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A GRITIGAL ANALYSIS OF FADS. even the little children, that it affords no place for Professors, D. Ds., Ph. Ds., or expert teachers. Take our great men, those who are always in evidence at our assemblages, who take posses-sion of our platforms and proceed to is-sue their bulls as to what is what and who is who—and they are ever up in the cloudbanks or astride some fad of the Their Relation to Spiritualism and Its Philosophy, Considered by a Master Mind, hour. As was said in the beginning: To the Editor:-It is like a grateful | see to what attenuated theories and hy-Oh, for a season of Mrs. Richmond rest, after a long season of so-called potheses our scientific critics of phe-Clegg Wright or some humble medium Spiritualist literature to get an audi-ence with Mrs. Richmond or Clegg as they call it. So that to account for who can let the "sub-liminal self have free rein to tell us something from be-Wright. Though on some things these mediumistic phenomena we must aplow the threshold." two do not agree, yet on the general peal to an authority that is "partly or There is not a thing in nature, which in its practical relations to life, is of issue they do not divorce Spiritualism feebly conscious," or get under the and common sense. Mrs. Richmond's doorstep of sensation, or "swing, oscilessential necessity, that cannot be unarticle which you copied from the late, brandish or shake" our mental maderstood by the humblest intelligence. March Arena has given to the world a chinery in order to strike the motion Otherwise personal freedom would be paper that does the other mind was on before it ceased impossible. At the same time it opens vibrating at death. HONOR TO THE CAUSE up to the philosopher illimitable fields To make these limited, and in the first for its clear statement, natural reasonof knowledge. It is so in civil life. ableness and its elevated philosophy. I two obscure definitions, substantive; to There is no public policy-a practical see, also, that Mr. Wright has been elevate them into laws; to regard them measure founded on justice for the govin New England and amid the wordy-wordy emunations of wordy people, he has been dealing out stalwart teaching -that "Spiritualism is educational, not of the powers of the soul by the phe-facts of Spiritualism underlie human whole story of the much regretted nomena of the tuning-fork, or to exalt life and to make them occult things is "stagnation" in the cause, the secret of that which is below the beginning of to darken the understanding and hide

THE OLD VIOLIN.

A Record of Striking Spiritual Experiences.

An exchange of thought and spiritual experiences is a great stimulant to spiritual growth. We all like to find the footprints of others along the psychic pathway. Our holiest thoughts and most startling manifestations do not come in promiscuous circles and large assemblies, but when alone, and passive to surrounding forces. If others are to be entertained or henefited by making efforts to establish communicathem they must be given either by pen or word of mouth. I shall give some of mine and some that has come within my knowledge which may interest the many readers of your valuable paper. Some years ago there lived in the

waiting for some friends who were to join us in a seance. A meteor flashed across the horizon, dazing and almos blinding us for a moment. Then we heard near by a loud explosion, followed then by a low rumbling sound. It was the brightest meteor I ever saw, as well as the nearest one. Our friends soon after came, and our circle was formed. After receiving several per-sonal messages from those near and dear, a spirit who had often communicated with us, and always gave the name "Scientist," wrote that what we had regarded as a meteor was a kind of ship which had been constructed on the planet Mars, whose inhabitants were tion with the people of earth; that more attention should be given and examination made of the wreck with a view to ascertain knowledge of the fact. That in time the desire would be accomplished. The next day some men were herding cattle about five miles from us and found the exploded meteor in a marsh. It had torn up half an acre of marsh land and a huge bulk of debris could be seen, but they had no means of near approach. However they secured some pieces of ore that resembled

NIGHT AND MORNING, Spiritual Contrasts of Lives In the uncreate—in the vast void of the stillness, where there is no limit, no.

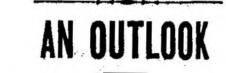
beginning, no end-is the potentiality of all things that ever were, that are, or ever shall be. Out from the darkness came the light; out from the silence came the noise; out from the formless came all forms-the planets and the stars of heaven, the earth and all that it contains; the melodies of the winds and waters, the grandeur of the woods and plains, and the beauty of all living things. The soul came, of necessity, from the same source-there was no-

where else to come from. A young mortal entered the world and commenced the journey of life. Before him lay the untrodden road of his unfulfilled destiny, awaiting the fall of his footsteps. Near him flowed a silvery stream that glimmered in the sunlight and glided gently toward the distant sea. About him towered the lofty hills, crowned with the deep blue and edges he wearily trod, while day folof fruitless toil. He endured the degradation of poverty, and suffered the pangs of hunger. Without love and without hope, the world only echoed cries of pain; the sun only shone in mockery at his despair; each rustle of the wind among the leaves was but a sore and despondent, as the gold-beams of the sinking sun lighted the hilltons with a fading glow, and the evening twilight crept gently through the valleys, he sat down amid the solitude of nature, alone with his gloomy thoughts

form must bend and the flashing eye grow dim,

Man regrets in vain the results of misspent years. He who ignores in his youth the principles of truth, who dis-regards the monitions of his higher self and obeys not the command of progression's law, in his old age will look out upon the desert of life with the despair of an empty heart, and will be-come a purposeless wanderer, in mem-ory, through the waste places and the wrecks that strew the pathway of the remorseful past.

URIEL BUCHANAN.



On Man and His Relations.

Nature is man's interpreter, and if he would have a perfect knowledge of her laws and the relationship thereto he sailed to that port. This man was a must study the close correspondence great favorite with the owner who at between the two, and the parallel lines the time was captain of the vessel. The converging to and pointing out cosmic captain passed to the other life. A short time previous to the change he truth. The close analogy between the physical man and the mental and presented Mr. S. with a violin, having burnt iron. Soon after this we left that the unfathomable depths of heaven. the failure of all attempts at "organiza-tion," which so much savors of a mere throwing aside all sensation and con-living. There is one and one only ormoral is evident enough when study bought himself a new one. The captain part of Texas and never knew about The winding road was strewn with moral is evident enough when study was a good performer on that instru- any further discovery. That was many rough stones; and over their sharp and observation have made the facts clear to the understanding. change in priests-from orthodox to sciousness-and elevating the phenomganic fundamental fact as to life-its ment, and when the boat was becalmed years ago. To-day many believe we It is not long since it was the belief spiritdox. It is too much like Protest. ena of the pendulum as the key to the continuity-all else in conclusion from shall yet be able to hold converse with | lowed day with lengthened hours. He would make the time less lonely by that man was responsible for his enviantism, sin its reform from the priest. realm of immortality and wisdom, are that fact. the people of Mars. Who will say that struggled with adversity through years making music. Mr. S. was ignorant of ronments and physical and mental dishood of Rome to a priesthood of the some of the things that the ordinary any kind of music, so put the old fiddle | it is impossible? This fact can be manifested to and eases and severely punished for his misnew departure-ending in the tyranny Spiritualist has to endure from the understood by the child-as Katie Fox on a shelf in the cabin of the boat, Long We can easily recall the time when fortunes. But such barbarity is greatly and stagnation it protested against at leaders, philosophers and codifiers of understood the rap. It can be made to had it lain there, untouched and quite present experiences were regarded as diminished and gradually giving way to. its beginning. I have no patience with creeds, beliefs and principles. If this is found a religion, be imagined to be from silly tales of old women and children or forgotten. One evening after the dea higher civilization, and the dawn of not amenable to the accusation made in God, an Angel, the Devil, or Uncle Joeparture of the captain to the world inthe wanderings of unbalanced minds, this reason and intultion bearing its fruits Acts 26:24, as to Paul being off his baljust as the sub-conscious self may imvisible the boat was lying anchored in but to-day humanity is hungering for "NEW RELIGION" CRAZE in more humane laws, and measures for port and Mr. S. was left alone to keep the unknown and nothing seems imposance from too much of a good thing, agine or vibration stir the gray matter the safety and amelioration of the huand hence enjoy such teaching as that of the philosopher. But all the same the how can it be explained-it surely is viwatch. While sitting on the deck of sible that the imagination can picture. | sigh—an echo of his grief. At last, footman race are being inaugurated. of Mrs. Richmond and Mr. Wright, be- | brating that way. child understands the fact just as clear-We seldom meet with a person who has the boat, he said a weird feeling came We seldom think the physical defects cause they are first of all Spiritualists. The postulate of Mr. Dawbarn is that not had some experience of an occult ly as they, and possibly interprets it over him, and a strong desire to get the and moral diseases are correlated-that Again, we have no sub-conscious or mental action and comprehension is in nature, and who freely speaks of it. just as truly. It talks old fiddle. He went to the cabin below subliminal self from them, no vibration, the degree of the vibratory rate of the consumption, fevers, smallpox and othwhen assured of a sympathetic listener. and when his hands touched the instru-WITH ITS SPIRIT PLAYMATE or any of that sort of transcendental brain, and that memory is thus coner diseases have their counterpart in The days for ridicule are passing away ment some force seized them and he and knows it does so. And that simple the spiritual nature of man. But unmetaphysics, nor do they talk five min- trolled. Thus when John Smith is dead and knowledge is taking the place of began to play vigorously. He lost all fact covers the whole phenomena questionably they are, however, and the utes on Spiritualism and fifty-five on and appears through a medium and you command of his hands; and was powersuperstition and ignorance. We no and his desolate life. ground-it goes to prove to us that life moral weaknesses are as inherent in fraud and the faults of their neighbors. ask him his name, unless your mind can "O, I am so sad!" he sighed; and a reless to rid himself of the uncanny longer fear to investigate the unseen does not end with death. No matter in the constitution of man as are the phys-And this easing of mind brings me to | make his vibrate to the degree it did in fiddle. Becoming frightened he left the forces that surround us and in which sponsive murmur from the peacefully what form it comes that is the use it ical weaknesses, and should be treated the purpose in view when the pen was the body when he recognized that as his we live, move and have being. flowing river sighed back to him softly boat, still playing all along the street with the same charitable consideration taken up for a seance with The Pro- name, he cannot remember it. That serves. "so sad, so sad.' Galveston, Texas. SUE J. FINCK. as he hurriedly walked homeward. gressive Thinker-to say something this is not coloring the theory, the and forbearance, one as the other. But it is what you make of the fact "The gloomy portal of the grave," he But why should they be kind to one Arriving there he met at the door his about "Vibration," or philosopher Dawthat becomes important to you as a From Pinar Del Rio, Cuba. said, "will open to receive me; and words are literally quoted. Mr. Dawand not to the other? Because, as some barn's explanation why Spiritualism barn says: mother and sister who had been at thinker, or the use that may be made of when I have entered there, this tired may say, we cannot help our physical To the Editor:-I have to ask a favor tracted by the music. Instantly Mr. S. it that constitutes what our leaders call does not explain. heart will find beneath the cold sod that "(a) Death changes all vibrations in ailments, and can help our faults. But dropped the instrument on the steps, Ever since the raps were first heard the Movement. To deduction from the of good Spiritualists; here in Cuba we sweet silence which enshrouds the myssuch an extent that the spirit organism the question is, can we? In this lies and the sister as quickly seized it and fact, to hypothesis, philosophy, exegeattempts have been made to account have to depend entirely on the generostery of death. For me there has been becomes invisible to mortal eye. began to play. Neither was she able to the gist of our argument. Is man a free sis, there is no limit, and from this has for phenomena by some other way than ity of our friends in the United States "(b) Therefore death destroys al no joy, no rest, no love; and now there put it down until after some hours of moral agent? The destiny of most of come all the religions, the creeds and through mediumship from spirits. for reading, as it is impossible to buy an memories of earth life." such exercise. There was no sleep that is left no hope but for oblivion; no goal mankind is morally determined the mobeliefs of the world. Men may specu-From the toe-joint theory to uncon-Américan book in Pinar Del Rio. Even Now comes the change. I have not night, so overcome were they all'by to be attained-only the strange wonlate, theorize and build up philosophies, ment of birth, even before that time, so scious cerebration and the sub-conroom to quote in full how the "ego" a patent medicine almanac is loaned fear. The old fiddle was put out of derment of the dreamless sleep. Alone but to those who, regardless of the that in a sense we are predestined to scious self, we have had the dreary that has forgotten all about earth life from tent to tent, so if the Spiritualists sight, and no persuasion could induce came into the world; alone I have quarters from which the wind sets, can act in the mental orbit of our own indiround. But these have been from the gets back to earth and communicates of the States wish to do good and place either of them to investigate the conourneyed through life, and now I must skeptical world, and we could be char- with its friends, but to do so it must in vidual sphere and being. tell a hawk from a handsaw the fact the reading in the hands of those who trolling force. ass out alone. Temperament and character are itable and forgiving. But now our own remains. turn forget its spirit life experiences, will be grateful for it, will they please During the civil war a friend of our And right here is the line between the An echo from the hills beyond the folks are beginning to explain it all largely the result of heredity and the just as it did about earth when it left send papers and books—even if papers away by theories of limitation-foundfamily, not a believer in spirit return river faintly answered to his cry. worry and content of Spiritualists. To environment that surrounds us. These the body by death. Or, you must get are old ones they will be read just the related to us the following experience. the man or woman brought up in the ed it is curious to see, on material 'alone, alone.' your spirit mind back into the former same-the Truth is always new-and in facts cannot be ignored any longer He said an old negro man that he church, as ignorant of spirit as educagrounds. earth mind vibrations before you can The summer wind breathed gently in where the laws of cause and effect have this way our grand philosophy will be owned had died and not long after. tion in the wrong direction can make This is to be attributed it seems to the recall who you once was. Here is the the evening's ear, and the leaf tongues been studied and have been recognized brought before a great many who have about twilight, his wife, was coming Larage for scientific Spiritualism. The theory as laid down by Mr. D. He is them, as they become satisfied the dead of the forest sighed for pity as they factors in shaping human life and desnever given it a thought. from the yard into the youse. As she are alive, act upon the idea that it is two words present totally dissimilar telling how you do the act after making tiny. Plato held that vices were the resoftly whispered to his soul "alone, Although but a common ambulance was about to go up the steps she saw only another form of religion, and begin ideas. Science is a fact or series of as- | the 'effort: alone." One by one in the infinite space sult of bad organisms, and that parents driver, I will do all I can to help spread the old negro, who stood resting one to regulate their neighbors from the of heaven, the stars appeared and of such children should be held responcertained facts in the domain of physthe truth, and have often thought that "Meantime something else is happenfoot upon the first step and one hand new standpoint. Next, non-churchmen crowned that hour of loneliness with sible, instead of their teachers. The ics. Spiritualism is a thing of real ex- ing. The closer you get to earth life, this would be a good way to do so, and upon his knee, She ran around the and the skeptics take the fact as conistence beyond the realm of physics. the less you recall at such times; expethe solemnity of their perpetual gaze. light that dawned upon the minds of a wished that my Spiritualist brethren house screaming with fright and fell firmatory of all their anti-creedal ideas They have no affinity. Following the With a stone for a pillow, he lay down few in the dark ages was obscured by riences of your spirit personality. You would wake up and get alive to the fact helpless into the back door. After tell and at once assert themselves from the formulas of science you can command that they are missing a great opportuand listened to the mystic voices of the | the ignorance of the mind at that time are each time leaving behind those ing her husband what had occurred, he uniform results. But the very essence directly opposite grounds. Now, as a nity to bring our grand philosophy of night-to the faint whisperings, soft when mysticisms and theology shackled memories, and they cannot reappear unsaid, "Why did you not ask him what of complaint as to phenomena is that body of people recognizing the common less, and until you repeat the vibraand low--till wooed by nature's lullaby life to thousands of men-an opportuand enslaved the human race. It is but he wanted?" The incident had been you cannot do this. A solution of acid fact, what is wise to do? Instead of to the ghostly abyss of the dreamless very lately that man has opened the avtions. As the spirit memories thus nity that the churches have not been much talked of, but quite forgotten, united with one of alkali inevitably wearing out shoe-leather trying to recgrow more and more impossible the and eternal sleep, enues of Nature to her wonderful reveslow to take advantage of, as is shown when about the same hour the wife produces what the boy called "a fizz," oncile the irreconcilable why not stop Again, through the mystery of birth, lations and through scientific research earth memories grow clearer, until at by the great work done by the W. C. T. again saw the old man; and standing in at the fact and leave theories deduced but you may obtain a response to-day last you find yourself conversing almost observed the endless phenomena which a human being entered the vast light U., the Y. M. C. A, and others, therethe same place, and position. She this from spirit by certain prescribed confrom it where they belong and where as of old with your loved ones, especiand space of the world. Speechless depulsates in her every artery of being, fore I send this suggestion from the time felt no fear, and asked the spirit if ditions and utterly fail to-morrow by only they can exist-to the individual. ally if they have provided the right conlight bestirred in his heart as he felt ready for the benefit and advancement army, and hope that you will put it behe wanted anything. He replied he the same exact methods, and a third Now don't misunderstand me. I am ditions at your old domestic hearth." for the first time the magnetic touch of of the world. Science is taking the fore the Spiritualists of the United had buried twenty dollars under the not of the anti-education guild as to metrial may result in manifestations of an So it is here at last that the theory of States, through the columns of your padelicate fingers and listened to the lovplace of superstition, and metaphysics step upon which his foot was placed entirely different character. The one is diumship. As in all else, so in Spiritualvibration has culminated: that memory per, and others will take it up, so that is being displaced by the broad view of ing voices of kindred souls. The un-That it was in a tin can, and he wanted ism, just in degree as its receivers are a scientific fact based on the acid and is but an arrested state of vibration, reason. Ethics is no longer perverted clouded skies and glimmering streams, t may become a widespread fact that her to dig it up and give a dollar apiece educated, scientific and learned, the alkali; the other is a spiritual factlost when a change of rate occurs Spiritualists are not dead or even by the dogmas of tyrannical theological the swaying forests and majestic to certain negroes on the place reserv the chemical agent in which, so to IS THE CAUSE BENEFITED found when the receiving rate is once plains; the earth, carpeted with green leaders, but instead the enlightened sleeping ing five dollars for herself. The misspeak, is intelligence-that will or more achieved. Thus we find spirit sod and plumed with waving foliage: and best utilized. What is contended I have been with the army nearly a spirit of truth has risen to the plane of tress did as requested, got the money won't, can or can't, as the case may be. John Calvin repeating the orthodox against is that neither your views, mine year, and have not been able to listen to | the chorus of the happy winged things. intellectual freedom free as heaven and and made the dividends as the old man Let us see the result of science applied to spirit phenomena. Profs. John Calvin did at Geneva-because he dogmas, in a seance, just as the mortal or the theory of anyone should be dogbroad as the universe. Cause and efa lecture, or attend a circle outside my the rippling and laughing of limpid wadesired. Our informant said had it not matically held as the all or as essential own tent, where, thanks to my friends ters that went singing their way to the feot, that dual law of nature and man, been for the finding of the money that Crookes, Hare, Varley, Mapes, Zollner, the Psychical Research Society and all can have no return recollection except so as to be made a creed or a principle of the higher life, I am able to receive | sea; vernal zephyrs stirring the leafage are to-day receiving due attention, and he and others who knew of the incident others who have devoted a generation on the same rate of vibration that for others, and enforced by official auenough to convince some, and I find to indefinable whisperings of enchant- we no longer see a vengeful God and a would have thought his wife had imag-"trembled, oscillated," or made his thority. Let us keep the fact as it came ing things-these produced a concord of fateful Devil rulers of the universe many who are glad to avail themselves ined seeing their old slave, but the of time to the subject by scientific of the opportunity, and I have been the sweet sounds and beatific visions that brain "shake" while on earth. It is sub- to us, a demonstration of continuous foes to man's happiness and growth; money bore material evidence of the methods, have after all arrived at the but instead see that good and evil are mitted that this is a legitimate reading life, without a condition attacked. evoked the immeasurable thrill of echumble instrument through which my fact. The spirit never again appeared. one point: That the phenomena occurrelative conditions on parallel lines, the stasy which vibrated through the sancof the theory-always assuming that It has, so far, relieved the world leader and band have brought many While on a visit to a good Spiritualring with and through mediums are unone but balancing the other and reachtuary of his soul. "How beautiful is words are used in harmony with their from the incubus of the ages. It tells into the light and helped them in the ist's family in Houston, Texas, I had ing an equilibrium when so-called evil explainable by any facts or law known life!" he said; "how good, and true, and definition. I admire Brother Dawbarn, us we are immortal simply because we search for more. lain down one afternoon to rest. No shall recede and man come into the rich to science; that they are in fact ultra because I have a high regard for all are at all. That the law of being is the fair! The everlasting strains of melo-Hoping this will awaken the workers, sooner had I become quiet than I saw scientific, and being characterized by persons who think, and feel bold to same in the other life as in this-that possessions of his own. as well as more able writers, that our dy, the choir of innumerable voices. the immediately before me what seemed intelligence can only be rationally ac-This is an age of inductive reason. differ with him under the consolation we are what we want to be or make reading promulgating the great truth of music of nature-one living song! To to be a small sign, such as a doctor's or counted for as coming from intellithat after all it is only a difference in ourselves to be. You may talk Jehovah, Spiritualism may be scattered through live is happiness unspeakable-a joy and the vagaries of speculation must lawyer's, and men in other business gences or minds disembodied or withforever." And through the woodlands | give way to the incoming tide of unthe vibratory scale, mentally, between Jesus, Mahomet, Vishnu or Osiris, and Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, I sometimes use. My good friend and out material personality. Important as us. That there are limitations in spirit | I may follow Joseph Smith, Mrs. Eddy trammeled truth. As the slow stagehostess came in the room just at the leave the matter in your hands. All parang the echo "a joy forever." this is from men so eminent, it can only manifestations and in mediumship we or Madame Blavatsky-but none of pers and books sent to my address will coach of our forefathers has been su-The babe enters the world with a cry. time, and I asked her if Mr.B.---(who be the verdict of scientific methods, beperseded by steam and electricity as:a all know, and the solution of the Oal- | these affect or alter the fact. All that at that time kept a shoe store) had a be placed in the hands of those who are A human soul has broken the silence of cause science belongs to physics. ifornia philosopher is a godsend to all is at all affected is the mind of the adnew sign. She replied, "No." I told hungry for the truth. means of locomotion, so in the near furepose and entered the majestic temple It is this result that has driven nonture the progress of the age of rapid who may be in accord with the vibra- vocate or the peace of mind of the lisher I saw one, white bordered Yours for Brotherhood and Humanity. of-nature. A child has come forth into acceptors of the Spiritualist explanamotion and rapid locomotion shall dethe restless external, to ascend the tory mediumship that can read it under- tening victim. If the simple fact of JESSE H. BICKFORD, with black, that the letters were crosstion to the conjectural fields of unconvise means for man's temporal and stanuingly. It is better than the sub- continuous life under natural conditions 1st Reg't. U. S. Infantry, winding pathway of existence and win wise, not lengthwise as signs usually scious cerebration, the sub-conscious and sub-liminal self. It is, too, the rea- conscious theory, that makes a second does not satisfy any of us, the way is spiritual comfort, and poverty, and ig-Pinar Del Rio, Cuba. back its way to the Kingdom of Rest. were painted. She'said, "read what is norance shall flee from the earth and son why the scientific Spiritualist is self, or "being that is in the mind but open and free to our fad as to all the A destiny is before it as high as heaven on it." I looked at it more closely and the ideal era of a common brotherhood and as vast as the spheres of light. not in the consciousness blaze up at rest. Only don't compel its acceptance THE TIMES. replied, "I can't; it is not in English." driven to "vibration" as a key to the lift the world into the glorious unity of ... Each one hears from the hills of God an times into an intelligence that far tran- by organized dictation, by so-called Neither of us had any idea what it limitations and seeming contradictions BISHOP A BEALS. Divine love. that the scientific method meets in the scends anything ever attained by the feachers who cannot know anything echo of his own cry-calls forth from could mean, so gave it no-further The times are not degenerate. Man's Summerland, Cal. the silent soul of humanity the joys and conscious self. Or, that "under the that is not open for everybody to know. thought. The next morning the postobservation of phenomena. faith Then again, words are sometimes al- threshold" is found wisdom that so They have no more real knowledge blessings that respond to his faith and man brought her a letter containing the Mounts higher than of old. No crumlowed to take the place of things. If marvelously surpasses all that has ever than the little child who plays with its love, or the sorrows and curses that funeral notice of a very dear friend, bling creed. we are to use words, and we must, they been revealed from the inner sanctuary spirit playmate; and never so much **ROCKING-CHAIR TRAVELS.** equal his hate and despair. - One looks Mrs. B. Unfolded and held it up before Can take from the immortal soul the of the medium's mentality. It is better | content. "For of such is the kingdom for the good in everything; his heart me, saying, "Do you recognize this; I do from the description you gave.", It was need should like scientific .formulas, stand for the same things, else we obscure than either of these because it concedes of heaven." SAR'GIS. throbs with spiritual affection for hu-You sit down snug and quiet, Of that supreme Creator, God. The meaning. "Vibration" is the result of that there is a spirit manity, and in response to his love the A book upon your kneewraith printed in a foreign language, and was "Spirit Voices." warm-billows of the great magnetic at-A wonder-book that tells about much larger than any such notice that THAT SURVIVES THE BODY, dynamic action, is etymologically and Of dead beliefs we cherished in our mosphere of human life flow into and" The lands across the sea. This little book published by G. D. I had ever seen, therefore was mistaken only material in concept and definition. | though it forgets all about it until mayouth . permeate his soul with currents of And then a strange thing happensfor a sign. The funeral notice answer-The idea of explaining spirit manifesta- nipulated back again to memory of its | Heuck in 1855, is the one I called for in Fades but to let us welcome new-born You do not leave your chair, deathless energy. He sees the virtue tion by the tuning-fork is the very latest first self, by in turn forgetting all about The Progressive Thinker, a few weeks ing the description was evidence that truth. Buf as you read about these lands that sleeps in the bosom of the most deattempt of scientific Spiritualism, and its second. ago. Several responses from remote the vision was not a freak of imaginapraved; catches a glimpse of the ob-It seems that you are there. Man may not worship at the ancient eclipses even the sub-conscious hypoth- And to this complexion has "scientific sections showed me that The Progress- tion. scured rays of purity that flash at times esis. It is for the day the stalking- Spiritualism" brought us, and so will live Thinker is read, and that the little Not long before we moved to this shrine You'see the queerest people. horse for all occult phenomena. When all attempts to explain or exploit spir- book has been kept in sacred remem- place I saw a tall, blue-eyed woman of Prone on his face, in self-accusing through the hideous: mask of defile-They talk a language new. sound asleep we are under one rate of itual things by material methods. Any brance by several of the old time Spir- slender form. She had a swelling unment; finds in the heart of the lowest; scorn. The buildings are not those you know, and most vicious the struggling fragvibration, the tuning-fork being on the one that ever looks upon the corpse of a litualists. One letter from Oregon der her chin, (There is a name for it That night is past. He hails a fairer The streets are strange to you. ments of divinity and the innate yearnbasso rate. As we dream we strike or friend ought to realize that the individ- brought tidings of the book from an old which I cannot now recall.) I told my morn, But you are never frightened, are struck by the baritone scale, and at- uality they knew had left its residence. | friend of whom I had known nothing in | daughter who was present, and also And knows himself a something all ing for a true, unselfish life. It's pleasant to be there. tain to tenor when we wake up. But The story is there told more effectively 25 years. To each and all I would say, said that when we came here we would divine: Another, loving gold or gain better. For you can always quickly come should we get angry or greatly en- and graphically than by any theory or thank you for the kindness you have meet and have some kind of dealings No humble worm whose heritage is sin, than his fellow-man, better than his Back to your rocking-chair. thused we could reach the soprano philosophy. And when it afterward shown in response to my letter of in- with such a woman. The day after our But born of God, he feels the Christ own soul, drives divine love from its heights. Is this clear enough for scien- identifies itself the fact of the continu- quiry. I have the book now, and it arrival here, we found her to be one of within. throne in the human breast, and lives It does you good to journey. ity of life is established-not a theory | takes me back to 1855 and '56; when | our nearest neighbors, who did us many tific Spiritualism? without hope and without purpose be-In such an easy way; Not loud his prayers, as in the olden To think clearly, let us see what all of some theorist. All evidence is men. Spiritualism was so precious to the kind favors. That summer the city yond the gratification of selfish and ig-To learn about the big, big world time. these words really mean. We quote tal after all. You know your friend few, and so hateful to the many; when suffered from drouth and scarcity of noble-aims. Naught but the purifying And how it looks to-day. But deep his reverence for that mighty. while talking with him in the dark bet- it was a social cross, and a business water, and but for her we should have fire of deepest sorrow can burn away from the Century Dictionary: This way a child should travel, force. "Sub-conscious-Partially or feebly ter than to see his form on the street. disaster to be known as a medium; wanted. This was proof that it was the barriers and melt his iron heart to That occult working of the great all The road is very fair. conscious. Being or occurring in the In the one there is, no mistake; in the But oh, how precious the truth that in- not imagination. pity, But however far man may wansource, It's safe and best for little ones der from the divinely appointed path mind, but not in consciousness." . other mistakes are frequent. All theo- spired that faithful few. How sacred I would here state that I can always which makes the present era so sub-To go by rocking-chair. and ignore the principles of truth in the "Sub-liminal-Below the threshold ries, fads, speculations and metaphys- the ties of friendship between the earntell if these apparitions be of earth, or 'lime. -Youth's Companion. unworthy pursuit of his own self-apical subtleties disappear before the rec- est souls that braved the frowns and in spirit life. Those mortal stand on of sensation." Religion now means something high pointed career, the time comes when "Vibration-Set in tremulous motion, ognition of the mind or the mutual ridicule of the world, for the great the floor or ground as we do. The imand broad. the unerring hand of eternal justice If all mankind, minus one, were of move to and fro, brandish, shake; to knowledge of the two individuals. mortals a little above. supported only And man stood never half so near to blessing that heaven had vouchsafed to one opinion, mankind would be no more points to a critical hour on the dial of Mr. Editor, just between us in a quiet us. How, precious was every experi- by the atmosphere. These experiences -Ella Wheeler Wilcox. swing, oscillate; move one way and the God. other; play to and fro, as the pendu- | way: One of the difficulties, to some | ence that brought the two worlds in | I cannot command at will. They come destiny. Truth waves the scepter of justified in silencing that one person people, in the way of the spiritual tangible relationship. This little sou- spontaneously. time over the proud head of the wanthan he. if he had the power, would be A fool in revolt is infinitely wiser than. lum.' These definitions are given thus fully "movement" is, that it is so plain, so venir is a gem still, and Lam glad to . During the rebellioit, one warm, dark the philosopher forging a learned apolderer; and before the stern, all pitiless | instified in silencing mankind, John in order that the general reader may simple, so within the understanding of possess it. LYMAN C. HOWE. evening we were seated on the gallery logy for his chains.-Rossitter. angel of inflexible justice the baughty | Stuart Mill.



As Developed by Suggestion, and Utilized for the Cure of Disease.

THE IMPORTANCE OF WISE SUG-, body is always a great gain toward GESTIONS IN THE TREATMENT health. Then when matters of this nature are attended to we turn our atten-OF ALL DISEASES-THE PART tion to the mental troubles. We care-THE CELLS OF THE BRAIN PLAY fully avoid all reference to the mania IN DISEASE AND HEALTHor points of hallucination possessed HARPING ON THE RIGHT LINE Instead we keep harping on a line of OF THOUGHT-VIEWS WORTHY thought such that if it is adopted by OF CAREFUL STUDY AND RE- the patient, his old trouble will disappear. We even give directions to the FLECTION. atendants and relatives of the patients

Hypnotism-or rather suggestion, the to keep talking along the lines we sugvital principle in hypnotism, says the gest until, in accordance with the prin-Inter Ocean, has been used for several | ciple just stated, of arousing brain cells, years by the Chicago School of Psychol- the cure is accomplished. By experiogy, in the treatment of various manias | ence we are enabled to map out in adwith marked success. According to Dr. vance the line of suggestion to be taken Herbert A. Parkyn, the head of the in- to arouse in the patient the desired stitution, two cases of pronounced in- thoughts.

sanity have been cured within the last "I will give you one of the recent six months and a score of persons afcases as an illustration. A woman was brought to us insane and with a fear flicted with lesser mental troubles, down to hallucinations and nervous that every one was trying to poison prostrations, have received entire relief; her. She insisted on seeing all her food Several cases of unbalanced minds are cooked, and would not even take a glass now at the institution for treatment. of water from her husband's hand un-In all mental troubles, he says, sugless she saw it drawn from the faucet. gestion fails only in an extremely small We found at once she had many funcper cent of cases. tional troubles and her nutritive pro-

According to the story from New -cesses were greatly hampered. We di-York City, Dr. John Duncan Quacken- rected suggestions to improve this conbos, emeritus professor of Columbia dition and built up her general health, University, has become convinced by a thereby improving the supply of blood series of remarkable experiments that to the brain. She was constantly told hypnotism may be employed to a great that she was in harmony with her advantage not only in alleviating pain | household, everybody loved her, and and curing certain diseases, but for the her husband in particular was the best purpose of reforming criminals. From and most devoted of men. She was exhis own use of hypnotism and its emtremely melancholy, and we told her ployment by his friends in the medical that she was happy, joyous, and gay. profession, Dr. Quackenbos says he After her health improved her mind knows that confirmed cigarette smokgradually bettered, and in two months ers, thieves, drunkards, and persons she was cured. I have seen her several with delusions have been not only times recently and she is happy as the cured temporarily, but so changed as to day is long.

Chicago.

leave little doubt that the cures would The above line of thought should be prove permanent. Moreover, he says carefully considered by all Spiritualists. that hypnotism will doubtless soon be The wonderful potency of thought force used extensively in the treatment of va- or suggestion is becoming generally rious forms of insanity.

NEW YORK BEHIND CHICAGO.

These so-called discoveries by Dr. Quackenbos are not new in Chicago For several years the Chicago School of Psychology and similar institutions in the city have made a specialty of curMy soul went out upon the wing One eve when I lay down to rest, As would a happy bird in spring, To gather straw to build its nest, I seemed so free, away from view Of earthly things I had so oft

A VISION OF THE TRUE.

Been burdened with, so light and new My new world seemed so calm and soft. But first I had to view my past:

My evil acts came one by one In panoramic view, and cast A cloud upon my soul the sun Of right and light could not dispel, Of things but thought, unjust and vile.

Of acts and deeds I would not tell And thought forever dead the while.

Then came the good, and as each deed And as each thought to view appeared An evil one would quick recede, Until the scene of life was cleared, And then my spirit, free from bounds, Began to rise, and rise again; Arose so high the little mounds Were lost to conscious view, and then

A voice as plain as e'er was heard Bade me to "come and view the place Where live the souls of man, and bird. And beast, and meet them face to face." ception.

I met old friends whom I had known For years, but they, without salute Passed on and on, and I. alone And sad, went on my way as mute. The guide, unknown, but kind and wise, Divined my thoughts and told me they

Were spirits now and had no eyes-They saw but faults while in the clay, And those in rags and dirt and slime

Were men of wealth who took from those

For alms from those they starved

With mouth and nose both out of place. And these were folks who had been

And mocked at those whom work and

INVESTIGATION

To the Editor:-Since the publication

of my paper in The Progressive Think-

er I have received many letters from

various parts of the country, principally

letters of inquiry: One gentleman, liv-

ing in Illinois, informed me that he was

a Spiritualist, but that he had never

had a testi i He was the leader of the

society in his town and a Spiritualist, I

presume, because its teachings har-

monized with his reason, and his sense

of justice and right. He asked for dl-

rections, that he might obtain satisfac-

tory and convincing knowledge of the

truth, and be thereby better prepared

to live and do good to others. I referred

They conversed with their children

and friends in broad day-light, and in

No skeptic can live in such an atmos-

phere; there is no path or by-way by

which he can escape conviction. My in-

quiring friend and his wife are now

the clearness of spiritual illumination.

Of the Grand Truths of Spiram personally acquainted. itualism. 111

AN OBJECT LESSON.

A Pertinent Question to Spiritualists.

I noticed in a recent Chicago paper the following paragraph: "Christian Scientists have subscribed \$20,000 within the last ten days toward the erection of two new temples; one for the North Side, and the other for the West Side Congregations, to be dedicated some time before the close of the present year.

him to a reliable medium at Indianap-"The main idea of the Christian Sciolis. The next day after the receipt of entists is to possess three temples in my letter he and his wife boarded a Chicago. One for each division of the train for the Hoosier capital. Their excity, which will be the nucleus for the perience was helpful, inspiring, conspread of the belief in these divisions of vincing, and they returned to their the city." home happy. It gladdened my soul to

The question I submit is, how much read his letter of thankfulness. There money has been subscribed in Chicago, was no condition or circumstance that in the last ten years, by Spiritualists, created even a suspicion of fraud or defor similar purposes?

I apprehend all will anticipate the answer, and respond at once, not one dollar that has ever materialized, or been appropriated to that purpose. The next question I would submit is, how many more Spiritualists are there in Chicago than there are Christian Sci-

entists?

perfectly satisfied and supremely happy. Not having the statistics before me, I Another brother from Pennsylvania will assume, judging from the published could not understand what was meant accounts in the public press of the by "independent voices." He is an old meetings held there on Sundays, that Spiritualist, has met many prominent there are at a moderate estimate, ten times as many Spiritualists in the city as there are Christian Scientists, The next question that suggests itself is, why/this great discrepancy in subscriptions for an object in which both explanation and directing him to a redenominations are equally interested? liable medium of that phase of develop-While there is a wide difference now ment. I have not since heard from him. in the teaching of the two systems, it But among my letters was an anonyis generally known that Christian Scimous one, written by a lady. The postence is an outgrowth of Spiritualism. mark was dimmed purposely, I think, The latter question is more difficult to so I cannot tell where she resides. It is answer, and is one that may be asked in something of a curiosity. She seems to regard to many, if not all other places be a general skeptic. She begins with in America. And it is fair to conclude "your brother Dawbarn is doing a good work in exposing Spiritism." She says that a variety of answers may be given. It is hardly possible, however, that it If Brother Dawbarn is correct Spiritualism is a beautiful humbug, yea, more will be claimed that the aggregate beautiful than Methodism or any other | wealth of Christian Scientists equals

next, with your permission, give some- ble pastor for all societies that are able what in detail, the phenomena maniand willing to pay them. fested through such mediums as the I apprehend the principal difficulty Bangs sisters and others with whom I that does or may exist, will be found in the skeptical, or peculiar character of Argos, Ind. S. W. GOULD, M. D. the congregation, over which the new candidate is engaged to minister, I have before referred to this matter, as being important, in maintaining harmony and brotherly love, in all socie-

> In order to get the best results from a pustor's services it is, of course, of the first importance that the congregation should become personally acquainted with the pastor, and that a kindly

sympathy should be extended towards him, or her as the case may be. That a spontaneous effort should be made by the society to encourage and hold up the hands of the pastor in all legitimate efforts he may make to advance the interests of the society. In this way, and in no other, can it be expected that Christian Science or any other ethical or religious society can ad-

vance satisfactorily. The best evidence to the world, of the merit and the value of any new or old system of ethics, religion or science, is the amount of earnest, conscientious labor its friends and advocates are will-

ing to devote to its advancement. Are Spiritualists in America devoting as much thought, time and labor to their religious theories and education as

the cause demands? If not, why not? E. W. GOULD. Washington, D. C. 10 WE STREET



Items of Interest from the Cream City.

It has been my intention for some time to send in a few notes of the work in Milwaukee, but I have been too busy so to do. The last Sunday in April there was a union service of all the Spiritual societies, held with the Unity Society, in Wolcott Post hall, at three o'clock in the afternoon. There were four societies represented and a very large attendance indeed, not only in the afternoon but also in the evening. The opening address was given by the president of the Unity Society, Mr. Charles Smith. I followed him; then Mrs. Richardson, of the South Side Society; Miss Peters, of the North Side; Mrs. Holenwold, a member of the Unity, who gave

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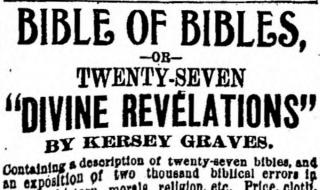
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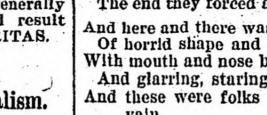
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In the spring of 1883 I left my wife

and two children, about 9 and 11, at In-

known, and great good will result -VERITAS. therefrom.

A Good Test in Spiritualism.

hold And buy and bind in servitude

And glarring, staring, blazing eyes.

In thoughts of beauty's mark on them

mediums and is "thoroughly convinced In want, to hoard, now serving time of spirit return, but wanted to know In Nature's prison house of woes. what was meant by the voices. As is And others still, so gaunt, and weak, my custom in all such cases I at once And wan, and sad, who had the gol wrote him at length, giving him a full And gave it not, now forced to seek

Upon the earth. They now must do And be the same, until subdued-The end they forced another to.

And here and there was shown a face Of horrid shape and horrid size

ing habits by mental treatment, and dependence, Iowa, and went to Pickerhave had pronounced success. People ing, Mo., to meet a man who had sold addicted to smoking, drinking, morsome \$2,000 worth of property, one-half phine and cocaine, and affected with St. of which belonged to me, and he had Vitus' dance, stammering, insomnia, il written me from Lyons, Kansas, to lusions, melancholia, nervous prostrameet him at Pickering on a certain day. tion, and hallucinations, have been was prompt, but he was not. I waited cured by the hundreds. The effects seabout four weeks, and during that time cured with children have been particuheard nothing from him although I larly marked. It now appears that at had written to Lyons, Kans., but my the Chicago School of Psychology at letters were returned; I wrote to the least, insanity has yielded to mental postmaster for information but to no eftreatment.

fect. I wrote to a friend in Lincoln. "We have cured insanity by suggest Neb., who lived neighbor to my man ive methods for some years past," said B----, asking my friend to find out the Dr. Parkyn yesterday. "Within the whereabouts of Mr. B. My friend last few months, we have made two wrote me that Mrs. B. expected her huspositive cures of cases of pronounced band home next Saturday, so I hastened insanity that had failed to improve in to Lincoln, Neb., arriving in time to find long stays at asylums. We have at out that Mrs. B. knew no more about present several patients of the same. where Mr. B. was than I did, and for sort under treatment, and all show. three months had expected him home enough improvement to lead me to prenext Saturday. Upon my return to dict an ultimate cure in every case. Dr. Quackenbos can scarcely claim Pickering I found my wife and children credit to any great amount of novelty at the hotel waiting my return. My wife had recently become an automatic in his reported discovery. writing medium, her control being her "But you must remember," continued brother, an eminent physician, who had Dr. Parkyn, "that we do not use hypnotism. Our work is done entirely by 'dipassed over some two years previous. suggested to my wife that we try and rected suggestion,' which is the active find out by her guide where Mr. B, is, to principle for good in hypnotism. In which she agreed. So, seated at the cases of pronounced insanity, it is imstand her hand soon showed by the prepossible to get the patient's attention liminary movements that someone fixed upon any one thing, even the wanted to write, and I placed the pencil voice of the physician, and hence hypin her hand and asked, "Will, is this

notism is impossible. We rely entirely you?" The word "yes," was written upon suggestions-that is, words and bold and plain. I then asked, "Do you sentences constantly repeated in the know where Mr. B. is?" "Yes" was presence of the patient, which in time written. I said, "Please tell me where result in changing the patient's line of he is." "Rich Hill, Mo.," was plainly thought and action into the channels written. I then asked if I could find desired. Frequently the insane person him if I should go there and the words has functional troubles or hallucina-"Arcade Hotel" were written. I looked tions about food or drink that he reon the map to find where Rich Hill was fuses to be treated for. These are matters which are vital to health. In such and took the first train for that place. As I stepped off the train I looked to cases the constantly repeated suggesthe northwest about a block and saw tions result in changed thought and the words "Arcade Hotel." I went there action, and the patient remedies his and asked the clerk if there was a man troubles without being himself aware by the name of B--- stopping there? that the impulses were the result of out-He said, "Yes; he will be in soon," and side stimulation. "The theory on which the work is sure enough, he soon came in. My wife

was as anxious to find him as I was, carried on is as follows: Every impressand knew nothing of his whereabouts ion (suggestion) a man receives through his senses is stored up in the minute any more than I did.

cells of the brain. These cells are in relation with one other, so that each impression is associated with those which have preceded it through the same sense. These brain cells are nourished by the blood, and are active or inactive according to the amount of blood supplied to them. The more any group of cells is kept active, the more likely cieties. Each held anniversary services on March 26 and 28 respectively, large are the impressions stored up in these cells to be in our conscious minds.

amount of converts are being made HOW HABITS ARE DEVELOPED.

nain Had marred; while now a diadem Was set on those of plainer style And sweeter thought, that mocked in turn The taunters, whose own deeds defile Their souls and light the coals that

> burn The coarse and mould the fine and pure In all that time and nature claim.

This once explained, again our tour Of higher life-our flight-became As fleet and sweet as budding thought Of that most dear, yet veiled from view:

That which the soul has ever sought And failed to find before 'twas due. Whene'er we paused to view the scene "Twas just the same old tale of right. You may on earth your motives screen But come they will some time to light The kindly thoughts and words and deeds

On earth we knew were entered there Not on the records of the creeds. But in each soul and in the air. If black the soul while in the clay, And to all love and justice lost, That mark cannot be washed away Until that soul has paid the cost. DR. T. WILKINS.

THE CLOSE OF A CENTURY.

Watchman, what say you of the night What hope can you give to the lowly? Are the looked-for conditions in sight. Promised in the volume most holy? Will the century just passing away Leave mankind less suffering and sorrow?

Or will conditions prevalent to-day Retain their full sway on the morrow

Will "the lion lie down with the lamb?" The miser forget to be greedy? Or will he his storehouses cram By tax on the toil of the needy? Will shylocks abandon their schemes Their nefarious practice, so loathing? And every one be what he seems-No ravenous wolves in sheep's cloth ing?

Will dealers in goods or in stocks Deal justly, in either position? And pastors preach truth to their flock Regardless of creed or tradition? Will mansions replace the rude huts,-Reformers accomplish their missions Or will the race run in the old rut's Same hated, distorted conditions?

Will the church still countenance wars. Their Christianizing tendency plead ing?

Is her promised millennium a farce-Our early instruction misleading? through earnest investigation by the How long will the past its red-tape

Will the century just at the door

orthodox doctrine." She further says that of the Spiritualists, in Chicago, or the exposition is "cunningly devised."

I am at a loss to locate her. She seems to have no more use for so-called "beautiful" humbugs! She would seem I know she must be the very embodiment of unhappiness. She is, perhaps, the victim of some fraud, and she has faith. If she will write me, giving her name and address, I will gladly aid her to the extent of my ability.

It seems to me that no one possessed of ordinary intelligence should be deceived by the bungling work of counterfeit slate-writers. I'They cannot answer your questions (as they do not know what they will be) or give you proof of the presence of departed friends, unknown to them. They prepare so-called messages, general in character, but when you demand, a "bill of particulars" they fail to respond.

chance, and most of them have been exposed. -If they refuse to let you examine their slates you need no further evidence. If you do examine them, and they are all right, in some secret way arrange to detect an exchange. In a well-lighted room no one should be de-

ceived. The genuine slate-writer will go to your own room, if convenient, and you may furnish your own slates.

The Illinois brother to whom I referred carried home the slates upon which his children had written. If some trick in slate-writing is exposed the cry goes up from some quarters that all slate-writers are frauds, I am tired of it; it does not indicate good, discriminating sense. If a man is a scoundrel does it signify that all men in the community are dishonest? Such logic would ruin society. There has been (to my knowledge) no attempt made to counterfeit the "voices." Such an attempt would be as easily exposed as fraudulent materializations. If every one would refuse to patronize a medium unless recommended by reliable narties, and would exercise discriminating judgment, as in other matters, the fakes would soon perish for want of sustenance, and the light of truth would enter many dark and benighted locali-

ties. Humanity is strangely organized. With many prejudice is so strong that they will not listen to anything outside the worn rut in which their thoughts have coursed. To them "there is noth- learning "what Spiritualists believe, ing new under the sun" in the way of anyway." learning. Let me give a good example. And creeds to the present be giving To an investigator'I recommended Mrs. Sara A. Underwood's book, "Automatic," And control the acts of the living? or Spirit Writing." He went at once to a book store to order it. The proprie-Relieve us of past superstitions? tor advised him not to send for it. And progress be shackled no more "Why?" asked the investigator. "Be-By dead people's deeds and decision cause," said he, "there was a copy in the store for some time and I occasionally looked over it. I was afraid to read it-afraid I might believe it." Why is it so? Why will men blnd themselves to dead men-to the thoughts of ages past in spiritual matters? They talk as though the books were closed; that nothing can be added to our knowledge of the future? They will have doubts of inimortality, but will use their dwarfed powers to combat the In famed Pandora's box were such vast | only means of oblaining proof of continued existence. For human minds to be thus imprisoned is a sad misfortune; abandoned, until the society is abundbut surely, though it may be slowly, the antly able to do so, and has surplus light of truth will by disseminated. The power of the church, even in rural districts, is waning. The cultivated portion of the people have outgrown the old formulastand aderisis is impending. Scientists-once barned by the force and greatly benefited by this mode or cusridicule of poular opinion-have entered | tom of teaching, now being so generally the field of phenomena to investigate, introduced; provided the party selected and the results to us are not uncertain. to preside over and teach the Society James, Hodgson, Myers and others has the faculty and the ambition requihave opened the way, to be followed by site in a good-pastor. Where that can-Crookes and others of world-wide repu- not be done, the old ltinerant system tation, and shon the glorious truths of had better be continued. Spiritualism will bear the seal of science. Even the cultured pulpiteers, like Rev. Dns Savage of New York, ers. Of this pamphlet by a Spiritualist speak with no uncertain sound. Hunthe old ones become inactive, and the "I return home to bring the glad tidings of thought and experience, Lyman O. dreds and thousands of materialists have been made happy through Spiritualism, who could not have been reached in any other way. They demanded proof-absolute proof | ed with and one to whom they can all of life's continuance after the change called death, and they got it. Their "The Relation of the Spiritual to the lives have been benefited by the lessons they were taught, for Spiritualism Take courage, dear sister mediums | Control." By Michael Faraday. Price | makes its votaries better men and women. But my paper is, already long and this country, some thoughts must be expressed at | But as soon as it is understood there who would desire to make a study of some future time. As you have very is a demand for that kind of talent, and Romanism and the Bible. The historic | many readers who have never enjoyed | that it will be appreciated in proportion facts he states, and his keen, scathing the privilege of a private sliting with a to its ability, the facilities for securmedium of power, and who will be glad ing the qualifications necessary to fill should be read by all. Sold at this of- to read the evidence of one who has such position are such; that but little

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. There must be some other reason found. It has only been some twenty orthodoxy than for Spiritualism—all are years (agreeable to my recollection) since the introduction of the theories to be an accidental floater in the earth's | taught by Christian Scientists, was procurrent. My heart bleeds for her, for | mulgated in this country. And at no time has there been any special excitement, or revival (as the orthodox term it) by which large numbers of converts permitted this to overthrow her entire have been added to this denomination. Modern Spiritualism has been before the world more than fifty years, and has millions of converts, all over the civilized world.

Estimating without statistics, and speaking from observation, I believe the Christian Scientists have built or purchased, and own and occupy to-day ten times more church buildings, or chapels, devoted to their uses than the Spiritualists do.

Is it not evident then, that the former sect has discovered that in order to attract and secure converts to its faith I do not profess to be superior to my and teachings it was necessary for fellows, but no fraudulent slate-writer them to organize into societies and concould impose upon me. Their methods | tribute means sufficient to build neat, are easily detected, if you are given a comfortable houses of worship, with such attractions as were presented, by other worshiping denominations, in their town or city?

Thus, by harmony and concert of action they seem to be extending their theories successfully, notwithstanding the hard times of which our people complain.

This is an object lesson, worthy of our consideration.

With thousands of converts in all directions, we find it difficult to raise the means to support one society in a commundy of one thousand Spiritualists: saying nothing of building churches. We need harmony and devotion to the cause. Eeven if we have not just the teacher we prefer, or if the discourse differs from our conception on the subject, or if the place of meeting is not as attractive as we should enjoy, we, as Spiritualists, should accept the situation as cheerfully as possible, instead of complaining of those that are doing their best under the circumstances.

If all that are known to be Spiritual ists would recognize their duty, and unite themselves with some society. and contribute in proportion to their ability, the time would soon come when every society of 100 members could fol low the example of our brethren, the Christian Scientists, and build a church or chapel of sufficient capacity to pleasantly accommodate their society, and where they could invite their friends, and all who are desirous of

A society owning its own church of

an address in German; then Mrs. Greeds also spoke in German; Mrs. Smede, of the Progressive Society; Mr. Isaacs, Mr. J. C. Bump, Mr. Bigler, Mr. Langdon, and others. Dr. Friedman, of Chicago, being present, spoke and gave demonstrations in healing, afternoon and evening.

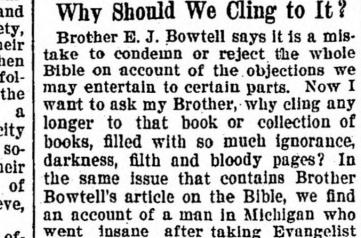
This was the first union service ever held and a better meeting I never attended, where a better spirit was made manifest. So great was the interest awakened that there are to be held once a month union meetings, and thus keep up the feeling of harmony and good will- The next is to be held the last Sunday afternoon in this month with the Progressive Society in Bach's hall,

corner 3d and North avenue. The Unity Society is doing well, never

better; meetings are well attended, and the utmost harmony prevails. The same is true of all the other societies, and I can say after a long service in Milwankee there never was more interest taken in Spiritualism than now. I remain with the Unity Society for the month of May. I go from my home on Saturdays and return home Mondays. It makes it rather hard, but I am unable to do otherwise. I will respond to calls for funerals, but please send to my home address.

Unity Society has been called upon to mourn the loss of one of its most active members, Mrs. Flora Smally Jackson. She passed away Saturday, May 6, and was buried from her home Monday afternoon at half-past two. Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, a life-long friend, was called to officiate. There was a very large attendance. She will be missed by us all, but we know she is free from her physical suffering now.

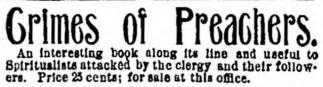
The Unity Society will no doubt close its doors for the present season at the close of this month. I regret to state that our earnest worker, Mrs. J. C. Bump, is still ill, confined to her room, but we hope to see her up and about soon. Trusting the good work is still going on, I remain the well-wisher of G. H. BROOKS.



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group of cells which produces habits of in darkness. Among them I am glad to Must the dead continue to shape thought; this accounts for the peculiar- note, a brother-in-law of the writer, ity of monomaniacs. Many of these who has made us an extended visit cells are motor ones, which, when from the far-off state of Idaho, after an aroused, send out impulses to the vari- absence of forty-two years from this, ous muscles or organs of the body. his native state. All his life he has Sometimes the impulses are feeble, ow- been a man of the church. So encased ing to poor circulation in the brain; within a creed was he (having preached sometimes they are incorrect, owing to Methodism) that only to handle The their imperfect education, or to physi- Progressive Thinker, which I had occacal conditions, which for a time have | sionally sent him, meant eternal damnainterfered with the transmission of the tion. It forthwith found its way into normal impulses.

"Again, the motor cells may remain As for myself- in his estimation to be dormant for a long time if a function, a Spiritualist was bad enough, but to be for mechanical reasons, or through ig- a medium! well I had sunk to the lownorance of hygiene, has been allowed to est depth of degradation in this life, Were this if all our prayers were grantlie idle and artificial means have been and eternally lost in the next. Yet, beemployed to take its place. hold, the Gods work in a mysterious

"Every one, at some time or other, | way, and who can say they are proof has had a musical air or a piece of po- against this wonderful power that is As lie in human hearts. Should our deetry 'running through his head.' Some- moving the world until all creeds are times for days at a time. It stays with | loosing hold on the masses. us till we get another group of cells He came, he saw, and was conquered: stimulated into activity, or until the and a more humiliated spirit was never mind is completely absorbed in other seen. He wept for joy when he was things. Then the cells get a chance to brought face to face with the departed rest. If a musical air is bothering us loved ones. Events long since forgotwe can get rid of it by humming some- ten were brought so vividly before him: thing else; and so it is in overcoming | He cried out, "Enough! Whereas once I undesirable or unhealthy lines of was blind, I now can see." And friends, thought in our patients. We place new all this conversion, brought about in a of thought in poetic diction in this handthoughts in their minds by repeated dark seance, through one of our home suggestions, and when the treatment is mediums, who was an entire stranger | hours of leisure and enjoyment. Price kept up each day for a length of time, to this party. and the patient is continually going He has left us for his far distant

over these suggestions himself, the new home in Caldwell, Idaho, a changed thoughts take the place of the old ones; man, truly converted. His last words: stimulation of the cells from which of joy, that I have not only been in the they spring diminishes. It is impossible to blot anything out of a man's communion with them. And for the mind, but if it contains undesirable rest of my earthly pilgrimage will I not thoughts we can overcome their effects only promulgate, but stand in defense by placing new thoughts there. The of one of the grandest truths and great- at this office. Price, 10 cents, postpaid. new thoughts will replace the old ones, est blessings that has ever been man's provided the suggestions are repeated inheritance." very often.

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It has been a long time since this part

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I am weary waiting for the light, For order to banish confusion; For morning to succeed the long night, And facts take the place of delusion. JUDGE M. D. WILLIAMS.

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The idea of building Temples or ex pensive houses of worship should be means to contribute to the necessities of its indigent members and poor mediums, which may be found everywhere Communities or societies large enough to pay a permanent speaker, may be

> This is probably another of the advantages the Christian Scientists possess over Spiritualism.

They understand the value of employing educated, competent teachers, and retaining them in service, realizing the advantage it is to their congregation to have a pastor they are acquaint

funerals and for marriage ceremonies. Unfortunately we have not, at the present time, a sufficient number of educated, competent teachers or pastors, to supply the six hundred societies in

had convincing experience, I will, in my time need be lost in procuring a suita- inary, Belvidere, New Jersey.

Moody's warning to stick to the Bible, and what a horrible deed did he commit-killing his own dear boy, to obey the command of God. I say banish such a collection of books, because we have a higher and better teaching of Nature's grand truths.

And why call anything so imperfect as the old Bible teaching divine? Divinity means perfection, and there are none perfect of our inspired speakers and writers of to-day, and much less in the dark ages of Bible times.

Then he says that Spiritualists are certainly justifiable to claim the spirit phenomena as their own. To me there is nothing phenomenal or miraculous. but all is Naturalism, because all things

are governed by Nature's grand law. Then he says in the days of the Bible authors they spoke of things as they were. Yes, and committed deeds as vile as the language they used was vile. I ask Brother Bowtell to come out of the darkness and enter into the True Light that is dawning everywhere. R. T. HENDRICKS.

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to wealthy congregations. Through the In these days, when the starving are aid of T. W. Harvey he opened a misfed with red tickets, it is pleasant to sion on Madison street in Chicago. light upon such work as is being done | Having experienced all the ups and day life, and what it advocates in the at Ben Hogan's Humane Exchange, at downs incident to a wayward career, Clinton and Madison streets. At this Mr. Hogan is eminently qualified for west side resort from 600 to 800 men the work to which he is devoting his are fed and lodged daily. Among these life,

men of the place are to be found murderers, confidence men, thieves, cracks-

men, tradesmen, expert accountants, Ben Hogan preaches plain and forcicollege men and an almost endless va- ble sermons. An intoxicated man came riety of unfortunates. Standing back into his mission one day and attempted the Bible must conform to the dates of this movement and exercising a pa- to create a disturbance. The fellow as given in our regular historical recrental care over it is generous, big- was abusive, and spoiling for a fight. ords as near as possible. hearted Ben Hogan, the reconstructed Seeing that kind words were of no avail. prize-fighter and formerly one of the in this case Ben promptly knocked the most conspicuous sporting men in man down and kicked him out the door, "Is that the way you preach the gos-America.

SOMETIMES USES HIS FISTS.

eye can look a man through in an in-

stant and he never fails to detect be-

Passing down the flight of stairs that pel?" asked the astonished intruder. leads from the street, the visitor opens "Yes," replied Hogan, "with my mouth, a door and looks in at about 5 o'clock in my fist and my boots." On another octhe afternoon on a most astounding casion a quarrelsome sailor drew a long scene. Two hundred men are to be dirk on Hogan and made a vicious seen in the one large, room. A part of lunge at him. Dodging the thrust Mr. them, seated at tables, are eating from | Hogan dealt the man a knock-out blow bowls. Others are standing, huddled on the jugular and disarmed him as he together, in groups, and a pitiable trav- lay on the floor. When the sailor had esty on stock exchange proceedings is regained his feet Ben handed him the being enacted. Some man to whom ar- knife and asked him to try it again. ticles of clothing have been given is dis- The fellow had enough, however, and pensing of them to his fellows. Money showed no inclination to repeat the ex- ing the spirits that come to us and adis scarce and bidding is slow. Five perience. He is a regular attendant at cents will sometimes purchase a fairly the mission now, and a warm friend of good overcoat, while 50 cents is about Hogan's.

the maximum price which such a gar- In the evenings Mr. Hogan frequently ment will bring. Shoes are worth from gives the boys an informal talk. He 5 to 25 cents, according to quality and doesn't touch on religion much, but he condition. When the transfer has been deals with such homely virtues as made and the seller has received his truthfulness, honesty, industry, sobriecash, he walks over to the desk in one ty and purity. They are not ready for. corner of the room and lays down 2 the meat of the gospel, but he gives cents for a meal ticket.

It Should Be Read with Critprize ring was fought with Tom Allen in 1873 at Council Bluffs and was for ical Candor. the championship of America. Mr. Hogan came to Chicago with Major Whit-

Will you permit one of your old contributors who has not had time to be He has done mission work in Berlin, heard recently to add a word on the Paris, London and all the way from above subject?

The position we should take upon the Bible has been gone over quite thoroughly for some time past. Now it and Europe and for the first two years seems to me that there is but one way to take it and that is-just as it reads. Internal and external evidence must ness prevailing so largely among the be considered if we are to know anything about the true status of the case. From internal evidence we glean the poor people and he abandoned speaking import of the book. We learn what it teaches, what position it takes upon all the subjects connected with our every-

THE BIBLE.

way of moral, mental and spiritual development. From external evidence we learn what conditions prevailed at the time it was

written and about the age. Every age family, notwithstanding the vast has had its writers and its style of writing. It has had its historical events and the chronological arrangement of

It is on account of the lack of conformity of the external to the internal evidence that much of the criticism has been given the book. That, in addition to the fact that man has lost much of his fear of the anathemas of the clergy and has undertaken to think for himself upon these matters, has opened the eyes of the people to the true status of the case.

The Bible has much good in it. It speaks in many places of good deeds and the reward received from good actions. It speaks in many places of the spiritual gifts and the benefits to be derived from their use. It speaks of testvises us to use all due precautions in every way.

On the other hand it advocates wars of conquest and extermination, robbery, murder and everything that is wrong, according to the ideas of the nineteenth century civilization.

A party has recently arisen that proposes to take for its motto, "What would Jesus do?" and asks the world to them a little of the milk. His practiced | take sides with it. Well, what would

Shall We Look Up, or Down? When we see so much contention, suffering and crime in this life, it is often a serious question whother to be a pessimist or an optimist., Those who are in trouble and deprived of their just

share of the good things of life are nat- | The article in No. 493, "Stop Worrying," urally prone to look upon the dark side is the cause of these remarks. of human affairs, and to think the world is continually growing worse; while those surrounded by the comforts of life, and not realizing the wretchedworld's producers, naturally feel that all is well and well ordered, and ever advancing to higher planes of intelligence and happiness.

Reasoning from an independent standpoint and reviewing the growth

and progression of humanity in the ages gone by, we cannot but come to evolution is surely at work refining, purifying and uplifting the human amount of misery in existence. The human heart is naturally inclined to goodness, and were it not that so much corruption, inequality and injustice

reigns in the land, there would be vastly less crime and degradation. When a man is out of employment,

and has exhausted all his endeavors to find work, only to be refused; when he knows there is plenty of work needing to be done, and that he ; can earn an honest living and keep his family from destitution if allowed the privilege; when he is conscious that he is being deprived of his inalienable rights in the richest and most enlightened nation on

earth, by a vile system of monopoly and competition, then his better nature revolts, it gives way to discouragement and despondency, and on the principle that the world owes him a living, he resorts to unlawful means to keep his dear ones from starving.

'If he steals a loaf of bread he is forthwith arrested and imprisoned, while his rich neighbor who puts up a corner on wheat and thus robs thousands of his fellow creatures, goes unmolested, and is even eulogized for his great financial ability.

In the light of such transactions as the world we have seen that in order to | white as spow. What made it so? Im-

If man were not an involuntary think-Thousands Have It and Don't Know It. er, same as he breathes, the good but useless advice that some people throw Pains and aches come from excess of out with a lavish hand, might be worth uric acid in the blood, due to neglected the time required to read or hear it. kidney trouble. Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and

MENTAL ACTION.

Its Status Critically Analyzed

I think no one will deny that happiness is universally desired by all mankind; that every person who lives and breathes wishes to avoid unhappiness. Why don't they? Simply because conditions prevent, and make it impossible. Said P. B. Randolph, "when nature compelled man to think she created his heaven and his hell." A more selfevident truth has yet to make its anpearance.

Man thinks and his thoughts are dependent on his surroundings. He can the conclusion that the great law of no more suspend mental action while awake, than he can by an effort of the will stop the action of his heart or lungs. He must think and keep thinking; so happy thoughts are dependent on happy conditions. There is no escaping this conclusion.

If one's condition in life is such that want continually faces him and his family, and a feeling of security is ever absent, as we know is the case with untold thousands in all our great cities, then we liave the cause for worriment and while the cause remains, in spite of all advice and all testimony as to the injurious effects that attend it, people

will continue to worry. When occasions exist that produce hilarity and laughter, no one expects a man to assume a prayer-meeting cast of countenance, or to be affected as he would while listening to a sermon on hell-fire and eternal torment. When conditions produce laughter you have

troubles in life.

these, it is hard to keep the pessimistic | the case of a young man in Cuba under feeling down; but in all the history of thirty years of age whose hair was

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you have that, for such is the law of nature under which we all exist.

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it, and when they produce worriment

Conditions alone wake us laugh and cry, rejoice and worry; and it would be just as sensible to tell a confirmed dyspeptic to eat hearty and enjoy his dinner, as to tell a man not to worry when

CHEAP AND WHOLESOME.

For this investment he receives a bowl neath the coarse exterior a possibly dyof nourishing stew, together with excel- ing spark of self-respecting manhood lent fresh bread and a bowl of genuine And when he has found it he knows coffee. The stew is composed of beans, how to kindle it into a flame. There is beef and cornstarch, and nothing but many a sober and industrious man in wholesome food products enter into the Chicago to-day who owes his self-respect to Ben Hogan's encouraging word composition. In one corner of the room is an im- and helping hand.

provised tailor shop. Here the men do THE PRINCIPLES ON WHICH HE their mending. Among their number WORKS. are those who are expert with the

Regarding his methods, Mr. Hogan needle. If, as occasionally happens, a has the following to say: man is unaccustomed to sewing, he can "If you find a man for nothing and

get his repairing neatly done by a felsleep a man for nothing you make him low sojourner at a cost of a few pena bum and worse than a nothing. When nies. And this is also true in the sec-I established this work everything was tion of the room where barbering is free and I soon discovered that I was done. In most cases, however, the men do their own sewing. Another import- doing more harm than good. The lodgant adjunct of the establishment is the ing-house was not included in my origcobbling department. The basement is inal plan, but it soon became evident rich in its provisions for the immediate that it was a necessity. One of three things confronted the class of men who necessities of the physical man. The picture has its comic as well as came to my mission. Either they must its tragic and pathetic phases. Among sleep in a barrel-house, lay in the lockthe frequenters of the mission is a man up or walk the streets all night. Under who is known to his fellows as these circumstances a man becomes dis-"Jumbo." He weighs considerably over sipated, lazy, sick and a bum. And so 200 pounds, wears a black beard in the to my plan of feeding the men I added

the plan of lodging them. At first I style approved by anarchists, and is alhoped to feed 100 men a day, but the together lazy, fat and filthy. This man work has grown and now I am feeding is about 55 years old and is both incomand lodging from 600 to 800 men every petent and indisposed to work. Another frequenter is a man who has been day. Out of this number less than 5 dubbed by his companions as the "Jes- per cent are tramps and I like this uit." He is also a middle-aged incom- class of men as I do a rattlesnake. A petent and he received his sobriquet man can live with me for 8 cents a day. Of course if a fellow comes in hungry through his habit of wearing an immense rope or heaving line tied firmly or tired and has not the 2 cents with

AT THE LODGING-HOUSE.

around his middle.

which to purchase a meal or a lodging I give it to him free. But I discountenance this sort of thing and teach them

The lodging accommodations are at to pay for their accommodations. Many 22 Meridian street, known as Hogan's of them get odd jobs and manage to alley. The building is four stories in earn their own way thus. I am dealing height and there are bunks to accom- for the most part with men out of work. modate 500 men. In times of rush 100 A kind word saves a life sometimes. It additional sleepers find places on the is sometimes necessary to rule with an floors. The first floor is given up to an iron rod in dealing with these men, and office, a sitting-room and a wash-room. occasionally they hate me just as Christ In the wash-room may be had warm was hated by those he benefited."

water and facilities for washing clothes. There are about 200 men from 40 to It is equipped with a drum, in which 50 years old who live regularly at this fifty suits of underwear may be dried mission, earning their way by odd jobs at one time. The three upper floors of that they pick up about the city. They the building are devoted entirely to are too feeble to work more than an sleeping. 's hey are filled with plain hour at a time and can only hope to reboard bunks without mattresses or pil- ceive a few cents for the labor they perlows. The bunks are arranged in tiers, form in a day. They bring lunches that one above another, and each morning are given them at private houses to the they are swept out and made clean. mission and receive there a large bowl Two large stoves on each floor keep the of coffee for 1 cent. The "hand-out" temperature up to summer heat lunches that used to be deposited in the throughout the night in the winter. nearest ash barrel are now eaten and Many of the men remove all of their enjoyed when accompanied by the bowl clothing, using it for a mattress and pil- of coffee, which Mr. Hogan furnishes. lows. The clannishness of the men is In this way thousands of men have in evidence here. On one floor the been sobered.

Jesus do? No one knows! If the man who represents the New Testament character could come upon earth to-day, he would doubtless do many things differently from what he did before and "What Jesus would do" would doubtless bring him to the same end that he came to before-if he came this way again and acted in the same manner to-

wards the laws and customs of to-day as he did at the time he is said to have been here, or as the character was represented as doing.

The Bible is a mass of writings gathered together during a long period of time. It was doubtless gotten together for a far different purpose from that to which it was put, and the writers had no more intention of making it a "Holy Book" than they had of making it all in one book. The dates at which it was written must have varied greatly-far more so than anyone now has any idea of. The books known as the Pentateuch were doubtless written at least two or three thousand years later than the dates they bear, as they do not have the imprint of the time at which they are dated. They speak of events that did not take place until hundreds of years later than the time the Bible chronology places them. Joshua is the same. Judges, Kings, Samuel, in fact, all of the historical books, bear the imprint of a date from five hundred to several thousand years later than the

dates given in the chronology. Such being the case, they are of little value as historical records and they will not furnish a very good basis for the prophetical books.

The prophetical books are based upon the historical and if we cannot verify the historical, we can place little credence in the prophetical.

What, then, can we consistently take as our standard of opinion concerning the books?

We must consider them as scraps of records. Some reliable, some not so. Some handed down by the people through oral tradition, others handed down in cuniform writings, some on the tablets and monuments and all of them representing the author's own individual opinion-not the will of an Infinite God

I do not believe in condemning any. thing without a full and complete hearing. Det us take both sides and analyze the matter it contains. That will give us a more complete idea of the book as an entirety. Then, after having done so, if we do take a stand. let us give full and complete reasons for doing so.

Simple abuse or condemnation does not avail anything. We must give reasons. If I may be excused for quoting one of my own books, I will take "Big

prepare the people for a great revolution for good, they have been made to endure extreme suffering and destitu-

We are now on the eve of a tremendous uplifting and overturn in the industrial and financial affairs of our nation. The great laboring and thinking masses of the people are being aroused as never before to the real and wretched condition of society at large; their intelligence and love of justice

will not long allow them to remain silent and inactive, when they know the remedy is in their own hands; they must and will unite their forces and free themselves from the galling chains of tyranny.

The very angels of heaven are spurring them on. The inspiration from the realms of eternal justice is flowing into the brains of great and receptive minds on earth, and thrilling the whole physical being with a sense

of enthusiasm and duty, and these sensitive and loyal-hearted ones are giving out by means of pen and tongue burning words of truth and love, which must exert a tremendous influence in the renovation of society. It is in accordance with the omnipotent flat of a just and all-wise Power.

The optimist can find proof of the truth of his opinions in the study of the divine book of nature; here he will see a continual grinding process, a constant throwing off of the cruder elements, that leads to greater refinement. Sometimes even nature finds it necessary to shake itself violently to throw off a long accumulated mass of rubbish and corruption, even though lives are destroyed in the action. All remaining life is made safer, more comfortable, and more easily progressive.

Let us then look up, observe the eternal progress in all the manifestacapacity to think and different contions of life, be thankful that we live in the world's best age, apart from and beyond the darkness and superstitions of old. Be glad that our destiny is everlasting progression towards all that is grand and sublime. It is in harmony disconnection. with the eternal fitness of nature's demonstrations, that our beloved land shall yet be free from the iron rule of mammon, and all its citizens rejoice in the enjoyment of that liberty and comfort which has so long been sought and desired, as among the choice blessings in this broad land of the free and the hand in cases without end. home of the brave.

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broad land has millions such. Men Slanderous Abuse of Spiritualists. work all day-in the coal mines for il-"There is a hot time in our town tolustration-and worry nights because of night," sang the evangelist Sunday, on their inability to live as self-respecting the 9th, and there was quite a heated state of atmosphere judging from the frothy bubblings of the beardless boy apostle of Sam Jones upon the occasion | coal miners in Pennsylvania and elsementioned. And the same state of afwhere, exist in such physical conditions fairs still exists and is billed for next when working, that their mental condiweek. A prominent preacher last Suntion is almost intolerable. I call any day morning characterized the "advice person a dreamer and unfamiliar with of the traveling evangelist as two-thirds real life who says, "don't hurry, for it Spiritualists should consider the Bible. | gab." I would add another third. But vulgarizes work to hustle." Wage soberly, for downright vulgarity and workers must hustle or give way to blackguardism, I have never heard his those who will, in this practical and equal. competitive world; and the man who



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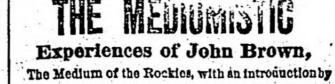
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being of man.

earnest seeker for them.

the point, it is self-evident.

Name, Chicago, on Sunday, May 1 during an installation sermon which is said to have been very "startling to Roman Catholic ears," said some things which are worth a wider reading. A now, in this present life. It surely canfew brief extracts from the Chicago Record's report of that discourse folnot be the wiser course to wait-until we have passed from earth-life into the unlows:

"What a blessed field is given priests and bishops in America. When I think "One life at a time" is not a wise of it, if hope were not the only wisdom I should despond. We boast of our 10,000 churches, our nearly 100 dioceses, motto if there be another life which is the supplementary continuation of this life, and into which this life merges our 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 communiwith consequences affecting one's moral cauts, our innumerable sisterhoods and and spiritual standing and resultant unschools. We boast of all this, and I am happiness or enjoyments in that future willing that we should boast; but, O God; how little is all this! Little store

If death ends all, as some suppose-if is to be set by what is external. What this life of mixed sudness and flitting we have to dread above all things is gladness ends in an eternal sleep, then splendid ceremonial and empty hearts; golden vestments and leaden thoughts; it does not nearly so much matter with us what our moral and spiritual conmarble altars and a sodden priestdition here may be, as it must matter if | hood. * * * personal consequences extending into "It cannot hurt the church that its

the limitless eternities follow us in the people be poor. But what does hurt it beyond after the cessation of mortal is that any of its priests should be existence. One does not need to argue ignorant or greedy or sensual or lustful; these things hurt the church; these And if the life of personal identity things make you and me hang our continues beyond the transition called heads. Never in the history of the death, it is reasonable to suppose that church did persecutions of kings or emmoral and spiritual consequences of the life here and now will follow us into perors, parties or sects, hurt it. It is

corruption from within that hurts us. that realm-unseen where we shall be The evil that is in ourselves, is our hereafter. Stepping across the boundweakness." ary line between two countries does In the United States census of 1890, not change one's complexion or moral the Catholics reported a membership of nature, nor does passing through the 6,250,000, We fear the bishop exportal of death effect a moral transaggerates in increasing that number to formation in the mental and spiritual ten or twelve million in less than nine

years. He thinks an "ignorant, greedy. The evidence of the continuity of individual life and consciousness may be sensual and lustful priesthood" hurts abundantly found in the varied manthe church; but the policy of Cathifestations of spirit force and intelliolicism from its inception has been to gence, now, so prevalent in all lands. keep the communicants of the church Spiritual experiences of this kind may be had for the asking, by the patient, in ignorance. All the education wished

for the masses is familiarity with the It is not needful that one cross the catechism, and such rudiments of ocean and search in foreign lands, or knowledge as is necessary to secure that he live the life of a recluse in confirmation at the hands of a bishop. caves, or ascend to barren mountain tops beyond the clouds to hold converse "What we have to dread," said the with those who have passed from bishop, "above all things is splendid morial vision into the world unseen; no, ceremonials and empty hearts." Here is an illustration of "splendid cereit is one of the beauties of Spiritualism

That distinguished clergyman, the that we may have the rich and satisfy- monfals" employed on the occasion of Rev. Benjamin F. Mills, for a time and ing evidence within our own household that installation, with "golden vest-



Gamp-Meeting Directory.

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Inquiries are coming to hand regarding the opening dates of the various camp-meetings The secretaries will please inform us at once, and thus spread far and wide the names of their respective camps.

Remarkable Production.

I have read over and over, Col. Ingersoll's ad-dress on "The Devil," and find it grows better every time I read it. It is the sharpest, wittiest and most logical of anything I ever read from him. You are doing a grand thing in spreading broadcast over the country, and at so small cost, this remarkable production of the inimitable Col. Adrian, Mich. P. B. REASONER.

MATERIAL AND SPIRITUAL FRAUDS.

They Are Recognized as the Enemies of Industrial and Spiritual Progress.

THE PESTIFEROUS WORK OF A CANCER-THEY ATTACK OUR FOOD, AND EVEN CORRUPT SPIRITUAL MANIFESTATION-THEY BLACKEN RELIGION AND DEGRADE POLITICS.

Freezene, preservaline, freeze-em, rosaline, and laktone are things few people know of, but that they take these adulterants into their stomachs, was shown by Professor A. S. Mitchell, analytical chemist of the Dairy and Food Commission of Wisconsin to the Senatorial Committee on Pure Food Investigation yesterday. Prof. Mitchell gave the committee some important information. As a result Senator Mason has had several manufacturers subpoenaed and they will be called on to tell the committee something about their compounds.

"The use of antiseptics as preservatives," said Professor Mitchell, "has become alarmingly great. They are used as coloring and to stop the development of gerins in dairy products; also in chopped meats, bulk oysters, fish hams, and possibly corned beef. Any antisep-tic is deleterious because it stops the digestive process. Freezeue, which is claimed to take the place of ice, is a so-

lution of formaldehyde and is a deleterious preservative."

SULPHITE OF SODUM IN MEATS. The speaker gave the committee a bottle of this compound. Another package, marked preservaline, was an antiseptic for preserving meat, and Professor-Mitchell said it contained sulphite of sodium and should have no part in foods. Rosaline, he said, was used in coloring sausage and was a mixture of niter, salt and borax. Freez-em was used, he said, for chipped beef and contained sulphite of sodium and coloring matter. He also showed another pre-

THEY HONEYCOMB SOCIETY LIKE | ervation of dead bodies and by health authorities for the disinfection of buildings where virulent diseases have been treated.

> Ground tarred rope has been used to adulterate ginger.

> Absolutely pure flour is a rare commodity; it is adulterated with ground stone and clay from Tennessee and Georgia.

Pure buckwheat flour is rarely to be purchased after it passes through the lands of a jobber or a wholesaler; one barrel of pure buckwheat flour is generally mixed with two barrels of inferior spring wheat flour that can be purchased for one-third the price of the buckwheat.

Nearly all powdered sugar is composed in great part of cornstarch. Nearly all black pepper is adulterated

with what is known as "buckwheat shorts" (hulls),

Retail butter dealers in this city daily violate the oleomargarine law. Flavors sold at sodawater fountains

as the juice of strawberries, bananas and pineapples are chemical compositions.

Pure vanilla extract for flavoring purposes is almost unknown, and the flayorings for such extracts as are sold in the market are in the main derived from cumarin; lemon and other flavoring extracts are also adulterated to a very great extent.

The above is another installment showing the innate depravity of human nature in connection with the adulteration of food. Ninety-five per cent of the various kinds of foods and drinks is said to be adulterated and injurious to health. But this depravity of human nature in connection with adulterated food, is no more prominent than that which exists (as was said last week) in "politics, in the religion of the churches and the commercial world generally." Spiritualists should take a decided stand should be informed when buying bak- to hurl against our cause. TRUTH.

Moody, In his revival work, seems to be making grander strides in advanced thought than many of us who are still groveling with old-time ideas in regard to the godhead. It is absolutely refreshing to read an article from his pen in the April number of The Metaphysical Magazine, wherein he says:

"We have enlarged our conception of God until, when we use the term God to-day, we mean neither the magnified man of the Jew, nor the Nature of the Pantheist, but both of these and a greater idea than either merged together."

Well, that is a good start for a late revivalist, whose special mission it was to tell all about God. But the pulpiteer has other reformed notions. We quote:

"Listen! here is the 'new term!' Here is the fulcrum on which we may plant our levers and move the world. Evolution, development, growth, progressthe most glorious word of all revelation. It accounts for all facts; it delivers us from all our shortcomings; it inspires us to match the unlimited future."

But, frightened Bible worshipers, close your eyes and stop your ears, for your late devotee tells us:

"There never was a book written, and there never will be one that as an expression of authority will be adequate for any but its own time. Man does not need a Bible written once for all; he has a continuous revelation, including all the knowledge of the past and adding greater and greater informa-* * * God is writing his Bible tion. in the progressive development of the human race."

The audacious wretch, late a polytheist, a worshiper of a three-headed God, has got on the same platform with The Progressive Thinker, and stands before the world a unitheist. Where is been interesting to me. In Dante's this world, or rather, the people who are in it, drifting? Only one God, and for any one's ever wanting to get to he not virgin born; no Bible save the | heaven is for the sake of getting out of boundless universe; no destruction, but the other place. I do not know why eternal progression! And this man, anybody should want to be there for lately begging business houses in towns | any other reason. There is nothing for he visited to close their doors, come to him to do: there is nothing human for the house of God, and get religion, now him to be engaged in." claims that a new religion is being inaugurated in America, which is to awaken man from his lethargy of ages, with Love, Brotherhood, Hope for the base, and that "There will dawn a of "Glory, glory, glory to God and his morning when the electric shock will Son forever." Puffing these disrun around the world and man will look into the face of man and say. Brother!" That is what the loosing of the leading strings of the church does, mind

that. Who next?

and free from taint of fraud; sweet and pure as the sunlight and air of heaven. In the home circle may be found spiritual experiences that will gladden the heart, and afford the substratum. when wisely used, over which to build a continuous spiritual experience within ourselves that shall be of more value and of more lasting quality than any mines and gems of earthly nature; for

it will be a wealth we can take with us to inherit in that higher life whither we are tending. For after all, however good these tests of spirit presence may be in themselves, they are chiefly valuable as the helpful means to a higher and purer

spirituality in thought and life, which shall continue as an enduring factor in the quality of our life in the spirit realms.

"I TOLD YOU SO."

Said the Rev. M. J. Savage, in his Messiah pulpit, New York, in one of his late sermons on "Belief in Immortality:"

"I have studied all the old religions of the world, but Christianity is distinguished from all others,-and it is a lamentable distinction, to my view,-as being the first religion on the face of the earth that ever taught immortal hopcless anguish. The other religions have their hells,-but infinitely horrible, tortures such as we cannot conceive of; but they always think of time as made | lent names, made such by a vile priestup of cycles, and those cycles come to | hood for purpose of deception. an end. So the hells end sometime, all but the Christian hell. There is no

other hell that I know of that does not come to an end."

Further on in that discourse we find this gem:

"None of the heavens that orthodox Christendom has offered to us has ever universe the only reason I can imagine

The eminent divine seems to have overlooked the fact, that the whole brood of saints who reach the "golden shore," will join in one eternal warble

tinguished personages will be bliss supreme. They will need no other heaven unless it is the pleasure of looking over the battlements, during moments of re-

and shouting down to them "I told | made by the hands of Ancient Pheyou so!

and a sodden priesthood," which we quote from the Record: "The ritual of the consecration was ornate and stately. The bishop-elect

listened to the papal bull making him bishop, took allegiance to the Pope, was anointed with chrism, invested with the miter, the episcopal ring, the pectoral cross, the crosier and the episcopal gloves. Then, mitred and with his crosier in his hand, he walked

through the church, attended by the two bishops, assistant consecrators, blessing the people. Bishop McGavic looked white as the chasuble of white silk which he wore as he performed this his first act as a member of the hierarchy."

That "anointing with chrism," holy oil, made the Bishop a "Christ," for the Greek word christos, Latin christus, is equivalent to the English anointed, oiled, or greased. The Hebrew Messiah has precisely the same meaning, signifying one anointed, and nothing more. Immense frauds were perpetrated by the translators in capitalizing this word, as numerous others, such as magdalene, a prostitute; mag-NEW dala, castleated rock; baptist, from bapto, to dip in water. Every king, who is anointed when he assumes the robe of office; every child when christened with oil or water; every shin christened with oil or wine becomes a christ. The reader will please remember this and not be misled by fraudu-

THE SITE SHOULD BE PRE-

It is reported in "The American Hebrew" that a branch of English Jews have a movement on foot to acquire the site of the Maccabean tombs at Modin, together with the surrounding land, with the view of establishing an Agricultural college at that point. Prof. Rawson, an artist of New York, who had visited Palestine four times in the interest of Bible societies, making

SERVED.

sketches to be used in illustration of that holy book, wrote some twelve to fifteen years ago: "The English Palestine Exploration

searched the country from Dan to Beersheba, from the sea to the Jordan, during fifteen years of constant labor by the best civil engineers of the British army, visiting and examining every ruln of city or hamlet, and passing over every acre of ground in Pallaxation, on the miseries of the damned, estine, finding thousands of objects

nicians, Hittites, Persians, Assyrians,

Egyptians, Greeks and Romans, but not

one thing, large or small, that was

Hebrew in origin of the ages before the

We will fill all orders for The Progressive He said filled cheese should be inhibit-Thinker containing the lecture by Col. Ingersoll, Rev. M. J. Savage and Mrs. Cora L. V. Rich-buckwheat middlings, and other sub-stances; they were all deleterious to health, he thought. The subject of exmond. at one cent per copy, to as many different tracts were then gone into extensively the Continental Congress. That faith addresses you may send in. One hundred cop- tract of lemon, he said, was made from ies sent to one address, 75 cents. 1,000,000 copies at least, should be circulated.

THEY ESTABLISH.

PREMIUM BOOK. by this revelation, a precedent that has been and is in accord with the teach-The Occult Life of Jesus of Nazareth (and The Hull-The Progressive Thinker has too long been in existence, and its success and important achievements are too conspicuous to need laudation or even remust work, and suffer, and aspire from hearsal in these pages; but we have age unto age, even into a seeming eter-SOMETHING MORE TO PRESENT

nity, to shake off the curse or flaw in grafted by a misdeed, an intentional inand of a slightly different nature from jury. anything previously offered, something This book unmystifies the old mysin the form of a premium for which we tery that enshrouds the tomb and unprophesy a grander mission than any ravels the miraculous and marvelous of

previous book placed in the field of litthe New Testament; gives a view of life beyond this life and outlines our If there is a religious vagary to-day duty to the souls of earth, recites in in the world: if there is a whim born good language the common-sense of a and bred into the human mind; if there delusive old tale clothed in false and is an insult to science and philosophy exaggerated records that had to be and even to common sense it is the very handed down in memory for hundreds foundation of all Christianity-the im- | of years.

maculate conception and miraculous While it knocks the props out from beneath ancient and modern religion, in presents a beautiful hope; a grand philosophy and a moral status for the of ancient history. This old, old story students and leaves them not in the has been handed down from generation | slough of despondency, sick at heart to generation and from age to age until and tired of life. It will buoy them in most instances it is swallowed down with an inspiring aspiration that will without question and without investiga- make the change easy from the old the-

priestcraft and clergy, since its very in- slaving creeds to the bright, beautiful and in the third grades there was a ception, who have had but one object dawn of the new era. or alm-that of power-and to gain that THE HULL-COVERT DEBATE.

ing powder that it is sold under deceptive labels. It was a question, he said, if the consumer was not injured by eating it. As to its wholesomeness, the

eterious. TELLS OF EXTRACTS AND SPICES He also said there should be a national law prohibiting the coloring of oleomargarine, because it increased its use. | braced what was then known as Deism. health, he thought. The subject of exand the adulterants used. Some ex- finally took form, and is now known as ribbon grass and other substances were used as substitutes for vanilla extracts.

BUYS OLEOMARGABINE FOR BUT-TER.

C. Y. Knight, secretary of the Nationmeets and it would be used to secure a the coming of Modern Spiritualism into proper amendment to the oleomargarine great wealth, commanding ability, and law: He presented five samples of until this is accomplished there is a evaded the law by hiding the stamps on cloud in the title of the soul; that time four of the specimens; the fifth had no ginia, inducing the learned Dr. Priestly, to appear to day.

George W. Smith, of Jefferson Park showed how pancake flour was mixed and adulterated with cheaper grades. Professor Haliberg, who testified on Monday on alum baking powders, was allowed to explain his position, by qualifying that the form of alum left in finished bread was in the aluminal hydrate. Chemist George C. Rew fol- lies."-Ulysses.

HOW SIRUPS ARE BLENDED.

had said the day previous.

lowed, and reiterated much of what he

Morris H. Scully of the D. B. Scully Syrup Company said sirups are blended | thousand years before our era. and was after the manner of whiskles to obtain preserved by Homer. Let no Bible worgrades, colors, and brands. The coloring used in corn sirup is the cane sirup itself. He said there were three grades of maple sirup-pure, less pure, and least pure. The first is guaranteed, the inspiration from God. Scattered through two last are properly labeled only when sent into the states with pure food laws. He said the second grade was 60 tion. It has been handled by a shrewd ological bridling, harnessing and en- per cent pure and 40 per cent glucose, lates to the religious.

larger per cent of glucose. Glucose was

BRAVE WORDS.

"I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility to every form of speaker thought the tendency to be del- tyranny over the mind of man."-Thomas Jefferson.

> Jefferson was born into the Church of England, but in mature years he broke away from his childish faith, and emagreeing in every essential particular with the mature belief of Washington, Franklin, John Adams, and, according to the investigations of the late Quaker Evans, five-sixths of all the members of Unitarianism, a belief in one God and no more, just as Thomas Paine declared be believed.

Priesteraft, wishing to prejudice the world against independent thought, denounced all these men as atheists, and concentrated its hate upon Paine, as the al and Illinois Dairy Unions, testified on most vigorous writer of the times, butter. He said the National Union whose logic it could not answer. Jefwould have \$10,000 when Congress ferson was the next most formidable in rejecting a trinity of Gods; but his exalted station, with extended life, what he had bought for creamery but- saved him somewhat from the malice ter. All five dealers had given him ole- of the traducers of character for unomargarine. They had, he claimed, bellef. It was about the time Mr. Jefferson founded the University of Virstamp. The dealers will be summoned a Presbyterian preacher, of England, holding Unitarian sentiments, to come it was in response to the abuse heaped upon him by the church for his antagonism to a three-headed God, the paragraph at the head of this article was promulgated by Mr. Jefferson.

A GOOD TEXT.

"Truth I revere for Wisdom never

We opine no better text for an elaborate Sunday discourse can be selected by priest or philosopher, even if it did come from the lips of an old pagan, a shiper imagine for a single moment that all the wise sayings of the ancients were gathered up by so-called sacred writers, and were given to the world as all the books of all the ages are gems of thought, which still scintillate in an almost semi-barbaric age so far as re-

CRUSHED BY SCIENCE.

a writer of repute on economic ques-

tions, in discussing the very vexatious

subject that the church is dying out,

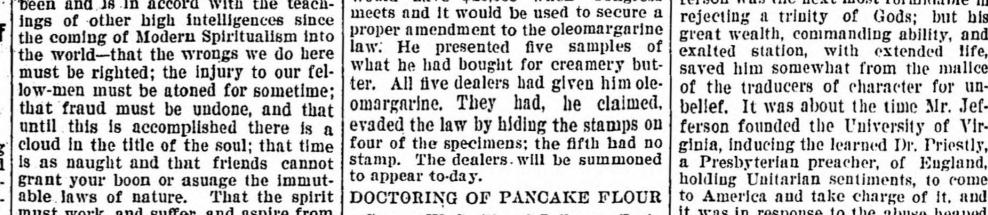
"There can be no doubt the discovery

that the earth revolves around the sun

Gronlund maintains with truth that

was a terrible blow to Christianity."

A Mr. Laurence Gronlund, said to be



HOT CROSS BUNS.

S. P. Butler, in the April number of the "Woman's Home Companion," in discussing "The Antiquity of Sacred Cakes," inquires:

"How many people are aware that the hot cross bun of Good Friday dates back thousands of years-to the very dawn of the human race." He then goes on to say: .

"Like many another rite or symbolism which figured in the religious ceremonies of the heathen world it was adopted, and invested with a holier meaning by the followers of the new faith. Buns known by that self same in Rome, A. D. 117. He was a scholar name were used in the worship of the of there' merit, and his literary producqueen of heaven. Ishtar, or Astarte, as early as the days of Cecrops, founder of | bodied in some eighty orations which Athens, 1500 B. C. Some authorities | are still extant; but he knew nothing of date its origin to the middle ages, or its pretended founder. Living 50 during the prevalence of a plague, near the time when a God was cruwhen the church, as requested by nucified, if we accept the common faith, it merous physicians, relaxed the very is a very remarkable circumstance that rigid diet prescribed for its children on Good Friday and allowed them to eat he did not refer to the event, or the bread or buns, but required that they character around whom the story of the should always be marked with the sign crucifixion was woven. of the cross. This custom is still observed in certain parts of Italy and personage, known as Jannes, who is

claimed to have flourished as the bishop Spain. "Many virtues were ascribed to these | of Constantinople, at the beginning of sacred cakes. As safeguards against, the fifth century. Of course as a bishop disease and danger they were originally he referred to the fancied founder of a used in the direct service of ancient system of religion which assumed form at the celebrated Council of Niceae. in idolatry and in families of the early Christian period in England. It is A. D. 325, and which Theodosius, the Spaniard, who gained the Roman known that in several remote and isolated counties in England, even to throne, and immediately after, by royal this day, a small loaf of bread is Christian. See Gibbon. annually baked on Good Friday morning and carefully put aside till the same anniversary returns. It is not eaten, but used as a medicine, 'a small portion being grated into water and made into a sort of panada, considered a sure cure for many disorders.' These little loaves misled him. were formerly unleavened and bere the mark of the cross. Curlous superstitions as to their power and influence prevailed through the various ages. Very old is the belief that eating buns on Good Friday protects the house from fire. They are also used to typify the victory over death that followed the crucifizion. Hence as the great staple or staff of life this simple food naturally took on a sacred character with the | but he has succeeded every time in early Christians."

HE WAS MISLED.

tombs of the Maccabees. No tombs of A pious friend, with a clerical brother, David or of Solomon, or of any noted inquired the other day, how we manmen of Israel or Judah were found; but aged to dispose of Dion Chrysostom, the tombs of the actual founders of the and his allusions to Jesus Christ, on the nation-that is the Maccabees-were hypothesis that there was no such chardiscovered in the solid rock at Modin, acter. We replied:

There was another "Golden-mouthed"

coming out ahead.

where the so-called apocryphal books of the Maccabees say they were." See for Dion Chrysostom, or Golden-tongue, description I Maccabees -13:25 to 30. if rendered into English, was born in Prof. Rawson did not favor his read-Bithynia, Asia Minor, soon after the ers with the location of Modin, as he alleged crucifizion of Jesus. He died saw it, but consulting older authorities, before its recent finding, it was supposed to be on an eminence some 15 tions are very numerous, mostly emto 20 miles nearly north-west from Jerusalem. One authentic location discovered confirming spurious scripture, Christianity, and made no allusion to it, as the word apocraphy means, then it

> ought to be preserved. While on this subject of the Maccabees, it may interest the student to know that the only coin extant recognized as genuine, issued by the Jewish government, was coined during the Maccabeean period, about 140 years before our era. It is just to state the authenticity of even these coin were called in question by the German scholar Tychsen so long ago as 1779.

THE DEVIL EXONERATED.

Wm. Harris, a Bible worshiper, at Goodwater, Alabama, met a boy, Guy. Gunn, on whom he sprung and stabbed decree, in the year 380, gave the name him to death. Arrested, on'examination before a Justice of the Peace, the mur-Our good friend had confounded these derer said: "God told me to do it." two Chrysostoms, and put the words of The great question at issue will probthe latter into the former's mouth, just ably be, to determine whether Harris as many writers have done. It was probably the clerical brother who lied; for if God directed the murder the tool was hardly responsible for the killing, so the principal ought to be held as

an accessory before the fact, and pun-DR. A. W. BIRKHOLZ. ished as such. After a very successful seasen in the It is the false teaching instilled into practice of his profession in this city, the minds of youth in regard to the Dr. Birkholz has taken up his residence

character of Infinite Energy, which makes even the insane form such deat his summer home, New Buffalo, basing concepts of the Divine mind, Mich. He has been molested consider-"I make peace, and create evil: I the ably here by the orthodox practitioners, Lord do all these things."-Isalah 45:7, exonerates the Devil from responsibility in such cases.

power have withheld the truth, if truth they knew, from the people. Through this method it has become the curse of delineation of the merits of this portion preservative. the human race and the progress-pre- of the premium book, for its fame, its venting obstacle of the whole people. worth and its interesting contents has Not that the teachings of the Christ are preceded the issuance in book form of not good, grand and noble, but that the this instructive work.

whole story is so illogical and unphilo-It has gone forth how "Our Moses 'done sophical as to be antagonistic to reason, up' Elder Covert, the champion of the and that as soon as those who have Anti-Spiritualists Association," etc., built all their hopes of a future life and the name-"Hull-Covert Debate" is see its instability and are not shown anything better, all becomes dark and world.

Covert Debate).

JESUS OF NAZARETH

erature.

life of the.

gloomy before them, and it is imprudent to thus unhorse them; it is unsafe for society to renden these infant minds the Bible as it is, Mr. Hull, allows the preserves and sirup, told Senators Ma- place implicit faith in "divine revela-(and such they are, though mature in years) hopeless and helpless. Here comestin the great and grand purpose of ourst 35

NEW PREMIUM BOOK,

"The Occult Life of gesus of Nazareth (and the Hull Covert Debate)." This two-in-one book at the beginning to Spiritualism, through Mr. Covert, and

and all through its dutire series of vis- teaches the reader the ready and reaions, for such they are, the ruling and sonable reply to the common denunciainspiring intelligences (Saul and Judas) tions by the same foe; and in fact we have sought to undo; the great wrong have experienced such unbounded suc- apple juice, and a few drops of coloring perpetrated upon all succeeding gen- cess-already with this debate that we and acid to make it firm. If it's labeled erations since their time; have sought feel it only necessary to state that it to uncover the fraud around which has will be a part of our next premium been spun and woven such a delusive book and the announcement will bear

story; have sought uto enlighten the rich fruit. minds long buried in this dark and dismal grave of superstition, by a true narration of the birth and life of Jesus, and more than all, to atone for their

own crimes by a rehearsal from the struck a popular condition of things, by spirit side of life of their own part in the deep-laid plot to deceive the world for ages and become prominent in its in their project to overthrow the preshistory. . j. : b. THEIR FIRST CLAIM

in such cases) is that this is compulsory curse to any nation where they gained and essential to their own unfoldment a foothold. At this time they are into the heights of spirits to which they | spending their principal energies in the would rise-to undo the wrong done in United States, and the people are the body and do the things essential to smilling to see the subtle web they are | dairymen and milkmen for the preserprogress left undone here. Their pur- weaving, all unconscious of the danger vation of milk and cream, and by bakpose and mission now are to reveal the in store for them. No artifice is too vile, ers for the preservation of cream puffs, plain, unvarnished truth and help to es- no crime too great for them to be guilty | chocolate eclaires and similar pastry, is tablish an era of truth in the world of, in attempting to force their damthey disgraced and enslaved by their nable creed on a credulous and thought fraud and deception. less people.

the only adulterant used that he knew of and that was not harmful. He did We need not enter into such extensive not think any antiseptic was used as a

WHAT JELLIES ARE MADE OF.

Jellies such as mother used to make in the little jars with paper tied over the top are almost unknown to the commercial world, so the manufacturers state. The boy who runs the risk of a slippering in order to veneer a slice of the old theology was founded on the upon its false foundation are made to still in the archives of the Spiritualistic | bread and butter with jelly to-day gets | Ptolemaic system of astronomy and is and the anti-Spiritualistic minds of the a very different article from that which absolutely irreconcilable with the Cowas cribbed from the underground celpernican system, which is universally Here again, through his invincible lars of the last generation. logic and almost perfect knowledge of J. J. Berry, a manufacturer of jellies.

students something even in the old mis- | son and Harris that fruit was one of | tion." construed tale to inspire a hope for a the least considerations in the modern future life; in other words receives jelly of commerce. Currant jelly, as a them into the outstretched arms of a | rule, has nothing in it that ever saw a benevolent and generous Spiritualism current bush. The only fruit flavoring with their Bibles in their hands. it contains is apple juice, and its princi-It presents about the only present-

pal component is glucose. The only able objections that orthodoxy can have point in which it differs from apple jelly is in the coloring, and the imagination of the epicure is left to do the rest. Jelly, Mr. Berry said, is 50 per cent glucose, 10 per cent sugar, 40 per cent "Apple Jelly," it is golden; if it is Otherwise there is no difference. Prof. Hallberg of the College of Pharmacy followed Mr. Berry. He had doubts as to the harmlessness of the acids.

adopted as scientific, save by Rev. Mr. Jasper and a few other mossbacks who Inquiry In Regard to Camps. To the Editor:-Will you kindly give

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RIGHT IN ONE THING. The Carlists over in Spain have

declaring it their intention, if successful

authority," said he, "that the acid preparation contains sulphuric acid, and I have no doubt that if people partake of

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then had on the dress she has in the pic-

ture. After she finished singing some

gentleman, perhaps in jest, handed her

a wreath of flowers. A lady standing

and hung it around her as you see it

now, and disappeared in a twinkling.

She was a materialized spirit. I know

tical business man. But Spiritualists

are not business men. They are not

usually men of wealth, but I never saw

one of them who would exchange with

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"Here is a photo which I obtained of

Jefferson Davis in absolute darkness.

gave me her photo. At that time it was

DEPARTED PHOTOS OF Spirits Materialize Before a by his side whisked it from his hand

Camera.

SHERMAN'S SHADE AT A SEANCE | that all that sounds foolish to a prac--DR. THEO HANSMANN'S EX-TENSIVE COLLECTION OF PHO-TOGRAPHS OF SPIRITS CON-TAINS LIKENESSES OF THE a Vanderblit if he had to abandon his WORLD'S GREATEST MEN-| bellefs.

SOME OF THEM TAKEN IN AB SOLUTE DARKNESS - OTHERS ARE OBTAINED BY MERELY EXPOSING PLATES WITHOUT Four days after Winnie Davis died she USING CAMERAS.

Modern science has explained so many things which have hitherto be- Elizabeth of Austria gave me her likelonged to the realm of the supernatural that we invoke its aid whenever we are hours after she died. I had never seen confronted with anything savoring of her photograph, or any painting of her, the marvelous. After the lapse of centuries we have had the mysteries of what is known as thought photography. the ancient temples laid bare. When These experiments have nothing whatthe yell has been torn aside by the ruthless hand of latter day research, the wonders which awed the Egyptians at dian angel, Queen Louisa of Prussia. Thebes and the Greeks at Eleusis be- You will see that it is taken in simple. come so many tricks which priestcraft attire, not in the court dress which she foisted upon ignorant votaries. Yet is so often portrayed as wearing. I got even to-day, when the calcium rays of that in 1893. With her I do not even science beat with fiercest light, there have to use a camera. I can simply exremain subjects which are as a sealed pose the plate, when she signifies her book. Around them the awful circle, intention of helping me. She very fre-"thus far and no farther," seems to be quently comes to talk with me. She

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The teller of this story is supposed to have been present. It is the catching of a thief in Zanzibar: "The English Consul was robbed of a silver dinner service and the police ad vised him to call in a medicine man if he wanted to get it back. So he sent for the medicine man and invited his friends in to see the fun. "The day came and with it the med

icine man, who was a little, old, squat repulsive-looking negro, so small as barely to escape being a dwarf. The only things that the medicine man brought with him were four little sticks twelve or sixteen inches long and as thick through as my little finger. He asked for a small low table, squatted down before it Turkish fashion, held two of the sticks, one in either hand, and ordered the Consul to sit opposite him and hold the other two sticks. allowing the tips to rest gently on the table. All the servants were in the next room with the door closed. The medicine man rolled his eyes ceilingward and began muttering some gibberish that we took to be an incantation. "I soon noticed that the Consul looked distressed and uneasy, and bending over him I asked him the reason. He said: 'Why, I can hardly hold these sticks; they tug as if some one had hold of the other end and was trying to pull them away from me.' He was joked a bit about his vivid imagination. One of the men offered to and did relieve him, only to find that it was no joke; -the magic power of the medicine man's incantation made holding the stick a real

imperfect. I got it a little later, and it physical effort. Did I try holding them ness on the camera within twenty-four myself? Yes, but I can tell you little of that satisfied me. What do I think it is? O, I don't know. Devil worship or and I could not have even practiced something else, but let me go back to

catching the thief. "One of the servants was admitted ever to do with thought photography. and ordered to place his two hands on "This is the photograph of my guarthe table. He did it, nothing happened, the medicine man kept on his incantations for a minute or more, then said to the servant: 'You can go; it is not you.' One after another was called, with no result. The performance was beginning to grow monotonous, when in came the coachman, a man who had been in the Consul's employ for years. Scarcely had he put his hands on the table when drawn. Then we are inclined to cry told me to get up these twelve books the sticks held by his master gave a "fraud," or apply any other epithet which you see in the bookcase. In them mighty tug and closed around one of his wrists, while the two sticks in the medicine man's hand snapped hold of his other wrist. The coachman did not wait to be accused, but blurted right out: 'I did not do it alone! There are others in it, too.' Well, sure enough, there were others in it, who at once confessed. The dinner service was recovered."--Chi-

EQUAL RIGHTS. Some apparently nemarkable spirit manifestations were siven at Topeka, Kansas, by a Dr. Howland, The To-peka (Kansas) Capital speaks of them as follows:

. Dr. Howland began to speak: "You have heard," he said: with a graceful gesture, "the bells ring, you have seen them thrown out of the cubinet when the medium was chained-"" "Oh, rats, that's easy," sang out Mc-Clintock from the audience.

He Did the Same Thing.

"That's easy, is it?" quikily retorted the doctor, "Can you do it?" Will you

try it?" "That's what I will," responded Mc Clintock, starting from the oublact. The committee chained thim as Mrs. Harding was chained. The bells and tambourine were placed in the same place where they had been for Mrs. Harding.

"Shall I sing for you?" queried the doctor, sarcastically.

"Oh, you needn't mind," replied Mc-Clintock, cheerfully, "It's all the same to me."

The curtains were drawn. "Ting-a-ling-a-ling-a-ling," went the bells. Biff, bang, they struck the floor. The audience roared. Rattle, rattle rattle went the tambourine as it landed near the doctor. McClintock stuck his head through the cabinet curtains.

"Produce the spirits! Produce the spirits!" exclaimed the doctor, savagely, "Oh, I didn't agree to do that,' laughed, McClintock.

young carpenter be released, and he

"We will give readings at 50 Monroe street," said the doctor in a feeble voice, "that is if we remain in Topeka; he added.

laces, Shakespeares, Ingersolls, Lin-"Fraud! Fraud!" exclaimed the audience as it rushed for the door. It had been an unexpected material-

The Benefactors.

Judge A. H. Dailey says; "The Spirit-ualists are the benefactors of mankind. They are the deliverers of the people of this age from all religious bondage. I wish to say that many of the pastors and people of our churches are better [for example, a few men in this country than their creeds. The truth is now that by their combined wealth controlling the churches are adopting the doctrine of Spiritualism. It won't be more than to us at so much a foot natural gas twenty-five years before every church | measure, and shutting it off at their evin this city will have adopted the doc- | ery whim and pleasure when we are untrine of the now despised and hated able to pay, as we so will soon become Spiritualist. They have to take that po- by very reason of the formation of such

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sist. The moral sentiment of the gov-

ernment,. "The greatest good to the

greatest number," is like the sentiment

of the Christian pulpit, "Love thy

neighbor as thyself," a mere "sounding

brass and tinkling cymbal." The gold-

en rule has been shamefully reduced to

one which should be characterized as

"brassy": "Do others or they will do

you." Dishonesty is the best policy

The statement in our Declaration of

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man race is endowed equally with ev-

ery other member of it. We fail to find

in it many Humboldts, Darwins, Wal-

colns, Paines, Washingtons and Frank-

lins, but we do not fail to readily grasp

the inspiration of the framers of that

glorious document, which is that all

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of God and man and endowed by their

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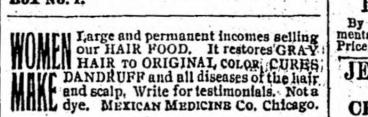
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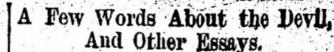
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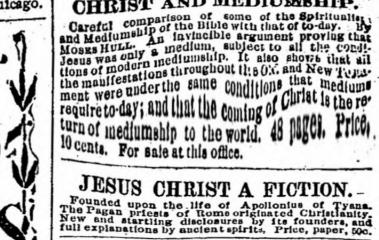
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which indicates baffled ingenuity and I have the photographs which I have ruffled feelings.

It is largely thus with Spiritualism. Without a doubt there are a great many impostors within their ranks. Many of them are honest investigators, who pursue their researches with all the assid- with him, and our two figures are so ulty of the old-time alchemist or astrolo- blended that one seems to be part of the gers. They believe most thoroughly in other. In the background, though dimthe phenomena of Spiritualism, and ly, is Benjamin Franklin. Grant has should be given credit at least for their very frequently given me his picture. honesty of conviction.

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NOT A FALSE SPIRIT.

"Before I show you any of the photographs, I want to talk to you about the ple, but here is a landscape from materialization of Mr. Sherman a few weeks ago," said the doctor, as he settled back in his office chair. "A great deal of fun has been made of that episode, and without just cause. I was tumes, and both of the photographs at that seance, and am confident that Mr. Sherman was there in the spirit form. He was not visible to the eye, elaborate in each case, one would be led but we could hear him speak. He said, to believe that she is a lightning change 'Receive me! Receive me! I am John Sherman.' That is not at all inconsistent with our beliefs, or many of the demonstrations we had had. I believe that at that moment John Sherman was very near the borderland. He had reached a critical point. His spirit was Sometimes they come in clouds to me to struggling to free itself from the body. sit in front of the camera. Here are a tasm of the living.' Mr. Thomas J. lived in the history of the world. I call it a 'phantasm of the living.' We charge of fraud, for if I had chosen of John Sherman. I have heard that he whose names were familiar to me. the spirit form.

Thomas B. Colter was at one time Sixth | most of them. All the Presidents of the | other interesting localities in the great 'Auditor of the Treasury, in this city. United States who have passed to the During a change of administration, other side have given me their photowhich I will say was foretold by the graphs.

spirit of Garfield, he was thrown out of office, and went West. Some time after | the time, and I hope during my lifetime | much for you to do in the world." he came to a seance here in the city to achieve such results that the whole Mrs. Nelson explains her trance by

obtained, together with the history of how each one happened to be secured. "Upon the wall you will see my two friends, Lincoln and Grant. In this picture of Lincoln you will see that I am cago Tribune.

He once joked with me and told me that my experiments would merely obquite well that he does not hold that

opinion of me. NATIVE OF ATLANTIS.

"Here is a picture of a man who lived

16,000 years ago. He was a native of that there was not a very direct resemblance to the simian ancestry which

Darwin claimed for man. "I not only have photographs of peoanother planet, just which one I do not at this moment remember. Here-is a remarkable likeness of Marie Antolnette. I have her in two different coswere given me within three minutes of each other. As the gowns are quite | dead loved ones."

artist, at least in her present state.

GROUPS OF SPIRITS. "I have a number of photographs | high state of nervous tension, regarding | upon the popularity of our ism. It seems taken in groups. They are presents | the "medium" with mingled awe and from my friends in the spirit world. reverence. No, I do not mean that it was a 'phan- number of the greatest people who have | many wonderful and beautiful visions | er in our hands for this very populariz-Hudson, of this city, would probably don't even know all their names, and not deny the phenomena. He would that should relieve me partly from the golden slippers were vouchsafed by an do not call them that. It was the spirit them I would have at least taken those has appeared once since that time in Great warriors, poets, statesmen, kings | choir dispensed music during the me-

"I will tell you of a similar case. have held personal conversation with Shadow of Death" was visited, and



Ida Nelson in a Four Days' Trance.

Ida Nelson, a prominent member of the congregation of St. John's African Methodist Episcopal church, is the object of much religio-superstitious interest among members of the race in Northwest Baltimore, having "been away," as they say, in a four days' trance. The woman's home is at 1048 Vine street, but the point of her departure for her long journey through realms celestial, was the home of her cousin, Mrs. Lilian Tucker, 1001 Morris street, a small thoroughfare paralleling Madison avenue, between that and Eutawa street, north of Hoffman.

Mrs. Nelson apparently fainted while visiting her cousin, at 1:15 Saturday, and remained in an apparently unconscious condition until 1:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon-four days-without food or drink, lost to the world, and muttering what colored friends of the woman believe were "messages from

The strangely affected woman, upon awakening yesterday, was very weak and nervous, but joined with those about her bed in singing various religlous melodies, the crowd reaching a

Mrs. Nelson talked of her experience last night, saying that she had seen "while away." Heaven was visited, ing of the beautiful truth that we all

where a glimpse of crown, harp and angel at the gate. Sign-boards advising | "Patience," "Endurance," "Faith," etc., marked the way, while a heavenly and queens are grouped there, and I dium's brief stay. "The Valley of the beyond, each of which the woman describes in great detail. Finally, the angel beckoned to her "to go back and

"I am carrying on my experiments all | take up the cross again, as there is

her power, though never before "went

diums" will probably induce the wo-

man to make regular excursions into

the unknown at so much per trip, since

she says this is her duty as pointed out

sition." Mr. Dailey went on to say that the

proof of the genuineness of Modern Spiritualism was that it could bring to one's side a mother or other dear one who had left this world. These departed ones would say, "I give you evidence my presence and you shall see through my vision into the realms of Spiritualism when you have this proof." -New York World.

Dr. Bowker's View of Spirit.

This idea that you can crowd thou-

sands of spirits into infinitesimal space has been exploded long ago. A am not going to say anything about Christian-

He said: "A spirit is just as material

monopolies. If by the masses their "pursuit of

happiness" is obstructed; if their struggle for existence or the main chance is made avoidably greater by the few who seek to make them slaves to their capital, the spirit and genius of the Declaration of Independence is grossly insulted and rendered inoperative of the good it intended to accomplish.

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THE MAN WITH THE HOE. Bowed by the weight of centuries he

ity, and if you can get any good out of leans it, why hang onto its but when you Upon his hoe and gazes on the ground, cling to the orthodox church you are The emptiness of ages in his face, drawing a veil over your face that will

And on his back the burden of the world. Who made him dead to rapture and de-

spair, A thing that grieves not and that never

hopes Stolid and stunned, a brother to the ox? Who loosened and let down his brutal

jaw? Whose was the hand that slanted back Realizing the great importance of this brow?

music in the work of Spiritualism, I re-Whose breath blew out the light within Religion, as Revealed by the Material gret to notice the absence of agitation this brain? of this subject by writers in our papers. Is this the Thing the Lord God made Almost every other subject appears to be well ventilated; especially if it bears and gave To have dominion over sea and land;

To trace the stars and search the heavplain with the example of the religious ens for power; sects vielng with each other in its use To feel the passion of eternity? as a drawing card, that it is truly one Is this the Dream He dreamed who

of the greatest, if not the greatest powshaped the suns And pillared the blue firmament with light?

Down all the stretch of Hell to its last gulf There is no shape more terrible than

quite a degree of systematic cultivation thisof the art; yet we find in nearly all of More tongued with censure of the

this that music is considered, not in the world's blind greedlight of an educator, but as a means to More filled with signs and portents for gratify the ambitions of those attracted the soul-

by it to the display of leadership, of More fraught with menace to the univoice and to rivalry with each other. I verse. wish the subject might be taken up and elaborated by our speakers and writers

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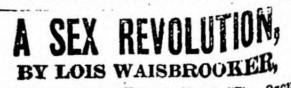
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fully materialized. He took a tablet, world will believe. If I can contribute saying that she is a "natural born tranclaid it on the shoulder of Samuel Bald- my mite toward confuting the scoffing ing medium," and has long known of win, and wrote a message. A few skepticism of those around me I will months after that he died. I believe he gladly endure privations and rebuffs away" on such an extended journey. was very ill out West at the time he while awaiting my turn to join the The position she thus gains among "mematerialized at the seance. hosts with whom I now hold converse

"Take the same thing in the special as they come to me from the spirit line which I am investigating. Here is land."--Washington (D. C.) Post.

a spirit photograph of myself, while I am still living. I was called to Rochester on some business, and requested my daughter to pursue the subject while I was away. She went to Dr. William. Keeler and sat before the camera. I am shown standing by her, out of proportion to her size. Such a photograph as that could not be obtained by the of the exercises was the fact that all natural process. Many a photographer | the speakers, A. P. Blinn, Dr. A. H. who is skeptical will tell you that he Richardson, Rev. T. Ernest Allen, Mrs. 'can do the same thing, or at least produce the same picture. I defy any one F. Wiggin, pastor of a Spiritualist

to do it by fraud or otherwise.

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materialization, while they all believed "For instance, take this picture of it to be a possibility, was only of very purpose of weeding out the fake "me-Powhatan, the great Indian chief. I small importance in their belief. That was in Rochester at the time it was this sentiment was agreed to by the astaken. I went before the photographer | semblage was unmistakably shown by | the movement at that time came to to see what results could be obtained. the applause given to Mrs. Pettengill When I sit down before the object glass when she said "I am convinced that it been formed with all the purposes of I seem to draw the spirits around me. would be better for us to spiritualize the projected alliance in view with one At this time I was not certain that anyone man than to materialize 1,000." thing would come of the experiment. All the speakers besought the mem-Presently the photographer said: 'I can- bers of the association to renew their ister of Deeds Kingsley articles of innot see you. There seems to be a screen | interest in Spiritualism, which they dein front of you.' Now look at this pho- | clared was the one great, true and sub- | ualist Association, none of the names tograph. Mind, now, I was sitting in lime religion. The Christianity of tothe chair at the time it was taken. You | day was a misinterpretation of the re- | those of Spiritualists who have heretowill see that I do not appear in the pho- ligious experience of the human race, fore figured prominently in Spiritualtograph. Behind the chair is Powhatan. for it was based solely on material istic affairs, but who are said to design His face shows through the back of the things. While Jesus Christ was the chair, as if the latter were transparent grandest of all men the spiritual influ- ist church. gauze instead of opaque wood. Is not ence that made Him was to be regarded that even more wonderful than the with more respect and awe. Spiritual-X-ray? Every lineament of his counte- ism has come to a stage where it must nance is there. regard science as its court of appeal

"Then here is another feature that I and cut itself loose from the teachings challenge you to produce in ordinary of the Bible. Its followers must by funds for the building of a temple. photography. Take this one of Cora their lives spread the influence of com-Merriam Howes, a singer of whom you | munion with it, and unless more active | may have heard. I got that photograph | interest is taken by professed believers | Boyle, Benj. M. Knowles, Alice Elmiger, In absolute darkness. It is a spirit pho- it will not flourish. As better objects tograph, though the lady was living at are produced when man understands | Matilda Whisker, Emilie Gregory, the time. Notice her dress. She did the true relation of the ingredients, so | Katle Flannigan, Sarah Flannigan not have one like it at the time it was it is with Spiritualism, which must be James Flannigan and Joyotta Purdy. of Man." Two papers, given in the intaken. She also has a wreath of flowers | constantly studied and its' teachings | The document was attested to before on her. Shortly after that time she sang made adaptable to the changes wrought E. S. Grece, as notary public .- Detroit Faraday. Price 15 cents: For sale at at the McKinley inauguration ball. She by progress.-Boston Journal. (Mich.) Tribune.

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Judge Pettengill of Malden, and Rev.

church in Brooklyn, N. Y., made particu-

lar efforts to emphasize the point that

in her visions .- Baltimore (Md.) American. WEED OUT FAKES. Such Are the Materializations.

> New Spiritualist Organization In Detroit.

There are several Spiritualist associations in Detroit, and during the days of the Cole-Donovan exposes, and later when the affair of Ascher came to the front, there was considerable talk of their forming an alliance for the stated diums." Through apparent lack of harmony among the various organizations, naught, but a new organization has other.

Yesterday there were filed with Regcorporation of the Independent Spiritconnected with the document being the founding of a permanent Spiritual- the communion with the loved who

The association is stated to be tainly very much behind our opportuniformed for the purpose of "protecting | ties. mediums" and of exposing fraudulent mediums, to ordain ministers and authorize them to preach, and to raise

Geo. W. Phillips, Julius M. Whisker,

this office.

ceded everywhere that the greatest Are Plato and the swing of the Pleproblem for us to solve is how to overiades? come the friction among a set of people

What the long reaches of the peaks of whose very acceptance of a new truth song, implies an abnormal development of in-The rift of dawn, the reddening of the

dividualism. Where can we find a harrose? monizer of conflicting elements that can | Through this dread shape the suffering compare with music?

him

To those who desire the super-excel- Time's tragedy is in that aching stoop; lent in everything connected, with this | Through this dread shape humanity betruth's propagation, what a field is be-

fore us in its use as an educator, in Plundered, profaned, and disinherited, place of its present use, which is that | Cries protest to the judges of the world. of the ornamentation only of the public:

-service and opportunity for display of volce or of musical technique! A world of use and beauty is here upon which

the soloist has scarcely entered, and a great work of progress yet; before the quartette and choir. Congregational singing should form d part at least of every service, and our Sundays should

always have at some hour of the day a regular song service for the purpose of making it practical. Books, while convenient, are not a necessity for the attendants, as the memory dan be best trained by the liningoout of the words by the conductor. Above all else, the

children should not be neglected, and lands. the nucleus of many a lyceum can be How will the Future reckon with this formed by a regulan gathering of the - man?

little ones for the purpose of repeating line by line after the teacher verses in hour. simple attractive airs. It seems to me when I look over the field and see what is heing done and reflect how much

could so satisfactorily be done with a kingsvery little effort by each one who loves | With those who shaped him to be the thing he is-

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We would like to impress upon the sions at each meeting. On March 31, minds of our correspondents that The we held the anniversary exercises of Progressive' Thinker is set up on a the year 51 E. S., with the spirit due to Linotype machine that must make, the time and occasion. Since that time peed equal to about four compositors. a goodly number of investigators have and 13th days of May. Lem. McClead, That means rapid work, and it is essen- become interested. My guides are enthat all copy, to insure insertion in deavoring to expound the science, philthe paper, all other requirements being osophy and religion of Spiritualism in favorable, should be written with ink its more practical teachings, as well as in white paper, or with a typewriter, drinking from the fountain of Truth, and on only one side of the paper. If wheresoever it may be found." you are not a fairly good penman, Mrs. Hattie Nesbit writes: "Will you please have your communications please announce a meeting at Bankson conied by some one who is, and oblige Lake Resort, Sunday, June 11; also The Progressive Thinker. Sunday, June 18, 1899. Mrs. Williams,

of Vicksburg, Mich., will address meet-CONTRIBUTORS:-Each contributor | ings. Good music and a good time exis alone responsible for any assertions | pected." or statements he may make. The editor H. F. Coates writes: "Prof. Leo Miller allows this freedom of expression, be- will lecture May 21, at 8 p. m., at Kenlieving that the cause of truth can be wood Hall. 4308 Cottage Grove avenue, best subserved thereby. Many of the Subject, Natural Evidences of Immor-sentiments uttered in an article may be tality. Prof. Miller has fame as a literdiametrically opposed to his belief, yet ary man and has delivered lectures in that is no reason why they should be the principal cities from Maine to Calsuppressed. No one person has the ifornia. A special programme is arwhole truth, hence kindly feelings ranged for the evening. All are welshould always be entertained for those come and seats free." who differ from you.

Leota D. Whartenby writes: "We have just closed a successful series of

ITEMS-Bear in mind that items for meetings at this place. The attendance the General Survey will in all cases be being remarkable when we consider adjusted to the space we have to occu- the continual downpour of rain which py, and in order to do that they will lasted the entire week. To say our generally have to be abridged more or speaker, Mrs. Etta Seaman-Bledsoe, of or less; otherwise many items would be Concordia, Kans., interested the audicrowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line ences is putting it too mildly. I believe Item is cut down to ten lines, and ten Mrs. Bledsoe to be one of the best inspilines to two lines, as occasion may re- rational speakers on our platform today." quire.

Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie, of Pittsburg, Every item sent to us for publication, gave an address in Universalist church, should contain the full name and ad- Smithton, Pa., May 7, to a deeply interdress of the writer. We desire to know ested and attentive audience. Her subthe source of every article or item that ject, How Do We Know, was handled appears. This rule will be strictly ad- in a way to draw out many compliments. Mrs. Gillesple was assured of a hered to. good audience whenever she visits street. Smithton. Mrs. Robert Gray writes: "A society has been formed at Lorain, Ohio, called itualist Society have had for their the Lorain Spiritual Society. The folspeakers during the month of April, lowng are the names of the officers: Dr. him again. C. H. Figuers, chairman; Mr. William Shaddock, president; Mrs. Louis, vicepresident; Mrs. Robert Gray treasurer and secretary. Mr. and Mrs. Howells, Mr. Shupe, Mr. Gray and Mrs. Theodore Saul constitute the board of trustees. Mr. W. Shaddock is chairman of the committee on the constitution and bytests. laws." Jay Chaapel writes from Palmetto, Florida: "What a magnificent age this is, and what a magnificent paper you spread out each week for the American and foreign readers! Dr. Savage in this | this church all the time. We will close sermon has done Spiritualism an immense good, and thousands of conservaudience; in nearly every instance he ative people will read it and investigate, Moses Hull's school for a week or ten and then think and investigate again. Ingersoll's sublime and iconoclastic selves to our people that we have se- teachings will reach another class, and tion, and then home for a while. cured their services for next year, and so the tide of progress will sweep on Brother, your work is grand. No one look forward with great pleasure to and old fogies, Mr. and Mrs. Grundy can realize the power for good The Proand Company, and all religionists will gressive Thinker is doing. Long may ultimately sink into infamy, same as jit live." Mr. Hess writes from Williamsport, John Calvin and witch burners have. I suppose Christianity, like all other re-Mrs. R. W. Barton, of Minneapolis, ligions, is a disease and a very difficult one to obliterate. I have been a Spiritualist for forty years, and witnessed nearly all phases of phenomena from all the famous mediums, and am more convinced than ever of your great use, and that we need no religion in any form, however diluted. Nature has no ceremonies, is always modest, generous and

Friday evenings, at her residence, 115 ing that it is our offering to our spirit South Paulina street. In the street it friends, and they will appreciate it IMPORTANT MATTER FROM "Spiritual exposure, May 12 and 13, by Prof. D. G. Hagaman, of Adrian, fins and graces. The next meeting will Mich., and Rev. E. H. Caylor, Coulmbus | be held at the home of Mrs. Wilson, Ohio." The above appears displayed in | 3300 Cottage: Grove avenue, The Rainer a handbill. It is followed by this reply: | Flat 17, Tuesday, May 16, All are wel-"In reply to the charges of the above gentlemen, I will sit under strict test conditions, get four screen doors screwed together from the outside. will sit in a dark room, trumpet outside of screen, and voices to be heard through trumpet. I will choose a committee of from three to six good citizens

of Ashley, and they the same, and under oath they shall keep hold of hands throughout the seance. At the seance room in Woolley Park, at two o'clock, Friday and Saturday, the 12th medium, Ashley, Delaware County, O." Dr. H. C. Andrews writes: "My permanent address will be Jonesboro, Ind., Box 135. I will answer calls to lecture

Indiana or Ohio." Judge H. N. Maguire has returned to Chicago, and is now located at 1420 West Madison street. Mrs. E. P. Beebe writes: "Received

Art Magic all right, and it is truly a wonderful book. Ghost Land interested me deeply, I am now looking forward to the Occult Life of Jesus." Mr. Jensen writes: "The cause Spiritualism is progressing nicely in

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, but we need some first class mediums here." The Sunlight Center Band will hold

a basket picpic at Garfield Park, May 20, from 2 till 10 p. m. Other societies are cordially invited to attend. Music, recitations, and a good time in general. Mrs. Sarah E. Bromwell, president. Dr. Benton, secretary, writes: "There will be a phenomenal seance held at the Spiritualists' and Mediums' Home, at ing, for the benefit of Henry Allen, the noted boy medium of California, now of Chicago, 111. The manifestations through his mediumship are simply wonderful as all can testify to who have witnessed them. Admission 50 cents, only one-half the usual price for

such scances; and every one who attends will be more than repaid, as it will be a chance of a life time to witness such phenomena."

The Spiritual Research Society will give a card party, Saturday evening, May 20, at 324 Wells street, near Oak

more than flowers strewn on their cofcome."

F. H. Morrill writes from Philadelphia, Pa.: "I notice in a late Progressive Thinker 'a communication from Philadelphia which is likely to mislead the friends of the First Association of Spiritualists at a distance from this city, and I wish to correct the error by-ucation of mediums and the developstating that Mr. W. J. Colville has lec- ment of mediumistic powers, has been tured for our association all winter and frequently advocated in the Spiritualcontinues the balance of the season. He is a wonderful speaker and able to discussed at some of the meetings of fully elucidate any subject or question the Vactorian Association of Spiritualwhich may be proposed, and his large | ists, at one of which a prominent Spiraudiences have been of the most intelligent and thoughtful people. He has also lectured or given lessons in spiritual science, twice on each Monday-affor the next two months anywhere in ternoon and evening, which have been institution. The idea in this, as in most attended by large classes. Our meetings are held in Casino Hall, 13th above

Girard avenue, a very nice hall and well located, and we hope to be able to secure it for a term of years. The society which Mrs. Marion Carpenter was with last month is the Philadelphia Spiritual Association, a chartered association but not the oldest, the First Association, which I have the honor to represent and for which I have worked humbly for many years."

Dr. V. Fell writes from Washington, D. C.: "The greatest task of the present is to prove the worthlessness of the greater portion of the so-called knowl edge which has descended from the past."-Hudson Tuttle in Question and Answers. There is no department of your excellent paper that I peruse with more interest, if as much, as that under the immediate control of our most gifted philosopher and scientist, Hydson 33101/4 Rhodes avenue, Wednesday even- | Tuttle: and, according to my way of thinking, in nothing has he shown more wisdom and profound research than in the above quotation in your last issue, responding to one who asks as to the truth or falsity of the quite commonly received notion that certain numbers portend evil. I think that to all wanting light on the thousand abstruse gestions continually besetting thinkers, Brother Tuttle's column is almost invaluable."

> C. H. Mathews writes from New Philan impetus here by the eloquent and

OUR FOREIGN EXGHANGES HARBINGER OF LIGHT, MELand this is, perhaps, the best gift I have my Divine Maker to thank for. BOURNE, AUSTRALIA. When I proceed to write down my

PSYCHIC COLLEGES.

The advisability of establishing Psychic Colleges, or institutions for the ed istic journals, and has recently been itualist stated that he had, away in the hills east of Melbourne, a large piece of land which, under spiritual instigation, he was reserving as a site for such an

instances, is to give the best possible LIGHT OF THE EAST, CALconditions for high spirit control, seership and clairvoyance, to those who experts have determined are morally and constitutionally adapted for the exercise of these important faculties. These conditions are deemed to be: a pure rarified atmosphere,

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(away from the din of cities or even the gestate, but nothing is left of the cormundane associations of village life), ruption after the new life has stepped simple diet, and the guidance of wise out of the shell. So it will be with the and experienced earthly preceptors, corruption so greatly deplored in social who would co-operate with advanced and political life in the world; out of it spirits, to develop and utilize the pow- will come a new life-a better condition ers of the subjects to elicit truth for the of things. good of humanity. The benefit of such

an institution or institutions, if they A PERFECTED SPIRITUAL WORLD could be established and conducted is the evolutionary outgrowth of a ma-

strictly in accordance with the ideal terial world spiritualized through man's presented, is unquestionable; but the growth in spiritual thought and action. difficulty would be to find a committee Material and spiritual growth are conor board of management, even if in- comitant; not separate.

dependent of subscribers, who would The mission of men and women here, be practically unanimous in the control as well as of lower forms of life, is to of the institution, or preceptors who spiritualize gross matter; the worm, the Price reduced from \$1.50 to \$1. Postwould be absolutely free from doctrine plant, the animal, the human being, is or bias. Any lack of unanimity in the each doing the assigned task in this

matters."

CUITA, INDIA.

management would be fatal to particular, according to the degree of intelligence each possesses. When the THE HARMONIOUS WORKING worm eats the earth it is spiritualizing

of the scheme, and any fixed belief or bias on the part of the preceptors would undoubtedly militate against the purity

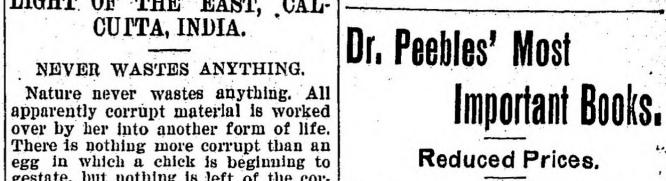
Only in the highest spiritual evoof influx of spirit teaching, which takes lutionary phase-in the fruit-does its form and coloring from the mind of adelphia, Ohio: "Spiritualism was given | the medium. Here is the danger: we hence, man must evolve the highest demight have two colleges, each claiming gree of spiritualization for the earth,

LORD WOLSELEY A SPIRITUALIST

May 20, 1899.

We are indebted for the following item to the Sunday Daily Mail:

"There is always some special excitement in the dull time of the year, and all through this winter-which has been unusually quiet-there has been a decided tendency towards a revival of Spiritualism. The seance was certainly not in the first instance intended to ideas. I take out of the bag of my memappeal to fashionable people, for it ory, if I may use that phrase, what has generally begins about eight o'clock, been previously collected into it in the. and lasts, without a pause, until midway I have mentioned. For this reason night; nevertheless, a great many smart the committing to paper is done easily people have been attracted by different enough, for everything is, as I have 'mediums' who have lately been said before, already finished; and it 'making friends with Mammon,' and rarely differs on paper from what it Lord Wolseley is one of those who have was in my imagination. At this ocbeen present at several interesting mancupation I can therefore suffer myself ifestations. In this, history repeats, to be disturbed, for whatever may be itself, for Spiritualism was much going on around me, I write, and even affected by fashionable people some talk, but only of fowls and geese, or of twenty years ago. The Dowager Lady, Gretel, or Barbel, or some such Poulett of the period continually had seances at her house in Hanover Square."



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accurate and convincing were the tests given that the hall was crowded by anxious investigators and skeptics, who wished to hear from the loved ones. Mr. Carpenter is also a very fine test medium and frequently assisted in giving messages, and gives them so rapidly and correctly that he astonishes the gives full names and accurate descriptions. They have so endeared them-

their coming again."

Pa.: "We have secured the service of Minn., to lecture and give tests for the First Congregation of Spiritualists in this city. The many readers of The Progressive Thinker will know from her past work what we are receiving. We started our society with only fifteen people and now we have regular Sunday attendance of about two hundred, and our Thursday evening dime social is attended by about sixty people, showing the interest is growing."

At the West Side Spiritual Society Occidental Hall, corner Sacramento and Madison streets, H. N. Maguire exmer season. pressed his views from the spiritual standpoint on expansion. We give a brief extract: "Expansion we must all believe in, having understanding of the influences of the American republic on expansion is normal to our system; neered you out of your islands, and we the arrow clairvoyantly as we did." and we cannot leave you to your fate, if | are always glad to welcome them. We your enemies. Let us for awhile, until meeting will be May 17, at Mrs. C. have been the spiritual course. It pected and we hope to see many there." would have been acceptable to the Fili-| Fannie E. Crocker sends the follow-

gracious." The Campbell Brothers have closed their winter's engagements and have returned to their home, Lily Dale, N. Y., where they are located for the sum-

John Lindsey, and Mr. Lindsey re-Mrs. Emma F. Vogan writes: "One afternoon I was visiting at the home of quired rest. The meetings have been a friend, when one of my controls, 'Big very successful; and have been well atspiritual law of growth. It is a natural Chief,' took possession of my organism tended by appreciative audiences; the condition. It is an inevitability. The and expressed himself as being highly readings and tests by Mrs. Lindsey atpleased with the privilege. The lady tracting many people for miles around this planet are as far-reaching as the began questioning him in regard to his this city." sunlight. But they are and were in- scout who had previously announced S. A. Aykroyd, D. D. S. writes: "In tended to be of moral character. Moral himself as 'Fleet Foot.' Chief said: your issue of May 13, is an article 'Fleet Foot' means 'Fly Fast,' and insigned by 'Kingstonian,' in which my physical expansion is abnormal, is go- stantly an arrow darted past us and apname is freely used in connection with ing back to the old order of things. parently struck in a corner of the room. a 'Normal Psychic College,' of which Moral expansion first, as the primary A large cat which had been sleeping on the writer says I am president. I wish principle, and then material expansion a rug immediately sprang up, and with to state that, I am not president of such will fittingly follow. In moral expan- cautious steps approached the spot. a school, nor is there such an institution sion is all power, and the only safety. He crouched there a few moments, then in Kingston. I have already received We should have frankly said this to the with a disappointed expression on his communications asking for particulars, Filipinos when the Spanish fleet was countenance, returned to his rug and destroyed in Manila bay: 'Spain bucca- resumed his siesta. Query: Did he see Progressive Thinker I wish to say there are no particulars to give. Last winter can get no better title from her than Mrs. C. H. Mullins writes: "I would we organized a class for the study and she possessed. This is a fundamental like to say that the Freedom Society is investigation of nsychic phenomena, principle of civil law as recognized by prospering finely. We feel that in a and I was named chairman and presius. It is sound morality. But the for- small way we are doing a world of dent of the organization. We had fairly good success, but for reasons not here either side-one being a barber, the the existence and practical application tunes of war have brought us together, good. Many strangers attend, and we necessary to mention, we were obliged we would: for us to be your friends is hope the attendance will increase until to disband. I am a student of psychic to prevent other nations from being we will have to secure a hall. Our next philosophy and a reader of your paper, but not president of a Psychic School we understand each other, maintain Grand's, 1110 Maple avenue, South Oak yet." order through joint constabularies and Park, We are to go early, take lunch, Physician writes from Neoga, Ill. joint councils.' Such a course would and stay all day. A good time is ex-"Six months ago little was known in the little town of Neoga, Ill., regarding Spiritualism. I was impressed to invespinos, divesting of influence natives act- ing: "The hour has come at last and the tigate. I was told I would succeed in uated by personal ambition; and by its light of the spirit world is shining my investigations. I now have a very acceptance, with our side wisely and around me. All is new; all is bright. I pleasant home circle and a very nice intelligently represented, all the horrors am in a new life. I am where I knew I following. I am told by my friends of war that have ensued, the bloodshed, would be. Its wonders I cannot com-(spirit) I have great healing powers. 1 the conflagration of homes and whole prehend; its vastness so great I cannot have had some wonderful tests in sitvillages and the paralyzing of local in- estimate it. As I believed, the mortal tings with Bangs sisters, the noted medustries, would have been averted." body is only worthless, but the gloridiums of Chicago, also Mrs. Herbine, of Indianapolis. My little son, daughter T. M. Rooney writes: "That excellent ous spirit rises in its morning glory and book, Art Magic, came duly to hand as filleth all to completeness. I am near. and wife all show_mediumistic powers. I think I will place a Zenobia cabinet in a premium for one year's subscription Believe me, it was in a hurry when I to your very able paper. I cannot re- left. Mourn not. I will watch over our home soon. I will be glad to hear frain from expressing my sincere you and shortly you will have proof of from a good medium desiring to assist a healer. Wife, daughter and son are thanks to you for being the medium the promise in me. I live the same as through which I possess such a grand I did when with you; the change is not all in full relation with a strong spirit work. I think with it as a premium as much as the imagination pictures it. band, and we desire to do all the good The Progressive Thinker should be in It is life; it is law. I always believed we can." every Spiritualist household in the that progression is the watchword in Mary W. Guest, secretary, writes: earthly life, continuing into the new "The Spiritualists Home and Aid Asso-Secretary writes: "Dr. Leo Miller will life of the spirit. We spiritually adciation, incorporated under the state address the audience of the Bible Spir- vance on subjects of good to the world laws of Illinois, held its regular meeting itual Church in Kenwood Hall, Forty. of mind. You know what I mean. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac D. third street and Cottage Grove avenue, Think of me." Guest. 4020 Cottage Grove avenue., on May 21, at 8 p. m. Subject, 'Natural A. A. Kunkle writes from Ft. Worth, Tuesday evening, May 9th. It was de-Evidences of Immortality.' He is a Texas: "We are about ready to dedicate competent writer as well as a lecturer our temple, and have arranged to do so nishings of the Home now located on and many should hear him. The church | the 4th of June. Mrs. Cora L. V. Rich-

Secretary Clark writes from Lansing.

Parties desiring the services of Mrs.

Admission 10 cents. Refreshments. All welcome. Mr. G. F. Perkins, of Dubuque, Iowa, visited Chicago last week. He has many friends here who were glad to see

A testimonial benefit will be given Frank T. Ripley at Washington Hall, 400 Washington Boulevard, on Wednesday evening, May 24. This will be a test circle. Mrs. Hamilton Gill and Mr. tions, with an occasional blast from Ripley and other mediums will give the Episcopalian bugle, to summon for

A club of ten subscribers comes from Cambridgeport, Mass., sent by H. D. Simmons.

E. W. Sprague writes from Alliance, Ohio: "We are adding new members to here the last Sunday in this month and then will go to Mantua and attend days, and rest: then go on to Meadville. Pa., to attend our daughter's gradua-

Secretary writes: "The Harmonial Society of Sturgis, Mich., will hold their forty-second annual meeting in the Free Church June 17 and 18. A fine program has been arranged, and the following speakers engaged. Harrison D. Barrett, president of the N. S. A., and Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley, of Chicago, and others. All are invited, and a good time expected."

Secretary writes from Grand Rapids.

Mich.: Permit us to announce through your columns that we have closed our meetings for the season. The warm weather compels us in a great measure to do this, but it is made absolutely

necessary, because our president. Mr.

impressive lectures and convincing and indisputable tests given by E. W. Sprague and wife, of Jamestown, N. Y. the evenings of May 10, 11 and 12, 1899. Good audiences were present each evening and much interest was manifested

to learn of the evidence of a life beyond the grave. This has been a priest-ridden town and contains eight churches of the various popular (!) denomina-

> 'salvation' those precious souls whom the others fail to reach. Many church

people heard Brother Sprague's discourses and gave him a respectful hear-

ing. This indicates a growing interest in the mass of the people to learn whether or not there is a life beyond the grave, or whether Bishop Foster told the truth when he said, 'Candor compels us to say that we do not yet know that death does not end all." What a damning admission coming from one of the pillars of the Christian church! The church, is honey-combed with infidelity, and the average churchman hardly knows 'where he is at.' "

Excellent Tests of Spirit Presence. Three years ago a spirit of a lady came to me two or three different times. She said her name was Ansynthia Monucule; was a Persian princess and had been in spirit life four thousand years. She said she committed suicide, taking poison, because her father would force her to marry a captain in her father's army, and she did not like him, so killed herself.

She also told me the religion of her nation was called Catholic, but not Roman Catholic. That they believed all persons would have a happy immortality except those who were executed by law for crimes against the state, and those who commit suicide or destroy themselves-for such there was no future existence. She added: "When I committed suicide I believed I would lose my existence. You can judge my surprise when I found life continuous." I asked her if she lost consciousness

at death, and she answered: "Oh, yes. I was unconscious a long time. When I regained my consciousness I returned to my home. But no traces of sorrow remained for me-1 had seemingly been forgotten."

Two years ago. I occupied a store room (I am in the jewelry business) in this city. I was satisfied with my location, and had no thoughts of making but for the benefit of the readers of The | any change; but on Sept. 16, 1897, a spirit came to me (I did 'not see the spirit, but the voice I am sure was that of my Persian lady), and told me to than those belonging to the purely move my store, as the building would physical senses would compel the burn down in thirty days.

authority based upon experience; dem- before he reaps the fruit of eternal onstrating some truths, but like the happiness,

ualization.

hypnotic schools of Paris and Nancy, A happy spiritual existence is the differing and disagreeing on principles. emanation of a right material existence. The matter has been brought into The material life is a field, and the greater prominence lately by reason of spiritual life is the crop, good or bad, with progress. It contains the choicest an able article from the pen of Quaestor grown from that field by the good Vitae, which appears in Light for Jan- labors or shiftlessness of the individual. other reformers. Reduced from \$2 to uary 7, wherein he refers to

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established by Mrs. Besant in Benares made by an American scientific man to is certainly a move in the right direcplace a laboratory, comprising a val tion. No doubt for the last twenty years uable set of instruments and the serthe Theosophical Society is working for vices of a competent experimentalist, the cause of India's spiritual regenerafamiliar with laboratory work in phystion. Whatever may be the frailties of iology, biology, and medicine, at the dissome of its individual members, no one posal of the National Association of can gainsay that the Theosophical So-Spiritualists in America, with the intenciety was the chief means of proclaimtion of facilitating psychical research, ing the glory of Aryan philosophy in and carrying out such search with scithe West. Its Buddhistic tendency has entific exactness. Referring to this he no doubt, to a certain extent, made it says: "All sections of psychical phenomena are to be investigated; estowards Hinduism has done much to pecially those produced through meremove the above impression from the diums. The mediums who present mind of the public. A course of onethemselves for experimentation will be sided western education has done much boarded during the investigations at the expense of the donator. A certificate will then be presented to the mediums, recording the results achieved, and a

quarterly, the special organ of the institute. As the donator does not wish to be known at present, he has placed the institute under the direction of the any place. And in place of the boundcommittee of the association reless field of absolute consciousness, the ferred to. descendants of the Aryan Rishis per-

It will be seen from the above, however, that this institute, dealing with physical phenomena, is free from the difficulties that intervene in the case of the higher mental phenomena pertaining to a purely spiritual institute, the work of which we are inclined to think will have to be accomplished by individual effort; some earnest Spiritualist with means, following the example of the American gentleman, and either officiating as manager and pre-

ceptor themselves, or procuring the assistance of persons in whom they have confidence to carry out their ideas. Were two such centres formed by truly philosophical and philanthropic individuals, who, while working indepen-

IN HEAVEN OR HELL. dently, would from time to time comthere is a golden middle path. The repare and check results, much valuable incarnationist says that we must return knowledge might accrue, and errors in again and again, and inherit other previous teachings be modified or corbodies. in order to atome and learn; the

rected; indeed, were such experimental old-fashioned believer in heaven and A Critical and Crushing Review. centres multiplied, clairvoyance and hell says that we shall never return psychometry might, by comparison of at all. Why not "split the difference?" experiments and results, be reduced It is just that which the Spiritualist almost to the accuracy of physical sei- does. He says that spirit life is very ence; whilst the accumulated proofs of real life and that the spirit can atone frauds connected with the subject, sus-HIGHER PERCEPTIONS IN MAN and learn quite well without reincarna- tains Spiritualism, considering it the

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S. W. Edmunds writes from New Or Emily P. Beebe for lectures, campleans: "Having become the pastor of meetings, funerals or weddings, can adthe Light and Truth Spiritual Associadress her at 905 Griswold street. Jacktion and Church, at 1310 Carondelet street, and served the association for son, Michigan.

Mrs. N. L. Pierce wishes to inform about two months, I desire to say a few words through the columns of The her friends and patrons of her return Progressive Thinker. Our association from Michigan where she went to atis young, and like all new organizations, tend the funeral of her brother and will

in the interest of the residents. The

subject to the vicissitudes of time and continue her circles, on Tuesday and branch, to come and help us, remember- Dispensation."

I. told my next-door neighbors on already a large amount of evidence of other a furniture dealer that the place of the interior senses referred to, but would burn in thirty days. Of course they laughed at me. I moved out on the first of October, and on the 10th. or six days short of the thirty days pre-

dicted, the building burned to the ground. If I had not moved, I would | and Wm. Denton, have presented the have lost everything, as I carried no insurance.

Again, some months later a friend of mine took sick on a Tuesday, and on the Sunday following I went to see him. I did not think him seriously sick, and calling him by name said to him, "You will be all right in a few days." But at that moment a loud voice, as of a man directly behind me, said, "He will die next Wednesday." to

There were several other persons in the room, but none of them heard the | you should like to know my way of voice. I told the doctor and also his parents what I heard. The doctor, who is | in writing works of some extent. I can a skeptic, laughed at me, and said, | really say no more on the subject than "Pshaw! There is nothing the matteronly a cold. He will be up in a day or | more about it, and cannot account for so." He died on themext Wednesday,

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doubt to a great extent remove this in-

sons for doing so are so obvious that we

cured by the spirit though unseen by recognition of the spiritual. There is mortal eyes. In reincarnation, the reabout its past, and, being shut up in a body, it is excluded from making any except in the case of psychometry no atonement, even if it were otherwise systematic tabulation of the results or possible. But the liberated spirit, from prolonged experiments has been pubthe midst of its new light, and in poslished, and in this field only two scisession of subtile spiritual powers, may entific men, Professors J. R. Buchanan be able to atone and learn far more effectually than could ever be possible records of their experiments and the in the flesh. results of their labors to the world.

These reflections have been suggested to us by the following verses, written by Eliza M. Hickok:

"Whence came and whither bound are we?"

"REVISED VERSION"

Holds something still of mystery; But one grave thought is clear and plain,

Edward Holmes' "Life of Mozart," will, We shall not pass this way again. I think, interest your readers: "You say Why waste an hour in vain regret For common ills that must be met? composing, and what method I follow Why of the thorny road complain?

We shall not pass this way again. The years glide by; stand strong and the following, for I myself know no

true!

it. When I am, as it were, completely The good thou canst, oh, quickly do! myself, entirely alone, and of good Let gentle words soothe woe and pain, cheer-say, traveling in a carriage, or We shall not pass this way again.

walking after a good meal, or during We do not think Eliza M. Hickok is the night when I cannot sleep-it is on an "old-fashioned believer in incarcerasuch occasions that my ideas flow best tion hereafter in heaven or hell," but and most abundantly. Whence and she, like so many others, too readily how they come I know not, nor can I assumes that we go utterly away at force them. Those ideas which please what is called "death." Her verses are me I retain in my memory, and am ac- extremely pleasant and wholesome; but OR. PEEBLES' and Books customed (as I have been told) to hum why say "We shall not pass this way them to myself. If I continue in this again?" We hope to often pass this

way, it soon occurs how I may turn this | way again. A correspondent is quite right. The or that "morceau" to account, so as to make a good dish of it-that is to say, authoritative

agreeably to the rules of counterpoint, to the peculiarities of the various in-

struments, etc. All this fires my soul, does mention "the spirit of Jesus." The dent of psychic phenomena, this pamand, provided I am not disturbed, my passage occurs in Acts xvi. 7, which, in phlet is intensely interesting. It gives subject enlarges itself, methodized and the old version, reads: "After they were detailed accounts of two cases of "double defined; and the whole, though it be come to Mysia, they essayed to go into consciousness," namely Mary Lurancy long, stands almost complete and Bithynia, but the Spirit suffered them Vennum of Watseka, Ill., and Mary finished in my mind, so that I can sur- not." Although this passage has been Beynolds of Venango County, Pa. For vey it like a fine picture, or a beautiful muddled almost out of recognition by sale at this office. Price 15 cents.

statue, at a glance. Nor do I hear in theologians and commentators, it is my imagination, the parts successively, plain that there is a reference here to Matilda Joslyn Gage. A royal volume, but I hear it, as it were, all at once. spirit guidance and a restraining spirit of more than common intrinsic value. What a delight this is I cannot tell! All message. But the Revised Version is The subject is treated with masterly this inventing, this pondering, takes very explicit; for there the words "the ability; showing what the church has place in a pleasing, lively dream. Still spirit" are honestly altered to "the and has not done for woman. It is full the actual hearing of the tout ensemble spirit of Jesus," from which we nat- of information on the subject, and should is, after all, the best. What has been urally infer that the disciples held in he read by every one. Price \$2, postthus produced I do not easily forget, tercourse with the spirit-Jesus.

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S. H. Mitchell: Q. (1) We hear Spiritualists speak of the scenery, homes, conditions there?

(2) I have a son in the public school. My circumstances are such that I canfrom the enclosed, advise me?

A. (1) In the words of a spirit: "The spirit holds the same relations to the spirit-world that man does to the material."

(2) Work that accords with one's desires is pleasure; when opposed it. drudgery. When a youth enters on the exacting stage of life, his desires indicate the avocation he should follow. It

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these communications nevertheless be genuine, if true they are frequently, a THE CATHOLIC CHURCH source of comfort to me? source of comfort to me? A. This impressibility which recog nizes the communication as it is being is the inveterate Enemy of given, is a common experience with

the Nation. those using the various instruments for

receiving messages. The character of such messages are the best evidence of their independence of the medium. their subjects on one of three grounds: Precisely the same experience is had by most writing mediums. The mind naturalization; or 3, Conquest or subeven in its so-called automatic writing jugation. Over these three classes governments assume the right to regulate is involved, and is made conscious of

the ideas being writen. This is the extheir relations and conduct in accordperience of Mrs. Underwood, whose ance with certain recognized and unwork is among the most convincing in derstood principles. this field of research.

Often the instrument or the pencil becomes simply a means by which mental concentration is obtained, and the thoughts flow into or through the mind, with far greater rapidity than they can be recorded.

stituted order. C. M. N., Petersboro, N. H.: Q. I think your description of the "soft magnetic hand," admirably correct, but I have another kind of hand to call your lines, and always moist and sticky to control of the conceded rights of its of the individual. These infernal prison the touch. In this case so much so as

to soil whatever is held in the hand for any length of time. What does it mean? Such a hand aside from its psychic etc., in the spirit world. What are the indications, shows a diseased condition like that of moist feet, and may be corrected by proper appliances. Wash thoroughly before retiring, and when not afford to have him make a mistake | dry, apply spirits of camphor in which in his choice of occupation. Can you a few drops of carbolic acid, say two to a tablespoonful of the spirits, is perfectly dissolved. As much as this quantity should be used each time, rubbing the hands together and being careful attempt to interfere therewith." Our or examination. It thus, vacates its own that every part is reached.

> Milton J. Weeks: Q. (1) Do spirits ever give facts entirely unknown to the option, without any detriment what crimes, I know of none of which Pope medium?

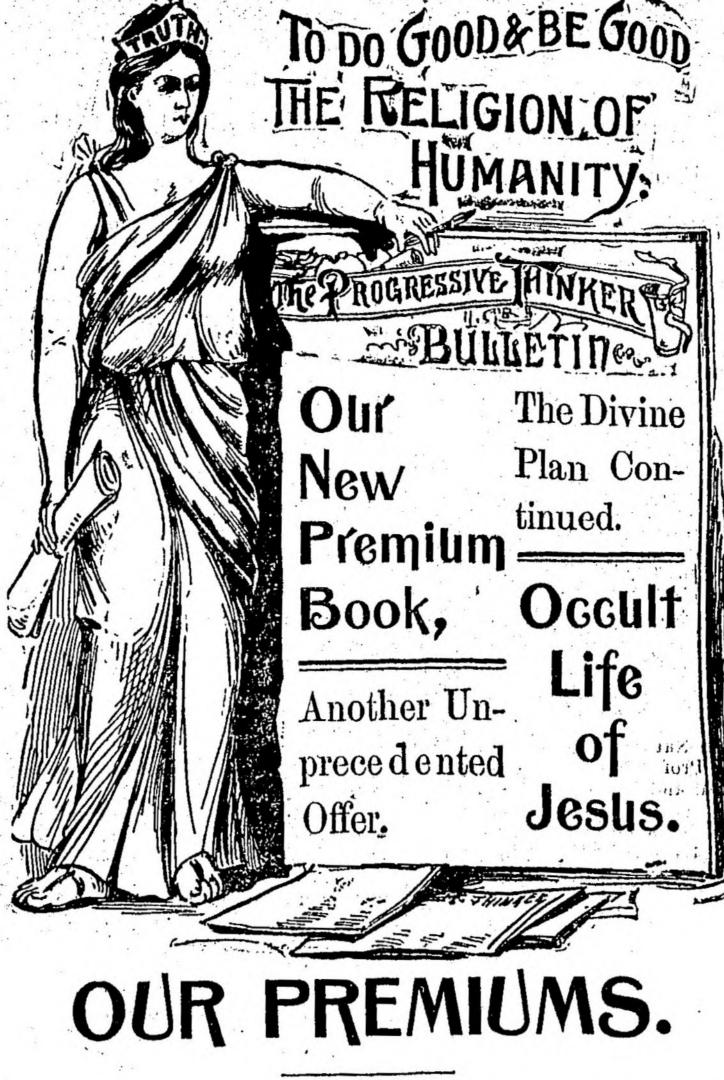
(2) Why do we sometimes receive ever; and cannot be compelled to devote | and Priest have not been guilty. And is of greatest moment that he go aright, communications purporting to come time, or contribute money, only as he the bloody church has never repented. chooses or earned No tax can he im.



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the power to levy and collect taxes for a life of imprisonment. That any conthe support of various institutions, and siderable number ever enter it intellifor the common defence. The exercise gently and willingly is not true. The of this power by any other agency is majority are deceived and wheedled into usurpation-is war upon the Common- it when they are young and immature wealth. It is rebellion against the con- in mental development. And over every door of every monastic institution

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A. Looking over this "New Time we find that the year is divided into thirteen months of twenty-eight days each, except the last, "Omega," which is given 29. They are not lunar months, but no reason is assigned for the peculiar division. When the last day of December is reached, it corresponds to the first day of the present method and a month has to be added, called Omega. As nothing is gained by the new division, it is safe to say it will never be adopted. The counting time by lunar months, is confusing and cumbersome and this method is even more objectionable. The present system is the resul of ages of thought, and even if a far better should be invented, would be dif ficult to displace.

F. W. D., Quincy, Ill .: Q. (1) Do the different races in spirit life bave different spheres

(2) In our family circle, my father usually sits with us, but I, who am an impressional medium, feel that his influence is detrimental. He is, and always has been, a hard-drinking man. Shall I exclude him?

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the child as a member and subject of examination. (2) Any physician who can or may that most potent organization. The properly register in the county wherein | earliest lessons are of its supreme duty he resides and can show copy of said to obey the dictates of an infallible registration, may practice anywhere church. It is the church of the Living within the State. God. Its head is the vicegerent of the

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ANDREW B. SPINNEY, M. D., Chairman Medical Committee and Proand in some instances has been as ruthlessly enforced. But obedience or disprietor Reed City Sanitarium. obedience is more commonly left to in-

Now I wish to state to all the Spirit- | dividual judgment by Protestants. ualists in the country that wish to pro-Another assumption of Governmental tect their rights and their liberties of sovereignty on the part of the Catholic mediumship and Spiritualism, to aid Church is compulsory confession and me in this fight, that the first moment | the infliction of penalties. Confession any bill becomes a law without proper to a priest is required of and rendered protection. I purpose to carry the mat- by all good Catholics, and penalties are ter to the Supreme Court. Then, if imposed according to the caprice of the needs be, to write a personal letter to confessor. These penalties; or nenances all the Homeopathic and Eclectic phy- as they are termed, are infringements sicians, Christian Scientists and Spirit- upon the person's time, or in some way ualists in the State, and thus obtain the deprivations of their liberty., Great sanction and aid of all in this matter, to | damage might result. As Renan said oppose successfully the efforts of the | to a friend, when reciting how his Proso-called regular school of medicine to fessor compelled him to spend so much fasten upon the people a bill that shall | time in saying Hail Mary! every time ever menace their rights and liberties he chanced to disagree in opinion with the Professors, "My God, Monsieur! I more and more in the future. Dr. B. O'Dell, of Paw Paw, has spent | can't spend all my time in repeating

some three months in active work at | Hail Mary." All these impositions of penance are infringements of personal Lansing and is still there. Mrs. Mary T. Ayers, the secretary of freedom, and hence, assumption and the State Association, has been active exercise of the function of Government

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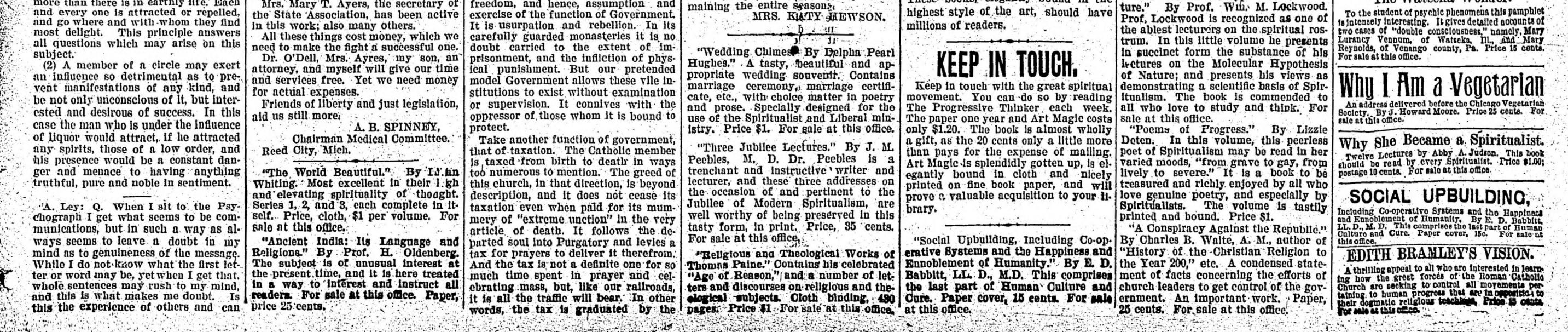
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experiments the rabbits were com- world that is better than this. monly found dead or dying on the sec-

ond morning after the inoculation." Will some one show wherein science ing." She was conscious to the last,

is benefited by this discovery? The above was taken from a part of | was going to sleep. the 4th and 5th pages of the document referred to. On the 10th page we find officiated at the funeral services. The

this, concerning an experiment to church was filled to overflow and many determine the strength of maternal stood at the door and windows of the solicitude:

"That eminent scientist, Prof. Goltz, the first time in their lives to a funeral of Strasburg, tells us that it was 'mar- discourse from one ordained to preach velous and astonishing' to find that a the gospel of Spiritualism.

dog which had served for some seven | The thanks of the Spiritualists are experiments, whose hind quarters were due to the M. E. church, South, with completely paralyzed and whose breasts their pastor for their kindness in dohe had cut off, was still capable of nating the use of the church, and also puppy and treated the living puppy kindnesses to the family of our beinjured dog would manifest."" in the time of their sorrow.

Could anything be more cruel? Is such scientific education of any benefit to man?

animals. True, for years vivisection Laur. He leaves a wife who has faith- questions invited from the audience, was confined to the dumb animals, but, fully walked by his side for forty years. as was foretold by those who opposed The deceased was a brother of Mrs. N. poems given by Ouina, and other interit, that it would brutalize man until he L. Pierce, of Chicago, well-known esting exercises, would have no humanity left in his among the mediums and Spiritualistic breast. We will now turn to page 29. | circles. His life was just and upright I .- VIVISECTION - EXPERIMENTS and he will be missed by a large circle

UPON THE-INSANE.

In the Bulletin of the Johns Hopkins Hospital for July, 1897, appears an after a few days' illness, passed from article entitled, "Poisoning with prepaher earthly pilgrimage to begin her rations of the thyroid gland," by Henry fourney on the other side of the "River," J. Berkley, M. D., of the Johns Hopkins University. Recognizing the fact that the extract of the thyroid gland, when period of about sixty years. Mr. administered to human beings, pro-Wilson passed away December 29, 1897, duces poisonous symptoms and that when this administration is pushed even to a moderate degree, death is longer and passed away at the age of almost invariably the result, "he decided to experiment upon eight insane patients of the city asylum." Then follows an account of the administering of this poison and the untimely death of the patients. chosen work she taught school. It was in connection with this work that she

On the 30th page we have an account dren by Dr. Wentworth, the assistant met Mr. Wilson, who at that time was of the vivisection (or murder) of chilphysician in the department of Harvard Medical School.

The following is a brief abstract of some of these experiments:

tered hospital December 8, 1895. * * they came to Des Moines, where they Case 1 .- Female; age 29 months; en-

usually within forty-eight hours. * * for their father showed in their faces. ture and tests at 8 p. m. The First Christian Spiritual Union Society will hold meetings every Sunday at 3 and 7:30 p. m., in Van Buren

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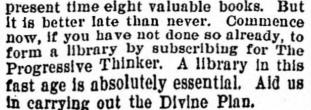
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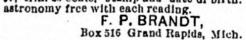
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