

More than the father's heart rich good invent?
Each time we smell the autumn's dying scent
We know the primrose time will come again.

Speak a shade more kindly than the year
before,
Chime a little more love a little more.
Play a little closer to the Father's love;
Life below will liken grow to the life above.

We believe that every living creature has
within itself the elements of perfection, and
is not but to attain and to grow the Divine within
itself for the attaining of the adoration of God.
The words of the Bible say: "And I will be like
that Pain and Sorrow, Doubt and Disbelief,
Disease and Death are not passing things of
earthly Unpleasantness—hardships in their way
to the world of glory, sanctified and glorified
world—Nataroath."

...ful surprise he appeared as
him, and sat at the table and

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generation, but it is a special distinction of the Hebrew scriptures, however, that they contain very little of the supernatural as compared with the monuments of the superstitious people around.

Like most priesthoods they grew corrupted by the privileges they enjoyed and tried to augment their power and wealth by means which were not always laudable. The story of the three-toothed flesh-hook which Hophni and Phinehas used to plunge into the flesh-pots of the Children of Israel, taking for themselves whatever it brought up, shows that their ways were not always marked by disinterestedness and meekness.

Re it be remembered that I did not introduce this shady, demon-swine story, traceable to Babylonians, into my book on obsessions; but Mr. Coleman and two or three others have made it the fulcrum for criticism; in other words, they have injected the story into my book, and then bravely criticised their own uninvited injections, based on the New Testament writings of Paul. Be this right or wrong, I will not say. I will not babble foolishly, whine over it.

Friend Coleman thinks I did him injustice, in some of my previous statements. This certainly was not my purpose, and I deeply regret that I penned a paragraph that could be reasonably so construed. But when I have carefully, critically examined a subject, as

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A subtle chain of countless rings
The next unto the farthest brings;
And striving to be a man the worm
Climbs through all the spires of form;
Spirit that lurks each form within,
Beckons to spirit of its kin;
Soul-kindled every atom glows,
And hints the future which it owes.
Emerson.

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