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"Glorious indeed is the world of God around us, but more glorious the world of God within us."

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MESSAGE FROM LONGFELLOW.

WRITERS AND THEIR "IMAGINARY" CHARACTERS.

Extract from a Message given through Miss MOYES at the Zodiac Circle in 1925. As Zodiac referred to Longfellow and the North American Indians in his Address at Bexhill, which appears in this issue, Longfellow's Message will be found of special interest.

I am allowed to come to-night because I am a companion of your childhood. No, I am afraid you cannot recollect me as such, but we have passed many hours together—hours which held their tears, which had their sad thoughts, but hours which indeed contributed their part towards the growth of what was imprisoned within.

It is Longfellow and I thank you for your kind welcome!

THE "LITTLE CHILDREN" OF OUR MIND.

Dear friends, you have been told that the gifts of the mind can be manifestations of the Holy Spirit. When we pass out of physical life great is our surprise and very humbling is the truth as well. Those "little children" of our mind were not ours at all; they were lent to us! Yes, we were given the capacity for remembering something of the beauty of the Spirit world to which we retreated during the hours of sleep.

When I passed out of physical life I found amongst the many who crossed my path the ideal of those I had created—those "imaginary" characters. But such a thing as an imaginary character cannot exist in the earth sense of imagination. In the spiritual sense, yes; but there are few who realise that imagination is remembrance of what they have seen and heard when their body was wrapped in sleep. Distorted my remembrances may have been, but when I passed over I found the counterparts of the ones you love so much—Hiawatha and the child Minnehaha.

WHERE GOOD IDEAS COME FROM.

Cannot you see how this alters all physical conceptions? Cannot you see how misplaced pride of self is under the light of revelation? Like little children we glory in our own "creations," but when we are free with shame we see how faint a conception of the real we managed to hold. Just as some choose characters from daily life and, with readjustments, present them in the pages of their books, so in greater measure we cull our ideas from the great world of Spirit.

Nothing is original save God! How little, how foolish is man; how patient, how big-hearted is God! That was my first thought when free from

the body, and as time goes on that thought goes deeper and deeper into my soul. To think that we, out of our puny minds, hemmed in by limitations too intricate to describe, to think that we could create something that had never been thought of before!

GLEANED FROM THE SLEEP STATE.

And then the reality: the seeing and the knowing how on our travels during the sleep state now and again we managed to bring back a fragment—often a mutilated fragment—of something that has been shown to us. . . . This explains quite simply how it is that some create characters which are really evil. In the book, in the play, vice is portrayed in a vivid manner. How sad is this! It indicates where they have wandered, where they have spent their time when God's gates were open to them.

If my words have helped one soul my gratitude will have no end. It is my privilege that I should tell you something in regard to how those on earth create for good or ill, how they write on the memory of another soul that which will help or, alas! that which will degrade.

THE REALITY OF HIAWATHA.

So love my Hiawatha, for my Hiawatha loves you! Is it too great a fact for you to take in at once? Then think it over and it will appeal to your reason by the very simplicity of the explanation.

The mind of man—so crude, so limited; yet because man is God's child he is gathered in light and beauty while the body remains in sleep on the earth to which it belongs.

I know you will forgive me if I touch on something which is rather personal to myself: Because in the simple words I put together I tried in my limited way to reveal something of God, so when I was free the fullest revelation that anyone could wish was mine.

Nothing is original save God; yet because He is God He showers on us gifts innumerable, gifts unlimited in their power. Oh gratitude to God, gratitude to the Great Giver!

STAGES OF REVELATION.

By ZODIAC,

A Teacher in the Temple at the Time of Our Lord. (Medium: WINIFRED MOYRS, trance.)

Address given at York Hall, Bexhill, under the auspices of the Bexhill Spiritualist Mission, on Sunday, April 3rd, 1932.

Saviour Christ, into Thy hands I commend the spirit of this Thy child.

My dear children, as I take my way from point to point it gives me great joy to draw into my love in this same way those who name themselves strangers unto me; but I want you to remember that when sleep claims you, freed from the earth body you take your way through the planes of Spirit and there you know me well. There may be some here who echo my words. They ask: "Why should I meet you, someone in whom I have but little interest?" And I answer: My brother, or my sister, you may have but little interest in me, but I love you; and when you are free from the body you will know that the cords of love are irresistible, you will know that it is impossible for any man or any woman to fail to respond to love as time goes on.

So I want you at the outset to feel that I know you well, and, more than that, to realise that your spirit is linked to my spirit because we are all children of the one Father and Mother God.

TELEPATHY AMONG PRIMITIVE PEOPLES.

To-night it has been ordained that I speak to you upon that which I name *Stages of Revelation*, and I want you to realise that the things which are happening upon the earth plane to-day are symbol and sign of those great things which will be uncovered to your greater sight when the body is no more. I ask you to think of those discoveries which come under the heading of Science. I ask you to remember that primitive peoples of time long ago had a system so perfect—because materialism was not in their vibrations—that they were able to pick up the thoughts of those who were miles away; they were able, by contacting with the earth, to know that a traveller was coming into their own domain. There were many men, and many women too, who had psychic gifts in a measure so released that there are many to-day naming themselves instruments who seem bound and fettered to us and to them.

I want you to realise that those primitive peoples—individuals out of the great races—they soon learned their lessons when the body was no more. They were brought into touch with Divine Love and, as I have said, the force of love is so irresistible that they were drawn out of their childishness into a maturity which amazed them; and soon, oh gloriously soon, they were acting as messengers of Christ, they were witnesses of the Great White Spirit, and they came back into those countries where the people dwelt who, for the most part, had done them ill.

NORTH AMERICAN SPIRIT HEALERS.

That is why so many North American Indians are used as healers in this England of yours. They suffered and endured because they could not avoid the trend of events and the iron hand of authority; but when they were free from earthly restrictions, lo! they stepped into a liberty which was glorious to behold, and the sufferings of the past were as jewels in their crown.

So in thinking of that which you name the marvellous discoveries of this age, I want you to remember that in the far far past many of these gifts were in use then. There was a clairvoyance, there was a telepathy far far finer than that in use to-day. Why? Because the little children of God were so dependent upon the gifts of the Spirit. Many of them were so helpless in regard to Nature in its angry moods, and also in regard to man—

man as an enemy who came to wrest their country from them.

But the past is past and I am bidden to say that those who suffered from the white man's hand delight to come back, and there are many so-called civilised men and women who owe much to them.

WHAT IS GREATER THAN MODERN SCIENCE.

So, dear children, in thinking of stages of revelation, I entreat you to keep your mind clear not to be deceived by "marvels" of modern science, but rather to ponder within and to know for your soul's comfort that there are greater things than the marvels of modern science. There is that glorious thing: the release of the Divine within which wisdom, transcending anything of the earth, is slowly but surely made man's own.

It may seem to some that I seek to disparage the gifts of the earth mind, but indeed this is not my intention; it is merely to show those who have not great gifts of the mind that they are not only equal in God's sight to the "clever" ones, but they can release a cleverness far greater than that shown by the greatest intellect of any age. They can release that knowledge, that illumination that should give unto them almost unlimited power when the body is no more.

So to-night I ask you not only to think of your loved ones who have passed beyond the veil, but rather to take it for granted that they are here amongst you; and then to ponder upon this great important fact. They have passed over, perchance some many years. What are they doing? Am I still more searching a question: what have they learned over the years which has sped? They would answer unto you, if only you could hear—"We have learned that the laws of God are not only the true laws and the sweetest laws, but they are laws which cannot be avoided or ignored for long." They would say unto you, if only you could catch their sweet voice—"We have found that the follies of the past were obstacles on the path to our happiness, and we have proved that the dark days—those days of anguish, those days of sorrow—were even as a sign post on the road into revelation. They have shown us the way out of the limitation of the earth and the partial light of understanding, into something of the glorious light of illumination and the revelation of things to be."

THE TEST OF OUR LOVE.

So they come back amongst you, and if they would caress, if they would soothe and console, yet above all they would give a word of loving warning unto each one. They would say unto you: "Oh do not be forgetful of Divine Love as we were at times. Do not cast aside the words of truth contained in the Holy Book. Do not seek the pleasures of the world and allow the hungry Spirit within to starve. Because, if you do, if you do, you will repent and your sufferings will be great indeed." Cannot you see that to praise and hide the truth is not real love? The test of real love is to try to safeguard the path of the one who is so precious, the one who means so much to the pilgrim on the road to God.

So I would reason with the men here this night for there are those present with the abilities of the mind, and it is good to have able tools which we can use. But above all, remember that when we pass out into reality, the facts of life must be faced by you. The scales of justice never waver, and you will punish yourself in the degree that you failed to seek the highest while the body held.

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cannot punish anything or anyone; nay, the Father and Mother God is Love personified. But you are divine; the essence within is of God Himself, and in the degree that you failed your sonship or your daughtership, so in order to reconstruct and to bring yourself into harmony with the Perfect Harmony which reigns in the realms of Spirit, there must be the refining process, there must be Gethsemane for you, there must be a taking up of the Cross and, perchance, the staggering under the weight of the Cross. And then, because the Spirit within will not be denied, lo, upon the Cross you will place yourself, knowing that there shall come for you a glorious resurrection, an Easter-time which shall last for evermore!

With all the force in my power I would impress upon the mind of the body that you cannot hide the truth from yourself; you cannot deceive God the Father, or the God that is within. And so, my brothers and my sisters, I entreat you to listen to the Voice of the Spirit, to hearken to the dictates of conscience and to take up the burdens of daily life, seeing in them steps unto brighter and better things.

LINCOLN AND LONGFELLOW.

Is it not plain? Go back upon the history of your own country or any other peoples and you will find that the only man and the only woman who constructed that which could live on and that which changed public opinion, they followed the path of suffering, and they did unto others that which they would could be done unto themselves. You see, dear children, that the fame of the earth is so passing! Those who are renowned in one generation are forgotten in the next unless, *unless* God was shown in their heart and mind. And as I speak there are two spirits standing by my side. They are but symbol of many others. One was Lincoln—Lincoln with the great heart, Lincoln who knew this glorious truth: that communion with the angel world was possible. And there is that other one who was inspired by the messengers of the light. They named him Longfellow. His words again and again shall stir into life the flickering flame within many a man and many a woman, and when they ponder upon the truth within the message he had to deliver, they will say within themselves: "This man knew something of revelation, this man was a child of God!" Two souls!—yet there are countless thousands and they work amongst you as you take your daily way.

What would you, brother, for the year that lies in front? Some answer: "I would that there could be some security in a material sense for me." Or, perchance, another would reply: "Please God that I may achieve my heart's desire. I want to be free from the mundane task, I want to go out into the wide world and spread the Gospel to the four corners of the earth." Oh such thoughts, such desires are charged with God power! And if the man who so longs to do his Master's work is chained to the office stool or to the warehouse and he cannot gain the freedom which he longs to make his own, then let him believe this glorious truth: as sleep claims him, so the freed spirit within is doing a missionary work impossible for the physical body to undertake. Thus God's laws triumph over the laws of the earth!

THE LAW OF ATTRACTION.

I say to you who seek: beware of that which you desire to make your own, for the law of attraction is very great, and sometimes it happens that when a man fixes his mind on something material, after a fierce struggle he gets it at last. But this has been proved again and again: that when that desire of the heart has been made his own, so oft it is as Dead Sea fruit. We are meant to seek the things that are of God. Thus the door of revelation is set ajar, and when the body is cast asunder,

lo, the door is opened wide and we enter in; and because I desire for you so much that you should have something of illumination, something of divine revelation, so I would come amongst you to give all that I have of spiritual power that God allows, for I crave for you the very best.

Child (*Miss Marjorie Johnson*) go in front; it is not God's Will that I should be separated from those I love so well. (*Zodiac follows Miss Johnson through the side-door to pass down into the hall.*) All is well. We pass out of seeming darkness into light and through the light of the earth into the arena of work, and when we enter the arena of work, so joy surges through our being, for we know that Christ our Lord is with us to bless.

To-night I say unto you, children of the light and children of the half-light: *prepare!* There is within you something you know not, something you have not drawn upon as yet. Within you is a strength, a healing power inconceivable to the mind of the body; within you are resources, are those qualities of doing and achieving which, if you could fathom them to-day, would indeed make you believe that you were a son or a daughter of the Creator of all things.

We are out on a long campaign. We know, those of us who are free, that physical death cannot be avoided, cannot be set aside however much of the earth an individual may possess, however strong the body, however determined the mind. Nay, the casting aside of the physical casket takes place in time, and then the truth must be faced by each and every one.

WHAT IS THE WORLD COMING TO?

I want for you, dear children, those gifts which are rightly your own, but remember that free-will cannot be interfered with. If you seek the valley path, not God Himself can force you to climb. But there are those here who have a stirring within them, something of consciousness of the road which lies in front. They see around them that which represents material chaos. They turn to the parchments of their day and they read narrative of crime, of the weakness of the earth mind and the earth notions, and they are dismayed; they say: "What is the world coming to?" And I am here this night to answer them: The world is nearing its crucifixion! But in these words no sorrow is to be found, for have I not said that only by the crucifixion can the glorious resurrection take place?

In every sphere which is not purified the processes are the same—the sorrow, the seeming darkness, the isolation, the troubled heart and the fears of the mind; and then when that which was worked in contrary to divine laws has been worked out, the joyful throwing aside of that which bound—all the chains of self—and the individual arising in strength, free for evermore; and more than that, with the power won to go to the bonded souls and free them in turn.

REVELATION OF THE DIVINE POWER WITHIN.

So this night I speak to you of stages of revelation and I say that within your own choice it lies! What would you?—to pass out of the earth life and find yourself as a maimed being, or as one who wears the Cross of Jesus Christ upon his brow? And as I speak, so through the rows the holy ones of old pass, and upon the brow of each one the divine Cross is being marked by them. Oh hold this thought: we cannot force you to wear the Cross, but we entreat you, for your soul's sake, to regard the Cross upon your brow as your sweetest possession of all.

Thus I leave you, giving unto you healing for the body and healing for the mind, it is true, but that which the Master desires is better than that, far, far better than that: *healing for the soul!* Children, you are blessed because you seek the

truth and you are willing to undergo that which it entails.

THOSE WHO JOURNEY FAR TO HEAR THE MESSENGER.

Ah yes, and there are those here who have come from afar to hear the messenger of the Christ. Those who journey thus are blessed indeed! They came not to see signs and wonders but to demonstrate their love for the sweet teaching of Jesus Christ. Humbly, so humbly the Master walked amongst man and there were many to cast a sneer, many to raise a stone, but still in gentleness and in love He walked amongst His warring children.

Thus I come to-day, but I thank God that there are so few who receive me with aught but love. When I come they greet me as a stranger, perchance, but ere I go they say: "This man a friend can be!" and the link is forged for evermore.

Peace and healing, and the joy of the thought of the revelation which lies in front! God gives and man takes—that is the Will of the Father; but again I remind you that if out of your little you give to God, so the Father has the infinite joy of trebling His gifts unto you.

Peace and healing and the love which passeth all understanding!

Child, (*Miss Muriel Edwards, sitting in the front row*) come with me, for I would that you speak of that which you have seen this night. We are as one, teacher and pupil, we are as one! And you, dear child (*Miss Johnson*) go in front; you shall find the blessing all around, and those who work with you shall be blessed in turn because of the effort given forth, because you sought to spread the Light in that little part you call your home. There shall come to those who strive that glorious power which is divine!

(*After returning to the platform:*) I bless the workers (*of the Bexhill Spiritualist Mission*) and as they give out from themselves so they shall find again and again in their hour of need that God shall place before them those necessities which it is His Will should be at hand.

Peace and blessing!—and the golden Cross of Jesus Christ resting across these divine conditions. Farewell, but we shall meet again; farewell, dear children, and my love goes with you all.

ANCHORED TO THE INFINITE.

*The builder who first bridged Niagara's gorge
Before he swung his cable, shore to shore,
Sent across the gulf his venturing kite
Bearing a slender cord for unseen hands
To grasp upon a further cliff and draw
A greater cord, and then a greater yet,
Till at last across the chasm swung
The cable, then the mighty bridge in air. . .*

*So may we send our little timid thought
Across the void, out to God's reaching Hands,
Send out our love and faith to thread the deep,
Thought after thought until the little cord
Has greatened to a chain, no chance to break,
And we are anchored to the Infinite.*

EDWIN MARKHAM.

(Sent by Mrs. Davies, Birmingham.)

MRS. CADWALADR'S LECTURES.

The first of Mrs. Cadwaladr's lectures at the London Spiritual Mission, Pembridge Place, W. on April 8th was on "The Survival of Individuality," and provided much food for thought. Mr. Sydney Beard took the Chair. These lectures will be continued every Friday, at 8 p.m., and subjects calculated to interest all types of minds will be discussed by Mrs. Cadwaladr. Admission free.

SACRED SYMBOLS.

By ISABELLA WRIGHT.

It is very interesting to read in THE GREATER WORLD for April 2 the account of the bull which was by an unseen power prevented from approaching the ancient circle of stones. (*See article "Curious Incidents in Connection with Ancient Stones."*)

It is scarcely right to regard the stone circle as a relic of pagan "ignorance." The stone circle is a witness to the revelation of truth in the statute of the passover taught by Moses, as the Runic Cross in Iona is a witness to the truth taught by Christ. The stone circle and cross are mystic symbols of spiritual law, for the circle is curtained in the heavens by the Deity, and the fixed cross is also laid across the heavens.

The law written by the "finger of God" is a living and everlasting law in which the ram, the bull, and the goat are used as symbols. They are symbols of the houses of the heavens, in which we find the hidden meaning of their use in the law.

THE REAL MEANING OF THE PASSOVER.

The observance by the Jew who eats the roasted flesh of the passover lamb, and the unleavened bread, is a symbolic remembrance of a spiritual revelation. The essential truth of the passover is the implied renunciation or flight from the "earth." Man had found his earth life afflicted with trouble and lack of health—the result of breaking the laws of Nature—that he had cried out to God in his distress. The passover is the answer of God to his prayer. It is the first step taken by the children of Israel in the spiritual path of the law.

Everyone who is of the children of Israel must "pass over"; that is, of course, all humanity.

WHAT "EGYPT" SYMBOLISES.

Many have eaten the passover and have turned back from the path, to Egypt, and the house of servants. The return to Egypt is not, and cannot reasonably be, to the country of that name, for there are few of us who have any opportunity of going to that land of occult and romantic history.

Egypt (meaning darkness) is a symbol of the zodiacal "earth." The Israelites who returned to the zodiacal house of the ox (the cattle), after having been delivered, in answer to their prayer, by the strength of God's hand, are rebellious children. In the books of Isaiah and Jeremiah we can read the displeasure of the Deity to those who have disobeyed the command, *Go not back to Egypt.*

To the disciples of Jesus it is given to know the mysteries. The passover is to be found in the nativity of birth. Some have passed over, and some—very many indeed—have returned to Egypt and the house of servants: a delay in spiritual evolution.

ANOTHER USEFUL BOOKLET.

Mr. Harry Johnson, of Hull, has published a fourth booklet under the title of "Look and Live," which is of the type of literature one can pass on to non-Spiritualists with a feeling of confidence.

It is packed with information presented in both commonsense and spiritual way.

The booklet issued by Mr. Johnson just before Christmas, "The Guiding Star," has already exceeded its first thousand copies. No. 1, "Whom say Ye that I am," and No. 2, "Spirit Power" are both in their second edition and are selling well. All profit from the sale of these booklets is given to local Hospitals.

THE STORY OF THE MYSTERIOUS MUMMY.

By ERNEST MEADS

whose portrait appears on this page. We are fortunate in having Mr. Meads as the Instructor at the Training Class for Speakers which is held at G.W. Sanctuary every Monday evening during April, May and June. Mr. Meads is one of the early pioneers of Christian Spiritualism.

There is truth indeed in the lines written by Thomas Gray in his "Elegy" written in a country churchyard:

"E'en from the tomb the voice of Nature cries;
E'en in our ashes live their wonted fires."

Though the stories of most of the spirits brought or attracted to us for help are sad and make painful reading, one, here and there, lingers in the memory as being unusual and dramatic, and so may be of general interest.

In 1909 the newspapers drew attention to an Egyptian coffin in the British Museum, the lid of which was beautifully painted, and to the uncanny incidents connected with it. It was known to have had enclosed within it the mummy of a Priestess of Amen-Ra, who had been buried at Thebes probably about 1600 B.C. Her tomb had been rifled by a party of Arabs, and the mummy lost. This coffin had been purchased from an Arab by a small party of Englishmen, each of whom was speedily overtaken by misfortune. One, owing to the accidental explosion of a gun, had his arm amputated; another died in poverty; the third was shot; and the fourth, after severe financial loss, soon died.

THE COFFIN OF A HIGH-PRIESTESS.

The coffin was given, by the one who became its possessor, to his married sister who lived near London, and immediately she too was afflicted by loss of money and other family troubles; and being advised by Madame Blavatsky to get rid of it, as there was an evil influence connected with it, she decided to offer it to the British Museum. She first sent it to a photographer in Baker Street, from whom she received a call a day or two later with the plate and print of the photograph which he had taken. She was startled and terrified at the sight of it, as he had been, for the photograph was not of the face painted upon the coffin-lid, but of the malignant face of a woman who seemed to be alive.

The unfortunate photographer died soon after suddenly and mysteriously, while the carrier, who took the fateful coffin to the Museum, died within a week, and his assistant met with a serious accident. Misfortune came to the attendants in the room in which it was placed, and it is said that the only one who escaped was a man who invariably bowed respectfully to the corner of the room in which it stood. A daily paper stated that a scientist of repute, and a well-known engineer, together visited the Museum and inspected the coffin-lid, ridiculing openly the idea of an evil spirit being connected with it and causing trouble. The scientist soon after committed suicide; and the engineer had an unaccountable fall, which dislocated his shoulder and caused internal suffering. Even the journalist, who was at pains to collect and confirm these details, did not escape, for he died soon after at an early age, after a brief illness.

I certainly read this gruesome story, but distrusting newspaper reports of such incidents, took little notice of it, and did not visit the Museum.

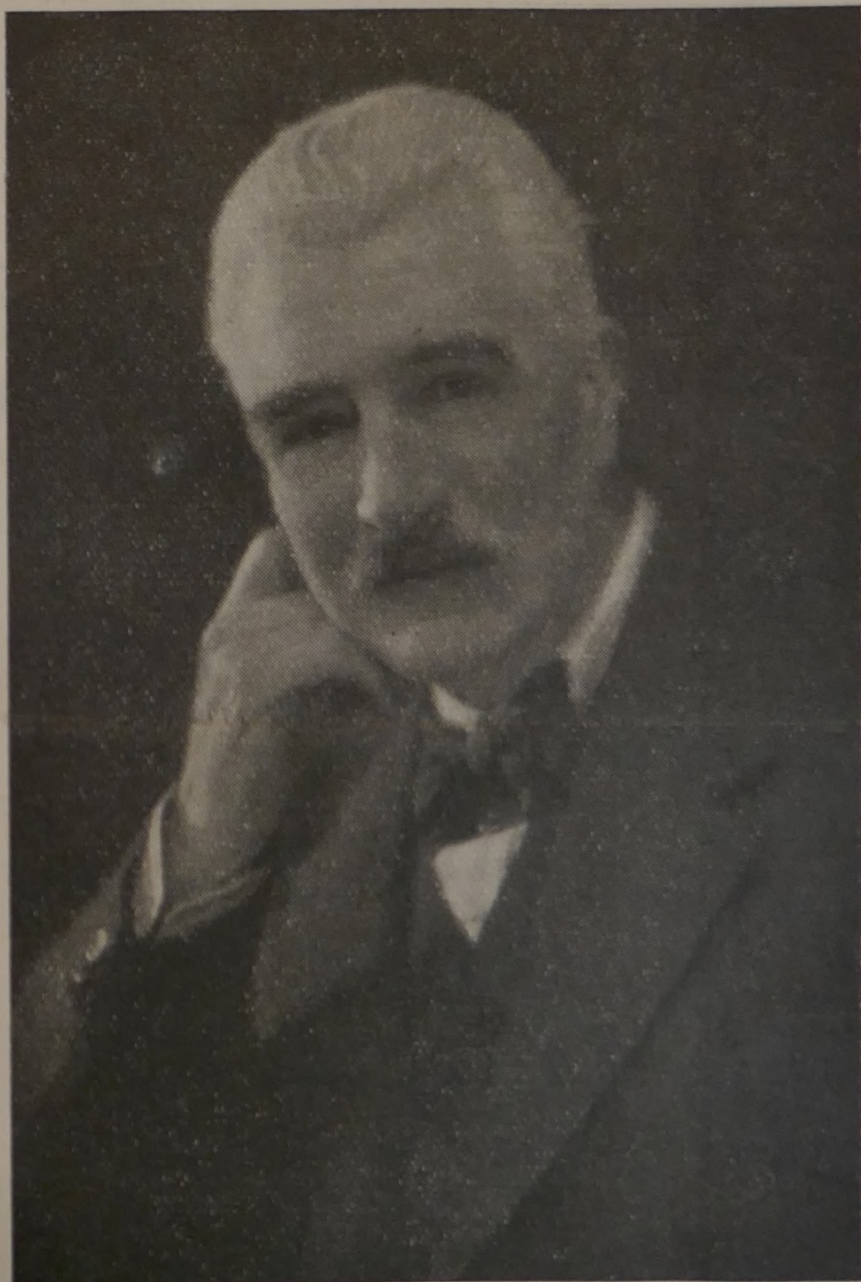
SEANCE IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

One day, some time after the excitement had abated and people were ceasing to talk about it, a friend, a highly developed medium, with whom I often worked, told me that we were to go to the British Museum, as there was work for us to do. He understood that the request came from St. John of little Stature, a spirit who frequently employed us in his rescue-work.

On our way to the Museum suddenly the story of the mysterious coffin came into my mind and I suggested that this might be our objective; immediately the signal that it was so was given to my friend. After carefully looking at the coffin-lid with a silent prayer for help and guidance, I invited the spirit to come and speak with us, as with friends who desired to help, if help was needed.

A PSYCHIC OF 3,500 YEARS AGO.

My companion was controlled by a spirit, who, speaking in a somewhat haughty manner, announced that she was a Princess of Royal Rank



and a High-Priestess of Amen-Ra. She had been subjected to a violent outrage. What greater wrong could be conceived than the destruction of her body, which, she had been taught, rendered reincarnation impossible! When on earth, she had acquired great occult powers, which she now used and meant to use until her body was found and restored to her tomb; if that were impossible, she certainly would have revenge!

I explained to her that she laboured under a great mistake: never again would she return to live upon earth in a mortal body. The God-man, foretold in her day, had visited the earth and had taught us that God is Love; and our first duty is to love God as our Father, and every human being as a brother or sister. She, in her ignorance and folly had avenged herself upon innocent people, which would bring increased sorrow to herself. But, as better than anything I could say, I would ask a sister who had loved God to show herself to her, that she might realise how different her state was from her own.

She interrupted me at once with an exclamation.

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ZODIAC AT OLDHAM.

A sympathetic congregation crowded the church in Parliament Street, Oldham, on Sunday evening last to hear Zodiac on Miss Moyes' first visit to that town. The hall, now the premises of the Christian Spiritual Church, was originally a cinema.

Our friend Mr. North, of Hyde, who presided over the Zodiac Service at Hyde on Oct. 11 last, read the Lesson, Chap. XII of ST. MARK.

Zodiac spoke on the theme of Christ's consoling words to the thief: "To-day thou shalt be with Me in paradise."

Clairvoyance was then given by the guides of Mr. Wm. Boyland and Mr. F. Moores under trance conditions. Both mediums were used to demonstrate the fact of survival after death.

The Chair was occupied by Miss Nora Leigh, Vice-President of the Church.

THE BEXHILL SERVICE.

From Miss Marjorie A. Johnson, President of the Bexhill Spiritualist Mission:

I should like to thank you for your coming to us on Sunday, April 3. Zodiac's address was indeed a revelation to many and has been the means of convincing some of spirit return. I am quite sure the meeting and Zodiac's power will long be remembered.

I enclose one guinea which please accept for the Greater World Fund, and I wish you every success in the great work you are doing.

From Mr. Ernest Purfield, Secretary:

It was a very fine Service, a red-letter day for us in Bexhill, and I feel it will bear much good fruit.

BEAUTIFUL VISIONS.

Mrs. Florence Lane:

With Miss Moyes I saw a bank of purple cloud which covered her all over. The tall figure of a North American Indian, a healer, stood by her side. I gathered she was "below par" and that his duty was to watch the body of the medium.

I had a clear vision of Zodiac, this time not carrying a Cross of light but a Cross of palm leaves which were waving in the power around him.

Across the whole width of the hall at the back of the people there were Spirit children of all colours, creeds and nations. In the centre was a very spiritual guide, who was probably their leader who had brought them. It was a beautiful sight indeed, proving the peace and harmony there must have been in the hall for the children to manifest their presence.

(When Mrs. Lane gave clairvoyance during the second part of the Bexhill meeting, a gentleman of 50 years' experience testified to the excellence of the description given.)

THE RAY OF LIGHT.

Mrs. E. Booth, Hastings, writes to Miss Moyes:

A friend and myself went to Bexhill on Sunday evening to hear the address given by Zodiac through you, entering the hall our attention was drawn to three lilies on the table round which a golden aura was forming. Soon after you had taken your seat a very brilliant ray of light shone on you from high up behind the platform.

In this ray children and adults were descending and ascending right through the service. The children brought flowers and added to the lilies, the vase of which was filled to overflowing. When Zodiac took you down amongst the people, children brought these flowers and strewed them in front of him.

A LIVING PICTURE.

Miss Muriel Edwards:

As the control was about to take place, I saw the spirit body of Miss Moyes step out of the right side of the physical body, the two bodies remaining connected by a silver cord. Zodiac stood behind the earth garment, with his hands on its shoulders. Slowly he merged, or so it seemed, into the body and the control was complete.

The spirit body was then taken away towards the back of the platform, after which it was lost to my vision.

I beheld then a wonderful picture of the Saviour. Part of the wall at the back of the platform was lit up, and in a large square of light appeared a beautiful gold frame, inside which was the face of the Christ—a living picture!

This disappeared, and with it space became unlimited. I looked upon hosts and hosts of spirit people—bright messengers of God, and others who as yet had not found their Maker. All were listening most intently to the message that the teacher had to bring.

Zodiac himself was robed in spotless white, and he carried in his right hand a staff of ivory, the top of which formed the Cross.

As Zodiac spoke of the necessity for man to carry the Cross, I saw an old, poor and bent soul, labouring under a terribly heavy cross, which he was endeavouring to carry up a hill. Slow was his progress, for so little ground was covered in a long space of time. Suddenly by his side stood the Radiant One. Laying His hands on the cross, the weary pilgrim was amazed to find that the weight had gone. Straightening his shoulders, and with a smile upon his face the pilgrim proceeded up the hill, bearing with a joyful heart the Cross of the great Redeemer of mankind. "Sufficient for the need shall thy strength be!"

As Zodiac came down amongst us, a happy group of spirit children ran in front of him, scattering rose petals in his path.

On the floor, in front of the platform, was a dazzling white marble fountain, from which sprang crystal water. Into this, and around, flew a number of doves, who were winging their way among the people.

Kneeling before the fountain was the spirit of St. Stephen, surrounded by a radiance of pure gold. In his hands he held a long narrow gold cross.

MEDIUM LOST TO SIGHT.

M. Ellis:

At first I saw the platform one mass of purple. The Zodiac appeared during the Scripture Reading. He was wearing a flowing purple robe. During the reading he stood beside Miss Moyes, and while the solo was being rendered he completely overshadowed her. In fact, the medium's body was lost to sight. When Zodiac first appeared on the platform, he made the sign of the Cross.

CROYDON SPIRITUALIST CHURCH.

The Opening Services at Bedford Hall, Bedford Park, West Croydon, took place on Easter Sunday, 27th March. The inaugural address being ably delivered by the President, MR. G. E. WRIGHT. Clairvoyant descriptions and spirit messages were given by Mrs. L. Campbell, who most kindly undertook, at short notice, to fill a vacancy.

To celebrate the transfer to the new premises, "Social" was held on Wednesday, 30th March. About 180 members and friends attended, and a programme of musical items, plus light refreshments, was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Kennedy and Miss Joan Proud gave private clairvoyant readings and psychometry in separate rooms. Great credit is due to Mrs. Ravenhill who ably organised the affair. A gratifying sum was realised in aid of the Church Building Fund.

PROPAGANDA MEETINGS.

We draw the attention of our readers to the Zodiac meetings to be held in Bristol, Oldbury and Carlisle. The committees of the Spiritualist Churches in these districts have taken special halls for the occasion, which means a great increase in the work of organisation. But week after week it is proved that this effort brings a definite spiritual and material blessing.

Readers of *The Greater World* can help in a valuable way by watching Miss Moyes' list of engagements, and writing to relatives and friends living in the different towns, drawing their attention to the meetings.

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YORKSHIRE MEDIUM'S GOOD WORK AT THE SANCTUARY.

A true exponent of Christian Spiritualism and a most able demonstrator of psychic gifts is Mrs. Lily Atherton, of Barnsley, who took services at G.W. Sanctuary on Saturday and Monday last. There is in her a happy combination of the qualities that make for excellent platform work—clarity of expression, accuracy in the interpretation of things seen and heard supernormally, function of her gifts on the foundation of Christ.

On Saturday Mrs. Atherton's guide, the spirit of a Belgian Sister of Mercy, gave a very spiritual address on "Care, Courage, Comfort, the Cross, and the Crown of Glory." She frequently quoted from the Master's words, especially some of His wonderful sayings as chronicled in Chap. XIV of St. JOHN, which Chapter had been read beautifully by Mr. Alfred Morris as the lesson for the evening.

Mrs. Atherton then spoke to about 15 people in the audience, giving them many correct delineations of spirit friends and passing on the messages with which she was inspired.

Miss Edwards' sacred song was much appreciated.

On Monday evening Mrs. Atherton used her mediumship for psychometry. The audience placed objects on a tray, and within the space of an hour and a quarter the medium dealt with just over 30 of them, being brought into psychic contact, by holding each object in her hands, with its owner to whom she was able to communicate helpful advice from those in the Spirit. Many descriptions were also given. The whole demonstration was conducted on very spiritual lines.

While resting in the Sanctuary on Monday afternoon, Mrs. Atherton witnessed a marvellous vision in connection with Miss Moyes which she related at the evening meeting. It was symbolical of the growth of the work. We are happy to say that Mrs. Atherton will be visiting us again in 12 months' time.

MRS. DIMOCK ON THE HUMAN AURA.

On Wednesday evening, April 13, Mrs. Dimock, a Member of the Council of the G.W.C.S. League, gave a delightful address on "The Human Aura and its Colours." The substance of her lecture had been given her by one of her spirit guides. Mrs. Dimock in the first place referred to the various auric colours, explaining what they denote in relation to character and health. She pointed out the importance of the aura being safeguarded and nourished by a rightful attitude of mind over the things of daily life.

The address was followed by describing the auras of several people in the audience. Not only did Mrs. Dimock see the colours and the patterns in which they manifested to her vision, but she was able to pass on messages of a helpful nature.

MRS. GRACE COOKE AT THE SANCTUARY.

We have been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Grace Cooke, who will be taking the meeting at the Sanctuary this Saturday, April 16, at 6.30. Mr. Burtenshaw has had to cancel his booking through illness.

(For full particulars of forthcoming Sanctuary meetings see page iii.)

MRS. JOHNSON'S GIFT OF PSYCHOMETRY.

We are very pleased to announce that we have been able to arrange for special psychometry meetings to be taken by Mrs. Annie Johnson every Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 commencing on May 4th. Psychometry rightly used is a most evidential and helpful form of mediumship. Mrs. Johnson's demonstrations are very remarkable.

(Mrs. Johnson gives private consultations at her home at 88, Valley Road, Welwyn Garden City. Telephone: W. G. City 483. Green Line 'Bus Service from Charing Cross.)

SPIRITUAL ADDRESS AT THE HOUSE.

A very fine address, full of truth, yet couched in simple language, was given at "G.W. House" by Mr. G. H. Dunmore on Sunday last. He spoke of the Parable of the Rich Man, applying it to the present-day man who wields a certain amount of authority and power through being the owner of material possessions. The speaker said that Christ did not condemn anyone because of such wealth, but He pointed out the danger of a man's mind being set on earthly riches if he was poor in spiritual knowledge. The key to this knowledge was humility. Jesus triumphed over the temptation of worldly popularity.

Mr. Dunmore said that although we were in a critical time as far as this great Truth was concerned, yet it was gradually being recognised. In the early days the Spiritualists were persecuted, but persecution begat strength.

A beautiful benediction was given by Mr. Dunmore's spirit guide. A lady present experienced some wonderful visions.

Mr. Reid, of Canterbury, again favoured the Centre by playing the organ and rendering an exquisite solo, "God sends the Night." (Rathbone.)

DEVELOPMENT CIRCLE.

Mrs. Chesterman will take the Evening Service on Sunday, April 17; trance address and clairvoyance. Mrs. Chesterman has kindly offered to hold a Development Circle at the House on Saturday evening, April 16. Only a limited number can be admitted. Apply to the hostess, Mrs. Pattinson.

A HAPPY HOLIDAY.

From Miss V. M. R.: I have just returned from Herne Bay, and I feel I must write to you immediately to say what a wonderful holiday Miss R. and I have had. Miss Stephen and Mrs. Pattinson were so very kind and did everything possible to make us happy. It has been one of the happiest and most spiritual Easters I have ever spent. The services taken by Mr. Harry Johnson were most inspiring.

We are both anxious to spend our summer holidays there, and as soon as we know the date we will write to you.

ZODIAC AT BRISTOL, CHESTER, LONDON, OLDBURY and CARLISLE.

Apr. 17th.—Co-operative Society's Hall, Castle Street, Bristol, 6.30. Special Meeting organised by the Greater World Bristol Christian Spiritualist Centre. Clairvoyance by Madame Agnes Tovell. Tickets 1s. and 6d., from Mrs. Miles Ord, 13, Ashgrove Road, Redland, Bristol. A limited number of free seats.

Apr. 24th.—Town Hall, Chester, 6.30. Special Meeting organised by the Chester First Spiritualist Church. Tickets, 2s., 1s. and 6d. from Mr. N. T. Cogswell, Norcote, Blacon, nr. Chester.

May 1.—North London Spiritualist Association, Hornsey Road (one minute from Hornsey Road L.M.S. Station), 7 p.m.

May 8th.—Town Hall, Oldbury. Special Meeting organised by the Oldbury Christian Spiritualist Church. Clairvoyance by Mrs. L. Lewton. Afternoon, 3 o'clock. Tickets, 1s. and 6d. from Mr. A. A. Clift, "Newlyn," Victoria Road, Oldbury, nr. Birmingham.

May 15.—Whit-Sunday. National Spiritualist Church (Spiritual Fellowship), The Exchange, Lonsdale Street, Carlisle. 6.30.

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ECHOES OF THE DEDICATION SERVICE.

From Miss Edith L. Wilson:

I feel I must send just a few lines to thank you for the wonderful experience of the Sanctuary Dedication Service. It will be quite unforgettable, for I shall always remember that glorious feeling of being in another sphere where the radiance and light thrilled one through and through and where one was stilled by the consciousness of great holiness. Apart from the meeting it was a kind of comradeship that made one feel something of the rapture of the early Christians; one felt it was a fellowship of the school of prophets.

OUT-OF-THE-BODY EXPERIENCE.

From one who was unable to be present owing to sickness in the house:

How very beautiful it all was this evening! (March 12th). I was sitting quietly in my room when I felt a cool breeze round my head and a sensation as if hands were gently manipulating my forehead just above and between my eyes. I seemed to lose myself, and after a while was one of a crowd looking towards an altar. Suddenly the roof vanished and in its place was a glorious light as of the sun and countless numbers were gathered round. I saw three figures kneeling at the foot of the altar, and on the top of the steps was the glorious Figure of The Master with His hands raised in blessing. The feeling of peace and light is quite indescribable.

It seems so wonderful to me that I should have been granted this vision.

TWO VISIONS.

Mrs. Sampson, of 77, Grove Lane, Stamford Hill, N.3 (in whose boarding house Mr. Aeschmann first came in contact with psychic phenomena in 1918) writes to Miss Moyes:

The memory of the beautiful Sanctuary Dedication Service will long remain with me. During the singing of the first hymn, Zodiac was standing by your side with outstretched arms. On his face was a smile of joy and tender love. The Sanctuary faded away and I saw instead a lovely garden. The sun was most brilliant.

Zodiac then took your hand and led you down a pathway strewn with gorgeous flowers. At the end of the pathway was a door which led into a field. The grass looked wonderfully fresh. Walking about the field were lambs and doves. Your footsteps seemed to disturb the doves; they first flew about and then up and away. Then came Mr. Morris and Mr. Aeschmann, each carrying a very heavy, rusty key. They stood by the door looking around the field.

I then heard these words: "The link becomes stronger and stronger. I bless you all. Follow Me."

A SANCTUARY IN THE SPIRIT.

Given through the hand of MRS. E. G. M. ДИМОНК. March 9, 1932.

When all that was within me reached out great thoughts of love,
To all the earth that those outside the fold might be indrawn,
Then, then, I dreamed I stood on heights so high, so great, so mighty:
And there I stood alone!
Ah no; but with the angel throng, who praises sing and raise
That hymn to Him Who has them all within the hollow of His hand.
And then there came to me this thought of how I too could rise,
And so prepare for that glad day when earth shall be no more.
A Sanctuary fair I saw, so great and mighty stand;
A centre to which all could come, and all could flow from those within;
As if to make a web that grows more strong with every strand.
Though weak at first and small, the cords then stouter could become.

Miss McEvoy was present at the Dedication Service G.W. Sanctuary on March 12 when she witnessed the following visions:

As Zodiac passed us in the ante-room, he seemed to leave behind radiant forms, like ancient prophets and patriarchs who scattered globes of light which, as they floated down above our heads, were transformed into jewels. I distinguished a topaz, a turquoise, a ruby and an emerald, signifying different branches of the work.

Then I saw the figure of the Master in a blue robe. His head was a crown of light from which pointed rays were sent out in all directions. Later when He appeared to us again, a band of little children were around His feet; behind them came groups of youths whom I took to be spirits who had passed out through the war and who had become purified and were now serving Christ. Beyond these were crowds of spirit people—relatives, friends and strangers. The Master blessed each band, one after the other.

TRANSFIGURATION MEDIUM FOR THE SANCTUARY.

We are pleased to announce that we have made arrangements for the well-known medium, MRS. M. BULLOCK, of Levenshulme, Manchester, to give public demonstrations at G.W. Sanctuary early in May. We first made Mrs. Bullock's acquaintance at the Zodiac Service at Hyde in October, 1931, and she had a seat on the platform at Oldham on Sunday last.

FIRST LONDON DEMONSTRATION.

The first two meetings will be held on Sunday, May 8, at 6.30 p.m., and Monday, May 9, at 7.30 p.m. Mrs. Bullock recently gave her services in Belfast under the auspices of the local Psychic Society. Her mediumship is unusual and very remarkable. While under control (deep trance) her face becomes transfigured into the likeness of the manifesting spirit entity. A large black velvet square is placed behind the medium who is dressed in black so as to eliminate all distracting lines and designs in the immediate surroundings. A subdued red light is used, but the changes are seen without any difficulty by the entire audience.

Admission will be free, but a silver collection will be taken after each meeting. Mrs. Bullock has not given any public demonstrations in London before.

As stout as nature's oak to stand 'gainst every storm
that breaks;
Or e'en the lightest shower of rain or dew; it matters
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For safe, secure, within its walls the Sanctuary shall
stand;
A beacon and a shelter be to all who seek to find
And know their Lord, and of His truth. For
shall be proclaimed,
Till all the earth shall be within its bounds.
That is the dream I dreamed.
A dream, you say, that fades away? O no, it shall
not fade;
But it will grow, as break of day towards its dawn
comes.
And full-day glory shall be there, which light
heat can give;
Revivifying heat, to make the weak the strongest
the strong;
Revealing that the work within is God's own
choice.

"GHOSTS" AT LANSDOWNE ROAD.

By WINIFRED MOYES.

When we first looked over No. 3, Lansdowne Road, in which is now the Greater World Sanctuary, we remarked on the many spirit children in the house. We did not know until later that No. 3 had been the boarding house of the pupils of the Notting Hill High School for Girls. Naturally, the earth children attracted a lot of spirit children who, as we are taught, have to continue their earthly experiences which, so far as the body was concerned, were cut short.

But since we came to live in the house we have contacted with spirits of past generations.

A "GIANT" SPIRIT.

Soon after we moved in I was conscious of the presence of a giant man whose form seemed to be entirely of light. If I rested for a minute in my room this form was always behind me—so tall that his head reached to the ceiling. I was impressed that he was a highly developed spirit who when on earth had had considerable medical knowledge. At times I was so conscious of the closeness of this huge form that I asked him to stand back a little, but I wished I had not done so afterwards as I have not seen him recently.

Then I contacted quite a different type of spirit and the presence of this one caused me much surprise. One night I had just settled comfortably in bed when I saw a man, aged about forty, standing close to my bed looking at me in a bewildered way. He had no coat on; his sleeves were rolled up and he wore a white apron, one point of which was tucked into a tape round his waist. In his hands were a tumbler and a cloth. His face was long and rather narrow, and he was clean shaven except for slight side whiskers. I suppose he had been a butler or pantry man in the house in years gone by. I felt so sorry for his bewilderment that I said a few words to him, and I hope he has now been able to break away from earth conditions.

I have been conscious of many other spirits in the house, but the others have not manifested in so definite a way as the two I have mentioned.

MANY DOOR-KEEPERS.

Soon after we moved into No. 3, Zodiac "controlled" me late one evening. He went over all the upper part of the house and blessed each room. He said there were earth-bound spirits in the house, but that in time each one would be as a door-keeper and door-guardian of the conditions there.

Mrs. Margaret Hoare and Miss Muriel Edwards have also had psychic experiences in No. 3, and

they have kindly written a little account of what they have seen.

WHAT MRS. HOARE SAW.

Going down one evening into the basement to see if the hot-water boiler had been stoked, I was surprised to see standing by the window the very solid and portly form of an elderly butler, complete with livery and side whiskers. The expression on his face changed from surprise to horrified amazement when he saw me start to fill up the furnace.

On another occasion, while sitting for concentration in Miss Moyes' bedroom, I saw built up a scene of the past. The room changed into a kind of conservatory, and I saw several young men and women in period dress evidently "sitting out" after dancing, and from the distance came faint strains of lilting music.

OLD TENANTS SEEN BY MISS EDWARDS.

It was at the Mighty Mohawk Healing Circle that I saw the "lady of the house," and her attendants. St. Stephen was speaking at the time; and I could not understand why there was such a distracting influence in the room. Then it was that the little lady appeared. She stood by the couch, with three ladies and one gentleman, all attired in the picturesque garments of a past period.

She was most indignant that her drawing-room should be used by people who, she thought, had no business to be there. Though I could not hear her voice, I could see by her actions her attitude of mind. She turned first to one and then to another of her companions, who were apparently unable to offer any explanation of the intrusion.

After a little while they all became aware of the speaker. I do not know whether they could see him—I rather think not—but his words (he was then addressing the unseen) caused them much dismay.

EARTH-BOUND SPIRITS.

St. Stephen did not stay long, and the Mighty Mohawk took control. His voice is so very full of strength and vitality, quite different to the gentle Stephen. This caused the little lady still greater amazement. After a while they all became more reconciled to the fact that they no longer had any right to the room.

Though they were not entirely brought into the light, I know they will come again, until they are completely free of the bondage of the earth which has held them for so long.

MRS. MEURIG MORRIS' LAW CASE.

Great interest is being shown by Spiritualists all over the country in the Case now being heard by Mr. Justice McCardie and a special jury in the King's Bench Division. As is well known, Mrs. Morris is claiming damages for libel against the Associated Newspapers, Limited, who in the early days of the Services at the Fortune Theatre, published certain comments regarding the addresses given by "Power."

Among the witnesses in support of Mrs. Morris have been Sir Oliver Lodge, the Rev. J. Lamond, D.D., Lady Conan Doyle, Mrs. Philip de Crespigny and Mrs. Violet Tweedale. Up to the time of our going to press Mrs. Morris' co-worker, Mr. Laurence Cowen, has not entered the witness box.

Although there may be some Spiritualists who wish that the Case had been settled out of Court,

we feel sure that they are sending helpful thoughts to Mrs. Morris over the ordeal she is going through. We are very sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mr. Morris, whom we have known for some years.

SPREADING THE TRUTH ABROAD.

A reader has sent us the February issue of THE RHODESIAN, containing the whole of Zodiac's address on "The Flowers of Sacrifice" given at the Norwich Christian Spiritualist Church on November 8th last. The article was headed "Is Spiritualism True?" and the Editor wrote in his introduction: "This address serves to indicate the type of message given by a devout medium in an atmosphere of reverent worship."

Several articles translated from THE GREATER WORLD have recently appeared in Spiritualist journals published in Denmark and Brazil.

HOW "DEATH" WAS HERALDED IN AN IRISH HOUSEHOLD.

By J. B. S. MacILWAINE, R.H.A.

In an article entitled "The Banshee," published on January 11th, 1930, an account of the mysterious footsteps I heard before my mother's death is given. The article on "Bell Ringing by Unseen Hands," which appeared in THE GREATER WORLD for March 5th, reminds me that during her last illness a table containing the usual assortment of objects required in the sick-room was on the landing outside my mother's bedroom door; a hand bell was one of the items.

One morning, shortly before the end, I was in the study arranging matters with the gardener when we both heard this particular bell. It had a most peculiar sound, so there could be no mistake. Fearing that something serious was the matter, we rushed up the stairs, the cook and maid, who were in the kitchen at the time, following us, both of whom had also heard the bell ringing.

The nurse was standing by the table, for she too had heard the bell, but in her case *the sound appeared to come from the ground floor*. She had not touched the bell!

WHAT CAUSED THE NOISE?

The nurse usually made herself a cup of tea about 4 o'clock each morning. On one occasion she was amazed to hear coal put on my bedroom fire at that time, as the noise was considerable. Thinking I had probably been sleeping badly she thought of offering me a cup of tea. But a change in her patient's condition decided her to watch more closely. Fearing the end was near she knocked several times at my door, receiving no reply; and thinking something must be wrong she opened the door only to find me sleeping soundly, and no fire or coal in the grate! The nurse admitted afterwards it was the greatest shock she had ever experienced.

When the din became a matter of hours the maid sat up with the night-nurse. I was surprised to hear great noise in the kitchen, fire-irons rattled, and coal was being thrown into the range. On enquiring in the sick-room I was told that nothing was known about the matter, no noise having been heard. I went down to the kitchen immediately; the fire was out, no coal in the range, nor was there any indication of anything unusual. My mother passed away shortly after.

G.W.C.S.L. CHURCH IN ONTARIO.

We quote from the LONDON ADVERTISER, Ontario, Canada, for March 28:

Yesterday afternoon a special service was held in the Greater World Mission Hall, when the charter, issued by the Greater World Christian Spiritualist League, was unveiled by the President, William Giles, who explained the principles of the League, which, although only in existence 10 months, has over 250 affiliated churches scattered throughout the civilised world. The nearest is the Inspirational Church of Truth in Winnipeg.

The large attendance at the morning service listened with rapt attention to a trance address through Mrs. Nelson Sawyer on "The Cross."

Mediums present and on the platform were Robert Comrie, Arthur Barton and the Revs. Clara Rumball-Taylor and A. Taylor of Plymouth, Pa., each of whom gave spirit delineations.

In the evening a large crowd attended to hear Jimmy Shepherd sing, and lecture upon the subject "The Personal Contact of Jesus Christ." Spirit delineations were given by Chester McAdams.

The hall had been beautifully decorated by the ladies.

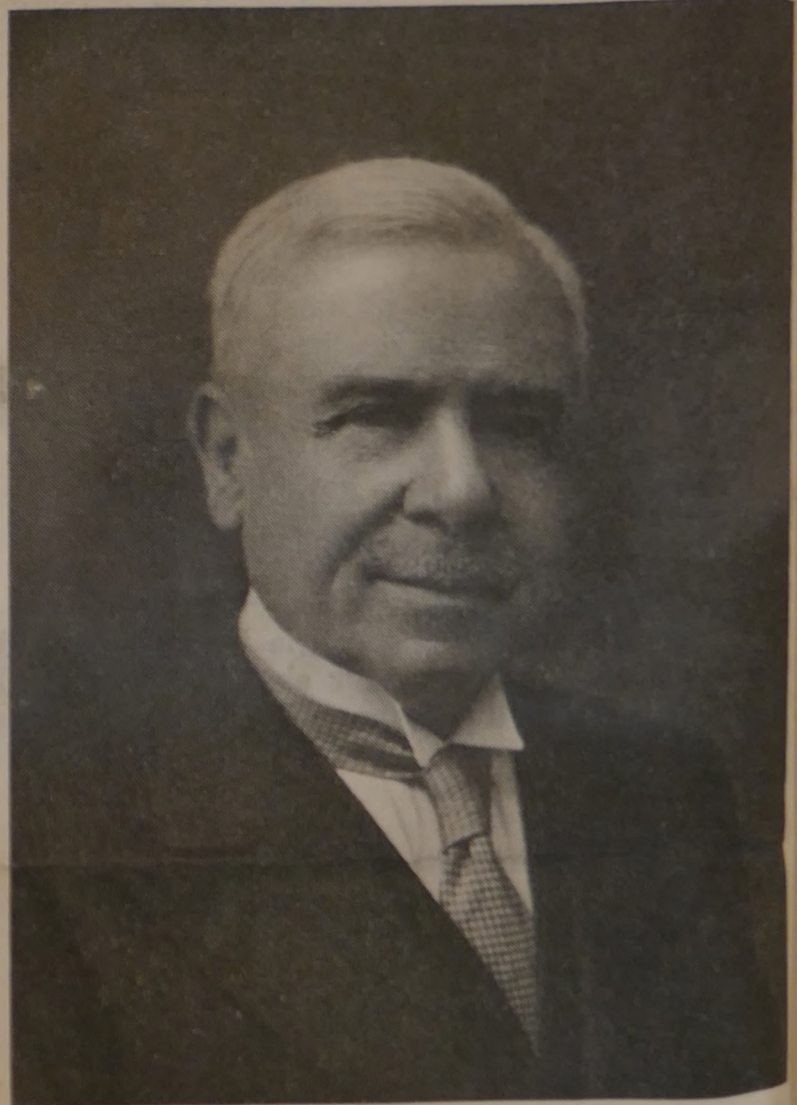
FOR SOUTH WALES CHURCHES.

We are asked by the President of the Spirit of Hope Mission, Aberdare, to state that Mr. R. H. Smith, of 56, East Street, Merthyr, is a reliable medium for address clairvoyance.

LEAGUE PROPAGANDA IN PORTUGAL AND BRAZIL.

The gentleman whose portrait appears below is Mr. SEVERIANO IVENS FERRAZ, who left London last week for Portugal and Brazil. During his prolonged stay in both these countries, he will act as representative of the Greater World Christian Spiritualist League, of which he has been a member almost from its foundation. Mr. Ferraz will visit many towns and bring the organisation and aims of the League to the notice of many of the numerous psychic centres existing there.

Mr. Ferraz is a retired Portuguese Naval Officer.



Mr. Severiano Ivens Ferraz.

He became interested in Spiritualism over 30 years ago by reading some psychic literature and then joined the Theosophical Society in Portugal. Having loved the Bible from his childhood days and believing in the Divinity of Christ, he could not accept the esoteric teachings that would give our Saviour a lesser place in universal religion. Eventually Mr. Ferraz felt convinced that Christian Spiritualism came nearest to the desires of his heart, and now he finds himself actively engaged in this work.

There are several Spiritualist magazines published in Portugal and Brazil. In the last issue of O MENSAGEIRO ESPIRITA, a Lisbon publication, appeared the first half of Zodiac's address on "The Privilege of Discipleship," translated into Portuguese by Mr. Ferraz. The second half is to be published in the next issue.

Mr. Ferraz's mother, whose maiden name was Ivens, is of English descent. She was born on the Azores and is now living in Lisbon, having already reached the age of 96. She is a first cousin of the famous American historian, William Prescott.

TRANCE ADDRESSES THROUGH MRS. RAY RICHMOND.

"The Professor," speaking through Mrs. Richmond, continuing his series of lectures on various aspects of Mediumship, at Lindsey Hall, the Mall, Notting Hill, W., on Wednesday, at 8 p.m. "The Professor" will answer questions after each lecture. Verbatim reports of past lectures can be obtained for 6d. each, post free. Further particulars will be found on page iii.

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WHAT IS "SUPERNATURAL"?

A thoughtful article appeared recently in THE TIMES under the title of "A Supernatural Life." We quote a few passages:

What does belief in the supernatural imply? . . .

We need not be distressed if it seems impossible to provide an adequate description or definition of supernatural life. Let it be sufficient here and now to regard it as life transcending this world of time and space and yet operative in human life, which it purifies, ennobles, and carries to higher attainments and experiences than this world of time and space can provide. . .

Though we must distinguish between the natural and the supernatural we find that they are in constant interaction. It is impossible to draw a line and say, Here is that which belongs to nature, and there, as quite unconnected with it, is that which is supernatural. . .

BLENDING THE NATURAL WITH THE SUPERNATURAL.

There are a beauty, strength, and completeness in the lives of the saints, that is in the lives of those which have lived most faithfully in the power of the supernatural, which give them a special dignity in the hierarchy of human life. They exhibit a character which has its perfection in reliance on that which is supernatural, with its conscious response to Divine action in the soul. It is not separate from the natural, but rather it works in and transmutes the natural to a supernatural purpose. . .

When men recognise the realities of the supernatural life they find in prayer a communion with God in which they attain an immediate knowledge of His Will, and learn the truth about themselves and the world in which their duty lies. They live in the light of the eternal.

If we would be assured of the reality of the supernatural we shall find it most clearly in those men and women who, taking their part in this world's duties and sharing all its stress and burdens, evidently live in conscious communion with the Divine Spirit and manifest most attractively and convincingly the verity of the supernatural life.

DEDICATION OF NEW PREMISES OF CARLISLE SPIRITUAL CHURCH.

The National Spiritualist Church (Spiritual Fellowship) opened and dedicated their new church at The Exchange, Lonsdale Street, Carlisle, on April 10th. It is decorated in rich blue. The gold of the daffodils, with which the church was decorated, made a beautiful picture.

The Chair was taken by the Vice-President, Mr. Carradice, and Mrs. Briggs gave the Invocation. The President, Mrs. Sheridan, welcomed the large congregation into the new premises and gave a short account of the progress which the Centre had made during the last 2½ years.

The Dedication was undertaken by "Veritas," the spirit guide of the President, who gave a short but impressive address. He said that the members of the Church were entering into a solemn and holy covenant with God and the Spirit World. He also referred to the seven-pointed star above the rostrum, calling it the Star of Progress.

Mr. C. W. Bentley then gave a large number of spirit descriptions and messages, which were very helpful. (Zodiac will be giving an address at the new church on Whit Sunday evening.)

SOUTH NORWOOD C.S. MISSION.

Miss Frances Dauntan has now been able to open a Centre of her own at 94, Crowther Road, South Norwood, and friends and strangers will be welcome at the various meetings she has arranged (see page iii). Miss Dauntan's work is well known in many churches, and we wish her every success.

FOR HARROGATE READERS.

Miss Thompson, Sunnyside, Valley Drive, Harrogate, asks if members of the League in or near Harrogate, will communicate with her with a view to arranging a monthly meeting for devotion and intercession for this great Work.

THE STORY OF THE MYSTERIOUS MUMMY.

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tion of wonder and awe at the sight of a woman's form, clothed with the light of the sun and radiating love which was directed to herself. "Yes, sister," I said, "this is what you might have been, and what you will be if you will accept the guidance and teaching of our brother, John, who was a fellow-country-man of yours, and has brought us here to meet you." "What," she said, "do you mean this mean-looking little man? And yet, when I look at him again, yes, I will trust him and learn of him. He looks kind and sympathetic, I will go with him. Thank you, friend, I feel you mean well, I will think over what you have said. I am sorry for what I have done, I will certainly not injure anyone else."

John of little Stature, who lived when on earth in the desert, and passed on in the early part of the fourth century, had assumed his old earthly appearance when coming back, and gave the name "Mary of Bethany" as that of the radiant form that had appeared to the Egyptian.

THE PRINCESS COMES AGAIN.

More than twenty years have gone by, and the friend who worked with me has long since passed into the Great Beyond. In November last I came across a magazine, dated August, 1909, with an account of this weird story, which I re-read, and naturally my love went out to the Egyptian. Two days later at the sitting of the rescue circle, to which I belong, she controlled the medium and said: "I am pleased to meet you again. The reading of the story drew me. I hope the story of my life is helpful and uplifting to others, because that is everything. My age was so full of earthly riches that it undermined one's spiritual life. I found John of little Stature a great friend. I must not stop now, but it has been a pleasure to me to come and thank you."

Even more recently has she spoken to me, for in this last month of February I accidentally found and read a cutting from a daily paper giving the details of the adventures of the coffin, and at our next sitting she greeted me, saying:—"I am so pleased to see you again. I am trying to do what you say. I still see and learn of John, and I am getting on all right now. Good-bye!"

Here is another example which proves the statement to be true that "the core and centre of Spiritualism is love,"—Love, which uses human mediumship as a link between the spheres, bridging over the gulf though centuries intervene. And the story of a spirit who left the earth life 3500 years ago, though cultured and intellectual, remaining earth-bound until she can be persuaded to humble herself as a child and cultivate the principle of love, should be a warning to us to heed our Lord's words: "Verily I say unto you—Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."

May her wish be fulfilled "that the story of my life may be helpful to others, because that is everything."

S.O.S. FROM ALTRINCHAM.

The Chr. Spiritualist Church, Altrincham, are forced to move as the Urban District Council refuse to renew their lease. A new site has been found for the church, but as it is not a portable building the cost of dismantling and re-erecting will be expensive. The church is a wooden structure, 24 yds. by 7 yds.

A small band of workers have worked hard to collect £70, but they are still short of about another £70. An appeal is made to Spiritualists for their support. Donations will be gratefully received by the Hon. Treas. Mrs. J. Bowden, "The Elms," Green Lane, Timperley, Cheshire.

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GREATER WORLD SANCTUARY

3, Lansdowne Road, Holland Park, W.11

(One minute's walk from Holland Park Underground Station).

Sat., April 16, 6.30 pm.

Mrs. GRACE COOKE,
Address and Clairvoyance.

Wed., April 20, 7.30 pm.

Mrs. BROOKMAN,
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Sat., April 23, 6.30 pm.

Miss ALICE WHITE,
Miss EVELINE CANON, Clairvoyance.

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Every Tuesday from 7.30 to 9
Medium: Mrs. MARGARET HOARE.
Every Thursday from 7.30 to 9
Medium: Major O. B. GABRIEL.

Admission free. Collection.

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at
Lindsey Hall, The Mall, Notting Hill Gate, W.8
by "THE PROFESSOR" through
Mrs. G. RAY RICHMOND.

Commencing at 8. Doors open 7.45
Wed. April 20 } The methods of and conditions of Physical
" May 11 } necessary to Spirit Control. (Healing.
" June 15 } The Development of Mediumship.
" July 6 } The use of Spiritualism in Daily Life.

"The Professor" will answer questions on the Lecture given.

(Verbatim reports of past lectures now ready 6d. each, post free).

Tickets:— 1/6 each. Numbered Seats 2/6 each, from The Secretary, Carrayman's Healing Centre, 21, Fairmile Avenue, Streatham, S.W.16.

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MUNICIPAL RESTAURANT, EAST ST.
Sun., Apr. 17, 6.30 pm - Mrs. George
Mon., 3 pm - Ladies' Meeting,
Mrs. Piper Evans
Wed., 8 pm - Social
Sun., April 24, 6.30 pm - Mr. Shanks

BARKING SPIRITUAL ENDEAVOUR HEALING CIRCLE. 25, HEATH STREET.

Sun., 7 pm - Address & Clairvoyance (After Circle)
Tues., 8 pm - Healing Circle
Wed., 3 pm - Ladies' Meeting
Thurs., 8 pm - Public Circle

BATTERSEA CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALIST CHURCH. UNITY HALL, FALCON GROVE.

Sun., April 17, 6.30 pm. - Mrs. E. Hines
Sun., April 24, 6.30 pm. - Mrs. C. Dunn

56a, LAVENDER HILL, BATTERSEA.

Sun., 11 am - Service and Circle
Mon., 2.30 pm - Mrs. D. Redfern
7.30 pm - Healing (no charge)
Sat., 7.30 pm - Mrs. F. Lane

Celebration of the Lord's Supper First Sunday in month at 8 pm.

BLACKFRIARS GREATER WORLD SPIRITUAL MISSION.

127, BLACKFRIARS ROAD, S.E.1
Sun., 7 pm - Address & Clairvoyance
Mon., 8 pm - Members' Developing Circle
Thurs., 8 pm - Address & Clairvoyance

BRIXTON PSYCHO SOCIETY

(Under the Leadership of Jesus Christ.)
ROXY HALL, 62a, LOUGHBOROUGH RD., BRIXTON, S.W.9 (Near "White Horse")

Sun., April 17, 11.15 am - Sacred Circle
Mr. A. M. Richards
7 pm - Miss L. White

Mon., 7 pm Developing Circle, Mrs. Peters
8.15 pm Healing Circle, Mrs. Penrose
Wed., 6.30 pm Healing Circle, Mrs. Stuckey
8 pm Open Circle, Mr. A. M. Richards
Thurs., 8 pm - Rosicrucian Circle,
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CENTRE 1.

21, FAIRMILE AVENUE, STREATHAM, S.W.16
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Mon., 7.30 pm - Service

CENTRE 2.

49, DUKES AVENUE, NEW MALDEN.
(Phone: Malden 1522.)
Tues., 2.30 and 7 pm - Service

CENTRE 3.

33, HATTON GARDEN, E.C.1.
Thurs., 7 pm - Service

CENTRAL LONDON SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

33, HATTON GARDEN, E.C.1.
Sun., April 17, 7 pm - Mr. E. Lowe
Address & Clairvoyance
Fri., April 22, 7.30 pm. - Mrs. Wirdnam
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Open Circle after Sunday Services.

CRICKLEWOOD CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

ASHFORD HALL, 41, ASHFORD RD.
Suns., 6.30 - Address & Clairvoyance
Weds., 3 pm - Circle
Weds., 8 pm - Address & Clairvoyance
Thurs., 8 pm - Free Healing

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Services: Sun., 6.30 pm Weds., 7.45 pm

WEST CROYDON SPIRITUALIST CHURCH.

RUSKIN HALL, WELLESLEY ROAD, WEST CROYDON
Service: Sun. 6.30 pm - Wed. 7.45 pm

THE DIVINE SPIRITUALIST MISSION

1, CLIFTON RD., SQUIRES LANE, FINCHLEY.

Address & Clairvoyance, Mon. and Fri. 3 pm (silver collection)
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Healing Circle Fri., 6.30-8.30 pm Treatment and Diagnosis, freewill offerings.
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14, Market Parade, North Finchley.
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405, BARKING ROAD, EAST HAM.
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Tues., 8 pm - Healing
Wed., 3 pm - Ladies' Meeting
Thurs., 8 pm - Mrs. Otley & Mrs. L.
Sun., April 24, 6.30 pm - Mrs. Golbow

FINSBURY PARK SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

22, BLACKSTOCK ROAD, N.4
Sun., April 17, 7 pm - Mrs. H.
Wed., 8 pm - Healing
Thurs., 8 pm - Mrs. Lewis of Tottenham
Phenomena
Sun., April 24, 7 pm -

FOREST GATE SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

108, FIELD ROAD (3rd turning out of Field Lane from Forest Gate Station)
Sun., 6.30 pm - Address & Clairvoyance After Circle.
Mon., 3 pm - Ladies' Meeting
8 pm - Healing
Tues., 8 pm - Public Circle
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