

SPIRITUALISM—Progress, the Universal Law of Nature: Thought, the Solvent of Her Problems,—SPIRITUALISM

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, SATURDAY, JUNE 30, 1900, VOL. 22 NO. 553 knowledge of the character of mind will be an open book. CHRISTIANIZING CHINA. reception. He is no longer considered a safe person to run at large, and by most people he is regarded as being in elty. But possibly the Old Testament God, the God of Joshua has awoke from his slumbers and is at the helm again. EMIL T. VAAS. **THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION** A PARABLE, WHICH BIBLE? the same category as a wild beast. army picket, and while still reasoning **Further Consideration of the** Which Hath a Deep Signifi-The Bible of Science, or the Take away a man's reason and you have deprived him of all power to think from the known to the unknown, it A Methodist Bishop's View finds occasion at times to retreat. This Subject. Bible of Myth? of the Matter. STARTLING WORDS. cation. and act in a sensible and rational manit does honestly, fearlessly, frankly. ner, and no one but a preacher would This branch of science will always thus It is a frequent occurrence to see ever place a limited value on a faculty A certain great man called unto him How much longer shall Mother Goose continue to work. The more rapid prog-To the Editor:-- I send you a clipping some representative of a religious sect of such supreme importance. They his servant Ecclesiasticus and said, "I taken from the Chicago Tribune, as folboss the world? What is man that he ress demands it. Meanwhile the An Earnest Appeal for Honrise up to remark that true religion con- have but one excuse for doing so; reaam sick nigh unto death; go ye thereshould fear shadows and distrust reasteadily increasing exact science is exlows: fore and telephone unto the physician. sists in visiting the fatherless and wid- | son is a detriment to their business, and son? Is man a lion or a mouse? Would tending the permanent highway. Denver, Colo., June 17. Bishop Earl esty. ows and keeping oneself unspotted from | never yet, when exercised, failed to ex-Bid him make haste for I, even I, am in he be something or nothing? What is There are many true and beautiful Cranston, who recently returned from plode all their myths and humbugs. the world; but I do not recall from man anyway? Science will tell him, and he will never know till it does. things in the myth Bible. These will all sore distress." China, declared from the pulpit to-day I would like to say of the article in memory any church creed resting on | Why should they admire their greatest Now Ecclesiasticus had a great fear be conserved. No new Bible is ever that civilized nations must rule China. The Progressive Thinker, clipped from these remarks of James-by the way | enemy and the implacable foe of all of the telephone because all the profes-The time is approaching when men made without availing all the good and "It is worth any cost in money," he who was James ?- neither do I know of superstitions? It is expecting too much the Brooklyn Eagle, headed, "Startling must decide whether they will sail into true of former Bibles. In all of the past sors at the college said at first it was a said. "It is worth any cost in bloodshed Words for the Spiritualists to Act any not organized and held together by | to see the advocates of any religion in delusion, afterwards that it was a dedry dock on a myth Bible, or roam the Bibles there have been expressions of if we can make the millions of Chinese Upon," the question is, will the Spirita creed that begins: "I believe." Re- love with reason, for they cannot work vice of the evil one. Nevertheless bebroad ocean on the science Bible. Times | wisdom adapted to one age, and not true and intelligent Christians." ualists act, or will they say, as they too often have said in the past, "Oh, we ligion is a belief and a system of the dear people for dollars and auto-worship, for none exists without pray- cratic power when it is abroad in the ing afraid that his bread and butter have changed. Once man could be another. There have been other ex-He said that the missionaries' com might be shut off he feigned obedience, pound was under the guns of Peking, great on belief. Not so now. Life has pressions so profound as to fit all ages. can't say or do anything to unmask the ers, and all must have something to land; so they denounce it as a carnal So he sanctimoniously went to the upa new meaning. The world has moved and that from the inner wall of the city Science admits that intuition is a pretenders, without injuring the cause pray to. The interest which religious | faculty of no importance and seek to per chamber and not daring to come on. It has already gotten nearly to the native troops could blow this forsource of knowledge, but it demands of Spiritualism; it is better to keep still organizations feel in the welfare of substitute in its place their especial fawhere everything is done by machinery. | that such knowledge shall be tested and near the diabolical invention he stood eign quarter to pieces. He said that the dogs, Peking's only scavengers, deabout these things." Infidelity has come to mean truth; love proven, because intuition is so variable. orphans and widows is not the impellvorite, blind and unquestioning faith. away off and made loud supplications. Seven years ago I heard one of the The preacher's ideal man is the one of truth. It is popular and respected. One person, by reason of his nature, ing force that erects sky-plercing spires Now Ecclesiasticus was exceeding vouring babies left in the street to die, eastern lecturers and book writers on over magnificent works of art to be who believes all he tells him and never It means progressiveness, evolution, disposition, education and development, cute and as if really in communication sometimes dropped skulls near the mis-Spiritualism say he had attended the seimproving on the past; another step up will have intuitive knowledge the oppoused one day in seven; and the \$60,000 gives reception to such a thing as with the physician extolled the virtues sionary quarters, and gave the Chinese ances of many mediums, and he did religious edifice with its \$3,000 organ, doubt. Out of no other material is it of his master and explained what an the mountain side, growth. The infly site of another person. Science finds opportunity to say the missionaries not know one that did not at times rejust completed in this city, was not possible to make a good Christian, honor the physician would confer upon delity of yesterday is the truth of to-dedicated for that purpose. If that therefore all denominations hate an in- himself by waiting on so great a man. day. There are many forms of it, such tion and experiment. Illustration: Ships were murdering Celestials. sort to trickery of some kind. I was The United States, he said, had but a shocked and grieved to hear this statelarge sum of money had been devoted dependent thinker and denounce him as As he well knew, the master heard and as religious, political, educational, in- are built in conformity to the form of paltry company of marines to protect ment, for I looked upon Spiritualism as to their welfare it would have been exts missionaries and its citizens. being in the power of the devil, who, in | said, "verily, he is a trusty servant; I dustrial, social, etc., but only the refishes. Navigation of the air is studied a sacred truth and that it should so be pended in some other manner. That spite of all assertions to the contrary, | will raise his salary." And Ecclesias-"I would cut all of the red tape in the ligious will be considered here. on bird flying principles. Observing the held by all, its teachers at least. I building was erected to expound the and frequent reports of his death, is ticus said "amen" as soon as he heard The only offense of Jesus was his in- | apple fall, and reflecting on it, gave the world, he asserted, "and break all the asked the person if he exposed the Methodist creed in, and to glorify the still a most important and active factor this-for his ear was at the keyhole. fidelity, now Christendom's truth. Lutreaties ever made to place the armies world its knowledge of gravitation and fraud he perceived in these so-called name of Jesus; to convince all men they in religious circles. After this he descended to the baseof the United States in the fore next to ther's infidelity is now lauded in song attraction. And the watching of a mediums. He said, "No, no; that would You cannot be religious and rational are sinners and to proclaim the only ment and compounded various concocand story. Beecher's infidelity re-Great Britain. We must not be the boiling teakettle was the source of the injure the cause." My reply was, at the same time, and as Christianity way by which they can be saved from tions, and returning to the sick chamber tail end of everything. deemed the Protestant church of a enormous value of steam. Some ob-'Well, cause or no cause, I will never the eternal wrath of God, whose name has so clearly demonstrated this fact it said, "Behold thy servant ran to meet "The open door must be maintained horned monster and a seething calservation is ever leading on. The seven to my knowledge aid any fraud by my is Love. There is not a religious sect may seem almost unnecessary to men- the physician and received of him these. for Christianity as well as commerce, dron. The infidelity of both his sucsciences of the ancients: grammar, silence." tion it, but memory requires nudging | Verily they are the true medicines for that builds churches for any other purcessors, Abbott and Hillis, will be a and the bigotry of Russia, which now logic, rhetoric, arithmetic, geometry, Shall we Spiritualists close our ears pose, though Universalists and Unitaonce in a while and that is my excuse thy complaint. Observe how muddy proud monument to them. The infishows so strongly in the events taking astronomy, and music, presumably had and eyes to the voice and demands of for calling attention to it. rians are partial exceptions because the and bitter the liquids and how nauseous place in China, must not be allowed to delity of the very talented President their origin in observation. Justice? Are we cowards, or are we We hear of so much good that Chrispunishments of God have a time limit smelling the pills. These signs indiinterfere with the progress of human-Harper, of the Chicago University, was Science works for truth for its own honest, law-abiding citizens? Are we tianity has done in this world; but stuffcate worth. The elixir vitae is the with them. too strong a dose. He dlluted it. It will ity, civilization, and religion." sake, for the love of it. holding Spiritualism before the world muddlest of all liquids, according to ing men's minds with falsehoods and There is not a religious sect in Chrisnot stay diluted. He was only a little as a religion? Do we claim to be in ad-That all the world, from its most tendom but what talks about the fables, fear and gloom, is not my idea the law of contraries. If anything is Think of a Christian minister to make ahead of the place. The infidelity of vance scientifically (if not morally) of primitive estate, has said, "there is a of goodness, and that it the principal clear, you may be sure it is a decoction such a statement from his pulpit. It "heathen," and few but what send mis-Dr. Thomas and Prof. Swing covered orthodoxy? We lay strong claims for God." only proves the naturalness of the | reminds us very much of the saying of sionaries abroad to convert them. What business in which it has always been of the ungodly." the church with a calcium light. Rev. Spiritualism, and many Spiritualists is meant by conversion, and what is the engaged. It has rested like a pall on Now the great man groaned in spirit universal feeling of an Almighty power. Christ, "I came not to send peace, but a De Witt Talmage is a first-class infidel. have strongly denounced the skeptical object of their efforts? Is it to lead every spot and place where it has found and said: "I perceive that thou art the It was natural to give it a name. It has sword." But is there really such a When he finds his parish making it too orthodox because they have not fell in them to provide for their orphans and a foothold on this earth, and hell has best of servants. Thy words must be been called by many names. It is said crying necessity of making the Chinese hot for him, because of his too intimate line and marched with Spiritualism infull of wisdom, even according to the been used to terrorize credulous minds widows and accept a new code of the Bible gives it over fifty different believers in a Christian deity? Is the knowledge of spirit life, he produces an scribed on their banners. Spiritualist great law of contraries, for they are for nineteen long centuries. names. No one more than the scientist morals? Not much; it is to bring about necessity really so absolute as to be oft-repeated fillip against Spiritualism. co-workers, let's call a halt on our de-There is no genuine Christianity withmysterious; and thy logic irrefutable beacknowledges the presence of this worth "any cost in money, and any cost a change in bellef, and to get them to This satisfies, and he proceeds with his nunciations of any religious forms or out a hell, and any preacher who does cause no one can understand the drift Almighty power, and no one under- in bloodshed to make the millions of infidelity. At the Madison, Wisconsin, creeds, let's cease trying to urge them accept the childish fable of Adam and not make that his chief stock in trade stands it so well. thereof. I will raise thy salary another Chinese true and intelligent Christo investigate our sacred truths, until Assembly, I heard him say, "God bows Eve and all the theological absurdities is sacrificing a Bible doctrine to the innotch." Now Ecclesiasticus as was his The new Bible will not be contained tians?" Does the history of religious that follow it, including the miraculous we have investigated our ranks and to nothing but law." Injother words, if telligence of his congregation. Where wont upon hearing these words piously appearance and disappearance of Jesus there is a God he is the inferior of law. in one volume, nor yet in a hundred. power incline any sensible man to such tested the metal of our mediums. We in this world, and the preposterous misrefined, intelligence revolts against the said, "amen." Each separate subject will have its sep-In the same discourse he said, "the end a belief? What toleration would must bear in mind that the eyes of the sion for which Christianity asserts he fires of hell, policy preachers wisely But there happened to be on an hum-China show under Christian rule, better arate volume, of two thousand years will witness the world are upon us, watching intently, came. When one can believe this nonomit it; but go anywhere to-day where ble errand to the castle an old woman The Reign of Law is the coming than she does now? The only toleraclose of Christianity, when a new Disthus it behooves the Spiritualists to sense he ceases to be a heathen. If he ignorance is dense, and hell is still a who, being compelled by poverty into tion the church of Christ has ever look well to their footsteps and the ad-World's Guide. E. W. BALDWIN. pensation will follow." The great arisen doesn't believe, though he should devote factor in this religion which rests as shown when in power, has been perse- vancement of our glorious cause of restrange conditions, had learned how to Verona, -Wis. Ingersoll would have asked for no his whole life to the service of widows solidly upon it as a house on its foundacution, the thumbscrew, the rack, the ligious liberty. Let us be more careful telephone and had no fear. She obstronger words. The discerning wsee tion. The Catholic Church, which nustake, fire, and the sword. Only as the how we recommend and sustain the and orphans, and live under the highest served how Ecclesiasticus had bam-Talmage's prophecy already in movesoftening influence of education, and fakers. When once they have been merically exceeds all other sects and standard of morality, he could never be boozled the invalid. She resolved to out-**OUR FRIENDS IN HEAVEN.** ment. The "Higher Criticism" of the denominations, does not pretend to do conscientious intelligence placed its thoroughly unmasked, as many of them accepted by any church organization as wit him. She went to the telephone Bible is infidelity pure and simple. All a Christian, nor in their estimation be hand in gentle restraint upon the many times have been, it is our duty to business without both hell and purgaand in a low voice really called up the of the greatest lights of the Protestant Since it is known that angels come secure from the wrath to come. Hence church, has it desisted from its course keep an eye on their future wheretory; yet with millions of minds terrordoctor and described the great man's At pleasure o'er death's silent seas; pulpit at least are infidels. The theoized with these brutal dogmas, and I repeat, as repetition seems necessary symptoms, saying she would meet the of horror and misery. It seems to us abouts and movements; if we do not Since it is known they are not dumb, logical seminaries will come along, to insure entrance of the idea into some messenger sent with the medicines, be- Then the lesser lights too will come up China would be benefited but little they will continue doing as they have in millions of children being stuffed with But counsel us, at will, with ease. people's sensoriums, that nowhere is the them right now, we are told that the cause he would not be admitted into the were she to be Christianized. What | the past, drop out of oue vicinity and And love us, love us as of yore. higher. Christian religion considered in its paradoctrine of hell is a back number. I castle, as Ecclesiasticus was exceeding When sun and shadow round that benighted country needs, is the into another, redoubling, if possible, Shall the world longer be guided by mount sense as the duty of providing | deny it, and I further deny the power cute. So she did, and when the invaplayed. light of modern education, modern in- their trickery, deception and imposition. the ancient Bible of myth, or the modfor the fatherless and the widows. Were of any Protestant sect to get up a suclid was asleep and Ecclesiasticus flirt Why shakes your heart from rim telligence. She ought to put herself in When the Spiritualists themselves ern Bible of science-the only one that this the fundamental fact in Christianicessful revival without hell. It never ing with the chambermaid, she partial touch with the rest of the modern cease recommending and patronizing ever reflected perfect Nature? Is the was done and never will be, and where ty, a four years' course of biblical inly emptied the vials, for she said, if I world. She has no right to seclude | the dark-room seances, and the various And whispers, "Oh, I am afraid!" world grown far enough from the old to Christianity is most on the wane, you struction in a theological seminary leave only the pure dordials he will not herself with all her resources, her pow- | dark productions of the pretenders, then accept the new? The great mass of will find the least allusion to that place. | take them, and filled' them up with the You wist not of the yearning loves would hardly be considered necessary ers and possibilities from the rest of there will appear at least one ray of mankind never moves altogether. It is The very essence of Christianity is physician's concoctions, so that some-You shut off by a shleld of snow; the world ; and she seems to be on the hope for their banishment from the to produce a priest or an ordained minpassing the portals of science, one by how to avoid hell and get into heaven, Why not take in the heavenly doves high road at present of so provoking | ranks of Spiritualism. No honest mediister of the gospel. thing of the color and taste of the boone, and none turn back. The "Higher the other nations that she will be com- um will object to honest test conditions, therefore when hell is rejected Chris-Who fly, for love of you, so low? It does not require a person long in gus remained. After the first drink the Criticism", demonstrates that Bibles are Why look upon the burial sod, pelled to admit modern civilization or explain and teach as best they can this world to learn that we are intertianity begins to lose power and infupatient revived wonderfully. So she no exception to the law of evolution. told him what she had done. And he dependent on each other, and a plain ence and dry rot sets in that nothing To see them sitting by the stones? within her borders, on a much broader | what they know of their mediumship, to can stay. Its effective power over the | said "I have lost my pride and don't duty therefore exists to help one As it is impossible to know whether What care they for the senseless clod basis than she has done beretofore. an honest investigator. To question another when we can, as we journey minds of untold millions in the past there was or was not a lawgiver, isn't care a fig if they only cure me. Blessed Which veils with green their crum-And if this result is obtained it will be the genuineness of a medium's medion to the grave. But these facts are | nineteen centuries, has been located in | art thou among women." So he got it nobler, with the scientist, to admit bling bones. the dawning of a better day for this | umship never injures genuine mediums, bedded in morality and have nothing to the terrors of hell and not the love of well again. that we don't know? Since all mundane large territory in Asia. We do fail to for they have the gift wherewith to vin-They wait not by their monument do with religion, which professes to Jesus. We hear much of that these and super-mundane theories harmonize Now this woman, sometimes called see any urgent necessity existing in dicate their honesty. Spiritualism is To daze you when you go that way make clear our duties and relation to days, but the institution cannot be run witch and vulgar medium, made bold to perfectly with the one that makes the any sense whatever, to require China | founded upon facts, not fiction or de-The low grave-grasses are not bent God, whose existence has never yet universe itself causeless, isn't it better on that alone, as struggling Universalto become Christianized. Naturally | ception, and no impostors can add to say, "I am poor and the bairns are in By sweeping of their robes of gray. to accept this as a working hypothesis? been demonstrated. ists and Unitarians have become well need of many comforts. Out of your the church has had her eye on that the luster of its immortal truth. Spir-They live not idly with the dead; Isn't it better to accept the Bible of country for a great many years, with- itualism does not need deceivers to up-It would be an easy matter for people aware. Remove the idea of hell and abundance will you assist me with some They love not cold, secluded rooms out succeeding very much in converting | hold it. It has a scientific basis of di-Science, out of which it is impossible to of every race and nationality to unite on its torments from the average man's money?" Why go you in with halting tread, its people. She has found the Chinese | vinity which ever will sustain it. Then a code of morals, for every living person mind, and by so doing abolish the need But the great man was also a very make but one creed-if creed you will-Trembling and pale as lily blooms? of a savior, and the love of Jesus is and which has never yet caused a war, sustains the same relation to life and good man, and when he heard this he too wide awake to believe every wind why fear an honest investigation of our soon found to be something that prehappiness, as both are primarily degroaned in spirit over the baseness of and never can, than the mythological They are not there! they are not there of doctrine that has been wafted to her | ranks of workers? A thorough renovatpendent on ability to feed, clothe, and sents no great attraction. It is the human nature to associate the idea of Bible that is a stream of wars? To startle you with moon-like eyes, from every denomination that has tried | ing will only stimulate all honest workshelter the body. But when it comes to working of the old law, supply and de- filthy lucre with that of such services Science measures, tests, analyzes, But in the parlors, still and fair, to bring her to Christ. Somehow the ers into practical activity, and will sift as the old woman rendered, and he religious questions, then never-ending mand, for without a demand supply is proves. It ignores neither reason not Chinese doubted the reality of the out the deceiver. The greatest error And redolent of Paradise: discord begins, for the realms of reason needless. If no occasion exist for a said, "Get thee behind me, old woman, sense. It has foundation knowledge in Touching your brow like waving wings, Christian religion, when every mission- Spiritualists have made, and should savior, what do you want of one? This you are only a low fortune-teller;" and eternal law. It is, in the highest sense, are forsaken, the presence of knowledge Dropping a bright thought in your ary came with a different doctrine, the | cease to make, is the wholesale ordinaconundrum is now open and presented | throwing a dime in imitation of the is departed from, and the mind is commetaphysical. It cannot be imposed on. mind, last one always condemning in toto ev- | tion; too many unscrupulous people pelled to deal with visionary nonsense for solution. If any person thinks he widow and her mite, he said, "My serv-Its principles are unvarying. It is char-Uplifting you from groveling things ery one that had been before him, and have been ordained and now write utterly powerless to show connection must hold onto Christianity because of ant Ecclesiasticus, although he did pull acterized by an ennobling principle of To thoughts and feelings more refined. urging faith in his particular little two-"reverend" to their names. Shall we with a single fact. Creeds being noth- some morals he finds connected with the wool over my eyes about the medhumanity, adds fresh wings to hope, by-four system as the only sure road to continue in sin, that the name of Spirit-When you have crossed the silent sea, ing but a matter of belief, they are en- it, I will disabuse his mind at once by licine. Is too dignified to ever act so, and and aspiration grows apace. It is uneverlasting salvation. Chinese intelli- | ualism abound? Let the voice of justice tirely dependent on faith for their re-Leaving most tender eyes in tears. revealing the fact that every person because he is crafty like myself and selfish beyond precedent. It stamps the gence was too much for this sort of forbid. MRS. HOOKER M'EVOY. ception, and faith has no more connec-And fain an angel's ministry whose reason is in good working order. | gives an air of respectability to the eslaws of nature solidly trustworthy. It humbug, and it has had the effect of in-Fame, Kansas. Would do, but cannot, for their fears; tion with knowledge than the sin of carries within himself an infallible tablishment, I raise his salary another learns that nowhere can mind be found furiating the natives against the mis-Adam with one of Job's boils. Faith is standard of right and wrong, and no notch. And Ecclesiasticus said When those you love draw back aghast separate from matter. It corrects the sionaries, and thus against all the for-Non-Medical Healers in Ohio. In passing where your form is laid, blinder than a bat, and all religions are inspired or uninspired writings are "Amen." J. T. MACDONALD. world's mistakes. It is perfecting the eigners, until we have this latest out-And each red globule hurries fast dependent on faith, for they have nothneeded for his guidance if he will only Vancouver, B. C. system of education, of which schools, The Suggestive Therapeutists, Magbreak and the crowning calamity. Now For fear of ghosts in ambuscade: ing to present but words. Theology is use it honestly and conscientiously, netic Healers, and other non-medical colleges, and universities are the maour Christian friend and minister of not and never was anything but a the-When about to do an act that concerns healers of Obio have organized under chinery. It is establishing health laws another, simply pause and ask yourself: Questions for the Bible Experts. When you awake in heaven yourself. the "meek and lowly Jesus," declares ory, and having no more relation to scithe name "The Psychopathic and Nonon a permanent basis. It will perfect And see your image pictured out from his pulpit that it "is worth any ence than an orthodox sermon to com-Medical Liberal Association," for the Would I wish him to do to me what I If the church is the conservator of governments, industries, and society. cost in money, and any cost in blood-Unreal as a lace-winged elf. mon sense, we see without effort why am about to do to him. It is the pracmorals as well as religion, kindly state purpose of advancing the science of It will empty the jalls, insane hospitals, Stalking or skulking dumb about shed." to Christianize the Chinese. religious sects are endless and always | tical working of the rule laid down by- which of the patriarchs from Noah to and alms-houses. It will save Spirit-The church seems to realize that | non-medical healing, and of protecting In darksome places, you will cry, Solomon would you have us take for a at war with each other. Confucius, and it covers all our relaualism. "O Faith! where art thou? Love is something is going to happen in China. the members of the association from Religious questions have created more | tions with each other and makes unguide? Science is yet in its childhood. Social dead! and she wants the glory as usual, and unjust prosecution under the law discord and hatred between men than Where is your Bible authority for necessary any lengthy code or comscience is in its infancy. It was not half so hard to die she wants the credit of having brought | known as the Love Medical Law. all other kinds united, but never in one mandments. It is not expected that preachers to marry people? and exact a When the people understand the Bible As turn to phantoms in Love's head." that country to a better condition. But All non-medical healers, and others single instance did two sects indulge in selfish and passion-blinded men will use big fee for it? Or have you learned whose blood is to be shed to obtain this who are in sympathy with the moveof science as well as they do that of a wordy war over the path of duty in | and be restrained by this rule, for the | that a man will bear having his "leg Most beautiful it is indeed delectable result? That of this reverment are respectfully requested to myth, they will no longer hesitate beconnection with orphans and widows in | terrors of Christianity have never been To meet the angels friend as friend;pulled" better then than any other write to the secretary for further inend? By no means. Why the blood of tween the choice. Their devotion and distress. Their discords have all been effective with such, but I repeat, no To feel in hours of greatest need time? the soldiers of the nations who are to formation. Enclose stamp and receive worship will take on a new lustre, a over the meaning of obscure, ambiguother rule is needed and no other can Their holy benizons descend. Of what did those awful sins consist go in and chastise China. The military | in return a copy of the constitution and new strength, and a new beauty. They ous, and senseless passages of scripdo any more. that caused the flood? Reach up your hands, oh mortals, here, through the political departments, are membership application blanks. Your will experience a stability of intelligence ture: in man-made creeds and their With all your confidence of yore! CHANNING SEVERANCE. These were neither laws of Moses, to open the door of China, so that the co-operation is desired and solicited. before unknown, an unshaken confieffect on passion and prejudice. Have grave-clothes made your friends Los Angeles, Cal. nor the gospel of Christ. missionaries may ply their trade with-LILLIAN EICHHORN, Sec. dence, a security, and a glory of the less dear They neither had to get circumcised, Mathematics open no field for violent 1463 North High St., Columbus, Ohio. out let or hindrance; and when the universe outrivaling the wildest dreams And must you fear them evermore? 'nor !'Take no thought for the morrow.' blood of our brave soldier boys has been Thanks the Ohio Sage. discussion or the play of fanaticism, for of the ancient masters. They will have Is it not evident that the real God of scientific demonstration is always at No! bid them float about your masts shed, then the church will say: "We E call special attention to The a Bible that will tell but one story. I feel it my duty to thank the Ohio Nature never stops work on Sunday; did it. Christianity has lifted China hand and nothing but reason finds in-However roughly roll the seas: Next World Interviewed, one It is not claimed that science makes sage. Hudson Tuttle, and his spirit aufor I have watched the pumpkin vines, ducement to enter and explore. How God speeds them, and their power is from darkness to light, and from bondof our special premiums. We thors for the books written by him, and | and found He made them grow several no mistakes. It is, however, contended different with religion; there reason age into liberty." That is but the old vast. are enabled to furnish it to our dictated by them. In truth, those inches while He should have been helpthat it has an adamantine basis, and finds no welcome and absolutely nothstory of "Betsey, we killed the bear." So welcome them and breathe at ease. ing with which it can deal. Reason has books are the best that I have read. readers at the price announced that it includes all there is of theology, ing to "pass the hat?" But how demure, how loving the sug-Come out, angels that are to be, in our premium list, from the They are an inspiration of genius. 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this lower sphere. It is not much removed from the subjects.

scenery of earth, for here all that is hideous and squalid mountains, muddy, turbulent streams, and, if you can be- holding intruder. lieve me, for 1 am telling the truth, old monasteries, towill not listen to reason or let the light of truth penetrate behold them and yetvemain within the fleshly form. their souls.

sphere than on the earth, and it is more difficult to gain | only in the lowest sphere. or enlighten those, who persist in inhabiting them, than any others. Here in the first sphere are the coarsest of | will tell you, and tell you the truth, but we forgot to tell weeds and wild flowers, the odor of which is very obnoxious, coarse, unsightly grasses, cactus, prairie dogs and afterward describe the homes. rattlesnakes.

delirium tremens, actually sees the spirits of reptiles and a measure, sets his spirit free and he beholds that which actually exists.

A soul perceives that which is in correspondence with itself. An orderly and beautiful soul gravitates to an orderly and beautiful sphere-a low and degraded one to the lowest sphere and even then must find that which corresponds to it.

graded spirit takes on a form which corresponds to itself. verity. In the story, published in The Progressive Thinker, enwithin the first sphere. Life, of course, cannot be taken, thoughts. but think for a moment of all the dreadful things and

voyant sight of mediums, they appear clothed as they were wont to be clothed on earth; but they merely assume the garb that they may be recognized, and throw it off immediately thereafter.

We shall not speak of many of the miserable, misguided creatures of the lower sphere or of the earthly sphere, for And now you might like to know about the scenery of we do not like to allow the mind to dwell on impure

Do the angels wear shoes? They wear something that halts for a while until it can gather a little order and corresponds to soft sandals, which is usually of a rose beauty, for order and beauty gravitate to the second color, and soft bands of rose-colored ribbons that confine sphere. The following is what usually remains in the Sometimes a soul is so engrossed, or enwrapped about, derly things; barren plains and deserts; bare and jagged startled a beautiful angelic face peeps forth at the be-

The garments of those who dwell in the grand zone gether with their monks and priests, those who cannot and are so dazzling in splendor that a man of earth could not

And now about the homes in spirit life. To be with-

Well, won't you tell us about these homes? Yes, we

The clothing of the men differs but little from that o Let me tell you, my friends, that the drunkard who has the women. Their garments also flow about them, but more in a belted style, not as long or flowing as those of snakes. It is not his imagination, but the intoxicant, in the women, of graver hue, usually not quite as beautiful. They do not cut their hair or beard, but wear it as nafor all things and creatures in nature differ.

Now we have said and reiterated again and again that all souls are united in oneness to their eternal counterparts, and we are telling you of the greatest and grandest

titled Juno, inspired by Charles Dickens, the great truth love or affinity," but none are ever united to their soulis well shown up. All manner of horrors are perpetrated mates until they are above and beyond all such foolish or impeded by conditions, of which house of a friend whom he has been

Does an eternal counterpart, soul-mate, or other-selfawful souls that leave your earth. How can one expect the actual other half of that which is only a half, not a is modified in this way, is by no means it to be otherwise? These spirits generate filth, rags and whole-smack of free love? Then all the angels in the so certain; it is not so sure that the squalor. Their habitations correspond to themselves if celestial world are free-lovers, for there is not one that is worse, or that of a righteous man betincomplete or without the other half of itself. If that were the case it would simply be an undeveloped spirit dian philosophy, however, does not advet seeking the other half of itself. Now in the present state of the earthly world marriage, if possible, should be kept inviolate, and all those who are reasonably happy in each other should remain to- of its theory of retribution, but it preheaven, and people on earth do not, as yet, understand the law. They marry when quite ignorant and youthful -they marry after the flesh and beget children after the philosopher does not seem to be wholly We return to earth at a stated time to dictate these let- flesh, but they pass on and leave their fleshly bodies behind-they are no more of the flesh but of the spirit-and seven o'clock. This is well understood both by ourselves now commences a higher and better education; but, thouand the sensitive. If this were not the case very little sands on earth are, through natural attraction, really, although ignorantly, united to their own true other self. roughly represented by the sum of the There are those who seem to think that spirits have no These will always remain together as one, for they are other employment than to stand by the side of an earthly one; but thousands more are not, and these will be remedium at all times and seasons, ever ready to answer the leased on leaving the body, to be properly united to the The manifs not different from character most foolish and trivial questions. If there are spirits true counterpart. If by free love is meant promiscuity, nothing can be more abhorrent to a pure angel. Any-Any spirit who would do this could not possibly make any thing of the kind would be utterly impossible in the anprogress whatever within the celestial life and consequent- gelic world, and it is that nature abhors this horror that affinity, a lawij of attraction which y could teach nothing of importance. We do not spend the great law of eternal counterparts exists. Promiscuity draws the man to particular body HARBINGER OF LIGHT, MELover four hours in a week for the purpose of giving that | exists only in the lowest sphere and on the earth; but it | wherein to take birth. which we have found to be true to the earthly sphere. seems to us here that free-love is a misnomer. All men About one-half of the remaining time we spend in obtain- and angels should love one another, and all angels do. man or the 'character' progresses or reing knowledge for ourselves, and the other half in teach- Wisdom, love and truth may be called God, for want of a trogresses, according as he or it underbetter name-but we are coming to the homes, presently. goes self-discipline or the reverse. The

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THE DAWN, CALCUTTA, INDIA spirits, just as it is part of our work to assist those relatively beneath us here. To upset this relation of things stulti-On pages 61-63 of his "Evolution and are permitted to have communication Ethics," )Huxley's last Romanes Lec- with us at all.

tures, we read othe following on the Law of Karma and of Rebirths of the I was told by the chief guide of a well-ancient philosophers of India. -"Every known public medium, that "spirits day," says the late scientist, "ex- lower than yourself can never injure perience familiarizes us with the facts you." This idea is often heard from the sphere, together with the souls that are fitted for that them to the feet; yet this is not invariably the rule. heredity. Every one of us bears upon that the spirits about us will be just him obvious marks of his parentage, such as we attract by our thoughts. first sphere for a while: Jungles, thickets, and all disor- that nothing is visible but a figure of light, and when. perhaps remote relationships. More From personal experience, I can only particularly the sum of tendencies to say that I have not found either of act in a certain way, which we call these statements to cover the entire 'character,' is often to be traced through truth. Our guides are of necessity in a long series of progenitors and col- sympathy with us. Sympathy is the laterals. So we may justly say that keystone of mediumship. All the same, this 'character'—this moral and intel-lectual essence of a man—does veritably pass over from one fleshly tabernacle to ditions"—even though it be from the You will find more convents and monasteries in the first out a home is to be a spiritual vagabond, and these are another, and does really transmigrate best of motives-we may have to suffer from generation to generation. In the for it ourselves, or bring suffering upon newborn infant the character of the those we may subsequently meet. If a stock lies latent, and the Ego a little man enter 'a public house to rescue more than a bundle of potentialities, some tempted brother, he must risk a you how the men are clothed. We will do this first and But very early, these become actuali- blow from the brawling crew within. ties; from childhood to age, they mani-Should he be a medium he may suffer fest themselves, in dullness or bright- in addition from the unseen visitants ness, weakness or strength, viciousness who, in all probability, frequented the or uprightness; and with each feature same public house when in their earthmodified by confluence with another, life, and of his sufferings the world will

if by nothing else, the character passes know nothing. the women, of graver hue, usually not quite as beautiful. They do not cut their hair or beard, but wear it as na-ture intended, full and flowing. No two are exactly alike, this Karma which passed from life to with, and for, the guilty. It enforces life and linked them in the chain of the solidarity of the human race, and transmigrations; and they held that it proves in a way which nothing else can is modified in each life, not merely by that "no man liveth unto himself." It confluence of parentage, but by its own is a fact that many a man who boasts truths in nature. It seems strange to us that the people acts. They were, in fact, strong believ- that he is able to reclaim one of these And now, friends, allow me to tell you that a low, de- of earth are so loth to accept such a great and eternal ers in the theory, so much disputed just "undeveloped spirits," and set him on at present, of the hereditary trans- the high road of progress, has been "Oh!" we hear someone say, "that might smack of free manifestation of the tendencies of self, to carry such companions upon his a character may be greatly facilitated, shoulders and deposit them in the

self-discipline, or the absence of it, are visiting. To carry an evil spirit in this among the most important, is in- way from one house to another it is not dubitable; but that the character itself necessary that he should be a medium. MYSTERIOUS LIGHTS.

worse, or that of a righteous man bet riage was a teacher of mathematics, ter, than that which he received. Inhad two children, both boys. One died when seven or eight years old; the mit of any doubt on the subject; the beyounger survived. They had been exlief in the influence of conditions, tremely attached to each other. Yet notably self-discipline, on the Karmas after the death of the elder the younger was not merely a necessary postulate child never seemed to miss him or sorgether. Soul-mating is not so much for earth as it is for sented the only way of escape from the row for him, and when alone in the room they used to occupy together, the endless round of transmigrations." mother often heard the child laughing, Mr. Huxley's presentation of the Law as if in playful glee. When questioned, of Karma and of Rebirths of the Indian he invariably answered that his brother was there playing with him. As he correct. Two points require to be grew older this thing continued. Once. specially remembered in this connecin passing, the mother went to throw tion. First, we have to distinguish besome heavy parcel on the bed when the tween the man and his conditions. The boy screamed aloud: "Don't, don't man may in Hindu philosophy be You'll hurt Bert. Don't you see him lying on the bed?" This mother demoral, spiritual and intellectual facclares that she has often seen the room ulties, energies or essences which Huxbrilliantly illuminated when no light ley sumst up by the word 'character.' was in it, and her husband corroborates the statement. The lad who sees and as understood in the above sense. Then talks with his brother is mentally all there are the physiological conditions, right, and has a talent, amounting or the body which this man takes on.



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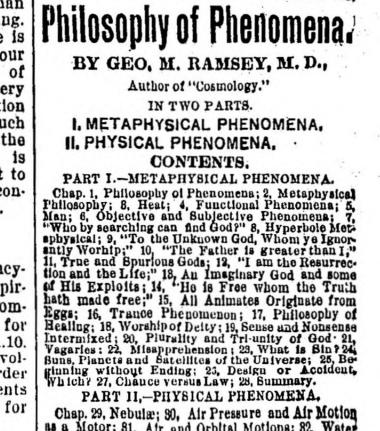
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they have any. Many have none at all, not having constructiveness enough to even build a spiritual shanty, and no one loves them enough to construct one for them. They are, as yet, too vile to enter the habitation of a good or wise spirit; yet, gradually, all are raised one by one. None are so low that time does not retrieve them.

### LETTER NUMBER TWENTY-EIGHT.

ters, two evenings in a week, commencing precisely at could be accomplished.

who spend their time in this way we are not of them. ing and aiding the spirits who are below us in wisdom; for be it ever borne in mind that our wives are always with us and they have as much to do with these letters as the personalities whose names are signed. The language of earth does not always permit us to make this clear and wherein they can receive other angels, a home wherein we must often use the personal pronoun, which is misleading.

who writes for us, we often find within the mind something which antagonizes the truth. Oftener than otherto the world at-large, and we find it to be the case this evening. The article which has been read is from the pen of an eminent medium, relative to the homes within the spiritual realm.

That medium says to the effect that a spirit who might greatly desire a home in spirit life must be earth-bound.

According to this medium a wise and progressed spirit toward wisdom does not need clothing, and as the medium plants that folds its leaves at the touch of a finger.

thing in contradistinction to this eminent lady medium, also have heat and cold. In fact, heat and cold do not rebeing already within the realm of the spiritual do not feel so, for we write only of that which we know. We have said in a former letter that we had visited all the spheres, even to the great zone, outside of the earth's have homes wherein to educate and care for children, orbit, which is true, and the only sphere that we have found where there are those who are homeless is the first and seasons. sphere above the earth. Here, there are some so low in the scale of being that they are without homes, and wander about like tramps and vagabonds of earth. The only souls that go unclothed are those who are so low in the scale of being that the emanations of the mind are no sufficient to wrap them about, and none love, or are attracted to them, enough to do it for them, and these are few, very few indeed. Even the tiniest infants are appropriately clothed by those who love, or those who care for them. Dear friends, your earth is a type of the celestial life, ether any more than she could on the ambient air of and you are safe in believing that as it is with you of earth. earth, so it is with the celestial world on a grander, higher Oh. scale. That we are not clothed in the same manner that those of earth are is true. Our women and girls do not wear corsets, they do not wear tight, pointed shoes, they do not wear enormous hats covered with tall ostrich plumes, they do not bang their hair nor roll it over enormous rats-rats is the word used, we think, for the large rolls, or cushions, over which the hair is combed. Our ladies do not wear dresses low in the neck, with short awhile, have its playthings-its little pet animals. Chilsleeves, for no lady here desires to attract the gaze of any man except her husband or other self, and modesty before him enwraps her about like a garment of violets. She is like a sweet, modest violet, or like a regal rose, or like a fair, sweet lily; her clothing corresponds to her soul, for it emanates from her soul and wraps her about like a garment of light. We have never yet met a soul unclothed except in thelowest sphere. The higher and more exalted the angel the more beautiful the clothing, for it is from the emanations of their love, truth and wisdom that they are clothed. Well, you ask, what is their general appearance. or rather, how are the women in the celestial world clothed? Their garments are soft and flowing, floating about with to teach them. them in exquisite grace, and we have never yet seen two of the same color; the style and color correspond to the soul, and as no two souls are alike, so no two garments are exactly alike, yet all are flowing. How do they wear their hair? This is an all-important question with many women of earth. I will tell you, my Howe. pretty girls.

home precisely as men of earth do but on a higher,

the outdoors of mankind, and the light and glory are veiled by homes, as on earth. We need homes on all accounts and could not, and do not, exist without them.

The medium before mentioned says that we have neither cold, heat, nor storms of anykind. Now we beg THE to differ, for we are here and know about it. That we do not have the coarser earthly storm, we admit; that the does not desire or need a home, as it does not meet with | elements do not war so violently as on earth, we also adheat, or cold, or rain or snow; also, that a soul very far on mit; but it is not one eternal, everlasting day of intense light here, no more than there. We have a soft dew and who said, or wrote this, is considered to be exceedingly many light clouds; we also have gentle rain, and somewise, my poor medium recoils like one of those sensitive times there is quite a breeze, for we have a spiritual atmosphere. Of course it is very refined and rare, but it is

My medium, personally, would not dare to write any- as real to us as the earth's atmosphere is to earth. We are not to a certain degree, subject to them both? But

almost to genius, for music. And there is always a sort of secret BOURNE, AUSTRALIA. Secondly-The reincarnating man

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passes on from body to body; and the PHENOMENA HUNTING.

And the more Spiritualism is spiritual ized-the further we get away from man or character (which is 'the same mere phenomena hunting and from all Now when the male and female here are rightly con- thing, as above explained), always and attempts to extract material adjoined together their first thought is to create a home for necessarily possesses his or its self- vantages from our intercourse with our themselves, a home wherein they can abide, a home acquired characteristics. But the self- friends and teachers in the Unseen; the acquired characters of one man are not | higher we lift our aspirations; the more necessarily transmitted to another by carefully we guard our daily conduct; they can retire from the gaze of innumerable hosts, a home integration of physiological, hereditary and the loftier our ideal of human life; home wherein they may rest and recuperate, a home transmission. So far as and when there is the more elevated will be the intelli-Now when we put ourselves en rapport with the one wherein they may cultivate the beautiful; they want a is such transmission, it is only because gences we shall succeed in attracting to the reincarnating man or 'character' our sides. I have heard it asserted that has a secret, unerring attraction for its the inhabitants of the seventh sphere grander scale. Homes of earth are types of heavenly own appropriate or equivalent physio- cannot come near the earth. Believe wise some article has been read that does not agree with homes-small types. The sparkling light and glare of logical and moral conditions, i. e., con- me this is a most erroneous assumption. that which we have already told the medium or written to the celestial heavens is often as wearisome to an angel as ditions of an embodied character, those Give them the necessary conditions and governing the parent wherein the re- they will come, and come gladly; not, incarnating character may find a fit soll necessarily, to men and women of great for development or manifestation of intellectual attainments; far less to peo-Itself.

ple occupying eminent positions in the world; but to the poor and lowly, to the humble minded, and to those who are TWQ WORLDS, MANliving lives of self-sacrifice for the good of others.

You may be filled with wonder at what you may be apt to consider an astounding act of condescension on the

that a man does not cease to be himself part of your interlocutor, but reading when the earth-life is ended. The sin- your thoughts, such a visitant will adcere and truth-loving soul now shines monish you that, "in the kingdom of forth with its natural radiance. On the heaven, the greatest is the servant of other hand, the man of schemes and the least;" and that the only true emistratagems will still desire to pursue nence in the after life is that which is his evil courses, which have become, as acquired by superior spirituality.

yet, a part of his nature. He is still the Of course, as Mr. Morgan truly refor it was spoken or written by a lady, but of course we ally originate on earth at all; then why suppose that we same, except that he has far more free- marked the other evening, great names dom than he had before. are being constantly assumed by very And now what do we find? That Spir- ignoble spirits, and the silliest twaddle furnished to our subscribers alone for THE RELIGION OF SCIENCE. itualists are ready to make friends with is often accepted by credulous sitters as \$2.85. But bear in mind that in order the most degraded types-beings from the utterances of men and women who to secure these SEVEN valuable prewhom, did they meet them on earth, have been famous on earth. But I have mium books for \$2.35, the order must be they would shirk with fear and cross found the best safeguard against im- accompanied with a year's subscription over to the other side of the road! 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Don't you think she tables moved-they know a little of ant, from whom I have frequently obwhat spirits can do-yet they will vol- trined minutely accurate descriptions untarily expose their own organisms of controls, of whom such clairvoyant actual cost. The authors make no (which the more developed they are, had never seen so much as a portrait. the child would soon become restless and want a change the more vulnerable they will be) to But in order to attain the very best and we don't think the lady could lay it down on ambient attacks from these against whom they results, and to attract to ourselves the cannot bar the doors, nor summon the highest teachers, whose privilege it is aid of the police. But have they not to become the instructors of humanitywise and loying guides who will protect a work in which they take the greatest them? Yes, But it is for the guides to delight-it is absolutely essential that home just as you of earth have homes, and that child must | decide if the circumstances warrant an | we should spiritualize our Spiritualism. attempt to peclaim any such characters, If we seek for intercourse with the deand whether they themselves will be parted from motives of curiosity, or as able to carry the attempt to a successlady-if very small it must be laid on a couch and cared ful issue. In such a world as this even in obedience to any selfish impulse for almost exactly as infants of earth are cared for-its the events of daily life may make it our whatsoever, we must be prepared for There are thousands of Spiritualists mind must grow gradually as the minds of earthly chil- duty to gun many risks, but to run disappointment and deception; because directly and wilfully into their way, is there is no escaping the universal law inducement is offered, in order that The highly-educated and refined Woman in the Cona manner of conduct most unfair to our that "like attracts like;" and if our guides. me -10 thoughts and wishes are of the earth, It is true that high spirits have power earthy, we draw to our side earth- keep in line with the advancing procesand authority tordeal effectively with bound spirits who will fool and delude sion. 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I used the word "devil," as I had enlightenment in order that we may be been quoting from the gospels, but un- instrumental in diffusing it among our moreover we can't have our schools and classes all out in der ordinary circumstances I should say fellow creatures, then we need not fear "evil spirits" (the other word is per- imposture, or impersonations, on the fectly just). halso added, "whose duty part of those who speak to us through and desire it is ever to help them, but any right-thinking and right-living whose services they scorn, and do medium; and all others should be things which are not permitted to those scrupulously avoided, as social pests who have left this earth. Even many and as enemies of the truth. Spiritualists seem to have but a hazy notion of the interests and activities of "Longley's Beautiful Songs." Vol. 2. teach that which is positively known to be false .- E. 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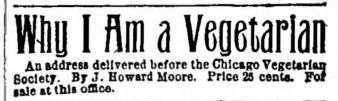
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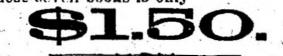
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In the quotation made in my former article, the inflube filled from church authors glorifying the wonderfully moral and spiritual character of the primitive Christians; and some of our Spiritualists join in the eulogy. I pro-pose to show, on the contrary, that this primitive church was in every respect far below the church of to-day. For the first 150 years of those three centuries, there is nothing whatever except the New Testament to give us any insight into the character or influence of the Christian Church. Justin Martyr, whose writings are placed from 140 to 166 A. D., is the first author who is entitled to any serious notice. Indeed, he is the only one whose reputed writings are not suspected of being forged; or, if not

reason will appear in the sequel.

The names of these Fathers are Clement, Ignatius, Polycarp, Barnabas and Hermas. Clement is supposed to have been the Clement mentioned by St. Paul. There are still extant two epistles to the Corinthians, bearing his name, written in Greek; of these, it is generally supposed that the first is genuine, and that the second is falsely palmed upon the holy man by some deceiver. Yet even the first epistle seems to have been corrupted by some indiscreet person, who was sorry to see no more marks of erudifion and genius in a production of so great a man. Four other works are ascribed to him, but are conceded forgeries. And of the only one not utterly condemned, his first epistle, the best that high church authority can say for it is this, "it is generally supposed that the first is genuine." Supposition—guess work, is the strong fort of Christian evidence.

he wrote seven epistles. There are two sets of these epistles in existence, one longer than the other. Which is genuine, or whether either is so, nobody knows. . The translator of Mosheim's Church History says: "Moderate men of various sects, and especially Lutherans, are disposed to admit the genuineness of the epistles in their shorter form; but to regard them as interpolated and the telling fact that the influence of Christianity was the altered." The trouble with the Ignatian epistles, with practice of deception, fraud, forgery and lying on the part livered a part. And for this they were killed. The apostolic churches, let us briefly glance at the condition most Protestants, is that they are out and out Catholic of the most pious and holy of its members. The religions claim that the Holy Ghost killed them is too thin; it is of the seven churches of Asia in the Revelation, supposed most Protestants, is that they are out and out Catholic in doctrine.

Polycarp has one epistle ascribed to him. It "is by some accounted genuine, and by others spurious." Guess work again. Who Barnabas was, nobody knows. Supposed to have been a Jewish Christian of the first or second century, Hermas is claimed to have been the brother of Pius the Bishop of Rome in the second century. Why he and the Barnabas above mentioned should be termed Apostolic Fathers passes my comprehension. Of the book, written by Hermas, Dr. Mosheim says: "The writer, held with God and angels, in order to insinuate what he minds of his readers. But his celestial spirits talk more insipidly than our scavengers and porters." These are writings is the Testament or even the gospels mentioned! ond century. And his epistle is said to have been called out by a broil in the church at Corinth.

was a marked characteristic of the primitive church. And and facts." as this forging and interpolating documents was for no other purpose than manufacturing evidence, it shows the absence, in the earliest period of church history, of any satisfactory proof of the main allegations of the Christian

apologists. What I have written thus far applies entirely to the forged, grossly interpolated. Many have heard the phrase first century, and the question occurs, did the second show Christians may be added another, not indeed of equal ex-

tent, but a pernicious one and productive of many evils. The Platonists and Pythagoreans deemed it not only lawful but commendable to deceive and lie, for the sake of truth and piety. The Jews living in Egypt, learned from them this sentiment before the Christian Era, as appears from many proofs. And from both, this vice early spread among the Christians. Of this no one will doubt, who calls to mind the numerous forgeries of books under the names of eminent men, the Sibylline verses, and other similar trash, a large mass of which appeared in this and the following centuries." And don't forget that this was the century when, and these the men by whom the New

Testament was compiled. Mosheim, discussing the clergy of the third century, informs us that they "considered it of no importance, whether an antagonist were confounded by base artifices, of Christian evidence. The next Father is Ignatius, who is said to have suf-fered martyrdom 107 or 116 A. D. He was Bishop of to circumvent and confound an adversary, rather than confute him with sound argument, produced also a multi-confute him with sound argument, produced also a multitude of books falsely bearing on their front the names of certain distinguished men." \* \* "Thus they who wished to surpass all others in piety, deemed it a pious act to employ deception and fraud in support of piety." Here we have the same story of forgery of books, in

> of the world have always been in harmony with all forms of immoralism and wrong.

I will here make a quotation from Mosheim respecting the fourth century, as it specially refers to the three first, system of the age, must be added two principal errors now well nigh publicly adopted, and from which afterwards ceive is a virtue, when religion can be promoted by it. visited with penalties and punishments. The first of these regarded as salutary truths, more effectually into the principles" (to deceive and lie) "had been approved in the into him, that caused him to perform the heinous crime. to eat things sacrificed unto idols." preceding centuries; and it is almost incredible, what a mass of the most insipid fables, and what a host of pious the Apostolic Fathers! And these driblets of assumed repistles constitute the entire Christian literature outside the New Testament for more than a hundred years from the reputed death of Jesus Christ. And in none of these the reputed death of Jesus Christ. And in none of these ing from the prolific fountain af the first three conturies and pous falschoods," start-writings is the Testament or even the gesends mentioned in the testament or even the gesends mentioned ing from the prolific fountain af the first three conturies and brought the price and "laid it down at writings is the Testament or even the gesends mentioned in the testament or even the test

Mosheim also says, "that, not long after the Savior's Mosneim also suys, inter moral line, it is impossible to resist the conclusion that the ascension, various histories of his life and doctrines, full confirmation of this position, that Dr. Mosheim himself is neither moralism nor common sense. It is fanaticism, primitive church was anything but a body of people ascension, various instantion, various instantion, we composed by persons of no should feel compelled to tacitly admit that "pious fraud" insanity. We had a little touch of it in the Advent ex- worthy of imitation. We cannot resist the opinion that bad intentions perhaps, but who were superstitious, simple could promote the cause of religion. He says: "If, what citement under Wm. Miller. True communism does not much of the gross pollution, charged by its enemies, was and piously fraudulent; and afterwards, various other spurious writings were palmed upon the world, falsely in-scribed with the names of the holy apostles." It is worthy ison of Christianity, they doubtless hold the lowest place, with the lowest place, contributions from the Centile churches of Asia Minor

Bear in mind, we are searching for the influence of age, as patterns of purity and holiness, worthy of the made a few hasty excursions to other places. Hence, it is Christianity in the first three centuries, and we find that imitation of all subsequent/ages. But whoever supposes all the literature, save the New Testament, for 150 years, the primitive churches were perfectly free from all vices laid at the apostles' feet. The priests have almost inence of Christianity in the first three centuries was is either forged or interpolated, or both; and this, too, by and sins, and estimates the lives of all the Christians by variably had houses, whether the people had or not. But specialized in a most emphatic manner. Volumes could the hest of Christian authority. And by could be conduct of courses of the course of the conduct of courses of the courses of the course of t the best of Christian authority. And by equally con- the conduct of some of them, and by the precepts and the real founder of Christianity was favored with especial clusive authority, it can be shown that the New Testament exhortations of their teachers, as most of those writers revelations. Barnabas "was a good man and full of the was itself made up in the same manner. The special point have done whose books and tracts concerning the innoin this testimony is, that forgery of documents, and inter-polations, which is the same thing in a different form, be confuted by the clearest evidence of both testimony there was continuous strife between the Gentile and Jew-

From what I have written, it is clear, that Church His- But what was the moral character of members of the tory is very vague in reference to the moral character and apostolic churches? Among the Corinthians, in celebrating influence of Christianity upon society except in those par- the Last Supper, some were hungry and others drunken. ticulars mentioned. We are, therefore, compelled to con- And because of eating and drinking unworthily, Paul said sult the New Testament for a view of the apostolic many of them were "weak and sickly." They also went church. What was its moral character? What influence to law with each other "before the unbelievers." And was it able to exert? What influence did it exert upon there was fornication among them "such as was not so "Apostolic Fathers" repeated from the pulpit in such a any change for the better? Mosheim, in his chapter upon human progress? These questions I will endeavor to much as named among the Gentiles."

manner as to convey the idea that they were men of extra-theology and religion in this century, remarks: "In this answer. To comprehend the character of the primitive ordinary sanctity, and that their writings were peculiarly century there was admitted, with good intentions no church, we must first look at the men who are alleged as Paul was fearful, "lest there be debates, annoyings, holy, approaching those of the Apostles themselves. And some have wondered why the churches did not have them translated and placed in the Sunday School libraries. The boliness and virtue." \* \* "To this great error of the boliness and virtue." \* \* "To this great e brothers, and they revealed their character on two occa-sions according to the story. In one instance, they wanted mitted?" That is a pretty dark picture of a primitive power to bring fire from heaven to destroy an inhospitable church. village of Samaritans, and in the next they tried to extort The Galatians were "bewitched" and "turned to

power has survived in the church "unto this day."

dulging in the vulgar habit of cursing and swearing. and "many deceivers are entered into the world," and he That betrayed his real character.

him of his hypotensy. The went down to finite on a visit, and freely associated with the Gentile Christians till was in about as sad a plight as Paul when all in Asia had or the World's Progress in Thought. By Moses Hen, An excellent work by this veteran writer and thinker.

order to support the claims of the Christian clergy, and robbed, stolen, nor wronged any one. They had pre- primitive churches.

bosh. They were murdered by Peter, or the entire story to have been written before the destruction of Jerusalem. is a fable-a forgery, gotten up to distinguish Peter as the

rock on which the church is built. He is a fit foundation spirit. for the Catholic Church, and that church, in its historical ponent of Peter.

ish Christians is too apparent to need any argument.

the promise from Christ that they two should sit at his another gospel." And among the Thessalonians some right and left hand in his kingdom. They were very good were "disorderly, busybodies, working not at all." Peter, lobbyists, for they employed their mother to aid them in also describing the condition of the churches, speaks of their effort. This tendency to seek the chief seats of those who were "spots and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with

Peter, the rock, is the next. He was a coward and a you; having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease hypocrite, if not worse. He was full of bravado when from sin, beguiling unstable souls; cursed children." danger was at a distance, but when confronting it he This is a blacker picture, if possible, than that drawn by THE STORY OF A SUMMER. "thrice" denied his Master and enforced his denial by in- Paul. John also declares there were "many antichrists,"

speaks of one Diotrephes who loved pre-eminence in the church, and who prated against John "with malicious" Pervaded with pure and beautiful spirituality of pock the higher and ther ways of spiritual experience. Frice, silo. For sale at this office. But, it is said, Peter was converted after that and re- church, and who prated against John "with malicious ceived the Holy Ghost. To be sure, but it did not cure words," and cast out of the church those who adhered to him of his hypocrisy. He went down to Antioch on a him. Not a very rosy view of an apostolic church. John

drew from his Gentile brethren and would not eat with Jude presents a view equally black. He says, "there them. Paul was so indignant at his dissimulation that he are certain men crept in unawares, ungodly men, turning publicly rebuked him. But the blackest feature of his the grace of our God into lasciviousness. \* \* These are life is the murder of Ananias and Sapphira. They were murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts." His Birth, Character and Doctrine.

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Against the church at Ephesus, it is alleged "thou hast which we are considering: "To these defects in the moral hypocrisy, persecution and ruthless murder, is a fit ex- left thy first love." They were backsliders. The church of Pergamos had those who held "the doctrine of Balaam As to Judas not much needs to be said. He was evi- who taught Balak to cast a stumbling block before the immense evils resulted. The first was that to lie and de- dently considered honest and of good business capacity, children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to as he was the treasurer of the apostolical company. But commit fornication. So also hast thou them that hold The other was, that errors in religion, when maintained he is pronounced a traitor. He betrayed his master, and the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate. The if he was indeed sane, deemed it proper to forge dialogues and adhered to after proper admonition, ought to be his earnest repentance has failed to extenuate his act, not- church of Thyatira allowed "that woman Jezebel, to withstanding it was the influence of Satan, who entered teach and seduce my servants to commit fornication, and

The Jerusalem church is pointed to as the most won-derful illustration of the influence of Christianity, and the was dead. The Laodiceans were neither cold nor hot;

ing from the prolific fountain of the first three centuries, the apostles' feet."... And we are told that they all con- by, and presided over, by the apostles themselves, we add And, except Clement, they all lived and wrote in the sec- and flowing as a blighting influence through all the cen- tinued together daily in the temple, and breaking bread the incidental evidence furnished by the constant referturies till now; for the major portion of Christianity is to-day cherishing those fables and repeating those very falschoods. And it is one of the remarkable facts, in tian religion in its purest and most perfect state. But it J. S. LOVELAND.



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As set forth by the Manila American, not molested, but the refractory na-in Cavite Viejo and vicinity a lot of na- tives were angered because an Ameritives, who are insurgents at heart, but can officer used Aguinaldo's audience who have "no stomach for fighting," have been muttering against the Amer-icans. The ostensible cause of their in Bincayan especially, threats were complaint is that Lieut. Paul A. Barry | made that Lieutenant Barry would be of the Fourth Infantry, has been living killed if he did not vacate the premises. in a house which is alleged to belong to Aguinaldo. and was not in the least intimidated by

The house in question is one of the the reports of what the insurrectos had largest buildings in Cavite Viejo, and said. Mistaking leniency for fear, the when it became necessary to use the residence for military purposes, Senora Famy (Aguinaldo's mother), who accu-barry was afraid to come to their barpied the dwelling, was politely asked to rio because he would surely be put to move out. She complied with the re- death if he did. When the assertions quest made of her by the military au- came to the ears of the officer whose thorities and went to live in Bincayan. I life had been threatened he at once pro-The men of Company I of the Fourth ceeded to show, the natives how little Infantry were quartered in one wing of he cared for their blustering. Going imthe building, and Lieut. Barry occupied mediately to Bincayan, he collected a number of braggarts and admonished the big front room.

This room was formerly Aguinaldo's them to do less talking or they would favorite place of abode. The walls are get into trouble. beautifully frescoed and the celling has. The malcontents were thoroughly painted on it a picture representing the cowed by Lieutenant Barry's unexpect-

ocean. In the background of the picture ed action and since then the propriety there are three mountains. In the of his living in Aguinaldo's "casa" has space between the center and left one not been questioned in Bincayan. the sun appears in magnificent splen-

dor. In the foreground of the picture is That the Filipinos are thoroughly a set of steps leading from the ocean steeped in superstition, combined with upward. On the topmost step sits a na-tive girl in national costume, holding a Filipino flag, the upper end of the flag-staff capped by a bow and arrow. To the left of her and at her feet is the Spanish flag, lying in the dust, with the staff broken, and near this are pieces of the chains symbolizing the harsbness of

Spanish tyranny and the breaking of it. This room seems to have been a sort of audience room. Against the far wall is an altar, to the right and left of which are figures of the Virgin Mary and Jesus, in half life-size. On top of the altar is a group of figures, eighteen sidered by the Spirit Lucretius;" "Odd-inches in height, representing Mary, ities in Reference to the Dead;" "Death Joseph and the child Jesus. Under a from a Vibratory Force;" "The Day curtain of gaudy material one may see a life-size figure of Jesus, representing

The holy of holies in this room, ac-cording to Filipino ideals, is the recumbent image of Jesus. With this statue

from a vibratory Force," "The Day After Death Reautifully Illustrated," "Sensations of the Dying," "A Birth Out of Dark Conditions," "After Death Experiences of an Avaricious Man;" "A Special Visit to the Spirit World," "Fragrance at a Child's Death Bed;" umba Varied Description of the Savior, Aguinaldo claimed to have held many long conversations, and his ignorant and deluded followers be gave the self-constituted dictator ad-vice as to the management of the insur-rection. When Aguinaldo left Cavite Vice by the orders a light mas least this request of Dying," etc., etc. In fact this game is a substantial to substantial the insur-rection. Viejo, by his orders a light was kept constantly burning on a pedestal in front of the image, and when Senora access to it. It should be in every home. Famy moved away she pleaded as an Read the premium terms carefully, and excuse for wanting to stay that it was then send for the Three Volumes of the the command of the saints that she Encyclopedia of Death.

that particular place. Lleut Barry had lived in the Aguinaldo mansion but a short time when the Multitudes Dying of Starvacord by saying that a "great sacrilege was being committed. The images and sacred pictures were

ignorance, is now an acknowledged fact. Only by gradual growth can they escape the manacles which the Catholic church has woven around them.

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CRITIC.

I read with deepest interest "India's Appeal" in The Progressive Thinker of June 16. I have felt for some time that chamber for a sleeping apartment. As Spiritualists as a body should not ignore the appeal of our starving kindred in the far East. I say kindred for they are really of our own Aryan blood. The distance seemed so great and the certainty of reaching them so indefinite, But the Lieutenant is a brave man

that I have felt powerless to move. At the time the letter appeared in your paper Pundit F. K. Lalan, of Bomformerly of the Merchants' Caste bay, in India, but now a Sunyasi and teacher of Oriental thought in America, was visiting Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Hyde, this place. I learned from this gentle, unselfish soul that he had for some time been sending nearly everything he could earn to his afflicted countrymen, and that he had reliable friends in the famine-stricken districts who will take charge of food and funds that might be sent, and see that it is wisely and properly distributed. Accordingly I have set to work to see what might be done in Lily Dale, and have to report that as

far as I have gone with my appeal only one person has refused to help. The funds will go to Pundit F. K. Lalan and am sure that no person who has ever met him would have a doubt about the money being appropriated as intended.

tion,

While soliciting, after stating my while soliciting, after sutting my purpose, I am often answered, "Oh, if we only knew the money would get there, how glad we would be to give something." I have only to state, "Lalan will take charge of the money." when confidence is felt and the result is as I have stated. (

When we learn that the value of two cents a day will keep a soul from leav-ing the body by starvation, who will not respond. All that is needed is for some person to take the matter in hand and gather the fund together.

Why cannot committees be formed among Spiritualists in the different towns and societies of this country, and do this work, so that the Spiritualists of America may have the privilege of doing their part toward alleviating the great woe that is desolating India? The money gathered in this way may. be safely sent to Pundit F. K. Lalan, Lily Dale, N. Y., care of Dr. E. C. Hyde, and the givers may be assured that the means supplied will go direct to the famine districts. There is no time to lose. Who will take hold of this work? EMMA J. HUFF,

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After hearing Mr. Henthorne's sermon last evening, the Spiritualists have another word to say to the public. We had given Mr. H. credit for at least desiring to be fair, honest and truthful. Those who have read the reply to his first sermon, and then listened to his last one, will know how he ascribed to them things which they plainly and dis-tinctly disclaimed, and those who know anything about the lives and teachings of Spiritualists generally, know that Mr. Henthorne grossly misrepresented

His attempted reply to the four questions was a curiosity. It certainly added confounding to confusion. God did surely "put a lying spirit in the mouth of his prophet," says Mr. H., but why he did so was a stunner to the ordinary orthodox preacher. The Bible of natural. is not absolutely infallible. Another revolutionary confession from the pulpit.

After chastising the church for being "cowardly" in not freely and fairly investigating all questions, the Spiritual-ists tested his sincerity by asking him if he would use his influence to give a representative public! lecturer the use of the church, to the end that we might have a fair bearing. What was the an-swer? "No indeed. It would be invit-ing the Devil into the house of God." And yet, strange to relate, the Spirit-ualists have a letter from him extend-ing a special invitation to the "Devil" to come and hear his serions. The 'Devil" accepted in good if faith; and after hearing him feels charitable. enough to accept the theory that the Jehovah of Genesis . and TFirst Kings, did in this instancel "put a lying spirit in the mouth of his prophet."

It did seem refreshing, however, even to the children of the Devil," after common sense. We should adopt a the close of Mr. Heithorno's sermon, to loftler standard of morality, nobler go to the Opera House and for a few l ideals for man. Because man is more minutes hear St. John discourse about | earthy than woman, it does not follow a God that never put a lying spirit in the mouth of anybody; of uch less in mud. The moral standard for man is the mouth of one of his chosen proph--11 ets.

Our leaflet is a reply to the second sermon, as well as the forst. If our Methodist friends and all others, who heard the Reverend, will read it, they will be deeply impressed with the mar-velous degree to which Bro. Henthorne has evoluted (?) from the old dispensation (when put to the test) and how consistently he practices the teachings and example of the meek; lowly and truth-

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She is the dream of unwritten poems Viewed from a Poet's Stand- and the despair of the painter's brush, and the voice of spirits in the air and point. winds. But in all her thousand vary-

Ingersoll once said in one of his lec-tures that if he had had the making of

the universe he would have made

health catching instead of disease. We

are learning that the finer laws of the

mind and spirit can govern the forces

of the body and subordinate evil or dis-

ease to the will of the mind or good. To deny the existence of evil, or disease

in this sin-sick, ungrown state of hu-manity seems the wildest delusion and

unreasoning vagary that can possess

I am far from agreeing with the dic

repudiates polygamy and no longer con-

sorts with courtesans on the public

the mind, and soul-debasing.

ing capricious moods, she is gracious and great, and never under any circum-There is a certain class of theorists that declares there is no evil, no disease, stances is she vulgar. Nature is divine but what we see is only an effect proand worthy our conception of a God duced by unreal causes, and has no re-Humanity is divine in littles, and grovality only in the milnd and imagination els ashamed and base beneath the calm purity of the stars. There are moments I trust I may speak plainly on this subject without offending the fastidious Good and evil, health and disease, seem to be parallel lines running there is always a something lacking. And this something we try to replace by through society and converge only in the supposed state of comparative perfection in another more spiritual sphere where purer life and atmosphere make attractions heavenward more easy and

when we almost touch the heights, but religion, or philosophy, or science, but neither fanatic, nor philosopher, nor scientist has yet succeeded in the quest for the perfect state of spirit and

mind. Poets see it sometimes with

their visionary eyes afar off. And those whose lives resent their own imperfections and life's grossness see it sometimes in their dreams.

Touched with a living fire Our souls are led thro' devious ways With hopeful fond desire We see the use of all our earthly days.

And strive anew to gain . The conquest over sin and wrong. Though grievous the pain, The echoes of a heavenly song, Sweet tender refrain,

Makes the heart brave and strong. BISHOP A. BEALS.

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Nature embodies what the human our so-called Christianity is Paulism race should be and is not. She is ten- and not the Christianity of Christ. The der, sublime, musical with birds, and book is well written, and the subject infinitely lovely in her ever-changing handled with ability.

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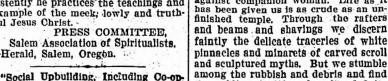
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"Is Your Soul Saved?"

A leaflet mailed the writer from Belvidere, Iil., bears the above title and question. It goes on to tell of some person about dying whose soul was not saved, and was about going to hell; while a neighbor across the street was also dving, but whose soul was sure of heaven. The party about going to hell, the leaflet tells us, complained of his neighbor for not warning him of his danger so he could have escaped the flery furnace. He even cursed the redeemed, and held him responsible for his own lost soul. The author of this interesting leaflet quotes John 1:20-"Behold the Lamb of God who beareth away the sins of the world;" and begs the sinner who desires to "escape from the wrath to come," to "Come with all your conscious guilt and helplessness to the living Son of God, Jesus, who on Calvary's cross bore the sinner's sin, and is able to save all who come to him." May we suggest to the stranger, whoever he is, so anxious for our soul's salvation, that the God we adore is not so much a cruel tyrant as to accept the sufferings of an innocent person for to this rite under the impression it was es, and in each branch ten thousand another's guilt. He doesn't do it that first required by a God. way. On the contrary, being a just God, he punishes the real offender, and proportions the penalty to the wrong done. No prayer, no grief, no tears move him in the least; neither does he allow an intercessor to act in the premises; but requires the extreme penalty for violated law. In some cases he seems to require compound interest. These are cases where the law is frequently broken. It may have been a good thing when Moses and his wandering rabble were Now Barney had a Gospel of his own, lost in the wilds of Arabia, to load a goat with imprecations and send him away into the wilderness, charged with the sins of the multitude: but God tired of that method, as he did of feasting | the world will last 6,000 years, "because only on the aroma of doves, and rams, and bullocks, and of first born children. while the priests feasted on the roasted flesh, so he switched off and accepted his own son as a final sacrifice. That God was the God of a barbarian people, closely related to the god savages worshiped. We have no laudations for him. The little God who reigned over Jerusalem, before whom David danged in unseemly glee, was a tribal god, unknown and unheard of outside of the few Jews who dwelt in the fastnesses of the Lebanon mountains; while ours holds the boundless universe in equal polse, wheels suns and planets in their mazy dance, infuses life in the minutest animalcule, and endows it with loves. and hates, and aspirations, as perfect in their kind as

Water from Jordan. Confirmation of Holy Writ. Outside of the New Testament our The news journals tell of an "impresswhole knowledge of the beginnings of ive baptismal ceremony" that lately occurred at the Congregational Church of Ohristianity, as claimed by its devotees,

New Haven, Conn. Six children were down to the year 325, are given by what sprinkled-baptized, says the reportare known as the "Fathers of the and "hundreds gathered to witness the Church." The pretended writings of imposing ceremony." The water was these "Fathers," reputed to have been conveyed to the church in a sealed canwritten in Greek, were picked up in eld teen in which if was brought from the cloisters and monasteries where skeptics claim they were manufactured at home of the Savior." It continues: "Pouring the water into a silver salver a much later date than generally sup-Dr. McLane repeated impressively the posed, by monks. Save a very few of story of Jesus and St. John the Baptist." them they were difficult to obtain until It is difficult to repress a smile over some thirty years ago, when Rev. A. that "canteen," against which the Roberts, and his assistants, collected them, and with English renderings, gave whole church has been making war, invoking the aid of Congress to suppress them to the public, under the name of them, because soldiers carried them on "The Ante-Nicene Library," in some 24

the battle-field, with the implied convolumes. This Library embraces the alleged almost lost his standing with the Methwritings of Polycarp, Barnabas, Ignaodists on their account. Had those can- tius, Paplas, Arnobius, Clement, Cyteens contained water distilled by prian, Minucius Felix, Gregory Thau-Nature's alembic in Palestine, and flowmaturgus, Dionysius, Hyppolytus, ing in the Jordan valley, instead of Ireneus, Lactantius, Liturgies, Justin some American river, canteen and Martyr, Athenagoras, Methodius Origen, Tatian, Theophilus, Tertullian, water would have been sacred in their Victorinus and Commodius.

The slightly educated clergy delight The waters of the Ganges, the Jorin referring to these writings of the dan, and the Nile, like those of our own Hudson, or the Mississippi, originally "Fathers" as corroborative of the Gosrose from the earth in vapor. That pels. There is not one in a thousand of the Protestant ministry who has vapor formed clouds in the sky. When the clouds were over-charged the vapor any knowledge of these books in their fell back to the earth in the form of originals; and outside of Origen, and possibly Tertullian, there are very few rain, hail or snow. Falling on mountain or plain, and obeying the law of gravitation, it formed fivers and flowed on translations; hence they are almost wholly ignorant of the contents of these towards the great ocean, from whence it will rise again and again and make pseudo-sacred books.

the circuit of cloud, and rain, and rill, These preachers know all about Jonah's marine trip in the whale's and river, and thus on forever, each drop in all its movements alike pure and sacred, whether it washes a God, or a peasant, and falls in Judea or If John was a real character, and not

a priestly fabrication, and if he baptized Jesus in the Jordan as represented, he did no more than his Essenian brothers had been doing for at least 250 years, and no more than had been practiced by Jews and Pagans.

Without protracting this article to great length, we beg leave to quote from "The Prophet of Nazareth," a

twigs, and in each true twig ten thou-

sand shoots, and in each one of the

shoots ten thousand clusters, and on

every one of the clusters ten thousand

garpes, and every grape when pressed

will give five and twenty metrites of

wine. And when any one of the saints

shall lay hold of a cluster, another will

cry out, 'I am a better cluster, take me;

equal in bulk to the planet Mercury,

and allow to the thousand million of

earth's inhabitants enough to keep

them constantly intoxicated, say two

gallons of wine a day to each person,

and keep them all dead drunk for the

How is that for high? good reader.

space of thirty thousand million years."

No wonder of the impatience of the

bless the Lord through me." .

# MISSIONARIES CAUSE THE TROUBLE IN CHINA. TO GAMP-MEETING GOERS

One would think says the New York | Aslatic political geopraphy. That the Journal, there had never before been an partition of China among the Christian "acute situation" at Pekin-that the powers as a punishment would be a Christian military, arm had never be- great moral wrong goes without saying, fore had to support the demands of whatever that may count for, but that European dijlomady. It is a rather old it would imperil or injuriously affect story, this thunder of the Christian cap- any material interests but her own is tains and the shouting; it all sounds by no means clear. There is enough of like an echo. The situation in China is her to go round, and the European conalways "acute" and always will be cert has shown that it can act with while Christian missionaries and Chris- moderation and honest forbearance tian concessionaries are permitted to with regard to the interests of its memmake it so in their zeal to promote the bers. The chief elements of uncertaininterests respectively of God and Mam- ty would be the United States and Japan, neither of them accustomed to 111011

Of the two classes the missionaries working in harmony with anybody and are far and away the more mischiev- both a trifle "cocky" from recent vicous. It is only where they have made tory.

themselves hated that there is any mo- Even if were to our immediate interlestation of Europeans engaged in the est to preserve the integrity of the Chiaffairs of this world. Chinese antipa- nese Empire a long look ahead might thy to Caucasians in China is neither a disclose a greater one that would be racial animosity nor a religious; it is an best subserved by partition. In a single instinctive and natural dislike of per- generation Japan has performed the assons who will not mind their own busitonishing feat of changing civilizations. It has been for her a retrogression, for ness Europeans and Americans who go to the civilization that she has discarded

China for legitimate purposes of trade was superior to that which she has do mind their own business. They have adopted; but in one important particua business to mind. Outside the lar she has been the gainer by the ex-"spheres of influence" of the mission- change; in the matter, namely, of miliarles, they have nothing to fear. It is tary power, and therefore political cononly where they are "identified," erro- sequence. As by a leap, she has ad neously or otherwise, with the gentle- vanced from nothing to the position of men of God, who are not content with a second-rate power. What she has the Chinaman as his Maker has seen done China may do, with this differfit to make him, that the sensitive per- ence. China's advance would be to a son so made enters an objection to them position that would dominate the world as a part of the machine by which he is and reduce the foremost nations of toto be made over. They are safe enough day to second place. Trained by Eurowho have even examined the English | when they keep out of bad company. | pean officers to European methods of In religious matters the Chinese are warfare, such an army as she could more tolerant than we are. They let raise and equip from her 400,000,000 of the religions of others alone, but natu- population would be invincible. It rally and rightly demand that others might overrun Europe and extinguish

shall let theirs alone. In China, as in civilization on that continent, which other Oriental countries-where the would not be a very good thing for it on belly; of the adventures of Daniel in color line is not drawn and where slav- this. It was only yesterday-a little the lion's den; they have rejoiced in | ery itself is a light affliction-the men- | more than 200 years ago-that Europe prayer and song over the escape of tal attitude of the zealot who finds came within a single battle-hazard of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, un- gratification in "spreading the light," of being an Asiatic dependency. If John harmed from the furnace heated seven | which he deems himself the custodian, | Sobleski had been defeated under the times beyond its wont; they have de- is not understood. Like most things not walls of Vienna, that city, Berlin, Paris lighted to tell of Elijah's flight to understood, it is felt to be bad, and is and London would to-day be Mohamheaven in a chariot of fire; and have indubitably offensive. The making of medan capitals. History has not exmade science blush at the ax floating "converts" is an impertinence to which hausted its reserve of astounding on water; a woman changing into a Christians only are systematically ad- events nor have civilizations learned the statue of salt; and astronomers have dicted. The Jew not only does not bid secret of stability.

been dumfounded at the sun's stand- for converts, but discourages them by It is easy to affirm, in the case of ing still in the heavens that Joshua imposition of hard conditions, and the China, the impossibility of any such might have more time to slaughter his Moslem 'True Believer's simple, forth- racial transformation as the one sup-prize essay, partly "Against Infidelity," enemies. And then these preachers tell right method of reducing error is to cut posed, but fifty years ago it would have of the various acts of "Our Lord" in off the head that holds it. I don't say been much easier to point out its imfeeding the multitude, 5,000 was it? | that this is right; I only say that, being possibility in the case of Japan-if any with five loaves and two fishes; of his practical and comprehensible, it com- human being had had the imagination tete-a-tete with the Devil in that ex- mands a certain respect from the im- and hardihood to suggest it. Japan ceeding high mountain; of his wonder- partial observer not conversant with has made the impossible possible, the ful transformation of water into wine; scriptural justification of the other possible a thing to be feared. As a of his using a fish as purser, and drown- | practice. measure of precaution the partition of ing those hogs filled with little Devils. That the zeal of the missionaries has China merits the profoundest consider-They never fail to tell of the immacumade all the present trouble in China ation, and in bringing that consumma-The June meeting of the Free or late conception, and its confirmation by is as nearly obvious as anything (in tion measurably nearer the Western Spiritual Church of Sturgis, Mich., terthe dream of, Joseph-sainted, we be- China) can be. There is a disposition powers are perhaps building better minated Sunday evening, June 17. It lieve-to justify the act, and shift the in this country, in Great Britain and than they know. It may be that they was the forty-third convention which responsibility onto God; but they never apparently in Japan, to attribute it all are consciously safeguarding larger inmet in that house to commemorate the cite Ireneus Against Heresies, book V, to Russian intrigue, but no evidence of terests than those of missionaries and erection and dedication of the first Spirchap. xxxiii, sec. 3 and 4, p. 146, Vol. that appears to have transpired, and traders. itual church of the world. But it would the notion is probably without other The actual forces at the back of a be unjust to suppose that the Spirit-The good "Father," doubtless in- basis than fealousy of that power's su- great movement are seldom apparent to unlists alone deserve the credit for its baptism and the sacred cup, which had spired, as all saints should be, had been perior advantages if the game of parti- those engaged in directing it. Statesexistence and preservation. The freetelling of the rewards which are to tion were actually to be played. That manship is mostly a matter of tempodom-loving people of all denominations come in the flesh to those good Chris- the game is to be played otherwise than rary expedients for accomplishment of and those who did not claim membership of any church or distinctive religtians who are faithful in their beliet in the orderly, peaceful way that it has small purposes, but if there is to-day a for some time been proceeding events really great statesman of the Caucasian ious or other fraternity, aided in the "Elders who saw John, the disciple of seem to me to have supplied as yet in- race he is considering the partition of work of erecting and dedicating to reheathen, and does not add one particle the Lord, related that they had heard adequate evidence. However, in such China among European as an alternaligious liberty and freedom of speech a crisis and in such a country almost tive to the partition of Europe among the Free Church of Sturgis. Now, it is We shall help to pour God's sunshine anything may occur, and possibly we the Chinese. well known through, not only the Eng-

# And Spiritualists Generally Who Take no Spiritual-- ist Papers, Greeting :

Juna 30, 1900.

If you are a Spiritualist and read no Spiritualist paper, then, of course, you cannot know what is going on in our movement. To you it is midnight darkness in that one respect, however wise you may be in other directions. The Progressive Thinker, being the largest Spiritualist paper published, combining cheapness and excellence, it will be a splendid agent to keep you apprised of what is transpiring in the great Thousands of Spiritualists Spiritualistic Cause. who attend our camp meetings, take no Spiritualist paper. They will go there to have a spiritual feast, and then return home to remain in utter darkness and ignorance as to what is going on in our ranks throughout the world. We ask this class particularly to subscribe for The Progressive Thinker, and thus have their homes illuminated throughout the year.

We don't believe that more than one Spiritualist in ten who visits the camp-meetings takes a Spiritualist paper. We greatly desire to reach this class. We are sure The Progressive Thinker will be a benefit to them while they will be a benefit to us. The benefit derived will be reciprocal.

STURGIS, MICHIGAN. While the sunbeams and the moon beams in one long procession move; And our dreams of pain and sorrow Will be swept away to-morrow, The Forty-third Annual June When our dullness is succeeded by the endless light of love. Meeting. Oh, the day of peace is coming!

"In-vile man who mourns, Or the rapt seraph who adores and burns.'

"Spencer, in his work on the Rites and Institutions of the Hebrews, says: 'Baptism was not only practiced among the Jews prior to the time of John, but they borrowed it from Pagan nations. Among Egyptians, Persians, Greeks, Romans, and other nations, it was customary to purify those who were to be initiated into the mysteries of the sacred rites, by dipping their whole body in water. The Jewish cup of blessing [the wine in the Lord's Supper], added to the paschal supper, was of heathen origin. Jesus, in the institution of his sacraments, paid peculiar regard to the IX, Ante-Nicene Library. heathen, in introducing into his religion

been borrowed from them."" With these facts it does not matter from whence comes the water used in baptism, it is only a borrowed, or shall that Jesus is the Christ. He says we say a stolen custom, filched from the to the virtue of the party subjected to | from him how the Lord used to teach it; but it does deceive the initiate, by in regard to these times and say: "The making him feel that he is better than days will come in which vines shall his neighbor because he has submitted grow, each having ten thousand branch

"Better Look a Leetle Out."

We are told, Acts 13:2, 4, that Barnabas was set apart with Saul by the Holy Ghost, to do the work of an Apostle. Thus commissioned Barney's statement ought to be received everywhere as good authority. In Acts 11:24

A metrite, according to Smith's unhe is represented as "a good man, and abridged Dictionary of the Bible, article Weights and Measures, contains full of the Holy Ghost, and of faith." about eight and two-thirds gallons. An English scholar, of good mathematical which is not labeled canonical, but it is ability, took occasion to see what would just as truthful as those which are thus be the product of that one grand grape vine. He says: designated. Well, this apostle tells us "It will make a quantity of wine

it was made in six days." He doubtless knew what he was telling, hence they who have been intent on the destruction of all things for the last 2,000 years, have been, literally, "barking up the wrong tree." As Jesus was born in the year 4,004, so Gabriel will not swoop.down on us with his fire-brand

saints because of the long delay of the and toot his big horn, until the year of millenial morning when temperance Grace, 1996, when the end will surely pledges will be obsolete, and wine come, else Barnabas will take his place aboundeth everywhere. Remember, with Jesus, who fixed the time of the however, that the product given above event by saying, Mat. 16:28-"There be is only that of one vine. It is probable some standing here, which shall not there will be ten thousand equally protaste death till they see the son of man ductive vines. And, best of all, the coming in his kingdom." Again, to good Irenius says, John heard "our make the time more definite, in answer | Lord" tell this monstrous story, so we to the question, "When shall these all believe it.

things be, \* \* and the end of the But the plous Christian Father Ireneworld?" as given Mat. 24:3, Jesus said, us, as told by Papias, did not cease his verse 34narration of what the dear Savior told "Verily I say unto you, This genera- the evangel John. He mentions a grain tion shall not pass till all these things of wheat which will produce ten thousand ears; that every car will produce be fulfilled."

are on the eve of stupendous changes in AMBROSE BIERCE.

ized country on the globe, that such a building exists here, and consequently Sturgis, St. Joseph county, Michigan The Church of Rome. The impudence, ignorance, and egocelebrated city the world over. tism of the average Romanist priest is well illustrated in the following dis- anyone who signed the roll of this frapatch, taken from the Boston Record: | ternity forget the principles which the

> ment and some secturian feeling was of harshness or enmity against anyone aroused at the graduation exercises of who differs in opinion from him or her the Northfield high school last evening. when Rev. J. G. O'Neil, a priest connected with the church of St. John the That house stands a perpetual monu-Evangelist, interrupted the exercises, ment to Freedom and Justice-to Selftaking exceptions to the remarks of one denial and Love, and to the kindly feelof the pupils.

"The action was greeted with loud hisses and other demonstrations of disapproval. "E. R. Brook, in delivering an oration on 'The Island of Porto Rico,' tion of this Free Platform, but, that

among other things said: "'The people are such as you might | which dwells (though often clouded expect them to be after a domination over) in every true American bosom.

of 400 years of Spanish misrule; upon the back of industry has been the whip, as those June meetings always are and upon the brain has been the fetters and many wended their way hither of superstition.'

"At the close of this oration Father | distant states, to hear the words of wis-O'Neill advanced to the platform and dom which are supposed to emanate asked permission to speak, which was granted.

feelings as well as others.'

"He said he was going to take turn disappointed, but were aroused to 'header' and come right to the point. | greater earnestness in well-doing and 'Mr. Brook made the statement that the | to a more noble zeal in the performpeople of Porto Rico are superstitious. ance of every spiritual and mundane We all know that Porto Rico is a colony | duty.

of Spain, and that the religion of Spain The principal speakers were Dr. J. M. is Catholic. It means that Porto Ri-Peebles, of Battle Creek, and Mrs cans, being Catholics, are superstitious. Sheets, of Grand Ledge. There were I cannot agree with such a reference. | also many good speeches made in the

Oh, the day of peace is coming. And the pride of life is going, And the passions we war against shall soon be overcome; And we'll comprehend the reason Why our prayers seemed out of sea-When heaven was as brass above and

our oracles were dumb. Oh, the day of peace is coming!

Oh, the day of peace is coming, And enviousness is going, Soon the lava of our characters shall cease to overflow; And while bliss shall be completing, And still newer joys creating. on a multitude below. Oh, the day of peace is coming!

Ob, the day of peace is coming, The uncertainty is going, And the waywardness of circumstance no longer shall annoy; And each one shall be himself, (Not a ghost or spook or elf), When no seeming contradictions shall our restfulness destroy. Oh, the day of peace is coming!

Oh, the day of peace is coming, And our discontent is going. Soon sincerity and sympathy shall wear the crowns of Truth; And every malformation Shall receive its compensation, And the aged and dependent know the ecstasy of youth. Oh, the day of peace is coming! Oh, the day of peace is coming,

Misunderstanding's going. We shall know as we are known in that beautiful "To come." Where language is unspoken, And the flow of love unbroken. And the tongue of loud contention is at length forever dumb. Oh, the day of peace is coming!

Oh, the day of peace is coming, While the unbelief is going, When we'll cherish underlying truth without revising creeds; Then each shall prize his brother, And all shall wrap each other In the mantle of divinity-the garment of good deeds.

Oh, the day of peace is coming!

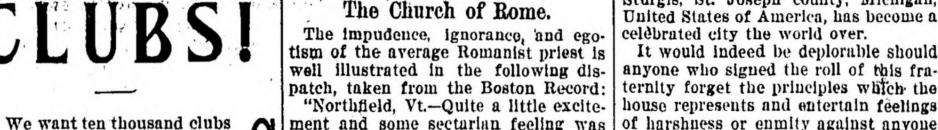
And the furrows of distress

beauty evermore.

Shail not mar their loveliness.

Yes, the day of peace is coming. And disease and death are going. Nevermore we'll have to part from those whom we almost adore:

For the atmosphere of heaven giveth



formed in every part of the United States, for which we present inducements never before offered by any Spiritualist paper. These clubs must consist of ten subscribers, and each one will get Volume 3 of the Encyclopedia of Death; or if they would prefer it, they can have the Next World Interviewed. They can have their choice of the two. Each subscriber in order to avail himself of this offer must pay \$1.15. The fifteen

cents is to pay expense of postage and mailing, and the books sent out are practically a gift. They are not

cheap affairs; they are nicely and substantially bound in cloth, neatly printed in clear type and are ornaments to any center table. The contents are indeed valuable, such as every Spiritualist family should have. The ag-

gregate price of these two books to the tradé is \$2.75. To each of our club subscribers one of these books

CLUBS!

No Doubt of a Personal Devil. The assertion which was made recently in England, by a military expert. says the London Daily News, that among the Boers there is a common belief that the Bible was written originally in Dutch, has called out the following anecdote:

"A Dutch minister, lately arrived in the Transvaal from Holland, was rebuked by an old farmer for having expressed doubts of the reality of a personal devil. 'I can show you his portrait,' said the Boer; and, taking down his family Bible, which was adorned with wood cuts of an antique tpye, he turned to a presentment of the con-"There!" exclaimed the Boer triumphantly, you have doubts about the existence of the devil. There is a picture of him, and that is the Word of God.' The Boer fully believed the artist as well as the writers to have been inspired."

Stolen from Christlanity.

On confirmation of a person into the usually that of a saint, is given the posamong the Buddhists, and was practiced by them at least 250 years before the Christian era. How much longer we have not the means of knowing. Dragon," says:

"So: numerous are the resemblances" between the customs of the Buddhists and the Romish Church, the first Catholic missionaries who encountered the priests of Buddha, were confounded. and thought Satan had been mocking their sacred rites." Quoted by the late Rev. J. Freeman Clarke in his Ten Great Religions.

"Who Are These Spiritualists and tions would lead to the development of sale at this office.

As sixty-two generations have gone | ten thousand grains; and that every by since Jesus made his prediction, and grain will produce ten pounds of clear. tions have lived and died since Miller to see whether Barnabas is to be ment with the assurance: "Now these classed with the other false prophets. things are credible to believers." Of

man to"Look a leetle out."

### Brave Words and True.

Prof. Frederick Starr, head of the department of anthropology in the University of Chicago, takes a common sense view of the Chinese situation, and ventional evil one, with horns and tail. | declares the empress is justified in her antagonism to Christian missionaries, and in taking steps to drive them from the country. The Journal reports the Professor as saying to his class:

"The introduction of Christianity into China is a measure of hostility to the existing government. The empress is justified entirely in expelling the missionaries as a measure of self-preservachurch by the Bishop, a new name, tion. Her party eventually will succeed, because any scheme to deter her tulant. The same custom prevails by a coalition of the powers such as is now proposed would be absolutely impossible.

"If the power passes out of China's hands it will pass into Russia's, because China and Russia are the only Kesson, in his "The Cross and the two nations to be reckoned with in the and begged immediate immersion. She Orient in the future.

"There are four possibilities of the outcome of affairs in China: First. The dowager empress will come out vicmay be restored under a coalition of the foreign powers; Third, China may he. divided among the nations; Fourth, learn its teachings after. Russia may seize China. The only

probabilities are the first and fourth. The partition of China among the na-What Is Spiritualism?" A pamphlet of a warlike spirit in the Chinese them- bathing suit to exposure in water, why 40 pages by Dr. J. M. Peebles, the well- | selves, which would unite China and | was there any hesitation in fitting the known author. Price 15 cents. For give her a strong sway as a world candidate for immortal glory? That is Dower."

one additional Munchausens of holy | ting up hundreds of clubs. writ, they are in a fit condition to swal-

good and great and glorious they are. "Holy Scriptures."

Why Not?

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat tells of a woman who presented herself to the Morman elders of a baptismal party was clad in a bathing suit, with abbrevlated skirt and bare arms. In answer to questions of her fitness for the retorious; Second, The so-called emperor | wards the church promises, she proposed to be immersed, become a fullfledged member of the church, and

> With a knowledge of the ancient costume worn by early Ohristians on baptismal occasions, as recently shown in these columns, and the adaptation of a

what we want to know.

is a gift, and when they rethey will be delighted with it, and will wonder how we

the end is not yet: and as two genera- pure, fine flour; that all fruit-bearing entitled to The Progressive Thinker for Hiss if you want to. It takes a man points having been particularly anitrees, and all seeds and grass will pro; one year, and Vol. 3 of the Encyclope, to get upon a stage and defend his mated in their addresses and manithe world must wait another 90 years veracious Father climaxes his state. Spirit World, and also the Next World references when I am around." Interviewed. He will not only get The Progressive Thinker for one year, but proceed, but considerable indignation In the meantime those who frighten | course they are. After swallowing the | both books. He gets what is equiva- | was expressed at the attitude of the easily should continue with the Dutch- whale and Jonah, God's interview with lent to \$3.75 for his trouble. There clergyman. The oration had been de- how at their homes, or in their fields kind were indulged in, the audience Satan over Job, and the thousand and should be no difficulty whatever in get. livered previously at rehearsals when and workshops their skepticisms and thus showed its respect for the feelings

> Volume 3 of the Encyclopedia o low the highway through the Red Sea. Death, and Life in the Spirit World with walls of water on either hand, will not only interest Spiritualists, but over which God's favorites passed on | church members will be attracted to it. dry land, to the discomfiture of the The Rev. M. J. Savage, a leading lib-Egyptians who followed in the rear. | eral divine of New York, leads off with When a person is psychologized he will several of his, masterly productions. believe anything the master-mind tells | treating Death from an advanced him; even believing the Creator of this standpoint. He is followed by leading mighty and limitless universe has his Spiritualists who treat of Death in a throne just above the clouds, where he philosophical and fascinating manner. and Son reign in royal pomp, and re- The Next World Interviewed is also a quire their creature man to ceaselessly very excellent work, The plates of sing their praises, and tell them how this book were donated to the office of The Progressive Thinker by Henry J. But these brief narrations, reported | Horn. It consists of communications

> > Livingstone and the Czar of Russia. Now is the time to get up

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There are two young men in this class body of the hall, during conference, and ceive the one of their choice of the Catholic faith, and they have curious and remarkable experiences were related. The meeting lasted two "Immediately there were cries and days, of three sessions each, and each

lish-speaking world, but in every civil-

United States of America, has become a

It would indeed be deplorable should

or who permits himself to breathe an

atmosphere of injustice or prejudice.

ings of Spiritualists, and independent

thinkers everywhere, and to all man-

kind. It was not hatred for the bigot,

nor a desire for reprisals, nor a spirit of

vengeance which suggested the erec-

spirit of liberty, moral and material.

The meetings were largely attended,

from their homes in other counties, and

from a higher sphere than that of earth;

and it is believed that they did not re-

can afford to do so much for them, loud hisses from men and women alike. was well sustained by speakers, orches-The one who gets up the club will be and Father O'Niell retired, saying: tra and people, the visitors from distant "The exercises were then allowed to listed in the work of seconding the ef- day, everything of which they ap-

the two young men of his religious

exceptions to it." Such object lessons as the above may help to enlighten the dull-heads who. in Vermont-as in Massachusetts and every other state-refuse to read or learn anything concerning Rome and her bitter-hostllity to enlightenment.

lish libraries in every Spirit-

premium announcement carefully.

Oh, the day of peace is coming! There is one circumstance which ought not to be omitted in a report of fixed the time of the end for 1843; now duce in the same proportion. Then the dia of Death, and Life in the Spirit rights. You cannot make these nasty fested a zeal which showed that their those meetings. The people applauded hearts, heads and hands were all en- the speakers loud and long on Satur-

> forts of friends invisible to bring about proved, but on Sunday no clapping of the conviction of mankind. They told hands or noisy demonstrations of any fears had been scattered to the winds of those of their fellow-citizens who refaith were present, and they took no by occurrences unaccountable except gard the first day of the week as being on the hypothesis of spirit return.

more sacred than any of the other six. The president of the Harmonial So- This self-denial, in consideration of the ciety of Sturgis, Thomas Collar, pre- opinions and sensibilities of others, sided at all the sessions except that of | was most pleasing and manifested a dethe conference of Saturday, when Thos. gree of delicacy and refinement seldom Harding occupied the chair. met with in popular conventions.

Your reporter could not do justice to Toward the close on Sunday evening, the eloquent addresses which were Mrs. Sheets gave some clairvoyant E are trying our best to estab. | made on each day by the regular speak- | readings of an occult and allegorical ers without occupying too much space; character; she also prophesied the consuffice it they were highly moral, relig- tinued prosperity of the Harmonial Soualist family of the United ious and instructive. Mrs. Sheets -- is ciety of Sturgis, and the principles ad-States, hence we are offering | supposed to be inspired by an elevated | vocated within the walls of the Spirit-Seven valuable books as a band of decarnate spirits who employ ual Church.

premium. Those seven books | her physical organism as their agent to | Mrs. Sheets is quite well liked in Sturhave been sold for \$10.75. A teach her audiences spiritual wisdom gis and there is talk of engaging her to by the marvelous historian Papias, are from the spirit side of life from leading single one has sold as high as \$25. The and exhort them to well doing and cor- officiate in the church indefinitely.

only specimens of sacred literature con- minds there. Hist edition of Art Magic sold for \$5 per rect thinking. Dr. Peebles, it is not Dr. Peebles closed the anniversary firmatory of the divine character of the tions are given by prominent person- copy. As high as \$15 has been paid for claimed is inspired in this sense, but is meeting. He said that he had attended ages, among them Prince Albert, Har- a single copy of Ghost Land; yet we a man of large experience, extended many of these gatherings during the riet Martineau, Judge Edmonds, Horace furnish these seven books to our sub- travel and earnest thought in occult past 43 years and none of them was Greeley, Lord Lytton; Fanny Fern, Dr. scribers for \$2.35, when ordered in con- fields. He is an old acquaintance of more harmonious and profitable than nection with a year's subscription to the people of Sturgis; he it was who the present-he hoped we would all re-The Progressive Thinker. Read our preached the dedication sermon in that turn to our homes spiritually refreshed house 43 years ago and (with the single | and thankful to God for having conexception of Hon. Glles B. Stebbins, of ducted us hither. No vocal prayers Detroit) is the only man now living who were uttered, but the people "sat in solstood on that platform on that occasion. | emn silence," Quaker fashion, and final-Previous to the Doctor's lecture on Sat- 1 with the utterance of a simple, comurday evening, and introductory there- mon sense sort of benediction, the to. Thos. Harding read a poem from the meeting broke up and the June meeting desk, entitled "Anticipations." It is of 1900 was non est inventus,

considered by some persons who were As both president and secretary of the present, to have been quite appropriate | Harmonial Society of Sturgis will be aband your reporter gives it in full at the sent from the city, probably for the rerequest of some who heard it (part of | mainder of the present year, all comwhom are non-Spiritualists), as well as munications in relation to the society or Dr. Peebles himself. It was applauded. Free Church had better be addressed to

### ANTICIPATIONS.

Oh, the day of peace is coming, And the night of strife is going, me, until further notice. THOS. HARDING, Secretary pro tem. P. O. Box 301, Sturgis, Mich,

Never Satisfied,

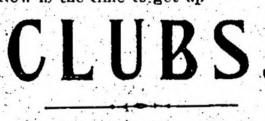
"Many people in the country want to

An exchange sizes it up this way

would like to live in the country. As a For sale at this once. rule, a man's a fool; when it is hot he

wants it cool; when it is cool he wants it hot; always wanting what is not; never pleased with what he's got; as a

rule, a man's a fool."



# "Some Experiences of Ego."

as a matter of fact, Ego, like his ancestral First Cause, much further back into Ego history. article.

that they wield creative power, but there are two very dis- descendent the Lord Mayor of London. If there is any classifies, and at last comes to a decision that determines of the old block. So our little monad has a mind of its tury. We must now turn back and read between the department, but all the same he is making a mess of it. organ

When we pictured Ego posing as "God Junior" in sev-1 try to comprehend something of his littleness by studying had all the time he wanted," and never struck for an eight "It puts in its thumb. It pulls out a plum, and says, eral manifestations at the same time, it really seemed as if it with a borrowed microscope. That of the learned hours day. At every point he learned his lesson, if it what a good boy am I.'" But the student-reader will we had justified our claim that "The Size of Man" is far Haeckel is all ready for our use, and offering its story of took a million years, and he never forgot it. Whenever notice that Science, which is crowned reason, has done greater than the customary measurements. It is pleasant Ego in cell life. That is as small a study as we can com- a Trust Company of Egos started a new species the same nothing, and can do nothing for Ego within the realm of to think of a giant Ego as our other self. But really, and pass to-day. Our grandchildren will do better, and go old bookkeeping system was followed. There was always the qualities which he inherited from First Cause. They a repetition of the old, with one more creation to top it off. are perforce left untouched, and Science has recently

knows nothing and cares nothing for size. He is as much We perceive just a speck of First Cause, but soon That brings us back to the fimonerula" composed of Egos labeled them "subconscious mind." Science works upon Ego in the speck moneron, which scientists call the be- recognize it as a wee Second Cause which knows just what knowing all the past, but with a new idea in their heads. and within Ego's self-created reason, which, like everyginning of Homo, as he ever can be if playing the part of is about every time. It hasn't any feet or limbs, but when They must have got heads and toes, and every other organ thing created, is several sizes smaller than its creator. an archangel. And in both alike he will display powers it wants to travel it manufactures them (pseudopodia). pretty well developed before "monerula" started Man Science is itself also a creator, but of yet smaller size. It worthy of his sonship to the Infinite. The proof that They are new every time, so never get worn out. The Ego. And as we look back to this particular incident it can make rock, but it uses up another rock in the process. Ego possesses this inherent divinity under the humblest child is born hungry. It knows just what it wants, and almost seems as if a smile or two from First Cause had It can manufacture a gas, but it robs the atmosphere. It conditions and circumstances is the object of the present it won't have anything else. It isn't bothered with a stimulated their ambition, and expanded their creative combines and blends, and transforms, and in its own stomach. But when it finds something to eat it becomes designs until they looked upward and exclaimed "Our sphere is a wonderful fellow, and a useful workman for

exhibiting all along his history before he gets a brain.

cause he has not any brain until he has evolved one out

point we mark what seems to be the apparent object of his

entire history. First Cause is his Creative Ancestor.

His appearance as a speck is no disgrace to his royal birth,

for First Cause, being Infinite, is just as close to him when

not inherit from First Cause anything of the nature of

reason, which implies experience and judgment. Th

First Cause, if he is The All in All "in whom we live, and

move and have our being," knows everything that has

been and will be, consequently he never reasons, never ex-

ercises judgment, because such an act would be an ex-

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We are told that "Thoughts are Things." We have seen all stomach, selecting and rejecting as carefully as its Father." Every human child has a "monerula" as a way station heritance, are outside its capacity. So'it happens in the tinct classes of thought. One works through reason; com- danger, it shows you that its instinct of self-preservation on a journey that reaches from First Cause outward and paring, judging and selecting. Wisdom is the perfected is already fully developed. Just as soon as it is old back again. And every point scored by Ego's creative product of this faculty, which, so far as we know, finds its enough and large enough it thinks of posterity, and ability is recorded in Homo's mental organism. organ and outlet in what is called the brain. Ego having breaking a piece off from its own form it becomes father This brief glance at the material side of life has been stored experiences in the cells of which his brain is com- and mother of a ready-made child. Having already both interesting and instructive but the student reader can posed, proceeds to utilize them as memories. He arranges, mastered the law of heredity, that child becomes a chip find it recorded in a thousand text books of the dying cen-

his action. This is reason, and, so far as we know, cannot own, with an excellent memory, for Professor Elmer lines if we would listen to the inner voice of Nature. be exercised until Ego has become possessed of a brain. Gates has proved that when it discovers a good feeding-It is "thought power" as manifested through a material place it finds its way back to the same spot. It has not a

single organ; not even the vestige of one, but it thinks and He just knows what to do, and does it. That is what we The other class of thought works in its own channel acts on exactly the same principle as a scientist hunting call "god-like." He never reasons about anything, bewith even greater precision, and has, apparently, neither for his dinner. It won't do to call its faculty "reason, use for nor need of a brain. We find its clearest illustra- for that is an attribute of "brain," of which it has not even of his own matter, intelligence and energy. He did not tion in cell life, where living Egos have minds which a trace. It is Ego, making himself as much at home as have anything else out of which to make it. And at this enable them to do the right thing at the right time, in circumstances will permit, and doing it just as well as if the right way, although they have no brain, and therefore his name were Haeckel or Darwin. And as a remarkable no capacity for reason. What is called instinct or in- fact, our monad can start off in life with as calm an tuition is exhibited by these monera in a perfection un- assurance of living as long as he has a mind to as if he known to reason. This is no mark of inferiority, for, had studied "mental science" under Helen Wilmans her- he is only a child speck as he could be to the mightiest most clearly, the Infinite All in All, being omniscient, self. But after a time, perhaps a few millions of years, he archangel of poetic fantasy. The trouble is that Ego canomnipotent and all-wise, can have neither need nor use exhibits a creative power that is a "lost art" to his defor a brain. So we discover two very distinct classes of scendents of to-day." He makes a little combination with thought as possessed by Ego, which fact compels us to his fellows, and forms a sort of Amoeba Trust Company, once more turn back to him, and make a further study of whereby a new species makes its appearance. Our scienthis powers and limitations. It does not follow that he ists would give their ears and whiskers to know just how has two minds, one for inside work, and the other for it is done, but, alas, Ego is silent.

everyday use outside, since we may discover that he has I have no intention of writing a treatise upon "lost pression of limitation. In a word, and we say it with but one mind, which works according to the conditions in which it finds itself. Sometimes we may discern Ego's mind when working amid what we call "crude matter," I have no intention of writing a treatise upon "lost simply keeping as an expert in natural history. I am simply keeping an eye on Ego, with filial reverence and unbounded respect. And instead of reaming all over creother. He who writes that "reason is all in all" marks his ignorance and goes round with ink on his brain. But ne-and particularly "she" now-a-days-who declares OR DEATH AND ITS TO-MORROW. unbounded respect. And instead of roaming all over cre- told eons without any brain, discovered that the conthat "mind is all in all" is invoking Ego to destroy his ation, I keep as near as I can to the path along which the ditions of his earth, life were changing, and he must own creations, and go on working with one hand tied bemonad we call "human" has traveled. I do not have to change too. At first his instinct had been all-sufficient. hind him. And thereon hangs a tale. go back a few million years and carefull usearch the rec- Now he needed something more. He must exercise judg-We have now gathered in our exploration three clear ords, for every child brings the history with him, and the ment or make serious mistakes. His very first attempt We have depicted "God Junior" as a flash from the scientist with a microscope has the story all ready for me. to reason, that is to determine the better of two possible and distinct thoughts as the foundation for a true philoso-Infinite Intelligence, and therefore personified. But we It is true it may not have occurred to him that he has acts would, if Elmer Gates is right, evolve a cell of the phy of manhood. In our "Size of Man" we discovered have not attempted to sketch him for an illustrated maga- been writing the biography of Ego, but he has done it all coming brain, and thus shape his future. The point for that Ego, as son of the Infinite, has necessarily powers of us to mark here is that Ego sacrifices nothing. He conexpression within his utmost limits; and can have no I believe the first glimpse of the veritable human Ego tinues to exercise every power and faculty which we have vibratory gap unsubmissive to his manhood. And since crowned head. And we all know that Genus Homo of to-day is called "monerula," but Ego is not at all par- seen inhere to monad life, and now adds thereto a process his earth limitation actually exists he must have different would not be large enough to be even microscopic to an ticular as to names. He is now a speck, who has started of calm, cool, deliberate judgment which we call "reason." personalities manifesting his powers all at the same time, instrument that measured Cosmos. Man mortal is large in with the clear determination to become in due time a and which uses the brain as its organ. And in earth life because each is using but portions of the vast scale subject only in his own estimation, and by comparison with some- man, and perhaps a scientist, so he proceeds to gather a the brain is undoubtedly a step upward to a higher self- to his sense manifestation. In "God Junior" we disthing larger than himself. So God Junior can be but a large crop of experiences. The one thing that troubles hood. But Ego was Ego without a brain, and, so far as covered that as the child of the Infinite Ego inherited cremicroscopic speck of the Infinite All in All, and may pose him is that he has nowhere to put them. He is as des- we can see, will remain Ego'should brain prove unneces- ative power, and is wielding it in many directions, including even the creation of a manhood inferior to his man. I have pointed out that he has a certain vibratory necessary for him to specialize. I believe it takes forty- Ego as moneron had all the affections and emotions; he own. And in the present article we discover that by virtue of this creative power he has moulded for himself a expression, with both fullness and limitation, but two men to make a pair of fashionable shoes, and quite had a mind of his own, with sufficient will power, and was brain, and evolved reason, both necessarily unknown to whether the "birth flash" puts him in full possession is likely it may take forty-two millions of Egos to manufac- able to endow his child with the entire catalogue of potenquite another matter. And as mortals we like to group ture the unfashionable brain of to-day. But it is done. cies. These potencies, included Creative Power, so when Creative First Cause. The student reader and I will continue our exploraour facts when we explore, although it is equally true we I suppose a very few Egos first started the idea, and put it the time came, and conditions demanded, the amoeba, the often distort and abuse them when captured. It is much into practice, whereupon the lancelot remarked, with a polyp, and race after race of the industrious little beings, tions, but meantime have we not the right to expect that safer and casier to study a laboratory spark than to har- tinge of justifiable pride, that he was the first vertebrate. without brains, who dug and builded upon the geological our inspired teachers and writers shall aid in this earnest Judging from what Elmer Gates tells us, the object of the foundations of our planets, evolved one by one into exist- search for truth. For over half a century our platform We recognize Ego as a personification of matter, en- brain was to furnish Ego with those very necessary ence. And when the same creative power induced brain, has been serving the same hash of Rochester Raps, with ergy and intelligence. We can conceive of no atom un- pockets in which to keep his experiences. The more ex- it was only another cell added to the old life. The entire nothing new but the dish, till the public has so far lost its blended, but discover every atom to be alive, and mani- periences, the more pockets were needed. But Speck Ego history is both recorded and repeated as the growing child interest that it can hardly be persuaded to buy a home for festing its life as conditions permit. Molecules, whether had from the beginning exhibited a divine possession of lies hatching in the nest womb of its mother. the exhausted medium, or headquarters for the N.S.A. of gas, crystal or primeval slime, attract and repel, thus all the powers he needed; and we have seen that when he But reason was from the first rigidly limited. It must It is true that coming reforms are sparkling in the sky exhibiting love, hate, and a power of selection and choice. deemed it necessary he was quite able to set his offspring not interfere with the working organs. The heart, the like fire-flies on a summer's night, but each has its own Ego is there, and posing as a child of the Infinite, but as up in housekeeping, with a fair chance of making a living. lungs, the liver, the kidneys and all the rest, including the platform and willing workers. The Spiritualist platform a child not yet old enough to take full possession of his And all this time ke had himself been living and working brain itself, were to remain under the old control. Reason is for the demonstration that there is more to man than inheritance, although having by birthright all he can ex- in and upon the raw material inherited from his father might inspect them with a microscope, cut them with a the pounds and ounces of earth life. The question is press of the family power. He is God Junior, born into First Cause. And one by one, he had thought-created for knife, or soak them in drugs, but, even then, it was only "how much more?" That is the question the student By Charles Dawbarn. 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Ego, but the godly faculties which Know by divine in-

trying to get along without reason, and calls his effort

many things that reason has claimed as belonging to his

Homo forgets that reason was evoluted as a needed im-

principles is simply saying that reason was all a mistake,

and Homo is better off without it. Homo can't go prowl-

ing around in the dark closet of Nature's past without

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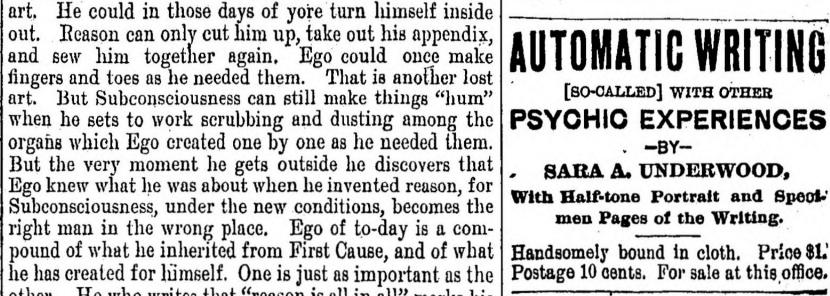
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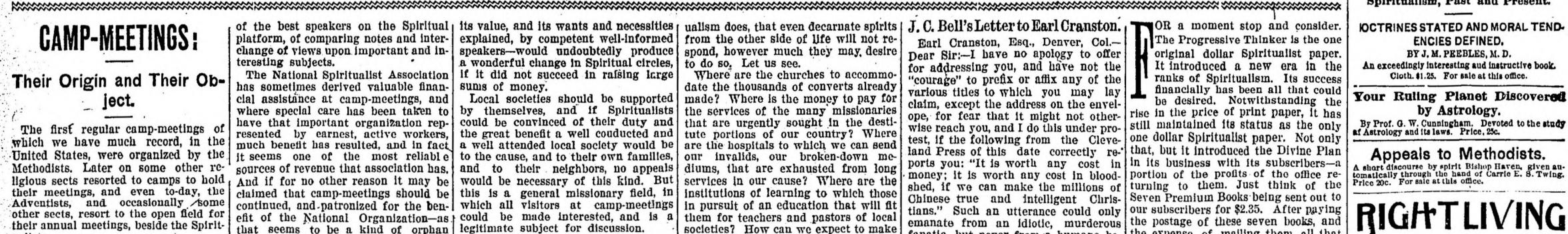
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posing as reason, with a brain organ for its own private and particular use. And again, under other conditions Ego's mind may exhibit a comprehensive brilliancy that Knows without either study or reflection.

zine. Nature knows nothing, and cares nothing for feet, the same, and has done it well. inches and pounds. A mighty civilization might be exhibited on a microscopic slide, with God Junior as its

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ualists.

The Methodists assembled in camps for two reasons, one was they were too much scattered to meet in towns and citles for worship, another was they wanted to make converts (I wonder if Spiritualists have ever attempted to do that?), and they made them, too, by the thousand.

As soon as they had accumulated in sufficient numbers, they began to build small churches in towns, and at cross roads in the country. Then followed small churches in cities, and soon those as large and as fine as those of any denomination succeeded.

Some thirty or forty years ago they began to abandon the camps, and now a Methodist camp-meeting is seldom seen in the United States.

About that time the Spiritualists began to organize camps in different parts of the country, and to-day there are fifty, or about that number, that hold regularly a camping season every year. The object of these meetings would hardly be safe to attempt to enumerate, judging from the classes of people that usually attend them, and the character of the entertainments. Nominally of course they are supposed to be of the National Organization have sucfor the advancement of the great cause of Spiritualism. But some sincere Spiritualists have been so skeptical as to apart some one day during their sesexpress doubts of the value of these meetings to the cause, from the fact that it costs the proprietors of the of asking all the camp-meeting associacamps a good deal of money to sustain them, and provide the necessary attractions, which must be paid for by the visitors, which, added to the other ex- | are unable to support themselves. It is | disappear. This is indeed encouraging, penses of time and transportation, ag- | well known to all sincere thinking and I trust not deceptive nor misleadgregate more than many are able to Spiritualists that our hope of success pay, for the value they receive, and claim far greater good would result if the money was expended at home in are languishing for the want of the their local societies, where they do not have to contribute for entertainments in which they feel no interest, and in many cases are anything but Spiritualistic in their character.

But there are many pleasant and valuable things to be enjoyed at campmeetings, which cannot be easily secured at home. Among them are relief | near which they reside, if they cannot from the care and toil of domestic life, | be induced to become members. the advantage of open air exercises, the | One day in each of the camp-meetings pleasure of renewing old acquaintances I devoted to this object every year. and making new ones, of hearing many where the subject could be discussed-

asylum, with no recognized means of support.

In passing, I may be permitted to say, that unless a change comes over the of directors of each camp-meeting assospirit of our people soon, and they ciation. And as all of them are suprecognize that neither the National Or- posed to be interested in sustaining our ganization, nor the local associations, can be supported without the use of wherever it is at all consistent, arrange- much thought, much effort? They money, and a good deal more of it, ments can be made whereby the subject sometimes lead me to think that pos-

have no reason to suppose that either in all the camps. of them can long be continued. But as I did not propose to discuss our financial embarrassments at this time, I will | ties and such speakers as are disposed resume the subject of camp-meetings. I proposed to speak of their origin and their object. As their origin is of but

little importance, I have already said all that is necessary on that point. Their object is more difficult to de

termine. But as I before said. It is generally supposed the object is the promotion of the cause of Spiritualism. But as I have shown, there are so many other objects subserved at these meetings, of a social character, it is hardly our Spiritual papers, of the recent con- only through them and the public press fair to claim that they are strictly devoted to spiritual purposes, but to general objects, not antagonistic to spiritual theories. The fact that the trustees cessfully appealed to the managers of vival was sent out sweeping the whole ers and teachers, and persevered in, on the different camp associations, to set | country." sions, to be devoted to the interests of that association, suggests the propriety tions in America to devote one day exclusively to the consideration and relief of all the indigent local societies that lies in the local societies. It is also well proposed whereby money could be known that many, very many of them

even being abandoned for the want of mate means should be resorted to to support. It is believed there are thousands who to the managers of the camp-meeting

are not members of any local society. | be kindly considered. but if appealed to would contribute liberally to the support of the society i manifested by our leaders at the con-

Shall it be discussed at the approach- and retain converts without some of the ing camp-meetings? That question must | many advantages provided by all other be decided by the president and board

round us?

Then it will simply devolve upon brother, who from the platform at Onto contribute their services for the one Local Society Day.

cepted, before another camping season, tion they will organize us." a proper system of management, collect-National Association would be the proper party to refer this matter to. feast" was said to be in evidence dur- | known. ing the whole session of forty-eight

forward, all apathy, coldness and in- | great need. difference in Spiritual circles would

ing. But as we read of no plan being raised for the support of local societies, or even for the National Organization, attend camp-meetings every year, that | associations is timely, and I trust will

> With all the enthusiasm and zeal vention referred to, and to their prediction of what is sure to follow, I must insist that without money to provide

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sects and denominations that sur-

And where is the evidence that our thinkers, our teachers, our leaders are local societies, it is fair to conclude that giving this subject of ways and means than has ever yet been contributed, we of local societies may be given one day sibly some of them are in sympathy others from enjoying in peace the comwith a good old sanguine Spiritual

> those present interested in local socie- set, during a discussion upon the sub- your hellish design, you would, if necesject of organization, in which there were differences of opinion, said day, to step to the front and make it a "What is the use of discussing this subject? The spirits know what we need, beings. If the proposition is favorably ac- and when they think we need organiza-

I do not charge that all are indiffering and distributing whatever may be | ent to this great necessity. On the concollected, can be provided. Perhaps the trary, I know all feel its importance. But only a few public'speakers, teachvention held at Columbus, Ohio, in | that the masses can be reached, and the May last, in which a "pentecostal real condition of our cause made

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WRITE PLAINLY .- We would like to impress upon the minds of our correspondents that The Progressive Thinker is set up on a Linotype machine that must make speed equal to about four compositors. That means rapid work. and it is essential that all copy, to insure insertion in the paper, all other re quirements being favorable, should be written plainly with ink on white paper, or with a typewriter, and only on one side of the paper.

ITEMS .- Bear in mind that items for the General Survey will all cases be adjusted to the space we have to occuby, and in order to do that they will generally have to be abridged more or less; otherwise many items would be crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line item is cut down to ten lines, and ten lines to two lines, as occasion may require. 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 item that appears. This rule will be strictly ad bered to.

Dr. P. S. George writes from Lincoln; Neb.: "I wrote you last week of being confined in the Pawnee City (Neb.) county juil. The authorities only kept me one night. The court fined me \$50 and then remitted the fine and allowed me to return home."

Dr. C. W. Hidden, of Newburyport, Mass., closed a great temperance re- will begin the last week in August. A with the society here, and his seances vival in Haverhill, on June 17. During great many of the mediums in attend- have steadily grown in interest and his labors, covering a period of two ance last year will be present again this attendance. At the conclusion of his

Take due notice, that all items for full name and address of the writer. It will not do to say that Secretary or Corgiving the full name and address of the writer. The items of those who do not comply with this request will be cash

Moses Hull can be engaged for camp | indication of the onward march of the or grove meetings for the last Sunday in August and the first Sunday in Sep- liberal and tolerant in their beliefs. He ember. Write him until July 15 at | said he was an Episcopalian, and that Lily Dale, N. Y.

W. D. Noyes writes: "I have just re- | ter of that church he could affiliate ceived word that the Independent Spiritual Association of Toledo, Ohio, will run an excursion train to the opening of the Columbus, Ohio, Camp, July 1." Mrs. Henrietta Straub writes: "Many thanks for speedy dispatch of Encyclo-

pedia of Death. The few glimpses I caught of its contents by a hasty sur- duced as evidence in a divorce provey, are to me a guarantee of the intrinsic worth of the book.'

The Times, of Marshalltown, Iowa, says: "For some little time it has been a question whether or not the 1900 camp-meeting of the Central Iowa Spiritualists' Association would be held in this city, as have the meetings for the past several years. The officers and members of the executive committee in this city, however, have decided to begin the preliminary arrangements, as heretofore, and to hold the meeting here. The association has been quite prosperous in the past few years and Marshalltown's central location has brought in a large number of outside Spiritualists, from as far south as Os-

kaloosa and Ottumwa, west to Ames and Boone and east to Tama and Toledo and Belle Plaine. Those from the northern districts come from even a Ind.: "Dr. E. E. Parker, the trumpet farther distance, owing to the fact that medium of Richmond, hus just conthere is no other camp-meeting close to | cluded a six weeks' engagement with Marshalltown north. The meeting this the Spiritualists of this city. This is

year will be three weeks in length and the sixth engagement of Dr. Parker

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Mrs. C. H. Mullins writes: "Dr. A. B. | 'church notices." Rev. J. W. Lake, sec- | Our friends will remember that we ac-Spinney spoke to a large and appreciaat 404 Ogden avenue: Subject, 'What Spiritualism has done for the world." The Topeka (Kansas) Capital says. 'According to the statement of Mrs. S.

. Searing, a Spiritualistic test medium of this city, ex-Senator W., A. Peffer has a great future as a leader in the mystic circles of Spiritualism. She says that if the ex-Senator will devote a little more time to the study of the psychic sciences, he will be one of the most able platform speakers of the day. The occasion of this remarkable prediction was an address made by Senator Peffer in the Spiritualist hall, 422 Kansas avenue, Sunday night. He characterized the fruits of the spirits as being love patience, faith, kindness, and others of the virtues, and thought that it was an times that men were becoming more

notwithstanding the exclusive characwith the Spiritualists at any time, and back the bad' in all instances."

For the first time in the history of any court a ghost was to-day introceeding at St. Louis, Mo. There were other grounds of complaint, but the most attractive feature to the blg crowd present was the testimony in reference to the spook. As the result of the proceedings Charles L. Bates, diamond expert of a large retail house here, was granted a legal separation from his wife, who is now in New York, and the custody of their boy. In one of the depositions Mrs. Louise C. Patterson, a daughter from San Francisco, testified that her mother had stated that she was in love with the ghost of Actor Billy Florence and was engaged to marry him in the next world. Another was to the effect that Mrs. Bates kept a picture of the dead

came to her in material form." O. W. Apperson writes from Kokomo,

tive audience Sunday evening, June 17, | ed to convey the sense of the resolution | inent skeptics only, thus furnishing am-

of the association ought not to be mis- fall months. Address me at Alaska understood, We do not object to the publication of these meetings, but do not believe that they should be denom-

inated churches; when they are not organized as such. "They are not churches in the eye of the law and have no power to solemnize marriages. We do not attempt to dictate to the newspapers what they should publish nor how call attention to the matter and the views of the association upon it." How jealously is the pulpit guarding its nouncements of free-thought meetings is significant of the loss of its power over the masses.

A special to the Chicago Times-Herald says: "Rev. A. Pieper has set the

Lutheran Synod of the Wisconsin district agog by a series of theses in which he maintains that Spiritualism wished it was possible for the members is nothing more nor less than witch- music of Miss Edith Edwards. It was of all denominations to be able to go to craft, and so far from being modern the sweetest, grandest, and most soul each other's meetings, and be so liberal dates back to Bible times. Mr. Pieper stirring I have ever heard; music that that they could 'tell the good and keep in his paper held that while many of filled the soul with rapture. She has the manifestations shown by Spiritual- | never studied music; there is not a sheet

ists are the result of natural conditions, some are unusual and unaccountable. But they are all on the same plane as the witchcraft of Bible and later times. were not well-authenticated."

Band of Harmony at the home of Mrs. Hattle F. R. Peet, No. 48 Ashland boulevard, on Thursday afternoon and evening, June 28, from 3 to 10 p.m. Ladies will bring lunch as usual, and coffee will be served at 6 p. m. The pastor, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond will

cordially invited to be present.

Jacob Bullion writes from Mesick, Mich.: "W. O. Knowles, of Grand Rapids, has been among us again for a few days and stirred up the people in this locality by his logical and fine tests. He lectured at the Carpenter schoolhouse and gave many tests to full houses. He also spoke twice at our schoolhouse to appreciative audiences. His parlor seances caused much won derment; one in particular held in the writer's parlor, where independent bered. writing was produced on paper tablets. A mouth-organ owned by our son while on earth having been placed on the table, was played upon by its former owner during the seance. Trumpet speaking was also a feature of the evening's entertainment, but the most noteworthy and enjoyable occasion was a grove meeting and picnic held near Sperman on the 17th. The morning's gathering was comprised of Spiritualists mostly, who enjoyed a short address from the Doctor, followed by tests. After filling our haversacks with the good things, we were prepared to hold the fort, and by 2 o'clock we were surrounded on fall sides, and should have surrendered but for the timely mounting of our big gun, which was well loaded with shot and shell, and after a few shots were fired we saw plainly that the day was ours, and so it proved, for Mr. Knowles was met on all sides with congratulations and requests to come again when the meeting adjourned.". Quincy Spiritualist Hall; 301 Maine street, Quincy, Ill. Services there every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mediums and friends will meet with a happy welcome at these headquarters. Frank T. Ripley has closed a two months engagement at Fort Wayne, over the world, so rapid has been its Ind. Address all letters to him in care of 40 Loomis street, Chicago, Ill. A. B. Gates writes from Cortland, N. Y.: "Last Sunday night an audience of about one hundred gathered together to grown old Roman, venerable with age, listen to the inspiring messages from | must crumble before this all-consumtheir loved ones through Maggie Waite. | ing electric fire kindled the hearts of Capt. John W. Strawbridge came with earth's dwellers. If we are faithful to a message to his wife, bringing unmis- the sacred trust given us by the spirit takable evidence of his spirit presence. world, for they cannot work alone, we Mrs. Jennie Conant came with a mes- on earth's plane have our part to persage for her son. A spirit calling him- form. We have something more to do self Joel Rouse manifested and wished | than to fold our hands and sing "The to send a message to his two sons who Sweet Bye and Bye.' We must work resided in Upper Isle, La Vousies and now and now. Long ago Spiritualists LeRoy. The spirit was anxious to gave to the world the message of 'Rereach them. He requested this mes-Scribe writes: "G. W. Kates and wife | sage be sent to his sons: 'I want you to | for some of the results of their profesattend to your business and come to a sion, and asks, 'Where are your settlement between yourselves, divid- churches, schools and charitable instiing the property while you are in earth life, and not leaving it for some lack in our ranks in this direction. one else to settle. I beg of you, my Spiritualists ought to be doing someboys, to attend to this at once, and by so doing, do justice to the dead as well as the living.' Many other communications were given." Mrs. Summers has just returned to | toiling masses, and render charity undied, and about one or two days before The only pleasure which Siva and Devi by was started by the Methodists, but Chicago from a ten days' sojourn in feel is when their altars are drenched our audiences increased each day. We 'Egypt' (Southern Illinois), a region un- those natural opportunities given. to with blood, which, of course, could not have 2 good working society in Be-be shed without the destruction of some midji, organized by Mr. and Mrs. Kates. movement, where she has been doing procure the necessities and comforts of The divine law of true harmonial marriage, etc. The interest is growing. Our home work as a missionary; one Sunday at life."

retary of the association, was instruct- | cept subjects for our songs from promto the heads of the newspapers of the ple proof of spirit help. We hope to go spiritual sentiment that pervades all of city. Mr."Lake,"when seen by a News south for the winter months, but wish the expressions of this camp, this will representative to-day said: "The action to hear from northern societies for the Michigan."

Isaac S. Lee writes from Quincy, Ill. "A determined effort is now being made to revive the work in Quincy. Dr. Bacher with others have put their shoulders to the wheel, rented a hall furnished it for services and invite all good spirits to come here and learn to be happy. This hall and rooms adjoint should be done, but simply desire to ing have been dedicated as Spiritualist headquarters here in Quincy. Last Sunday, though it was raining, quite a number of people was present, and also a rights. The fact that it fears the an- large number of youth in this locality. Interest is awakening here, for several persons came to me this week to learn when we would have our next meeting.

We have public free seances every Wednesday evening."

Mrs. Josle Walker Brubaker writes from Kansas City, Mo.: "One evening last week, I listened to the inspired

The Sturgis Annual Meeting. It gave me great pleasure last week Many members of the synod took ex- to attend the annual anniversary meetception to Mr. Pieper's views and 'in | ing, held in Sturgis, Mich., the 16th and discussion maintained that the phe- 17th of the month. Forty-two years nomena mentioned by him were the re- | ago I delivered the dedicatory address sult of willful or self-deception on the at the opening of this magnificent part of the individuals who made the church edifice. That occasion was one investigations. The facts, they held, long to be remembered. There were present such distinguished men as A special "benefit" will be given the Judge Coffinberry, Joel Tiffany, jurist, Selden J. Finney, Frank L. Wadsworth, Giles B. Stebbins, a most valiant defender of the truth now residing in De-

troit, and other speakers.

Among the many anniversaries that I have attended in this Southern Michigan city, never was I present at a more be present, and a fine program will be earnest, enthusiastic and harmonious actor in her room and that she said he provided. All members and friends are meeting than the one just held. The church edifice was packed and Mrs. Sheets was at her best. Her trance addresses, under the controlling influence of Ormond, the ancient giver of flowers, were simply magnificent. The singing was very fine and the conference meetings were enthusiastic. The Baptist preacher of the city being present, I made the occasion one of giving the facts, proofs, and the doctrines of Spiritualists. The platform was beautiful-

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tualism is indeed true, and the communications have given my heart the greatest comfort in the severes loss I have had of son, daughter, and their mother." Dr. Eugene Crowell, whose writings have made his name familiar to those interested in psychic matters, writes as follows: "I am much pleased with the Pay-chograph. It is very simple in principle and construc-tion, and I am sure must be far more sensitive to spir-itual power than the one now in use. I believe it will generally supersede the latter when its superior merits become known."

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weeks, one hundred and twenty-five last day. The Doctor received many floral tributes, and the hearty endorse-Haverhill.

"The Washington (D. C.) Post has the member." following: "Pierre L. O. Keeler, the Spiritualist, who was arrested by Detectives Parhan and Gallaher, Wednes- kins, in The Progressive Thinker of to attend, one of the leading lawyers of day night, after the latter had attended June 16, on Hypnotism, is wise. Hyp- Tipton placed his large office at their a seance in his parlor, at 918 H street notism has done much less damage disposal, and it was filled with lawnorthwest, on a charge of conducting among Spiritualists than among secan unlicensed entertainment, forfeited tarians. Peter the Hermit hypnotized \$20 collateral in the police court yester- | thousands-yea, millions, to join the day morning. He appeared in the Crusades, where they miserably perpolice court building, but was not ished. A. B. Simson, of Nyack, N. Y., so, Mich.: "We have been blessed again arraigned."

Fred Johnson writes from South Chi- women. He so thoroughly overpowers Mrs. A. E. Sheets, of Grand Ledge, cago, Ill.: "The South Chicago True them that they strip off their jewelry Mich. She was with us three weeks, Spiritualist Society will hold its first and cast it into his contribution box, leaving us to attend the annual convenannual picnic at 119th street and Port- while he lives in high feather, said to tion of the society at Sturgis, Mich. land avenue. West Pullman, July 4, have amassed over a million. John A. She is a great favorite with the Owosso 1900. Take Calumet electric cars to Dowie beats them all." grounds. Everybody welcome. Admission free."

St. Louis, Mo.: "In this new and beau- | struction and of reproduction. But the | society. He is a trance speaker of untiful truth that is now opening up to latter attribute was doubtless a later usual ability for one so young, teaching the hungry souls, we find our wants addition to the sum of his qualities. supplied, after long years of narrowminded church creeds. We are a family of five, all believers, and living in love and harmony.'

The Grand Rapids (Mich.) Herald has ond time.

Geo. F. Perkins writes: "I have lectured twice in Milwaukee, Wis., with good success. Most of the meetings have closed for the season. Many desire them continued, but it is vet an open question as to who is willing to run the risk alone, as that is what it practically means in all cities in the summer. Legitimate work is poorly paid everywhere."

F. L. Bowen writes: "It seems to me I would not know how to pass off the time without The Progressive Thinker. It was my only companion last winter in Florida, after my dear wife went to the higher life. She did, when seeming to be asleep, talk with her father and mother for a number of days before she bling a "fury" rather than a goddess. she went, I was sitting by her bedside, and she smiled and looked pleased. I thought she was sleeping. Then she opened her eyes and looked at me and form of life. said: 'Oh! how beautiful. They are coming for me in the morning.' I asked her: 'Are you going?' She bowed. let you go. I can't live without you.' Then she said: 'They are pulling me hard both ways.' Then she said: 'You can keep me until the morning,' and in the morning about 3 o'clock of December 11, 1890, she passed to the spirit world. She was a firm believer in Mrs. A. J. Pettingill (wife of Judge which was well attended. Speeches, Spiritualism, and a pure hearted Pettingill), Mrs. Prentice, Mrs.-Hattle recitations, music and refreshments woman. She used to say while here in life that if she died first she would Mr. A. P. Blynn, Mr. J. S. Scarlett, and One of the surprises was the presentacome back and help me all she could, and she is with me in spirit a great part of the time.' Wm. Niess writes: "Our season of lectures is over for the hall in the city, but now we will try and enjoy a little recreation by attending to camp, excursions and general entertainments until the cool weather shall remind us that the time for outdoor exercises is past. At this time I wish to mention our Children's Progressive Lyceum excursion to Lake Brady on the 17th inst., which was a perfect success in every possible manner. The day was perfect; the woods in its best. The lake was a perfect fascination for the excursionists and all was merriment and happy good-will. The children of the Lyseum were under the direction of Conductor French, who had the children recite selections for the benefit of all present. Short addresses were made by Mr. Nicum, Mr. Gould and Mrs. Bacon, and messages were given 'from the spirit world by Mrs. Waterman and Mr. French. Mr. Barker, president of the First Association of Spiritualists, and his wife, guardian of the Lyceum, were also with us, assisted by members of the different committees, in their various departments to make all a-perfect success. Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Barker are our Star ticket sellers, and they just made things hustle in that direction. We must not forget to mention Mr. preciated."

year, as well as a number of others, in- | engagement here Dr. Parker had an. adults, mostly drinking men, signed cluding one or two from New York. | urgent call from the society in Tipton, the pledge, and over one hundred boys The officers of the association residing Ind., where he held a week's joint sepledged themselves to life-long total ab- in Marshalltown are Mr. John D. Vail, ances with Mrs. Julia Thomas, the stinence. Three services were held the president; Mr. I. F. Andrews, vice-pres- materializing medium, holding a trumpident; and Mr. Walter Wilson and Mrs. et seance one night and a materializing Eva McCoy, members of the executive seance the next, and with wonderful rement of the people, press and clergy of committee. Mr. Louis W. Fox, of sults. Their success in Tipton was most Albion, is also an executive committee phenomenal, being largely attended.

The last seance given there was a ma-G. F. Lewis writes from Corry, Pa.: | terializing seance, and to get room for the large crowd of people who desired "The intelligent article of Dr. T. Wilyers, doctors and the leading people of Tipton. At this seance twenty full

forms materialized." Mrs. E. S. Parker writes from Owoshypnotizes hundreds of poor sick in the ministry of that gifted woman, society. The 12th of June we had the The Hindoo idea of the Evil One is as pleasure of making the acquaintance of follows, as set forth by the Westminster | Mr. Ernest Lincoln, who had been fill-Mrs. James L. Cornelius writs from Review: Siva is typical both of de- ing an engagement with the Lansing Spiritualism from a practical stand-The original conception of this deity point as well as scientific.' Cora Fuller writes: "Sunday; June was that of a power delighting in destruction, in the achievement of physi- 17, dawned bright and clear. All nacal evil and wrong, and in hurling death | ture seemed at her best on this the and destruction upon the people and opening day of Pon-she wa-ing campthe following: "Prof. Mack, Spiritual- | their land. He is represented in the sa- meeting, and at 10:30 a. m. a fair-sized ist, who was tried for appropriating a cred books of the Hindoos as "the ter- audience had assembled under the canring from Miss Lizzie Luders, was sen- | rible destroyer"-"the one who delights | opy of leaves and branches to listen to tenced to-day to the Detroit House of in the destruction of men." But in all the words of welcome which were given Correction for ninety days. The first this there is no whisper as yet of any by Mr. R. L. Myers, of Pon-she-wa-ing, jury disagreed and he was tried a sec- moral qualities of evil. The conception and responded to by Mr. O. A. Edgerly, is entirely one of physical power, used of Lynn, Mass. After the noon hour with the utmost malevolence and in- people began to come by boat and carjustice against men. Along with his riage, and at 2:30 a good audience was principal wife, who is variously called | waiting to listen to the eloquence of Devi, Durga, Uma and Kali, he is por- Mr. A. E. Tisdale. The spiritual songs trayed as the incarnation of physical rendered by Mr. Tisdale and the readevil, wrong, injustice or misfortune. In | ing by Miss Cora Fuller were well re-

the "Puranas" Siva is described as ceived. Mr. Joseph King, of Pipestone, wandering about surrounded by ghosts Mich., will be in camp this week." and goblins, inebriated, naked and with disheveled hair, covered with the held a series of daily grove meetings on ashes of a funeral pile, ornamented the lake front at Bemidyi, Minn., with human skulls and bones, some- June 17 to 24. In a beautiful little times laughing and sometimes crying. | grove overlooking the lake, seats and Devi, his consort, is represented with a platform had been erected. There the hideous and a terrible countenance, people came, and listened, going away streaming with blood, encircled with reflecting and discussing. The meetsnakes, hung round with skulls and hu- | ings, the lectures and tests have done man heads, and in all respects resemgreat good here to inform our people of Spiritualism. A counter meeting near-

always existed. ly decorated with flowers and palms. It was an occasion long to be remem-Never-Ending

A most excellent letter was read from Brother R. Spalding, of Chicago, who was for many years a resident of Sturgis and a singer in the choir. His soul is still afire with the glories of Spiritualism-and with the living reforms of this present time. Here is a quotation

from his letter: "It is about fifty years since Dr. J. M. Peebles, Giles Stebbins, Warren Chase, and Joel Tiffany first stepped one by one, on to the Spiritualist platform in Sturgis. Tiffany was logical, Finney was eloquent, Chase was sarcastic, Stebbins good and true, but Dr. Peebles was theological, loving and pathetic, and how we used to linger after an address for a hand-shake. I doubt if other speakers could be found who have done so much for the cause as these workers. Some of them long ago garnered their sheaves, but Dr. Peebles still remains and we understand, speaks in your convention. Long may this venerable worker be spared to reap the harvest of his toil. Truly he has journeyed a long and dusty road, and many years ago earned the title of 'Pilgrim.' We propose to add another pre-fix and call him the 'White Pilgrim.' He has seen the result of his early labors, in honest sturdy Spiritualism all\_ growth. It has woven its tendrils around every church except perhaps the Catholic, and changed the complexion of their creeds. And even the moss-

Harmonics form,' and the world has been watching tutions?' We must confess there is a As taught by mode valuable contributio unfolding its laws fr thing to aid in establishing a spiritual republic on earth, as it is in the realms beyond. It rests with us to evolve some plan for the amelioration of the necessary by releasing for the people

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metings for the season. Since last Oc- | cured." tober we have had some of the best speakers on the Spiritualistic platform. | Spiritualist Philosophical Society of De-During this season we have had Mrs. | troit, Mich., closed its meetings the last Nettie H. Harding, Mrs. Ida P. A. Sunday of May, and last Monday even-Whitlock, Mrs. Annie Laura Jones, ing held a reception in our parlors, Mason, Mrs. Annie E. Cunningham, made the time pass very pleasantly. ful season of lectures in Boston, others. Mrs. Whitlock, of Providence, tion of a beautiful diamond ring to my-R. I., occupied our platform eleven Sun- self from from the Philosophical Sodays since Christmas. She is one of the | ciety, also a banner and badge of honor |

most refined and advanced speakers in and a diamond brooch from a lady who our ranks. During the months of July has become greatly interested in Spir- itable will and push. Thousands of and August we meet at the Earnscliff | itualism through our guides, and sev-Grove, about three miles out (the prop- | eral other valuable presents, amounting erty of the Misses Harris, two of our to a considerable sum. We speak of is so dear to his soul." veteran Spiritualists). Our music has this reception as we greatly appreciate been given special attention. We have all that has been done for us by the ist, inspirational lecturer and psychoas soloist Mr. W. J. Hervey, one of Sig- | dear friends. Eight years of steady | metric test medfum, has returned to nor Potoli of Boston's pupils, a fine work for one society has greatly en- Quincy. In, his home since boyhood. contralto."

Brodhead, Wis., where he had a splen- makes me feel that my spirit guides are Maine street, Quincy, Ill. did audience.

Mrs. M. J. Carter writes from Jones- have been so overworked that illness | severe' test conditions, blindfolded and boro. Ind.: "The Spiritualists of Jones- | was the result, and I have been obliged | flannel thrown over the keys. Selecboro and adjoining cities and towns to cancel many engagements for the tions from the old masters are played will hold a Fourth of July celebration season. I shall attend only one camp with an ease that puts to flight any under Carter's maple trees, corner of where, we will be chairwoman; at doubt that might arise in the mind in Maine and Seventh streets, Jonesboro, beautiful Island Lake, where every- regard to her inspiration. The music Ind. Dr. H. C. Andrews, the inspira- thing is conducive to health and happi- that is given through her hands could tional lecturer, will address the people ness. Great improvements have been not be acquired by practice. I wish on that occasion. A large crowd is ex- and are being made in the hotel and that all lovers of soul music could hear pected. Come one, come all, with well grounds; in fact, the very best accom- her play. She plays several selections filled baskets and a spiritual feast." G. W. Kates will speak in Hendrum, some of the best talent possible to pro- Arlington Hall every Sunday evening. Minn., June 26 and 27; in Grand Forks, cure, we anticipate a grand and glori- and also graciously consents to play for ambitious leaders ever stop to consider N. D., June 28, 29 and July 1; in Wheat- | ous time. Detroit has at last awakened | those who call at her parlors, 611 East | that their efforts, lives and 'acts. are on, Minn., July 4 to 9, when they dedi- to the fact that Island Lake is one of 8th street. She and her mother. Mrs. | transparent? Do they realize that thoucate the local Spiritual Temple. Ad- the finest summer resorts in Michigan, Carrie L. Bean, are conducting the only sands are ashamed of their unjust dress them 560 Seventh avenue North, and many are going to attend and en- Spiritual meeting here this summer, at schemes? Minneapolis, Minn. W. H. Selvoy writes from Wheeling, hope all camps may prosper and good attendance every Sunday evening." W. Va.: "Mrs. Alice Baker, trance and bee the result." Lyall and Mr. Kerr, for we could not inspirational lecturer, of Cleveland, O., |. The Fort Wayne News of June 14 ing the coming season my eldest daughwell have gotten along without their has been with us during the month of says: "At the last meeting of the Minis- ter, Essie, aged 16, will positively asassistance and presence, for they are June doing missionary work. Although | terial Association that body passed a | sist me with all engagements; giving | freedom," without compromise. such hustlers, especially when they we have no organization here we have resolution which declares in effect that tests and helping with her fine elecution know that they are appreciated. All many that understand the beautiful the association does not believe that no- at entertainments for the benefit of the

lady of culture and refinement."

John S. Jackson writes from Lowell, | meetings are interesting and we have | Greenup and one at Vevay Park. in Mass.: "The First Spiritualist Society purchased an organ, and will soon have Universalist churches, occupying the I said: 'My dear precious one, I can't of Lowell is drawing to a close its a temple, as the lot is already se- principal hours of worship. Under the auspices of the "Students of Nature,"

Nellie S. Baade writes: "The First modations for man and beast, and with | before the opening of the services at

of Chicago, she organized at Greenup, a society under the local name of "The Students of Truth," with Editor Ratcliff as the president and Mrs. Vanover as the secretary."

Joseph Carn writes from Boston, | are able to suggest and assist in the ma-Mass.: "We have closed a most successthrough the mediumship of Mrs. N. J. Willis, of Cambridge. Her services | she-wa-ing camp grounds and the surwere secured by M. S. Ayer, at the First Spiritual "Temple. Mr. Ayer's wonderful success is due to his indomdollars are spent by him annually to upbuild the cause of Spiritualism, which

Isaac S. Lee. for 40 years a Spiritualdeared them to me, and an earnest call | Those desifing his services in Illinois, of the Kellam family, at the head of Will C. Hodge has been lecturing at to remain their pastor another year. Missouri or Iowa address him at 301 this new camp, it bids fair to rank sec-

being appreciated as never before. I of music in the libuse. She plays under

joy the meetings for the first time. I Arlington, Hall, and large crowds are in Carrie F. Weatherford writes: "Dur-

religious notices under the head of she improvises with me, singing alto, are giving,

Battle Creek, Mich.

### Pon-she-wa-ing, Mich. The subscriber and wife reached this,

the Pon-she-wa-ing camp on the 15th, page. Paper, 50c. the opening day, and as usual there were many minor details to adjust and put in order. As camp missionaries we are able to suggest and assist in the material as well as the spiritual work so necessary in the infancy of every camp. A description of the locality of the Ponroundings would occupy too much of FROM NIGHT TO MORN; your valuable space. Your readers and the scribe must be content with. the simple statement that N. M. Kellam's selection of grounds and surroundings is beautiful; an attractive, convenient resort hotel, with Mr. Kellam, his efficient wife, genial daughter just budding into womanhood, and Miss Cora Fuller, the calm, clear-beaded, experienced camp counselor, niece and cousin

ond to none in the state. From a brief acquaintance with the Kellams we have come to believe in them, that they will stand the test, which all camp leaders, owners and managers of camps must stand, when the tests are made. At this time "tests" are the watchword, Spiritualists ought to be able to face every material, moral and spiritual test; can they do so? Where do we

stand, and "where are we at?" Spiritualists ought to know that they cannot hide their real condition, or position, do they perceive this? Do our

Brothers Edgerly and Tisdale are engaged as spiritual teachers during the entire three weeks of this northern Michigan camp, which is dedicated to spiritual freedom, yes, to "Spiritual

The writer and wife are teaching the laws of health and right living, and find who had anything to do with the ex- philosophy of Spiritualism. Mrs. tices of the meetings of any Spiritual- associations; also aiding in lyceum or- the people here as everywhere, anxious cursion did well and nobly, and we | Baker has been untiring in her efforts | istic, Theosophical or Christian Science | ganization. This daughter has a very | for a change, and receptive to the pracwish to have them know that it is ap- with us. She is a good worker, and a bodies should be published with other remarkable phase of mediumship, as tical common sense health lessons we have this work.

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NOTICE-No attention will be given anonymous letters, Full name and address must be given, or the letters will not be rend. If the request be made, the name will not be published. The correspondence of this department has become excessively large, especially letters of inquiry requesting private an-swers, and while I freely give what-ever information I am able, the ordi-nary courtesy of correspondents is ex-pected. HUDSON TUTTLE,

Mrs. O. Potter: O. Christians claim that according to statistics there are more adherents to Christianity to-day, in all the so-called Christian nations, than ever before, even in proportion to number of inhabitants. Is this correet?

A. According to a statement made Jan. 18, 1900, in the New York World, the assertion that church membership is increasing is answered in a most con-clusive manner. Although without the least support by facts, and false in in-tention, it has been published and re-published by the religious press, until it passes without contradiction. The census reports are unreliable, for the membership is always Overstated he. membership is always overstated because all those who incline to the church are counted in full membership. It is presumable that New York City, foremost city of the United States, fairly represents the religious strength as compared with the opposite, yet with every attempt to make the church showing as great as possible, there are 1,300,000 persons in Greater New York, without any church connection. In one ward in Brooklyn of 25,000 there is not a single Protestant church, or mission. In the Dakotas the church membership is only 18 per cent of the population; in Texas, 29 per cent, and in South Carolina 43 per cent

-the highest of any state. There is a wide difference between actual and nominal church members. The census soon to be made will report two-thirds of the population as belonging to the various churches. What is the actual number that attend church, and are in full communion? The average townships in the most populous sections, contain from two to five thousand inhabitants. There are usually two church buildings at some central place, with seating capacity of from two to three hundred each. The average attendance may be placed at one-half their seating capacity. It is only on rare occasions that in a country township one-fifth of the population attend church-or that there is seating capacity for more than that proportion.

J. Peel: Q. What is meant

to send one by means of a chair, table, book, or other article. If we were dis-appointed when we found that we could not do so, we might say with this correspondent we are "helpless or non-existent" for really there is scarcely anything that will receive our thoughts Instead of complaining of the guardian angels, would it not be wiser to attempt to conform to the conditions which makes control possible? If the shutters are closed and the curtains drawn of our dwelling, can we expect the sunlight to stream in? If we want the light, we must open wide the win-

J. H .Viser: Q. (1) Has the earth life for its object the preparation for the life to come? This is widely taught and that the experience gained on earth is necessary to round out and complete the existence which is to follow. (2) The temperature of space is said to be 400 degrees below zero; is it not a frigid place for the spirit world?

A. According to spiritual science the object attained by the earth-life is the evolution of a spiritual being. In the normal order of events that spirit has a half-century more or less of experience in the physical body. But this is not necessary, once evolved, whether it departs in infancy or in maturest age, the spirit goes right on in its development. The life in the spirit-world is a continuance of this, and there is no necessity of

returning to receive its experiences. That it is a "probationary school" and for "preparation" for the life to come, is a conception, shown by its phraseology, to be divined from mistaken theological fancies. The vast majority of people are less prepared for spirit life at seventy-five than in infancy. If they have had experience, it has been that which has dragged them down into the mire of selfishness and and materiality, and blighted their spiritual perceptions. If the fact was forcefully mprinted on the mind that we are spin its now, as distinctly as we shall ever be in the future; flesh-clad, yet spirits, and that we have begun right here and now on our endless journey, then this earth life might become a trainingschool for eternity. Then our every

thought and action might seem to have a two-fold relation; one to this life and one to the life beyond. We should be gin the task here, which almost as a rule is now deferred until life is re-sumed over the borders of this existence.

Inquirer, Boston , Mass.: Q. What is Spiritualism?

A. As a science Spiritualism is knowledge of the psychical or spiritual nature of man; and as spirit is the mov-ing force of the universe, the study is that of creation, and is not complete until the unknown becomes known. In a narrower sense, as applied to the communion between spirits and man, it embraces the facts, conditions and laws of that intercourse. It unites the psychical phenomena of all ages, and races of mankind by proving that they are governed by the same underlying

laws. Modern Spiritualism is distinguished from that of the past by the acceptance of the doctrine of law. That the spiritual realm is governed by laws as fixed and determinable as those which rule physical matter. It unitizes all conflicting manifestations by reference to common fundamental principles and laws, thereby eliminating miracles, and furnishing data by which right judg-ment may be formed. It reduces a realm of conjecture, fancy, and whim-sical credulity to the rule of law, and makes spirit the highest product of evolution, in fact the resultant of interminable line of living beings from the protoplasmic cells of the primitive ages. One who believes in spirit manifestation is called a Spiritualist, but to be a Spiritualist in the full meaning of the word, requires a knowledge commensu-rate with the physical and spiritual worlds. It is not belief, or faith, or ad-

hesion to creed that makes the Spiritualist; it is knowledge, and hence the most complete definition of Spiritualism

### THE CAMP-MEETINGS, Lake Helen, Fla. I STUDY EL Niantic Camp?



Ashley Camp. O. This camp begins July 29, and ends August 19, 1900. For programmes address H. Baxter, Ashley, Ohio.

Maple Dell Camp, O.

The National Spiritual and Religious Camp Association will hold its twelfth annual session, commencing July 22. annual session, commencing July 22, ending September. For full particulars and programme, enclose stamp and ad-dress Lucy King, corresponding secre-tary, Mantua, Ohlo.

Arkansas Valley Camp.

The Arkansas Valley Spiritual Asso-ciation will hold its 7th annual campmeeting in Island Park, at Winfield, Kansas, commencing July 7, and ending July 17, 1900. For full particulars address Chas. O. Bethel, Winfield, Kans.

> Lake Pleasant Camp. Mass. This camp opens July 29. The circulars are now ready and can be had upon

application. In writing for them please enclose stamp for return postage. Address Albert P. Blinn, Clerk, 603 Tre-mont street, Boston, Mass. Columbus Camp, O.

This camp will open July 1, and close August 27. Send for programmes to Dr. W. D. Noyes, secretary, 189, Cleveland avenue, Columbus, Ohio. N.

Pon-she-wa-ing, Mich. Spiritualist camp-meeting will be held at Pon-she-wa-ing, Mich., commencing June 15 and closing July 9. For full particulars address N. M. Kellam, man-

ager, Oden, Mich. Chesterfield Camp, Ind. The camp-meeting of the Indiana As-Chesterfield, Ind., July 19, and close August 26, 1900. For programmes and further information address Flora Har-

lin, secretary, Anderson, Indiana. New Era Camp, Oregon. Its next annual gathering will be held beginning June 23 and ending July 16, thus including four Sundays. Full par-

ticulars may be had by addressing E. W. Penman, secretary, Canby, Oregon, or Mrs. Kate Obrock, vice-president, 309 Shaver street, Portland, Oregon.

### Delphos Camp.

The twenty-second annual campmeeting of the First Society of State. Spiritualists and Liberals will be held at Delphos, Kans., from August 10 to August 26 inclusive. For further particulars or information write to President J. N. Blanchard, Delphos, Kansas; M. J. Main, vice-president, Simpson, Kansas, or E. S. Bishop, secretary, Hasco, Kansas.

Cassadaga Camp, N. Y. This favorite place of resort offers an

attractive programme the coming season. The camp opens July 13 and

### **ABOUT ANIMALS.** The Southern Cassadaga Camp, Lake Helen, Florida, will open the first Sun-day, in February, 1001; Emma J. Huff, corresponding secretary. 100 Do They Continue to Exist in the Spirit World?

The Connecticut Spiritualist Camp-Meeting Association, at Mantle camp-Why is it there is such conflicting be-liefs in regard to this question? Why grounds, Niantie, Conn; season of 1900, commencing June 25 and continuing un cannot there be positive proof and the matter settled in the minds of so many til September 8, inclusive, 'For pro-grammes address Mary A. Hatch, secrethat are weighing this subject?

I want to ask the Spiritualists who are scientific and versed in zoology, those that know the habits, customs, of animals in their wild state as well as The Northwest Kansas and South hose trained and educated by man for west Nebraska Spiritualist, Association domestic purposes and exhibitions, is it will hold their fifth annual camp-meet possible to find the limits or boundary ing at Franklin, Neb., from July 20 to lines between man and beast, if there August 6 inclusive. No pains will be be any such demarkation. Many anispared to make it a success. For an-nouncement, circulars and other informals show the strongest reasoning properties, with memory of locality and recognition of people. I have seen the most intense jealousy exhibited when a mation, address the secretary, C. H. Simpson, Franklin, Neb. favorite animal was petted by the hand Other beasts witnessing such fondling would strike and bite the favored one Canyon Camp, opens in South Boulder Canyon, July 1, and continues through July, August, and possibly September. with strong combativeness. I have seen the animal in man shown in the Any information desired in regard to same manner. The delivery horse will his new and interesting movement may be obtained by writing May Taylor, Box 780, Denver, Colo. find his way to every number and house that he has stopped at heretofore, and that at a uniform gait on schedule time. The one that calls where I live every morning at 6 o'clock sharp, city time The twenty-third annual Lake Sunanever varies a minute. Please note the exact time of the crowing of the roospee Spiritualist Camp-meeting will be held at Blodgett's Landing, N. H., for Certainly you will agree with me four weeks, commencing Sunday, July 29, and closing Sunday, August 20, 1900. ters. that they are nature's time-pleces.

For programmes address the secretary, W. H. Wilkins, Claremont, N. H. Animals have in many instances when advanced in years, been known to commit suicide. A favorite dog of mine drowned himself in the river. We were talking of killing him. He overheard We wish to call attention to the fact us, and saved us the trouble. The same dog has been named and described as that all arrangements' have been comnear me by a very noted clairvoyant. I pleted by the Kaw Valley Association never was successful in reducing the number of the feline species in their of Spiritualists for their camp-meeting. which will be held in Ottawa, Franklin County, Kansas from August 8 to 13 inabode on the farm; although tied in bags and taken many miles away and We expect to make this one of dropped, they would soon find their way the best meetings ever held in Ottawa as the management have secured a back. An example of memory of local number of good speakers among whom are Mrs. Lull and Ben F. Hayden. ity that would outstrip the result o man if he was placed in a strang place, and benighted likewise. The They have also secured the services of Mrs. Ben F. Hayden as test medium, She not only describes friends but horse has been so successfully taugh that he is the wonder of the age. Pige gives their names. She will give tests and dogs are trained to play cards. I might give examples almost ad infin-This association claims the finest park itum, but will not trespass on your space allotted. west of the Mississippi for their meet-

As far as I can learn, all animal life ing. Our accommodations are unsurhas a continued state of existence. If not, will some Spiritualist or scientist prove otherwise? J. N. YAKES. passed, as beautiful Forest Park is within two blocks of the Santa Fe deprove otherwise?

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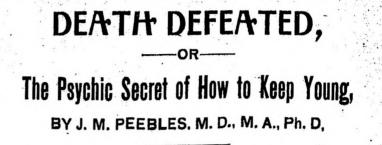
pot. Admission to the park and to all lectures is free. Good board will be furnished on the grounds for 16 cents per meal; also a cot; pillow, sheet and comfort for 15 cents per night. And To the Editor :- The press stated that a man called a "divine healer" was in vited to the great Cambridge University lately to be examined by a few of the professors as to the secret of his pe culiar power of healing the sick by laying on of hands, etc. The result was that they concluded "he had a surplus of physical magnetism," but there was no admittance that God, angels, devils or spirits had anything to do with it, as in Christ's time. Just to "phaze" the professors. I would like to ask if they deny the miraculous cures made by the apostles, saints and holy mediums of the past, or do they imagine the public will accept their idea of "surplus mag-netism?" Did Christ have a "surplus?" Another phase of this case which baffle the doctors is the evidence derived from scores of Psychical Research sources, which proves the truth of statement made by the spirit controls of Boston's artist-medium, Mrs. Adelaide O. Little-field, of 218 Columbus avenue, claiming that these "cures" are made by spirit doctors in the next world, who draw the magnetism, strength, aura, vitality or life-essences from these mediums, or healers," and give it to the sick. Many people are reservoirs of this influence who do not know it. They get tired and exhausted if in crowds, or when near certain people who draw from them. Some married people kill each other by

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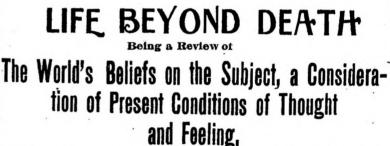


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spiritual death, as used by Sweden-borg and some spiritual writers? Can

the spirit be annihilated? A. The Bible texts from which the conclusion that certain spirits would be annihilated at some time do not warrant that theory. Among the strongest, perhaps, is this from Ephesians I. 4:18: "Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them because of their blindness of heart," and from Col. 2:18: "And you being dead in your sia." There are many others, but all have the same thought. Spiritual death is to yield to the lower nature, or in Bible language, being absorbed in "sin." The sense of all these passages is so clear it would appear mpossible to misunderstand them. In the lurid visions of Revelations, the final plunge into hell is the "eternal death," the "second death," or "spirit-ual death."

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A. The same thoughts have been expressed in regard to premonition of danger. They are received by some persons, perhaps only once in their life time, and by them they are saved from some great misfortune. Countless oth ers rush directly to the brink of preci-pices over which they fall, and no warning comes to them. If they have guardian spirits, why do they not tell them of the danger? If one can be warned, why cannot another? Because

they cannot we are by no means warranted in rushing to the conclusion that these spirits are "very helpless or non-existent." Where the way is opened by the recipient being sensitive to their thoughts, the guidance can be given, otherwise it cannot be. A medium may be readily controlled by one spirit, and unresponsive to another. If we would send a telephone mes-sage, we would have to use a transmit-ing incircing the would not expert

ting instrument. We would not expect

s, the science of life, tary, A. E. Gaston, Meadville, Pa., for after. programmes

Catholic Parochial Schools. On one occasion Bishop Chatard, of Indiana, preached upon Education in the cathedral of this city, and referring to the public and parochial schools, he not only claimed that the latter were entitled to a share of the public moneys, but said, "We have a right to that money of the state; it belongs to us, and we should have it! It costs us nine millions a year to support our schools."

Never before did I hear such absurd and arrogant statements made, and would expect a better argument from a man calling himself a bishop. In the first place the parochial school, a sectarian school, cannot expect support and the state; neither can any other denomi-nation expect it; and secondly, when nation expect it; costs them nine million dollars a year, he shows that they have the means to support them themselves. Who furnishes the money? A large proportion is contributed by hard-working people, widows and servant girls. Can"that money be better expended, if it is so highly necessary to have private Catholic schools? While freedom of religion is guaranteed by

the contribution, the state cannot allow church and state to be united: the people will never allow one sect to rule this country, never! If the bishops, however, wish to econ omize, let the Catholic children visit the public schools during the daytime, and throw open their churches in the even-

ing; they could give them all the Cath-olic education they want, and keep both boys and girls out of mischlef. The Bishop will please pardon me for this criticism, but they must expect this when making such public statements. H. C. KLOPPENBURG. N. Y.

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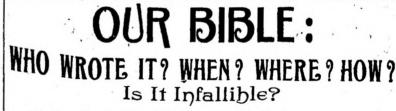
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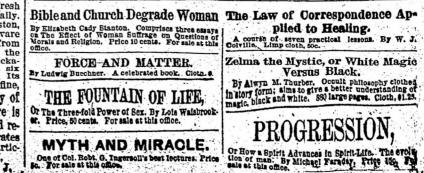
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