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WHAT SHALL BE DONE? such cases of commerce, the means of have then reached a higher condition, will admit. It is possible, as all are MAN IMMORTAL---LIFE AND EVOLUTION aware, to develop the capacity of the transportation must be increased, so and therefore a more enduring one, for that a larger amount of products de-manded may be transported, or in oth-er words, nature demands an enlarge-ment of the blood-vessels, so that the physical, and will continue after its the brain beyond a given volume. It About Fraud in Mediumship. A Series of Thoughtful Discourses on the Subject, by work of building up may go on as fast death. As it cannot continue in conshould be remembered that but for the Is there anything in which we do not D. W. Hull. nection with the old organism; it must as the old is torn away; and like intellect we should never have develfind-fraud? most of builders who find a deter-mination to waste, they fortify against it, thus making the exposed muscle stronger and larger. Thus there is not only a demand of human cells, but also a demand of the living bio-with the blood that it shall be twens. If there is, it is the exception, and not Life is said to be "the resultant of | been drawn within the body. As this the rule. I do not propose to prove this asser-tion, nor is it necessary. Neither do I propose to advocate fraud in anything, and especially when practiced in meforces," or in other words it may be little animal has no mouth, it extempotermed "the pent up energies of na- rizes one, or rather, becomes all mouth, ture." Not all stored force is a mani- itself, until it succeeds in putting itself festation of life; for the manifestation on the outside of its food, which it does plasm in the blood that it shall be trans-"What of the future- will it ever die?" | tity, as much as the other two parts we diumship. But I submit, is there not of life is the liberation of force, as literally as any of our bacchanalian Strictly speaking there, is no death. friends ever get outside of their beer, I shall answer, that I see no probability | have discussed, and one that must necported where it is needed. The attracmuch more charged to fraudulent medition between the want and supply, is as of death hereafter. With an increase essarily exist parallel with the other umship than is justly due to it? Let us look at the facts and the result What seems so to us is but another It next becomes all stomach, so that its manifestation of life. It exists in and out of all forms. There is no place where it is not. Like God, it is the sum as well as the soul of all things. But it can be discerned only by its manifesta-of life. The monera so patiently invesgreat as that between the positive and of vital power, there will always be en- parts of the being, a power using the ergy sufficient within the system to body as machinery through which it negative poles, or in other words, the of the charges. supply is equal to the demand. eliminate the waste that is going on, effects its purposes; and that the body, I claim that nine persons out of every and to carry off the calcareous and only seems to exist for its use, that it is ten that are charged with practicing This leads us to a consideration of the fraud, in spiritual mediumship are truly earthy matter that now clogs up our primary, and that all things else are spiritual structure; for all life is spirit and inasmuch as there is no place system and destroys the activities of secondary; that the body is but a servmediums, whatever that may be. youth. The process of dying will con-tinue within the body as it does in our earthly bodies, but there is sufficient energy within the system to eliminate all dead matter as rapidly as it accumu-lates, and supply the parts denuded of refuse with new materials as rapidly as the part of the brain is at all defect-ive, it is very possible that it is not ca-pable of the entire concentious of the tigated by Haeckel, is supposed to be tions. The other one-tenth are simply fakirs, One of the conditions necessary to the still lower than the amoeba, but as it manifestation of life, is a substance is larger it is more easily investigated. or necromancers, and while they may claim to be spiritual mediums they are

There is no differentiated nervous or kermed bioplasm or protoplasm, an albumold, somewhat of the consistency muscular systems in either of these anof the white of an egg, formed from a imals, and they are not only destitute of or the white of an egg, formed from a constituency of oxygen, hydrogen, ni-trogen and carbon, (O42, H110, N18, O144). It is best explained by the yeast plant, with which many of my lady readers are acquainted. This of bioplasmic jelly, lifeless though they germ is liberated through the process seem, yet they are self-sustaining. The

where life is not, there is no place where spirit is not. After what I have said, I do not need inform you that life may exist independent of intelligence. The spirit is the seat of intelligence, but that does not make it the intelligence, per se. It is the highest organ-

ism of man's physical structure and it say further on. is a law of dynamics that as you refine

or sublimate any material, you intensi- been speaking of life as if it were di- quence of a defect in the organ of lan-

needed. Of this I shall have more to pable of the entire conceptions of the spirit. Some men have not the power to

a very strong and clear perception on It will be remembered that I have give expression to their ideas, in consethe part of those who attempt to practice this faculty, to decide where the public, or for money. If such recomfy its power. As you raise the power, vested of intelligence, not that I wish guage. This is best illustrated in the genuine ceases, and the fraudulent com ed by the convention, while it may have mences. And a little clearer perception, on the part of the public, to determine what is genuine, and what is fraudulent. they are unable to manifest it by speak-And yet the principal objection urged ing. Artists have experienced the same against the claims of Spiritualism, is difficulty in an effort to recall some ne-"So much fraud and deception." And some of this comes from the some landscape. Something within more advanced and popular mediums. them seemed to know, yet they were who are probably mistaken in many in not able to bring that image to their stances, charging to fraudulent medi brains. I think as spirits they did uniship, what should be charged to amknow; but the instrument of external bition, avarice and the love of notoexpression being out of repair they rlety. were not able to manifest that intelli-It is claimed by some good authorities that the gift of mediumship is peculiar When these principles of life and into all. telligence shall be entirely divested of However that may be, it is quite certhe heavy clog of our physical beings, tain that until much more is known of with a spiritual brain more plastic than it, and of its peculiarities, knowledge. our physical brains, doubtless we shall consistency and common jujstice will have greater and ever-increasing power demand a more charitable interpretaof manifesting intelligence. tion of what is generally termed fraud-The answer to our question, "What is ulent mediumship. And no class of organic life seems to be: Organic people need information upon this imlife is the sum of all the forces in the portant term, medlumship, more than seen and the unseen; it is the ultimate Spiritualists do. It is seriously charged by some good sincere mediums; that the occupation of a génuine spiritual teacher, is no longer of value. That fakes or fraudulent me-

easily known, and their deception is

If the faculty of mediumship, of

which so many are possessed, is of di-

vine, or natural origin, it must require

the genuine, or it is so reported.

I have before me a communication

from an esteemed correspondent, who

feels that this growing evil has become

which my friend, and all other true and

genuine spiritual teachers are placed.

But I think he is mistaken, as to the

The practice of mediumship, as I un-

derstand it, is a legitimate calling, even

upon their services whatever value they

for public favor, should be fairly con-

sidered, and justly decided upon. And

there seems no good reason why all

spiritual aspirants should not be sub-

ject to a similar board of investigation

This rule of "go as you please, and

free to all, has probably resulted in

more damage to the reputation of the

cause of Spiritualism, and injustice to

Anyone entertaining ill will, or a

grievance against a medium, or one who

feels desirous of entering the field, as a

spiritual laborer, has nothing else to do.

than raise the cry of fraud, and there is

Advanced teachers, and well-estab

lished mediums, feel no necessity for

this, and if they do not approve it, are

indifferent to any system, by which a

license may become necessary. And

too many ready to echo the report.

mediums, than anything else.

and apporval.

though called a sacred profession, and

cause, and also as to proper remedy.

comparatively harmless.

effort to legitimately exclude all incom-petent or unworthy aspirants.

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This is an important question, involving important consequences, relating to the present great outcry against fraud and fraudulent mediumship, and whether true or false, it challenges the attention of all true friends of Spiritualism. But the National Spiritualist Association is the only party competent to deal with the subject and it remains to be seen whether that organization will feel authorized to attempt to correct an error that has now become so general, with not only Spiritualists, but with the general public! viz., that fraudulent mediumship is the principal obstructing cause to the rapid development of the great truths of Modern Spiritualism. The approaching convention to be

held in Chicago, in October, will have before it so many important matters of interest, that it is not probable that this subject will receive the consideration its importance demands. In fact, it should be referred to the Board of Trustees, that shall be elected, or to a special committee, whose duty shall be to draw up and present to the following convention what, in their judgment, shall be necessary and just, to determine the character and status of all who desire to practice mediumship; in mendation or resolution shall be adopt-

of liberating certain forces stored up in conditions of life being manifest in the grain. These forces, had proper their constituency, life is found even conditions been observed, would have there. Yet that life is so far removed developed another grain with a germ from the higher order of animals that cell like the parent, but now that this we almost need an intellectual microforce has been disintegrated, it must scope to discover it.

commence to manifest lower down in The question will doubtless be asked: the scale of being; for before the grain How the combination of elements necof wheat can be reached, the whole essary to produce these conditions to process of evolution must be gone over, life could have been first brought commencing with the lowest forms, and about? If this question has not been evolving through continuing cycles sufficiently answered in what has been those higher forms which are the ulti- said on the yeast plant, we might asmate of all outward manifestations. sume that the play of life forces upon The conditions of organic life have not matter would naturally have a tendency been destroyed; but those conditions to bring those elements into unison necessary to the higher manifestations which have a harmonious affinity for of life have been perverted. Hence, each other, and in such proportions as the necessity that the germ shall re- the nature of their organisms demands. er organism, it is demonstrated to be its successive events. If we consider Separately each is imperfect; united in commence the process of evolution. I do not wish to ignore the subject of just proportions, the result is perfect spontaneous generation, as it is all the harmony; united out of proportion, the same to the matter I have in hand, natural tendency would be to eliminate tions. whichever way it may result, Prof. all surplus matter.

Huxley's tests have demonstrated that All animal matter, so far as the subthe atmosphere is full of spores, which ject has been investigated, is more or will, under the proper conditions, devel. | less dependent upon vegetable matter. op the yeast bud, while Dr. Bastian is, as animals have not the power to conequally certain that he has seen the vert inorganic substances directly to amoeba developed after he had de- bioplasm. And as we have seen that stroyed all the spores that could possi- bioplasm, especially the yeast plant bly have been in the substance, and evolved from vegetable matter, we inshut out all contact with outward pos- fer that animal matter is seldom, ever, developed from inorganic subsibilities.

The yeast plant is simply a cell stances. This is only removing the difficulty a little further back; for the which continues to reproduce itself through the process of gemmation or next inquiry will be as to the origin of life as developed in vegetation. But if budding. It may be developed wherthe above reasoning with reference to ever there is a sufficiency of saccharine matter, with very few of the conditions the play of forces is good, we have already explained the subject. If vegenecessary to develop the higher order of vegetables or animals. Whether it is | tation has been developed from fungl animal or vegetable, or the basis of and mosses the only doubtful question would be whether any fungi could posboth, remains yet a disputed question. It is liable to develop in the dissolution | sibly be developed without spores, or of most forms of matter, and seems to more properly, whether spores are strictly necessary to the production of be one of the conditions of the change. fungl. It manifests more or less in the fer-In the sponge and the cornl we have mentation of all liquors.

Yet this yeast plant is formed exclusively of bioplasmic matter; it is the same substance of an egg or your blood, or the flesh upon any part of your body. In short, your bodies are only so many colonies of individual yeast cells. Whether there are lower forms of life

we have not, at present, the means of part of the body. I can best illustrate this by reference demonstrating. It is to this simple cell that at present I wish to take you. I to the embryonic development of the would have you know that even to-day human. The germ is but a simple granall life, as identified in the individual, ulated cell of bioplasmic matter, resemcommences with a simple cell of proto- bling the yeast cell. In time other cells plasmic matter, which develops as the are added, until it has the appearance yeast cell does, through the process of of a spongeole. Passing from that it gemmation, only that the buds settle next reaches the anelida, which is realdown by the parent, or are not entirely ly a form of the molusca denuded of its eliminated until they become an entire bony shell. It then becomes successivecolony; nor does the budding cease, ly fish, reptile, bird and lastly, it even then. Having matured the indi- reaches the human structure. Each

an illustration of the colonization of

amoeba, and perhaps it is well that we

have these illustrations; for by means

of them, we are betten able to find out

what we are. All animals are known

to have numerous cells united by a teg-

umentary structure connecting every

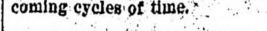
or increase the life, you increase the ca- to ignore intelligence, but I wish to dis- case of individuals who attempt to pabilities of the intellect. But you tinguish between the two-not to make speak the name of some individual with might denude an animal of all reflection intelligence a condition of life. Her- whom they are well acquainted. They and yet it would continue to live. Of bert Spencer has demonstrated that the seem to recall the name to memory, yet course no animal is so much alive as a intellect has developed from nervous vigorous thinker, for his thoughts give sensation. Henry Taine in his work on a force to his character that he other- the Intelligence says, "Our successive wise would not have. The Caucasian events are then successive components culiar expression of the countenance, or is more alive than the Papuan, because of ourselves. The ego is in turn each his intellect gives him a wider range of of these events. At one moment, as life. The amphioxus has no specified was clearly seen by Condillac, it is brain, and only the rudiments of a ver- nothing more than the sensation of tebral column, and yet, there is not taste; at a second moment nothing wanting those energies which continue | more than suffering; at the third nothits existence, and perpetuate its species. | ing more than the recollections of the Though the life principle does not mani- | concert." Again he says, "The ego is | gence. fest the same activities it does in high- nothing more than a continuous web of not entirely wanting. it at a given moment, it is nothing more Intelligence is the stored-up perception a portion severed from its web.

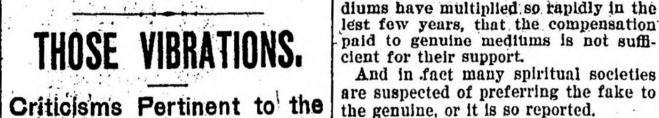
tions systematized and labelled. But some salient sensation among others without life there could be no percep- less salient, some preponderant image among others about to fade away.'

Whether this life principle permeates | And a few pages forther along, he all things or not, and though it may be makes a more free statement of the a property of matter, it must be con- subject: "This man;" he says, "is first ceived apart from matter. At least the permanent possibility in his neighthere seems to be a possibility of the borhood; and further he is a distinct se- of all the problems worked out by huexistence of this principle, outside of ries of sensations, images and volitions, manity in the years of the past, and is matter. It is sometimes said to be the | conjoined to the terdencies by which | to be more than over realized in the on-

resultant of forces. But behind all force | this series is accomplished." Mark Hopkins, in his Outline Study there lies a cause, and somehow connected with this cause, we conceive the l of Man, thus expresses his fears of this principle of life. To illustrate, a body | theory: "I have no doubt that if men weighing 772 lbs falling 1 foot will raise | suppose they are nothing, and that their the temperature one degree; that is one | minds are nothing, but the successive degree of heat is equal to a force suffi- i states of sensation that they are in, cient to raise a pound weight 772 feet | they will suppose that when the organhigh, or 772 pounds one foot high. ization ceases the mind ceases." If this When therefore the sun has raised the even were the case, it would not alter temperature of our atmosphere to 85 the truth of the proposition. It may degrees Fah., there has been force suf- not always be pleasant to believe the ficient exerted to raise a pound weight truth, and if by our disbelief we had more than eleven miles, or of raising power to alter it perhaps many would 61,760 pounds one foot high. Heat is feel some incentive to do so. But I do being constantly transformed into not so understand this theory. If the force, while force is being converted to | mind is a continuous web of past expeheat.

Whether heat is evolved from the continue after the physical structure is scholarly character was a glorious tonic contact of the sun's rays with our earth removed, especially if the spiritual or- to the mental nerves. There was so and its atmosphere, or whether it is de- ganism'is continued. In our discussion veloped by a chemical process from the of the subject so far, it would seem that blending of the sun's rays with our at- the human form is a continuous web of mosphere, or whether there is an in- cells. In the same way we view the still possess untold value to all Spiritherent heat in the sun's rays, there is a |-mind of man. Tacual and visual exprinciple somehow connected with the periences can be recalled only by reprowarmth and light of the sun, of great ducing in a measure those states which value to living beings. The force which | the individual had before experienced. is evolved from the sun is necessary to There must be in order to accomplish activity. The chemical analysis contin- | this a psychical element. We thus pass unly in process in the laboratory of na- by a very gradual process from the ture disappears immediately if de- physical to the psychical. To suppose prived of the light and heat of the sun. | that this element exists is to license us But there is a force continually thrown | again to build up a dellular structure. out from the sun equal to thousands of like the ones we have considered-a pounds upon every square foot of earth. psychical man. I do not wish to make member everything about their earth has been canvassed by thinkers or spec-But for this every stalk of vegetation it appear that this psychical man can lives. Some one spirit, to more fully ulators in spiritual theories, and that would disappear, and if it were not for exist independent of the physical man. identify himself, would ask me to write even a trust has been proposed, as a vegetation animal life would become I only wish to show that there being an to a friend he would name, giving means of regulating or controlling the





Discussion.

To the Editor:-Brother Dawbarn is so damaging to the cause, and embara splendid good fellow, and I enjoyed rassing to good, genuine teachers, that exceedingly his elaborate treatise on he recommends as a remedy, the aban-"Scientific Spiritualism-the Law of donment of all public work by all hon-Vibrations," in your ever fresh and vigorable spiritual teachers." orous Progressive Thinker of July 8. I realize the embarrassing situation in

riences, I see no reason why it may not | Its great painstaking, and delightful much in it that every scientist would endorse, and, had his two errors been multiplied by twenty, the article would ualists, and all the world. All the all who have the faculty are at liberty world, as it makes the subject easier of | to enter the profession, and to place approach.

The two errors are, the spirit's too please, and it remains for the public to great limitation of his memory of his select from the variety offered. Hence physical life, and the statement that it becomes a question of preference and memory resides in vibration. financial ability, and not one of morals.

I have conversed with at least two or fraudulent mediumship. It would seem from various communithousand spirits, direct; not through controls, but direct; and not in one incations in some secular newspapers of late date, that this view of the subject stance was there the least failure to re-

no legal status, it will have great influence in the minds of the public, and go far towards determining what can be positively known by human intelligence in regard to mediumship.

In the secular newspapers referred to above, are suggestions that great events were rapidly approaching the National Spiritualist Association, which are to culminate at the spiritual convention in Chicago.

Among other radical and improbable events that are predicted, is that Mrs. Lease, the politician, the popular equal suffragist, the splendid orator, and the recent convert to the philosophy of the higher Spiritualism, is to be president with power to appoint officers, and to make such rules and by-laws as in her judgment may be necessary to correct all frauds, and to collect all moneys, and restore harmony and brotherly love throughout the ranks of the "four hundred."

I know nothing of the origin or the authority for these reports.

They probably originated in the fertile brain of an anxious reporter, with more zeal than facts.

While the friends of the N. S. A., and Spiritualists generally, throughout America, would rejoice to see a leader appear, with the force and spirituality of Joan of Arc, or the late lamented Mrs. Golby Luther, if they had the ability and the confidence of the people, which can only be secured through long and intimate acquaintance and faithful. public service.

Such an one Mrs. Lease seems admirably qualified to make, if she continues to develop her faith and confidence in

the great truths of Spiritualism. But as difficult as it is to secure the services of such competent one, to accept the presidency of the N. S. A., I doubt if Sister Lease could secure ten per cent in a vote before the Spiritualists of America to-day.

Our people appreciate talent, and will do ample justice to all aspirants, but at the same time they realize the importance of carefully selecting their officers, and their leaders.

I am supposing a possibility that has probably never occurred to Mrs. Lease. But for the purpose of exciting our people to consider the question of eligible men and women to till important positions at the next annual election, I have supposed a possible case, suggested in the newspapers, on the subject of Revolution in Spiritualism.

I am glad to know that such bright and advanced minds, as Mrs. Lease has shown herself to be, are attracted to the sublime and practical truths taught in

vidual the process still continues, only cell in every organism, whether human extinct. that the yeast plant assumes its old or brute, has a separate life of its own, habits again, and the parent bud gives is a separate individual, and sustains a distinct individuality. They, however, place to the oncoming scion.

are all united in one family, or rather, The query will be. Is organic life a one individual, by a nervous structure secretion of bioplasm-a necessary conpermeating every part of the animal dition from the compounding of certain frame, and each one of those cells is as proportions of oxygen, hydrogen, nitrovoracious as your own stomach. Biogen and carbon? Or is the combination of these elements a necessary condition plasmic matter must be carried to every to its manifestations? I affirm the last part of the body to feed those wasting cells upon, by means of canals and viaquestion; and possibly both questions ducts. may be truthfully answered affirma-

tively. If bioplasm evolves organic There is no difficulty in accounting life, it then follows that life is either a for the circulation of the blood when we understand the principle of life. It is union of forces eliminated through the combination forming this albumoid subbecause the bungry little animals are stance, or it exists as an independent continually calling for food, that it is constantly being carried to them. Let entity, and these are the necessary connature be supplied, so that there should ditions to its outward manifestations. be no call for more allment, the conse-It is evident that, bioplasm does not contain within fiself a creative force, quence would be that the blood would but the elements of evolution may be cease to circulate and the activities of contained within it as a property. The the system would at once, relapse into whether there may not be a higher con- enthroned in every highly developed orprobability, however, is that life per- repose.

meates all material things, and that it There is no organic life where there is beyond the reach of our ordinary facul- intimately (and perhaps, necessarily, in little more -crucial thoughtfulness manifests itself as a condition to the no death, or that which we term death. harmonious relation of certain elements | Organic life is a continual resistance of | not been able to demonstrate that bio- | the forces of life; and it has the power of matter, much as electricity is mani- the inertia of matter, and, therefore a plasm is a necessary condition of life. of prolonging the existence of the indifested in the relation and dissolution of constant change-a throwing off of the | For aught we know, life may exist in- | vidual proportioned to its capabilities. certain chemicals, and as electricity re- old and a taking on of the new. As fast | dependent of all those conditions necesquires a battery morder to its manifes- as the waste of tissue goes on there is a sary to its outward manifestation. neglects its development, neglects all as memories do abide, it must be that tation, so life must manifest itself to demand for a new supply and that de- Then why may it not exist with a more outward senses through matter. Bile mand becomes the magnet by which is a secretion of the liver, but unless the supply is attracted, the blood vesthere are elements out of which bile sels being the canals through which it goes, the refining process intensifies can be created, it never could be se- is drawn. Viewing it through the phe- power. Steam is an illustration of this creted. No more can organic life be de- nomenon of life, the circulation of the truth, and if the principle holds good in neither moth nor just doth corrupt, nor veloped unless nature furnishes the ele- blood is nothing wonderful. The won- all departments, we only need a refinements through which it is developed, der lies far back of that in the principle ment of bioplasm in order to intensify Though there may be life without in-As the elements of our bodies are drawn of life. Water seeking its level rushes | those life forces which we have been | tellect, there is no such a thing as infrom the domain of nature, so must the down the inclined plane: it is much the discussing. elements of our lives be drawn from same that governs the circulation of the some great fountains. These conditions blood. If these little animals have dom reached directly. They are conare necessary for the manifestation of eaten up all the food that has been stantly evolved from conditions next vital phenomena; they merely demon- brought to them, and still hunger for below them; so if there is an attenuated strate the reality of life; but the ab- more, the vacancy which makes that form of bioplasm, it must be developed sence of these phenomena only demon- want will become the nether extreme to from an existing grosser condition. strates that the conditions for their which these elements required must de Thus we suppose that within each of manifestation is wanting-not that life | scend.

is wanting. There is a little animal away down in the development of any muscle, or set ing a cellular structure like our physical must have been those refined psychical the scale of being called the amoeba, of muscles. Take for instance, the bodies, and that this cellular structure elements from which it is drawn. Thus Brother D.'s labored and honest enwhich is despairingly structureless - blacksmith, whose right arm from con- is colonized with these bioplasmic crea- we have a vast sea of stored-up intuithat is, it has no organs, whatever, stant use becomes larger and stronger | tures we have termed amoeba, and that tions from which we are constantly When it has occasion to prehend ali- than the other, or than it otherwise this colony is united by a sublimated drawing. ment, it sends out a prolongation of one would be. In the use of the arm, there nervous structure, the whole presided of its sides until it reaches the object it is a constant waste of tissue, and there- over by an intelligence having its office needs, and, gluing itself to it, com- fore a constant building up of this in a spiritual brain. mences to contract until the arm has waste with new material. As in all If I am correct in this hypothesis, we be produced through it as its capacity Verona, Wis, E. W. BALDWIN.

intellectual power/capable of reasoning

If this is not a life force, it is a condi- | and willing, that the energies of life tion necessary to the manifestation of | may be directed wisely towards the ullife forces. But we are again com- timate happiness of the individual. pelled to run the causation a little fur- All our happiness or misery is received | much so that when Edgar Allan Poe of Spiritualism with any secular organther back. By what means do the sun's | through the sensations.

rays reach our earth with a force But for this we should not care to live, equivalent to thousands of pounds? If and yet it is by means of this intellectit is by the internal heat of the sun, ual power within us, that we are enthen after all it is a principle lying abled to so direct our actions as to within that body. Whatever it may be bring to us that happiness we desire. that propels the sun's rays to the earth | and avoid that misery we deplore. It is it is a force. Let us suppose that the the intellect thus developed through the sun is positive and the earth is nega- nervous system that forms the ego. tive; there is then in consequence of the | But for this, none of those exertions for | ber, and saying his portrait was hanglaw of attraction a play of forces be- happiness, none of the strife so deplortween the two, and therefore a mani- ably prevalent would be manifest.

festation of the principle of life. Whether this intellect is a property The question now is, whether there of the nervous system, or whether the may not be attenuated conditions of nervous system is a condition, merely, matter as capable of manifesting life | through which it manifests, it assumes as the more tangible bioplasm? or, almost a separate individuality. It sits dition of biophasm, so subtle as to be ganism, and rules without a rival. It is his beautiful science a little too far. A ties of observation?' So far, we have the highest organism;) connected with | would have told him that as all vibra-It is the-chief part of man, and he who refined agent than any we have dis- who stores up treasures in his mind. covered? So far as our observation lays up wealth which neither thieves

nor robbers can take away; he it is that "lays up treasures in heaven where thieves break through and steal."

But these refined conditions are selmuch alive as time which is intellectual. such thing produced as thought. For something is not produced from nothing. Whatever we can conceive as existing as a property we conceive as exour bodies there is a refined material listing apart front matter; and if A good illustration of this is found in composing a sublimated body contain- thought is a secretion of the brain there shine." I think Brother H. could have

tery, and only such manifestations can Let the good work go on.

street and number in an eastern city. | great causeof Spiritualism in America. In a few instances I did so write, and While I am not an advocate for trusts, each time there was no mistake. I did from principle, I certainly should apso till I lost interest in that thing, so prove all efforts to associate the cause came and recounted his struggles in ization. Although methods adopted by spirit life to overcome some of his earth | such organizations may have object leslife errors, saying they were half consons in them worthy of imitation even quered and he would succeed with the by spiritual societies. other half; and asked me, as a means of. That some change is necessary, that a satisfying myself more strongly that it more systematic method of determining was Edgar Allan Poe, to write to a spe- | the true and the false in Spiritualism. as in all other religious denominations. cial lady friend of his, residing in New York, giving her name, street and numgoes without saying; although it is not necessary to form trusts, or to create monopolies of any kind, to sit in judging on her parlor wall. I did not write. I had done it so much that further exment upon the character of mediums, perience in that direction was superor the price they shall charge for their fluous. Thus I am compelled to agree services. with Hudson Tuttle in his criticism of But it is important that a correct es-Mr. Dawbarn's former expression. timate should be placed upon the claims of all-who pose as teachers of-Spiritual Second, about memory being located in vibrations. Here Mr. D. only carried ism, as well as of any other fundamental theories. not prepared to determine. tions are fleeting and transient, so ev-

erything located in them would pass away, could not abide, could not be permanent, either here or over there; and that is important of himself; but he they do so in substance and not in vibrations. The revival of an impression is through vibrations, and this is what I

Where Mr. D. affirms the difficulty of adjusting spirit to mortal vibrations, perhaps he had not learned that when Mr. Edison gets stuck fast in a thought. can't get another clear idea, he gives up tellect without life, and nothing is so- to the spirits, and they write it all out for him with great exactness and mi-If there were - no possibilities of nuteness of detail. This one instance thought in existence there would be no should be sufficient to prove the adaptability of the vibrations of the two states of being, but many others could be cited. Hence I am constrained to believe with Brother Howe in his rather uneuphonious "vibratory moonbeen a little less severe, and in view of deavors to be a useful helper in the vineyard, should have been. But where shall human perfection be found? Even The brain-through which thought the greatest scientist is still pushing manifests, seems to be a magnetic bat after that north pole of perfection.

think Mr. D. really meant.

intrusion from which they claim they are suffering by the cry of fraudulent mediums, than to make the necessary

spiritual philosophy. It is another evidence of the 'tendency of the present day, for all scientists and men and women of advanced thought, to investigate and accept what cannot be disproved, and is confirmed by their own observation and common sense.

In view of the many pressing wants and the various subjects to be considered at the ensuing convention, it is of the first importance that a full delegation be present, from all societies entitled to be represented, and immediate steps should be taken by all societies not entitled to representation in the convention, to secure such privilege, and see that a delegate is duly appointed, and in attendance.

E. W. GOULD.

THY LOVE WOULD BRING ME BACK AGAIN.

[Music and words given impressionally through S. E. Comstock, Lebanon, 0.1 How that is to be brought about, I am Think not thy loved ones dwell forever But it has been found necessary in Far from the earth and all its cares, all well established successful social, Where sighs, and tears, and sorrows political and religious organizations Bever that some consistent practical method Can reach us with their piteous should be adopted by which the relative prayers;

claims of all candidates, or aspirants Think not, O, earthly loved ones, ever Heaven could to us its joys impart, Were death the chain of love to sever. And separate our loving hearts. Chorus:-

> No. no! forever and forever Our souls are linked in bliss or pain. And though all space our souls could

sever. Thy love would bring me back again. Death nevermore its icy fingers Can lay upon my beating heart. Let not that shadow o'er thee linger." But let us joy and cheer impart; For nearer to thee, ever nearer, I dwell while life for thee shall last, And dearer we shall grow, and dearer, Till face to face we meet at last. Then never heed the lack of shining, Nor mind if storms of sorrow come.

For gold doth ever need refining And sweeter will it make thy home. some are more ready to overcome the | Think ever of the blessed meeting When sickness, sorrow, grief and pain. Can throw no shadow on our greeting, That happy day we meet again.

telligent enough to understand and ad-



What is the Duty of Spiritualists as Citizens of Our Creat

Republic?

sylvania. Michael, the elder, was a

good member of the church, a man of

high character and stern integrity and

withal a stout, muscular man. Nicho-

las, the younger, was generally a well

disposed man, but given to drink, with

quite a reputation as a fighter. He

came home once intoxicated and full of

fight, would listen to no remonstrances

from his brother Michael. At last find-

ing all his efforts to control Nicholas

were vain, Michael said to him, "God

forgive me, Nicholas, for I must knock

you down." A well-directed, powerful

blow delivered between the eyes did knock him down, and he was never

afterwards known to be deaf to reason-

A number of scientific professors

would have us believe that freedom and

ment. They seem entirely to overlook

the fact that the race is a unit in its

aspirations and hopes, in its spiritual

origin and destiny. And no matter

under what sun the spirit of man enters

upon its earthly career, with or without

advantages, its yearnings and impulses

istration disregards it entirely.

able remonstrance even when drunk.

THE PHILIPPINE WAR WICKED | the United States, as supreme dictator. AND FOOLISH-SO SAYS THE is waging a wag against the lawful au-VENERABLE GILLES B. STEBBINS thority of this nation. We are told by -THE PHILIPPINE WAR NECES- an eminent orator and statesman that our treatment of the Fillipinos should SARY AND JUSTIFIABLE - SO be that of an elder brother. This is SAYS ONE WHO IS RIGHT ON true and the kind of treatment just now THE GROUND. required is well illustrated by what oc-

To the Editor:-One of the best signs | curred between two brothers in Pennin favor of a high moral standard for Spiritualism is that no journal advocating that sacred cause, no man or woman of leading influence speaking or writing for it, favors the Philippine war. The Cuban war was for Cuban independence; the Philippine war is carried on, after our declared peace with Spain, with no freedom to negotiate for peace and self-government until after we have made an armed conquest of the people. Never before did our army or navy go into a foreign land on an errand of bloody conquest. Never before were a people fighting for selfgovernment branded as "rebels," as are the Filipinos by many of our newspapers.

Obstacles, of course, are in the way of peaceful negotiations, but the poorest and most absurd way to win the justice, civilization and progress depend confidence of a man is to stand, club in entired, upon soil, climate and environconfidence of a man is to stand, club in hand, over him, and say: "I shall keep on pounding you until you can't stand up, and then I may recognize and encourage your right of self-governmenta right which I proudly enjoy and prize." As with single men so with nations.

are for growth and progression. As it All the talk about our "responsibiliis true that certain climates and counties" is the nonsense of "imperialism." tries are more favorable to human After Dewey had destroyed the Spanish growth in civilization, the people there fleet at Manilla-which destruction we have the additional obligation to extend may allow was a heavy blow at Spanish success in Cuba-he should have sailed situated. for home at once, and left the Filipinos, Some statesmen are very auxious whom poor old Spain could hold no

about the preservation of the spirit of longer, and with whom we had no the Declaration of Independence, and quarrel. would have us believe that the admin-He had no orders to make the voyage,

which would have saved an awful waste of life.

We are reminded that, "all men are born equal." Equal in what? Not in The bloody strife goes on, we made a treaty of peace with Spain, and by that treaty paid \$20,000,000 for the islands_ natural rights to life, liberty and the tablish one of their own making. Klondike, nor kept back by the exces- beautiful verses were handed to us by a great price for a hornet's nest! And pursuit of happiness. Will they please Unless all the information we have con- sive heat of the tropics. Sluggishness a friend, who received them from one

treatment of all questions concerning performance of a duty to the Filipinos, the Philippine Islands. The United States will furnish the ideals and model of a free government, assist and direct them how to put them into operation, in the meanwhile protecting them from internal dissensions and foreign politically and morally, preparing them aggression.

The term "imperialism," when ap- of self-government, all these will exert plied to holding the Philippine Islands and expansion in general, has no justification except in regard to extent of domain, for no one has ever thought of placing them under any form of government differing in spirit and practice from the home government. In the

only true sense, in which the term can be used in this connection, Jefferson was the first and greatest imperialist that this country has produced. By effecting the Louisiana purchase he more than doubled the area of the United States. The original United States contained 827,844 square miles; by this purchase we obtained 1,171,931 square miles. This territory too was inhabited by a savage people, less amenable to civilizing influences than our days of comparative weakness. are the Philippines; and the country at that time was an unexplored wilderness, less accessible and less known

than the Philippine Islands are to-day. But we are asked: Do you wish to belie and disown the Declaration of Independence, which asserts that no just government can exist without the consent of the governed? Most certainly not. The most that has been proposed

is to protect them and assist them in learning how to govern themselves. They never gave their consent to Spanish rule, or the dictatorship of Aguinaldo and his self-elected colleagues. How much would their consent be asked if left to the tyrannical rule of Aguinaldo and the Tagalos, or would European monarchies stop to ask their consent, when they were prepared to dismember and distribute the Archi-

pelago among themselves. No one-in the United States ever proposed to govern them without their consent. Let a helping hand to those less favorably | the inhabitants of those islands have an opportunity of learning what we propose in the way of government, release them from the terrorism imposed by the rebels, the misrepresentations of Span-

minister such a government. For the ish authorities and the intrigues of European monarchies, and then let natives of enervating tropical climates them say if they will consent to the our temperate zones have few attracgovernment proposed by the United mental or physical capacity, but in States until such time as they can es-

the same spirit must and will be our bumane sense of justice, the fearless | added experience may in future take | more stock in truth and right, in liberty an expansion not merely of territory, and expansion.

> trade and commerce great as these may We have a duty to perform in the Philippine Islands, one perhaps not of become, but an expansion of American our own seeking, as duty very often is, civilization and all it implies, the education of the inhabitants mentally, but still a duty which we dare not shirk without loss of honorable prestige, influential position and national honor

> > and dignity among the nations. If we

world-wide influence for good among had basely beat a cowardly retreat from the Philippines after the surrenthe nations. They Will tend to eliminate selfishness, and give a more ample play der of Manila, we never would have exto philauthropic and beneficent ideas erted such great power and influence at among natioils in their dealings and inthe peace conference held at The tercourse with each other. Expansion can in no way interfere Hague. Our duty will be fearlessly and successfully performed. There is with the Mohroe Boctrine, which couno escape from our position as an excerns alone the American continent. ample of free institutions among the Expanding the area of free institutions nations, as a benefactor and emanciin Eastern Asia presents no excuse or pator of mankind and as an important pretext for enlarging the domain of element in the pacification of the world. monarchial autagonistic governments There is very much need in Eastern on this continent, our home. Besides Asia of an example in liberal, progressour recent exhibition of military and ive government. Japan has made a naval skill and strength will make all very creditable beginning, but her govnations very careful how they infringe ernment is still tainted with too much on a doctrine which they respected in respect for the Divine right of kings. It may be that in the future the Philip-The Federation of Labor is a legitipine republic will furnish that example. mate and noble organization working But for the present our duty is plain, to for the protection of the rights and adput down the rebellion, maintain our vancing the interests of labor. Why rights of sovereignty, protect the Philthis useful organization has declared ippines from foreign aggression and disagainst expansion does not clearly ap- memberment; and above all to prevent pear. It does seem clear enough that internecine strife, anarchic misrule and the opening of new and profitable mar- barbarous relapse, giving them the best kets for our productions, without bringgovernment to develop and exercise ing from those markets an undesirable | whatever indigenous power of self govelement to compete with our home ernment they possess.

labor, should meet the approval of The white robed messengers of peace labor and all its friends. An examina- from the spirit world are pouring out tion of the statistics reveals that very unstinted blessings and an overpowerfew native Australians, Malays, East | ing baptism of love upon mankind, pre-Indians, Negroes, have emigrated to saging the dawn of a coming era England, France, Germany, or Italy, wherein conflicting nations will cease to from their colonies in Africa and Asia. exist, when from a common spiritual the tide of emigration, so far as there is origin the unity of the race has been evolved and perfected in the brotherany, is from the mother country to the colonies, thus relieving the home labor | hood of man. Backward along the market in a measure from intense com- vista of advancing civilization from the petition. What can prevent the same | dawn of history, and forward along the thing from happening to us, whether we | ever lengthening and brightening pathretain the Philippine Islands as colonies | way of progression are revealed the or simply control, direct and protect growing light and beauty, the riper, while the foundations of a true republic | richer fruitage of an omnipotent, omare built on the consent of a people in- nipresent Divine love.



tions. But our adventurous citizens are [[It may be of some interest to our not dismayed by the intense cold of readers to learn that the following

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inform us how these can be secured there is much foolish talk about under the leadership of a traitor, a rec-"responsibilities" which were never reant, a tyranical dictator who resorts thrust upon us, but for which we to assassination to remove rivals, and foolishly paid a great price. relentlessly murders all his countrymen Robert Ingersoll lately said:

who dare to have any opinions of their "It has always been held glorious to own differing from his. The United die fighting for liberty and truth; but States has come nearer to securing all when a soldier falls in the Philippines men in the enjoyment of their natural there burns no halo of glory about his rights than any other nation, and under head. He is a mere machine, at the its control the Philippine Islands can behest of the administration which, for most certainly secure the same kind of the time, is the government of the self-government. It is true we are yet United States. Their sad, untimely, unfar from realizing in practice the percalled for death causes tears to moisten fect ideals of the Declaration. But we the eyes of every patriot in the land." are obtaining clearer ideas concerning Just as my writing of this sentence the spiritual origin and destiny of all from Robert Ingersoll's late words-so men, a better understanding of the true brave and true in opposition to the relation of this life to the next stage of Philippine war, so tender toward the existence, the utter worthlessness of soldiers who have fallen there-was temporary power and earthly wealth finished, in the next moment came tho obtained through injustice and fraud to | the fathers, to avoid entangling foreign report of his sudden departure from secure present or future happiness for this earthly life-his ascent I will say, the human spirit. Day by day it liefor I knew him in his home, and his docomes more clear to the understanding mestic virtues will lift his spirit into celestial society, think what we may of and more operative in the practical his agnostic doubts and skeptical dislives of men that the happiness of each beliefs. In the clearer air of that more one is best promoted by securing the welfare of all. Our present duty, which real life he will be surprised and joyful cannot be shirked without loss of selfto know that he still lives, will see more respect and honorable prestige among clearly the heauty of eternal law, and nations, is to give the inhabitants of the feel that the Soul of Things, a Supreme Philippine Islands the full benefit of

Spirit, must be. We will honor his memory as an up holder, by his example, of family virtue, and of honor and justice among men; as an eloquent advocate of mental freedom; a strong pulverizer of old sunation. perstitions and irrational creeds.

His human errors will fade away in the spirit world, and he will rejoice as great truths take their place.

Sundry rosente illusions, of our "imperialist" 'friends; visions of wealth and power and glory coming as by magic from the Philippines, need not be from the evils of indigenous growth discussed. "The right way is the safe way," is a wise saying. The path of bloody conquest is wrong and therefore will be disastrous.

A few days ago a brave company of newspaper correspondents at Manila formulated charges against Gen. Otis of imperfect and misleading information strength they may be able to stand as to Philippine affairs, and of a hampering censorship of the press. I have noted mistakes of his enough to believe these men are largely right. The freedom of the press must be maintained. Those newspaper men must have fair hearing. If they prove what they say let a fitter man take Gen. Otis' place. Every newspaper in the land should able to stand and walk alone. demand this fair hearing. Every campmeeting of Spiritualists should speak out against the continuance of this needless Philippine strife.

cerning the disposition of the people and inaction lead to contraction and who has been a cloistered nun for many death; energies unused invite decay; | years.] there is misleading there can be no doubt that they would willingly and promptly accept the proposal for proprinciple and the good of humanity, tection, advice and control offered these are the means that create a them. The American people are not to healthy individual as well as a robust be deterred from the full performance national life. We must go forward not

of their duty by the cry of military usurpation and intimidation. The people control the army in this country and any increase in its size must have their consent, and the increase necessary to restore authority in the Philippines will gospel of peace and prosperity, using not alarm them. In this country the aright the strength we have acquired people comprise as well as control the by following the advice of the fathers, army, and no one can misuse it until avoiding entangling foreign alliances the people themselves become debecause we are strong enough to do our

moralized and debauched. Some of our most respected, conservative people and statesmen are fearful lest we depart from the wise counsel of

not by the exercise of physical strength, alliances: If while we were weak as a nation, gathering experience... and strength, we were able to stand alone, what is to prevent us from doing the tion and the prestige that the possessame now that our prestige and strength are sufficient to enable us to American civilization can advance carry on all our national undertakings | along the lines of physical, social, moral without foreign assistance?

All our alliances are with friends for | never advance) away from, nor leave beundertakings, without fast binding and established; every new advance

fence, and there is no reason why they should not continue to be so; certainly no necessity arising from our sovdestined to operate. Christ instructed ereignty in the Philippines will require his disciples to go into all the earth. preaching to every creature the gospel

have a wholesome dread of our physical strength and dare not provoke an open rupture. No combination of European or Asiatic powers can be formed leavthe United States in her past and pres- spirit displayed in the utterances of

that this nation might make with both | and pervades the great movement of European and Asiatic powers; hence Eastern disruption and contention will manity.

compel compromise and harmonize the interests of all without further resort to bloody war. And this result will be ou- improved methods of production change tained much more easily and securely our relative commercial, industrial and because of the possibility of arbitration | social conditions. The relations of capcreated by the action of the peace conference at The Hague. The attitude of petition made more intense until affairs Russia toward the United States has are adjusted in harmony with the

always been of the most friendly na- changed conditions. Sometimes inditure, and as there is no reason to doubt | vidual interests are for a time appacent tentative movements towards dis- ing of new avenues for industry, and armaments, we may rest assured that more intelligent and liberal practice of

With Great Britain we have a com-

heroic action, devotion and sacrifice for | What is heaven? A land of flowers, Of silvery streams and verdant howers, Of golden harp and jeweled crown, Ambrosial feasts and beds of down?

in the spirit of conquest and oppression. Oh, what is heaven? A city fair but in the interests, of oppressed hu- With lofty domes and balmy air, manity; not in the spirit of selfish | Whose streets are paved with sapphires greed, but with a generous spirit for the blue,

uplifting of the nations; sprending the | And walls of stones in every hue?

In heaven are there great rows of trees And songs of birds and gentle breeze, And distant lakes with silvery sheen, And bits of sky seen in between?

own work, upheld by our conscious rec-Has heaven a great resounding sea, titude and the moral, sympathetic sup-With organ tones of minstrelsy? port of all enlightened nations. Ours Do hoary mountains, snow-capped rise, will be the rule of right through might, From sloping plain, to glad the eyes?

nor by the uset of military and naval | Are there great fields of Asphodel. power, not by these alone, but much And sloping banks of immortelle, And ice-cool caves with glist'ning walls more by the moral influence of just ac-And soothing sounds of silvery falls?

sion of physical agencies gives us. Is magic there of moonlit glade And starlit sky and mystic shade. And marble fountains' rhythmic flow, and spiritual limprovement, but it can And love's sweet tones, in whisper low

mutual moral support in all proper bind guiding principles already tested Are there sweet beings in white arrayed,

> With flowers crowned that never fade, mental principles of our nationality And smilling lips and eyes that glow, And footfall soft as falling snow? wherever in the wide world they are

> > Are there bright scraphs, strong and wise.

Who tread like kings those mystic skies of peace on earth, good will to men; And love as brothers evermore John Wesley said. "The world is my The favored ones who reach that shore

world is my country, to do good my re-In heaven shall we our loved ones know ligion;" Thomas Jefferson wrought into As once we knew them here below. the Declaration of Independence the Their own sweet selves, not strangers

immortal and sublime truth that "All grown, ing out the natural and tested allies of men are created equal." The essential Nor lacking aught we called their own?

The same sweet smile and kindly glance Same hair and form and face, perchance. American expansion as a power in se-

With ruddier glow and stronger now Than when we kissed their pallid brow?

soil and climate, new inventions and Are there no graves in Paradise, No heavenly turf where hidden lies Half of ourselves, our better part. With shrinking brain and mould'ring ital and labor are disturbed; and comheart?

Are there no sorrows in that land No sin, disease, nor galling band Of want, in all its myriad forms, the Czar's sincerity in making the re- | rently hopelessly orushed, but the open- | Of wealth, or brain, or heart or arms? Of all bright things you've counted o'er Not one shall lack forevermore. To those who've reached that blessed | these works, and which extended over goal.

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growth in the world, the United States would never had an existence and the thousands of immigrants yearly fleeing would never have had a place of refuge. Mr. Carnegie would never have attained his great success in life, if his | ent necessities, that would be strong | these historical characters is the same; enough to contend with any alliance and the same identical spirit animates father had been content with in-

digenous growth. We are told to let the Philippines alone, so that by exercising their own our present appearance on the scene of alone. After they have been compelled for four centuries to crawl on all fours in servile subjugation, after one set of tyrannical robbers has been driven away, leave them alone to be again knocked down and despoiled for a few centuries more by selfish European na-

tions, and then no doubt they will be Not so have the people of the United States learned the lessons of history and the parable of the "Good Samaritan." The carnest, Godly statesmen to the parable | and earnest co-operation. also

Ail wars are wrong, but inevitable to- who are so fond of quoting "Scripture" all attempts to make international arbi- benevolence and philanthropy prevent day; in the near future they will be should pay some attention to that tration successful will have his cordial any person or class of persons from beparable, ended by international arbitration, is about the ten talents, and the light the drift and aim of the world's best to be placed on a candlestick. They mon history and lineage, a common lan- cal law of natural selection and the Of all the ills you've named above GILES B. STEBBINS. thought. Detroit, .fich. tion Mathew IV chapter, 1-11 verses inclusive, and be fortified and aided in toward us in the late war with Spain by the higher development of hu-THE OTHER SIDE. resisting the temptations offered by dishonest politics and inordinate ambition. EXPANSION IS THE DIRECT ROAD The bloody and relentless policy of that our future relations may never be- be murdered and trampled in the mire, TO THE PERMANENT PEACE OF Rome dealing with subjugated prov-

our experience and knowledge, strength treaty stipulations for offence and de- will strengthen and confirm the fundat and protection, assisting and educating them in the successive steps of selfgovernment until in the fulness of time they can be a free and independent them to be changed. Our friendly Then we are told that indigenous alliances are so strong as to almost growth is best for the Philippines. If guarantee the peace of the world, while our secret, designing enemies | parish;" Thomas Paine declared, "The there had been nothing but indigenous

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another name for "Divine Providence," policy, and she has retired from the defines duty and prescribes responsi- business, Our dealings and relations "Divine Providence" defines the out- to guide us in our relations with the lines of destiny by means of the natural Philippines. In Mexico we never gained mentality of the enlightened human un-specimen to suggest the "let alone derstanding and conscience, as shown policy" toward other islands. in the institutions, commands and teachings of highly endowed sages and ceptance of the saying "History repeats Jefferson.

The United States among the nations | reproduce the last year's snows or har- | and welfare for all. The same principle has a special mission to perform, to re- vests as to repeat the career of the is true and will be recognized among commend by precept and example the Roman Empire in the nineteenth cen- nations: the happiness and prosperity of humanity. These are the evidence establishment of civil and religious lib- tury. The starting point of nations is of each nation is best promoted by and outgrowth by the unselfish and proerty; and as in the case of the Philip- different; the kind and intensity of keeping in view the prosperity and happine Islands, to use its physical strength forces working in and through the peo- piness of all nations; and any advantin securing domestic tranquillity and ple are different; the environments are age secured by any nation through in- will operate as it solvent to release the protection from foreign aggression. To dissimilar. It is true each nation has justice to another will in the end prove grasp of sordid BelfishWess and aggressecure religious freedom there it is only its rise and fall, its career and decline. necessary to extend to all the different but these are unlike anything which religious sects the same degree of tol- preceded or followed them. Each one eration and respect which we now give enriched the race with a new exto the different forms of religion at perfence, and furnished additional mahome, trusting to time and education to terial and lessons for the instruction extend a knowledge of spiritual truth. and guidance of nations following in To establish political and civil liberty the order of succession. No nation has partition them; it also will prevent barthere, the islands must be secured from | ever before attained to such heights of foreign aggression and domestic insur- freedom and justice, however imperfect | necine warfare there. rection. The United States having ob- still, as this nation now holds. To talk tained the sovereignty of the islands by about the bloody conquests and greedy treaty with Spain, and that treaty hypocrisy of this people is to utterly forming under our Constitution a part misconceive, and misrepresent the of the supreme law of the land, the achievements, traditions and institu-President is bound by his official oath tions of our country, and to fail com- and military, moral and spiritual pres- any more than it is true of individuals This book is of more than ordinary valto see that our rights are respected. But all manner of objections and mis- standing of our prestige and position in entering upon that arena at this time motives. It is a gratifying fact that thought and research by a mind well representations are resorted to in order the world. No war in all time was ever will lead to such combinations of allied Mammon is likely to lose 650 millions - qualified to sift evidence and arrange to obstruct and prevent the administra- waged from purer and nobler motives | powers as will compact form it gives just and elevating spirituality of thought. the mind onward into the purer atmostion from performing its plain duty. and impulses, nor with more unselfish disputes and the settlement of claims perpetuate the bloody misrule and what is needed on the subject. Paper, Series 1, 2, and 3, each complete in it- phere of exalted spiritual truth. A Aguinaldo, a traitor to his country, a devotion to the interests of humanity without resort to war. The expansion | brutal tyranny in the Antilles and the 15 cents, Cloth, \$1.50. For sale at this self. Price, cloth, \$1 per volume. For book for the higher life. For sale at recreant to the trust imposed in him by than the late war with Spain, and in of our liberal ideas, an exhibition of our Philippines. Even Mammon with this

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"I always took an interest in the boys -YOUNG MONROE F. CLARK that worked for me," says Clark, "and MAKES A HOME FOR FIFTY I couldn't bear to see the little fellows NEWSBOYS. so many times making straight for the

Chicago has its Booker Washington, reformatory and the penitentiary. Well, In the alley back of No. 1702 Michigan one day Aunt Jemima, an old colored avenue live thirty negro newsboys of woman on Armour avenue, said to me: all ages and sizes. A little further 'Now, Monroe, if I die, I want you to down are twenty more in a second look out for my boy.' 'Yessum,' I said. home, happy, orderly, and contented. not thinking much about it. Well, half Monroe F. Clark, a young colored an hour after that Aunt Jemima died of man, and a news agent for the Inter heart disease. I took her boy to my Ocean, has gathered about him tifty boarding-place and provided for him as homeless boys of his own race. Clark if he'd been my kin. After that it is only 23 years old, and yet he feeds, looked like a lot of hoys wanted someclothes, houses, and instructs fifty body to look after 'em, and I took up street gamins with the judgment and first one and then the other, till finally I the authority of a patriarch. Clark has rented this place."

established the home with money Clark's ambition is to build a good earned by himself in selling Inter house for his "boys." Oceans. He is a good-looking young "I'm not building any castles in the fellow, a pure-blooded negro, with a air about it," he says. "It's all a plain, good, open face, and the intelligence settled fact with me. I've got the monwhich will soon make him a leader of ey now, and just as soon as I can get his race. hold of the right piece of ground I'll

The house which young Clark occu- build the home. Oh, yes, it eats up a pies with his fifty proteges is really a good deal of my profits. It costs me renovated barn, fitted up as a news- more to feed and clothe these boys and boys' home. The first floor is used as send them to school in winter than it an office, where George Lewis, the book- would to hire them and let them shift keeper, presides, and as a gymnasium for themselves. But I'm not very hunand playroom for the boys. There are gry for money-never was." all sorts of amusements that boys like, OPINION ON RACE PROBLEM. punching bags, boxing gloves, games, Clark expresses himself on the race etc. On rainy days these keep the most problem very much as Booker T. Washincorrigible indoors. Upstairs are five neat, clean rooms, whitewashed and ington does. fitted up as dormitories, dining-room "The negro must fight his own batand kitchen. This is Aunt Mattie tles," he says. "He must learn to make Jones' dominion. Aunt Mattie is the a living, and to care less about gaudy housekeeper, a fat, jolly Southern clothes and things to eat. It's not a mammy, whose face beams with pride question of right to vote or right to sit able wrathfu, revengeful, authorizing in the home, in Monroe Clark, and in up in white folks' parlors. It's a questhe boys they are trying to bring up in tion of whether the negro will learn to and murder. Ingersoll's contention was their simple, kindly way.

PROTEGE OF "AUNT MATTIE."

"I think his chances are better there, "I didn't 'zactly raise dat boy," she says, "but I tuck cha'ge of him when in a good community, than they are in he arriv' in Chicago, an' I kin' o' guess the North. The negro is well treated by I had somethin' to do with his bein' mo' the better class of whites. Lynchings

the South?"

Misrepresents Col. Ingersoll and is Answered.

The Rev. W. R. Goodwin, a prominent clergyman of this city, a few days ago readers. published in the Record, an article on Ingersoll in which he said:

"Ingersoll lived and flourished in land of Bibles, steadfastly refusing to emigrate to a land where there are no Bibles. In this he was very inconsistent."

I sent the following reply to the Record, which the editor declined to print. now forward it to you, hoping you may find room for it: What would the Rev. Goodwin have

thought if in the fifties some slave-owner had said to Garrison or Phillips or Summer: If you don't like slavery, why don't you emigrate to a land where there is no slavery? What would Parson Goodwin say if some whisky-seller would remark to him: "Parson, if you don't like the way we run the liquor business, why don't you go to some country where there are no distilleries, nor saloons, nor intemperance?

He would probably reply that he would prefer to remain in his native land, and advocate what he thought was right.

Surely Mr. Goodwin does not want to be understood as meaning that people who do not endorse the orthodox definition of religion should leave this country, and yet that is the logical conclusion from what he said about Ingersoll. Once simple old women and Quakers were ordered to leave the country, and because they did not go, orthodox Christians hung them as witches and tore out their tongues at the roots, Ingersoll was not opposed to the Bible as a history-a collection of ancient writings, but he did protest against the claim of theologians that these writings were all inspired and infallible. He contended that the men who wrote much of the Bible had a low ideal of God; they therefore described him as changeslavery, bloody cruel wars, polygamy be a valuable and industrious citizen," that we should not not, in this pro-"How about the negro's position in gressive and better age, blindly accept the low ideals of men of an ancient ignorant origin. Be fair, Brother Goodwin. Ingersoll cannot talk back now and correct misrepresentations of his

teachings. Rev. Goodwin further says:

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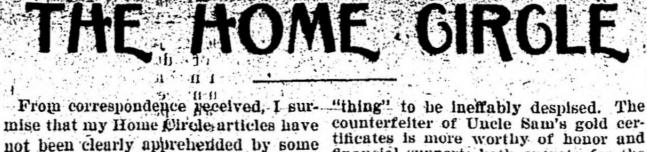
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tificates is more worthy of honor and financial support; both operate for the money there is in it; one counterfeits | curing Ridney, bladder and uric acid

Home circles are not intended to sup- earthly things of earthly value, the ply conditions and place for profession- other counterfeits things most sacred il "mediums" of any grade or descrip- and heavenly, and of inestimable valuetion to exploit their wares, of whatever to human hearts and lives-taking advantage of the most sacred longings The paid "medium," making "medi- and hopes of anxious hearts, to coin amship" a business profession, is out of money by practicing paltry deception in pelled to go often during the day, and place in a home circle. Home circles answer to honest inquiry. Can aything to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect

enterprises, for anybody, nor should tion than this sort of mediumship? of Swamp Root is soon realized. It they be turned into such, for anyone's By all means let the home circle be stands the highest for its wonderful sacred from the intrusion of the moneycures of the most distressing cases."

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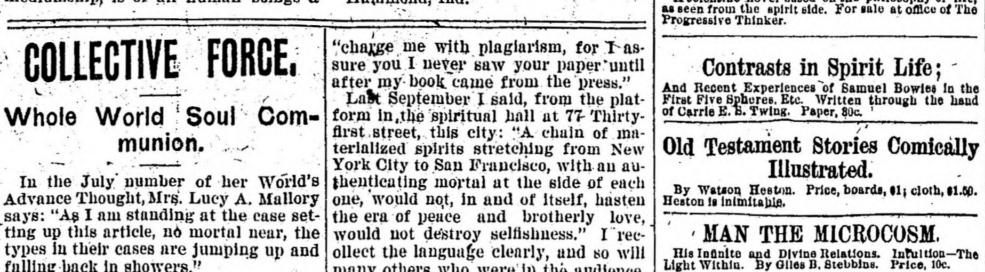
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is the most satisfying, being free from older, but are more ready to receive opher and a materialist. The home circle, the lyceum, and the

& clergyman and a materialist.

J. C. UNDERHILL.

When editorially associated with Mrs. for it was severely criticised by some



many others who were in the audience,

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in soul sympathy with it. It is one

mind, expressing itself through myriads

of channels; it is one soul, pouring its

doing the mighty work intended. The

time is coming, and it is not distant.

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I feel myself to be one of the hum-

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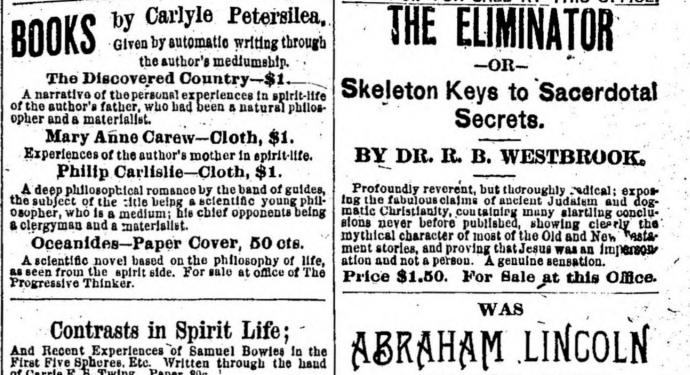
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than mos' darkies o' dat age, or white are carried on by low and degraded folks, ethuh.

"Lan' sakes! ef I'd knowed you gwine I think that in time the civil authorities drop in dis way, I reckon I'd hustle will step in and put a stop to lynchroun' an' git dis bakin' out de way," ings." continued Aunt Mattie, as she kneaded a couple of bucketfuls of light bread dough vigorously. It is impossible to practical humanitarianism, that is live elegantly in a white-washed barn, worthy of study, of praise and emulabut Aunt Mattle keeps things neat and tion by Spiritualists. He has not waitclean, cooks wholesome food, keeps the ed till he could do some grand work on cot beds white and decent, and gives a large scale, but has simply taken hold her faithful Southern heart to her work. of humble opportunities as they came to The dining table she lays with especial hand, in a practical, common sense way. care, although she affirms that "dese In his sensible, unpretentious manner, young pigs doan' no mo' 'preciate hit without great eclat or noisy ado, his dan nothin'."

Next the dormitory and Clark's room able proportions, and has become an is a smaller sleeping-room, for "the honor to himself and a blessing to his family." The bookkeeper, George Lew- wards, with good prospects of greatly is, a half-grown negro boy, is one of enlarged growth and usefulness. His these.

"He handles hundreds of dollars evson. ery week," says Clark, "and he's never a penny short." Lewis was one of the first boys adopted. Then there is another, a small boy brought to the home two or three years ago by a policeman. "Guess I'd better have him sent to a reformatory," said the officer. "He's That Message by Colonel plum bad, and he hasn't any folks or any home."

"No," said Clark, "let's see first what I can do with him."

The boy has grown to be one of the most tractable and efficient of the whole big newsboy family. · Another protege of Clark's is a little lame fellow, not able to do much on the street. but who is Auntie Jones' pet about the house. Saturday night the one compulsory rite of the establishment is gone through with-every one of the fifty boys is compelled to take a bath. Tears knowledge now than he had behind the are in vain, and playing hooky only delays the inevitable for a short time. Sunday morning the whole crew assemibles at 9 o'clock breakfast. Each boy is given 50 cents spending money, puts on his Sunday clothes, and enjoys entire freedom for the rest of the day.

CONDUCT OF THE INMATES.

"Do they go to Sunday-school?"

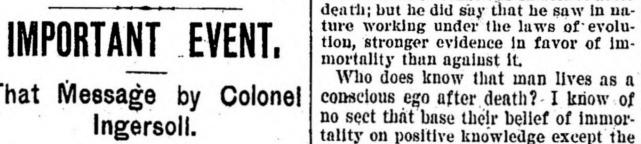
Clark laughed. "We., they say they do, don't they, Aunt Mattie? But we age, -perhaps of any age -who gathnever track after them to see what they ered and marshaled all the arguments do. Boys, especially wild little raga- invented by his agnostic predecessors. muffins, don't like to be tied down too and clothed them in the lines of magclose. It's my belief that more of them | nificent phraseology; adding all the congo to Sunday-school without an order to siderations his own great ingenuity and that effect than with it. I always tell studious investigation could suggest; them I think everybody ought to be a compelling logic, poetry, ridicule, his-Christian; so does Aunt Mattie; often tory, and eloquence into his service; ad- | ery high ideal. He was not "orthodox," and often.'

Pilfering is the one inexcusable fault. by all who knew him; of benevolence in one generation is often considered Not long ago a grocery wagon passed unquestioned; of sincerity undoubted; beterodox in the next. Galileo, Bruno, the barn and one. of the youngsters of genius rarely bestowed on man; dy- Luther, Wesley, Knox, Servetus, Jefferjumped up on it and took a cake of ing in the fulness of his unbelief; hop- son, Franklin, Pope, Hugo, Dickens, ing, but doubting; looked up to with Lincain, Darwin, and hosts of the great BOAD.

family was irreparable, as was seen in white people, never by the best citizens. children. They clung to his dead body to the last as he left them to go into a starless, rayless future without light or This young negro affords a lesson in the one they loved, for he blotted out all hope of any reunion." Yes, according to newspaper reports, the family mourned deeply, but there is

no evidence that they have no hope of a reunion. Ingersoll did not teach that there is no conscious existence after death, but constantly declared that he had no positive proof of it, but hoped for a continuation of life beyond the work has grown to its present creditgrave. He was an agnostic. Webster defines an agnostic as "one who neither affirms nor denies, but declares himself ignorant." I have read all of Ingersoll's published writings and he persistexample affords a beautiful object les-

X-RAY.



To the Editor:-The message of Col. lieve" it-they take it on faith in writ-Ingersoll, nublished in a previous issue ers of the Bible. of The Progressive Thinker, I cannot I have personally known several orbut regard as one of the most important events of the age. It is of vast significance. I have carefully read it over a half-dozen times, and every time find new things to admire. One by one admissions come out, which completely recede from the views he advocated in earth-life. That he must have a fuller with horror and heart-rending wailings. I know pious orthodox believers who veils of flesh, must be conceded by all who believe in spirit survival. That have told me that the thought of death this message was actually spoken by haunted them like a nightmare. Many him through the sensitive, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, must be convincing to those who were familiar with his habits of thought, his gifts of expression, his language, and the whole tenor of his intellect.

Christians still believe that God predestinated a part of his children to be damned in hell eternally, for his own glory. One of the kindest and best wothe fear she would be "lost." because When the greatest agnostic of the she had never been immersed. Her husband was a Methodist and objected to immersion.

Personally, I firmly believe in the immortality of the soul. I have never been an "Ingersollite," but I know he was a good man; he was an honest man; he stood for temperance, for chastity, for honesty, for the home-for evmired even by his enemies, and loved but that which is regarded as orthodox

"The wrong Ingersoll did his own Mallory, in the first years of the exist- of them, as I afterwards heard. The ence of the World's' Advance Thought, remarks were made extemporaneously the inconsolable grief of his wife and I often witnessed the same munifesta- and were not reported. In the editorial agrand and noble man. Price \$1.00. tion, frequently seeing the types, un- in the Advance Thought I have quoted touched by a mortal hand, leaping up from above I find this statement repeat- |. several inches high out of their respect- ed, word for word, just as I made it in guide. His ashes are all they have of jve boxes, and falling back into them. Chicago many months previously. The manifestation was not confined to There is nothing surer than that the edthe cases in use, but extended to many itress of the Advance Thought never, others, including those in racks and by any kind of external means, was incabinets; and this in broad daylight, formed that I had made exactly the though the manifestation would cease same statement in a public address.

falling back in showers."

Whole

when a stranger entered the composing There is food for thought here. Telroom. Several times during those experi- I will not argue now. If the words

ences I have seen lines of the solid met- were "vibrated" to her it took longer to al type in the "stick" sink and rise make the transit across the continent above the common level about the six- than an ox-team would have taken. teenth of an inch; and there were other witnesses of these phenomena.

tion of spirit forces embracing all, in On one occasion, I took two brevier types to the type foundry agency in Portland, where they had been bought, and had an expert in the business office examine them separately, I unifying and regenerating essences into "Are the ends of, each; perfect?"

asked. "They are," he answered.

"Being perfect, is it possible for those two types to be of unequal length?" "It is not ," he answered. "Put them together ins they would stand in the printer's stick," I re-

and found, to his amazement, that they

"Now, sir," said I, "they are in your possession, and I will not touch them again. I request you to put them in your office safe until to-morrow morn-

thors of contributed matter. My object is to awaken a class of Spiritualists, who seem to me to need the awakening. to the fact that if there is spirit power to rock a table there is spirit power to But more interesting than the phe- rock the world. And the world is rocknomena is Mrs. Mallory's philosophical ing.

jumping types) are not acted upon by

man."

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its right compartment, some inclining

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conscious ego after death? I know of no sect that base their belief of immortality on positive knowledge except the Spiritualists. Orthodox sects only "bequested. He measured one against the other,

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Individual sentient force. It is the exmen I ever knew frequently expressed pression of spiritual forces which are pouring their vitalizing energies

through all the kingdoms of naturemineral, vegetable, animal and hu-

nevertheless intelligence-directed. Though the types jumped up and fell back "in showers," each went back into

from a direct course to do so.

collective intelligence (in particular expression, I will say,) vaguely called evo-

lution-the power that works through the many as one. I have known it to Could I stand on the mount in morn-and a familiar talk. By spirit Samuel Bowlest Car-

unsheathed

ing's glad East,

o'er,

day,

gold

night:

West.

And read from its many-hued tints on its breast The joys and sorrows the day-tides leave.

And count not a ray in that grand display That was born of some soul-sense of mine:

Some pleasure at play-or grief-calls to pray.

When the long, dark night-hours are

When tiniest sharp shafts of sunlight

Shoots up to calls from the Evermore;

The dense fogs that begirded the

And see melt away at first glimpse of

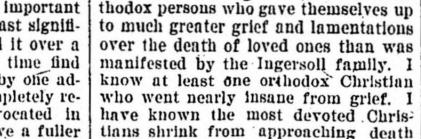
How lonely I'd feel I opine.

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he is one of the few boys who boasts a announce it; denounces the unbelief he and the theologians of a few years ago. "mammy" and a home.

and don't you show yourself around have taken against the knowledge of a are better than their creeds. There are here again till you can keep your future life; wishes to remove the bar- also mean, cowardly, penurious, licenfingers off other people's property. instatement.

There are several white boys in Clark's home, apparently contented and invention; it is an event, it seems to me, fair, let us be honest." "By their fruits receiving the same treatment as the holding a world of meaning; unhorses ye shall know them." negro boys. For some days a ragged, all speculation by absolute fact: and miserable little white boy haunted the demonstrates the truth and reality of alley and played with Clark's boys. He Spiritualism so that any one who was sickly, didn't seem to sell many doubts it can hardly believe in his own

papers, and Clark felt sorry for him.

"I'm goin' to lay in some suits for my get some new clothes, too."

the 'little white feller' taking advanto the family.

Monroe F. Clark has a genius for af fairs equalled by few white men. His parents were slaves, and he was reared on Buttermilk pike, a stretch of Ken-

tucky ridge eight miles from Cincinnati. "My grandmother was the best woman I ever saw," says Clark. "She

had been a slave, before I was born, and she used to say to me, 'A day's just

wasted if you don't do something for | We thank you for your words of love, somebody _else, something to make Your messages from spheres above; other folks happy in it." Clark-managed to get a good schooling at a "pay school" in his state. He came to Chicago without any money and without friends, the year of the World's Fair. He was then 17 years old. He soon

showed a wonderful capacity for choosing the best street corners, pushing his newspapers, and investing all his earn-

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existence. I have heard the detonations of the boys to-morrow," he said, "and if you'll brondside, discharged in your last issue, be round here, little white feller, you'll against the criticism of Dr. Peebles' book. It were a pity to have lost the The invitation was promptly accepted/| criticism, for then, we should not have had the reply. It is not wise to assail tage of it to attach himself permapently the Doctor. "Safest he, who stands. aloof." LUTHER R. MARSH.

A WORD OF THANKS.

We thank you, spirit friends most dear. For your words of hope and cheer: And though this world seems dark and drear. We can feel your presence near.

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The Image of, Christ.

To the Editor :-- In your issue of August 5, I notice a statement that Mrs. Clemmons wishes to have the image of Christ on the coins of this country, that is, on all coins made in the first year of the new century, which by the way she wishes to hurry up a little and have it. commence in 1900, which as everyone should know, will be the last year of the present century.

How is she going to get his likeness? If he ever lived, which is not susceptible of proof, it is not on record that he even had his portrait painted, as she will have to take a supposed likeness. which will be liable to be as far from true, as the doctrines of the Christian

churches-or have him sit with Frank Foster for a spirit picture. Now I suggest as an amendment, that the coins of 1901 have the picture of R. G. Ingersoll, which every one will know to be as genuine as the humanitarianism of the grand soul of whom it is the representative, and on the reverse side, a laboring man leaning on his spade; with the inscription: Ye shall not cru-

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World Soul Communion went forth In that rest-woven spell that words can through the Advance Thought. It was no "individual" or personal power that carried that call around the

many changes in communion time, though the original prescription is dominant-as, in [my judgment, the greatest spiritual potentiality that ever operated through the smental atmosphere of mortals.; Being world-wide in scope, the impelling and maintaining power is likewise world-wide. In those times it was a common experience in taking The World's Advance Thought mail from the post-office to have letters and exchanges blasted by an occult force while in the hands carrying them. A pale yellow scorch mark would appear on the outside of envelopes and paper, wrappers and go through every fold to the opposite side. The letters and papers so marked would soon crumble away, as if the scorching E. D. Babbitt, M. D., LL. D. A very inhad been done by natural fire. Much inharmonious matter was thus disposed have a wide circulation, as it well fulof.

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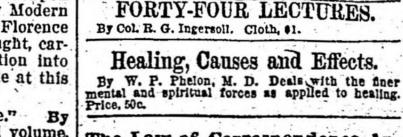
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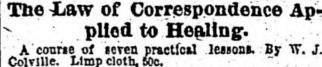
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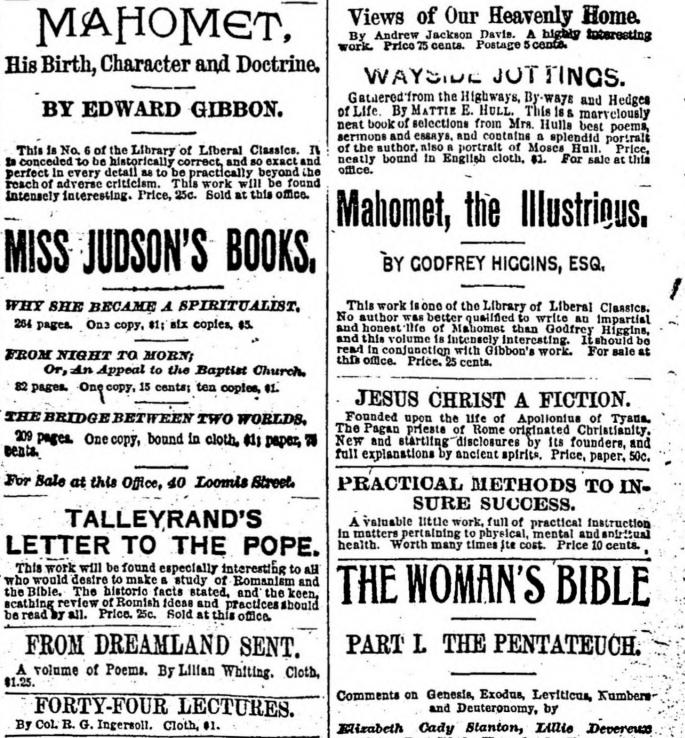


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Expansion of Forgery.

The manufacturers of fraudulent manuscripts do not content themselves any longer with merely supplying forged evidence in support of the usually accepted beginnings of Christianity, but are now turning loose on the literary world a vast amount of the same class of fictitious literature in regard to the ancient religions of Eastern and Central Asia. A Scotch journalist has sounded the alarm, and has cautloned the public against being deceived and misled in these matters. During the article he says:

"It was Capt. Bower who first discovered the existence of some extremely ancient manuscripts during his great journey across Central Asia, and Dr. Sven Hedin brought back a rich collection for the edification and mystification of Orientalists. Since then the supply of ancient manuscripts has been very great; but it is stated the gravest suspicion is now cast upon the authenticity of a very large proportion

of these so-called relics of antiquity. "An English officer who is now engaged in some exploring work in Central Asia has discovered that there exists in Khotan a regular manufactory of the manuscript relics, and so large is the output that he believes at least 95 per cent of the manuscripts which have reached Europe from Central Asia during recent years are spurious. The process of manufacture has been explained to him, and so impressed is he with the difficulty of distinguishing between the genuine and the counterfeit that he has himself adopted a rule of never, under any circumstances, buying any ancient book offered to him for sale. Meanwhile there is much searching of hearts among the owners of the manuscripts which have already found their way into European collections."

These forgers carry on their vile arts so skilfully, and cover their footprints so picely it is with difficulty the frauds are detected. This work, until of late years, was monopolized by the monks in their cloisters, exempt from intrusion or exposure. Thus ecclesiastical literature and classical authorities to corroborate it, were concocted and manufactured, then imposed on credulity as genuine, preserved through all the Dark Ages from seizure and destruction. The truth is gradually coming to the front. Let the good work go on.

A Dane, by the name of Harry Holst, assuming the title Tyagananda, and volcing Buddhism, has commenced givlug street lectures in Chicago. Holst is represented as a gentleman of means 26 years of age, and a student of med-Icine'at Hahnemann Medical College He has become deeply interested in the teachings of Gautama Buddha, and is auxious the American people shall be come acquainted with the philosophy he taught. He will find an already awakened interest in the subject, and

Preaching Buddhism.

we trust will receive an attentive hear. ing. Until during the last seventy-five or a

hundred years our Western civilization knew little of the "Protestantism of the East," as the late Jas Freeman Clarke designated Buddhism, though in numbers it leads all other religions by more than fifty millions.

The Brahmans had taught the continuity of life by ceaseless rounds of transmigration through lower, forths of being, until man should attain that exalted position God designed him. Buddha claimed to have discovered how the end could be reached by the practice of the most exalted virtues, without passing through successive rounds of mortal anguish. In consequence of Buddha's teachings his followers became the most moral people on the globe, .and

they so continue. It matters little what people believe, or their motive for believing, so they live worthy lives and labor to uplift hu manity. Creeds are nothing, but good works and a correct example are everything, Paul or anybody else to the contrary notwithstanding. Any system of religion which makes its worshipers, bigoted, intolerant, oppressive, or cruel, which virtually offers a reward for crime by promising exemption from deserved punishment for simply believ ing, deserves our execration, however ancient its pretended origin, or numer ous its communicants.

Sam is After 'Em.

The Rev. Sam' Jones, the revivalist addressed a 10,000 audience at Dixon Ill., a few days ago. As usual he hay an eye on the faithful. Here are a few quotations from an exchange showing that Sam knows the people he ad dresses:

"If you are an elder or a deacon or a steward or any other ordinary sinner, if you have any seuse I'll tell you something.

"Anybody can say his prayers. "A man can cheat his neighbors and go home at night and say his prayers. "If you haven't any sense, I want you to go to sleep or get out.

"I never said anything against Boh Ingersoll while he lived and I will not do it now. But he never did the mischief to the church that Potter, Abbott

and Briggs have done. "These D. D.'s got off the track. When 1 see one of these little fellows with A. B., A. M., Ph. D., LL. D., etc., I feel like catching him and pinning on these letters, A-S-S.

"Saying prayers is your trouble. You might as well say. 'The boy stood on the burning deck. Amen,' or your A, B, C's, It would do you as much good. "Brother that hig lie you told to-day

lies across your wire and your message won't go to heaven. "Most of you have sat still so long

if you should get up now the seat of your breeches would look like a map of the United States. "A man prays against the rum power

in whining tones and then votes for it. You old hound, you ought to be killed. "You got mad last year when I said that, and swore that you would nevel listen to San Jones again, but here you are again and you have been roosting on these benches waiting for me."

A religious exchange says: "Sam Jones is blasphemous, and ought to be suppressed." If "talking right out in meeting." and telling the truth about the brotherhood is "blasphemous," then it is correct.

It is a Great Educator.

Dr. Geo. A. Fuller, a prominerit lecturer in the East, and chairman of the Onset Bay Camp-Meeting, writes:

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of Jesus. My time is all taken up with business, yet I feel as though I must at this date steal a few minutes to inform you how important a factor in my life The Progressive Thinker has become. It is a great educator, and one who reads its pages carefully for a year, must make rapid progress, both intellectually and spiritually. May you be prospered in all your undertakings. and with this thought in view I pray that all Spiritualists may be led to show their appreciation of your labors by subscribing for your paper.

A Harvest of Lies to Follow, Here commences the usual method of misrepresentation. Rev. W. B. Leach, imaginary scene, drawn from his own inner consciousness, of Col. Ingersoll's brief return from hell to say a warning word to his friends. Read: "Col. Ingersoll would undoubtedly have this to say to us: 'My parting word is that the old Bible is true. I

have seen my father and mother on Abraham's bosom, and I am lost. Heed not the words I have said, for Christ is true. There may be mistakes in human nature, but Christ and the Bible are true. Be true to them both and we will never meet while the endless ages rollf for I, the Godless patriot, must hie me

back and kpock at the portals of everlasting darkness." The freak of a bigot to begin with, by the time it has passed through two or three repeaters will become, with slight

emendation, the last words of Col. In gersoll, as he'was bidding adjeu to life, scenes

his lips. Oh the depth of depravity to which

Hope a Reality.

News from Wheeling, W. Va., tells of Mrs. Alexander Taylor, a widow 35 years old, residing at Toronto, near Wheeling, who has been slowly dying

of consumption. On the 9th inst. she became unconscious. A doctor pronounced her dead and funeral preparations were begun. About midnight her friends were astounded to see Mrs. Taylor move, open her eyes and ask for water. She asked that a favorite niece, who lives in Iowa, be summoned at once to receive a message

from her mother, who has been dead several years. Mrs. Taylor says her spirit was dis embodied and soured through space till a brilliant and beautiful grove was reached. Here angels were flying about guarding what seemed the entrance to

heaven. She was refused admittance, but was allowed to converse at a short

Will Carlton on Ingersoll. From writing and reading his poetry, Will Carlton has entered the field of at the Wicker Park Methodist Church, journalism, and calls his venture "Evon the evening of the 6th inst., gave an | erywhere." The reason for its being is obscure to the reader of this monthly. Apparently it is for the publication of the poems of the editor, which fill the first page. In essaying to be everywhere, it is nowhere and essentially nothing.

"Everywhere" is religious, and filled with sweet morsels to catch church members. It is more than religious, it is contemptably plous. Of course, the death of Robert G. Ingersoll is an occasion not to be neglected. Mr. Carlton good favors of the church.

Of all that has been said by the enemies of the great orator, nothing approaches in vindictive meanness. in bigoted hatred, in false accusation, the editorial of Will Carlton. The greatest men in the pulpit spoke in praise. Talmage was unstinted in eulogy. Why Mr. Carlton should vent his spleen on will be repeated in Ingersoli's one who cannot reply, is a mystery uncase, and another generation of Chris- less we take the highly probable theory tians will insist they were actual oc- that at some time their lecture dates conflicted and Ingersoll drew away the crowd. Mr. Carltonisays that he was a good

> father, but no better than others; an able attorney. but there are "a thousand or two others in different cities of our land" quite as good! As an officer in

the civil war? "the portion of his milltary career most in evidence consisted in his capture and liberation by a noted guerrilla chieftain."

"He achieved considerable notoriety by his agnosticism, but he could, be duplicated even in this respect in nearly every township of the land."

He had a "certain Amount of original ity," and with this rehashed what was well known centuries ago. ' Even his admirers dare not chim he had "new ness of thought." He was the most credulous of men. although claiming to be a skeptic in all things. What, then, was the secret of his power? Simply his fervid oratory, and in this he was not successful when he chose literary subjects, or as a political speaker. Mr

Carlton concludes by saying: "He destroyed very little, and what debris he produced he left lying around

n the world's way." "He will probably be not very long remembered, and only as a curlosity of oratory.'

The poet is held to be a prophet, but distance with her husband, who died in this case, the poet is too self-conscious to understand the signs of the last winter, and with her sister, the mother of the favorite niece. The mestimes. The glowing speeches of Ingerpoems such as the highes sage sent for the niece she refuses to disclose except to the young woman. flights of Carlton no more approach Mrs. Taylor says she was promised that than the chirk of a katydid does that of she should come to paradise very soon. a nightingale, and instead of mawkish Mrs. Taylor is an educated woman, and common-place, the splendid word vestis in ecstasy over the belief that she ure habilitates the great truths which will soon join her friends gone before. have vitalized the thoughts of this age and will fashion all coming time. This is not an isolated occurrence. In his early Not "long remembered!" Similar ones have been common to all days Mr. Carlton wrote a few poems ages, and seem to give a foregleam of which by their homely aptitude appeal the life awaiting us. Others' may be directly to the heart. They were unpre content to read of the reanimation of a tentious and natural. There was no at Lazarus to life, told by some unknown person in the past, but this narrates an tempt at lofty flight, or gem-like finish Such is the "Over the Hills to the Poor event of to-day, all the details of which house," which is to poetry what the honesty of Dutch art in painting pots can be gained from living witnesses. and ladles is to art in its high estate. Truthful to the life, but without a The Kissing Bug. gleam of the inspiration of imagination. If the reports of the press are to be We prophesy, and we do so before the believed, there is a new insect come to subject is dead and unable to reply: stay, and if it increases as insects somewhile he is able to refute the prophecy. times do, will make the life of man It is that the name of the Great Chammore miserable than all the gnats, mospion of freethought will grow brighter centuries after that of the poet who forquitoes, fleas and other "reptiles" combined. Many of the most influential gets the ordinary courtesies due to all and pours out his narrow hatred on one journals publish enlarged views of this who cannot reply, is forgotten. The bigot is a coward, and all these years, bug. One represents it four inches in length, with a proboscis like the trunk when his words might be quéstioned of an elephant. And yet it is far from he has remained silent. Like the hyena, clear that there is any such insect, exhe tears at the grave-mound of the help less dead.

Manly Confidence by Right A Critique on "The Ques-Education,

FACE TO THE LIGHT. LET MYTH BE MYTH

Your grand Progressive Thinker finds its way into our home each week, and when, by force of circumstances, it fails to be read, we feel the consciousness that one of our ships, freighted with truths eternal, has canchored in our home harbor awaiting our inspection of

that truth may seem to be dressed up in evening dress, rather low in the neck, for some of those non-progressive, old dyed-in-the-wool, creed-loving people, who have no time to think, and never reflect, except on the wrath of an an-

gry God. Truth needs no garb to shield it from the eye of scrutiny; it only needs a clear perception of it to satisfy the student of nature. When we learn to know ourselves then we will know more of our friends and fellow-beings than

we do now. • I once had an itinerant Methodist minister tell me that he could not trust himself to do business for another for fear he might do wrong. He had a po-sition in a banking house offered him, but refused, for fear of being tempted to become dishonest. The money, he said, might tempt him to steal.

I at once saw that he was not ac ouainted with himself. He did not know himself; could not trust himself to handle the property of another. I could not understand how anyone could be so distrustful of himself, and then expect others to place confidence him. When mankind is taught to de velop, and to cultivate a noble charac ter, to seek knowledge and truth rather than to be looking backward unto the must and mildew of the past, in search of some supposed hidden mystery that only adds to their already stultified spiritual condition, men will not lack confidence in themselves. If we seek knowledge through natu-

ral channels "Dame Nature" will open up her avenues to the most precious of her stores, and what a store-house she has. Each day we tread on the green sward, that hides from view the most improves it to ingratiate himself into the precious gifts to mankind, the precious ores, gold and silver; fuel and illumina tion are hid away under the green car pet men walk on. The vaults of heaven open up and disclose its wealth of heav enly beauties to him who seeks those treasures with an earnest desire to something about what once know seemed unknowable to penetrate the vaults of heaven and earth, and learn of them truths that have not been recorded by the pen of man. Not many centuries ago it was considered a most heinous crime to penetrate into the mysteries of Godliness. Stupidity was deemed a Christian attribute, worthy the praise and admiration a good and pious people who spoke continually of the mystery of Godliness, and this right in the face of the fact that Nature was continually manifesting her presence and revealing new avenues through which she might touch the human senses and teach the race that there are sermons in rocks, rills and running brooks, and that the feathered sone sters sing sweeter anthems of praise han were ever voiced by mankind. Away, then, with the old musty volumes that blind and mislead. Centules before man became the intelligent being that we find him to-day, before

he had formulated the idea that he had intelligence enough to attempt a history of this world, there existed the same proof of a power beyond the compreiension of men, that still exists; call it God or Nature. A name does not alter the fact of omnipotent power.

And when cold facts are presented unembellished by some old fogy superstition that blinds and misleads. the hue and cry of infidel or unbeliever is hurled at the honest seeker after truth.

Robert G. Ingersoll has just stepped out of the crystal palace of his own pure life, into the golden light of life eternal, to profit by all the good he cul tivated while here, to meet the reflec tion of every kind word spoken by him. Every generous impulse of his great and generous soul will well up before to welcome him to a life that h

tion Settled." I learn from the Spiritualistic press, and from various criticisms in the same that our good brother, J. M. Peebles, with the aid of Emmette Coleman, has

settled the question of the personal ex-istence of Jesus of Nazareth. Although the work is entitled a sympo-slum, and, as I understand, articles of mine help make up the volume, I have not yet seen a copy thereof, and, therefore, might be supposed incompetent to comment upon the performance. I will say here, however, when I shall see the book, which some three months' ab sence in the wilds of California has prevented me from doing, I will pay my respects to the same and to the writers. who, I understand, have very sharply

criticised me. But for the purpose of the present article I do not need to read the sympo-sium, the title is all I require. The title is a very pretentious one—"The Ques-tion Settled." In answer to the query, What question? we are informed that the personal existence of a character called Jesus Christ is the important "question settled." Brothers Peebles and Coleman have, once for all, settled the vexatious question, which, from the days of the early gnostic Christian to the present time, has perplexed the minds of thinking men. But as our two great historical lights have settled the question it would seem that nothing more was needed, and that we might all

settle down in peaceful acceptance of the authoritative dictum of the most "modern scholarship." But the critical spirit will not down, and claims the right to unsettle any and all the fine-spun theories when it finds them based upon the unreliable state ments and contradictory averments of pretended history. But I do not propose to now enter that fruitful field of uncertain speculation. There is another one at hand, which is necessarily preliminary to this. And, in making a survey from this point a few facts are

especially appropriate. In the first place, this much vexed question has been settled by different narties, in the most contradictory manner, for centuries past. Yet, all the set tlers have had substantially the same

histories and traditions before them In the second place, most, if not all, who have studied the question, have entered upon the investigation with the strongest kind of bias, one way or the other, and their conclusions have been uniformly in the direction of their prev ous prejudices. I don't think Brothers

Peebles and Coleman are exceptions to this rule. Again, while these distinguished scholars were settling the question in their way, the venerable Prof. J. R. Buchanan was settling it in another and all of them unsettling the settle-

ment made by Gerald Massey. But, I come now to the vital point. What has this book settled? I answer. nothing. But the author exclaims, "Oh but I have settled the question that there was a veritable Jesus-a real per What do you mean by a persona son." Jesus? So far as any ideal of a per sonality is concerned, you can't go out side of the New Testament. Have you settled the question of such a person as the New Testament describes? By no manner of means. On the contrary, to the extent of your ability, you have en tirely unsettled it. The Jesus personal ity of the New Testament is a God man. He has no mortal paternity. H is begotten by the Supreme Godhead. All power is his. His life is a continu-

ous series of miracles. Have you set-tled the question that there was such a person? Instead of doing it, you have in your own estimation, setfled it that this "very same Jesus" was simply and only a man; a very excellent and clever

man; possessed of rare spiritual and mediumistic powers, but only a man. And yet, with singular fatuity, you go to that same New Testament, and especially to the writings of Paul, to prove the existence of a personality which he, and all the other New Testament writers entirely repudiate. You repudiate in toto the personality they present. You unmake the God they worship. You renounce the God-man-savior

ment is a unique character. The fabu-lists have clothed him with The best They that God and man could give. They have intrusted him with a function and a work which commands our reverence and admiration even when we know its fabulous character. We are convulsed with emotion in the Garden of Gethsemane, when the God-man, crushed with the load of a world's sin, prays "if it be possible let this cup pass from, And when, on the cross, he enme." ters sympathetically into the mental and moral darkness of unspiritual hu-

manify, and despairingly cries, "My, God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me," our tears flow afresh with him, "with whose stripes we are healed." Well may every one, who appreciates the profound humanitary truths which are embodied in the romance, exclaim

with the Christian, "Ye have taken away my Lord, and I know not where ye have laid him."

The New Testament romance is a magnificent drama. The hero is a God-man, and the profoundest needs and passions of humanity are woven into it, and are made to cluster around the central character. God, man, time and eternity, are elements of the drama. But we are asked to surrender all this and have our mythical hero reduced to a mere wonder-working Jew, plagiarizing Hillel and other rabbis so far as moral precepts are concerned.

Ignatius Donnelly dreams of a cipher in the plays of Shakspeare, and seeks to fasten the authorship on Bacon through that means. But the most profound cipher in those immortal productions is the passional elements of human nature; and the cipher of the New Testament drama embodies all those elements, and also the clamorous needs and the struggling aspirations of the immortal nature of man, as well as the methods by which the selfish impulsions of that nature can be transformed into the oneness of a perfected brotherhood, the bond and head of which is the

God-man-Jesus. In conclusion, I can only say, give us the myth as a myth, Let the drama remain a drama. Don't convert King Lear into dull prose; nor the Incarna-Don't convert King tion, Gethsemane, Calvary and the Res-urrection into history. And above all, don't prostitute the divinely begotten Jesus into an illegitimate Jew. Give ns the Sun myth, with all its accessories of application to the spiritual birth and growth of man, with which it has been clothed by the thought of the ages. Let us steer clear of the shallow rationalism of the materialistic mind as well as the greedy credulity of the Supernaturalist, and thus allow ourselves all the good of all human thought and experi-ence. J. S. LOVELAND,



Every Spiritualist Should Be Interested in It.

What has become of the national lycoum effort to gain the much needed advance of its cause? And how many local lyceums and workers are taking an interest in the N. S. L. A.?

Being officially connected, I know of no special effort to increase the lyceum uterest. If we are making no effort, what cause will we have for complaint? If we are not making any effort, why lid we organize?

I believe in energy, enthusiasm and I have visited very few activity. places where the local Spiritualists take any interest in the children's education upon Spiritual or ethical lines. All effort seems directed to convert "old sinners," or to get their support.

Interior and developing efforts are surrendered to external effects. Finances are always needed; and deserving such help lessened by the lack

of enterprise and spiritual benefit. Children will naturally become Spiritunlists if encouraged.

How much longer will we neglect the youth and children of the Spiritual-ists?

We need some good true, active, capable, lovable people to engage in labor for the young people, that they may be led into a study of spiritual truth.

We need a few philanthropists who will aid the cause with money; and we can obtain these by showing that in us

and clerics of the Talmage variety will declare it an actual occurrence at the bedside of the dying Agnostic. The libels on Voltaire and Paine's death-bed currences which were suppressed by the family, but it leaked out from a

Chicago preacher who chanced to be visiting the Colonel, and was in the room when he died, and wrote down the "Parting words" as they fell from

a church liar can fall!

Curtis Saw Them.

Mr. Curtis. of the Record staff, furnishes the "missing link" in proof of the church claim that Jesus was sired by Almighty God; that he was born of a virgin in a manger, and that he was crucified, etc. Read:

"Nearly everything connected with the birth, the crucifixion and the burial of the Savior seems to have been preserved, together with several garments that he wore during his manhood and a number of sandals that once protected

his feet. I have seen the manger in which he was born, the swaddling clothes he wore immediately after his birth, the jar in which he turned water into wine, the tablecloth and the napkins that were used at the last supper, the basin in which he washed his disciples' feet, the stone on which he lay his head in the garden of olives Herod's staircase, down which he

walked when bound with thorns; the pillar at which he was scourged, the whip, the rope with which he was tied, the crown of thorns, the purple robe they put upon him, the spear that plerced his side, the inscription that was placed above his head, the sponge that absorbed his blood, the nails that pierced his hands and feet, and a considerable portion of the cross upon which he was crucified. I do not claim that all of these relics are genuine Many of them have been denounced as bogus by the highest authority of the church, but at the same time they are objects of worship and are therefore of public importance."

The fig tree Jesus blasted with his curses seem not to be in the list. Why the omission? But the articles enumerated by Mr. Curtis do not make up hundredth part of the exhibits in Catholic churches of the relics of the dear Savior. The withered fig tree is probably among the other curios.

"How did they get a picture of Jesus if there was no such character?" in-quired a smart Alex some years ago. A similar inquiry will satisfy many of the genuineness of all these relics of "our Lord."

Roasted Tony.

That notorious Tony Comstock, whose mission is to look after the vile in art, lately visited Cleveland. The World of that city gave him a well-deserved roast, for which it merits the thanks of the American press.

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Now the Hogs

A religious society in Chicago has made a new departure in its creed, and is now warring on swine. It is apparent they are of the opinion God was not in earnest when he looked upon the productions of his mighty genius at the close of his great creation, as the Bible tells it, and pronounced "everything he had made 'very good.'" And then to Noah after his great sea voyage: "Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you." But Rev. Dowle, of this "city, teaches: "The hog is vile, and

whosoever raises swine flesh, or eats thereof is not fit to enter the kingdom of heaven." It is not our purpose to take issue with the divine, but merely announce the fact.

A pair of evangelists lately sent out from the Chicago home, not content with merely teaching that it is grossly sinful to grow swine, but they resolved to exterminate the species so far as they had the ability and influence with their converts

Evangelizing at Sloux Falls, S. D. Revs. F. A. Graves and B. C. Holmes preached and prayed against hog breeding, then they entered a hog-pen, and called God's special attention to the horrid iniquity of culturing such animals.' This was followed by the an-nouncement that "there will be a hogkilling at the Milton farm," at a definite time named. As the time 'arrived, with loaded rifles, guided by divine inspiration, says liner.

the report, the slaughter commenced When the destruction was complete and the great moral heroes were about to bury the vile creatures, the farmers in the region made a rush on the vic tors. In the melee a prepared monument ready to be placed over the remains, was captured. This bore the in-

scription: "Whoseever doth not bear his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. This monument erected over swine flesh killed for Jesus' sake .-Lev. xi:8.

A new sect, with hostility to swine, will catch some converts, and have even more merit than some of the now popular denominations.

Christian Civilization.

A Kansas soldier by way of illustrating the civilizing influences that are at work in Manila, says that when the city surrendered to the Americans there was not a saloon on the main street of the city, but that five months later he

counted 432 .- Kansas City Star.

Word From an Eminent Thinker. Dr. E. B. Babbitt, of Los Angeles, Cal. writes:

"The address of Roht, G. Ingersoll. given through Mrs. Richmond, and published in The Progressive Thinker of August 5, has some superb passages, so like Ingersoll himself."

cept in the fancy of the beer-befuddled brains of correspondents. Bugs there

may be and bugs that bite, but that a new species has made its appearance expressly fashioned to puncturing the mouth or lips, is the tale of a penny-a-

Yet the story has a comic side. The preachers have found the "kissing bug" foretold in prophecies of the Bible! It ras to be among the events of the "last days," and its coming confirms the be lief of the adventists. Rev. A. M. Leonard, of Chicago, has figured this out as clear as the text of the queer

book of Revelations allows him to do. Recently before a large audience he said the mysterious bug was the locust which Revelations says shall come from the bottomless pit, attack men

with the stings of scorpions, from the effect of whose bite the victims shall linger five months, and which fastens itself upon those whose foreheads do not bear the seal of the Lord. When a preacher gets to the Bible and its obscure prophecies, he usually settles questions to his own satisfaction. But bugs," and it transpires that there is no

such awful blter as' described, but harmless little beetles that have become transformed by vivid fancy into monsters, what then? Why the preachers will plaster these prophecies onto the back of the next happening and shout that it is the coming fulfillment!

Youth fades; love droops; the leaves of friendship fall, a mother's secret hope outlives them all.—Holmes,

A Worthy Determination.

Bishop Kozlowski, of the Independent Catholic Church, of this city, has tendered the excommunicated members of St. Patrick's Church, St. Louis, absolu-

tion from ecclesiastical censure, if they will place themselves under his jurisdic tion. He showed himself a person of practical common sense when he declared a few days ago, to the excommunication of 700 Irish Catholics because they would not accept a German priest, mention of which is made elsewhere:

"The time of fuling the people with excommunications and iron-hand des-potism is over. ¹⁷Give them their rights and liberty, which belong to them, and instead of excommunications and curses give them'true shiritual guidance and religion, together with education, and all will be peaceful and quiet. I will go personally before the altar and by the power did authority vested in me as a hishon T will absolve them and f these prophecies refer to "kissing remove the excommunication as often as the usurpers of people's rights will hurl it at the people. The days of Richelieu and the Spanish Inquisition are over."

correct position in this regard he occu-ples. Laymen have rights as well as priests, and we are glad they have independence of character to assert them.

"Atlantis: The Antediluvian World." Not because I raise myself above something, but because I raise myself of Atlantis. He regards the description to something, do I approve myself. It is intensely interesting. Price, \$2

was in doubt existed for him. We leave Robert G. Ingersoll now in the ewness of a conscious continuity 0 life eternal, to enjoy the golden glow that follows a life of good intentions. I was obliged to cancel my camp meeting engagement with Maple Dell camp, owing to sickness and death in

my family. MRS. MAGGIE STEWART. Piqua, O.

Target for Mud-Slingers. Henry T. Buckle, died in 1862, author

of the "History of Civilization in England," and numerous other publications which have gained a wide reading, and who is noted for the accuracy of his statements, in one of his works, said:

"That the system of morals pro-pounded in the New Testament contained no maxim which had not been previously enunciated, and that some of the most beautiful passages in the Apostolic writings are quotations from Pagan authors, is well known to every scholar.'

Here is another quotation from the pen of the great historian:

"When Christjanity was introduced, so-far from civilizing the people, it was itself dragged down to their own level. Its only effect was to satisfy the aspirations of those already cultivated enough to receive it for the mass it was a mere substitution of names. Venus and Ashtaroth became the Virgin Mary;

and Ashtaroth became the virgin Mary; Apollo and Horus became Christ; Jupiter and Osiris, God. The mystic trinity of the Assyrians and Egyptians was introduced into Christianity, while the horde of lesser gods, displaced by the saints, were relegated in the minds of the ignorant multitude to the depths of hell.

Here is a distinguished target for the mud slinger's art.

Mrs. Lease to the Front.

Mrs. Mary E. Lease, so long and favorably known as a political lecturer, is building up a grand reputation on the Spiritual platform, on which she has recently entered. It is reported she had an audience of full 10,000, at Anderson. Indiana, where she spoke on the "Contending Influences, of Civilization." Mrs. Lease is a splendid acquisition to the cause of Spiritualism, and all wish her great success.

Gone to Egypt.

Dr. Breasted, professor of Egyptology in the University of Chicago, will spend a year in the Nile valley, at the same time assisting in the preparation of a new Egyptian lexicon. It is a greatly needed work, and all students of arch aeology will rejoice at the Professor's determination. He set out on his misway? The Jesus of the New Testasion on the 9th inst.

(Jesus), which they press upon you, and upon all, as the only name by which salvation is possible to any. And then you boldly claim them as authority for the namby-pamby ideal that you call Jesus

And you have the effrontery to pose as honest, historical critics after having perverted the New Testament story to establish your assumption of a personal Jesus, on its misrepresented narrative You must confess that the New Testa ment is largely fabulous, and then you produce the fable to prove your theory. Wonderful logic! Sapient criticism!! Now, the New Testament is a historical narrative-a fable; or, as Renan seems to assume, a romance. Which is it? Undoubtedly the latter. But the most of romance is fabulous, and if there be a residuum of fact. It is so dis torted as to be worthless as history. Who would quote Thaddeus of War saw, Malek Adhel or the Scottish Chiefs as historical authority; or the Physiog-

nomist as a scientific treatise? New Testament is a fabulous romance of the most dramatic character. The immaculate conception is one of the most stupendous fables concocted by human ingenuity. The resurrection and ascension are fables of lesser magnitude. These fables begin and end the earthly career of the New Testament Jesus. But they are only the initial steps in that career which is to witness its grand consummation in the resurrection of all men, the final judgment and the absorption of the God-man into the God-Father, who then becomes "all

in all." We must confess to a sublime grandeur in this fabulous ideal. The consorting of the Divinity with a woman might seem to retract from the sublimity of the ideal, but when it is borne in mind that this was simply the laying hold of humanity in order to lift it up to Godthat it paved the way for the incorporation of humanity and Divinity in an eternal unity, it assumes an entirely different aspect. And before man grasps the idea of the scientific evolution of humanity there is no better ideal for his growth than that of God identifying himself with man for man's up-lifting. But our good brothers have no such ideal. Their Jesus is at best a good medium, who repeats some of the ethical sayings and parables of his day, and ignorantly, or dishonestly claims to be the expected Messiah of the He-

But, "what a fall was there, my coun-trymen!" Our two historical athletes enter the arena of discussion with un-

gloved hands. They tear down the throne of God, on which is seated the God-man, the Mediator. They strip him of the garments of Divinity as ruthless-ly as the Roman Soldlers are said to have deprived him of his ordinary clothing. They despoil him of all the fullness of the Godhead, and then cry out "behold the man!" We have proved the existence of a personal Jesus. Yes, indeed! But what a Jesus! What does your Jesus amount to, any:

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is earnest and loving effort. A good cause is sure to have proper help, if es-poused with devotion and conviction. Let us create an interest in Spiritualism by the youth of our time, in apply-

ing measures of utility and attractive-ness. The N. S. L. A. should not wait for local lyceums to enthuse, but their duty is to create a greater possibility for success by obtaining sustenance and developing aids. To do that, the local allegiance is necessary; but if that is slow in coming, let us resort to ways and means that may prosper the effort. The Lyceum is supposed to be difficult to organize and maintain. That is the popular cause of lethargy. No lo-cality is too small for a nucleus. There There are very few Spiritualists with children, is another objection

One child and one adult is a good nucleus. Others will soon be attracted. children of all classes can be encouraged and obtained. We should not depend alone upon Spiritualists' children, The but make the lyceum an attraction to all.

Teach truth, practical living, honor-able dealing, loving association and earnest endeavor; plant the seeds that will germinate by and by into a mental and spiritual harvest and develop Spiritualists and destroy the need to convert them. Do not wait for 'great opportunity, but commence and stand steadfast with what you can obtain.

We never will have a successful organization of Spiritualists until we make the children's progressive lyceum a fact. This applies to each local and the national association.

If we regard the cause of Spiritualism sufficiently to desire public effort by competent organization, we should help it financially, intellectually and morally.

Every local lyceum should become an auxiliary of the National lyceum-and every Spiritualist a personal member. Let us have a thousand Spiritualists enrolled before the October convention and thus create the great nucleus for a sure work in the year of 1900. Can you spare fifty cents for the development of the lyceum cause? If so, become a member and lay the sure foundation for a labor of love by some devoted souls who stand ready to pour their energies upon the altars of good that the coming generation may be freed from mental bondage, iniquity and ignorance.

Spiritualists, awake! Your cause is in the hands of the children of your homes. Do not neglect them!

Fraternally and hopefully. G. W. KATES.

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The Famous Agnostic Now a Believer In a Hereafter.

"Have you a message for any one?"

' Here a long pause.

was a robber in the full sense of the

est, holiest word that ever blessed the

"One favor before parting.

Before me, a notary public in and for

the city, county and state of New York,

came Jon Templeton, personally known to me to be the same, and made oath

that the foregoing interview held with

SAMUEL G. REVANS.

*Note-Some of the names were in-

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No! no! Not now; not now!"

somehow

The following remarkable letter is | throw off the ties that bind us to take from Jon Templeton, one of the editors up a harp! I was right in that, but I of the Tammany Times, and one of the was wrong in doubting future life. I see the ones I loved, know those I knew. I even wish my faithful dog could share my present home. Well, I don't know - conditions, conditions, Many things I don't know yet. No, no; best known literary men in the city. Mr. Templeton was a skeptic as far as returning spirits were concerned, until last week.

To the Editor of the New York Star: This is an interview with the depart much I haven't been told. As on the ed-a veritable discourse with the dead. earth, it's progress here,"

As I write down the words in trem-"You remember the past. Do you re-call the panic year of 1857, in Peorla, bling haste, awed by their wonder and significance, I feel exactly as a messen-ger might do who comes in breathless where I first saw you-a young man-the suffering of the people on the prairies at that time?" "Oh, yes. The snow and cold-ugh! Father was a Presbyterian when we to relate some strange event which overawes him.

overawes him. In briefest terms I tell exactly what occurred-not in a vision; not in a dream, but in a most impressive scene, in broad daylight, in which my old acquaintance, the great agnostic, Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, returned-impersonated in exact voice and manner by the phenomenally powerful psychic, Margery Stuart-and, while representing the precise scene and action of his No politics divides us now." death, the awful pause that followed it, spoke as follows:

"Not yet; not ready yet. I will have "Maud-the fan. No, no, it's all right the the children play." Then, after a gasp or two and a long pause, when I see my dear ones calmer. Now am with them. Tell them they must not think that I am goue. Only the these words came with a smile: "No, no -I don't need it-want nobody to wait body-only dust. We're different now. We see Poor Rouss! poor Rouss! He could not see me, but I saw him in the darkened room. Well, well, his eyes on me yet, dear." Here came the action of sitting in a chair-a pause-t will open, spiritually and physically-yes, yes; two things I would like to yawn or two-the falling back of the head-a loosening of the- hands-col lapse and the silence of death! This "Well?" was the action of the dying scene de-"Not now. I'm thinking- Yes, the

scribed above-following which-after a long silence-I took the psychic's seemingly lifeless hand and spoke-the dialogue ensuing as set down: 'Friend-Colonel Ingersoll"-

"Well-what is it, Templeton?" "Your voice! You hear? You know

me?" "Yes, yes-Jon Templeton. We were together out 'on the coast.' Yes-15-16-17 years ago. Here, Davis, know where?" You can?" You

"Perfectly. I live-but you"-"I too, live! Tho' I have said 'that

dreamless sleep that kisses down the eyelids still.' I see and know"-a pause -"The Columbia river, Portland, Tacoma, up the sound".--"Yes, and down by sea to San Fran-cisco. You remember Victoria?" "British Columbia? Ah, ha! ha! ha! ha! Yes, yes, you know they mobbed

those ministers who did not teach the me there?" truth; to drag from out the pulpit ignor-"Yes, and I know what you said"ance and bigotry, and to replace these things with truth and love! I wished to

"Dama an Englishmani" Ha! ha! ha! Yes, yes. But not now; not now. Many good fellows here. All brothers in this banish those four letters. H-A-T-E, and in their place write L-O-V-E--the sweetplace. Here's McDonald"-

"The premier, Sir John A. McDonald, world-love that is divinity; love that is life and joy. Endless! endless! endleader in the Dominion under the Govless! Well, wait, wait. In good time it will come!" ernor Generalship of Dufferin or Lorne?

"Yes. He managed matters up there What you now say all must believe We are all agnostics in this world. W then, but all friends now, No division now. The brotherhood of man is here. "You know it. I believe it; but tell dead-?" me more. I would not intrude, but the whole world wants to know-to hear some word from you."

"Oh, yes. It seems I'm expected to talk for everybody now-all the country, all the community. Yes, yes, and yet some of them see me in their hellburning! burning! Brimstone and eter nal damnation! How disappointed they

will be. No leering devil here! No brimstone in this country. If there is, I haven't seen it, nor smelt if, nor felt lills last time I knew you saw me and you They'd have to get a telescope to understood I had a wish."

find a grain of it where we are now." "Yes, yes; the flowers! the flowers! "Which reminds me to say I heard There was a wilderness of flowers!" your last lecture"-

"The word picture 'that you drew "On "The Devil.' Yes, the orthodox devil that doesn't exist. Evil is the ig-

May Build Temple. Several tri-city residents have gone to Clinton to attend the seventeenth annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Spiritualists' Association. The report that comes from there is to the effect that the attendance at the opening was the largest in the history of the associa-

ion One of te principal subjects that will occupy the attention of the meeting, it is said, will be the matter of building a Cosmopolitan college at a cost of \$100, 000. The association paid off the in-debtedness on its grounds last year be-fore it adjourned, and there is nothing

in the way for promoters of the college project to go on with the work of agitation begun last season. The idea of the friends of the college is to make it a non-sectarian school. Many of the leading Spiritualists, members of the association, are in for the speedy con-struction of such an institution, and yet it is no new scheme. The matter has been discussed at former meetings and Ingersoll don't know it all by any met with a warm endorsement from means. Many things I haven't seen, leading wealthy followers of the faith in all parts of the country. The association owns nine acres adjoining its ation owns nine acres anyoning the present camp grounds, and it is thought this would make a most suitable loca-tion for a college site such as proposed, and the grounds would be ample enough for all purposes. It is stated that whole families are in

attendance at the meeting and nearly ent out West and I was a Democrat." every state in the Union is represented. "Yes; I remember your speech on the The papers of Clinton are devoting conquestion of sustaining the government when Buchanan and Douglas..." "Douglas! A great man, Douglas! siderable space to the proceedings of the camp and hopeful that the association will decide definitely upon the im-mediate construction of that \$100,000 Worthy of the Scottish name. A great structure.-Moline (Ill.) Journal. Democrat, though I did not agree with is contention then: but that's all past.

Los Angeles, Cal.

The Spiritualists of Los Angeles will hold a camp-meeting at Sycamore Grove during the month of September, commencing Sunday, September 3, and ending Sunday, October 1. Public services will be held every day at 10 a. m., 2:30 p. m., and at 8 p. m., except on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings. Several noted speakers and mediums from abroad have been cured and others invited. Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lillie of San Francisco will be in attendance during the first two weeks. work I was to use next winter: I A musical concert will be held every would like to finish it. Yes, yes; but Friday evening and during the second week a liberal thought congress will be

I am not the same. (A held. Most of the noted mediums of pause.) Old age! old age! My thoughts, my words, don't come as once they did. Southern California will be on the ground. The grove is fitted up with booths, arbors, refreshment buildings, pavilion, and has plenty of good water. "But you will finish what you have to say. You will communicate it when It will be lighted by electricity, and good tents will be set up for those who

"Yes, yes; I will, I will. They say I Mish to camp on the grounds. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Sprague, James-town, N. Y., Mrs. S. A. Armstrong, Buf-falo, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lillie, took away their hope and left them nothing its its place, but they were wrong. They asked my name and said it was not Robert, but Robber! That I deprived them of their only consolution formerly of Boston, now of San Francisco, are among those expected to be -their religion! Error, religion! Falsepresent.-Herald, Los Augeles, Cal. bood, religion! But they were right. I

word, for I sought to rob the people of.

Howling Ignoramuses. Spiritualism has been given a horribly black eye by reason of having a lot of howling ignoramuses palming off abso-lutely maudlin vaporings as the language of disembodied spirits, poured out through the mediumship of these same illiterates.—Lincoln (Neb.) State Iournal.

Such, to a certain extent, has always been the fate of every prominent re-formatory movement. Spiritualism will "What you once said many doubted. gradually evolve out of that condition.

A New Medium at Grand Rapids. do not know. How then, can the To the Editor .- On the evening of July 22, a pleasant company assembled "From this plane all is plain. No, no; all's clear. (No pun like you made by invitation at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Geo. F. Schumen, 663 Wealthy avwhen you sent those lines on 'Heresy') Yes, all is clear. You'll see. The world will know all in good time-and enue, this city, to witness the initiation of Mrs. Schumen into the work of a rumpet medium. Mrs. Schumen has You been sitting for development for the trumpet the past three years, and at last the guides announced that the time must know I was at your funeral, at the house of your son-in-law-Castle Walston, as I called it, on the Hudson

had arrived for her to commence her -and as I looked on you for the public work. At 8 o'clock the room was darkened and the circle opened by all repeating the Lord's Prayer, followed by singing

"Nearer, My God, to Thee." Mr Frank McKinley, of Cincinnati, was present to

"PROF." HABAMAN. An Anti-Spiritualistic Fraud.

The people of our neighboring town of Argos have for some time been con-siderably interested in the investigation

and discussion of the subject of what is known as spirit phenoipena. Some of the most intelligent and respectable people of the town claim to have made a thorough and impartial investigation of the subject and to baye become fully convinced that the spirit lives after the death of the body and is able under proper conditions to manifest itself in an intelligent manuer to those still in the earth life. The investigators claim to have received evidence from the spirits of their departed relatives and friends so strong and under such circumstances that no room is left to doubt-the question of fraud, deception and delusion in the production of the manifestations being, in their opinion, out of the question. A few weeks ago the Rev. Mr. Myers,

pastor of the Methodist Church, delivered a sermon strongly opposing belief in the doctrine of Spiritualism. denouncing it as a delusion and the work of the evil one. The sermon stirred up the Spiritual-ists and their friends and they determ-

ined to hold a public meeting and secure the services of some one thoroughly conversant with the subject to

make a reply. Dr. S. W. Gould, who has made a careful investigation of all the various phases of the subject, consented to answer the reverend gentleman. The opera house was secured and one Sunday afternoon a few weeks ago the meeting was held. The auditorium was crowded to its full capacity; 'excellent music was provided, and having prepared himself, the Doctor delivered in eloquent and interesting address, which was well received by the large and intelligent audience who heard him. Since then the question has been the main topic of conversation, and Inter-

est in the subject on both sides of the controversy has steadily increased. The explosion that was predicted by many took place Friday evening when the Anti-Spiritualists secured the services of "Prof. Hagaman," who adver tises himself as "The Great Revealer of Spiritualistic Phenomena, Secretary of the National Anti-Spiritualistic Association of America, Adrian, Michigan," to deliver one of his famous illustrated lectures "Revealing Modern Spiritualism, its Exciting, Thrilling, Bewildering Manifestations of (so-called) Spirit Power!" Of whom this "National-Anti-Spiritualistic Association of America' consists, of which the "Prof." is the self-constituted secretary, or why it should be located in an obscure village over in Michigan, is one of the profound mysteries he failed to explain, more "thrilling" and "bewfidering," if that be possible, than any of the alleged

'manifestations" he attempted to reveal. It is more than likely that he is the whole "Association", as well as "National Secretary,"; and, that he uses the organization with a big sounding name to hoodwink the credulous and unsuspecting in securing their patron-

age under false pretenses. \ Although the admission, was 10 and 15 cents, the opera house was crowded. The "Prof." claims to have been formerly a spiritual medium, is a preacher who sacrilegiously attaches, "Rev." to his name to aid in guiling in that way the religious portion of the community, and as such he imposed upon the people with tricks and sleight of hand per-formance until hei couldn't work: that deception any longer when he "reformed," and is now engaged in imposing upon the people by delivering lectures denouncing the phenomena, without producing any proof other than his own statements, which, according to his own admission, are unworthy of belief, and performing a few tricks of legerdemain and sleight of hand that have been practiced by traveling fakes for more than half a century, and which, as the "Prof." admits, are in no way produced by "departed spirits" and which has nothing whatever to do with modern Spiritualism. He is a selfconfessed fraud as he acknowledged

Phenomena." under the pinning down process of Mr. McClure was forced to acknowledge that he could not do it or explain how it was done. He is said to have been much agitated, and left on the midnight train, having demonstrated himself to be as big a fraud as

a "revealer" as he was a "medium." Of late the question of spirit return after death has received quite an impetus by the investigation and conversion to Spiritualism of such noted scientists, and investigators as the Rev. Minot J. Savage, of New York; Prof. Hyslop, of Columbia College; Prof. Hodgson, pres-ident of the Society for Direction Proident of the Society for Rsychical Re-search; Prof. James, of Yale College, and Prof. John Clark Ridpath, the famous historian of our own State, and our distinguished Hoosier Poet, James Whitcomb Riley. With such talented, honest and trustworthy investigators as these men are admitted to be, it will hardly be sufficient for "Prof." Hagaman to say that they have all been duped and deceived by professional me-diums who practice deception for the money they can make out of it, and fo the fun it affords them in fooling th people.-Democrat, Plymouth, Ind.

HUDSON'S THEORIES

Subjected to Candid Criticism.

To the Editor .- I wish to make a few remarks regarding the comments of a correspondent published in a Cleveland, Ohio, periodical, for the consideration of your readers. The subject being the theories of T. J. Hudson, LL. D., author of the "Law of Psychia Phenomena," discussing the philosophy of Spiritualism. He says Dr. Hudson's book is quoted by Spiritualists, for it admits the supernormal character their phenomena, and its author is the only, one who treats Spiritualists fairly

while denying the correctness of their conclusions. Following this he informs us this book is the favorite of the Anti-Sniritualist, for it was the first to give truly scientific reasons for denying the supermundane origin of the phenomena of Spiritualism. Then he adds: "It is a favorite of the clergy of all denominations, for it was the first book ever written that pointed out a truly scientific basis for the Christian religion, and his second book the only one approaching a scientific demonstration of the immortality of the soul."

As we understand Dr. Hudson, he claims that all psychic phenomena are only the involuntary unconscious action of the subjective side of incarnate humanity, individually or collectively, the objective self being unconscious of such aution, possessing the power of reasoning and acting only through the frail physical senses, and disorganizes at the death of the body. If this be true, what evidence is there here to show why the' subjective should not die at the same time. Aside from the science and phil-osophy of Spiritualism, which he denies, annihilation is the only logical conclu sion. Surely any rational mind must doubt

the truth of the statement that the Hudsonian theories are the favorites of Spiritualists, Anti-Spiritualists, clergymen of all denominations and from inference all scientists, when the church and science are opposing forces, Catholies and Protestants at variance in belief, creed and catechism: Protestants, each differing, one from another, and these combined with the Anti-Spiritualists all against Spiritualism. A wonderful book, this, to consistently meet the endorsement and favor of those widely amended conclusions, particularly Spiritualists, whose principal plank he throws overboard.

How can Dr. Hudson in his second book, or both combined, approach a scientific demonstration of the immortality of the soul, if he shuts out with his subjective theory, all communication with discarnate intelligences? Theories, with high sounding titles, we opine are a long way from true demonstrated unmistakable phenomena showing that the spirit survives the ordeal of death, with all faculties unimpaired. For fifty that he had traveled as a "spiritual years past this fact has been known to

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SPIRITUALIST CAMP-MEETING DIRECTORY.

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Onset Bay Camp, Mass., opens July 9 and closes August 27.

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Lake Helen, Florida.

The Southern Cassadaga, near Lake

Helen, Florida, commences Feb. 6, 1900,

and continues until March 21. J. Clegg

Wright, Carrie E. S. Twing, Mrs. L. Brewer and J. C. F. Grunbine are

Summerland, Cal.

The camp meeting of the Summerland

July 29 and close Aug. 27. For circulars and further particulars address the secretary, E. A. Kilby, Ottumwa, Iowa Grand Ledge, Mich. Commences July 21 and closes August

For full programme address M. 20. Phares, secretary, Grand Ledge,-Michigan. Indiana Camp.

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Box 63, for programmes.

Island Lake Camp. Mich.

commence Sunday, July 16, and close

Delphos, Kansas.

Aug. 11 and closes Aug. 28. We expec

Sunapee Lake, N. H.

Commences July 29, at Blodgett's

Landing, N. H., and ends August 26.

Catalpa Park, Liberal Mo.

Maple Dell Park, O.

· Vicksburg, Mich.

Lake Pleasant, Mass.

Summerland Beach, O.

Commences the first Sunday in Au-

tember. Any one can secure a pro-gramme by addressing J. F. Grove, 277 19th street, Columbus, Ohio.

.E. Summers announces a basket nic-

nic on the Fourth of July in Jefferson

Park, in the "old apple orchard," five

blocks from end of street-car lines con-

necting with Milwapkee avenue line.

The picnics will continue each Sunday

Jefferson Park

The Catalpa Park Camp-meeting of

, Lily Dale Camp. This favorite place of resort opens July 14 and closes August 27. For full particulars address the secretary, A. E. Gaston, Meadville, Pa. Lake Brady, O. Commences July 2 and continues until September 1. Anyone wanting a pro-gram can get it by writing to Mrs. C. C. Bacon. Lake Brady, via Kent Ohio.

Spiritualist Association, of which Prof J. S Loveland is president, will com me', ce the 27th of August. By coming with the S. P. R. R.'s excursion, August tary.

mong the engaged speakers.

"Yes, a wilderness-a wilderness of norance which we outgrow, but there's flowers!" no devil hiding here or 'going up and

"At that time I could not intrude to down seeking whom he may devour. ask the favor, but may I have a single Ha! ha! ha! ha! No, no. Instead of blossom now for memory?" devils waiting to torment me I found "If you wish; if you wish. An armful.

loving hands outstretched to me. It my good friend, if you wish. Good-bye." makes me think I was some one on earth. More seem to know me here

"Good-bye; good-bye. You'll come than knew me there. I find that I was again?" wrong in thinking death might be the

"I will; I will. And I'll be with my end, but I was right in saying there was dear ones even until death-even until no devil and no hell! The only thing re-sembling fire that I see here is a red death!

light which many carry to signify, they say, that some earth envy still remain which bearers must outgrow. All is advancement, higher, better, purer, here. No fear, no pain, no sorrow now."

"And you are happy?" "Content !-- Not happiness. Content- the deceased Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, ment is the word. We see and know on Friday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, July

now what is best, but we go back in 28, 1899, is strictly true in letter and spirit; that such of the names and places mentioned as are within his love to those we left. Mother! Mand! Ella, Brown, Clark, children, I am still with you!* Don't shed a tear for me. Don't mourn. Be glad. Act out your knowledge are absolutely correct, and, as for those beyond his knowledge he lives each in the same good way. I am not lost, but living, loving, as you loved believes them to be likewise literally true. JON TEMPLETON. true. Subscribed and sworn to this Saturme-faithful ever unto death! O, the day, July 29, A. D., 1899. depth of your devotion. I never realized how much it meant to know that [L. S.]

wife and children have been faithful unto death!' God!-ah, you will wonder that I use that word-I have not

seen, here, as on earth, I do not know, distinct, and, when asked to be rebut call him Supreme Being, the great peated, came Eva, Clarence, Granny Robie and also several names of col-ored servants; but they are uninportfather who provides for all his children. whose heart is filled with sympathy, whose name is Love!-Love, Kipdness, ant, and it is only just criticism to say Charity-O, dear ones, these are every-thing-the all of life, the comforter in that these, together with all the occur rences at Walston, might easily have death. Be kind to everyone, to everybeen gathered from private sources or thing. Charity is like a flower that the press reports at the time." sweetens all the air we breathe, and

love a mantle that enfolds you all and keeps and shelters you in every storm?" "But you?-what of yourself?"

the very voice of the dead, of the oc-"Say I find, I have found-peace! Don't weep for me, my little Maud. Is currences of fifteen years ago on the it not right that I, the husband, father, Pacific coast, and of more than forty head of the house, should be here to years ago in the state of Illinois, welcome you when you and mother which were entirely beyond the knowlcome. To show you to your rooms, as edge of any medium and positively, we would say, in your new home? Yes -yes-believe, we do not perish, but, in other forms, live on, just like that some will say, but many of the things 'endless chain' they used for charity. It is a beautiful, expanding and conrevealed were never in my mind and much, by reason of the lapse of time Better-better-betterhad faded from my memory .- New tinnous life! life!-INe!-life! Endless! Endless! York Star, August 6, 1899. Endless!

"You say it is a happier, better, endless life, but it is like the beaven we talk of here?"

"Heaven? No. No thrones or golden gates; ho sapphires, rubles, useless genus; no jewels, but eternal joy. A realm without a pain. I told some one that if the trusts and syndicates found out their golden and bespangled heaven they'd combine to monopolize the riches many laugh at the story, the Spiritualof the place and open up a trade with ists accept it, and say that it proves beearth. But this is beauty beyond earthyoud doubt that the Emperor is a Spirornament in everything, everything! itualist, or ,at least, that his story is a proof of the genuineness of Spiritual-No bric-a-brac, no gew-gaws, no Marie sm.-Chicago Inter Ocean. Antoinette or Louis' Le Grand chairs, no stools to stumble over; no, no no; not needed here: not needed here."

An interesting pamphlet by Wm. H. Burr. Price 15 cents. For sale at this "You see and know what passes upon earth?"

"Oh, yes, yes. It seems we don't office, ____

trumpet seance outside her own developing circle. His guide, Dr. Burkhart, took the trumpet and greeted the audience with a pleasant good 'evening to all. He was followed by Col. Roberts, a guide of Mrs. Schumen's, who introduced her in a strong, clear voice, as their new instrument for public work. Col Roberts then spoke a few words as to the pleasure it gave the spirif world to bring before them their new medium, and wished them all a kindly good-

night. This was followed by communications from friends of those present; all of them being able to identify themselves by means of names and by means of names and other tests. After about an hour spent in this manner. with an occasional song, the guides announced that the time had arrived for the great event of the evening-a flash-light picture. Plans had been laid by the spirit world to have a picture of a snirit form with the trumpet, standing by their medium. As the guides announced that all was ready, a match was lighted to touch the flash; those who were in a position to see, witnessed the beautiful sight of a materialized spirit holding the trumpet directly over Mrs. Schumen. Through a mistake in seating, Mrs. S's face was-completely hidden from view, but the upper part of the spirit form was visible in the picture. This picture was not considered a success, so there was a request to sit again on the evening of the 26th. This was a failure, no spirit form appearing on the plate, although the company spent a very pleasant hour talking with their spirit friends. On the 28th a third sitting was arranged for, and after the

communications with friends had closed, another picture was taken. As But, aside from this and from the althe light was struck, nearly every one most joyous revelation of a future life. what is important, unaccountable, if in the circle with surprise and delight, not miraculous, is the description, in saw a beautiful spirit form standing behind the medium, Mrs. S. holding the trumpet in her hand, with the small end to her mouth. The first circle was at-tended by 22 people beside the medium; the second by 13, and the third by 10 beside the mediums. These facts may be regarded by some as a fairy ale, but names of reliable people in this city can be furnished to corroborate these statements should any one take interest enough in the phenomena to desire them. K. D. DIETRICH. Grand Rapids, Mich.

Emperor a Spiritualist.

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vances in Spirit-life." "The Evolution of Man." Two papers, given in the in-terest of spiritual science, by Micnael Faraday. Price 15 cents. For sale at "Who Are These Spiritualists and

What is Spiritudlism?" A pamphlet of 40 pages by Dr. J. M. Peebles, the well-known author. ' Price 15 cents. For "Thomas Paine: Was He Junius?" ale at this chica

medium" with other fakes and deceived the people by palming off these tricks as the work of departed friends, and that, when he "reformed" and left them to expose the manifestations, he was threatened, had been assaulted. and carried scars as the result of these assaults upon his life.

He advertised to duplicate the work of any medium, and accordingly Mr. L. W. McClure, during the evening, submitted the following proposition in writing:

"Argos, Ind., July 28, 1890.-Prof. Hagaman:--I am young as an investi-gator of Spiritualism, and if I have been deceived and deluded, I am anxious to know it. I am in search of truth. and if the evidence of a future and con-tinuous life which I have received is worthless. I want to know it-want an explanation of the phenomena so that I may give no more thought or time to the subject. I want the truth, and every man should be honest in his investigation and analysis of so important a matter. For the satisfaction of myself and others, and the instruction of the public. I make the following "You are to select one or two honest,

honorable men, and I will do the same. With these parties we will proceed to a room which I have secured near by and seat ourselves at the table. I will ask one of my departed friends a question in writing, which you are not to see. On my own double slates, or those examined by the committee, between which may be placed a fragment of a slate pencil, the answer to my question is to be written and signed with the name of said departed friend, one end of the slate to be held by me from first to last.

"I will also ask another"question in writing, not to be seen by you, and between said slates will place a piece of blank paper, folded, and a fragment of lead pencil: then I am to hold one end of the slates as before while the answer to said question is answered and signed

The room to be well dighted, "You are also to produce the so-called "independent voices", issuing from the table or surrounding, space, and represented as the voices of our departed but invisible friends; said voices to answer questions propounded by me either mentally or in writing, and also pro-pounding questions to me in relation to affairs known only to me and the sup-posed departed friend.

"If the questions are answered to the satisfaction of myself and the com-mittee, and the "voices" with their an swers and questions are produced and explained satisfactorily, you are to explain the trick or manner by which such phenomena are produced so that I can repeat the same, for by so doing you will not only enlighten me but this entire community, and I will give you in addition the sum of ten dollars. I have obtained, together with others here present, in broad daylight, under the severest scrutiny, all that I ask you

to demonstrate and explain. "Respectfully submitted in the inter-L. W. McCLURE," The "Great Revealer of Spiritualistic

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millions of earnest investigators, scientists, lawyers, doctors, clergymen, men and women of brain and talent, keen experimentors, psychic research societies, imposing tests to prove the genuineness of the manifestations, precluding the possibility of deception; writing slates that the medium did not between see or touch, furnished by the investigator, paintings of portraits, landetc. in locked box, on canvas. scapes porcelain plates, and paper. Now let the suffective minds of Dr. Hudson, the Anti-Spiritualists, with their friends, come to the front and tell us how they do these things, give the names of authors signed to independent written communications, relating life experiences as do our spirit friends. In this way they can demonstrate the subjective theory, and if their objective is not conscions of the phenomena produced by the action of their unconscious subjectives-those of interested observers

will. They can then give others an opportunity to test the validity of the the orles, set forth in these books, as against the science and philosophy of Spiritualism, as interpreted by Spiritalists. Until then we will abide by all the truths of Spiritualism, so fully proven to the satisfaction of best deve oped minds in all civilized countries And to close, I will continue to think there is a sad mistake running through these books resulting from a mistaken C. H. HORINE.

Chicago, Ill.

THINGS THAT NEVER DIE.

The pure, the bright, the beautiful, That stirred our hearts in youth. The impulses to wordless prayer, The streams of love and truth;

The longings after something lost,

The striving after better hopes-These things can never die.

The timid hand stretched forth to aid A brother in his need; A kindly word in grief's dark hour

That proves a friend indeed;

The plea for mercy, softly breathed, When justice threatens high The sorrow of a contrite heart-These things shall never die.

The cruel and the bitter word, That wounded as it fell; The chilling want of sympathy We feel but never tell; The hard repulse that chills the heart,

Whose hopes were bounding high, In an unfaded record kept-

These things shall never die. Let nothing pass, for every hand

Must find some work to do; Lose not a chance to waken love-

Be firm, and just, and true; So shall a light that can not fade Beam on thee from on high,

And angel voices say to thee-These things shall never die.

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-Charles Dickens.

Sudden resolutions, like the sudden rise in the mercury in the barometer. indicate little else than the changcable ness of the weather.-Hara.

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Address W. H. Wilkins, Felchville, Vt., SOME OF HIS NOTED WORKS. . 2

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théreafter until September. For partic-ulars address Mrs. M. Summers, 1753

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The Connecticut Spiritualist campmeeting is held at Niantic Camp Grounds, Niantic, Conn., commencing June 26 and continuing until Septem

Milwaukee avenue, Chicago. Niantic, Conn.

Indiana Spiritualists, while in session at Camp Chesterfield, assert that Em-peror, Francis Joseph of. Austria is a Spiritualist, pure and simple. They re-fer to the cablegram stating that the spirit of his wife appeared to him and directed him to marry again. Although many laugh at the store, the Scienting

"Progression, or How a Spirit Adthis office.

... GENERAL SURVEY ... THE SPIRITUALISTIC FIELD-ITS WORKERS, DOINCS, ETC., THE WORLD OVER. WRITE PLAINLY, | come was cut off, and under the cir-

cumstances it was thought best to put the camp off until another season and We would like to impress upon the hold it at some other place."

That excellent medium, Mrs. Ada

E. C. Getsinger, the Detroit scientist,

Dr. J. C. Phillips, psychometrist and

and the largest attendance since the as-sociation was organized."

Will C. Hodge writes from Delphos,

prospect of a most successful camp."

les was the same as that of modern

mediums, namely, clairvoyance, clair

audience, and the gift of tongues. There

is not a single miraculous phenomenor in the Old Testament which is not the

church, that libel on Christianity, that

view of the Bible, not as infallible, but

S. E. Inman writes: "I received my

premium books, and wish to thank you

for them. I am perfectly delighted

with them. I have read the Next

World Interviewed through, and am

now reading it again, it is so fascinat-ing. I have read some in the Occult Life of Jesus, and that is grand."

The sixth annual camp-meeting of the

audience. The

with many changed opinions and

who has been traveling in the Orient for

valuable knowledge.

there was a splendid

minds of our correspondents that The Progressive Thinker is set up on a Linotype machine that must make Foye, writes: "I have been for the past speed equal to about four compositors. fourteen months pastor of the Progressive Spiritualists' Society, in Seattle, with excellent success, lecturing and closing with messages from our spirit that means rapid work, and it is essential that all copy, to insure insertion in e paper, all other requirements being fayorable, should be written with ink friends, to crowded audiences every on white paper, or with a typewriter, Sunday evening, and I am now called to and on only one side of the paper. If Denver for the fall and winter months." you are not a fairly good penman, please have your communications copied by some one who is, and oblige nearly a year, has returned to Detroit. The Progressive Thinker. Mich

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ITEMS-Bear in mind that items for the General Survey will in all cases be don, and in the course of his address he adjusted to the space we have to occusaid: "That Spiritualism is the religion py, and in order to do that they will of the Bible is demonstrated by the folgenerally have to be abridged more or or less; otherwise many items would be crowded out. Sometimes a -thirty-line ftem is cut down to ten lines, and ten lines to two lines, as occasion may re-quire. of the Bible is demonstrated by the 10¹ lowing: Angels appeared and conversed with men. This forms the heart and substance of scripture. The angels were the spirits of departed men. Prophets of olden days were the medi-ums of their time, were seers, were men of great psychic endowments. The work done by prophets and apos-tles was the same as that of medara

Every item sent to us for publication should contain the full name and address of the writer. We desire to know the source of every article or item that appears. This rule will be strictly ad-

result of Spiritualism, and Jesus was the culmination of this psychic power. Margaret U. R. Todd writes from Whitman, Mass.: "I have been a sub-scriber to The Progressive Thinker The church has lost this power because it has manufactured its ministers to or der, neglecting the special spiritual en from nearly its first number, and rejoice you have been allowed to stand at the dowments required. Every form of mihelm these many years, and with the raculous incident in the Old and New aid of the angel world met with such Testament is duplicated to-day. Do success. I feel proud to class myself as you doubt it? Come and see. Any honbelonging to so large a family of pro- est inquirer can in one month's time gressive thinkers. I have had much exprove this by investigation. No preced perfence with many of our best medi-ums; one of them an independent slate-much new truth, so hopeful an outlook writer. I am as sure of its truth as I The Spiritualistic view of the Bible has am that the sun rises in the east and the following advantages: It gives a sets in the west, notwithstanding what simple and consistent philosophy. It others may write or think to the concharges of injustice. It banishes vicatrary

W. L. Phares writes: "Reports from rious vice, and vicarlous virtue. At does Riverside Park assembly at Grand Ledge, Mich., indicate better conditions church, that libel on Christianity, blasphemy on the character of God, an there this season than ever before. The camp has a greater number who remain everlasting hell. It gives a rational for a term of days or weeks than here as containing sublime spiritual truths. tofore; of these visitors, a larger proportion are from a distance than in for-There are 300 different religious, each mer years. These unmistakable signs right, according to an infallible Bible of increased recognition and substanand the other 299 wrong. The Spiritutial growth are of course gratifying to alistic view of religion ennobles characthe association. The mediums are all ter by its sense of personal responsibildoing well, and workers generally speak in high praise of Grand Ledge. Dr. Peebles was on the grounds as speaker the fore part of the present ity. What ought we to do? We ought to investigate and accept the results. Let us love the truth, seek the truth, and live the truth."

Geo. W. Kircher, secretary, 1504 Van Buren street, Louisville, Ky., writes: "To all mediums coming to this city, or desiring to come here during the coming winter for a period of one month or more for an engagement at church: A correspondence is desired as soon as possible, as we open our new church, September 3."

Central Iowa Spiritualists' association Englewood Spiritual Society holds will be held at Marshalltown, Iowa, services at Hopkins' Hall, 528 W. 63d commencing Sept. 3 and continuing to Sept. 17. The speakers and lecturers street, every Sunday, Conference and

the street to get a paper, so here it is, sure enough, for proof positive that I was in Dallas Sunday night. This is not the first time I have been out." Mrs. J. W. Kenyon has the following engagements: Manchester, N. H., Sept.

24, Oct. 1 and 29, Nov. 5 and Jan, 7 and 14, 1000; Chelsea, Mass., Oct. 8, Nov. 12; Haverhill, Oct. 15 and 22, and April 8; Worcester, Mass, Nov. 19 and 26; Broc-ton, Dec. 31; Rochester, N. Y., February and March. She would be pleased to correspond with societies for December 3, 10, 17 and 24; for April 1, 15, 22

and 29; also all of May and June. Mrs. C. H. Mullins writes: "J. Earl Wright, plano forte teacher, who has been furnishing the music at our Sun-day meetings, has arranged a very nice programme for a musical entertain-ment to be given Saturday evening, the 26th of August, at Hygeia Hall, 404 Ogden avenue, for the benefit of the Freedom Society. The 27th will be our last meeting at that hall, but we hope to secure another hall and continue our meetings, as we have a goodly attendance, and feel very much encouraged to go on. The Wednesday meeting will be the 23d, at Mrs. Kepner's 285 War:

healer, writes from Clinton (Iowa) camp: "We are having the best camp ren avenue, at 2 p. m. Many strange faces are always present, and a great interest shown in the meetings," Kansas: "The camp opened with small Prof. W. F. Peck delivered an attendance on account of rain, but is quent address at the opening of Mt now rapidly filling up, and last evening leasant Park Camp meeting, at Clinton. Iowa. Mr. Peck is the president of workers, speakers and mediums are in that justly famous association, and is

doing all in his power to make the pres-ent season the most successful one in MRS. CLARA WATSON doing all in his power to make the prescomplete harmony, and there is every the history of the camp .- Banner of Rev. B. F. Austin is at present in Light. Manitoba. He lately lectured at Bran-

One of Her Characteristic Brother Newcomb writes: "I will here state that the little town of Tangent, Oregon, is perhaps the worst priest ridden place that can be found in United States. There are but four or five persons here who are willing to receive any light from a scientific source. I am re-minded of the words of the prophet who said that 'darkness covered the earth and gross darkness the people.' W. P. Williams, of Salem, Oregon, who'ls corresponding secretary of New Era Spiritual Society, passed through the place a few days ago on a bleycle. Mr. Will-iams informed the writer that he was formerly a minister of the gospel, and that his old friends whom he had befogged in former times when the 'blind was leading the blind,' had sent for him to assist them in clearing the mist and fog away. A preacher of very small caliber of this place was so vexed a short time ago because he was not invited to officiate at the funeral of a Spiritualist, that he preached a long sermon against the cult. Among other lies that he told in his long diatribe was that Spiritualists taught bad mor-als. I told him frankly that it was not so; that Spiritualists all taught that to mortals, just how God looks; whether he bears any resemblance to Yah-weh be happy we must live pure lives. Our preacher, like all other preachers and wise bishops who open their batteries against the harmonial teaching, 'admit that spirits do return; but they tell us

they are evil spirits," Secretary writes: "The services at the First Spiritual Church of the South Side, 77 Thirty-first street, grow more interesting each Sunday. Mr. Perkin has been joined by his wife, and their work together on the rostrum arouses enthuslasm. The keynote of their combined efforts is earnestness, and an endeavor to convey to their hearers practical teachings of how to think and live right. He gives psychometric and astrological readings from birth dates written on paper. They are graphic, terse and well illustrated by fund of wit and humor. The recipient invariably finds he has learned something of benefit in understanding his or her character. Mrs. Perkins gives tests and messages of a convincing character both as to the subject matter voiced, and the manner in which it is presented through her organism She sometimes stands with her back turned to the audience, becomes deeply entranced and gives a reading from the sound of the voice of some one saying 'ready' in the audience. Ten or a dozen receiving names and messages last Sun-day night in this manner, signified

tofore had. Mr. Emerson is engaged to speak to our society September 24 and October 15. Miss Lizzie Harlow we expect will be with us a few days between Sundays during the autumn. Other mediums will be invited to come among us pand help on our work; we propose to have a first-class speaker at least once a month in the future.

Musical entertainment for the benefit of Freedom Society at Hygia Hall, 404 Ogden avenue, Saturday, August 26, at 8 p. m. sharp. Admission 25 cents.

Correspondent" writes: "The season has closed at Central New York Camp although we are to hold meetings in our mammoth tent every Sunday, morning and afternoon, during the month. rostrum will be occupied by J. C. M. Grumbine on the 20th and by S. Augusta Arinsfrong on the 27th. The speakers and mediums who have been with us were all well received, es-pecially Mr. W. J. Colville' and Mr. G. V. Cordingly, decided opposites, yet liked by all. Mr. Cordingly's tests were as convincing as any we have ever heard from the public platform, he be ing a perfect stranger in this part of the country. Our brother has brought com-fort and hope to many. Our presiding officer, Mrs. Armstroug, has been untiring in her effort to make all feel welcome, and that this is the camp all Central New Yorkers should help support. Long live the C. N. Y. S. C."

Talks.

There are many amusing things that

occur in this toilsome, hum-drum world

of ours, and amusing things creep into

Spiritualism, and Spiritualists some-

times play amusing pranks and make

One of these latter is, that some one

our present Moses with his Bible will

be compelled, I suspect, to take a back

Another funny discovery is, that a

medium somewhere, writing to a Spirit-

ualist paper (not The Progressive

Thinker) has discovered that Robert G Ingersoll has found "God."

And it is to be hoped that after friend

Robert has found an avenue through

which to, reach his home dear ones

which, it is said he is seeking, let him

do this first, then we hope he will find

a way to communicate to us expectant

amusing discoveries.

with her shout the shouting and 1 hundred at the hat closing each lecture will read of a marker in Dail build state. Slie work was face have for was down there last night to beyond estimate, and the result is our historic and conservative old town is awakened to the value and importance of a better religion than we have here to get a paper, so here it is, sure enough, for proof positive that the that is our formed at the proof of a better religion than we have here to get a paper, so here it is, sure enough, for proof positive that the that is our formed at the result is our formed at a better religion than we have here to get a paper, so here it is, sure enough to prove that the the struct of the position than we have here to be a better religion than we have here to be a better religion than we have here to be a better religion than we have here to be a paper.

friends."

voice speaking to me, and looking up I

and guardianship of my good spirit

THE TWO WORLDS, MAN-

A MATERIAL GHOST.

was the Devil; so I then spoke to it in

peated several times, but it took no ef-

Then I set my mind to work, trying

They told me that when anyone sees a

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and, thinking it was the steward come LIGHT, LONDON, ENG. to look at my ticket, I put my hand in my pocket to get it out, when I heard a

THEREMARKABLE EXPERIENCES OF DR. BERNHARD CYRIAX.

recognized my spirit guide, 'Hans Alex-ander,' who, shaking his finger at me, On April 27, 1896, at Fridenau, near reproached me with my want of cour-Berlin, died Dr. Bernhard Cyrlax, in his seventy-fourth year. He was one of the ploneers of Medern Spiritualism, and age, and reminded me that they had never advised me to do anything but what was right, or promised me anydevoted all his energies and talents to the propagation of Spiritualism among thing they had not performed. He hade Germans in every country. His experi-ences in this career were so extraordi-nary, as related in his work, "How I me be of good courage, and said that all would turn out well, and then several times passed his hand across my fore-Became a Spiritualist," that we will head. when all my anxiety vanished, and I went forward to my destiny give the following extracts: cheerfully, confiding in the intentions

"In the year 1853, when I was staving in the town of Baltimore, one Sunday evening I heard an address delivered by a quendam Catholic priest, in the Hall of Concord, on 'Spirits and Spirit Teachings,' and the marvels which, according to his belief, spirits were able to accomplish on earth. I remarked that the man spoke as if under some powerful influence, but the ideas he gave utterance to were, to me, so extravagant

In the autumn of 1892 I was living at and absurd that the strong impression a place called Pwlldu, near Blaenavon, made upon me by his appearance and Mon. The house was one of those oldthe peculiar style of his address was ob- fashioned places with one large bedliterated. He said that the spirits had room, entered by means of a ladder selected him to reform the whole world. leading through a square hole cut in the and that they had written some volfloor. umes through his hand, in which the

Pope and the Emperor of Austria were the unpleasant experience I am about commanded to give up their power into to record. commanded to give up then power into his-the quondam monk's-hands, and that then the true Christian religion, evening, and returning home about 11 o'clock, found all the rest of the family o'clock, found all the rest of the family that is, Spiritualism, would be spread over the whole earth. It would be im-possible that this should not come to pass, for hundreds of thousands of spirhad retired for the night. 1, too, soon made my way to bed, but not feeling inclined to sleep, and it being a nice moon-light night, I lay there looking about erything before him, etc. As was to be expected, such an address called forth was drawn to the square hole at the great merriment, as well as hissing and top of the ladder, by which, as I have insults; but the matter seemed to me said, we had to enter the room in which too serious for joking; I pitied the man, I slept. There was someone coming up, and spoke a few words afterwards, in for I could hear talking, but could not which I begged him in his own interest | understand anything that was said at to give up such mad ideas, which only first.

One of these latter is, that some one at the Anderson (Ind.) camp has discov. ered that Mrs. Mary Ellen Lease is the "Moses" to "lead Spiritualism to a high "Moses" to "lead Spiritualism to a high "place of respect." If this be true, then place of respect." with his Bible will you will not allow a man to assert what | there, he will never come there again." he believes to be true: but you will live This rather frightened me, for I realto repent this, for my spirit guides have ized that it was no ordinary human bejust told me that before a year has ing, but must be someone from the passed you will be standing where 1 world of spirits who could come there now am, and from this same platform will acknowledge the truth of these facts. Yes, you will be yourself a Spirin that manner, so I turned over toward my brother, who lay fast asleep, and hid my face against his shoulder. This, however, made no difference, for the next thing I knew was that a hand itualist before the end of a year, and then in this very hall you will be exwas placed upon my shoulder, and I posed to contempt and insult."

"I naturally laughed at this prophecy was made to roll to and fro from one was frage to foil to and fit from one side to the other. I soon found that I was drawing near the side of the bed, and that my strange visitor was likely to accomplish its purpose of getting me for I felt myself quite proof against any spirit control, and this I told the aposthe of the new gospel, when, in a priv ate conversation with him, he repeated "from there," and in my fright I began to think it was the Devil who had got

and what kind of a reception God gave him to his immortal courts. his prediction.". Several circumstances induced Dr It has not been my fortune to journey festations more pearly, in order, as he publicly declared, to "discover and ex-pose the whole between ". But in course Cyriax to examine into spiritual manihold of me. Presently my fear grew less, and I from camp, to camp as do some, but it been my privilege and pleasure to opened my eyes to see what it was, but whole humbug." But in consevisit the fairest of them all (to me), that of fair Lily, Dale., And all is not sedate and serious at that bright spot. could not make much of it when I had ose th quence of these close and exhaustive in-Amusing, things, are there said and done, and as Brother Hull has told the quiries, he not only became convinced peared like a human face, only a dark, of the truth of Spiritualism, but, at first readers of The Progressive Thinker of quite against his will, he himself being, which confirmed my belief that in came developed as a remarkable medimy work there, it may be only courtthese words, "You are the Devil; what do you want here?" This sentence I reum, and afterwards made public the reeous for me to return the kindness and sults of his experiments. He says in tell of his work there. Mr. Hull himhis book:

self stated the fact that he talked Bible, and no one was surprised thereat; but 'he did not speak of the "text" from which he discoursed. He speaks of the fect, for the mysterious visitant kept "Naturally I did not hide my light under a bushel, but avowed my conviction on rolling me to and fro. of the truth of spiritual phenomena everywhere; and I likewise delivered an interest with which the audience and to formulate some plan for getting rid myself listened to his discourses, but address in the Hall of Concord on Spirof my unwelcome visitor, and presently people sometimes listen out of courtesy itualism; but this was so ill received I thought of what I had often heard that one of the members tried to pre-vent my finishing it. There was a regpeople say-people who believe " in rather than from deep interest, which i no doubt the way the good brother lis ghosts. ular uproar about it, for and against, tened to my efforts, for I had no Bible but at last those who declared that it ghost they should address it' in the and his interest could - not have been name of the Lord. So I tried it in this great. But really, I am proud of the compliment he paid me when he said: was a perfect shame in this 'enlightened' nineteenth century to have to lisinstance, and summing up courage, 1 "Mrs. W. is a growing woman." I think a higher compliment is implied in ten to such rubbish were victorious, and booked up at it and said, "In the name I had to leave off my address. "My hearers will remember how in those words than was intended by the

knowledged conversion to the so-called

diumship:

of the Lord, what do you want?" I found that the hold upon my shoulthis same Hall of Concord, a monk had der was less firm, and the rolling less prophesied that ere a year had passed I rapid, and on repeating the sentence should be standing as an advocate of the hand was taken off, the rolling Spiritualism on the same platform from which he had been hooted, and meet with a fate similar to that which I had meted to him, which prediction was ful-

A MYSTERIOUS POWER.

Medicine Has Done More to Ruin the Human Constitution Thau Has All Epidemics Known to History.

EpideInics Auown to Anstory. Life is a shadowy, strange and winding road, on which we travel for a little way-a few short stepsi-tion of the shadowy and the state of the state where we hay down our bur-due for eterrity. Our Maker the shadow our bur-due for eterrity. Our Maker to be lited with pain. our builts make and a state of the short space to be lited with the tor-tures of disease. If our little pains and aches were dis-pains and aches were dis-out the samehice of health. By the method which he has cured thousands from diseases thought how the assumehice of health. By the method which he hassent iteration work in bringing the afflicted who is a simehice of health. By the method which he hassent iteration work in bringing the afflicted why was afflicted with kidney and brief of Nevada, was afflicted with kidney and brief of Nevada, was afflicted with kidney and brief down by the Son of God. Hon, the precess hay or of Nevada, was afflicted with kidney and brief in the heart reaction of the wond, heart and brief and was entirely restored by Prof. Weitmer fin atomak theole down of the wond, heart and brief and was entirely restored by Prof. Weitmer fin a month without ever seeing heart. In like manner the absent like of the most reacted by Prof. Weitmer fin a month without ever seeing heart. In like manner the absent heart of the word by Prof. Weitmer fin a month without ever seeing heart. In like manner the absent heart of the most reacted by Prof. Weitmer fin a month without ever seeing heart. In like manner the absent heart of the most reacted by Prof. Weitmer fin a month without ever seeing heart. In like manner the absent heart of the most reacted by Prof. Weitmer fin a nong was defined the most reacted by root. W

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pamphlet with full directions for the Formation of Circles and Cultivation of Mediumship with every fastrument. Many who were the aware of their mediumsic sift, have, after z few fittings, been shie to receive delightful messages at volume been shie to receive delightful messages at volume intelligence controlling it knew more than hem-intelligence controlling it knew more than hem-solves and became converts to Spiritualism. Solves and became converts to Spiritualism. Solves are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss-grown in the other mother." Dr. Eugene Crowell, whose writings have made his name familiar to those interested in psychic maiters, writes as follows: "I am much principle and construc-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensitive to spir-tion, and 1 am sure much to far more sensit Securely packed, and sent postage paid from

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tests at 2:30 p. m. Lecture at 7:20 p. m. who have been engaged are: Mrs. Ma-by Mrs. Jean Orr Weber. Seats free. All welcome All welcome. At its annual meeting the Indiana C. Buren, of Waterloo, and Mrs. Carrie

Spiritual Association, in session at its Fuller Weatherford. The platform test camp ground, near Chesterfield, elected the following new officers: President, Peter Millspaugh, of Anderson; vice. president, Thomas O'Nell, of Indianap. olis, and L. W. Crawford, of Yorktown secretary, Miss Flora Hardin, of Wabash; treasurer. Fred J. McComber. of Anderson; trustees. George H. Runyan, of Muncle, and James Millspaugh, of Anderson. Receipts for the year ending August 4 were \$2,400.23, and expenses \$1.233.22. Balance on hand, \$1,160.01. Received from the Wester-

field estate, \$1,200.

Heid estate, \$1,200. H. B. Dame writes: "The First Spir-itualist Society of Isabella and Gratiot counties, Micb., organized two years ago with forty-two charter members, is still prospering. Dr. A. B. Spinney, of Reed City, gave them a fine lecture on Elm street; also gives private readings. the 18th of June and also on August 2. The Sunday evening after the demise together with Dr. W. O. Knowles, of Grand Rapids, who is a fine test me

Lora Holton writes "The Independen Universal Church will not hold service until October 1. I hold circles every Wednesday and Thursday evening at 6111 Peoria street. I am reaching out among many new investigators, with very good success."

Moses Hull was to have gone to the Kansas Southern camp-meeting, but a hitch in getting the grounds expected has caused the camp to fall through for the present year. This gives him the ndays, September 10, 17, and 24, with the intervening days with nothing to do.

Those in need of his services will take notice. He has no vacant Sundays after these until the next camp-meeting

Ella M. Pitkins writes: "The Band of Harmony will give a progressive euchre party in Parlor 608. No. 40 Randolph street, Thursday evening, August 31, at 8 o'clock. Six prizes will be awarded. Other table games will be provided for the anuscement of those who do not in-dulge in cards. A good attendance is hoped for. Admission 25 cents."

Ella M. Johnson writes: "The. Kensington Truth Scekers will hold a grove meeting, Sunday, August 27, in the grove on 119th street and Shurtliff avenue. Come one and all. Let us get acquainted and help further the cause, as there is a good chance for a good work to be done. Take West Pullman Calu-met electric cars to 119th street- and Shuriliff avenue. Grove on south side of 119th street."

Leota D. Whartenby writes from Cedar Vale, Kansas: "The Island Park camp-meeting at Winfield, Kansas, has been given up for this season on account of Mr. Popplewell, the Christian minister who was to hold the discussion with Moses Hull, cancelling his engage-ment with us. The Winfield council had refused to let us charge admission to the park, but had permitted us to down there in splitt last night and charge admission to the auditorium heard the pistol shots.' I also told Mrs. during the debate. So when the debate. Rentzler. of 3115 South Grand avenue, was declared off our only source of in- St. Louis, and a lady friend who was

many and a later and

mediums to be present are Max Hoff-man, Mrs. Eva McCoy, Mrs. Marian Carpenter, Mrs. Maggie Waite, Mrs. Clara Ferris, Mrs. Alice Gerdis, Essie Wentherford, Basilies theoretis, Essie Weatherford. Besides these the followday.' ing independent slate-writing mediums will attend: Max Hoffman, Gus Norman, C. E. Winans, Mrs. Allce Buchan-an, and Mrs. Clara Farris, magnetic healer. There will be given improvised songs with instrumental accompaniments from subjects presented by the

audience. A. C. Priest writes from Toronto. Canada: "Mrs. A. C. Priest has discon-Canada: "Mrs. A. C. Priest has discon-tinued her public meetings in Harmony Hall, Forum Building, Toronto, Can., for the present, but holds circles Tues-days and Wednesdays, 7:30 p. m., at 68 of Colonel Ingersoll a control sang through her, eulogizing Mr. Ingersoll's life-work, and after this control fin-ished, one of her (the medium's) maiu guides took control and explained the

message to the audience, and they were advised to be on the alert and watch, and they would soon hear from Mr. In gersoll from spirit life, and your next issue gave the account of his message through Mrs. Richmond."

We are glad to learn that Lyman C. Howe has greatly improved in health. He writes: "My health-has been much better for several months, and I am in better shape to do acceptable work on the platform than for several years. But just now I am wrestling with an epidemic that floors a good many and olds them down for a week or two. I think the impression has got out that I am on the invalid list and not able to fill engagements, for I have no calls for work-not a single engagement for fall and winter months, and as this is an inprecedented condition I infer that it is due to the fact that I have been known to be out of health the past year, and I am regarded as a 'dead duck.' But I am a lively corpse; and expect to work for human liberty, and education, and spiritualization ten years yet before: I graduate. Yours for Spiritualism unadulterated, without any pre-

fix or suffix to limit its cosmopolitan scope," Mr. Howe should be kept constantly employed now that his health has returned. He is one of our ablest workers, eloquent and logical. Address him at Fredonia, N. Y.

A. L. Drumm writes from St., Louis, Mo.: "Enclosed please find'item on second page of the St. Louis Post Dispatch headed 'Shot It Out.' The reason I send it is I was down there in Spirit Sunday night at the time of the shootme at Alaska, Mich.

their recognition and acceptance of the same. It is an unusual method and so different in operation as to leave no doubt of its being genuine spirit communication. Everybody interested in our philosophy should come and hear them. They have something toriginal, and a change of programme each Sun-W. E. Bonney writes: "I have an en-

gagement to speak at the Patriots of America Camp-meeting, at Riverton, Iowa, August 22 to-26 .- From there I expect to go to Marshalltown Camp, and hope to meet many old friends there. I have recently been engaged at Lincoln Camp, Franklin Camp, and have also uone some work at Red Cloud, and Beatrice, Neb., since the camps closed: Mrs. Bonney has been working with me, giving lectures and also psychometric readings. We shall be glad to hear from societies desiring speakers for the winter months. Write us at Blair, Neb., until September 1, after which address us at Marshalltown Camp, Iowa, for the camp season."

Geo. F. Perkins writes: "I do not think there is sufficient credit accorded societies and executive committees of the same for their continued sacrifices and loyalty to principles, as is often manifested in the support and encouragement generously given to speakers

and mediums who speak from their platforms. The First Spiritualist Church, 77 Thirty-first street, of which Mr. Druliner is its efficient president, is one of the societies that should receive praise for courtesy and generous support to true workers. All the officers are grand, whole souled people, and they do just as they agree. Any speaker or medium who reports otherwise is probably one who has not been honest in work. I wish we had more Druliners as presidents. Mrs. Perkins and myself had excellent success in giving spirit communications from his platform last Sunday. We will receive appointments from any society that desires ability, talent and spiritual gifts to be given to their audiences. Address 98 Thirtieth

street, Chicago." Rev. J. O. M. Hewitt, of Chicago, has been engaged by the Society of Spirit-ualists of Columbus, Ohio, to serve as speaker, commencing his labors there anew the first of September. The Spir-Itualists of Columbus are to be congratulated on acquiring the services of so able and efficient a worker.

Carrie F. Weatherford writes: "Dur-

ing part of my stay at Lake Brady, Dr. C. H. Figuers followed my lectures. with tests which were unusually satis-factory. I go to Cleveland for Novem-ber. Have some dates for fall unfilled. Will answer calls to attend funerals, Write or telephone ((Citizens' Phone)

me at Alaska, Mich. W. O. Barrett writes from Man-chester, N. H.: "We have at the present time more than a hundred more or less interested in the cause of Spiritualism. Edgar W. Emerson, of Manchester, spoke afternoon and evening, June. 24,

plies, keeping up with the progress of the thought of the times. It means get-ting out of the ruts of medieval dark-ness. It means getting out from under the thumb of priests and preachers; it means dropping the rubbish of senseless teaching; it means letting go your hold upon tradition and myth; it means getting out from under the authority of priest-made Bibles, creeds and commandiments; it means living in the pres ent and not in the past; it means laving aside fear of, and cringing to, would-be superiors.

writer. To be a growing person im-

To be a growing woman means as serting one's own rights, and seeking to maintain them; it means breathing the air of mental liberty and spiritual freedom; it means striving to adorn the character with high moral attributes, and seeking to build 'a strong and healthy physical structure as a basis therefor. In a word, to be a growing woman means much. But what of Mr. Hull's Sunday text?

It was a good one, and the humorous part of it was that the speaker did not seem to grasp the force of the idea embodied therein sufficiently to apply it in practice. Here is the text, found some where in Holy Writ: "Leaving the principles_of the doctrines of Jesus Christ

let us go on," etc. Now this counsel, according to the record, was given just a little while af-ter the time of the reputed Jesus, and here is "Our Moses" after near two. thousand years, clinging to the old musty record, relterating up and down through the land the old sayings and doctrines that everybody has heard at least several millions of times. But really, after the good brother dropped the Bible (as he did the latter part ofhis address) and opened up the great book of Nature, his discourse was interesting, and it turned out better than many thought when he came forth hug ging the mass of corruption under the name Biblei: And' sometime, possibly, Mr. Hull will sufficiently develop the "growing" qualities, to no longer need the old doctrines and teachings, but

leave them in the fear, and climb on up toward perfection. But it is hoped that the brother will not deceive himself regarding my ideas of the Bible. Thave not changed them in the least. The "aberration" of my mind upon the subject continues. My Spiritualism is not being carried by the Bible

No sacerdotal old monks on sensual priests have compiled my Spiritualism. prefer it incontaminated with the rust and roff ages.

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meted to him, which prediction was ful-LIGHT OF THE EAST, CALfilled to the letter My publicly ac-CULTA, INDIA.

'spirit-rapping' drew upon me universal obloquy; I saw myself avoided in so-Whether material or spiritual, true clety, deserted by my old friends, and I tasted for the first time the bitter cup progress depends on culture; intellect cultivated produces the wonderful diswhich those must drain who have cour-age enough to swim against the stream, coveries which the scientific improve-ment of the present day witnesses as a and to advocate an unpopular cause." living fact. Intuition developed, gives He thus writes about the wonderful birth to supersensual discoveries which development of his materialization meare still more wonderful and which the

psychical and spiritual improvements "The way in which these manifestaof the past have witnessed in.all their tions proceeded was always the same; bearings and left them on record for the use of the posterity. The former needs no guidance to conas soon as I had extinguished my gas and got into bed, there appeared in a vince the public, as well as its workings

corner of the room a luminous cloud, which became condensed till it seemed are within the scope of human knowlto form a sort of gateway leading into edge but the latter has a home beyond another room. Out of this cloudy enthe physical senses, and therefore its trance issued the figures, who advanced towards me, sat down by the side of my workings are appreciable only by minds that are abnormally developed. But India, the sacred home of the an bed or on a chair, appearing just like persons of flesh and blood, conversed cient Aryans; has seen both sides of the with me in their own language and diapicture; before the dawn and advent of lect, and showed all the peculiarities civilization-in many a now well-known they possessed in life. My little dog country in the world India has witsoon became so accustomed to this state nessed a material civilization the ancient relics of which still bear testi-mony to the stupendous and as yet unof things that he sprang upon the bed as soon as he saw I was undressed, and there he crouched, looking at the corner paralleled glory of her ancient sons from which he expected the forms to while in psychology, metaphysics and spiritual philosophy, both theoretical appear. If a figure issued from the and practical, it has been the cradle for mist that he had seen before, he would go to the edge of the bed, shake his tail, all the nations in the world whether an clent or modern. The philologists and and greet it, just as he would do to a mortal, only he seemed afraid of their touching him, and if one tried to stroke oriental scholars of the present day may endorse any theory they like, but a time will come as it appears fast approach-ing-when science shall have to admit him he would tremble and draw back; but as soon as the hand of the spirit was withdrawn he shook himself twice unconditionally the greatness and an or thrice and then sat down, observing tiquity of India's scientific-spiritual his speech and gestures just as he used. philosophy. There is no boast in this as to those of my earthly friends. But if the fact is there, only the shallow-mindthere came figures lie had not seen beedness of the present age would not alfore he would sit quietly at the foot of low people to see beneath the apparent ly torn and clumsy garb of Hindu philthe bed, without any sign .of recognition, even sometimes growling and osophy. To them it appears that the Seven Darshanas (including Vhaktidar-shan) of the ancient Hindus are so many inconsistent philosophies that barking till he became used to them, when he would welcome them as he did

The materialization Dr. Cyriax -withave their different goals and different places of destination, but before the lessed on board the steamboat when he eyes of a deep observer this difference left New York in 1881, was a most relisappears and the object becomes very markable one. He sailed from New clear as the final goal of human life. York for Germany at the desire of his

spirit guides, in order to found the "Neue Spiritualistische Blatter," which he edited successfully till his denth in 1896. His account is as follows:

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spirit guides, given up my whole inte in from \$1.75 to \$1.25 per volume. Lots America, the country in which I had age 12 cents. passed thirty-eight years, in order to running the mission they had imposed upon me years before, viz., that of Koenigsberg. A scholarly and appreci-spreading the truths of Spiritualism in ative historical review of the prophets Germany; I questioned whether I had of Israel and their works. For sale done right in complying with their wishes, and, as I said before, I was feel-ing very sad and anxious. Suddenly someone tapped me on the shoulder, family. Cloth, \$1.50 and \$2.

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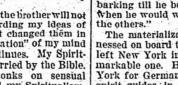
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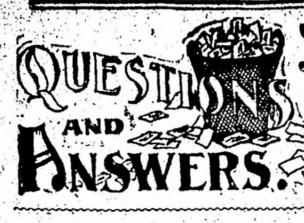
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H. J. H., Washington: Q. What is the future of the Catholic Roman Church. Will it modify its vital elements to meet the demands of growing universal intelligence?

A. The priesthood of the Roman Catholic church bows gracefully to the public sentiment in the United States, and professes to admire its institutions. The policy of that church has always been to submit to conditions it could not change, and bide its time. It never loses sight of its purpose, nor

and those gathered around him were the executioners of avenging fate. (2) The Constitution carefully excludes the words religion and God, and even does not require the president to subscribe by his oath to any belief. The government of the United States is not a Christian government, although the people may be Christian.

P. M. H. and J. G. Rago, Kansas: Q. Do you recommend Prof. Herridon's Lessons in Hypnotism, and what is the best work on that subject?

A. Those who wish to gain a knowl edge of hypnotism or animal magnetism, may do so from books as readily as from lessons and at a much less cost. How to Magnetize. by James-Victor Wilson. Price 25 cents; Hypnotism, by

Carl Sextus. -Price, \$2, contain all that any course of lessons can give. to sleep and when I wake up, the audience tell me the lecture was interesting, ----: Q. What is the condition and that's all I know about it."

called to do so, takes his own life? A. In general expression, the suicide awakes in spirit life with regrets. According to the duties they have left, and

the burdens they have by death imposed on others, this feeling is intense. The cause of the insanity would not modify this feeling.

O. G. Richards: Q. (1) Is it not possible for spirits to locate Prof. Andree, dead or alive?

(2) Is it possible for spirits to visit Mars, and tell us whether it is inhabited, or any other fact about that planet? A. (1) It would be possible.

(2) Distance does not absolutely confine spirits and they are able to visit other planets, and make observations. In a preceding answer this point was discussed and it was shown that the conditions on all the planets were such as to render the existence of beings such as we can have any conception of, or such as exist on the earth, im-

possible. Mrs. Houghton-Chaapel, M. D.: Q. Sir Everard Digby was beheaded in 1606. It was the custom in England at that time for the executioner to cut out the heart of the poor victim. In this case he exclaimed as he removed the organ, "This is the heart of a traitor." The head lay a foot distant on the scaffold; at these words the mouth opened and the words, "That is a lie,"

THE PROGRESSIVELTHINKER

Mt. Pleasant Park Camp.

The attendance upows out beautiful Mrs. Carrie Weatherford in her last grounds continues to increase as the lecture here explained her phase of medays go by. Saturday and Sunday it diumship. Said she: "I am an open-eyed reached almost to theightfits of our actrance medium. The subjects for my commodations and thei Sunday audilectures are always given me by, my ences were the largest in years. audience. I never composed but three President Peck delivered the morning lectures in my life and those I'read to

Lake Brady Camp, O.

Mr. C. H. Figuers, of Cleveland, gave

tests after the lecture. Mr. Figuers said

to Mrs. Weatherford: "As a rule I don't

like to give tests to those on the plat-

form, but Nina J. Wickham, of Findlay,

O., is here and wants to thank you for

the beautiful thoughts you expressed at

her funeral services." Mrs. Weather-

ford had almost forgotten the incident.

of Cleveland, gave a seance here last

evening, the last for this season we un-

derstand, as the lady left this morning

for Summerland Beach. The seance

was given under strict test conditions.

The writer was permitted to examine

the cabinet, in around the wood work,

under the carpet, and even the curtains

were shaken and beaten, but not a

scrap of anything white was to be

found. After the cabinet was closed, a

lady who is a pronounced skeptic, was

called in, before whom Mrs. McCoy dis-

robed and each article of clothing sub-

mitted to a thorough examination. At

the close the lady announced that the

medium was clothed entirely in black.

The lights were then lowered and all

joined in singing. In a few minutes a

tall form appeared, robed in fleecy

white with long flowing sleeves. Mr.

Harvey Chase of Cleveland, and man-

ager of the circle, introduced her as

Minnie, one of the cabinet spirits. He

held her hand "to give her strength,"

but she disappeared in a minute inside

A very small form next appeared

a gypsy fortune-teller. She allowed

each one present to pull her hair to see

The last spirit to manifest was that of

an exceedingly tall one who announced

himself as Captain Smith, an old lake

captain. He was clothed in black with

a white shirt bosom, his hair and beard

gruff voice and laughed loud and heart-

Haslett Park Camp, Mich.

August 12 was memorial day. Our

exercises opened with that old song,

"Nearer, My God. to Thee," then the

chairman spoke on what home and

mother has always been to him and the

love of a home through his travels of

life, also the beauties of this knowledge

of a life hereafter, then came the read-

ing of names of those who have depart-

white pond lily, an emblem of purity on

the passing away of the infant son of

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that it would not come off.

the cabinet.

Mrs. McCoy, a materializing medium

discourse upon the subject of "Hindoomy audience from manuscript. When I ism, Theosophy, Spirithalism." The lecbegin a lecture I never know whether ture was a most instructive and interthe sentences I am forming will be inesting one and an unanswerable argutelligible or a mere jumble of words and ment in favor of the superiority of Spir-I often wonder how they will end. I itualism to all other cults. a The comnever notice my surroundings except parison of Theosophyaand Spiritualism when anything funny occurs, such as a was especially, enjoyed and his logical man's eyes closing and his mouth openand cutting criticism of the Theosoing wider and wider and finally emitphists' astral shells, body of desires ting a snore, then I, standing beside my and "spooks" as explanatory of spirit body, laugh. You cannot see me laughmanifestations was received with ening, for I am not in my body but standthuslastic applause. ing beside it. Gradually I seem to go

Geo. P. Colby spoke in the afternoon, under the control of the "German doctor," and gave an interesting discourse upon the influence of Spiritualism upon the moral, intellectual and material life. of man. Mr. Colby's work here has made him many friends, and his guides are regarded with great favor, especially the Indian sage and philosopher, Seneca, who spoke on one occasion for an hour dropping pearls of wit and wisdom in one continual flow.

At 4 p. m., Mrs. Georgia Cooley gave a test seance to a large crowd. Before introducing her to the audience the chairman on hehalf of a number of her friends, surprised her with an immense and magnificent bouquet, in response to which Mrs. Cooley spoke feelingly her thanks.

In the evening a materializing seance through the mediumship of Mrs. Tripp was held in the pavilion and was at tended by over two hundred people. Those who occupied front seats and those who were called to the cabinet pronounced the seance a success, while those who occupied rear seats and gazed into the gloom, seeing nothing, were quite of the opposite opinion. However genuine the manifestations may be, the public materializing seance is seldom or never a satisfactory suc-

Mrs. Maggie Walte has closed her present engagement, giving six seances that were unqualifiedly successful. She is a wonderful medium.

Mrs. Carrie Twing will arrive about the middle of the week, and C. Fannie Allyn, on Saturday, and so a feast of good things is yet awaiting us.

PSYCHIC SCIENCE. An Appeal for Careful In-

vestigation.

I have been reading with increasing interest the articles from Charles Dawbarn, the California philosopher. The first one I considered a very extreme view of the subject in question. The great discrepancies of the different accounts by different mediums in giving descriptions of the same thing have been observed by all earnest investigators. The disrepute in which Spiritualism is held by many is due to this fact. We want to know the truth at any cost, even if some of our pet theories do fail. What I want to see is all kinds and classes of spiritual phenomena examined and the laws which govern them reduced to a science. I hope very many of our bright minds

will take hold of this subject in a scientific manner, as Professor Hyslop'is doing.

I should like to see societies formed for the study of mental science, psychology and occult science. I believe patient research in this field would eventually be rewarded by the discovery of the to us, as yet, unknown laws that govern all psychic phenomena. The great mass of Spiritualists are not developed up to the point where they are interested in these deep things of nature. They are satisfied with the messages received from friends passed on, and are content with general results.

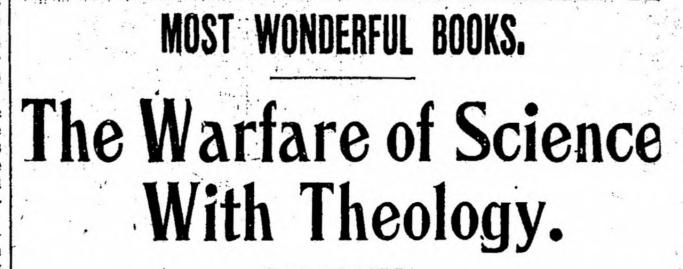
There is no question that the teachings of the wise and good spirits are an uplift to humanity, teaching brotherly love, charity, equality, and above all that everyone has a right to his own opinion and a right to express it, too. Each individual must think for himself and it is necessary, to get at the truth of a subject, that it be viewed from all sides.

I think F. M. Schnarrenberger, in The Progressive Thinker of July 22, has let in a flood of light on the subject of vibration. We have been taught by our guides that a medium passing under control was keyed up something in the same manner as a musical instrument, to vibrate in harmony with the spirit controlling.

This whole subject is intensely interesting to anyone interested in scientific investigation.

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abates its determination to take advantage of the first opportunity promising success.

A tyrant itself, it has been the prop of tyranny and the supporter of kingcraft. It has despised the rule of the people, and repeated that they had no right to govern themselves. It repeats this to-day in Europe, but in America it is for liberty and the people! Yet the church is one and unchangeable! The leaders may profess to admire liberal institutions and adopt the new thought of the age, but the belief, the creed of Catholicism remains unchanged from the dark ages. It cannot be changed, for it is claimed to be God-given, infallible, the work of infallible writers; the popes in the long line from St. Peter have been infallible, and to now claim • that this has been a world-wide mistake would be to sweep the foundations of the church away.

The church must remain, many o the members may absorb the new thoughts of the day; and experiencing the joy of true freedom will leave the organization. On the other hand many members of Protestant churches seeing the inconsistence of their composite faith will go over to the certainties of the mother church.

The great conflict of the future will be between the Roman Catholic church and the hosts of free thought. Protestants will be compelled to join one or the other of these forces. The claws of the tiger are now concealed in the velvet paws, but they are as sharp and the force behind them as merciless as when it supported the Inquisition.

There are now according to its own statement more than ten millions of Catholics in the United States. Allowing one voter to every five gives two millions of votes to be cast with whichever party the Pope through the priests may dictate. That body of voters thrown to one side or the other is able to give success to the party they desire to win. They are then the real rulers of this country to-day and their only check is the policy not to make themselves or their measures so conspicuous as to excite the people to rebel against them. The Catholic church, as a government of the most despotic kind. within a government of the people: with a membership which is demanded

to yow allegiance to the Pope and Pope alone, an allegiance which is above the professions of citizenship, is a menace to liberty, and should be carefully watched, and her professions should be taken for what they are, idle words to lull suspicion 'until the time for action. In the Cuban question and the Philip-

pines, the church by its bishops has come to the front and sought to lead the and warmly shook our hands, voicing

vere spoken so distinctly that all heard cabinet control. She spoke in a small them. Was this the usual action of the haby voice to each one in the circle, organs of speech, or that of the spirits then went into the cabinet "to get to speaking through them?

work," as she said, for she claims to A. This story has been repeated in build up the forms for the spirits to various forms, and is as well authentimanifest through. Some forms, she cated by witnesses as many things says will last long enough for two or which pass as unquestioned history. three spirits to use, and then again the Yet we must constantly bear in mind spirits stay out in the circle so long that that statements may be made which no the forms fall to pieces the moment accumulation of evidence can demonthey step inside the cabinet. "They strate. The speaking of a dissevered flop right down," as she expressed it. head is one of these. The moment the A powerfully built man robed as an spinal cord is severed the head is as in-Egyptian, rushed out of the cabinet. capable of connected motion as the waving his arms and wafting a delibody, and the organs of speech cannot cious perfume out into the circle. Mrs. be used without the lungs to impel Jones, a magnetic healer here on the the sir over them. grounds, introduced him as her control. Nor can the explanation that a spirit

Pusha. moved the organs of speech of the A small white figure appeared, with head be-received, as it would be as imflowing black hair, and running up to possible for a spirit to make the vocal Mr. Davis, of Cleveland, called, "Papa, chords vibrate without the current of Papa! It is I-Nellie." Mr. Davis, in. air furnished by the lungs. All such trembling voice, welcomed the little stories are the interpolations of ignorgirl and talked to her for a few moments.

To the air of Yankee Doodle; there Haslett Park Camp, Mich. came dancing into the circle a negro The camp here opened on Sunday whom Mr. Chase introduced as Peggy August 6, with Hon. O. P. Kellogg and Jackson, former control. of Harry Mrs. Julia Walton as the speakers. Mr. Archer, materializing medium, now de-Kellogg is the chairman of all meetings ceased. during the camp session. He keeps the A weird figure walked around the ciraudiences good natured and is the emcle several times calling for "cards, bodiment of geniality and courtesy. cards." Mr. Chase said it was Madge,

The speakers are made to feel free and at home. The camp is excellently managed by Mrs. Haslett and other executive officers. The grove is clean and neat, with

ant credulity.

old Pine Lake a seductive allurement to boating and fishing. Attendance is not as large as it should be, but on Sundays the camp is filled

were snow white. He talked in a deep, with eager searchers for truth. Mrs. Kates and self have served the ily. All in the circle were permitted to camp August 12 to 17, and our labors go up and shake hands and talk to him. have been much appreciated. The lectures are commended, but the test work

of Mrs. Kates meets with great eclat. She has been accurate and generous. With the people pleased, we are happy! With successful effort we are encouraged to plod on with hope of further good result.

Every worker helps the cause and should be freely encouraged. Let us refrain from critical comparisons, and cheer each one to their full duty. A most excellent reception was given to Mrs. Kates and self by the campers, at Titus House, Monday evening Au-

ed from earth life for the golden shore. We as campers mourn the loss of our Sister Carcy, whose spirit suddenly took its flight without a moment's warning, yet we know her spirit is with gust 14. The Ladles Aid decorated the reception room with evergreen, flowers, flags and lighted Chinese lanterns, also us and her work is going on. Our temfurnished ice cream and cake. Mrs. Haslett led us to an embowered corner ple was bedecked with the beauties of and there each person was introduced nature, while the ever-prevailing flower,

whom Mr. Chase called "Arvilla," the More and better mediums and a great er variety of them are on the grounds than ever begfore. REPORTER.

Lily Dale Camp.

The leading lights at camp this week are Lyman C. Howe, J. C. F. Grumbine, E. D. Stark and Mrs. Gillespie. This is Mr. Grumbine's first appearance on this rostrum. I think it safe to say he has verified all expectations.' His Sunday's lecture was highly appreciated. His classes are highly praised, and are at-tracting the best minds.

Mrs. Gillespie closes her work Thurs day the 17th, to be followed by that uptiring veteran in the cause,"Lyman C. Howe (whom all admire), and Hon. E. D. Stark, of Cleveland, Ohio. This is Mr. Stark's first appearance here as a speaker, and his coming is awaited with much interest.

Camp moves on with uphbated interest and good attendance." "The only drawback is the dry weather, there having been no rain for several weeks, and the dust begins to find its way even into this shady retreat.

Wednesday, the 16th, way Young People's Day. The forendon was devoted to a symposium conducted by the young people. In the afternoon Mr. Grumbine gave an address on Education and Spiritualism. The young people's movement is one which deserves more attention than it is receiving before it can accomplish the desired end. The home training of children in this direction seems to be lacking, and until parents take a livelier interest in the education of their children along these lines, the lyceum and the Young People's Spiritual Union will continue weak.

A very pleasant feature of the week was a surprise sprung upon Brother Brooks on the day of his wedding anniversary, and a very substantial testimonial of the esteem in which he is held by the people of the camp, who owe much of the pleasure they enjoy here to als untiring efforts, was given him. He responded in his felicitous manner, and the affair ended in a jollification, which made the donors quite as happy as the recipient, and all heartily wish Brother Brooss and his good wife a long life of usefulness and happiness.

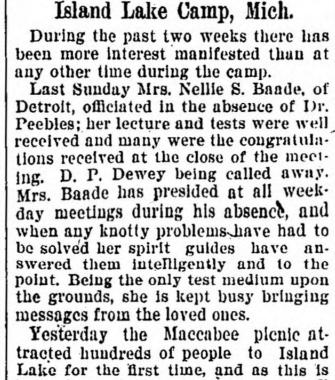
C. Fannie Allyn made a short stop at camp, and gave a very interesting lecture last evening at Forest Temple. She has lost none of her former wit, and her address was listened to by an appreciative audience. With such workers, old and new, the cause of Spiritualism has nothing to fehr.

We are drifting on toward the close of the camp, but new arrivals are coming every day, and the attendance keeps

The great mass of mankind are grossly ignorant of the powers that lie dormant within their being. The writer of Art Magic says the power of the human will is unlimited. I believe the reason Tribune. the world has been allowed to remain in ignorance of these finer forces so long is because the world was not sufficiently advanced to use the knowledge for the good of humanity.

The power of hypnotism and sugges tion is rapidly coming to the front as an acknowledged power in therapeutics. We realize that this power in the hands of vicious and unscrupulous persons would work untold harm. Therefore the knowledge has been withheld. Just so fast as ethical teaching prevails, and a spirit of brotherly love rules, just so fast will this precious knowledge be given to the world. Let Brother Dawbarn philosophise; if there is an error in his argument some one will be wise enough to point it out. Let our scientists investigate and give the result of their investigations to the world. Spiritualism has nothing to lose, but everything to gain by it. The day for superstitious belief in miracles is past. Intelligent, thinking men and women know that everything is governed

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becoming a famous summer resort all denominations being represented, many will have an opportunity to hear our philosophy, and we hope will be benefited thereby.

Too much praise cannot be given Mr. and Mrs. Adam Brown, who are at the head of this movement, for the interest manifested. The hotel is giving the best of satisfaction, and harmony prevails. Next Sunday, August 20, Nellie

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all lie wills and strives to do? Is he deserves. ever defeated? Is he almighty?

A. We do not claim to know any. thing about God, or the gods, and hence it is useless to send questions like the above. On the contrary, we claim that as finite beings we cannot understand infinite beings, such as God must be. We do not feel that it is necessary to vex ourselves over this problem, while around us are finite phenomena which evade our comprehension. The great question with mankind is not what God is, but what man is and is capable of becoming: What we are and how to cultivate our faculties and regulate our lives in conformity with the laws of our being.

A. A. Kerr: Q. An acquaintance of mine has been told by several mediums that he has a brother in spirit-life, who passed out by premature birth. His mother recalls no such instance. Kindly explain.

A. Surely the mother ought to know On several occasions we have observed "platform test mediums" call a spirit a "brother" or "sister," and when the person to whom it was assigned said he had no brother or sister in spirit. life, the medium escaped by saying that it was a premature birth and had escaped the memory. Such a "test" is not reliable.

A. D. Marble: Q. (1) What was the cause of the Frence Reign of Terror. (2) Is the United States a Christian country?

A. (1) It was the overthrow of the feudal system, by which the few ruled and usurped everything, and the many toiled and had scarcely enough to hold body and soul together that led to the terrible crisis. Had the so-called nobility been really noble and exemplary, the revolution would never have came. On the contrary they were as despicable in character, as arrogant, and the people despised them. To them was referred the sufferings of the people, and justice demanded their sacrifice for the wrongs generations of their ancestors had inflicted. Robespierre was an au- erty with satisfaction than to live mag- Control." By Michael Faraday. Price iomaton, acted on by this feeling: he bificently with riches.-St. Evremond.

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found by all. With this good cheer we shall go forth to other labors, wishing Dr. J. K. Dearth:/ Q. Does God do | Haslett Park Camp the great success it G. W. KATES. The Ancient's Advice.

the persons you have wronged.

from which there is no absolution ex-

cept by becoming wiser and better

person, god or gods.

their force.

entitled "Drifting," followed by Mrs. Kates with a song. "The Long, Long A little while and then death comesand what then? Think you then all is Ago." Brother Kates then addressed heavenly bliss or hellish sorrow? No! us on the joys in the beyond and the Heaven will be as you have made it. life eternal, etc.

and hell will be just as fierce as your Sunday morning opened with a full unbridled passions were malicious, house and attentive audience. Mrs. Then you will realize the truth of spirit Kates came to the front with the suband instead of a God, you will meet jeict "Truth." She held the audience your friends-your true friends. Inspellbound for an hour, after which she stead of a Devil you will see and meet | gave tests, and many were the hearts comported.

In that land of endless progression At 2 p. m., Brother Kates gave the and eternal betterment of self you will poem, "The Man Who Won't. Underfind many new and startling truthsstand." Also a poem, "Nature and new and startling to you, but not to the | Grace." His subject was "Soul Rewise souls who have profited by spiritsearch." ual knowledge while yet in the mortal Monday evening the campers gave a

body. Look to it that you consider reception at the parlors of the Titus these things seriously and carefully, for House, in heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Kates and wife for their noble, good remember that so long as you accept faith instead of absolute knowledge, works here. The evening passed with just so long you will remain a slave-a music and recitations. Ice cream and cake served to appease the hunger after slave to mistake, error, untruth. By remaining a slave you not only injure the filling of the soul, when all returned yourself, but unduly, perhaps, influence to their homes to rest for the coming others to commit sins against Nature COR. day.

Island Lake Camp,-Mich.

through your own soul developmentnot through the agency of another whether he may be Odin. Confucius, Pone. Mohammed or Jesus or any other There is but one true course of life and conduct-Be good and do good. If you do this you will have access to all

more harmonious surroundings. Exthe glories of true happiness, honor and esteem of your fellow men, as well. Seek'ye carefully and ye will find the earnest and filled with pleasure all the truth joyously. Truth comforts, and in dav

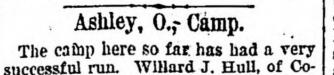
the great unwritten, unprinted volume Election of officers takes place on Satof Nature there are truths for each urday. With as good workers as we weary heart. Be pure in mind and soul have in the past ten years, the camp is and ye shall see not a God, but Nasure to prosper. We have a favorable ture's truths which are far better. locality, the best of water, pure air and Think not that Nature speaks falsely, | no miasma. Two more meetings close for the great silent forces around you | the camp. never err in their effects nor. fall in

NORWA We want fewer things to live in pov-

G. F. Ottmar, with whom all the camp-Mediums are busy: the astrologers' ers sympathise. rooms are thronged; entertainments At 2 p. m., after we had gathered at are well patronized; lectures well atthe hall, the kind faces of Brother Kates and wife were with us. Brother der the inspiration of the hour. Kates opened the exercises with a poem

up its average.

very interesting lectures.



tended, and everybody seems happy un-B. lumbus, acts as chairman for most of the meetings, and has given several Rev. Moses Hull has been with us from the first, as speaker, and has proved a good investment for the management. His unassuming logic does

ism, as tests through mediums. 'Farmers' Day was wery largely at tended. it being held on Saturday, an off day on the farm. It is estimated that ten thousand people were there on the grounds. In the evening a benefit entertainment for the management was given by "Kinsey's Komedy Kompany." in the auditorium, which was also well patronized.

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as much to convert people to Spiritual-

Lem McClade, our local trympet me-I was at Island Lake Camp again on | dium, gave a seance yesterday in one of Sunday, Aug. 13, expecting to hear Dr. | the cottages. About fifteen spirits man-J. M. Peebles lecture, but lie disap- lifested, some speaking quite plainly pointed us. Mrs. Nellie S. Baade filled | through the trumpet, and others scarcethe time very acceptably to a good-sized 1 vable to make themselves understood. audience. The camp is growing, with | Their own anxiety as well as that of their earth friends sometimes intercursionists from Detroit and Lansing | fered, but all present expressed themgave a goodly number of attendants, all selves well satisfied that the phenomena were genuine.

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the Lora be Yours truly; W. D. HARRIS. tor.

Aberdeen, So. Dak., June 16, 1899. Dear Sir and Friend:—Yours of the 12th inst. received. In reply will say I want you to take my case, and I know if you cannot help me no one else can. I have no time for the doctors of the old school for any disease. They came near driving the last nail in my coffin: when I put myself in your hands for stomach trouble and you put new life in me right away. I am preaching your gospel every day.....Yours, etc., F. W. WEBB,

McCracken, Kans., July 12, 1899.

My Dear Doctor .-- You have helped me so much; my rest at night is so home in Milwaukee, Wis., on August 12, much better; do all you can for me.... in his 80th year, W. A. King. He was You cannot tell how deep in my heart I thank you, and so much confidence; your name will always be held a very sacred one to me. When I commenced of spirit return, Services were conwith you I cared very little to live, now ducted by J. O. Duncan, lecturer for the I sing instead of crying. Dear Doctor, Ethical Society, no spiritual speaker beyou can never know my deeply felt ing available. thanks to you....Yours with loving kindness. MRS. W. W. NICHOL. Passed to spirit-life, from her home

New London, Ct., July 7, 1899.

Dr. C. E. Watkins:-- I think now I can ed for forty years by the Spiritual gossee a marked improvement in Fred's pel, she went out with clear realizations condition. He did not use the last med- of the life awaiting her. To her young-Icine more than a week, because he est daughter she twice appeared before seemed so much better, and I felt that the burial, as real as ever on earth, and you were doing him good in other ways. expressed satisfaction with the change, .Command me if at any time I can and said she found it better than she be of service to you in this locality, had ever auticipated. Three daughters

Yours. respectfully, MRS. E. F. WINTERS. A. Doty, is in the comptroller's office, at-

(To be continued.)

night With a halo of love's mystic light. We give them of our hearts' best cheer, With the hope their future years Will be lightened of many a burden

grave, That their untied hearts can save; For this world seems cold when no kind friend

Can lead us along to the journey's end. And our life is brightened when some one shares

Our little daily home-life cares.

To-night we drink to their - union strong,

That their journey may be happy and long, ` And over the lea of the drifting years

May love's sunshine temper all their fears,

And the cottage home high on the hill With a halo of gladness their kind hearts fill;

And the wooing breezes from heaven's

store,

As the night sets in and their life work

done, May they find above God's fairer one. The whole concluded with the wed-ding march by the band, and the friends gave the bride and groom many good wishes for their future years of wedded BISHOP A. BEALS. bliss. Summerland, Cal.

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C. W. KING.

in Lockport, N. Y., August 3, Mrs. E. A.

Doty, aged 53. A beautiful spirit, light-

August 10, 1899, Mrs. Olevla M. Willams, wife of John Williams, passed to spirit life, from her home in Muncie, Ind., at the age of 82 years. She was GEO. L. SOPRIS, month. one of the early ploneers of Delaware Denver, Colo. county, having moved there with her husband soon after their marriage, Please try my remedies, Elixirs, Mag-

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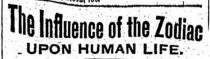
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