo- dust. cate it. Take it away from me."

"Pardon me," said the stranger, rising. "] fear I have been importinent," and he started

leave without giving me at least some information as to this unfortunate man, whose musie I seem unwittingly to have appropriated." "With pleasure, sir," he replied, "if it can

be a pleasure to rehearse even in a few words

so melancholy a history." Seating himself he went on:

"Aronsonheim was born in Bavaria, educated in Munich. Before he was sixteen he was considered one of the finest pianists in Germany. Allured by flattering hopes held out to him by relatives in this country, he came to New York and gave a few concerts. He was very unfortunate in his selections; for he had an insane admiration for early Italian and German masters, and would play their compositions. Grand as they are to the true musician they were caviare to the general.

"Aronsonheim earned applause and admiration from artists, but the public only came to hear him once or twice. Chagrined and heartsick he came to my native town with letters to me and boarded in my house. In a month's time he was desperately in love with the most beautiful and bewitching girl in our village, the daughter of a wealthy manufacturer there. An honest, openhearted gentleman, he declined to tell his love to the girl until he had the parent's permission, and with a frank manliness, that deserved at least recognition, he went to her father asking leave to address the daughter, who he believed was not indifferent to him.

"The usual result followed. Cursed as a beggarly 'Dutchman,' he was ordered out of the house, forbidden to speak to the woman he loved, and insulted as a snob only can insult a sensitive soul.

"I met him at the door. His face was so pale it frightened me. He rushed by me into his room, locked himself up there for a day and

then came out a broken man. "He tried for a week to get a single word with his love. He was denied admittance. The letters he wrote were returned unopened. He believed, I know not why, that the young woman loved him and would leap all barriers and fly with him, could be only tell her of his love; but no opportunity was afforded him to see her.

"At last he confided to me his scheme: give a concert. I know she will come. I will play her Glück's "Orfeo." I will play her some of Playford's music, and then I will ask her in music to be mine. Ach, Gott! I know she will

"Nothing could dissuade him from his scheme. His concert was advertised far and wide for the 22d day of October, two years gone. He sat up from half-past ten the night of the 21st"-I gave a convulsive start as the stranger said this. the reader can guess why-"to daybreak the next morning. Just before breakfast I entered his room and found him, wild-eyed and haggard, writing the score I now hold in my hand.

"He would not come to breakfast or dinner, despite my entreaties. I went up to his room about four in the evening, and just as I put my hand on the door knob I heard him give a despairing cry. 'I cannot do it. It will not come to me.' I threw the door open, but too late. He had cut his throat from ear to ear, and his lifeblood ran out on this score, which I have kept by me ever since, but never heard rendered until you played it last night. May I beg you to accept it?"

PART TEN.

It is unnecessary to go into any further particulars. Suffice it to say that the stranger left me no wiser than he came as to my musical knowledge or the source of my marvelous performance. But the horror that entered into my soul as he told his simple narrative can better be imagined than described. Had I, then, located my ghostly performer?

I had grown somewhat accustomed to my peculiar possession. Ivans—who alone knew my secret-and I had talked the matter over, and was beginning under his repeated asseverations to believe that it was really imagination on my part, and that my genius took this peculiar shape. But now all the horror of my first night returned. I recalled with a shudder that it was about half-past ten on a 21st of October, night that I first felt those awful hands. It was true he died two years before, but it was on the anniversary of the day he commenced. work on this piece of his that he-for I knew now it was he came and took possession of. me. Oh! the horror of it, the horror of it! It knew now why sometimes the touch of those hands felt moist and clammy.

Could I ever go near a piano again? Yes! I felt that I must continue to go on; to let him through my agency accomplish something, I. knew not what. And then a great pity surged in my soul for the poor spirit whose body was "I tell you I never heard of him before. Where | mouldering into clay, with no loving hand to deck the mound under which it was to become:

As the stranger left me he made one request; "I beg of you, sir, to visit my town (here he

fear I have been impertinent," and he started as if to go.

I interrupted him.

"Pardon me," I replied, "or rather my vehemence, I shall not, I cannot, permit you to published in The Merald, was R. T. W. Duke, He. Ed. (18).

man looked at me as I spoke these words.

And now I did a very curious thing, which Skab never understood, and never will understand unless he reads this narrative.

I sent for him, and ordered him to call in our advance agent and cancel every future engagement. My six months' contract had expired about a month before, but I had gone on with my performances on the same terms.

PART ELEVEN.

The reader can imagine the scene that followed. I do not care to dwell on it.

l agreed to pay all expenses incurred, and to give Skab the entire proceeds of the concert that night, with the understanding that I was to have my old place in the Bijou orchestra. This last he promised with great eagerness, but in the most earnest manner begged and pleaded with me not to throw away our fortunes, as he was convinced I was doing.

I told him with seriousness that this was my last appearance as a pianist, and I was convinced it was to be. A very strange feeling had come over me as soon as I had arrived in the town. I felt that I was called there to fulfill some purpose, and that I was to be relieved of what was now a terrible burden. No amount of fame, no sum of money, not all the applause of all the world, could have induced me to continue to suffer what I now suffered every time I touched the piano.

The effect on my nerves ever since I had the interview with Aronsonheim's friend was shocking, and I had grow irritable, wakeful, peevish, and as capricious as a spoiled child.

"Oh!" said Skab, the manager reasserting itself under his rage and disgust, "Oh! why didn't you give me a chance to advertise your farewell performance?"

And with this disappointment rankling in his soul he left me.

I walked to the hall that night with a feeling of relief so great that it almost overcame the usual feeling of horror and reluctance with which I approached a performance.

I found the hall packed and jammed, and the applause that greeted my appearance was, I think, the heartiest I ever received.

The usual cold chill took hold of me as I seated myself at the instrument; the phantom fingers grasped my own, and I played on just as usual. I suppose I had executed over twothirds of the number of pieces I usually gave, and had retired for a rest behind the wings, when Skab came around and spoke to me.

"You are not playing in your usual style," said he. "What's the matter?"

I told him that I was unaware of any difference. But I was conscious I was not exactly caudid in the statement, for there was a nervousness apparent to myself, and a strange tremulousness in the fingers that grasped my

I returned on the stage and took my seat Just before I stretched my arms out to the keyboard I happened to raise my eyes, and saw in the box just in front of me the most gloriously beautiful woman I ever looked upon. She was not exactly a blonde, yet not a brunette, with rich chestnut hair, an exquisite complexion, and eyes the light of which no Italian sky ever equalled; blue they might have been, for black they were not, but if blue it was like the azure of the illimitable sky re flected in the blue depths of the unfathomable ocean. You lost yourself looking in them.

I saw that this beautiful creature was watching me intently. Her rich red lips were parted, so that a gleam of her snow-white teeth could be seen between them. She was leaning slightly forward, and before I touched a key I felt that I could not withdraw my eyes from

the strange light that gleamed in hers. And yet I was conscious that she, while watching me, was looking beyond me, over my shoulder, and if I could have done so I would have turned my head. But before I could stir heads, and mothers folded their little children's hands together and turned their faces a muscle the hands seized me with a grip—this time so hard I gave an involuntary cry—and I heard, as if in a dream, the opening strains of Schubert's serenade.

'Never have I heard this witching music played as I then heard it. But for once my sense of hearing was dimmed, so completely had the sense of sight taken possession of me.

had the sense of sight taken possession of me. so entirely was I lost in the gaze of the magnificent eyes that looked through and beyond me, that I only knew when the music ended by the applause of the audience.

PART TWELVE.

An encore was demanded. Still watching the beautiful girl, who seemed now for the first time to be aware of my gaze, my hands touched the keys, and ere a single note was sounded I knew what was coming. "Love's Question," I heard Ivans shout, and I saw the beautiful face above me redden and then grow as white as sea-foam.

Oh! how that music sounded. My flesh grew cold, my eyes were flooded with tears, my heart beat against my bosom as if it would burst through my flesh. On and on, in a strain whose ravishing sweetness no earthly melody ever equalled, I heard Aronsonheim at last tell to the bride of his soul the love earth had for-

bidden him to speak. She heard it. I saw her rise from her seat, push back with a magnificent gesture the hair that rippled over her forehead, and lean across the brass rod that encircled her box. Her bosom was heaving like a tempest-tossed billow; her breath, I could see, was coming fast and short. Her lips were wider apart, and her eyes looked as the half-opened gates of Paradise must look

to a condemned soul. 'I partook of her agitation. Swaying from side to side, I felt that the climax was approaching. The discord at the awful ending of the written score was coming. I, too, breathed sharp and hard, but clenched my teeth in ter-

rible fear. Would those hands clutch my throat? those cold, clammy fingers tear me as the despairing

gave mo.the name, which need not be repeated here), and if you do, please play this score."

I made up my mind to comply with this request, and though Skab stormed and swore, and finally made me pay a thousand dollars forfeit, I carried my point, and on a lovely June day I found myself in the village of —, billed for a concert in its neat little music hall.

The stranger visited me at my hotel, but I declined his invitation to return the visit, and with some petulance, I fear, begged to be excussed from going to see Aronsonhelm's grave, as he urged me to do.

"My dear sir," I said, "what in the world is the man to me?"

I gave a little shudder as I said it, but I do not think he noticed it. He left me, again repeating his request that I would play the dead man's last composition that night. I promised to do so—"If I can"—and I must confess I did not like the curious way in which the gentleman looked at me as I spoke these words.

soul felt that music could not tell its anguish?

The last bar was reached, but instead of the draw was reached, but instead of the draw was reached, but instead of the draw in the saw guphony crept from the keys and made the warm blood leap in my heart. It was no questloning music any longer; it was a joyous knowledge that filled the soul and overran the senses with a silvery flood of harmony.

"Thou art mine!" it said; "mine forever and ever! No more despair, no more doubt, no more fear! Joy, joy, joy! even as doubt, no more fear! Joy, joy, joy! even as the angels feel in the presence of God. Minel mine! mine!"

My head swam; reason recled; but above the mine! mine! "it said; "mine forever and they are very! thirsts!" [The tragic truth of this thought is as suggestive as the angels feel in the presence of God. Minel mine! mine!"

My head swam; reason recled; but above the wine jars. And I said to God. "Why is that hand so bloodless?"

And God said, "It is a wine-pressed hand."

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I said to God, "How

fingers loosen their grip upon my hands, and with a light caress leave them forever.

When I recovered from an attack of brain fever I found myself in Pittsburgh; faithful Tommy Ivans my nurse and Skab my general body-guard and watcher. For a long time I asked no questions, but one day as I sat in an loose small hand?"

God answered, "Because it is so white!" And men ran in great company toward the curtain and struggled there. I heard them strike upon the floor. And when they moved there was a small stain on the floor.

I said to God, "Why do they not wash it out?"

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And men ran in great company toward the curtain and struggled there. I heard them strike upon the floor. And when they moved there was a small stain on the floor.

I said to God, "Why do they not wash it out?" asked no questions, but one day as I sat in an easy-chair on the balcony of my room I mustered courage to ask Ivans a question.

"That girl--? He interrupted me, his face white and troubled.

"Dead," he replied, and from that day to

this I have never mentioned the subject. I am still leader of the orchestra at the Bijou Theatre, but the piano, at my request, has been removed. I use my bow or a handsome baton Skab has given me.

I have never touched a piano since my last concert, and I do not think I ever will again.

(From Olive Schreiner's "Dreams.")

A VISION.

And we came where hell opened into a plain, and a great house stood there. Marble pillars upheld the roof, and white marble steps led up to it. The wind of heaven blew through it. Only at the back hung a thick curtain. Fair men and women there feasted at long tables. They danced, and I saw the robes of women flutter in the air and heard the laugh of strong men. [The world of the careless rich.] What they feasted with was wine; they drew it What they feasted with was wine; they drew it from large jars which stood somewhat in the background, and I saw the wine sparkle as they drew it. [Wine as here used represents acquired wealth which is expended in gratifying the passions, appetites and selfish desires of those who revel in the fruit of the wine-press. The figures employed in this allegory are as striking as they are apt, and in the range of this kind of literature I know of nothing finer than the imagery here used.]

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And I said to God, "I should like to go up and drink." And God said, "Wait." [The first impulse of the awakened soul is to enjoy that which, though transient as a dream, allures, as does the flame the moth.] And 1 saw men coming into the banquet house: they came in from the back and lifted the corner of the curtain at the sides and crept in quickly; and they let the curtain fall behind them; and they bore great jars they could hardly carry. And the men and women crowded round them, and the new-comers opened their jars and gave them of the wine to drink. [Those who have, through special privileges, class laws, and speculation, acquired vast fortunes, find the world of the dilettante ready to welcome them if they are lavish with their unearned wealth, and are careful to drop the curtain behind them.] And when others had well drunken they set the jars when others had well drunken they set the jars among the old ones beside the wall, and took their places at the table. And I saw that some of the jars were very old and mildewed and dusty, but others had still drops of new must on them.

And I said to God, "What is that?" For amid the sound of the singing, and over the dancing of the feet, and over the laughing across the wine-cups, I heard a cry. [That cry is growing louder and louder every hour.]

And God said, "Stand away off." And he took me where I saw both sides of the curtain. Behind the house was the wine-press, where the wine was made. I saw the grapes crushed,

the wine was made. I saw the grapes crushed, and I heard them cry. I said:
"Do not they on the other side bear it?"
God said: "The curtain is thick: they are

And I said, "But the men who came in last?
They saw."
God said, "They let the curtain fall behind them—and they forget!"
I said, "How came they by their jars of

God said, "In the treading of the press these are they who came to the top; they have climbed out over the edge and filled their jars from below, and have gone into the house."

And I said, "If they had fallen as they climbed?"

cumbear God said, "They had been wine."
I stood away off, watching in the sunshine, and I shivered. God lay in the sunshine,

watching, too.

Then there rose one among the feasters who said: "My brethren, let us pray." And all the men and women rose; and strong men bowed their heads, and mothers folded their little chil-

us pray."
He cried, "For this fair banquet-house we thank thee, Lord."
And all the men and women said, "We thank

thee. Lord. "Thine is this house, dear Lord."
"Thine is this house."

For us hast thou made it."

"Oh! fill our jars with wine, dear Lord."
"Our jars with wine."
"Give peace and plenty in our time, dear

Lord."
"Peace and plenty in our time."
I said to God: "Whom is it they are talking to?" God said: "Do I know whom they speak of?" And I saw they were looking up at the roof; but out in the sunshine God lay. [The eyes of millions are so riveted on the ceiling of the temples that they are oblivious of the fact that Jesus is ragged, shelterless and starving at their doors; even though he told them that when the final judgment came those who had not recognized him in the starving, crushed and suffering of earth would not be recognized by him.]
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Then men and women sat down, and the feast went on. And mothers poured out the wine and fed their little children with it, and men held up the cup to women's lips and cried, "Be-loved, drink!" and women filled their lovers' flagons and held them up; and yet the feast

went on.

And after awhile I looked, and I saw the curtain that hung behind the house moving. I said to God, "Is it a wind?"
And God said, "A wind."

And it seemed to me that against the curtain I saw pressed the forms of men and women. And after awhile the feasters saw it move, and they whispered, one after another. Then some rose and gathered the most wornout cups, and into them they put what was left at the bottom of other vessels. Mothers whispered to their children: "Do not drink all; save a little drop when you have drunk," And when they had collected all the dregs they slipped the cups out under the bottom of the

* Notes by B. O. Flower in The Arena.

God said, "They cannot." [When one, two, or three white hands reach under the curtain, and index fingers shake menacingly at the revellers, conventionalism crushes the offend-

revellers, conventionalism crushes the offenders in the name of order. But the stain of an unjust deed cannot be effaced.]

And they took small stones and put them down along the edge of the curtain to keep it down. Then the men and women sat down again at the tables. [When the demand for justice becomes urgent, laws are passed which act as stones to hold down the curtain for a time.]

And I said to God, "Will these stones keep it down?"

it down?"

God said, "What think you?"
I said, "If the wind blew —"
God said, "If the wind blew?"
And the feast went on.
And suddenly I cried to God: "If one should rise among them, even of themselves, and start up from the table and should cast away his cup and cry, 'My brothers and my sisters, stay! What is that we drink?'—and with his sword should cut in two the curtain and holdsword should cut in two the curtain, and hold-ing wide the fragments cry, 'Brothers, sisters, see! it is not wine! not wine! not wine! My brothers, oh, 'my sisters!'—and he should over-

God said, "Be still—see there!" I looked. Before the banquet house, among the grass, I saw a row of mounds; flowers cov-ered them and gilded marble stood at their

heads. I asked God what they were.
He answered, "They are the graves of those who rose at the feast and cried."
And I asked God how they came there.
He said, "The men of the banquet rose and cast them down bankwards."

I said, "Who buried them?"

God said, "The men who cast them down."

[The conventionalism of to-day builds marble monuments to the victims of the conventionalism of to-day builds marble monuments to the victims of the conventionalism of the conventionalism. ism of yesterday. Garrison, who, for calling out to his fellow revellers, was anathematized by press and pulpit, and who was dragged through the streets of Boston by a well-dressed mob, who reflected conservative public sentiment of that time, is now honored by the children of this same conventionalism by being represented in a huge bronze monument, erected upon the most wealthy and feebloapshie

ed upon the most wealthy and fashionable boulevard of Boston.]

I said, "How came it that they threw them down and then set marble over them?"

God said, "Because the bones cried out, they

covered them."

And among the grass and weeds I saw an unburied body lying; and I asked God why it

God said, "Because it was thrown down only yesterday. In a little while, when the flesh will have fallen from its bones, they will bury it also and plant flowers over it." And still the feast went on !

For the Banner of Light. LOVE.

BY LITA BARNEY SAYLES.[*]

I do not know, when Love is by our side. Why we repel his ardent glance and tone Till he, reproved, shrinks back in sad surprise, And patient waits a morning of his own

I do not know why, when the feast is spread, We do not of its treasures quick partake. But push the viands from our hungry hearts And promises of future welcomes make

I do not know why tender words should fall Unheeded from the lips we truly prize, And we perversely wrap our souls away, The while we look into the other's eyes; Life all too serious is for coquetry-

For playing fast and loose with human souls; And so am puzzled oft, nor can explain What curlous vaciliation us controls. Is it because the Perfect looms above

Th' imperfect present which alone we greet, And the ideal love so far exceeds The partial offerings laid beneath our feet? We fain would wander in the valley fair.

Where flowers perennial sweeten all the air, And Nature in her fairest mood is seen: But mountain-paths must claim our earnest tread Mere pleasure cannot feed our onward surge;

Where streams flow ever and the grass is green.

And they who would attain—and wisdom wed O'er rugged ways their weary feet must urge. Will those who meet us in the beauteous vale, And walk beside us in that quiet road, Fail not with patient step to keep our side

In our ascent from Nature up to God? We fear the hurts our souls too oft have known; Deflections sore from those who were not strong Though starting with us on our upward way,

Who from our eager steps have wandered long. And so, when Love is lingering by our side, We hesitate—and sit all unconfest-To come within his all-encircling arm,

Where only we can gain desired rest.

For Love is perfect haven of the soul, And only in his smile we truly live. And if his dearest boon is not our own . May we not freely take the best he'll give? Shall we, because full bounty is denied,

Starve daily, till all appetite shall fall; Living on hope alone, till "hope deferred Sickens the heart" with uncompleted tale? The ideal love for which we live and move. And sacredly retain our holiest grace, Shall know and greet us in the coming time,

Forgiving all our strivings in the race; All our endeavors to discern the true; All our mistakes when falseness we accept; And turn to rainbow colors every tear

Our self-condemnings have so freely wept. Then shall we not, when Love is by our side, Gather all sweetness that he choose to shed; Nor wait until, repressed and sad, he goes To lay him down beside our other dead ?

[*] We received this poem from Mrs. Sayles just previus to her recent decease, and now give it to our readers in utter confidence that its talented and sensitive autho as, in the Better Land, met the full finition of all that her world-weary soul longed vainly for while here.-ED

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Bunner Correspondence.

Onr friends in every part of the country are enruestly invited to forward brief letters, items of local news, etc., for use in this depart-

Massachusetts.

BEVERLY .- Mark Donnett writes, July 3d: Our divine religion was most beautifully exemplified Sunday, July 1st, at Camp Progress, Swampscott, from the lips of various inspired mediums; and was listened to with rapt attention by a large audience. The services were opened by Dr. C. H. Harding, of Boston, with an inspired invocation. He then gave an elaborate and interesting discourse, followed by many tests of spirit presence, and messages to their mortal friends—which tests were responded to as correct; excellent music, by Mrs. Merrill, Mrs. Hayes and Mr. Gardner, with organ ac-companiment; addresses were given by Dr. Rufus Foster, of Boston, Mrs. Baker, of Marble-head, and President Barrett, of the National Association of Spiritualists.

Association of Spiritualists.

In looking over the audience I was pleased to see many gray heads of most respectable people, which denotes that the thinking public are becoming interested in this religion of humanity, which teaches us how to live here and promote the happiness of our fellow beings—there-propaging ourselyes for a happy future. I by preparing ourselves for a happy future. I am sorry, however, for others who are allowing prejudice regarding our divine religion to pre-

vent their investigating it, and learning its origin and merits.

I received notice last night that a veteran Spiritualist, Mr. Marion Tuttle, of Salem, eighty years five months ten days old, had passed on to receive the reward of a well-spent life; he has been patiently waiting, during several months of suffering, for the boatman to convey him across the river of life to the immortal shore. Spiritual service will be held this P. M.—presumably by Mrs. N. J. Willis, of Cambridgeport."

WORCESTER .- E. H. Hammond, Secretary, writes: "We closed our Lyceum the last Sunday in June until September next-when we shall reopen with renewed strength for another year. The past season has been very pleasantly spent, and we hope the seed we have sown will bring forth abundantly when the harvest

may come.

July 1st (Sunday) the Lyceum and its many friends held a basket pionic at Sutton's Grove, on the banks of Coe's Pond, a very beautiful sheet of water. We had a very enjoyable time, and came home refreshed.

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Many of our number are now preparing to attend the various camp-meetings that so invitingly surround us. The hard times, however, will prevent a goodly number from going—your humble servant among the rest—who, absent in body, will surely be present in spirit."

Delaware.

WILMINGTON .- S. N. Fogg writes: "MR. GEORGE K. BAUGH laid off the mortal Sunday, June 23d, 1894, in the eightieth year of his age. He had been an invalid for several years, and for some time past had been confined to the house. For about four weeks he could not the house. For about four weeks he could not leave his bed, and he finally passed peacefully away. For years his greatest desire was to go hence; but his spirit-friends told him to be patient and wait for his time to come. His hearing had become impaired, but he enjoyed reading—especially the BANNER OF LIGHT.

The funeral services were conducted by a Swedenborgian minister, and his remarks on the life that now is and that which is to come, were very acceptable to the Spiritualists present.

Bro. Baugh had been a Spiritualist for over forty years. About 1852 he was prevailed upon to attend a private scance in Wilmington. He went as a skeptic and came away a believer; went as a skeptic and came away a believer; all present received an unexpected test, for while sitting in their room with doors and windows closed, they were told to run, as a certain building in the city was on fire. They went out, and found it as they were told. This useful intelligence satisfied him that there was something in the phenomena, and he has been interested in them ever since.

In 1855 he moved to Massillon, O., and there he became one of a developing circle that met

he became one of a developing circle that met regularly for a long time, and were rewarded with marvelous manifestations, some of which have been given to the readers of The Ban-NER, and many more have been told to me. One or two I think are worth mentioning. At one of their scances held Friday evening, April 7th, 1865, they received the following: 'One week from to night a startling event will happen that will throw this nation into mourning.' The next Friday night Abraham Lincoln was assassinated! At another scance a handness man was present; he had a contract nnaineas man w sent: he had a partner who was then in Philadelphia. At 10 o'clock he inquired where his partner was just at that The answer came that he was at 10th and Arch streets. The next day he wrote him a letter, and asked where he was at 10 o'clock the night before. The answer came that the city clock struck ten as he was passing 10th and Arch streets.'

Illinois.

CHICAGO .- "Veritas" writes: "'The First Society of Spiritual Unity,' which meets every Sunday in Custer Post Grand Army Hall, 85 Sunday in Custer Post Grand Army Hall, 85
South Sangamon street, on the West Side of this city, about one mile from City Hall due west, dedicated this hall as its Spiritual Temple on April 29th, the first Sunday after its completion and dedication by the Post on April 28th. The hall is one high story of tasteful brick and stone front, a few steps above the sidewalk, lighted by top windows, and capable of seating about three hundred. It is very finely furnished with folding opera seats, and has ladies' and gentlemen's waiting rooms and other modern improvements.

The platform of principles under which this

The platform of principles under which this society was formed and is acting embodies love, truth and justice—aiming to teach harmony for the purpose of creating a greater unity among mediums and members, and Spir-

unity among mediums and members, and spiritualists generally; and the effect of such action as has been taken under these principles is already noticeable in many directions.

Mrs. Mary C. Lyman, the gifted inspirational speaker, has been engaged for a year, and has entered upon her mission with all the force and earnestness that characterizes this grand-livest under the strength of the Angel World. ly attuned instrument of the Angel World. Her delivery is full, clear, rapid and well sustained in power, and of such high intellectuality as to draw together refined and highly-developed minds wherever she has been engaged. She is often grandly eloquent and soul-stirring upon national and patrictic subjects, and when used as a teacher upon occult lines is simply a sublime instrument for giving light concerning the higher branches of our philoso-

In September next we expect to start a Children's Lyceum, a ladies' society and a course of occult lectures for advanced students, of which more particular notice will be given

E. N. Pickering, a Boston boy and a worker in the spiritual ranks for some years, is the President of this society."

Canada.

PICTOU (Ontario) .- John S. Barker writes: 'In the BANNER OF LIGHT, June 16th, is recounted 'Elias Howe's Great Dream,' as copied from the secular press—headed by the remarks that great inventors are also great mediums in that great inventors are also great mediums in their special departments, and are capable of receiving novel ideas by clairaudient whisperings, clairvoyant sight or visions of the night. It might be interesting to The Banner readers to know that I, also, believe that a great many such impressions as Elias Howe had are lost to the utility of the world's people by not being carried out as given to said mediums—either by want of means (as in my case) or by the credulity or indifference of the receiver of them. Real Faith never grows weak by having to wait.

only be novel to this world but would be an advancement, and a very remunerative specula-tion to the manufacturers thereof, as well as of great utility to mankind. I tried for five years great utility to mankind. I tried for five years to interest individuals in the importance of a vehicle I rode [in vision], but incredulity and indifference was the result until I got tired of referring to a practical conveyance that would be as popular as the bicycle, and of more usefulness to man and womankind for pleasure and profit. The same also could be said of boat-provided on the six flast. I have ridden on propulsion and the air-float. I have ridden on these, and have asked mental questions thereafter that appeared to be answered affirma-

tively.
I had occasion to sit with a man—who had a I had occasion to sit with a man—who had a badly fractured leg—who related a vivid dream he had of the operations of a novel saw-mill that seemed to be a far better appliance for cutting up logs than any in use that he knew of; and he felt sorry he had not investigated further and made some practical drawings of what he saw in the dream after he awoke from it; but the world is full of regrets for what might have been. If only some one, or a limited liability company, would take hold of such cases and help to practically develop these useful things, would it not be better than to let them pass into oblivion again?"

Maine.

LEVANT.-Under date of June 26th, Mrs. M. J. Wentworth writes: "One year ago last October seven Spiritualists of Levant felt the need of union, and organized under the name

need of union, and organized under the name of 'Good-Will Association of Spiritualists.' Mr. L. McLaughlin was chosen President; Mr. Haskell, Vice-President; Mrs. Sarah McLaughlin, Treasurer; Mrs. Manly, Secretary. Soon others joined the society. Fine local mediums, the three sisters and brother known as the Packard Family, also Miss Nellie Chase, test and inspirational medium, and others susceptible to spirit power, came forward, speaking and giving tests in the circles held once in two weeks, and in meetings once a month, until the present June, when the society, with a membership of eighty-five, invited your corremembership of eighty-five, invited your correspondent to speak for them June 10th and 17th.

The meetings were held in Wilson's Hall.
Miss Chase and Mrs. Hews kindly rendered inspirational songs and music; selections were

also rendered by the choir, and Mr. Wells of Kenduskeag contributed recitations. The interest in these meetings was so great

The interest in these meetings was so great that your correspondent was invited to speak two more Sundays—once at Wilson's Hall and once at the Universalist Church in Herman, kindly proffered by residents of the town.

In the meetings Mrs. Waugh of Corinth, an inspirational medium, recited original poems. Mrs. Elliott of Bangor, a test and inspirational medium recently developed, gave striking personations that were recognized. 'Tempest,' the little Indian maiden who controls Mrs. Hews, gave fine tests that were recognized by those present.

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June 26th we attended an entertainment by the society, which was a success financially

and socially.

June 28th the society circle met with Mr. June 28th the society circle met with Mr. and Mrs. Manly, earnest workers in the Cause. Mrs. Hews and Miss Heal attended. We introduced the movement known as Union for Practical Progress, and all the members of the 'Good-Will' present and others gave me their names as members, electing the 'Good-Will' officers as the officers of the new association, with the addition of an especial Secretary, Mr. Wells of Kenduskeag, Me."

Vermont.

NORTH TUNBRIDGE.-Lizzie Brown says: 'The friendship of the person of unflinching integrity is universally desired, and in such times as try men's souls his aid is sought. That person, whether man or woman, rich or poor, who will be firm for the right regardless of present consequences, is of inestimable worth, and him alone would we enlist on our side, knowing there will be found strength and support

port.
The true friend, who rejoices with the upright, loves and pities the erring without stoopright, loves and pities the erring without scooping to their vices; who stands alone, bearing the reproach and scorn of the multitude, rather than yield to do that which conscience forbids—around such all good clusters. They are the basis of good society, and without them it could not exist. This being true in the moral, how much more is it so in the spiritual life? Such a soul will never complain at the cross Such a soul will never complain at the cross, or seek to shun it; but rather inquire, 'How can I do more good, be more devoted to the cause of truth?' How such are beloved by their companions on earth, and with what love and admiration are they beheld by ministering angels! Through the mediumship of these upright souls they are enabled to make known the will of God to those dwelling on the earth."

Connecticut.

DANIELSONVILLE.—DeLoss Wood writes: 'Recently, while in the presence of a friend who had had a severe headache all day, I suggested the experiment of curing the same by magnetic passes. I crossed the room to where the subject was sitting, and placed my hand on her forehead; instantly the unconscious state was produced. In a few seconds I restored the normal condition, and lo! the headache was gone!

ache was gone!

For doing this, ought 1 to be considered guilty of violating law? Yet I was doing just that thing—so regarded in some sections of the country, at least. In a few seconds' time I effected a cure that the M. D. could not do; what justice is there in laws that would forbid my making a cure which he could not accomplish? A moment's thought will reveal what an outrageous farce such laws are." an outrageous farce such laws are.

Rhode Island.

PROVIDENCE.—Mrs. M. L. Porter (mother of the young speaker, George A. Porter) writes of her own and her family's spiritual experiences: "We knew nothing of spirit phenomena or Spiritualism until they came to us in our own home. We welcomed the divine guests with profound thanks. My son George was given independent writing when only sixteen years old, and promised slate-writing if we would sit three months. We formed a small circle and did so, and obtained the result promised in the stated time—without pencil or contact of medium. Later on this phase will be given to the public. For the last few months the guides have developed the medium for inspirational speaking—poems being given also; and, as our own Society and the Society of Pawtucket, R. I., can testify, the result has been beyond our expectations. The guides hope to do good work through this instrument, who is not yet eighteen years old."

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[The Ascending (?) Scale!]—Steal a chicken and you are a thief; steal \$1,000 from your employer and you are an embezzler; steal \$5,000 from the Government and you are a defaulter; rob your competitor on the stock exchange of \$10,000 and you are a financier; rob him of \$100,000 or \$500,000 and you are a wizard or a Napoleon of finance; wreck a railroad and gather it in and you are a "magnate"; wreck a great railroad system and you are a "railroad king"; conduct a negotiation by which a strong nation plunders a weak nation of thousands upon thousands of square miles of thousands upon thousands of square miles of territory, and makes the weak nation pay millions of money indemnity for the wrong it has suffered, and you are a diplomat. Truly, "the times are out of joint."—Religious Herald

Nothing Strange.

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I have had illustrated to me in vivid dreams, both land, water and air conveyances, that if put in practice here as I received them there at tion and other troubles that originate in impurities various periods of my dream-life, would not the blood or impaired circulation, can all be cured. saltrheum, and what are commonly called "humors," dyspepsia, catarrh, rheumatism, neuralgia, consumption and other troubles that originate in impurities of

Camp and Grobe-Mectings.

Lake Pleasant, Mass., Notes.

To the Editor of the Hanner of Light:

Mr. Avery Clapp of the Highlands has arrived; he
was a ploneer in that section, and has lived to see the primeval forest become the summer residence of representatives from several large cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Shackley have received a hearty wel-

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The hotel is thoroughly renovated. Landlord Kennedy will preside over a well-kept house.

Hon. Augustus Carey is Justice of the Peace.

Every one wishes for Mrs. Haslam—our esteemed Treasurer's wife—an improved condition of health.

Aunt Mary's sweet corn will suon be on sale, so says Benj. Tilden.

Dr. Joseph Beals and I. Chenery were in camp Saturday; if Cephas B. Lynn had only been on hand, it would have seemed like "ye olden time."

Mr. Ripley will dispense ice cream at Onset this season.

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Mrs. A. E. Barnes has the sympathy of the entire camp—her son Richard having recently been called by the "angels of light" to the life eternal!

Mrs. M. H. Warren of Natchez, Miss., is at the hotel, recuperating impaired health; this is her first visit to a spiritual camp, although she has been an earnest student of Spiritualism and a constant reader of the BANNER OF LIGHT.

Mrs. Brown of Athol is rapidly recovering her health, in her cozy summer home.

Capt. Caswell and his interesting family are taking comfort and rest among the pines.

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All enjoy themselves at Mr. and Mrs. Robbins's pleasant home.

At Hotel: H. H. Raynes, Boston; F. G. Jager, Lowell; D. B. Hill, New York; Dr. O. E. Watkins and wife, Ayer, Mass.; A. T. Pierce and wife, Boston; Mrs. Warren, Natchez, Miss.

Excursion Tickets are now on sale at \$3.25, Boston to Lake Pleasant and return.

Registered at Headquarters: L. A. Ingraham and family, Worcester; Mrs. F. A. Baldwin, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. N. J. Morse, Dorchester; Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Bixby, Gloucester; Mrs. F. E. Fuller, North Adams; L. H. Wiggin, Chelsea; Miss Lizzle Danforth, Boston.

Directory of the Camp: Hotel and Restaurant, and Bakery, E. D. Kennedy; Groceries, Whiteside, Hill & Bon; Post Master and Station Agent, Mr. Henry; Furniture, Mr. A. Fales; Headquarters, Mr. and Mrs. Young; Ice, Harry Bavage.

A large delegation arrived from Boston on Saturday—Miss Jennie Rhind, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, Miss Booth and Mrs. Smith being among them.

The most severe thunder shower of the season occurred on Saturday, June 30th; the grounds were badly washed out in several places.

A new steamer has arrived for the Lake; also several new boats.

Mrs. Mason went to Dudleyville to conduct a funeral on Sunday.

F. B. Woodbury.

Lake George, N. Y.

The grounds of the Lake George Camp Association are situated at the inlet to the Adirondacks, on the east shore, at the head of the far-famed Lake George, seventy miles from the city of Albany, thirty miles from Saratoga, nine miles from Glens Falls, and about one-half mile from the village of Caldwell, on

from Saratoga, nine miles from Glens Falls, and about one-half mile from the village of Caldwell, on the west shore, at the head of the lake, in the town of Caldwell. Warren County, New York, at the terminus of the Glens Falls branch of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad.

The grove is owned by this Association, and consists of thirty acres, located upon the shores of Lake George, whose waters are the purest in the world.

The forests consist of a nice second growth of maple, oak and chesthut. The air is dry, and with constant mountain breezes renders the grounds the most healthful to be found anywhere.

The preamble to the Declaration of Principles put forth by this Association announces that "the Spiritualists of New York do hereby organize themselves into a body for the purpose of thoroughly investigating the phenomena, and calling the attention of the people to the merits and claims of Modern Spiritualism now, in order to form a more perfect union of Spiritualists here and in the spirit-world, to establish more-effectual working plans, to provide for the unrestricted liberty of investigating said phenomena, and to secure for ourselves the strict observance of the laws of our country in relation to worshipers."

Those who intend visiting the Camp this season will find that the management has made many improvements there. The Caldwell railroad dépôt is at the steamboat dock of the Lake George & Lake Champlain Transportation Company. Delaware & Hudson trains on this branch connect at Fort Edward with all trains north and south. The large and beautiful steamers therefore and Ticonderoga connect with all steamers on Lake Champlain, north and south.

The management expects to secure reduced rates on all trains and steamboats; row-boats will be rented of heap to fishing-parties; good fishing near the grounds; steam-launches can be hired by the day or hour by those wishing to take an excursion on the fairest of lakes.

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Aug. 5th, A. M., Mrs. Clara H. Banks; P. M., W. F. Peck. Aug. 7th, P. M., Conference Meeting. Aug. 11th, P. M., T. Grimshaw. Aug. 12th, A. M., J. Clegg Wright; P. M., Dr. Beckwith Ewell. Aug. 14th, P. M. T. Grimshaw. Aug. 15th, P. M., Conference. Aug. 18th, P. M., Dr. Beckwith Ewell. Aug. 19th, A. M., Miss S. Lizzle Ewer, P. M., Mrs. Tillie Reynolds. Aug. 21st, P. M., Miss S. Lizzle Ewer, Aug. 23d, P. M., Conference. Aug. 25th, P. M., Mrs. Tillie Reynolds. Aug. 28th, P. M., Mrs. Hills Reynolds. Aug. 28th, P. M., Mrs. Hills Reynolds. Aug. 28th, P. M., Mrs. Hills Reynolds. Aug. 28th, P. M., Mrs. Florence Rich White, of New York City, platform test medium, will be in attendance; also Mrs. P. A. F. Deuzenbury, an old-time healer, and several other test and slate-writing mediums.

Mrs. M. E. Williams, Mrs. L. S. Cadwell, also DeWitt C. Hough (full-form materializations and independent voices), and many other mediums of well-known reputation, representing all the different phases of phenomena, will be at Lake George Camp during the month of August, 1894.

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Any further information will be furnished by the Secretary, S. H. Smith, Lake George, N. Y.

Inter-State Spiritual Camp, Mich.

The Spiritualists of Michigan will inaugurate

Verona Park, Me.

The twelfth annual meeting of Penobscot Spiritual Temple, at Verona Park, opens Aug. 17th, and will continue ten days.

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Since the last meeting our beloved President, Dr. Charles F. Ware, has left the body physical, and in the realms beyond our vision entered upon the duties of the higher life, and now rejoices in his new-found liberty and the compensation he so nobly earned by his earnest, conscientious work for the Cause, for Verona and for humanity. While we feel the loss the Association has sustained, yet we are assured that, with increased effort on the part of those remaining, we shall have an enjoyable, profitable and successful session.

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Preparations have been made for the entertainment of guests. Speakers and test mediums of undoubted ability will be with us, and the officers and directors will do all in their power to minister to the spiritual, mental and physical needs of visitors.

Sundays, Thursday and entertainment days, an admission fee of ten cents will be charged. All other days admission fee of ten cents will be charged. All other twelve years of age admitted free, except at the entertainments—then half price.

A cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in the prosperity of Verona, all who are interested in the prosperity of Verona, all who are interested in the advancement of the cause of true spirituality, all who desire to receive and all who are able to five tidings from the loved ones just beyond the vell, to meet with us, and, alded by the all-potent spirit forces, proclaim to the world Immorral Truth, Spirit Communion and Eternal Life.

Mr. A. E. Tisdale, the wonderful blind orator and musician, whose eloquent, scientific lectures are a convincing proof of spirit control, commanding the respectful attention of scientists and thinkers, has been reengaged for this season.

Dr. Charles H. Harding of Boston, the well-known test medium and speaker, whose tests gave general satisfaction last year, will be with us. He will conduct public circles and séances during the evenings of the session.

Mrs. Mary J. Wentworth of Knox, Me., well known to Verona's friends as an earnest, faithful worker for the spirit-world, will also be with us the entire session, and in public and private minister to the soul-needs of seckers for truth.

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Mrs. Matlida Cushing Smith of Rockland, Me., whose recent lectures have been favorably received in Portland, Augusta and other places, will be present during the entire session, giving select readings, lectures, and answering mental questions from the platform.

Other mediums, whose names are not mentioned, are expected to be present and assist in making the meetings interesting and instructive.

Services Friday, Aug. 17th, and Saturday, Aug. 18th, at 2 o'clock P. M.; Sunday, Aug. 19th, at 10:30 A. M.

Sunday, Aug. 19th, at 2 o'clock P. M., a memorial service will be held, dedicated to our beloved President, Dr. Charles F. Ware, and other members and friends who have entered spirit-life. All who have friends who have entered spirit-life. All who have friends who ment they wish remembered at this service are requested to bring flowers and give the names to the Secretary, Mrs. M. Cushing-Smith, or Mrs. C. F. Ware. This service will be conducted by the officers of the Association and the Ladies' Auxiliary. Daily meetings during the following week.

Sunday, Aug. 26th, services 10:30 A. M., 2 and 7:30 P. M.

Guests can procure lodgings at the boarding house

The meeting at this new but well-known camp began Sunday, July 1st, with Hon. O. P. Kellogg of Wyoming, the chairman for the season, on the platform, to give the address of welcome. This he did, in the genial, whole-souled manner, so characteristic of the man; and then presented George P. Colby of Lake Helen, Fla., who gave the lecture of the morn-

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Mr. Colby described the advance of Spiritualism during the past year, and foretold its coming work and its future glory—closing with an eloquent delineation of the illimitable powers of the human soul, which no stake and no chain are strong enough to bind. All who know George P. Colby know that the man is as spiritual as his talk.

He was followed by W. R. Colby of Columbus, O., who has been instrumental in gathering together an important society in that city during the past winter. He gave clear and convincing evidence of the presence of individual spirits, who were all recognized by their friends.

Inter-State Spiritual Camp, Mich.

The Spiritualists of Michigan will inaugurate Camp-Meeting at Lake Harbor, adjoining the celebrated Hackley Park Assembly Grounds, from the 6th to 16th of July inclusive. The managers hope to make it acceptable, as the best talent has been engaged.

Lake Harbor is a suburb of Muskegon, itself a thriving city of about thirty thousand people. Lake Harbor Art stands like a beauting south of the surface, make the celebrated the subuling currents, casting cool water to the surface, make the immediate surroundings, much cooler than a lew miles inland, while the gradual tropy warm, and therefore tolerable even in sultry weather. No mosquitoes.

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the meetings will be sold for \$1. Single admission, Go d meals can be had on the grounds for 25 cents, also hotel and other accommodations. Other arrange meuts made for visitors if applied for before the camp opens.

Tents to be secured must be ordered as soon as possible. Small tents owned by others erected free, and no charge for ground. Persons hiring tents must furnish their own bedding and blankets. Straw can be had on the grounds.

Baggagg or goods destined for camp should be marked, "Inter State Spiritual Camp, Muskegon, Mich.," where they will be taken in charge by the transportation committee and delivered at reasonable rates at the grounds.

Campers may have their mail addressed care of Lake Harbor Hotel, Muskegon, Mich., of which a special deputy U. S. official will take charge.

Passengers going to camp can take the Lake Harbor train at the Third Street Dépot direct. Parks can take electric cars to Lake Michigan Park, and connect there with the Lake Harbor Road to the camp. Trains on this line make regular trips every half hour.

Excursion rates can be obtained for parties of ten on any railroad. The splendid steamer Nyack will sell round trip tickets from Milwaukee and return for \$2.50, berths, 50 cents extra. Goodrich line of boats from Chleage \$5, round trip.

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Verona Park. Me.

spondent gazed in rapture upon the scene. Located on a hill, one's eyes rest upon a stretch of the most beautiful country, dotted here and there with the homes of those who seek relaxation from the cares of the city as well as to enjoy the pleasures of camp-life. Parkland is a beautiful place, and ought to become famous as a summer resort for the Spiritualists of the surrounding country. It comprises about one hundred and fifty acres, and is only twenty-two miles from Philadelphia. The Camp proper is situated in a valley. Here are the homes of many of those whose faces are familiar at the Sunday meetings of the Spiritualists during the winter season.

We were disappointed at not being able to meet Dr. George A. Fuller, who is the speaker for July. The Doctor is a favorite here, as evidenced by his being engaged by both societies for the fall.

Mr. Marvin is much interested in the success of the Camp, but says it is handleapped this year by the railroad refusing any rebate, as in "ormer years. He has great hopes for the future of Parkland.

A Fair, the proceeds of which go toward paying the expenses of the lecturers, is presided over by Mrs. Curry, and is very successful.

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Mrs. Anthony, one of the oldest of our mediums, is at her cottage near the Auditorium.

July 4th was celebrated with all the enthusiasm of young America. It was a charming sight as we looked from the hill. On every side the cottages were decorated with flags and ilt up with Japanese lanterns. At intervals the sky was illuminated by the fireworks set off in honor of the occasion.

Among other prominent Spiritualists on the ground were noticed Mr. and Mrs. Shumway, Mr. and Mrs. Haslam, Mr. and Mrs. Alloway, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Dubols, Mrs. Fullmer, Miss Lidle Cosfeldt, Mrs. Stauffer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pooley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Locke, Miss Mary Galloway, and Miss Alma Locke.

Mr. Charles Rice is manager of the grounds, and from what was learned is evidently bent on making Parkland a popular resort.

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The services on Sunday are held at 10:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M. Trains arrive from Philadelphia in time for the lectures.

Mr. James Marvin has a beautiful place on the hill. No wonder that April found him ready to forsake the city. Dr. Fuller will be the guest of Mr. Marvin during his stay at the Camp.

Mr. Frank Morrill is one of the bardest workers for the Cause of Spiritualism, and is much interested in Parkland.

Mother Benner, as she is called, is here, and seems truly the mother of the Camp.

Mrs. C. Fannie Allyn follows Dr. Fuller as speaker.

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New Publications.

THE BRIDGE BETWEEN TWO WORLDS. By Abby A. Judson. Paper, pp. 217. Published by the author at Minneapolis, Minn.
The purpose of this work, as stated by the gifted

writer, is " to aid seeking souls in attaining spiritual development." By a mental and physical process, fully and lucidly described, she claims the individual can best come into close connection with the purer realms of the spirit-world, and from the higher spiritual intelligences receive assistance in soul-development, which the author declares to be the object of existence. The method she advocates requires time and patience, and this little work is designed chiefly as a text-book to be studied and reviewed by the aspiring and earnest student.

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THE RISE AND PROGRESS OF MODERN SPIRitualism in England. By James Robertson. Cloth, pp. 92. "The Two Worlds" Publishing Co., Manchester, Eng.
This little volume contains a brief but comprehen-

sive history of the Spiritualism of the ages, which the author claims is one unending chain almost from the earliest times to the present hour. The modern movement is traced from its advent in the home of the Fox family at Rochester, N.Y., and the experiences of eminent Spiritualists which appear are told in an extremely interesting manner.

This valuable little history, which was originally delivered as a course of lectures for the Glasgow Association of Spiritualists, deserves widespread circu lation.

A MODERN MAGDALENE. By Virna Woods, author of "The Amazons." Cloth, pp. 346. Lee & Shepard, Publishers, 10 Milk street,

The author's purpose in presenting this strongly written story to the world is to show the great injus tice of society toward those unfortunate women of really noble qualities who would gladly retrace their steps and return to a life of respectability. She decries that social ostracism which drives many such women from one depth of degradation to another, as it shuts in their faces the door to all honorable employments: while their partners in sin are welcomed into the most exclusive circles. The moral is obvious. The characters are not overdrawn, and the scenes depicted are true to life.

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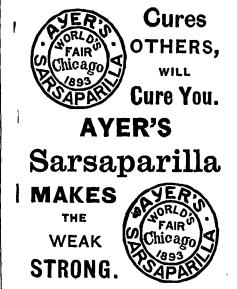
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*A correspondent in Plainville, Ct., asks: 1—Ought the name of the spirit to whom it is addressed to be written on the outside of the scaled letter? Ans. No. 2—Can a number of questions be asked of other spirits than the one to whom the letter is addressed? Ans. We should prefer that only one spirit be questioned at a time; more, would tend to diffuse and confuse the elements brought to the medium by the letter.

To prevent any misapprehension, we hereby state that Mr. J. V. Mansfield has nothing to do with answering sealed letters at this office, either directly or indirectly. On the contrary, such letters are answered by another medium.

Why Not Think?

If men would only stop to think, or rather control and guide their thinking, instead of letting it drift no-whither and aimlessly. We are nóthing except as we are conscious. Then of course our consciousness is on a lower, or physical, plane or on a higher one-intellectual or spiritual. The latter is superior to the other two planes, and includes and subordinates them. If we are all the time thinking of our seeming bad conditions, do we not thereby impart reality to them and make what is unreal existent? Now it is an undeniable fact that we grow more and more like what we dwell upon, if we do not indeed become what we think about so continually. Thought must have egress somewhere; otherwise it subsides in stagnation. The great normal reality for it to rest upon is-God. In thinking of God as all life, all love, as everywhere far and near, as within and without, as all in all, human consciousness takes on the divine character, is open to the divine harmony; but in thinking of self and its narrow interests, it becomes disordered, diseased, inharmonious, and abnormal In divine companionship there is no discord, and there can be none. When in thought we change from a controlling self-consciousness to a ruling God-consciousness, we find harmony and through harmony health.

Why is it so? is it inquired. Because God is Love; not merely lovely, but Love. Love ment.

pervades universal spirit, as gravitation inheres in universal matter. We all live in it as in a vast atmosphere, whether consciously or unconsciously. It gives us life and vigor. It drives out fear, which "hath torment," and so kills. It heals. Send out thought-messages of love in any direction, and patiently see if they do not come back in sweet echoes to the spirit

chambers. Mirrors do not more certainly reflect and re-reflect light in a series than do such messages echo back to those who send them out to others. And love, as it comes in to occupy the chambers of the spirit, makes the entrance of its opposite an intrusion and unwelcome. It keeps out the intruder altogether; there is no room for it; only the good is a welcome guest.

The lower forms of love, as they occupy the consciousness, have been well called kindergartens for the training of its broader spiritual manifestations. For example, we love our dogs, cats, birds, horses and other animals, and make pets of them; it is by no means a waste or dissipation of the love-force within, but rather a school of object-lessons for the training and expansion of our love on a higher and broader plane. Parental love, family love, lovers' love, all signify only the truth that love is the only real life and the universal law.

Love is thought-ministration. If we love everything, we shall find that everything will love us. If we direct our love to our very trials, perplexities and pains, they will become transformed and be rendered disciplinary and educational. The Scripture text rightly has it-"Love never faileth." How little we realize its power to make our common duty a superfor privilege, and our state of weakness one of strength. Do we know how it thrills mind and body alike, exciting a fresh glow in the cheek, imparting a new brightness to the eye, invigorating all the physical functions, and electrifying in a divine way the nerves and tissues of the system?

We need to hold our thought fixed constantly on the connection of the individual consciousness with the Universal Life. It is a part of it. When we conceive concerning ourselves separately, the divine influx closes, and the spirit grows dry and hungered. For what is life if it is not a constant, continuous divine communication? Humanity is all the time made alive with the pulsations of God's heartthrob. It is not life that dies; only external manifestations change, and outward forms perish; life goes on without interruption.

A Crippled Enactment!

THE BANNER has already noted that a very 'mild" (though precedent-making) specimen of the genus "doctors' law" had passed the Massachusetts Legislature, and received the Governor's signature. Under ordinary circumstances it would thus have become an active agent in this Commonwealth; but by reason of certain mistakes, (just discovered) as to the amendment of its lines—amendments made in one branch of the Legislature which were left out in the other-it seems doubtful, after all, that if looked on from the standpoint of legal criticism, it can bear the test of the courts, if sought to be enforced. (The present status of this enactment is fully given on our eighth

page.) This is an unhoped for relief, under the circumstances, as it seemingly cripples this medical registration enactment beyond repair for this year-as the weary law-makers have now gone home to rest.

Of course, however, this limping enactment will have power and precedent to open the door to tighter amendments by the next Legislature; therefore, as THE BANNER said last week, let every reader of this paper in Massachusetts, no matter to what party he may belong, interest himself, at the primary meetings this summer, and oppose the nomination (or renomination) of any man to the next Legislature the right to practice the art remedial. See to it that the candidates nominated are for freedom and the people's right of choice in medical matters; and if personal interests produce candidates who are in favor of a "medical trust" let the liberals in each instance rally at the polls to secure their defeat.

A Kindly Gift to the Banner's "Poor Fund."

Colby & Rich most gratefully acknowledge the receipt of \$50-which sum was bequeathed by the will of the late MISS ELIZABETH F. BLAN-CHARD, of Wakefield, Mass., to be by them applied to the fund for the relief of the destitute poor, which THE BANNER has for years been enabled to maintain by the assistance of many generous souls all over the world, who, like this sympathetic testator, had a heart of tenderness for "others' woes."

We accept the bequest of MISS BLANCHARD with gratitude, and will endeavor to so dispense it that from her spirit-home she may feel that her donation has worked for the good of suffering humanity.

Who will follow the example of this worthy lady, and further aid the Fund, so that we may be able to answer the frequent calls made upon it in these trying days?

Maranacook Lake, Me.

J. Frank Baxter lectures at this fine and popular resort on Sunday, Aug. 5th.

THE BANNER editorially referred last week to the Spirit Invocation by Father Pierpont published in the same issue, recommending to a few Spiritualists here and there its special perusal, as replete with just such excellent advice as every good faithful Spiritualist should fully endorse and practically illustrate in daily life. He asked that we might all learn to be more submissive, more charitable in our thought and speech; that we might learn more of the interior life; that we might have the companionship of the angels, and gather from their ministrations light and knowledge that we may bestow upon others; that the doorways of communication between the two worlds may be kept ever open, that mourning hearts may be made to rejoice, knowing that in only a short time they shall join the happy number that have crossed the threshold of death; and that the tears of the sorrowing may be dried, knowing that their dear ascended friends are only at home with those that preceded them to the higher life. These blessings are asked for from One who is ever ready to bestow them. These weekly Invocations are always worthy of reverent perusal, forming a most valuable, as also a characteristic, part of the Spirit Message Depart-

We Must Pay the Price.

It is to be understood once for all that in his economy God effects his objects in this world, not by miracle or direct interposition, but mediately, through meliorating agencies, in accordance with general law. He usually acts upon men through human agencies, so that men are measurably able to quicken or retard its operation, though unable to arrest the law or change its influence. When they point out to their fellowmen the inevitable action of the law and its power for good, they quicken that influence; when they either weaken the faith of others in the existence of the law, or assert that God arbitrarily suspends its operation, they retard its action. This latter is what has been done for centuries by zealous men, in what most seriously affects morals, and what they continue to do to-day.

The law is of universal operation, that every action produces its appropriate result, whether it be favorable or unfavorable to the actor. There is no deviation from this law. It runs through the lives of all men. It is never suspended from its operation. Men have in all times and ages sought to evade it, inventing various methods of detaching sin from the cause of sin. But thus far to no purpose; the sun might as well shine and give no light as that consequence should not follow cause. The effect ceases only when the cause ceases. It is the height of immorality to teach that the effect of sin can cease while the sin remains. The penalty remains, and will remain.

Therefore it is both demoralizing and of thoroughly vicious tendency to teach that character and conduct in this world do not determine our state of being in the next. And it is not less profoundly and influentially true, on the other hand, that the settled conviction that, by an inevitable law, well-doing here decides our well-being hereafter, is one of the most powerful incentives to morality.

New Mediums.

For several years the foreign journals that come to our notice have deplored the fact that the advance so much desired in the study of Spiritualism was retarded by the want of mediums. The spirit-world, it would seem, has taken to heart this complaint, and affairs appear to be on the way to a satisfactory condition; for now nearly every Spiritualist paper from abroad announces in each issue the appearance of new mediums of the highest order.

From the most recent number of the Russian journal, Rebus, we learn that the journals of Warsaw announce the appearance in that country of two new and remarkable mediums. in the persons of two young ladies. One dwells in Warsaw. She is a daughter of a merchant of the city, and is twenty-four years of age. The phenomena that occur in her presence have for several years been studied by a group of seven persons: three physicians, a chemist, two pharmacists, a civil engineer and a man of business.

The second is a lady of twenty years, who lives at Sedlitz. Her powers have become so widely known that she has been summoned to St. Petersburg.

In a little city in the heart of Russia, Souzdale, the members of a small party of persons who were occupying themselves with the phenomena saw the table rise suddenly into the air. This new and unexpected phenomenon was ascribed by them to the agency of the devil. The table, as if in contradiction of this statement (it is recorded), made, while in the air, the sign of the cross, and resisted every at tempt made to pull it down.

A Strange Affair!

Le Messager states that under this heading iournal published in the south of Russia relates the following:

"There died at Samara a few days ago a venerable old lady who, during her life, had refused to allow a portrait of herself to be made. After her death her relatives desired to

one. They summoned a photographer to take her picture as she lay in the casket, but at the moment when the artist had directed his camera toward her the apparatus was struck by a blow that came apparently from within, and completely ruined. The photographer was obliged to go for another camera. When he returned he found the body already in the cemetery. He again directed the instrument towas prevented, for by a more violent blow the instrument was thrown to the ground and shivered into fragments.

So the old lady's wish to leave behind her no portrait was realized."

Thomas Lees...J. Jay Watson.

The cordial thanks of THE BANNER are ac corded to our earnest brother in the Cause of Modern Spiritualism, Mr. Thomas Lees of Cleveland, O.: He is a faithful worker in the field-especially so in regard to our spiritual Lyceums, besides doing much to advance the interests of this paper in the West.

We were gratified to learn by Bro. Lees's report in a recent BANNER that our old musical friend, Prof. J. Jay Watson of New York, paid a flying visit to Cleveland recently, en route from Pittsburgh, Pa., to Detroit, Mich. We desire all our friends to see Prof. Watson, and hear the truly "divine" strains of music from Olé Bull's veritable violin. Bro. W. is a wholesouled man and a true Spiritualist. We know him thoroughly, and have for years.

We trust when Prof. W. returns to Cleve land (as promised), that Bro. Lees will see his way clear to arrange for that genial musician the public ovation which he deserves.

The Congress Abandoned.

The Moniteur Spirite, of Brussels, announces in the June number that the International Congress of Spiritualists which was to be held at Liege, in August of this year, will not be held. In 1889 the sessions of the Congress were held in Paris, and were attended with magnificent success. Irreconcilable disagreements on questions of policy in the conduct of the projected Congress have arisen and the project has been abandoned.

The theme which more than all others is now agitating the Spiritualists across the water, is the question of the existence of God. M. Arthur d'Anglemont, whose monumental work recently published, entitled "Omnitheisme," has attracted wide spread attention, has taken this moment to publish a brochure entitled "God Evident for All." In this, he pre sents the Deity in aspects wholly new, stripped of the mystery with which the idea of God has been enveloped by the ignorance and folly of

The Result of Lax Immigration Laws.

We published in THE BANNER of June 23d an editorial on the "Low Grade Immigrants" that have been thrust upon our shores from time to time by some of the governments of Europe. Now we see the effects in the West: The destruction of property as well as human

The native-born American had begun to feel the pressure of the incoming undesirable tide, and persistently pointed to this deluge of uncouth material that was rolling in upon our shores, which—composed of individuals ignorant of and apparently unwilling to assimilate this Republic.

Our words were prophetic. But the fault in this sad state of affairs in the West is not wholly on the part of the poor, ignorant people who have been foisted upon us by the cupidity of our capitalists, to secure cheap labor at the expense of native skilled workmen! This is the chief source and inevitable result of the present mammoth antagonism between Capital on the one hand and Labor on the other. The whole thing hinges on the concentration of wealth in the hands of the few at the expense of the many.

Mrs. J. K. D. Conant,

Having taken a lease of THE BANNER'S former circle-room, 81 Bosworth street, Boston, (up one flight,) will hold sittings daily from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., except Sundays, when she will answer calls to lecture, and give public or private séances, as the case may be. The friends and the public generally are respectfully invited to call at her new quarters, where she hopes to give satisfaction to her patrons as a psychometrist, etc.

Camp-Meeting Notice.

For summer reading at our numerous campmeetings we advise the visitors to by all means procure the grand books, magazines, pamphlets, and other liberal publications advertised in THE BANNER Catalogue, all which

works are in the interest of HUMAN PROGRESS! Do not neglect, at the same time, to buy the BANNER OF LIGHT - the best paper in the

THE BANNER has followed with increasing interest (by aid of its translator, Mr. W. N. Eavrs) the course of a series of articles that appeared in the Portuguese journal, "Reformador," published in Brazil during the past year. referring to Prof. Lombroso and his attempted explanation of the spirit phenomena. It was our intention, on the completion of the series. to call the attention of our readers to these papers, inasmuch as we consider them to contain the ablest exposition of Lombroso's errors that has yet appeared. We are glad to see that these admirable articles have been collected and published in French, in a neat and attractive pamphlet of fifty pages, with the title "Professor Lombroso and Spiritualism"—the receipt of a copy of which we thankfully acknowledge.

The author, who modestly withholds his name, deals with the Professor with judicial fairness; for in the opening article he gives verbatim et literatim the Professor's account of the phenomena produced by the mediumship of Eusapia Paladino and his explications of them; and then, proceeding to examine the Professor's points, one by one, he shows their insufficiency in such clear, logical and forceful argument that leaves nothing further to be said. So close is the reasoning of this masterly defense of Spiritualism that it is impossible, within the limits available by us, to make a satisfactory analysis of it.

The Lamas of Thibet have a curious way of using the table as a planchette. In the middle of the room is placed a round table, the who is in favor of further legal restriction of her photograph taken, as there had never been From the ceiling, directly above the table, an op of which is covered with finely-sifted ashes. arrow is suspended so that it will just touch the ashes. The Lamas, arranged in a circle, rest their hands upon the table, which soon begins to turn; the arrow moves, and writes upon the ashes answers to the questions that have been asked.

Le Messager of Liège, June 1st, 1894, says that it learns from Rome that from new experiward the old lady's face, but again his operation | ments made with the celebrated medium Eusapta Paladino, Dr. Charles Richet, whose position toward mediumship and spirit phenomena has been, until now, one of caution, has declared that he has no longer any doubt as to the reality of these phenomena. L'Etoile of March, April and May last, contains a full report from Richet's own pen of his searching investigations.

> By reference to our sixth page the reader will find a partial report of the March 31st-Anniversary - exercises in Melbourne, Australia; and special attention is called to the practical advice of Mrs. Mellon (herself a veteran instrument for form manifestations) to the mediums for materialization everywhere. Her counsel to them in the direction of a careful conservation of their forces, covers what THE BANNER has frequently enjoined in this same (and highly important) direction.

Mr. Thomas Harding and Mr. H. C. Rawson, of Sturgis, Mich., will please receive our thanks for the reports of the doings of Spiritualists in their State—the Sturgis June Meeting, and the thirty-sixth anniversary of the dedication of the Free Church, held June 23d, Keep THE BANNER readers posted, dear friends, and aid us all you can to make our paper as useful to the Cause as possible.

We received a pleasant call on Monday, 9th inst., from Mrs. Albert Preston, of Socorro, New Mexico, who visits the East to benefit her health, and attend some of the Spiritualist Camp Meetings. Mrs. Preston has been a reader of THE BANNER since its first publication.

Interesting information regarding the Spiritualist Camps at LAKE PLEASANT, MASS., LAKE GEORGE, N. Y., VERONA PARK, ME., LAKE BRADY, O., PARKLAND, PA., and the INTERSTATE CAMP at Lake Harbor, Mich., will be found on our third page.

We have To Let, at a moderate price, a arge, airy room, with two windows, up two flights of stairs, with steam and gas. Those in want of such a room, located at 81 Bosworth street, Boston, are requested to call at No. 9 and examine the premises.

Mrs. Emma Hardinge Britten, the gifted lecturer and writer, was announced to address a meeting at Armley, England, recently, on the occasion of the opening of a new hall.

Mays Henry Wood, the author of "Ideal Suggestion through Mental Photography," speaking of materia medica, notwithstanding it may be respectable and "regular," its logical assumption is fallacious. It lacks an exact and scientific basis. It is an antiquated experimental system of modifying and dealing with results. It would be reasonable, provided that the soul (man) were a function of the body. Its philosophy can only be interpreted by the assumption that such is the case. Where would this hypothesis lead? Materia medica is a complicated cumulative structure of formula, which assumes a resident energy in material objects which have no life or force in themselves wherewith to add to the vigor of the human organism. God's life or spirit in man-conventionally called "nature "-will always express itself healthfully when unobstructed. "Loose him and let him go." Fashions and fads—of which the "Elixir of with our institutions and customs-presented Life" and "Lymph" are recent examples-are no a continual menace to the future existence of less capricious in medicine than elsewhere, and nowhere do they reign with more autocratic sway. Diagnosis, and even death itself, is sometimes subject to fashion and conventionalism. At the present time the correct exit seems to be via "heart failure."

> Corrupting by Compulsion. - The Philadelphia Item recently contained on its first page a cartoon representing "The outrageous manner in which our school children are to have deadly microbes introduced into their systems," and calling on the mayor to forbid it at once. In the picture is represented a burly board-of-health policeman in coat and hat, seated in a chair and holding a little girl, a scholar, grasping her about the throat and neck as she vainly struggles between his strong knees, while a spectacled doctor inserts the corrupt virus in her bared arm in the name of "compulsory vaccination." In the upper left-hand corner of the cartoon is a

huge skeleton death's-head, on whose eyes, cheeks and upper jaw are inscribed the ominous labels: 'scrofula," "microbe," "doctors' bills," "undertaker bills" and "death." the whole bearing the title Virus magnified one million times." Nothing could nore plainly illustrate the arbitrary way in which a certain class in the modern community called doctors have up to date accomplished by legislation what they set out to do in the name and disguise of public

Magnetizing Birds and Beasts.—Some people, who become very excited if asked to credit the fact of magnetic influence in healing, unconsciously give themselves wholly away in reciting cases of magnetic influence over birds and beasts, and are quite ready to regard that as entirely legitimate and regular. Mrs. Ludwig of Montague, Sussex County, N. J., is said to possess a gift of magnetism that gives her wonderful control over animals, birds, reptiles and insects. The most vicious horses, which are utterly unmanageable by any one else, become perfectly tractable and obedient under her voice and touch. Dogs, cats, and other domestic animals, whether belonging to her or to others, seem to understand every word she speaks, and they do the most astonishing things at her order. Shy, suspicious and unapproachable as the wild fox is, he will not only not fly at the approach of Mrs. Ludwig, but will come to her at a word of command. Wild birds follow her when she walks about her farm, and frequently will not be driven away by her.

Almanac Superstitions .- The reverence paid to old-fashioned almanacs is said to be perhaps nowhere greater, at least in Protestant countries, than in central South Carolina—a region embracing three large counties, settled by Germans and Swiss about the middle of the last century, with a small admixture of English, Scotch, Irish and French, and, later, by large numbers of negroes. These South Carolina farmers believe with unshaken faith in the influence of the moon upon the weather, and the almanac is anxiously consulted for information as to when fair weather or foul may be looked for. Crops which are made under the ground, such as potatoes, peanuts, turnips, etc., they hold should be planted in the "dark," or wane, of the moon, while a waxing moon indicates the proper time to plant corn, peas, beans, and all other crops which fruit above the ground. The bottom course of a rail fence should be laid when the nights are light, or the rails will sink into the ground and rot. In covering a house the work must be done in the dark of the moon, or the shingles will warp.

Compulsory Arbitration.-This is the need of the hour. It ought to be impossible for capitalistic 'trusts" to haughtily declare "they have nothing to arbitrate" when approached by their workmen with proper demands. As a contemporary observes-and with truth-"How much would have been saved the people of this country if the original difference at Pullman had been placed in the hands of arbitrators! What the country is coming to is some form of compulsory arbitration. It has become a necessity for peace." The Hartford Times also says on the subject of arbitration:

"In looking over the situation, the necessity of lawful arbitration in such cases seems to us to be very great; and in boards of arbitration we would have the workingmen's interests carefully guarded. If a doubt arises as to a decision, let the benefit of that doubt be given to those who labor and whose families need the benefit of good wages on the part of husbands and sons. The day has come when cool counsels are needed and just decisions are sustained."

A Presentiment.-William Brummer, a sixteenyear-old boy, employed by a druggist at Union Hill, N. J., when he came to the store on a recent Tuesday morning, told his employer that he had a strange presentiment that something serious would happen to him before the end of the day. The druggist, as reported, endeavored to dissuade him from giving credence to his feelings; but later in the day, when the boy (grown more cheerful) had gone into the back room of the store, the druggist heard a tremendous explosion. He hurried into the room and found that a small cannon, which he had there, had exploded, the contents lodging in the abdomen of the unfortunate youth, who lay on the floor in the agonles of death. It is supposed that the boy had undertaken to load the cannon-with fatal results to himself.

The Registration Act.-The Boston Herald, after announcing the passage of the act for the registration of physicians in Massachusetts, and calling it one of the most important pieces of legislation for the year." remarks:

"The real difficulties involved in putting this act into operation fall upon the Governor, who is called upon to hitch together three doctors of the allopathic school and two each of the homeopathic and eclectic schools to be a State board for the registration of physicians and surgeons. If the Governor succeeds in doing this, he can be credited with having achieved a triumph in diplomacy."

"A Vision."—No thoughtful person can peruse the article bearing this heading, which we print on our second page, without a thrill of indignation, and a sense of awful responsibility resting upon society as to-day organized and operating. Disciples of Nationalism can draw from it a clear and practical argument in favor of this (advocated) reform.

"The Phantom Ship."—Mrs. Lucy Healy of Charlestown was ninety-nine years old on Monday. July 9th. She was born in that place, and her father was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. She is a firm believer in the story of the historic phantom ship Palatine, and claims to have seen it off Block Island.

Unfit.—Much as the clergy may desire to hide the fact, nineteenth century practical life is clearly proving that theology is not a fitting agent, at this age of the world, to correct the manners of the day or work out the civilization of mankind.

The Science or Religion of Spiritualism, call it what you will, is daily gaining new converts, and no little credit is due that sterling paper, the BANNER OF LIGHT, for the great interest being manifested of late in Spiritualism. It does much to spread the doctrines of that belief, and should be taken by every one interested in matters pertaining to the spirit world. We publish the prospectus elsewhere, and call the attention of all our readers to it. The Newmarket (N. H.) Advertiser.

Mrs. Jennie Reed Warren, a noted test medium, will devote a few weeks to Onset this month,

Lake George, N. Y.

The Financial Secretary of the Albany Spiritual Alliance, J. M. Briggs, in renewing his subscription, says that the members of this body have for the past ten months taken great interest in the new Camp at Lake George; they have purchased over thirty lots and built several cottages. He also mentions the fact that J. D. Chism and family, and Vice-President James D. White and family, have moved into their beautiful cottages; and that a number more of Albanians will occupy their cottages as soon as finished. We are glad to hear of the prosperity of the Spiritualistic Camp at Lake George, and hope its Corresponding Secretary will promptly furnish THE BANNER with reports of the meetings there.

The Boston Daily Globe of recent date contains an item to the effect that Lady Henry Somerset, well known in this country as an able advocate of the Temperance cause and as a leader in other reformatory movements, has been using her influence in yet another direction, tending to the social equality of women. She is stated to be laboring earnestly with Queen Victoria to convince her that titles of nobility belong by right as much to women as to men, and that the Queen ought to bestow such upon her own sex, who now bear them only as a borrowed honor. As The Globe says -"Well, why not?"

Le Sombra de Arteaga, a journal published in Queretaro, Mexico, says Moniteur Spirite, chronicles the appearance of an infant progidy. It says, "On the evening of Thursday, May 9th, there was presented in the great hall of the Academy, of this city, a child, four years of age, Emile Boubinot, a marvel of learn. ing. He speaks fluently Italian, French, English and Spanish. His knowledge of Mathematics, Astronomy, Geography, Medicine and History, is astonishing. Whence did he obtain all this at so early an age? We do not know. Will any one explain?"

Mrs. Severance of White Water, Wis., has a poem full of earnest aspiration on our first page; she is an excellent psychometric medium, and we feel sure that by the exercise of her gifts she has already blessed mankind.

Dr. Dumont C. Dake purposed visiting Onset, but owing to the pressure of business his visit is postponed until later in the season. The Doctor and his wife spent the Fourth at Hotel Onset, and report it as well conducted, and the table excellent.

L. Freedman, the magnetic healer, from Australia, can be consulted during July at 213 East 89th street, New York City, and will be at Lake George Camp during the month of August.

The Spiritual Songster.

Our English co-workers are certainly "carrying the banner," and one must admit Americans are in the rear, following their lead in Lyceum work. · We are working just as well, but we are not working as much. They are systematizing their work and making it convenient to manage. They have a Lyceum Union, a yearly Conference, a Lyceum paper, and in the matter of books they are not behind. There is "The English Lyceum Man-ual," "The Spiritual Songster"—which is an elegant collection of music for the use of Lyceums and societies. This is somewhat expensive, so the authors, Mr. H. A. Kersey and Miss Kersey, have put out a pretty little book containing the words of the songs only. This is as pretty as a pansy blossom, and convenient for general use. In speaking of his work Mr. Kersey says: "I am glad to say many societies here have adopted it; it is gradually getting into a wider sphere of usefulness; if any of your friends would like to have it, they can obtain it of Messrs. Colby & Rich of Boston (Banner of Light Office), who are agents for it in U. S. A." EMMA R. TUTTLE.

MEETINGS IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Greenwich. - The Independent Liberal Church closed its services for the season the last Sunday of June, observing it as "Children's Day."

On Saturday evening our Springfield friends, num-

On Saturday evening our Springfield friends, numbering forty-two, were gladly welcomed. In the morning crowds arrived from all the adjacent towns, who, with our own members in full force, tested the seating accommodations of the church, leaving a large overflow in the vestibule.

The floral adornments were profuse and elegant. The usual order of exercises was observed in the morning service, the subject of the lecture being "The Rights of Children."

At intermission a bountiful lunch was served in the vestry to the entire congregation.

At 1:15 the long and interesting program was inaugurated with the Grand Banner March by the Lyceum, executed with great precision, and ending by the scholars filing upon the platform and singing, with waving banners, "Valiant Men." This original composition by Mr. H. W. Smith, when rendered by a full chorus, is thrilling and effective beyond description. The numbers throughout were excellent, and the music, both vocal and instrumental, was enthusiastically received.

The closing Memorial Service, with floral tributes

music, both vocal and instrumental, was enthusiastically received.

The closing Memorial Service, with floral tributes and appropriate readings for ascended loved ones, was tender and beautiful. After this, and closing the exercises, was an exquisite song by Prof. Peck, followed by remarks by that gentleman, and also by Mr. Buddington and Mrs. Holcomb of Springfield.

A supper was served in the vestry to Springfield friends and their entertainers.

The Society will commence services in September as an incorporated body, still bearing the name of "The Independent Liberal Church," our declaration of principles being "The pursuit of truth, as revealed by growing thought and purer life."

JULIETTE YEAW.

Worcester .- On the 27th of June our Society met at Woodbury C. Smith's, 253 Pleasant street, Dr. George A. Fuller, the President, in the chair. After listening to the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, the latter of which was highly satisfactory, showing a surplus in the treasury after all bills had been paid, an election of officers for the ensuing year took place. Much to the regret of all, the President stated his inability to serve another year, as he should remove from the city the coming fail. The following was the result of the balloting: Woodbury C. Smith, President; Hattle W. Hildreth, Vice-President; E. H. Hammond, Secretary; Kdgar P. Howe, Treasurer; Mrs. Delia A. Lowe, Corresponding Secretary.

E. H. HAMMOND, Sec'y. George A. Fuller, the President, in the chair. After

NEW YORK.

Troy.-The Independent Society here has been favored by a visit from the blind medium, Mr. A. E.

favored by a visit from the blind medium, Mr. A. E. Tisdale. His lecture on Nature, delivered under trance conditions on the 1st lntt., was grand, with the light which spiritualism throws on life, its purposes and its ultimate.

Preceding the lecture, Miss Georgia Reynolds gave excellent descriptions of our arisen friends who were present, good advice, etc.

Mr. Tisdale goes from here to Niagara Falls and Cassadaga, N. Y., Lake Brady, O., Niantic, Conn., Ocean Grove and Onset, Mass., Etna, Me., and other points. Letters to him should be addressed, 547 Bank street, New London, Conn.

B. B. Martis, Chatrman.

CONNECTICUT.

Winsted .- Mr. Edgar W. Emerson was with us again June 17th, and as ever, gave excellent satisfac-tion. His audiences showed their appreciation of his worth by the close attention manifested on both occa-In the evening he gave some of his experience since he became a medium—which proved very interesting. A. B. P.

Hudson, Mass., had a \$500,000 fire, on July 4thcaused by a fire-cracker!

NEWSY NOTES AND PITHY POINTS.

ET The BANNER OF LIGHT WILL be kept for sale at the Onset Bay Corporation Headquarters during the summer season, as usual.

> THE VOICE OF THE TOILERS. THE VOICE OF THE TOILERS.
>
> And who in this Christian land
> Will bark to a poor man's cry?
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> And how can you make us understand
> Why Christians let men die?
> It's tears of blood we shed,
> As we starve and toil and freeze;
> It's work we want, not money and bread
> In doles from the charities.
> What wonder that men go mad
> With trouble and toil and maze?
> What wonder that women go bad,
> If nothing but badness pays?
>
> — Paterson Labor Standard.

The U.S. House committee on military affairs has agreed to favorably report a bill introduced by Representative Henderson of Iowa, to buy part of Shiloh battle-ground for a national park at the expense of

Will Dr. J. C. Street please call at THE BANNER

This is an era of investigation, of getting at bottom facts, whether the matter of inquiry be insane asylum abuses, armor plate frauds, sugar trusts, police methods or railway management.

[A NEW POINT.]—There are a good many regular physicians who maintain that the State has no right to debar them from the practice of their profession after they have received a degree from a medical college regularly chartered by the State.—Boston Herald.

Diogenes would need our modern electric arc light If he should hunt for honest men in these modern days, inside as well as outside "the church."

David Tipsico was turning a large wheel in the black-smith shop the other day when some visitors called. "Where's your steam engine?" asked the escort. "I'm steam injun enough," he replied as the perspira-tion poured down his manly face.—The Indian Helper,

When rulers turn robbers, rebellion is right.

HE HELD FOUR ACES!—"What a lovely white chip hat that was your wife had on to-day." "Yes; and it took the price of five blue chips to pay for it."

On July 5th, the Terminal Station, Administration, Manufactures, Electricity and Mining Buildings, Machinery Hall and the Agricultural Building—the six large structures which formed the boundaries of the Court of Honor at the World's Fair last summerwere destroyed by an incendiary fire. Several lives were lost, and eighty acres burned over.

Men who get in the way of the American people when they set out to compel observance of the laws which they have set up, must take the consequences. It makes no difference whether they are millionaire capitalists or members of labor organizations; they will be made to yield, and if they refuse they may get hurt.—Roston Post.

New Mexico has been admitted as a State; and Utah and Arizona are expected to follow—which will raise the number of stars on the U.S. flag to forty-seven.

D. B. Jimesen, the Indian medium, will be also with us during the Camp, who is a good medium in his physical manifestations in the light.—The Cassada-

Japan having seized Corea, China is "making faces" at her. The Japanese are unanimous, and the general belief is that war between the two countries is inevitable.

"The oldest inhabitant" declares June 18th, '94, to have been the "hottest" hereabout for twenty-one

A ferryboat, with upward of two hundred persons on board, was being drawn across the river Theiss, near Nylreghyhazi, in Hungary, July 4th, when the breaking of the chain (the motor power) caused a panic-the boat upset and two hundred lives were

A spook is now haunting the tracks of the West Chicago cable road. It bestrides a slot on the approach of a car to a given spot, and the gripman checks his train only to find that the vision has vanished into thin air. Many of the employes are talking of striking against the apparition.—The Ety (Minn.) Times.

A "cold wave" ("blue") swept over the "University City" Sunday, July 8th-the ministers ('t is said) requesting the Mayor to enforce the laws against the sale of soda water, tobacco, etc., on "the Lord's day"; and the entire force of Cambridge apotheca-"struck," and closed their stores on Sundayhoping that thereby the good sense of the community nged to its natural wants-would be also awak ened to the fact that we are living in the nineteenth

During the Fourth of July exercises at Putnam, Ct., St. Clair McKelway, editor of The Eagle, Brooklyn, made the subjoined and other remarks on "The Sale

of Law":

"When rulers become robbers the bond of allegiance is broken. If these evils were not redressible, if these effects were not terminable, capital as a corrupter and Government as a blackmailing mechanism should deservedly perish from the earth. Better the impartial nihilism of the chaos of all law than its conversion into contemporary results, if those results were universal and lasting. They are not universal. They will not be lasting. Where these wrongs are revoit is already arranging retribution. The people are more stirred by the wickedness of the facts than by the materially injurious character of them. The conscience of the nation is moving it more than its losses."

A fire at Mystic Park, July 9th, caused a loss of \$20,000: 80 stalls were burned and five valuable race horses perished.

WILL MR. GLADSTONE COME?—The invitation sent Mr. Gladstone to make a visit to the United States bears the signatures of distinguished Americans in sufficient number to make it fairly representative of the popular wish. Will Mr. Gladstone come? He undoubtedly knows how he is regarded in this country, and probably understands that his reception here would differ from that accorded kings and emperors and princes, in that it would come from the hearts of an admiring rather than a curtous people.—

Post.

The schooner Ambrose H. Knights of Gloucester, with crew of sixteen men, has probably been lost at sea, on her voyage to Iceland. The hardy fishermen of Cape Ann have "hard lines" now-and are reaching out for new grounds for the exercise of their at-all-times uncertain profession.

THE BANNER'S usual "Philadelphia Letter" will be found transformed this week to "Parkland, Pa.," among the camp reports, third page.

OLIFTON.—Mrs. Louise Sara only sister of J. J. Morse, London, and Capt. C. E. Morse, U. S. Army, Washington, U. S., at Husbands Bosworth, Rugby, on Thursday, June 21st, 1894.—Two Worlds (Manchester, England).

We note with regret the above oblivary announcement, and our deepest sympathy is extended to Mr. Morse, our valued friend and correspondent. Eugene Prendergast is judged sane and responsible

for the murder of ex-Mayor Carter Harrison. He will be executed July 13th. If we are careful in governing our actions by the

divine law of justice, all the powers of material darkness cannot put us down. That one touch of nature makes the whole world

kin was never illustrated more forcibly than when the President of the French Republic was assassinated. Then it was that an electric thrill of love and sympathy passed through the heart of the whole civilized world.

"Poor, weak human nature!" says Howard. "It is slokening to know that such idiots as are these who set fire to the World's Fair buildings are permitted to be born into the human family."

The action of the Massachusetts Legislature, in referring the Boston elevated railroad bill to the people for approval or disapproval, proves in a striking manner the value of the referendum system.

The remains of the late Joseph W. Merriam (who, in the mortal, was a member of the New England Cremation Society) were incinerated at the Forest Hills Cemetery July 8th.

Movements of Platform Lecturers. [Notices under this heading, to insure insertion the sam week, must reach this office by Monday's mail.]

Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond took leave of her congregation for the summer on Sunday. June 24th, when the First Society of Spiritualists of Chicago adjourned its meetings for two months. When the society again assembles, on Mrs. Richmond's roturn from her summer tour, Sunday, Sept. 18th, the meetings will be held in Hooley's Theatre, in the central part of the city. There will be a morning service only. Mrs. Richmond's engagements for the summer are: Near Muskegon, Mich., July 6th to 16th; Cuba, N. Y., (probably) July 18th to Aug. 36; Cassadaga Lake, N. Y., Aug. 5th to 17th; Onset Bay, Mass., Aug. 18th to 30th; Lake Brady, O., Sept. 1st to 10th.

George A. Porter, 5 Stewart Court, Providence, R.

George A. Porter, 5 Stewart Court, Providence, R. I., will answer calls to speak.

Dr. G. C. Beckwith Ewell lecthred at Rocky Rest, Shelton, Conn., June 24th and July 1st; and is engaged there until Aug. 5th. From Aug. 10th to 15th, at Lake George, N. Y.; from 17th to 21st, at Niantic Camp; from 2d to Sept. 10th. at Rocky Rest; and 14th to 23d, at Camp Starlight. He has some open dates for 194-95. Address Box 270, Shelton, Conn.

F. Alexis Heath is open for engagements as a platform speaker and test medium; terms reasonable Address 31 Glenwood street, Boston.

Harlow Davis, the platform test medium of California, will visit Onset. Mass., Camp Meeting about July 14th, and on July 20th goes to fill an engagement at Lake Pleasant, Mass. Correspondents can address him 223 East 14th street, New York City.

Mrs. Florence White, trance medium, will visit Lake George Camp, N. Y., in August; possibly Lake Brady,

"White Rose" (J. C. F. Grumbine) will spend two weeks at the great Northwestern Camp, where, through his guides; he will give slate-writings, landscapes, etc., in oil and colors. He goes to the Camp primarily for rest and recreation, preparatory to a course of Southern travels, to begin in September. He will also be called upon to do inspirational work—his chief phase of mediumship. of mediumship.

The Veteran Spiritualists' Union.

To the Editor of the Banner of Light: The Veteran Spiritualists' Union will hold its third Annual Camp-Meeting at Onset on Saturday next, July 14th. Two sessions will be held in the Audito Annual Camp-Meeting at Onset on Saturday next, July 14th. Two sessions will be held in the Auditorlum-forencon and afternoon—and it is to be hoped that we shall receive our usual large addition to the roll of membership, the annual fee being one dollar, and life membership twenty-five dollars. To each person renewing his membership, also to all new members, there will be given free on this occasion the large group picture of the first Board of Officers of the V.S. U., fifteen in number. This picture is suitable for framing; size 24x28 inches, making too large a roll to go safely in the mail, and can only be distributed to members on personal application. Within this circular group of the fitteen likenesses is printed the original By-Laws of the V.S. U. As many of our members will no doubt remain over on the following day, Sunday the 15th, to hear Edgar W. Emerson and Mrs. Jennie Hagan-Jackson, permit me to annex the railroad time-table:

Leave Boston, week days, 5:45, 8:16, 9:00 A. M.; 1:00, 3:50, 5:10 P. M. Leave Boston, Bunday, 7:30 and 8:15 A. M. Return from Onset, Sundays, 6:19 and 6:34 P. M. Return from Onset, Sundays, 6:19 and 6:34 P. M. Return from Onset, Sundays, 6:19 and 6:34 P. M. Return from Onset, Sundays, 6:19 and 6:34 P. M. T. Longley, our Corresponding Secretary, will do likewise while she remains at Lake Pleasant Camp. To all new members a certificate of membership will be sent free by our Treasurer; it shows the birthplace of Modern Spiritualism; it is 12x14 inches in size, and is suitable for framing.

WM. H. BANKS, Clerk.

No. 77 State street, Boston.

Spiritualist Camp-Meetings for 1894.

The reader will find subjoined a partial list of the localities and time of the sessions where these Convocations are to be held.

As THE BANNER is always ready and willing to give all the Spiritualist Camp-Meeting proceedings free of cost to those interested in these pleasant gatherings, we hope they will bear in mind the importance of freely circulating this paper among the visitors as fully as possible, and that the platform speakers will not fail to call attention to it as occasion may offer-thus coöperating in efforts to increase its circulation, thereby strengthening the hands of its publishers for the arduous work which the Cause demands of all its public advocates.

Lake Pleasant, Mass.—July 29th to Aug. 27th. Onset Bay, Mass.—July 8th to Aug. 26th. [See advertisement on fifth page for time of trains, etc.]

Ocean Grove (Harwich, Mass.).—July 15th, July 29th. Cassadaga, N. Y.—(Annual summer assembly of the assadaga Lake Free Association, Lily Dale, Chautauqua o., N. Y.) July 20th to Sept. 2d.

Haslett Park, Mich.-From July 25th to Aug. 27th. Sunapee Lake, N. H.-July 28th to Sept. 2d.
Summerland, Cal.-Third Annual Camp-Meeting of
Association Aug. 26th to Sept. 16th. Mantua Station, O .- July 2d to Aug. 13th

Interstate Camp-Meeting, Lake Harbor, Mich. July 6th to 16th. Anderson, Ind.-July 19th to Aug. 13th.

Cherryvale, Kan.-In September, W. E. Bonney, Sec-Lake George, N. Y.-During August.

Temple Heights, Me.-Begins Aug. 11th, to continue ten days.

Verona, Me.—Camp-Meeting commences Aug. 17th, and continues ten days.

Twin City Park—(midway between St. Paul and Min-neapolls. Minn.)—July 1st to 29th.

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The it is our earnest wish that those on the mundane sphere of life who recognize the published messages of their spirit friends on this page, from time to time, will verify them by personally informing us of the fact for publication.

As our spirit visitors are very fond of flowers, it behooves the friends in earth-life, so disposed, to place natural flowers aupon our scance-table, the reasons for which were stated in our editorial columns of a recent date. Also, we are requested to state that all letters of lughty, or otherwise, appertaining to this Department, should be addressed to the undersigned.

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SPIRIT-MESSAGES,



MRS. B. F. SMITH.

Report of Séance held April 20th, 1894.

Spirit Invocation.

Oh! thou Divine Father, we lift our hearts to thee in ado ration and praise. We thank thee for life and its disciplines; we thank thee for the boon of health, for the sweet home sociations, for the companionship of friends, and for all the blessings thou dost bestow upon thy children of earth. We ask that thy bright messengers of love and light may be sent into every home here below, that thy mortal children may learn more of thee, of thy nature and thy laws. We ask that at this hour some words may be spoken here, some sweet messages given forth that may lighten the hearts of poor sorrowing ones and make them realize the presence of their friends who have passed on only a little before. May those who mourn cease their lamentations, feeling that their loved ones who have left the home-circle are waiting in their spirit-home the coming of those left on earth. Teach us to be more charitable in our dealings with our brothers and sisters, and may our lives show that we profit by the companionship of the angels. Forgive all in the past that thou hast seen amiss; and unto thy name would we ascribe all praise, not only at this hour but evermore

JOHN PIERPONT.

Eddie Alfred Horne. I am very much pleased to know we are all

privileged to speak. I should not have spoken here to-day, but Grandfather Churchill was very earnest that I should send a few crumbs of comfort to mother and father.

Mother, I direct these words to you: I wish Sammie would listen a little more to what you say to him in regard to Eddie. I know he is but a young boy, yet how much happiness it would give him if he knew his brother Eddie was with him so much.

Sammie, it seems as if there is hardly an hour in the day that I am not with you.

Mother, dry your tears; shed not another one for us; we are at home, happy with our friends; I know you cannot talk with your boy as you did when I was in the mortal form, but you can commune with me silently. I promised you long ago that when I gained permission to send you a message I would do so. I have been here and listened to what others said many times, and I have asked permission to speak twice before. To-day Mr. Pierpont, the Spirit-President, said to me when the meeting opened: "There will now be an opportunity for you to send a few loving words to your par

I hold the same love for you, father, mother and Sammie, that I held for you while in the earthly life. I am very near you, so near I hear you conversing often, for there is only a thin, filmy mist between us.

I am much interested in sketching and paint ing, and I am taking music lessons. You will be pleased to know, mother, that your Eddie is making progress in the spirit-world-it will be full as much pleasure to you as it would have been if I had stayed here and gone through college, as you desired. Mother, I know you have shed many bitter tears for me, and it has made me unhappy; so smile, and be as happy as you used to be. Say to Aunt Lou I do not forget her; I have tried to aid her as well as you. I find my mission is to do all the good I can through my influence with others. Mother, watch closely, listen, and you shall be repaid for all the time you give me, for I will produce such manifestations that you will know I am with you. Give us a few moments at the twilight hour, when it is possible; we come much easier then, for the conditions are better for us at that time; and always when you sense my presence speak to me, as you would were I in the mortal.

Grandfather and Grandmother Churchill

send love to you all. Father, I feel that I shall speak with you upon the earth—that is, I shall communicate with you through some medium.

Eddie Alfred Horne, Lowell, Mass.

Howard Rowell.

I have longed so much to speak a word here, for those dear to me in Charlestown have not forgotten me. Father and mother well remember how very, very quiet I was. Not a muscle of my face moved when they told me I could not stay longer in the flesh; and it was remarked by some how very patient and placid I seemed when they said: "Howard, you cannot get well." Twenty to twenty-two years is a short time to live; and, as mother said, her only one had been taken.

I am very happy, and it will not be long before we shall all be reunited. Death has no

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beyond the vell while he was upon the earthplane.

I would send love, not only to my kindred, but to all my friends, and say that I am perfeetly satisfied with my home, yet through progression I shall be able to make it even brighter and more beautiful. Dear ones, I will come to the gate, and meet you there when you join our happy number.

Arthur Devlin.

They tell me all are welcome in this Circle-Room, and I have gained permission from the Spirit-President, Mr. Pierpont, to speak here to-day, hoping what I say may have a little weight with some one for good. I do not expect for one moment that the few words I shall add to the thousands of messages that have been reported here will convince all of immortality, but my aim to day is to teach some mortal more of the life beyond, and to convince him that this life is not all there is of life. I would not make the statement that existence here is a shadow; it is a reality while we dwell upon the earth-plane as far as mortals can comprehend.

To those on earth I would say: Drop not your tears for us, for only a thin veil separates you from us; so wear the smiles you wore when we were with you, knowing our visits are frequent. Do not think of us as far away, but near you. When our old time friends and neighbors come to us across the crystal river we are glad to welcome them to our homes.

In Melbourne, Australia, there are some who will remember Arthur Devlin. 1 have attempted several times to make myself known, but have failed to do so. Twice I felt that some one thought it was I, but it was not satisfactory, and they passed it by. Now, by recalling the circumstance in your Circle Room, Mr. Chairman, they will remember the time when I tried to make myself known to them. To-day I am very sure I have said sufficient to convince a few of my identity.

Caroline Kendrick.

Mortals always speak of us as invisible; l would change that term, for there are so many earth-dwellers who have the power of clairvoyance and can see us; under certain circumstances, too, they can see us with their physical eyes and take us by the hand. How grateful I am at this hour to feel that the time is fast approaching when we shall not need regular materializing séances, for we shall be able to materialize right in the homes of our

Spirits and mortals alike are learning much about the laws governing communication. We are now enabled to come into the atmosphere of our friends far easier than formerly, but we cannot do the work alone. We ask them to meet us part way, and then how much we can accomplish.

By coming into the atmosphere of people upon earth, I find emanating from the spirits of a large class a desire to know more of us. The question arises in their minds. "When we are so anxious to have them prove their presence with us, why cannot they manifest?" Dear friends, when you are over anxious you retard our work. Try to be as passive as possible, and you will make it easier for us. On the other hand, total indifference or incredulity that will not be satisfied with reasonable evidence, is also detrimental to us in our endeavors to manifest.

I look at the matter in this way: If we were still here upon the material plane in our material bodies, and came to visit you in your homes, you would make our coming as easy and our stay as pleasant as possible; but when we come to visit you as immortals, some of you -not all, by any means—seemingly try to make the conditions as hard as possible for us. We are anxious to make you know we are with you, and would like so much to converse with you, but we certainly cannot do all the work. Then lay aside early teachings; lay aside all prejudices, for they do not give you happiness. You may think so for a time, but after awhile you will learn that errors do not feed the spirit.

kindred, it is true, come a little nearer, but our desire is to aid all mankind as much as we possibly can.

I was known in Boston and surrounding towns as Caroline Kendrick.

Robert Pratt.

[To the Chairman:] In welcoming us here I suppose it makes no difference to you where we threw off the old garment of flesh. I was well aware it was an old garment, grown threadbare, which I was destined to wear for a space.

Mr. Chairman, I was in the war of the rebellion. I was well acquainted with Andersonville Prison, where at my right and left I witnessed the boys who had been faithful to duty and never flinched in the face of danger, dying by inches. The privations of the soldiers in the long weary marches were as nothing compared to prison life, and I never flinched from my

It is many years since the close of that war: but the wars are not yet over, and the fiercest battle of all is the battle of life. I am glad to be freed from that mortal form, for I know I can do more good and be of more use to my kindred and to others now than before I took a step higher.

I am Robert Pratt. I have friends in Boston.

Festus Stebbins.

In Springfield, this State, I know I am not forgotten by a few.

[To the Chairman:] I did not know of these truths when in mortal life, but it didn't take me a great while to learn I could come on to the earth-plane so easy after I passed away. I can't explain it any better than by saying that to die, as you call it, is like stepping from one room into another. I have never met any one on our side of life who said he experienced any suffering in passing over.

Often when in the flesh, as I have gathered with others in places of worship, have I thought. 'How can it be possible for God to punish us forever? It is said he fashioned us like unto his own image; then we must be a part of him; and if he punishes us forever if we do a little wrong here, he must be punishing himself also.' I couldn't understand it, and I'm certain I have not tried to since passing over. I find that what is required of us is to be good and

do good, as I tell my son Joel. Festus Stebbins was my name on earth, and I haven't changed it since passing over.

for mediums, knew well it was a life eternal | ter this Circle Room. I have been one of the attendants over since you opened your circles in this office for those who have passed on to the higher life, Mr. Chairman.

I would say to father and mother, Be patient a little while longer, and the family reunion will take place. Poor mother! with all the ills and aches you have had to bear, you have never been alone. Many times have Aunt Lizzie and I come to you, and found you worrying so much over father, instead of giving a little thought to yourself.

Not long since, as I was conversing with Mr. Thomas King, I asked him if he would come to mother's home and see if he could not aid her somewhat with the influence he could bring. He said, "Yes; anything I can do that will benefit another I am glad to do." He did as I had requested him, and then we visited his home, hoping to bring good influences to help his family in Minneapolis.

Thus you see that whatever worriments or trials you as mortals have to endure, you are not alone, for we from the beautiful realms beyond come to visit you often, and we never come without bringing with us a sympathetic feeling. Seemingly we are on the earth plane far more than upon the spiritual, for you need us so much.

Dear friends, it is so beautiful in the spiritworld-so beautiful that I cannot find words in which to describe it. Each one must see it himself before he can realize it, and realize how much like our occupations, pleasures and studies on earth are those of that other life.

Many times as I have listened to the spirits giving their messages in these circles. I have thought, "How happy their friends must be in receiving a few words from them," and I have said that sometime I, too, would send a few words home, but always before I have held back, for fear I would be in some one's way. I trust my message will throw some light on the subject of spirit communion, and be an evidence of its truth to some who have known me in earth-life, whether kindred or not.

I am Ella Adams, and had friends in Boston.

Spirit Messages.

The following messages from individual spirits have been received (according to dates) at THE BANNER Circles, through the mediumship of Mrs. B. F. Smith; they will appear in due order on our sixth page:

April 20 [Continued].—Alice Stewart; Harriet Louisa Harris; Julia Ann Clark; Charlie Scavey; March Chase.

April 27.—Polly Churchill; William Lamont; Mrs. P. S Dickenson; Oscar Cary; Mary Webster; George Rier. May 4.—8. B. Nichols; Thomas Middleton; Thomas Stevenson; Katie A. Kinsley (Spirit Violet); Carrie Trask; Bessie Peck.

May 11.—Dr. Joseph H. Burr; Mary A. Parker; David Hop-kins; Martha M. Boyington; Sarah B. Rockwood; Asa Thayer; Jane Woodfinn; John Gray, to Dr Terry. May 18.—P. H. Conant; Mrs. Winlfred G. Martin; Capi Isaac T. Davis; Lottie M. Weilington; Joseph W. Butler Annie Folsom Thayer; Jennie Foster; Dr. Milton Parker. May 25.—Adelaide Lothrop; Horus S. Lishad; James Malbon; Bessle W. Cranston; Nellie Welch; Saille Snow; Traoy Nichols; Joseph F. Marril; Samuel Williams; Rev. Lysander Fay; Charlotte A. M. e; Lottle Wood.

June 1.—Sadie Evans; Gilver Watkins; Henry Jacobs; John McGulre; Nanoy Batchelor; George C. Sherman; Nellie Conley; Katle Donellson.

June 8.—Robert C. Cummings; Almira C. Spaulding; Saily Reed; Rosa T. Amedey; Henry C. Wright; Sarah A. Bruce Jonathan Alger.

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June 15.—Col. Sabin Pond; Joseph Kinsey; Huldah S. Russell; Lydia Morrill; Arthur Russell; Samuel Hazen; Benjamin Brintnall; Margaret Menter; Peter Kingman.

June 22.—James Mason; Mary A. Moore; William S. Arnold; Winlfred Meanes; Capt. Richard Freemau; Thomas Gales Forsier; Rosle Chick; Georgie Draper.

June 29.—Martha A. Coberley; David Dale; James Woodworth; Charlotte Colson; Dr. Beck; John Plerpont.

July Magazines.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY.-Among its varied contents for the current month, the Tales of Travel by Frank Bolles find pleasant continuation in "The Home of Glooscap";" high" life in overcrowded New York is vividly depicted in all its summer humidity, in an unsigned article on "The City on the Housetops;" "The Red Bridal" is a striking romance of Japanese lovelife by Lafcadio Hern; "Philip and his Wife" is further presented by Margaret Deland; Mrs. Hartwell Catherwood has a superb story of French Canadian life. in "Pontiac's Lookout," in which the "ghost" of that great war-chief is made to sustain a pivotal position; these, with others not here named, "The Contributor's Club," reviews of new books, etc., make up a number of the true vacation flavor, which tourists should take with them in their rambles. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Publishers, Boston, Mass.

McClube's Magazine .- "The Heraldry of Plains" is a most attractively written article, by Alice MacGowan, descriptive of a certain phase of western It is my desire to do all in my power to life; "Human Documents" contains a series of porspread the light, to tell mortals of our life and | traits of Lord and Lady Aberdeen and Capt. Charles work in spirit, and to teach the grand truth of King; "Alphonse Daudet at Home" is a report, by immortality. As we come upon the earth- R. H. Sherard, of the great novelist's own account of plane, we bring all humanity our love. Our his life and work; Bret Harte contributes one of his i inimitable stories. "An Ingenue of the Sierras": Ida M. Tarbell writes of the Paris Municipal Laboratory and what it does for the public health under the heading of "A Chemical Detective Bureau"; Robert Louis Stevenson's serial, "The Ebb Tide," is concluded. Published by S. S. McClure, 30 Lafayette Place, New York.

THE PHRENOLOGICAL JOURNAL AND SCIENCE OF HEALTH opens with an instructive and thoughtful article on the value of systematic method of moral equeation, by H. S. Drayton, M. D., under the headng of "A Suggestion for a Manual"; Charlotte Fowter Wells contributes a most appreciative and interesting sketch of the life and work of that eminent preacher and fearless reformer, Rev. John Pierpont; Nelson Sizer continués his series of papers on "How to Study Strangers": the same author furnishes a 'Character Study" of Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, late Secretary of the Navy in President Harrison's cabinet: other articles of special interest are "Studies from Photographs," by Edgar C. Beall, M. D.; "The Faculty of Language," by John W. Shull; "Sensible Treatment of the Sick." Fowler & Wells Co., Publishers, 27 East 21st street, New York.

THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL .- Frank R. Stockton's continued account of " Pomona's Travels" holds unabated the interest of the reader; "What Constitutes a Good Husband?" is the question answered by such eminent writers as Elizabeth Stuart Phelps-Ward, Mary Hallock Foote, "The Duchess," Amelia E. Barr, Harriet Prescott Spofford, Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher, "Grace Greenwood" and Mary J. Holmes; Mary Merton contributes a bright and entertaining sketch of the life and literary work of the popular writer, Mrs. Mary Hartwell Catherwood: William Dean Howells furnishes an installment of his autobigraphy, entitled "My Literary Passions." Other attleles not mentioned here appear, and the departments, as usual, are well sustained. The Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia.

THE ST. LOUIS MAGAZINE.-Charles H. Mackay gives an exceedingly interesting account of "A Trip to Mount Hamilton," upon whose summit rests the famed Lick Observatory, which contains the greatest telescope in the world; bright and entertaining short stories by favorite writers appear: under the heading of "Timely Topics" seasonable subjects are ably discussed, while in the department of "Health and Hygiene" many valuable suggestions are made regarding diet and care of the health during the summer months. T. J.; Gilmore, Publisher, 2819 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo...

NEW OCCASIONS [for June] contains the report of an eminently interesting and scholarly lecture on 'Locomotion and Its Relation to Survival," by Dr. M. L. Holbrook. While the importance of physical culture is fully shown, the evils of athleticism are also pointed out. Published by Charles H. Kerr & Co., 175 Monroe street, Chicago.

For Over Fifty Years

terror, for life is everywhere beyond, and so sweet is the companionship of our loved. Dear Grandfather Hill, who had so much sympathy.

How sweet it is to feel a welcome as we en-

A SWERS TO QUESTIONS

GIVEN THROUGH THE MEDIUMBHIP OF



W. J. COLVILLE.

Ques.—[By Paigrave Parkington, Rockville, Ct.] Would society be improved and life better worth liv-ing, if all men and all women were to become cosmo-politans, without love of home, locality or country?

Ans.-This question implies that cosmopolitans have no love for home and country, and cannot appreciate a beautiful locality. Such an inference being false, the supposition that cosmopolitanism might be the reverse of a blessing is foundationless. Love always be gins to manifest itself as a point: love of self broadens into love of family; love of family into love of tribe or clan, and eventually into love of all mankind.

There are now forty-four States in the American Union, and the distance is fully three thousand miles across the country from ocean to ocean. A loyal, patriotic American citizen is rightfully expected to love this immense country, from shore to shore, and to seek the welfare of the consolidated Union. How much greater and better this is than sectionalism; we surely none of us desire to see barriers raised between North and South or East and West. A man who only loves Boston as his home is surely not so desirable a member of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as one who loves the entire State, the city of Boston included, with no village left out of his affection. Then he who loves the entire United States is in a far more desirable mental frame than he who loves only Massachusetts. Carry this thought still further, and we are forced to admire the liberal sentiment of Thomas Paine, who claimed the whole world as his country.

Love is always good and hate is always bad, because hate is the emotion of love inverted, and inversions are always evil, and the only evils there are. Because we love everybody and can make our home everywhere, does not prove that we fail to recognize the practical working of the law of attraction, which draws us for a time to a special spot and causes us to feel wedded to it as long as we can be of greater use in that locality than in any other.

The happiest condition to be in is to be able to feel at home wherever there is work for us to do; and as we are indifferent to time and place, we are happiest wherever we are most useful. Phillips Brooks has often said that the longer one lives and travels to some good purpose, the more one realizes that the important question is not where we are or with whom we associate, but the spirit with which we are imbued, no matter where we may be or with whom we mingle. A larger love can always contain a vast number of lesser affections, though a smaller love cannot hold a greater. As every one has his special place.

A. Mellon, and read by Mr. Spriggs:

"Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: I am indeed pleased to be privileged to have my littles ay on this memorable occasion. I think every one assembled here knows that we are met to joyfully celebrate the anniversary of the memory of the three martyr mediums whose great service to the world has been so tardily recognized? Of course I refer to the long suffering, injured and misguided sisters, the Fox family, who were the possessors of such marvelous powers, but who, unfortunately, did not know how best to preserve and retain them.

If we would but grow spiritually, that our The happiest condition to be in is to be able greater. As every one has his special place and work at any given time, there is always room for a recognition of "home, sweet home."

Q.—[By Edgar Butterick, New York.] Has the science of Mental Healing a cure for enlarged joints? A.-Mental Healing, in one or other of its many phases, has certainly a remedy for enlarged joints, and all rheumatic affections. If people would observe how their own bodies register their thoughts, they would soon learn the law of correspondence, and be able to give mental treatment to themselves and others intelligently.

We all know that swellings are often clearly due to a sense of being burdened, and that slow-moving thought retards the quick circulation of blood and prevents flexibility of muscle. Learn to think freely and quickly, if your joints are stiff, and if they are painfully swelled, get yourself into as calm an attitude of mind as possible.

The most effective healer for any case is one whose own condition is conspicuously the reverse of that of the one he treats. Thus, a very limber-jointed person gives forth a paychic emanation peculiarly beneficial to one whose joints are rigid, provided there is a sense of harmony between the two; but in no case should treatments be given or taken if a sense of discord exists between the demonstrator and the recipient.

Q.—[By the same.] Can a highly developed soul so ominate matter as to prevent or cure baldness? A.—Baldness can be more readily prevented than cured, though a cure for baldness can sometimes be found. Hair being merely an integument necessary to animals, but scarcely more than ornamental in man, its loss is by no means always a sign of weakness; on the contrary, it is quite frequently a sign that the constitution is centrally vigorous, and concentrates energy upon the vital organs without spending much force upon exterior decoration. In the case of many consumptive patients so much strength goes to the hair that their locks are superabundant, while their lungs are wasting away. Hair is often rejected by a system which does not need much covering; thus we often find very healthy persons with very little

If the loss of hair worries any one, then it proves that he or she is under the dominion of an anxiety or annoyance which steals away vitality. Persons have a natural right to all the hair they want, and if alopecia is regarded as an affliction by any one, we recommend the practice of treating the scalp scientifically by holding persistently, though unexcitedly, to the thought of abundant hair. •

Physically speaking, the state of the hair registers the mental condition with reference to most external things. Worry induces balduess in those who admire thick hair, and on the contrary it may lead to hirsute appendages of

great strength with those who consider too much hair an appoyance.

In spiritual correspondence baldness means destitution of externals only. Prophets need no hair. Elisha's baldness was simply typical of his power being entirely internal, while Absalom's luxuriant hair signified his glory in superficiality, and accompanied destitution on the spiritual plane.

At the Antipodes.

Jubilee Convention of Spiritualists in Melbourne, Australia.

The Jubilee Convention of Spiritualists referred to last week, commenced in the Lyceum Hall, Victoria street, Melbourne, on Saturday evening, March 31st. For the matter given we are largely indebted to the Harbinger of Light. At 8 P. M. the chair was taken by Mr. George Spriggs, the President of the Victorian Associa-

tion of Spiritualists, and the platform filled with the following pioneer Spiritualists: R. Cunningham, W. H. Terry, John Carson; H. J. Browne, Mr. Kennedy, R. D. Bannister and J. N. Morse, also Mr. R. Williams, the conductor of N. Morse, also Mr. R. Williams, the conductor of the Melbourne Progressive Lyceum, Mr. Luke, the present speaker for the Association, and Mesdames Mellon, James and Packer (delegates from the Sydney Psychological Society), Mr. H. P. Murphy (delegate from the Adelaide Society), and Mr. R. R. Terry, a gentleman bringing introductions from Spiritualists in England. All these spoke briefly, referring mostly to their early experiences. Mr. Murphy, who was the concluding speaker, after responding to the welcome that was extended to pny, who was the concluding speaker, after responding to the welcome that was extended to the lady delegates from Sydney, and himself, referred to the noble example before the meeting, in the presence and testimony of so many veteran Spiritualists, who, after their long experience and many years of investigation, were still steadfast in their belief.

THE BANNER referred to the remarks of Mr. W. H. Terry (which followed), in its issue of July 7th, 1894.

An original poem by Mrs. Harris was read by Mr. Terry.

Monday evening, "mediums' night," was devoted to exercises suggested by its title; mediums present told their personal experiences, or caused them to be read to the assembly, by Messrs. Spriggs and Williams. Mrs. Jessie Rising, unable to be present, contributed a paper, from which we make the following extracts:

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"As to my own experiences in connection with Spiritualism, I have been clairvoyant and able to see spirit forms, describe them and give their names from the early age of four years, and during my six years' experience as a public medium in Melbourne, I have been privileged to witness some marvelous phenomena, such as direct writing without contact, cuffs, bracelets taken off, rings removed, bonnet strings untied and replaced, tables have floated round the ceiling; I have also received fruit from spirit hands. These experiences were not conducted in any public séance, but with a few reliable friends—investigators—who were present, whose names could be procured if required. I have had the pleasure of being present, when, with a few friends, we have had dozens of spirit hands fully materialized, to all appearance solid flesh, and from the child of two years to the adult, each in turn shaking hands with all those present at our own table. I have also had the pleasure of sitting with Mrs. Mellon, the well-known medium for materialization, and in one of her marvelous séances I have conversed with 'Geordie,' i. e., Mr. George Spriggs's late guide and control, and other spirits; my own guide and control (Doctor John Brown Johnston) whom I fully recognized, having known him from a child. There may be many present who have conversed with and can vouch for the accuracy of tests and reliable information given by the same spirit guide."

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hearts may beat in unison in this new-born dispensation, and let our noble devotion toward each other be of such as will not let the soul starve for want of sympathy and love—for are not all manifestations of love beautiful and divine? We people in the nineteenth century have much to be thankful for, and in that very thankfulness may we constantly strive for the supremacy of our spiritual nature over that of our physical. May our lives be noble, true and good; thereby do we not only elevate our dwn moral standard, but also that of our midde who so zelonely labor with that of our guides, who so zealously labor with and for us; at the same time do we beautify

our lives and surroundings.

During all these years since the Rochester knockings were first heard, there have been many discoveries in the scientific world, but none of such importance or none that has none of such importance or none that has given to the sad and desolate heart the sweet and ever-abiding comfort that our Spiritualism gives. How often have I seen mothers with joyful tears embrace their little darling spirit children whom they had thought never to meet again. Hundreds of times have I witnessed the reunion of mortals and their angel friends—dwellers in that spirit-realm—the sight of which has filled my soul with joyfulness.

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Mrs. Knight spoke a few words expressive of her pleasure in participating in the Convention, and an interesting paper from Mrs. Nevein was then read, which will appear here

[Concluded next week.]

[From the Cape Ann Advertiser, Gloucester, Mass.] AN INCIDENT OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

Written by Marion S. Wonson, for the Art Exhibition at the Point Grammar School.

[This is known to be strictly true. The William Moore below mentioned was the father of Master Moore of Mooreland Cottage, at Fresh Water Cove. His disappearance in this mysterious way naturally created a great deal of wonder and surmising; but he was never heard from in any way. Whether he perished at the hands of the English, was killed in battle or died on a prison ship, will always remain a mystery.[*] The story has been handed down from family to family, and as a great-great-grandchild of William Moore, I claim it as historically true.

M. S. W.]

'T was a bright and pleasant morning, Such as come the first of June, When a newer light was dawning,

And we woke to martial tune;

When our freedom was beginning, When we dared to fight and die That we might become a nation In our own right, by-and-bye; When the Britons had been beaten

And turned back at Lexington, And our country was appointing As a general, Washington;

Then it was that quiet Gloucester Hardly felt the warlike fray; Quiet and peaceful was her harbor— Fishing weather every day.

The English had not come to Gloucester, (Nothing but a fishing-town,) For they chose the largest cities And the places of renown.

'Cross the harbor from East Gloucester Is a small and sheltered cove, Where the picnics are in summer, And the children like to rove;

In a cleared spot, girt by woodlands, Is a quaint, old-fashioned home, Where the song-birds love to gather, And the summer tourists roam.

When the war was just beginning, And the peaceful days were o'er, Lived a man in this quaint homestead, And his name was Master Moore. One bright day he left the school-room.

Tempted by the waters blue, Called his little son to follow, Launched his boat, so stanch and true;

As 't was coming early summer, And the day was bright and fair. Thought he 'd catch a fish for dinner, If he took them unaware.

But the fish were very wary, And they led him on and on, Till he was beyond the harbor, And the village spires were gone.

All at once he saw a shadow,

And a sudden summons came
To embark with Captain Lindsay,
In the great King George's name;

Then he glanced in sudden terror, Saw the Falcont lying nigh, Braced himself for the encounter, Stopped the child's unuttered cry;

"Come." they cried, "and act as pilot, Take us in to Boston Bay." And e'en while the words were spoken, Sire and son were borne away.

But the boy—he was but eleven— Cried, and begged for freedom then: "He is but a boy, release him," Cried the captain to the men.

So, as he was but a trouble, Men were sent to man a boat; Then again upon the ocean, He with the soldiers was afloat.

As the sailors took the oars, Joseph strained his eyes to see His father standing on the deck, And thus to Joseph, then cried he:

"Run home, my lad, nor stop to cry, Remember lather will not stay; Tell mother I'll come as soon as I can." And then the boat salled into the bay.

On the sandy beach they landed the boy; He hurried home with a hopeful heart, Believing full sure that his father would come When he had fulfilled the pilot's part.

His mother met him at the door; Her cheek grew pale as his tale he told, But she gently patted the little lad, And smiled on him cheerly as of old.

One day, then another passed slowly by. And they hoped for news of the absent one;
The mother guarded her little flock,
And each daily task was duly done.

But with weary hearts the time crept on; She looked far out on the waters blue, And watched the path from the sandy beach For the face and form that so well she knew.

But the days grew weeks and he never came; Months and years went slowly by; The hope died out of the mother's heart, The children named him with tearful eye,

Whether he as a captive died On a prison ship in Boston Bay, Or whether he, as a captive still, On board the Falcon sailed away;

Or with hope deferred his heart grew sick, Weary and sad for the sight of home, He died with the longing unfulfilled For the wife and children who could not come

No news ever came to tell his fate, And the boy in his father's footsteps grew Till be was a schoolmaster, learned and wise— The Master Moore that our fathers knew.

But still the little homestead stands, The vernal woods are still the same, Though generations four they 've passed, Held in the same old name!

(*) This poem sets forth a pathetic incident in the early life of maritime New England. The capture of fishermen from their boats was also a common occurrence in the war of 1812. We are informed that the paternal ancestor of the numerous Chard family of Boston and Annisquam was carried off in like manner on board a British man of-war, and was absent from the wife and little ones for several years, when he fortunately made his escape from the English service in a foreign port, and returned home.—ED.

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Colville addressed two large audiences in the Temple. Excellent music was furnished by Mr. George W. Morris, the accomplished organist, and Miss Caldwell (of Duluth, Minn.), whose clear, ringing soprano, completely filled the large auditorium, and greatly added to the impressiveness of the services.

The lecture in the morning was on "The Open Secret of White Magic." Having spoken on the provisus Sunday in general terms on "The Twelve Signs of the Zodiac." and the peculiarities of the twelve manners of people who are said to be in some mysterious way related to them and influenced by them, the speaker took last Sunday the four triplicities, as they are termed, into special consideration. Fire stands for the higher affections and aspirations of human nature; air typifes ideals and imaginations; water stands for all that pertains to intellect and reason; earth includes all the appetites and propensities which relate to merely physical or terrestrial existence. From this general summary, it might easily, though erroneously, be inferred that some types of people must be much higher than others. This, however, is a mistake, for only special aptitudes for particular kinds of service, not spiritual or moral excellence, can be traced to zodiacal positions; and, as every observer knows, no special trade or profession monopolizes either the world's heroes or its rascals.

Those who belong in any one of the three fiery signs, Aries, Leo and Sagitarius, are disposed to be enterprising and impulsive. They usually act largely from their affections, and are generally warm-hearted as well as energetic. Those who belong in one of the three air signs, which are Gemini, Libra and Aquarius, are given to ideality. They are likely to be imaginative, theoretical, and often poetic. The world's dreamers are usually found in one or other of these constellations. The watery signs, Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces, include intellectual conservatives, teachers, and many persons of singularly inclusive, penetrative dispositions, as well as many w

Capricorn, includes such as are by nature specially qualified to ultimate, externalize or render practical all things which appeal to their affection or understanding.

A great master, adept or mahatma is not in any one of the signs exclusively, but has conscious command over the attributes designated by all. Thus the Christman is compared to the sun, and each of his twelve aposties to one sign of the zodiac, through which the sun passes periodically in its grand cyclic journey around Aleyone, the centre of the Pleiades.

Magic the speaker defined as being simply and positively victory achieved over the forces of the external world through self-discipline.

What are the earth elementals but all that corresponds to man's earthy or sensuous propensities? To govern the five senses is not to destroy but to perfect them; command over the faculties to the extent of holding them in complete subjection to the will is not emasculation but virility, for he alone is Vir, the superior man, whose appetites are not his masters but his servants. Our faculties, as illustrated by our eyes and eyelids, are ours to use at discretion. The magician has learned the art of self-control, and he who is self-governed is lord over his environment. Scientific achievements have only to be carried a little further than they have already been to clearly demonstrate man's perfect power over electricity, which is the subtlest and most potent force yet known.

Miracles are now of hourly occurrence, but they are not supernatural—they are natural events. The true adept can caim the storm by a word of power, and why should be not be able to do so, when recent papers in avowedly scientific magazines have credited soapsudes a well as oil judiciously administered with the power of quieting the raging ocean?

In the afternoon "Telepathy and Kindred Psychic Phenomena," was the topic of a very able lecture.

Telepathists, the lecturer averred, were persons who had cultivated the faculty of concentration to an unusual extent, and though many people conti

deny their own ability in this direction, the very ones who deny it most are often found exercising it greatly, but on trivial instead of really important objects.

Wm. T. Stead, as a prominent public advocate of telepathy, is a good study. This distinguished fournalist is an egoist, though not an egoist, for the two words, though nearly alike, are not at all the same, as the former is one who exalts the human ego, as did Emerson—one, moreover, who thoroughly believes in himself and his own mission without disparaging his neighbors, while the latter is an insufferable prig, who asserts his own superiority.

To transmit a message mentally, it is necessary that there be almost perfect rapport between the sender and receiver; therefore until a scientific mode of developing mutual sympathy is applied, telepathic demonstrations will continue to be confined to the comparatively few between whom natural intellectual or spiritual affinity exists, and we all know this to be in no way dependent upon blood relationship or bodily proximity.

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When we trust more in this superior and interior method of communication between distant points, and it is more fully established, the bitter sense of loss occasioned by physical separation will be so greatly modified as to be almost overcome. When friends can talk together by means of a perfectly operating telephone, though they may desire still closer communion, their sense of loneliness cannot be extreme. Material distance is no real obstacle to mental interaction, though mental barriers are very formidable even when bodily presence can be secured. Two persons seated on one sofa may try in vain to transmit messages mentally one to the other, but Boston and San Francisco, though three thousand miles apart, are none too distant when spiritual law is clearly operating.

The speaker related several very interesting experiences of his own, particularly the following: "Be tween two and three years ago I was sitting at a desk in New York, doing literary work in no way connecting me in thought with Parls, when suddenly I saw Lady Caithness writing to me, and beheld the exact words she was inditing, of which I made a memorandum. Two weeks later I received from her a most delightful letter, inviting me to visit her, and dated in exact accord with my vision."

When two persons are unconsclously in harmony, and one is thinking about the other, surprising spontaneous demonstrations of thought-transference frequently appear. As a scientific study the subject commands close attention, and though many noteworthy proofs are now deducible from present phenomena, the possibilities of increased demonstration are inestimable.

On Sunday next, July 15th, Mr. Colville's subject at 10:30 A. M. will be "Liberty, Equality and Fraternity in the Light of Spiritual Law"; at 2:45 F. M., "Conquest Over Poverty through Application of the Higher Law." FAREWELL, Sunday, July 22d.

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Stoughton.—On Sunday evening, July 8th, Mr. Colville lectured to a singularly appreciative audience in the Spiritual Temple, Stoughton, Mass., in answer to a number of admirable questions bearing on important points in Spiritual Philosophy and the topics of the hour. A very fine impromptu poem on "Unacknowledged Heroes," concluded the interesting exercises, He lectures in the same place again next Sunday, July 15th, at 7:80 P. M.

Eagle Hall .- Sunday, July 8th, morning circle large and interesting. Mediums present, Mrs. J. E. Wood, Mrs. M. Knowles, Miss A. Penbody, Mrs. G. M. Wood, Mrs. M. Knowles, Miss A. Peabody, Mrs. G. M. Hughes, Afternoon: Invocation, Chairman; songs, "Little Eddle"; select reading, Miss Kitty O. Burkett; tests and readings, Mrs. M. K. Calahan, 'Dr. C. W. Wood; Mrs. Dr. Bell, Mrs. M. E. Calahan, 'Dr. C. W. Guimby, Mr. E. H. Tuttle, Evening: Inspirational poem, Chairman; remarks and tests, Mrs. J. E. Davis, Mrs. J. E. Downling; plane solo, Mr. H. C. Grimest Dr. C. H. Harding, remarks, tests and readings—he will be with us next Sunday afternoon and evening;

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These meetings will continue through the summer.

Mr. G. V. Cordingly will be with us during the
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M. M. BLACK, Sec'y of the W. R. League.

Elysian Hall, 820 Washington Street .-Both circles Tuesday, July 3d, were well attended and satisfactory. Dr. Thayer, Mrs. Hughes, Mr.

and satisfactory. Dr. Thayer, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Martin, "Little Delight" and "Wild Rose," through Mr. Lathrop, were the mediums.

Thursday, at 2:30, Mr. and Mrs. Littlefield, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Thayer, "Little Delight" and Mr. Lathrop participated; Mr. Francis A. Fisher rendered an inspiring song. In the evening our Mediums' Benefit Meeting was held; Dr. Thayer, Mr. Quimby, Mrs. Hughes and Mr. Lathrop gave tests and readings. Mr. Quimby received the benefit.

Friday at 2:30 and Saturday at 7:30 Mr. W. B. Hall, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Hughes, Mr. Quimby, Mrs. Dr. Wilde, "Little Delight" and Mr. Lathrop were the mediums present.

Sunday, at the morning circle, Mr. George Hancock, Mr. Martin, Dr. Thayer and Mr. Lathrop took part. In the afternoon Dr. Thayer, Mr. Quimby, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Dr. Bell, Mr. Gates and Mr. Lathrop gave satisfactory tests and readings. In the evening Mrs. Buck, Mr. Quimby, Mrs. Hughes, Dr. Thayer and Mr. Lathrop gave an interesting scance. Dr. Greenwood announced to us in the afternoon that our brother, Dr. M. V. Thomas, had passed on. He will certainly take a useful place in spirit work. We extend sincere sympathy to his family.

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Commercial Hall .- Sunday, 11 A. M., Mrs. Ella Whitney, Mrs. Joan Woods, Mrs. A. Woodbury gave readings; 2:30 P. M. Mrs. A. W. Staples sang solos; readings; 2:30 P. M. Mrs. A. W. Staples sang solos; Mrs. W. H. Burt gave tests and readings; Mrs. A. Ott, readings; Mrs. A. W. Staples, remarks; Mrs. Joan Woods, Mrs. Ella Whitney, readings; Mrs. M. E. Calahan, tests; "Little Eddle" recited with his customary skill.

7:30, N. P. Smith, readings; Mrs. W. H. Burt, tests; Mrs. A. Ct. Davis sang and gave psychometric readings. Mrs. E. C. Dickinson, tests and readings; Mrs. M. E. Calahan, tests; Mrs. C. Woodbury, psychometric delineations.

N. P. Smith, Chairman.

United Spiritualists of America, Harmony Hall, 724 Washington Street.-Developing circle was held last Sunday at 11 A. M.

Meeting for tests, readings, etc., 2:30 P. M. Speakers: Dr. Blagden, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Burt, Mrs. Rich, Mrs. Fredericks, Mrs. Irwin; singing by Mrs. Cuniugham, "Little Eddie" and Mr. Alden. Meeting for tests, etc., 7:30 P. M. Speakers: Dr. Baker, Mrs. Fredericks, Mrs. Buck, Mrs. Burt, Dr. Hall, Mrs. Smith. Singing, Mrs. Cunningham and "Little Eddie." F. W. Alden, Conductor.

America Hall, 724 Washington Street .- The meetings in this hall were well attended at both ses sions last Sunday. Music was furnished by Mrs. Mary F. Lovering, planist, Mr. L. W. Baxter and "Little Eddie." The Conductor, Mr. Eben Cobb, delivered two very interesting lectures. In the evening he spoke of the many contrasts, or opposites, in nature. Very excellent tests were given by Miss A. Peabody, Mrs. A. Forrester, Mrs. Ott, Mr. F. A. Heath, Mr. W. H. H. Burt, Mr. G. Hughes, Mrs. A. Howe, Mrs. A. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. W. Anderson.

The Home Rostrum (21 Soley street, Charlestown), Dr. E. M. Sanders, President.-The meetings of the week were well attended. The following mediums and speakers took part in remarks, readings Bell, Mrs. Bray. Dr. Willis, Mr. Rollins, Mr. Charles Abbott, Mrs. M. A. Chase, Dr. Franks and the Chairman. C. B.

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578 DeKalb Avenue, between Walworth and Sandford Streets.—Test and Developing Circle by Mr. Tatlow every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Advance Spiritual Conference, July 7th, held a meeting as usual at 102 Court street. Prof. George Sterling Wines gave the opening address upon "Reincarnation." Prof. Theodore Price followed with inspirational remarks. Brother La Fumée expressed his enjoyment of the conference, and said he was willing to do his utmost to sustain the meeting. Mrs. Olimstead and Mr. Tatlow then gave a number of excellent tests and expressions. of excellent tests and psychometric readings. EMILY B. RUGGLES, Sec'y.

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Sunday, July Sth, a Social Conference was held—
the following persons taking part: Invocation, Mr.
A. C. Whipple; remarks, Mr. Edwin S. Straight, Mrs.
Seward, Mrs. T. J. Fales, Mrs. S. A. Gorton, Mr.
Whipple and others. The hour was much enjoyed
by all.
Sunday, July 15th, Mr. Edwin S. Straight [President] will occupy our platform.
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The People's Progressive Springuist Association

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The People's Progressive Spiritualist Association held its second meeting at B. T. Hall on Sunday evening, July 8th. Mrs. Nellie F. Burbeck of Plymouth, Mass., an eloquent speaker, discoursed on "Inspiration." The attendance was large. At the close of the lecture Mrs. Burbeck gave many tests; that were all recognized. She was assisted by Mrs. Henry Goodrich. a member of the Association and a well-known medium, who made fine remarks, giving also convincing tests. Mrs. Burbeck has been secured for Sunday, July 16th, when she is to be assisted by Dr. F. H. Roscoe, Chaplain of the Association, Mrs. Grace Johnson presiding at the plano, accompanied by Mr. Hunter with cornet, and singing by congregation.

On Friday evening, July 6th, the Association met at the residence of their President, Mr. S. R. Brown, 63 Vernon street—the meeting being largely attended. A branch of the Association held a meeting in Pawtucket, R. I.. on Sunday evening, July 8th, the speakers, Dr. F. H. Roscoe, Mr. J. S. Scarlett, Mrs. C. M. Whipple. Much interest was manifested—there being many applications for membership.

It is the intention of the members of this Association to hold spiritual meetings in different parts of the State on Sunday evenings.

MRS. F. H. ROSCOE, Cor. Sec'y.

For the first time in the history of the great religious gatherings at Chautauqua, N. Y. (it is said), the Sunday newspapers were admitted to the grounds on the "Lord's day," July 8th, when they found a large sale,

Spiritual Mectings.

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"Welcome the coming—speed the parting guest." The National Holiday has come and gone; even among the loveliest scenes of Nature man intrudes his jargon of distracting noises, and calls it patriotism. among the lovellest scenes of Nature man intrudes his jargon of distracting noises, and calls it patriotism. But "silence, like a poultice, comes to heal the blows of sound," and once more Nature dominates our human nature with its restful strength in repose. Incidentally we hear the gossip of how many hundreds have eaten at his hotel and that, and how delighted those patties from Western cities are with Onset. The young fellow who comes very early to the pump to get a cool, sweet draught from this purest spring water, finds a chum there before him: "Great water, this; ever down here before?" "No, this is my first year, but it won't be the last—nleest place I ever struck!" And so say they all, whencesoever halling. The schooner at the wharf has discharged her last load of pipes for the Onset Water Co., and the water will spout about the middle of July. Push and enterprise have characterized this company thus far. The water will be a great convenience to our cottagers.

Yachts in the bay, two steamers and Huckins's naphtha launch are daily taking out pleasure parties for a longer or shorter sail. The Saturday-night dances in the Temple, Bridgewater Orchestra, are popular as ever and well attended. A new feature at Onset this year will be the succession of popular entertainments, under the management of Mr. Fred. D. Straffin, which will take place about twice a week at the Temple.

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Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Fay, Mrs. Bliss, materializing mediums, are holding circles; Mrs. Maud Lord-Drake, whose mediumship is as marvelous and stronger than eyer, is giving dances at the Bunker cottage; Mr. Green, spirit-photographer, is at the Bliss cottage; Mrs. Pennell, David Brown, Mrs. Chandler, test mediums, are all here, and have so given public notice. Mrs. Emma Miner answers sealed letters, and is largely occupied with investigations of the Psychical Society.

More visitors than usual are here at the commencement of the meeting. As the President remarked on Bunday, not the least of the many attractions at Onset is the presence of the "Old-timers," where heen accustomed to estatus the meeting the several years. The equalitations the several years. The equalitations the several years. The equalitations are the several years. The continuent of the several years. The continuent is brevy year we miss some familiar faces, but the estimation in which we hold these friends constitutes a condition of spirit that causes them, as spirits, still to be with us and share our happiness at dear old Onset.

Sunday, July 8th, was an auspicious day for the opening, the temperature being neither too hot nor cold. Perguson's Bridgewater Band gave morning concerts, which assembled a large audience upon the new and comfortable seats at the Auditorium. The audiences were surprised to find printed programs of the music to be rendered at the three concerts of Sunday, with the names also of the speakers for the week. Mr. Ferguson will issue this program weekly during the season, and it will be treely distributed.

The Island Home is always a pretty sight, as with streamers flying she moves majestically up the bay to the landing. During the day she carried some fifteen hundred passengers back and forth from New Bedford. At 10:30 clock President Storer came slowly upon the platform, plainly evidency by his manner that a week's sickness and intense pain are a ver

this—we have no free platform in the sense of wel-coming a babel of clamor from the noisy theorists of our time. But wheever, enlightened by spiritualism, and comprehending its philosophy, desires to discuss practical issues, is free and welcome to our confer-

cences.

These remarks were thoroughly applauded, indicating the entire sympathy of the audience with the position announced for the government of the platform.

In the afternoon, Prof. Maxham sang by request "I shall be Satisfied," after which Mrs. Clara H. Banks offered an invocation. Mr. Maxham sang "Mine Own Shall Come To Me," (music by himself) with uplifting power and sweetness. Mrs. Banks then delivered an impassioned address, upon "The Moral Influence of Spiritualism," which thrilled her hearers and seemed fully to meet the requirements of the hour. Vice-President Wm. F. Nys, presided in the afternoon, and after other songs by Mr. Maxham, the meeting closed.

Sunspee Lake, N. H.

This popular Camp Meeting at Biodgett's Landing, N. H., will be held this year for five weeks, commencing July 20th.

The exercises will be of great interest, comprising addresses by some of the ablest speakers on the Spiritualist platform, the presence of the best public test mediums, and excellent music under the direction of Mr. Burton L. Newman, with literary and musical entertainments Baturday evenings.

As elocutionist we have secured the services of Miss Gertle L. Nichols of Peterboro, N. H.

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List of Speakers.—July 29th, Mrs. K. R. Stiles; July '30th, Excursion on the lake, conference in the evening; July 31st and Aug. 1st, Mrs. K. R. Stiles; Aug. 2d, Dances afternoon and evening, from 2 to 5 and from 8 to 12; Aug. 3d and 4th, Mrs. R. S. Lillie, entertainment in evening; Aug. 5th, Mrs. E. B. Craddock, A. M. Mrs. R. S. Lillie, entertainment in evening; Aug. 5th, Mrs. E. B. Craddock, A. M. Mrs. R. S. Lillie, P. M.; Aug 6th, Evaursion on the Lake, Mediums' meeting in the evening; Aug. 7th, Mrs. R. S. Lillie; Aug. 8th, Mr. J. Frank Baxter; Aug. 9th, Dance afternoon and evening from 2 to 5 and from 8 to 12; Aug. 10th and 11th, Mr. J. Frank Baxter; aug. 9th, Dance afternoon and evening from 2 to 5 and 8 to 12; Aug. 12th, Mr. J. Frank Baxter; Aug. 18th, Lexcursion on the Lake, Mediums' meeting in the evening; Aug. 14th and 15th, Ladies' Aid Fair; Aug. 16th, Dance afternoon and evening from 2 to 5 and 8 to 12; Aug. 17th, Mrs. Abble W. Crossett; Aug. 18th, Association meeting at 2 P. M. in hall; Aug. 19th, Mrs. Carrie E. S. Twing, Mrs. Abble W. Crossett; Aug. 20th, Kxcursion on the Lake, Mediums' meeting in evening; Aug. 21st, Mrs. Carrie E. S. Twing; Aug. 22d, Mrs. E. B. Craddock; Aug. 23d, Dance afternoon and evening from 2 to 5 and from 8 to 12; Aug. 24th, Mrs. Marola A. Strong; Aug. 23th, Mrs. Barah Wiley; Aug. 22th, Mrs. E. K. Morgan; Aug. 27th, Excursion on the Lake, Mediums' meeting in evening: Aug. 28th, Mrs. Barah Wiley; Aug. 28th and 29th, Mrs. Ida P. A. Whitlock, tests by Mrs. E. K. Morgan; Aug. 27th, Excursion on the Lake, Mediums' meeting in because afternoon and evening from 2 to 5 and from 8 to 12; Aug. 28th and 29th, Mrs. Ida P. A. Whitlock, tests by Mrs. E. K. Morgan; Aug. 27th, Excursion on the Lake, Mediums' meeting in the evening: Aug. 29th, Mrs. Barah Wiley; Aug. 20th, Mrs. Barah Wil

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Brockway, agent for the U. S. & Canada and American Express companies.

All parties visiting the camp-meeting should be sure to purchase camp-meeting tickets to Blodgett's Landing and return.

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The following test, business and medical mediums are expected: Dr. F. K. Pratt, Mrs. M. A. Slack, Mrs. Carrie E. S. Twing, Mrs. Kate R. Stiles, Mrs. E. B. Craddock at Liberty Island, Mr. F. A. Wiggin, Mrs. E. K. Idorgan, Mrs. J. S. Parker, Mrs. Ida P. A. Whitlock.

Sunapee, on the shore of which Blodgett's Landing

is situated, is the gam of the Naw England takes. It is in the town of Nawbury, thirty-four miles from Ooncord, the capital, and three miles from Buinapee Lake Station on the Concord & Claremont rairond. Steamers Armenia White, Edmund Burke and Lady Woodsum make connection with all regular passenger trains at Lake Sunapee Station for Blodgett's Landing, and all other points on the lake, the officers of which will give every attention to the comfort of passengers.

The officers at Sunapee are: Mr. W. E. Oressey, President, Bradford, N. H.; Mr. Dayld Thayer, Vice-President, Manchester, N. H.; Mr. W. H. Wilkins, Secretary, Lebanon, N. H.; Mrs. E. K. Morgan, Treasurer, Sunapee, N. H.

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Lake Pleasant. To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

Prof. H. D. Barrett received a hearty reception, as did also Prof. and Mrs. Longley; and the result was a meeting at the rostrum July 4th, which was ata meeting at the rostrum July 4th, which was attended by an audience of about four hundred people. Mrs. A. E. Barnes of Boston presided ably, and Prof. Longley and Mrs. Mason furnished music appropriate for the occasion.

F. B. Woodbury decorated the platform; Mrs. Mason and Mr. Steele contributed the bouquets; Mrs. Longley, Prof. Barrett, cheered by their warm and hearty reception, were at their best, and the result was a splendid address from each.

Landlord Kennedy, of the hotel, employed the New Home Band of Orange for the day, and it rendered inspiring and patriotic music—also music for daucing.

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Mrs. Seaman and family of Brooklyn, N. Y., are enjoying the cool breezes wafted across the park.

C. E. Jackson is busy with the baggage these days. The delegation from Troy, N. Y., have begun to report. The Seaman Mansion is open at the Highlands.

Every resident at the Highlands requests the presence there of Mrs. Chapman of Norwich, Conn., and the Croziers of Amherst.

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Every train increases the population, and present indications are, "an old-time crowd."

Recent Arrivals: Mrs. White, Chicopee; H. A. Budlogton, the philosopher, of Lyman street; Mrs. Mullin, Mr. and Mrs. Pope, Waltham.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, of Chelsea, have one of the most home-like residences on the grounds.

Visitors to "Heavenly Court" will miss several of the old-time residents of that locality.

At Hotel: E. Cunningham, P. Conway, Hinsdale, N. H.; T. C. Cooley, Springfield; H. D. Barrett, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Potter, Enfield; Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Perry, West Brookheld; J. S. Bodney, J. H. Pierce, Fitchburg; W. L. Melvin, Emma D. Sprague, Boston.

A special meeting of the New England Camp-Meeting Association is called for Monday, July 23d, at 10 A. M. All lot-owners are requested to attend.

Several excursion parties have already visited Mt. Toby.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook and family, of Holyoke, are at the Highlands.

About one hundred and twenty-five families are already located for the season.

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T. E. Hall, Esq., State street, Boston, is enjoying the pure air and Nature's lovely panorama.

Mr. Haslam has quite an extensive tract of land under cultivation just outside the camp-grounds.

F. B. WOODBURY.

Echo Grove.

The morning service last Sunday was most satisfactory, and continued in session two hours. Many mediums were present, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Goodrich of Portland, Me., who gave tests and made remarks; Mr. Chas. A. Abbott delivered an eloquent inspirational address; Mr. Pierce, Dr. Furbush, Mrs. Dowland and Mr. Rollins, made interesting remarks. Mr. Pierce, Mr. Walker and Mr. Abbott assisted Miss Amanda Balley in the music.

Miss Thorner read a beautiful poem in the afternoon, and then Mrs. Abbie N. Burnham delivered the address, which was most interesting.

Mrs. Mott-Knight gave a public slate-writing experiment on the platform, with which all were pleased. She is certainly a remarkable medium for this phase. She spoke earnestly of the duty of Spiritualists to mediums. diums were present, among whom were Mr. and Mrs.

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Mr. L. L. Whitlock, the President, announced that Mrs. Mott-Knight would be present next Sunday. He also invited all who desired to ask questions on the subject of independent writing to do so. Two or three were asked, and he answered them satisfactorily. This subject will be taken up again next Sunday afternoon.

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The conference and mediums' meeting followed after a half hour's recess. Mrs. Butler of Lynn gave very fine psychometric readings, all recognized. Dr. Arthur Hodges made interesting remarks and gave remarkable descriptions of spirits and conditions. After all these many years, the last scance seems the best whenever we hear him. Mr. F. Fox Jencken also presented tests. Mr. Whitlock said: "Read The Banner, and get the report of this and other meetings. It publishes notices of our meetings free. We want you to support The Banner, which has done so much for all of us in Spiritualism."

Mrs. Whitlock, Mrs. Burnham, Mrs. Mott-Knight, Mrs. CarBee, Dr. Arthur Hodges, Mr. F. Fox-Jencken, Mrs. Dowland, Miss Balley, Mrs. Butler, Miss Peabody and many others are expected to be present next Sunday.

Temple Heights, Me.

About six miles south of the city of Belfast, and one mile north of Saturday Cove, on the western shore of Penobscot Bay, in the town of Northport, is located the spiritual camp-ground called Temple Heights, from its extensive view and the terraced heights which form a background. A fine wharf extends into the bay, at which many lines of small steamers land, and which has sufficient depth at low tide to float a ground stage steamer.

and which has sufficient depth at low tide to float a good-sized steamer.

The visitors here are supplied with an abundance of cool mineral water from its fine springs. The grounds have been well laid out, and there is a large park filled with hardwood trees. At the south stands the Auditorium, built a few years ago by the Association. It will seat between six and seven hundred persons, and is well lighted by numerous windows. There are a large number of cottages on the grounds, some quite expensive ones. The Ploneer Cottage will be open to the public, with every convenience for the comfort of guests—and several other cottages will also be opened for boarders. New cottages have been built and others are contemplated. Never have the grounds presented such an attractive appearance as at the present time.

Friends of the Cause everywhere are most cordially invited to join in this annual feast, which begins Aug. 11th, instead of the 13th, as previously announced. It will be seen by the following list of speakers, that the best talent has been engaged for the coming session: Mrs. William S. Butler of Boston; Mrs. Sarah A. Byrnes, Boston; Mrs. Juliette Yeaw. Leominster, Mass.; Mr. J. Frank Baxter; Mr. E. A. Tuddle; and Maine's veterau speaker, Mrs. Abbie Morse of Searsmont.

Theory Theorems

"Camp Progress." To the Editor of the Banner of Light:

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The Lynn and Salem North Shore Association held a very interesting meeting with circles at Upper Swampscott July 8th. A large gathering of people at the grove; meeting opened by the President, Mr. T. J. Troye; tests and readings by Dr. C. Goodrich and his wife, Mrs. Mary Goodrich of Portland, Me.; Father Locke, of Boston, made remarks and sang some of his musical selections; remarks by Mrs. H. Baker of Marblehead; tests and remarks, Dr. Arthur Hodges of Lynn. Fine selections of music by the quartet.

Take Loring Avenue car to the grove.

Mrs. N. H. Gardiner, Sec. y.

A Missouri minister preached a sermon on a Sunday forenoon and umpired a ball game in the afternoon.

MEETINGS IN NEW YORK.

His afternoon congregation was the largest.

The Ladies' Aid Society holds its meetings through the summer once a month—third Wednesday in the month— at Adelphi Hall, 52d and 7th Avenue. For information rela-tive to the work of the Society, address Mrs. Kate D. Knox, (749 Columbus Avenue), Soc'y. Soul Communion Meeting on Friday of each week 3 F. M.—doors close at 34.—at 310 West 26th street. Mrs Mary C. Morrell, Conductor. Spiritual Thought Boclety, 108 West 48d street.

- Meetings Sunday evenings. J. W. Fietcher, regular speak-

MEETINGS IN PHILADELPHIA.

The First Association of Spiritualists meets at First Association Hall, 8th and Callowhill streets. President, Benj. P. Benner; Treasurer, James Breen; Secretary, Frank H. Morrill. Services at 10% A.M. and 7% P.M. Lyceum at 2% P.M. Spiritual Conference Association meets at the northeast corner of 8th and Spring Garden streets every Sunday at 29 P. M. S. Wheeler, President, 472 N. 8th street.

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[From the Boston Post.]

Law, but No Law.

General Court muddled the Medical Regulation, and made it inoperative; The Bill has received the Governor's signature, but well hardly be sufficient for its purpose; Rules Committee's Refusal.

The late unlamented General Court of 1894 stands arraigned under a very serious charge. It is alleged that through the carelessness of either the House or the Senate, the bill for the regulation of the practice of medicine which recently received the Governor's signature is rendered inoperative, and that it is practically

The facts prove that either one or the other branch has made a big mistake.

The best informed man in this case is John S.
Richardson, a member of the late House from

Mr. Richardson said to a Post reporter [recently] in his criticism of the bill in question:
"I will not go so far as to say that the bill has been rendered inoperative. There is, how-

nas been rendered inoperative. There is, however, I think, great question as to whether it really has become a law.

"While the bill was under discussion before the House, Mr. Roe of Worcester presented an amendment to Line 11 in Section 8, striking out the words 'this Commonwealth,' thereby making the bill broader in extent by admitting persons educated outside the State to the privapersons educated outside the State to the priv-leges extended to those educated within its

"The amendment received the assent of the House, and went to the Senate for concur-

rence.

"For some reason the Senate got the idea that the lines amended by the House were Lines 4 and 5, in which the words 'this Commonwealth' occurred as in Line 11.

"Acting, I suppose, under that impression, the Senate, believing that it was concurring in the amendment intended by the House, gave its assent, and the bill took the regular course. "As a consequence the House journal of May 25th says that line 11 was amended, while the Senate journal of May 31st says that lines 4 and

5 were amended.

"Therefore, the Senate and the House have not concurred on the amendment, and there a technical point can be raised.

"It was a very natural mistake. The lines were only a little distance apart, and something may have happened to cause a mistake.

may have happened to cause a mistake.
"Whether the enactment of the bill cured
the defect is another question.
"Some outsiders brought the matter to our
attention, and with the object of straightening

things, an amendment was put into the House. Under the rules of the House it was referred to the committee on rules, which refused to recommend that the twelfth joint rule governing amendments of the kind should be suspend-

"We were told that it was small matter, and that the records were straight. I know for a

that the records were straight. I know for a fact that the records of the two houses do not read straight.

"Practically the Senate has ignored the amendment of the House.

"The next Legislature has the power to repeal the law, and the difficulty might be got rid of in that way.* Then the commissioners to be appointed under the act in attempting to enforce it by compelling physicians to register, may be opposed, and the Supreme Court might be appealed to to decide its constitutionality.

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"It might, too, reach the Supreme Court on exceptions, in the shape of an injunction, by quo warranto proceedings, or in other ways.

"It was a bad break at all events, and is liable to cause trouble.

"It may come to this: that the commissioners to be appointed may not be able to act with authority." authority.

'It might too reach the Surreme Court on

"(It would indeed be best to repeal the measure; but the chances are an effort will be made to render it more binding by amendments.—Ed. B. OF L.)

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