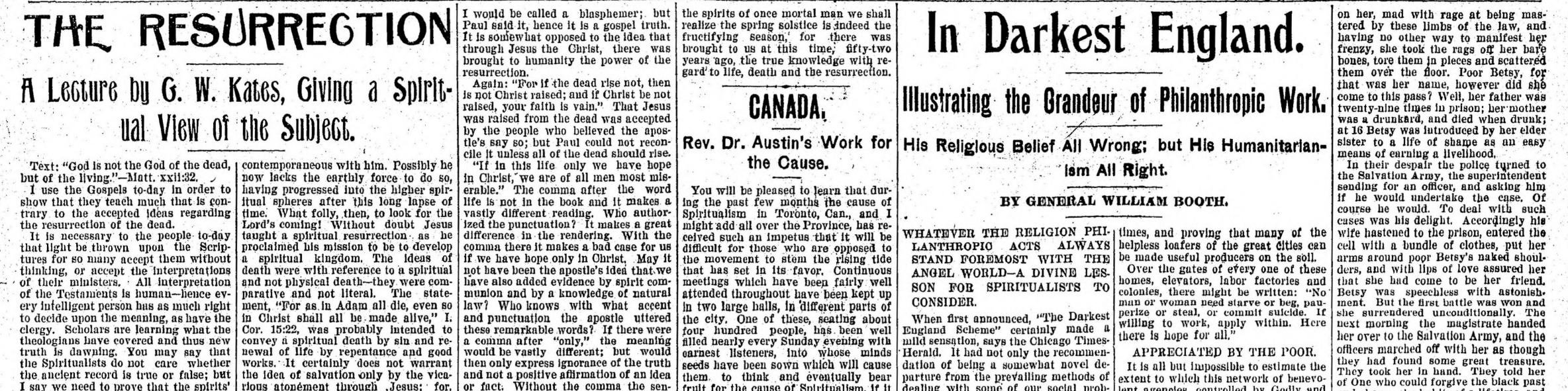


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fruit for the cause of Spiritualism, if it | dealing with some of our social prob- |lent agencies, controlled by Godly and I say we need to prove that the spirits' | rious atonément through .Jesus; and change the habits of a lifetime, and Adam lived to develop and become wise tence means about as I quote it with is not apparent now, the Rey, Dr. Aus- | lems, but it promised some little relief | unselfish men and women, is, day after teaching is sustained by the Bible, in help her to live a good, sober and virtuorder to reach the minds of them who and useful. Thus Adamic ignorance the above punctuation point. So it be- tin having been instrumental in doing to the conscience of the community on day and night after night, alleviating ous life. Betsy believed the good news are controlled by the book. You may dies and the Christ-life (light, truth and comes startlingly convincing that Paul good work on that line. a subject which could not fail to trouble the miseries of the poor. There are and cast herself on the mercy of God, had other proof than the resurrection of I presume the old time Methodists lit- it whenever its attention was turned in few, if any, reflections more calculated not accept what the Bible says, in orpurity) is ushered in. They are typical and he who 2,000 years ago cast out the der to believe that the dead are resur-Jesus, and it seems that his sentiments tle thought of the good they were doing | that direction. because they illustrate the same plan to give real consolution or afford me It was pretty well known that there truer joys as I turn my eyes to the apdevils from the soul of the Magdalene prove he possessed evidence positive of rected unto life, but many others do so and process for unfoldment. The stateto the cause of Spiritualism when by their action in conference, about a year | was a "Darkest England," the helpless proaching horizon than the recollection did the same for her. Since then, which spirit-life. He further adds: "For since ment evidently means the similarity believe and would accept the facts in ago, they expelled from that body one and miserable condition of which made of the sorrows and loneliness and misproof if reconciled by the apostolic his- and direct relationship of Adamic by man came death, by man came also was several years ago, Betsy has been the resurrection of the dead." This of their ablest teachers and professors, it almost, if not altogether, as deserv- ery which these efforts have at least tory. To reach Bible worshipers, and death and the Christ life. Remember living an industrious and godly life. clinches the argument and proves his for preaching what ought to be con- ing of benevolent consideration as the softened, if they have not healed. In a thus liberate them from faith by add- that Christ is a condition and not a per-IMPORTANCE OF WORK HABIT. meaning of the statement regarding sidered one of the most sublime truths "Darkest Africa," about which there London shelter the other night a numing knowledge is truly a necessary son. It is applied to Jesus as an attri-The Darkest England scheme has also word. We must try to unfold humanity bute and title instead of as a proper misery by hope in Christ only. that can be uttered, but which they was a considerable amount of talk at ber of homeless women, finding a temproved the genuineness of the principles "The last enemy that shall be de- deemed to be "heresy." Those creed- the time. Such unfortunates as pau- porary covering from the blast and a on which we affirmed at the outset that from the plane where we find it, in- name. It is an attribute possible for stroyed is death." This seems to apply bound sectarians probably had no idea pers, criminals, drunkards and other bit of warmth and pleasant association work for the outcast poor should be stead of upon the highest possible un- all people. Thus we are beginning to now, for death is yet held as an enemy. that by expelling Dr. Austin they were | helpless slaves of vice were known to | and some kind words, sent me a touchfoldment. We teach progression in life see meanings that hitherto were not carried on. I am not sure that this is conveyed to our dull understanding. Our spirit friends are constantly tryaiding the cause of Spiritualism by exist, but the announcement that some- ing message of gratitude, accompanied as the mode of nature-nothing goes not after all the most valuable result of quickly from the lower to the higher: "And to them which sat in the region ing to destroy our fear of death, and adding to its ranks such a scholarly and thing like 3,000,000 of men and women by a small collection of farthings and the experiment. What are these prinall growth is accomplished by slow and shadow of death, light is sprung are telling of its joys, beauty and be- earnest worker as he has proved to be; were down in this horrible pit or were half-pennies to aid in providing another ciples? processes. We cannot force people up," (Matt. 4:16) applies to us to-day as neficence. "I protest * * * L die daily." and the supporters of the movement on the way thither created a genuine like harbor of refuge for their less fa-Character must be changed in order from ignorance, bigotry and intoler- well they of the olden time. They re- So do we. This is decidedly the evi- must feel highly gratified with the re- commotion in the public mind. And vored sisters. Ah, believe me, gratitude to assure a change of conduct. It is ance into knowledge, reason and liberal- joiced in the "light" of truth with re- dence of matter-and the means of all sult of his labors during the short time when in addition it was boldly affirmed has often her home in the midst of the folly to expect that any alterations in ity. We should not hold meetings for gard to death and the resurrection. The growth from the molecule to the human he has been spreading the truth abroad that many of these "miserables" might deepest penury. And when a very little the environment of the individual will among the people. Nor will the frantic be assisted, nay, delivered from their effort will go so far-will produce and Spiritualists alone, but for all possible | age was materialistic, and the idea of | ego. affect any abiding improvement in his "That which thou sowest is not efforts of the editor of the "Christian wretched condition, and that without reproduce so much in the way of compeople to hear what the spirits and rea- heavenly bliss in the after-life came as moral condition. It is the man you want quickened, except it die." This is sci- Guardian," the organ of Methodism in any great trouble or ruinous expense, forting the despairing and the outcastson have taught. We owe a duty to the joyful news to a people heavily burto alter. entifically proven to be true. "There is Canada, avail to prevent a spread of the announcement was very agreeably it is a sad, sad pity, that so few embark public. If we have a truth it belongs | dened with earthly trials and miseries. Every man must work out his own not to us alone, but to the world. Let The teaching of "that wonderful city" a natural body and there is a spiritual the knowledge of a life beyond the received. Some who had hitherto hard- upon the business. salvation, or it will not be worked out us meet people upon their planes of was specially inviting to the multitudes | body." The spirit body is not "to be." grave: such as Spiritualism affords-by | ly ever raised a hand to help these per- | In our rescue homes there are always at all. The drunkard, the loafer, the thought and endeavor to lead them to of over-burdened people. No wonder but "is." Upon that Spiritualism allowing the columns of the Guardian ishing multitudes gave my proposals a about 2,000 women. Instead of idleness unfortunate, must be a co-worker in the higher truths, which are always they gave life as a sacrifice to such ex- throws much light. We have discov- to be used by a fakir medium to expose hearty welcome and breathed a little and drinking and blasphomy and imeffecting the deliverance desired. ered that spirit is the reality and mat- Spiritualism with his "experiences," more freely in consequence. provable and not the result of dogmatic pectancy! But many would not then prisonment and unnamable impurities Industry is necessary to reformation. ter the expression. Thus our spirit which was done recently in two issues | What then has been the outcome of and passions, there is the sound of song, teaching. accept the truth even when demon-Where there has been the ability we The Bible is not an infallible book so | strated, as now in this materialistic era, bodies are in process of development. of that journal, and paid for at the rate the experiment? How far has it realized of prayer, of wholesome labor, of inhave acted on the apostolic injunction, Our duality is well proven. And the of two dollars and a half per column, my own anticipations? Haw do we dustry-above all, there are the marks far as I can determine-it is to me only | they are like the Athenians: "And when "If a man will not work neither shall he self-hood is continually evolving a bet- wherein the writer attempted to prove stand in the matter of practical applica- of confidence and love. If there was a history written by men who could they heard of the resurrection of the eat." "Nothing for nothing" is the rule ter body. We will not obtain a spirit- by implication, if not explicitly stated, | tion to the actual needs of the case? not possibly have literally recorded, dead, some mocked." (Acts 17:32.) vigorously carried out through every nothing but this in their lives it would that all mediums were frauds, for he much has been interpolated and is inual body as a "gift," but by inheritance. We are told much about the impossi-FORTRESSES OF HOPE AND be something to rejoice over-just that branch of our operations. Where idleaccurate-but, whether false or true, it bility of a personal resurrection in a We are creating it. We now have a asserted that after ten years of insix months' vacation from wretched- ness has been the cause of their misery MERCY. stands as record influencing human life | spiritual embodiment. "Why should it spirit body. vestigation he has yet to meet with a ness and vice. industry is the cure. First, let us look at the outcome by Take the shelters. Think of the torand accepted by many millions of peo- | be thought a thing incredible with you. "We are confident, I say, and willing genuine medium. Had the editor of the Then, also, without discipline little way of established institutions. By an ture that must be endured by any poor ple. We cannot pass it by with the as- that God should raise the dead?" rather to be absent from the body, and Guardian taken the precaution he ought can be done with these classes. To to be present with the Lord," (II. Cor. to have done to find out who the corinstitution I mean efforts regularly or- creature driven to sleep in the open air | take hold of men and women who have sertion that it is not true, or is incom- (Paul to Agrippa, Acts 20:8). This appetent. It is not possible to prove it all plies to-day as well as then. We are 5:8). That shows how Paul knew the respondent was, that had such ready ganized at some given center for the in this climate for half, you might say from their childhood been Ishmaelites. erroneous-but parts in error destroy | considered by some to be "fanatics" bepossibility of spirit projection, or leavaccess to his columns, he might have accomplishment of one of the objects three-quarters, of the year, and yet ten whose very ruin has come about because we teach, and, we think, prove an ing the body temporarily. We have saved himself the humiliation of being contemplated by the scheme. Such in- years ago, in this city alone, there were the value of the whole. I am criticised cause they would not be subject to any for using the Bible critically, and ac- immediate resurrection. There is no stitutions are usually situated in the many hundreds of men and women, and considerable evidence of this fact occur. the accomplice and the dupe of one of decent rules of living or working, and very haunt of destitution and vice; they jalas, not a few children, who were concepting only what proves our claim for lying in the grave waiting for the ring in our day and time. Hence it those "frauds" he was so anxious apmake them not only willing but cheershows the dual self is true, and that the parently to warn his readers against. are, in fact, fortresses of hope and demned to this fate. This terrible state spirit life and communion. If it will Lord's coming. Nature knows no vacfully obedient to orders and regulations, mercy planted in the devil's darkest do- of things has been considerably allenot stand critical analysis, then it is far | uum, and never stops her work waiting | spirit self is a reality. "For we must | Had he done this he might have also has been one of our most difficult tasks. from infallible. for a future epoch; but always goes forall appear before the judgment seat of discovered that this same Mr. Scott, minions. When the plan was first pub- viated. But it was a necessity and we have ac-Christ; (not necessarily of Jesus, but of | whose portrait the Guardian published, | lished my eyes were fixed all but exclu- RESCUE WORK HIGHLY PRIZED. complished it with multitudes. Every creed or sect based upon the ward to achieve the best she can. Bible is sustained only by parts of the There is never an absolute rest period your own Christ-self) that every one was the very man who three years ago sively on the United Kingdom. But a UNDER GENERAL BOOTH'S WING. But what I prize most highly of the record-and contradicted in other parts. | for nature. She is tireless! Progressmay receive the things done in his was advertising himself under an ascloser examination of the social con-Darkest England scheme is the actual Hope must be restored. "I wish I was Every theologian quotes what sustains | ive life is the condition of futurity, and | body, according to that he hath done, sumed name as a Spiritualistic medium | ditions prevailing in other, parts of the whether it be good or bad." (II. Cor. and professing to do what he says in world, made during my more extended benefit it has bestowed in the way of dead," comes with dismal frequency to the subject being considered. Most the predicate of all the primordial past the Guardian was only fraud and trick- travels, revealed the painful fact that rescue. To mitigate the suffering and the hearts and lips in those moments of anything can be proven by the Bible. The day of resurrection is the day of [5:10). And that is Spiritualism as the spirits We do not accept Spiritualism because physical death (dissolution only). How improve the general tone of the sick reflection that intrude themselves unery, and because he practiced it wants there was no nation under the sun, the people to take his word and believe whether Christian or heathen, to which man is good, but to cure his disease and do we know? Because classyoyance has teach it. It is the result of that resurasked in the intervals of their dreary the Messianic and apostolic records susthe principles, and in a large measure send him home "every whit made lives. rection which all shall know. Be then all mediums do the sanie thing. tain it-but we are glad to have it so proven it Modern mediums (perhaps whole," must be more desirable still. Instances by the thousand have come sustained. We do not misquote the hundreds of them) have seen the birth careful to do such things as shall sure-I mention this to show the fairness or the methods, devised for this country, That is, of course, the highest aim of under our notice in which the tidings of Bible like many devotees do, nor of the spirit. The testimony of many ly bring good results to your souls. rather unfairness of the attitude of the would not apply, although no "Darkest the Darkest England scheme. Our deal- what had been done for others had restretch a scene by the power of imagin- is collateral and convincing; and they It is commonly supposed that Jesus | editor of the Guardian on this subject, England" funds were sent from Enging with the submerged has all been vived the dying hope of better things in ascended bodily into heaven. The in accepting the "experiences" of this land. ation, as Talmage lately did in describ- are present day witnesses. We do not directed to the end of making him will- the hearts of the lost. The subject of Taught, therefore, by the early de proof is not to be found. The gospels | man whom in justice to the editor we ing the appearance of Samuel, material- | need to be sure that some one or more scription of the scheme, and encouraged ing and able to relieve himself, and so the following little story is now in a ized before Saul through the medium- long ago saw Jesus ascend into heaven. do not supply positive information must assume he could not have anown ship of the woman of Endor. Literal There are living witnesses of spirit upon this subject. Two of the gospels, his real character, though he would by the first stages of the experiment in render future relief unnecessary. In- position of trust in the world. quotation is good enough for us, be- birth. A. J. Davis records such evi- only, refer to it. The other two are si- prefer and pay for his communications, the home country, the leaders of the deed, some of our plans of alleviation A man comfortably brought up, de-Salvation Army set themselves, with are, so to speak, only a kind of ruse to | cently educated, happily married, an cause it serves us so well. The Bible is | dence of personal sight. Mrs. Kates is | lent. Surely such an important thing | and reject the experiences of one who full of Spiritualism-and the balance is on this platform to-day and will verify should have been witnessed by those presents another side of the question, my approval and under my direction, to catch the unwary sufferer, affording us blessed with several children, fell in my saying that she has seen the birth who relate the life incidents of their though this writer has had continuous work in other lands for the attainment, the opportunity to open his eyes to see trouble. I don't know what it was, but a horrible history. Being so recorded and accepted, let of a spirit man immediately at the time Master. Who wrote the Gospels will business relations for the past ten years as far as possible, of the merciful ob- better things, to draw out his desire it drove him to drink for consolation, us take whatever comfort and help we of dissolution, or death. This flower is likely always be a mystery-but the with the Methodist publishing book jects we are aiming at and accomplish. after them, and so familiarize him with and he gradually became a drunkard. can from its pages; and let us reject to have a birth in spirit realms. How fourth gospel is in dispute as authentic room where the Guardian is issued. ing at home. The whole of the opera- some one of our methods of escape that By degrees business, friends, home, and do I know? By evidence of the fact. -even by the theologians. They find And still those experiences; which was tions realized up and down the world, he shall embrace it and find deliver- everything worth having were sacwhat is bad or erroneous. growing and expanding as they are ance. This is how it works: rificed; last-of all, his wife left him and To-day is the beginning of the week | Proof can be brought, but I produce only | it is impossible to be reconciled with the | the simple truth, and like the Gospel that commemorates the anniversary of one witness: Mrs. Kates is controlled others, and may become very necessary which the Guardian is supposed to be every day, are thus the outcome of the A few months ago one of my officers he went down as low as human nature scenes preceding the crucifizion. It is by a certain spirit frequently who loves to be climinated before long. Theology the exponent of, though offered without original conception. To convey an ade. was accosted in the street, some 200 can fall this side of the grave. one week early to preach the annual flowers; and whenever the medium stretches only as knowledge and truth money and without price, is refused quate idea of the results as a whole by yards from the mansion house, by a He wandered about the country picksermon about "The Resurrection," but wears one when this spirit controls, the elongates. Mark records with regard with the explanation that it was not any statistics is, I fear, impossible, still well-dressed man, who raised his hat ing up a coin here and there, existing on some approximate notion may perhaps was the reply. "You don't know me, erable fashion. I want to get ahead of the rest and to flower immediately withers. Is that to the ascension of Jesus: "He was re- available for their columns. But it was prepare you for the sermons of Easter | only the result of magnetic contact with | ceived up into heaven." Luke: "He | always thusbe gained from the following summary: We have now 158 shelters and food but I occupy such and such a posi-In this condition and clothed in rags, Sunday. Talmage is likely to again the medium? I think not; because I was parted from them, and carried up "Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong tion"-mentioning a post of trust in a he happened one day, in the north of depots for homeless men and women, tell of the day of judgment to come, am sure the spirit controls her; and she | into heaven." This is not convincing. 121 slum posts, each with its own slum commercial house in the city. "I had England, to hear a man tell how he, forever on the throne. when the graves will give up the dead, | says that she "takes the spirit flower." They do not say "we saw him go," but Yet that scaffold sways the future, and fallen," he went on to explain, "through | too, had been down in these depths, and parts of bodies will float through This is evidence to me. And it shows he was "received" and "carried." They sisters; thirty-seven labor bureaus, behind the dim unknown, sixty labor factories for the un- misfortune and my own misconduct, to and how, through General Booth's sothe air to join their natural parts, to my convincement that the material could not see him received in heaven-Standeth God within the shadow, keepemployed, eleven land colonies, ninety- the very lowest depths of penury and cial wing, he had been rescued and whilst the spirits flutter on immortal planes of the spirit world are builded nor possibly could they see him carried ing watch above his own." one rescue homes for women, eleven want. In my extremity-I had never made a man once more. wings ready to pop into their old bod- from the spiritual elements of this and very far toward such a destiny. We labor homes for ex-criminals, several heard of the Salvation Army before-I Toronto, Canada. W. H. EVANS. ies, then to be rebabilitated. Out upon other crude material worlds. It is ma- speak thus of our spirit friends leaving Stimulated by what he heard, the such ideas of the child-life of humanity! | teriality in evolution, and is the predi- | our circle, and particularly of the matewent into one of your shelters: I had man started to walk to London, 300 nursing institutions, two maternity hospitals for deserted women, an institu- only 2 pence in the world, which I paid A physical resurrection is impossible, cate for human continuity in a positive rialized spirit. They often say: "Now I miles, without a penny in his pocket. TTTE call special attention to The for that night's lodging, and while I | Begging his way up, sleeping in stables, and every force and form in nature and natural sphere or habitat beyond must go to heaven." Jesus did not tion with branches in forty-five coun. Next World Interviewed, one tries and colonies for finding lost and was preparing myself for rest one of proves it so. Matter is indestructible. the period of death. There cannot be then, bring immortality to light by his Earthly forms are destroyed, but spirit- continuity for some, unless it is so for physical ascension into heaven, nor do outhouses or on the shady side of hayof our special premiums. We missing persons, together with a host of your officers came up and put his hand stacks and the like, he was three times are enabled to furnish it to our allied and minor agencies, which I am on my shoulder and spoke to me. He ual forms are evolved. All matter pos- all. Paul said, "And have hope that we suppose he did so go. We think it arrested and taken before the magisdrew from me my story, told me there | trates charged with being a vagrant, sesses spirit, hence such elements are there shall be a resurrection of the to have then been, as it now is, a physireaders at the price announced | not able here to enumerate. was hope for me, and next morning ob- and on each occasion, when asked what liberated by the destroying processes of dead, both of the just and unjust." | cal impossibility for fiesh and blood to in our premium list, from the The total number of institutions tained employment for me temporarily, he was doing and whither he was fire or decay, or any possible mode. (Acts 24:15). That is good Spiritualism! enter the kingdom of heaven," or in simple fact that Mr. Horn donamed above is now 545 under the care nated the plates of the book to us. We of more than 2,000 trained officers, and and although I have never been in the bound, he answered that he was "going Dogmatism builds upon assertions It is exactly as the spirits teach to day, other words the spirit spheres or habothers wholly employed, all working in Salvation Army building since, and I to London to get under General Booth's except to hope they add evidence. But litat. We are no longer left with the have sent out thousands of copies of and not from facts. Jesus said: "I am the resurrection and every one, the just and unjust, rich or hope born of this unsatisfactory reve- this book, and it has been well received harmony with the principles I have laid only went to the shelter one night, it wing." He finished the journey, found the life." (John 11:25) Does his saying poor, are resurrected into the spirit life. lation of spirit power or Messianic pow- everywhere. It should be circulated by down for helping the poorest and most was my golden chance. I took it and the shelter, was taken in, bathed, so make it so? Perhaps he meant dif-"For he that is dead is freed from er. We need better evidence than the the millions among all classes of Spirit- unfortunate of their fellows; and all have been climbing up the ladder ever clothed, taught a business, reunited to ferently than the words in English con- | sin," (Romans 0:7) is a statement born | record furnishes, and it is forthcoming | ualists. The seven books that we are | more or less experts at their work. since." his family, and is now doing well. He vey to our understanding. Possibly in out of the apostolic idea of supreme | from the spirit realm by positive com- offering to Spiritualists as premiums | Nearly 20,000 destitute men and has got under General Booth's wing. But many who are down in these women are in some way or other depths need no coaxing. Show them his intent he used the personal pro- | bliss and positive salvation for the res- | munication , and revelation. We are | contain a large storehouse of useful ENLISTED IN A NOBLE WORK. noun as many speakers do, in order to | urrected. We have learned its error; | proving the continuity of life and the | knowledge on Spiritual and Occult subthe ghost of a hope of deliverance and touched by the operations of the scheme That over 2,000 men and women have convey a universal truth. Thus he for sin entails its positive consequences. power of nature to resurrect us into a jects. You should have them on the they spring at it with an energy that is every day. already consecrated themselves to this may have intended to say we are all There is no escape from the natural re- grander existence than the earth gives shelves of your library where you can delightful to behold. To such in thou-No less than 15,000 wretched and humane and Christlike business, acotherwise homeless people are housed sands the scheme has already proved a the resurrection and the life. At least, sults of our thoughts and acts. We us. Why do the churches of to-day have access to them at any time. Read tuated by that tender pity and burning under our roofs every night, having way of salvation. Up this stairway we think this to be a truth. Every per- | must pay our debts to the uttermost. | refuse what Paul was surprised that | carefully our premium announcement. enthusiasm which keeps them going their needs met, at least in part, with they can climb not only to good citizenson partakes of the life and the resur- Law is eternal and ever potent.' Nature | the churches and nations derided and amid all discouragement, is, taken "Harmonics of Evolution. The Phil- sympathy and prayer, and the oppor. ship but higher still-to the golden rection. Because of similar dogmatic works from cause to effect. We have deemed incredible in his time? It is alone, worthy the great example they statements preached by Jesus, the heard much about "natural law in the history repeating itself. It is a nonpavement of the celestial city. osophy of Individual Life. Based Upon | tunity for friendly counsel. seek to follow, and calls for our deep-More than 300 ex-criminals are to-day | PATHETIC STORY OF BETSY. apostles preached of a resurrection spiritual world," and there is much Christian church that does not "do the Natural Science, as Taught by Modern est gratitude. Most of them are chiltruth in it: but there is also "spiritual works" that Jesus did. They lack Masters of the Law? By Florence in our homes of reformation, having be- In a certain city in this country, through him. dren of the poor. Some have themselves law in the natural world." The latter faith. They who believe not the truth Huntley. "A work of deep thought, car- fore them another chance for this life, highly respectable and crowded with been restored by the work they now The apostles preached a physical resurrection of the faithful at their Lord's | we should try to discover first, and then | and have "not the love of truth," are rying the principles of evolution into | and in many cases the first they have churches, was a woman who was a engage in, while many are the sons and coming, which they expected in their the former will need no argument. they who "for this cause God shall send | new fields." Cloth, \$2. For sale at this ever had for preparing for the life to horror to the inhabitants and a terror to daughters of good families, born and, time. See I. Thess. 4:14-18 and 5:23. I will quote a few passages from the them strong delusion, that they should office. the police. Justice, so-called, had done bred in ease, if not in luxury, who have come. Read also verses 15 to 22 in the latter | 15th chapter of I. Corinthians, for your | believe a lie." The anti-Christ are they More than 5,000 women taken from for her all that lay within its ability. | exchanged the pleasant surroundings of "The Molecular Hypothesis of Nachapter and see what good acts are nec- | consideration. They are startling state- | who refuse to do."the works" of Christ. lives of shame and darkness are safely Forty-nine times she had been in prison, ture." By Prof. Wm. M. Lockwood. abundance for the service of the low-Prof. Lockwood is recognized as one of sheltered in our homes each year, on and forty-nine times she had come out est, and for association with the vilest essary for the expectant of the Lord's | ments! Paul certainly had ideas of his | Thus we are beginning to see the needs the ablest lecturers on the spiritual ros. the way-as we have abundantly a little worse than she went in. On the of the vile. All alike live the life of the coming. They are worthy of our ac- own, or else was controlled by spirits; of the church. We hope to press fortrum. In this liftle volume he presents proved in the case of others, in respect fiftieth occasion, to which my story re- crucified Son of Man for the sake of ceptance, and would likely help our and if the latter, then the evidence is of ward in bringing "immortality to light," in succinct form the substance of his of a large proportion of them-to a fu- fers, it required the services of six stal- the unwashed, unblessed, unloved for spiritual growth. The appearance of great importance. As Paul is the ac- so that all peoples shall have positive lectures on the Molecular Hypothesis | ture of virtue, goodness and religion. | wart policemen to take her into cus- | whom he died. Jesus was fulfilled, as be materialized knowledged high authority of the Chris- knowledge. Then only will faith pass of Nature: and presents his views as Over 1,000 men are employed on the tody, and they only accomplished the unto his disciples, according to the rec- | tian churches, his words are of great | away-for "to know" is our birthright. With my closing words I want to say ord. No further coming is necessary, value. Then Easter will not only typify the demonstrating a scientify basis of Spir. | land colonies. Many of them are work- work by strapping her onto a stretcher how deeply grateful I am for the pracnor probable. He demonstrated his "But if there be no resurrection of the rest of the rest of the resurrec claim of ability to reappear; and it was | dead, then is Christ not risen." celebrate its life-giving and life-proving all who fove to study and think. For the same time helping to solve one of animal. with the origination and working out of attend the work of the t in the time and life of those who were - If I rise to say that in my own words, forces, but from revelations made by sale at this office. Fine to cents. the most difficult problems of modern Deposited in her cell, as the door shut the scheme.

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buildings, he does not say what kind of buildings they | that nature ever performed. this great truth himself.

ings must be constructed from precious and shining maof buildings, must necessarily have something to stand upon, else it would be an extremely shaky shining city, or, perhaps, a mirage of the imagination.

Our friend did not say what it stood upon, but we all know that a large city cannot, in the nature of things, stand on ether, it must have something a little more subearth or ground must be as substantial, correspondingly, to the shining spiritual city as the material city, which gainsay this point.

tainly does and must-no one can think for a moment them all up like a wise and bountiful mother. She knew | matters is that, behind all this seeming | we live in, when from believers we bethat the ground does not extend beyond the city limits. | beforehand that to leave out a vast link would spoil the We don't believe even our friend could cherish that whole chain. thought for any length of time. It certainly would be a very peculiar-looking city, perched up in ether, on a plat | chance and they would be as active as ever, but having no | for all that "Evolution" means. of ground just large enough to hold it. Oh, no. There | longer matter to feed upon, and being too minute to must be in the very nature of things an extensive sur- think about, they do no harm whatever. As for fleas, rounding country, and this is true. Of course we have they can be found here as upon earth-but the dogs are all heard about spheres upon spheres-spiritual spheres not troubled, and their feeding days are over. We have surrounding your globe-and this also is true, but we will not the slightest objection to anything that nature has try to confine ourselves to the shining city of which our friend speaks, and the surrounding country. Now, if our certainly overrule our objections. You seem to get along friend were in that city and looking out over the surrounding country, he would not expect to see the end of ing left out, and as you come up higher they can do youit. he really would expect that it would extend as far as no harm whatever. the spiritual eye could reach and he would not think it ended there, either. We have now got a great extent of country, together with the shining city, spread out before us, of firm, spiritual ground, on which stands a large and shining city unshaken. Now our friend certainly does not mean that this is all in his imagination, or that he sees and enjoys it as crazy or insane people of earth do, simply in the imagination; no, oh, no. These are real spiritual things. We can vouch for it. Friends, it is as son. There never lived an animal that had not its share true as heaven is true. Now we want to know something about this large extent of country, firm and substantial enough to hold a large and shiining city. Is it a barren plain without or not, he is no more immortal than the rest of living and trees, shrubs or flowers-a dreary, endless nothingness? ures as she is of man. Tell us, my evolutionist friend. You believe heaven to be far more beautiful than earth. Would a barron nothingness be more beautiful than earth? Or even if-as is the case-this extensive surrounding country, or spiritual ground, was dotted over with little villages and sequestered homes, you would not like to see them standing upon a barren desert, without a tree, vine, flower, or shrub anywhere throughout the whole expanse? No, your eye would grow sick and weary of such a sight-and you not perceive that there is, as usual about such homes dom, it is plain that in the human form successfully treated by psychic prothis throughout eternity! Oh, how you would long for of earth, cats and dogs, rabbits, poultry, horses, cows and the green old earth. You would be, methinks, like a nun who had been confined in a dungeon for twenty years or more, on escaping she threw herself down on the grass, kissing it again and again, hugging the ground and bathing it with her tears; but, my friend, although you did not say so, this vast extent of country, dotted over with villages and lovely sequestered homes, is as green and beautiful as possible, covered with trees, shrubs, flowers, groves and forests, as much more beautiful than earth as the shining city is than a city of earth. It is all sublimated and spiritual, to be sure, and therein lies its beauty. and children. It has left all coarseness, disorder and grossness behind. Now your shining city has led us directly into this most beautiful surrounding country, and from your own lips self. we have proved every word as we went. In order to give this up, you must necessarily give up the shining city, and call yourself a falsifier, and that you are not, as we shall still continue to prove. Now we have grass, trees, vines, and flowers, a shining city, villages and sequestered homes, for without them you can have no shining city. Now over this endless expanse of country, is there not a drop of water? Can a green and beautiful country exist without a drop of water? Oh! my friend, how you would long to quaff a little of the sparkling nectar-how you would long to bathe your face in its cool limpidness. Why, we think that to be without water would make us jewels into his hands, then flies onward with beckoning quite insane, indeed. Our imagination would become so heated we fear that we should see fire instead of the truth | possible. as it is, pure, sparkling, clear, cool, limpid water. Well, now, nature is ever bountiful and we are not confined to a few drops, but this vast extent of country is intersected with pools, ponds, rivulets, rivers, and far out there in the distance a large lake, and farther on still rolls a restless ocean. The water is ethereal and spiritual, corresponding to the spiritual earth, grass, flowers, villages, homes and shining cities. See where your shining city leads, and you cannot gainsay it without giving up the city? You said the city was in the spiritual spheres, or one of them, and the surrounding country is a little part of one of them. You told us that within the city dwelt man the immortal, and that he came from the earth, or that his spirit rose up from the earth. You did not say that the sublimated spiritual spheres also rose up from the earth, and you did not tell us who builded the shining city, or how it was built. There are only two ways that a city can be built; either God must build it with his own hands, alone, or it must be built by those who inhabit it. You, my friend, will surely repudiate the idea that God builded the shining city with his own hands, personally, for you do not believe in a personal God; and herein you are right. We have been here twenty years or more and we are flict upon him. as far away from a personal God as ever we were, and we Ah! the egotism of it! have never met an angel who knows anything about a personal God. Then this city was builded by those who inhabit it, and the villages and sequestered homes were builded by those who inhabit them; otherwise, the angels and spirits built their own homes and houses, schools, colleges, halls, and temples of learning, and being a shining city, they builded them of beautiful and shining material -so we will pass on. We have also told how by the great law, of involution, all things were evolved-the involuting of spiritual germs of that which was to be evolved. Now, man was involved as the germ of a man, and then evolved as a man-the germ developed and perfected within matter-from thence evolved into the celestial herent, and not imposed from without; the expression of spheres. The shining city, the villages and sequestered fixed laws, and not of arbitrary will exercised by what Carhomes are works of art, existing within man, which he lyle would call an almighty clock-maker.-John Tyndall. | man's heart is dumb.-Quarles.

clothes with sublimated or spiritual matter, but not the IMPORTANT MATTER FROM spiritual ground, nor the grass, the trees, the flowers, the water; these were evolved from the earth as was man, first by involution and then by evolution.

Now we are here in this vast expanse of country which has been evolved from the earth, together with man. Did nature, when she evoluted these forests, trees, shrubs, flowers, grass-and man evoluted cities, towns, villages, sequestered homes, and so forth-did nature, we ask make such a sad blunder as to leave out all other living

Now, what we want to know first is, what is a city? | creatures except man? Did she strike out the intermedi And we do not think that any will disagree with us when | ate link between the vegetable and floral kingdoms and we say that a city is an extremely large collection of man? You say distinctly and emphatically, that she did. buildings, and you are all well aware what kind of build- If so, it is the first and most awful blunder she ever made. ings make up an earthly city. But our friend saw a spir- The vegetable, floral and grassy kingdoms are, as yau well itual city, if he saw a city-which he certainly did, for we know, below the living and breathing animal kingdoms. have taken great pains to inform ourselves correctly on How did it happen that the lower was brought up and this important subject-he saw a large collection of the higher left? That, surely, was the strangest freak

were, he merely tells us that they were shining-shining Look over the vast expanse of country; according to buildings or a shining city of buildings. Now we all what you say, there is not a living or breathing thing in know that a city is made up of houses or homes, public all this enormous expanse but man; and this is only the buildings and schools, institutions of learning, and so smallest little portion of one of the spiritual spheres, forth; halls, temples, in fact, everything that is needed for holding only one city and a few villages and homes; and the welfare of its inhabitants, consequently, this shining | throughout the spheres are millions upon millions of simcity seen by our friend, must be made up by all that we | ilar cities, towns and villages, and they are but dots in the have mentioned; and we do not believe that he can deny | limitless expanse of the spheres, mere, simple dots, According to you, not a bird sings, not an insect chirps, not

He says it was a shining city, and he certainly tells the a particle of life anywhere, for bacillus and scarlet fever and very splendid indeed, much more so than those of in the form of an insect or animal. The carnivorous earth. Now, in order to be shining, nearly all the build- | would feed upon the herbivorous, and yet it is well understood that spirits do no gross feeding. If that were the terials-there must be something to shine, you know, else case the spirit of man when he had no animal here to kill it would not shine-so our friend is all right there. We and feed upon might be obliged to eat grass, for he is exall know that a shining city, or extremely large collection | ceedingly carnivorous as well as herbivorous. If no life can be taken within the spiritual spheres, no animal can take life any more than man. If man cannot slay his brother here, he cannot slay an animal. Life is life, whether in man or animal, and if man cannot slay an animal, animals cannot slay each other, neither do they desire to. It is simply hunger that causes them to slay each stantial than ether, it must and does necessarily have spir- other on earth, and, yet, even there, they slay nothing but itual earth or ground to stand upon, and that spiritual | the gross body, the sublimated spirit lives as does man'sthe life, the form.

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Man is the crown, you say, but nature does not think so. Man thinks that of himself. But whether he is the crown created things. Nature is as careful of her lowest treas-

And now, my friends-together with my particular friend, who by telling us of the shining city, without knowing it, admitted all the rest-cast your eyes over the large expanse of spiritual territory and let us see what we see: Singing birds are flying about among the trees-beautiful, exquisitely beautiful! Their songs are far sweeter than they were on the earth. Look at those homes. Do so forth? But these are all pets, and they are not numercramped for room at all. Now glance into those waters animals? Yes, wild animals. Not wild now, however, but exceedingly beautiful. As nothing propagates within all the great realm of spirit, the earths can give no more than is needed to give life and beauty to its great fields. forests, oceans, seas, rivers, and so on-to give life and beauty, pets and living companionship to men, women

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The same Associated Press dispatch informs its readers that Mr. Barrett has Association's paper, the Banner of Light. Won't the Association be startled to learn that it owns a paper? And will not the grand old Banner be surprised to learn that it has become an organ for any association? The aver-"age newsmonger not only gathers all the news, but when there is a paucity | whatever God may be, by love and tenof news he actually manufactures the derness one toward another; it would article to order. I will conclude on this hold in loving remembrance all the this subject by individually offering a great teachers by promulgating their chromo to anyone who will find a lofty and humane sentiments. fraud in Spiritualism that will beat the Hope for happiness beyond the grave editorial or reportorial fraud who man- | would be based entirely upon man's acufactured the items of news in the tions on earth. Efforts would be made the pit. But if you knew those kind above clipping.

The first session of the Spiritualists' Training School at Lily Dale has met and done its work, and is numbered as well as to himself; this would also was not, in point of numbers, and in some other respects, all we could have lack of this knowledge. wished; yet it was a comparative success, in so much that we have decided | a higher and nobler development in art to run it on nearly the same lines at least one more year. While the school has paid very small wages to its teachers, each teacher has felt repaid in something more valuable than dollars and cents. Mrs. Hull and I fell so in love with Lily Dale-its location, surroundings and inhabitants that we went up on "Mount Plsgah," nearly the centre of the grounds, and the highest point we could find and purchased one of the neatest cottages on the grounds. Our son heard of it in Cleveland, and "dupes were used as tools by those who came on and dressed it up in two nice | feared loss of temporal power. coats of white paint. Wherever we may chance to be, we expect after next May favor a war of conquest, but would

they engender hate and heartlessness, cases when their fiendish claws are extended, they sever cords of love and happiness, because they are founded on falsehood and ignorance.

In their place I would establish the religion of Humanity pure and simple, and common experience.

still in the minds of mankind an' enamount of peace and happiness to man.

It is the fragments of this humanitarianism that has kept other religions in | ening counsel with words" convinces been president of the National Spiritual. | existence so long as they have been; before it existed. It also imparts the ciples and none of them would have lacking a mixture of ground tares is uninformation that he is now editor of the anything left worth considering; take wholesome. from all everything except these universal principles and they would grow as they have never grown before. The Church of Humanity would in- that it springs from the God concept

> vite, and welcome into its fold all mankind regardless of what they believed or disbelieved, it would worship God,

to bring into each individual life more knowledge of natural laws, thus enabling man to be of more use to others which are now caused because of the old women when I would go on an er-

The religion of Humanity would urge literature and scientific knowledge based upon humanitarianism; it would use all knowledge attained, for good. noticeable fact that in the search for in that war." truth-rational truth-there have been blood that has been shed was shed by what religion or dogma you accept, philosophy. the followers of fanaticism and super- since beautiful flowers grow in every stition in fighting against the possible | bog and the divinity inherent in human discovery of truth which might inter- nature is too strong to be restrained by fere with their illusions - ignorant any invention.

The religion of Humanity would not

other isms which have a tendency to but one. Now we come to the "jumpdevelop prejudice and fanaticism, ing-off place" and must cease progressing, or dispense with that one. He belongs to the subjective, or world of shadows, and can not exist in the noonday light. We are at last driven by edge him the personification of an abstraction.

The religion of Humanity would in- able we find the utterly monstrous, and erroneous deductions. seeing that after all the best in human er. The sophist impressively points to the tares among the wheat and "darkthe simple that wheat will not grow un-

lous people of every sect who exemplify the most lovely characters and argue they publicly worship. This proves too and even atheists who compare favor-

ably. I was raised in a Calvinistic community. In my youth they had not yet learned to equivocate, and it was a

people you need not be told that they believed, nothing of the sort and the Calvinistic god was never enthroned in their hearts. Their theology was of

rand in a humane and natural protest against the "decrees of God" would put more jam on my cake than on that given to the children of the elect. The

But it would be great error to con-

of an immense galaxy there remained | do so in the future, as the great Lutheran Church, and I no doubt would continue to be puzzled and surprised at the conclusion drawn by one of its members, were it not for the knowledge I in an etherealized state, and may be possess regarding spirit return; but | called thought matter, by way of disknowing as I do, that spirits that pass out in ignorance and vice do not make rapid progression and are in an earth-

bound condition (some for generations). Religions have displayed side by side | I naturally conclude, that one of those with the most lovely that which is most | spirits (perhaps one who assisted at repulsive. In every creed and ritual we burning some poor mortal at the stake abridge my discourse or leave it unfin. | such as would be the natural outcome | find Beauty and the Beast, the vulture | in ages gone, for witchgraft) is now from a religion based on natural laws and the dove, the hyena and the lamb. exercising such influences over my in close association with the most ador- Brother Pieper that has led him to his

I have wished while writing this commade to sell." With many newspaper during faith in natural laws, in right nature comes uppermost it is hard to munication that I possessed occult scithinking and right doing, based upon persuade people that advancement is ence and its phenomena sufficiently those things which bring the greatest not due as much to the one as the oth- strong to materialize Martin Luther in their midst, so that he might speak to them from his intellectual heights and advanced educational attainments and describe to them the ever grand and ists for nine years; that is three years | take from them these universal prin- less supported by tares and that bread | glorious precepts of continued progression beyond the grave; in the land where each and all must take their

You can point on every side to relig-, place from actual merit; but could I only accomplish this feat, I feel, certain there would be many doubting Thomases that would still insist it was the work of the devil, and even, Martin much, as we can select non-worshipers | Luther thus materialized, was his latest production.

I am very corry that superstition has so far permeated the human race and will be exceedingly happy when the certain fact that my father having time arrives (as it must arrive) when turned after Campbell and his children | dogmas and superstition will be things not being "sprinkled" in case of dying of the past; when reason asserts its

must go with other heathen direct to | throne and mankind does its own individual thinking. The writer of this article must confess that not very long ago, he was bigoted as the blackest and sought by every honest means to successfully confute their philosophy, even with things that are past. The school assist in preventing injurious results their life a thing apart, and the dear thinking it might be the work of demons, before he let his reason get the better of his superstition; and might even now believe this nonsense had he

sainted instructors from the higher "god within" fought against the creedal | realms and received so many evidences god without: the god of love against the of their noble characters, and he now All through the ages it has, been a god of hate and "there is no discharge asks their forgiveness and makes this public apology before the reading world.

in the hope that others may investigate differences of opinion, but the only clude that it makes little difference and become familiar with this beautiful

Now, Mr. Editor, I would suggest that my Brother Pleper take a peep out from under his canopy of superstition into the clear sky of honest, impartial in-"Most subject is the fattest soil to vestigation, so that he may become conweed," and after paying every honest scious of continued existence, receiving compliment to those good people they absolute knowledge of mankind's enwere saved from much by their dull- vironments beyond the grave. Let him to call Lily Dale our home. We say this | urge a peaceful arbitration of all dis- ness-by being so well intrenched be- attract to himself as teachers some of are in absolute abeyance, there is a train of mental manifestations often because it is now our intention as soon | putes, it would advocate absolute per- | hind the flesh. It means another thing | the eminent scholars and professors as camps are over next year to take a sonal liberty of each individual so long for you a sensitive to take the viper that have passed beyond earthly contrip to England. We can store our as the rights of others were respected | into your bosom. You cannot, because | ditions, who would be only too anxious household goods in our cottage and feel and held sacred; it would defend the of that sensitiveness, make of your re- to assist him to lead a life of charity that we have a place to which to return oppressed and assist the suffering; it ligion a thing apart. The serpent's egg and brotherly love. Let him look higher would go out of the God-and-Savior- that remained dormant in the colder at- into the mysterious developments of making business and devote its entire mosphere and which the sophist de human progression and assist the sainted eminent scientists in giving to the world a fuller knowledge of Spiritual ism. It is an old adage and a true one "that a stream can never rise higher than its source," and it is plainly evident that the fount from which my only "word of God" most of his friends, | Brother Pieper derives his knowledge is not located upon an eminence; indeed. far, far below the source from which nity such pain as no mortal could con- | Martin Luther's spirit derived its inceive. Yet in five minutes after he spiration. Now therefore let him seek burst into a joyful song as free from by his own enlightenment again to raise anxiety as that of a bob o' link. Can | it out of the marshes, bogs and quagyou do this? If so you are not spiritual, | mires of superstition and ignorance to no matter how you boast of your vir- a higher standard, so that it may flow serenely on through ferfile fields of un-It is a great temptation for Spiritual- | biased investigation, on through lands ists, seeing that it is so easy to invent a' productive of higher civilization and engod, to fall back into the old habit. If | lightenment, on and on through beauthis were only from a desire of one to | tiful cultivated fields, ever golden with lean upon the strong in his distress, I the ripened fruitage of absolute knowlwould be silent, but often it arises from | edge, in the border land of eternity, that another cause. We aspire to control the | the stream may be worthy of its source. life of our brother. We are ambitious | Let him come out from finder the to run the universe and cannot do it shadow of ignorance, superstition and without dazzling the eyes of the simple. | bigotry, into the sun-kissed sky of unimay find it, it is simply cosmic matter progressed, refined, and more ethereal-To them it seems far more impressive versal intellectual religious liberty and to write "Infinite Intelligence" or breathe the pure atmosphere so produc-"Mother Nature" says so, than to live of inspirational growth and development, so that in coming years not only himself but the people who look to him to-day for their guidance, may be ing an artificial creature pompously re- properly led to the goal of continued peats such words as her creator and existence, fully educated in Spiritualworshiper Bill Smith puts in her mouth. | istic philosophy, and they and future But the worst of it is that personified generations will have every reason to nature is generally represented as a praise and bless him for having grown cold and heartless schemer who in pur- out of the narrow, contracted channel suit of an assumed purpose modified by- of creedal prejudices and entered the With your presence and good cheer. the imagination of Smith or Jones, jug- broad fields of progressive scholarly gernaut-like swerves not an inch from manhood all embodled in the simple is elegantly and substantially bound, her course though she break the heart precent, "the Fatherhood of God and. of the last of her own children, and has the Brotherhood of Man," all guided by any library One million copies of this Fond du Lac. Wis.

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At the present time I am at the campmeeting of the Indiana State Spiritual- | Oh, I feel their angel presence, ist Association, at Chesterfield. They never before had half so many people on the grounds at the opening of their services as this year. The Association has made many improvements in the shape of new buildings, alterations in old ones, etc. The auditorium has been greatly improved and somewhat en-

larged. This year the Indiana Association treats speakers and mediums alike in I can hear them lisp their wishes, one respect at least; that is, they invite those they think they need; if others | For I know their darling faces come they come on their own hook, and the association does nothing for them. They think that if all associations would do that, no one camp would ever be overrun with mediums while others would be almost without them. The association secures no medium that it cannot endorse, and that it thinks the people do not need.

-None now deny that there are frauds in our ranks playing medium and speaker; those known to be such are not among those invited at Chesterfield. By this means they hope to decrease the number of unworthy persons, who attend camp for what they can make out of it.

From here I go to assist Willard J. Hull and Mattie E. Hull in opening and conducting the camp at Ashley, O. It opens next Saturday and closes August 19. I am booked for a speech nearly or quite every day during that time.' After that I have two Sundays and the interim between them without appointments; that is August 26 and September 2.

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time and attention to the needs of hu-

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And I hear their voices too. Like the purest spirit essence From the land beyond the blue: And I stand and watch the doggy And the dollies and the drum. And my eyes grow wet and foggy As those blessed angels come.

As I gaze upon the dishes

And the little stove and things, And their lisping pleasure brings; Are about us, though unseen. And their playthings in their places Brush away the clouds between. Sweetest treasures, sweetest flowers Shall adorn your playthings her, And will shorten weary hours When your faces shall appear; Weary, waiting in our sadness

Just to feel again your hands We will try to sense your gladness Where your cabinet here stands.

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clared the egg of a bird of paradise, will hatch in the warmer brain. I recall that when quite young I once cornered one of these amiable people "not a whit behind the chiefest apostle." He confessed that according to the one and some of his own children, and probably his wife, would suffer through all etertues.

state the simple fact that Bill Smith says so, but it means the same thing, for this new god personified nature be-

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appearing which seems to be latent in individuals, and only becomes manifest in extraordinary states of the organ-isms; but they exist and must be intended for use somewhere and at some

I have seen persons in the hypnotic state who could not hear a loud report close to the ears, but would readily answer mental questions proposed by any one present, and always give a correct answer. Others who could not see with their eyes in the usual way, but could read a book or write correctly in absolute darkness, with their eyes bandaged in addition, neither could they feel. I once had a dentist extract a decayed and aching tooth for a person while hypnotized; the operation was entirely painless. These are the most puzzling phenomena that confront the student of living organism. Is there a bility, if not yet a proved certainty. I at this office. have endeavored in this to demonstrate that this refining process of matter is constantly going on through the various organisms, and in whatever state we

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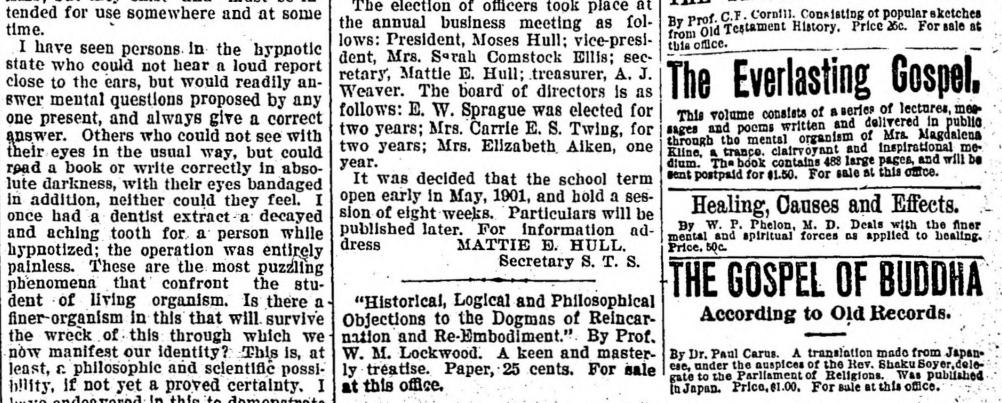
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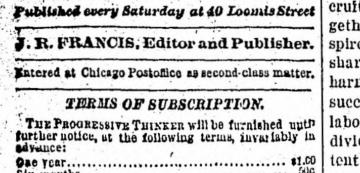
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Who Are the Barbariane? anomaly. A mob rises in New Orleans, and un-With the exception of Japan there der - the excitement of the moment slaughters a dozen, more or less, of Italians. The civil authorities gain the ascendency, suppress the disorder, and as possible. But this element is a sure | The editor of the Union Signal, in the the general government does all it can harbinger of contention and strife. | article from which we quote, says: to quiet the distant nation of which the Russia and the Greek church cannot murdered people were subjects. - Another mob gains control and shoots down a large number of Chinese in the Rocky mountain region. Their offence: They cheapened labor, by working for smaller wages than Americans. China complains of the outrage, and in due

The Progressive Thinker. Harmony To-day, Discord To-merrow, Most of us have witnessed union A Republic is a government of the movements of the churches to gain repeople, by the people and for the people. cruits for heaven. While bound to-A Hierarchy, as defined by Webster, gether by a common purpose, and inis "A government administered by the spired by hope of gaining the principal priesthood and the clergy."

share of new converts they work in The Progressive Thinker had innoharmony, and frequently with great cently supposed the United States a success. Their protracted proselyting Republic; that sovereignty is in the labors ended, then comes the strife in people; and that we are subordinate to dividing the spoils. Each leader is inno king or potentate. Such, certainly, tent on swelling his own church list of was the kind of government the fathers newly made saints at the expense of of the Revolution designed to frame, as

Where Are We Drifting?

rival claimants. Then comes the caterhas been repeatedly shown in these wauling and the acrimonious bitterness columns, and is confirmed by all the of rivals whose own church doors open state papers which have descended to heavenward. These things-divisions us. The national flag we all love so and discords-are incidents almost uniwell, was designed to emphasize our inversal to the dividing of the trophies dependence of church rule, and selfwon in "contests with the devil," as the reliance in periods of peril.

godly designate revival services. The Union Signal, an organ of the And discord among criminals in the Woman's Temperance Publishing Assodivision of plunder frequently leads to ciation, in a late issue with the head of exposure with conviction and punish-"Under Two Flags," makes the followment as the outcome. In this honest ing statement:

men frequently get justice, and crime "It may not be generally known that on Sunday morning on our ships of war, For a long time the press has been telling its readers that there is a determination among the Christian powpennant-a blue cross on white ground-

ers of the West to subdue and divide is raised to the peak, remaining there between themselves the great Chinese Glory' is again hoisted to the top. Thus empire, with nearly a third of the popis proclaimed in the language of flags ulation of the entire globe, alleging in substance that they are heathen, with king of kings." no rights Christians should respect.

is punished.

Is this statement true? If so by what Each power has indicated the share deauthority is our national emblem lowsired in the grand division. Russia is ered, and a church pennant raised in its ambitious to possess Manchura on the north; for that will open to them a place? When and where was this govhighway to the ocean, with open ports ernment first diverted from its purpose for winter commerce. Great Britain, of protecting the people to the upbuildhaving already a footing at Hong Kong, ing of the church. would like more northerly ports, so as

Are the mls-representatives of this to extend her railway system through government attempting to do in detail Farther India to the Pacific, and complete her mastery of Southern Asia. what they cannot do as a whole? On Germany, Austria and Italy are of our national coin was inscribed the course ambitious to share in the divisfalse legend, "In God we Trust," withion. While Japan and the United out authority of law. Invasion after in-States, more modest, silently look on, vasion of our chartered rights has each sure of a lion's share. Parties are said to make strange bedbeen made from time to time, and those fellows. Discordant nations, united for guilty of such trespasses have not been

public plunder, present the same rebuked. The first false step was the pensioning of an army of chaplains. With really nothing else to do they have seems at first glance a common bond to joined with their fellows outside, to hold the aggressive nations together, subject the government, and convert it and that bond the Christian religion, all into a kingdom subordinate to a desirous to extend that faith as widely | supernatural myth.

Worthy Enterprise.

nese gentleman is mistaken in his premises; that Christ came not to bring peace, but a sword, as is set down in Holy Writ. Is the Orient's editor, however, has diligently searched the Scriptures, and has found therein many ideas of peace and good will, he will be more puzzled than ever by the explanation. We of the west have become so accustomed to reconciling black with white that we can easily explain things that bring the simple and logical orlental mind up standing.

Mrs. Freitag in Iowa.

The Ottuniwa (Iowa) Courier says:

"Spiritualism though advanced to pronounced stages of success has always been received with more or less skepticism, due, perhaps to the fact that frequent exposals of the schemes of so-called mediums, have established a well-founded precedence that there is

many persons who claim to possess superhuman ability in that direction. "Conversing with spirits and the various seances in which so-called spirits

by rappings, to a great many are taken as being what the medium claims for as the hour of worship approaches, the them, reality. Spiritualism is a religion of their present membership, the national flag is lowered from its place | adopted by many, and to those the mysat the top of the mast and the church | terious performances of mediums is considered as a direct relation with the spirits that are supposed to inhabit the until the close of the service, when 'Old | other world.

"During the past few weeks the citizens of Ottum wa have been entertained the subordination of our nation to the from time to time by the remarkably clever work of Mrs. Von Freitag, of

Los Angeles, Cal. Mrs. von Freitag has lectured to crowded houses every night she has announced her seances. Following her lecture each evening she has given what she terms an exhibition of her ability to call up and converse with the spirits of departed persons, the spirits replying by rappings, just where

or in what manner, has not been fully explained. Mrs. von Freitag has, on every occasion on which she has given such exhibitions, requested anyone in the audience to take a position on the platform where she stands, and to skeptics or unbelievers was this invitation especially extended.

"Last Sunday evening it is claimed that she was detected in her method of so-called communion with the spirits, and the persons who have interested themselves in what they term an exposition of the same, are willing to proceed with the same if Mrs. von Freitag will consent. The persons above referred to believe that the deception as in its elucidations and instructions to they term it has been practiced on the teachers, the children may be thoroughpeople of Ottumwa long enough, and publicly challenge Mrs. von Freitag to children are imbued with orthodox noprove that they are not correct in their | tions and beliefs in the Sunday-school. theory of the solution of her methods of operation. "At the beginning of each seance Mrs. | in the other, and even more so, as being von Freitag requests anyone in the audience to write upon a piece of paper | judgment. the name of some departed friend with whom they desire to communicate.

A Fruitful Field of Work. That our Spiritualists should awake and work is one of the things no thoughtful, observant mind will deny. There is at hand a work that should be done, done with alert, active, persistent energy and tactful "push," and firm endeavor to effect noble and generous results. It is a work in which all Spiritualists should feel ardently interested. Lack of interest therein must and will prove a hurtful source of spiritual languishment and retardation, in any locality.

Our cause cannot grow and prosper as it might and should unless our people take hold of the lyceum, our Spiritualist Sunday-school, and "work" the same to purposeful result.

The orthodox Sunday-schools are the much fraud in the practice of a great fruitful nurseries of the orthodox churches. Without these active nurseries, constantly molding plastic minds to the orthodox pattern and standard are made to appear either in person or the churches would soon dwindle and mostly disappear. Within the lapse of

one generation, with the passing away churches, but for their Sunday-schools, would lapse into nonentity. The training and culture received in the Sundayschools mold the minds of the young into orthodox grooves of thought and very naturally as a result they "join the

church." In these Sunday-schools, too, it is too often the case that children of Spiritualists learn to despise and contemn Spiritualism, and they, too, drift into the church on the orthodox tide that bears them along. They become infected with the prejudices engendered by their orthodox surroundings, their minds become steeled against the proofs and reasons, in favor of the spiritual philosophy, and they are lost to our cause, in the foggy miasm of orthodoxy.

What the Sunday-schools are to the orthodox churches, the lyceum should be, and may be made to be, to Spiritualist societies. They may be made successful recruiting stations and training schools to induct the young into the knowledge of the facts and the philosophy of Spiritualism. By proper instruction along the lines marked out and exemplified in Tuttle's Lyceum Guide, which is full and comprehensive y imbued with Spiritualism as other

THE CAUSE OF WARS. violence? Going beneath the surface and taking into account all the wrongs, are the Ohinese altogether to blame for the affairs in China? Would you submit to the wrongs and injustice heaped upon them? Is the gratification of greed and fanaticism of more importance than life and happiness? Think a moment! Are you a Christian? Read your Bible: "Vengeance is mine: I will repay, saith the Lord."-Romans 12:19. (See Matt. 10:23, Mark xvi:15-18); also, "Forgive thine enemies."

From the Standpoint of Eld-

This ought to be doubly true, where by our greed, our injustice, our folly and our fanaticism, we have made them enemics, preparing conditions for what is taking place in China.

No one regrets more than the writer. the suffering and the death of the innocent. It is because nations are not civilized that a great wrong has been done.

"Man's inhumanity to man Makes countless millions mourn." Cleveland, Ohfo. FAIR PLAY.



Explanation of Some Difficulties.

The Chesterfield camp-meeting of the Indiana Association of Spiritualists began its annual session on July 10. The attendance and general interests thus far exceeded that of any camp-meeting held here since the birth of its organization, and the prospects for a highly successful meeting financially and otherwise are promising. President Barrett of the N. S. A., who had been called to Anderson, Ind., to it to be a fact that the patriots of 1776

G. N. Hilligoss, was here on the opening day of the camp, and by request delivered the opening address for the assoclation. As will be seen from the associated

executive-board has assumed to manage the camp in a way it deems necessary to the inspiration of the Bible. secure the best results to the association and to the general public as well, it number of sensational reports published in the papers concerning the action of the executive board during the past

few days. In the first place there has never been

HE PRESENTS SOME IMPRESSIVE FACTS TO SUSTAIN HIS POSI-

er Myrick.

TION. Occasionally a writer is moved to arise, "with righteous indignation filled," and say to us that "religion has been, and is now, the cause of all the wars, bloodshed, etc., that humanity is

heir to." See, as an example of this kind of writing, an article by Dr. William Cleveland in The Progressive Thinker, No. 556. I supposed, the first time I read this charge, that some person of limited attainments, with a very

meagre knowledge of history, had slipped into public print through some strange oversight of the editor. But as the assertion has been so often repeated I conclude there are people actually possessing a fair degree of intelligence who believe it. Let us kindly lessen the tension upon their susceptible nerves and sympathetic hearts.

The Revolutionary War. What about that event, brother? Try to imagine (and you evidently have a very robust. imagination)-try to imagine Fiske or Bancroft in their immortal historical works gravely asserting that the mighty struggle which established the republic of the United States was a religious war (?) Most everybody has been led to believe that our respected forefathers found the casus belli in "taxation without representation," the "Stamp Act," or some other worldly consideration. We have heretofore held conduct the funeral services of Mrs. Dr. | were striving to achieve national independence and political liberty. I have carefully re-read the Declaration of Independence and by some inexplicable oversight those sages failed to set forth the fact that 'religion" was caus-

press reports, all has not been sunshine | ing all the trouble. They talked of "life. in Chesterfield camp, but now that the liberty and pursuit of happiness," but said not a word about foreordination or

And when the war was ended those same fighters, statesmen all, fell to will be in order to explain the origin of | work and made a constitution. Strange the difficulty which has given rise to a | to relate, they "left God out" of that immortal document, and all the ingenuity of Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts and his puissant hordes of pious secturies has been unable to get him in. They never

said one word about religion-not one. any restriction placed upon persons | Worse still, the very first amendment to who come here to practice mediumship. | the Constitution forbids congress to "es-

time we atone as far as possible, by paying in dollars and cents for the unfortunate victims of mob violence and Christian hate.

Behold the contrast:

The Western nations sent a body of men to China to undermine and supplant the established religion. They plant colonies all over the empire, and erect fortresses in which they entrench themselves for fear of violence from the. people whose "souls" they are anxious to save.

Those people feel outraged. When they can endure the insult no longer they organize and determine to abate the nuisance. The foreign representatives attempt to protect the missionaries, and draw upon themselves the hate . which, originally, was incited against those who would destroy their religion. The end is havoc and bloodshed. The mob, too powerful to be suppressed by the civil authorities, finally determine to overthrow the government, and it becomes a rebellion. Now Christian civilization:

The emperor of Germany declares the German flag shall wave over the Chinese capital, and dispatches his fleets and soldiers to make good the threat. The Cologne Gazette urges a war of vengeance, and the razing of Pekin to the ground.

A Paris journalist asks the powers to rush on the Chinese capital, hang the similar view. I must acknowledge that dowager, and destroy the graves of the ruling classes of China.

And right here in Chicago, an influential public journal borrows from the Bible the language of barbarism: "Vengeance is mine; I will repay saith the Lord," and quotes it as authority, and wants the Western nations to become is more practical. He says: "Requite graph to the present time; the inquiry the scourge of God to the great Chinese justice with justice, favors with fa- of the Lord God to Adam, "Where art empire, with its vast domain, its dense population, its older, and so far as its influence is reflected on the people, a our friend. better religion.

The beginning we have seen. The end no man can know.

Let the Church Pash,

The New York Observer, Presbyterian, an organ of the church militant, voices the war spirit in a late issue. from which we extract the following: "The world will only believe in an ag-

"We are imperialists working for a fellowship Latin Christianity. And federation of nations under the flag of Great Britain has no fellowship for the cross." either.

That cross was originally an instru-Should the Western nations succeed | ment of torture. After Alexander had in a war of conquest against China, a battered at the walls of Tyre for seven war in which millions of lives will be | weary months, and finally gained consacrificed, and the wealth of the world trol over the city, he selected 2,000 of will be wasted, the contest, like the her leading citizens, who had resisted wrangle of the churches to gain con- his authority, and hung them on verts, will then commence, and the end crosses. Since that event, 332 years bewill come when the people, weary of fore our era, the cross had been an emthe strife, abandon their ambition for blem of authority. It has virtually deconquest, change their policy and their | noted that death on its extended arms rulers, allow China to regulate her own await those who resist its rule. In all ing directed in all her movements by institutions, including her religion, in the Middle Ages it was faithful to its the mysterious rappings. her own way, and each usurping nation mission, and now it rises above the shall set itself to the task of rebuilding | Stars and Stripes on our national holiher own dilapidated ruins; just as day and on Sundays, if the paper from Spain is now attempting for herself which we quote can be credited, and it after four hundred-years of folly, in is to float until "all the world becomes trying to make her empire coextensive a kingdom of our Lord and his Christ, with the globe; an experience Great and he shall reign forever."

Britain will soon share; as will Russia Is this the feast to which we are inin due time; and every other country vited? Instead of continuing to make notes. that attempts to gain empire by the America the home of a great, prosperous, contented, happy and free people, usurpation of another. leading all others in the pursuit of peace, are we to change front, belle our As a Heathen Sees It. entire past, and become willing tools of

The Chinese Minister to the United an ambitious priesthood whose motto is States, Wu Ting-Fang, has lately con-"Rule or ruin?" tributed to the press of England his views of Christianity. The Western World has been flooded for centuries A grand project to preserve the lan-

with the opinion Christians held of the guages of the world, and perpetuate the heathen. Now for the other side. He voices of statesmen, philosophers and wrote: scientists, is now being agitated by the "It is difficult for a man of education Academy of Sciences at Vienna, by

and reflection to give credence to all the means of the phonograph. A com-Bible stories. The account of the cremittee of scientists has been engaged ation of the world and the story of Adam and Eve and the Garden of for some time in elaborating details, the Eden seem to me funny. I see, too, that design being to make the phonograph in these days of enlightenment many tablets, which can be preserved for all thinkers in Europe and America take a time, a record of life at the close of the the teachings of Jesus Christ seem to 19th century for the benefit of coming establish a standard of conduct as generations.

highly ethical as that established by The world has lost much, everything, Confucius. Jesus Christ, in fact, goes a for the want of such a record. Just little farther than Confucius. If your imagine the seductive language of the enemy smites you on one cheek, he bids you to turn the other also. Confucius serpent to Eve, preserved by the phonovors." If we requite our enemy with

kindness, how, indeed, can we reward "I have no quarrel with any religion

that is based on a foundation of virtue. the priest of Midian, instructing the de-If they all bld one to do good and deter liverer of Israel how to play boss. one from doing evil, I say let them all | while the Lord himself told him to be go on. If there is a reward in some fu- to Aaron as God. Several tablets would ture life for the good deeds done on be required to preserve the story of our earth, if there is a heaven for the right-| Savior, commencing with the address eous, there surely must be many lad- of the angel of the Lord to Joseph to ders leading up to it, just as there may quiet his jealousy. It is regretable the

be many staircases in a house. To say | words of that "mighty angel who came there is only one ladder is too narrow | down from heaven" in the vision of the If the for me. If there is reward for any, I revelator, who, with uplifted hand,

The little slips of paper are carefully folded and placed on a stand on the platform, and from them she is supand deliver a message from the person supposed to inhabit the spirit world, be-

"These notes sometimes contain only of those blessed with lyceum privileges | same time to limit the number of me- Bunker Hill, Trenton and Yorktown? a name and in others questions are and training. Not many children diums to the requirements of the camp, Is there an eye so full of the film of asked. The fact that Mrs. von Freitag | trained in Spiritualistic thought in the | the executive board adopted a rule to | prejudice, so bleared with anti-religious repeats word for word what is written | progressive lyceum will ever become | accomplish this end. The sum and sub- | sentiments, as not to see in the great on these notes without opening them is ' perverts to the horrible, unnatural dog- stance of this rule is that no medium historic struggles of the world somewhat makes her doings seem wonderful. | mas of orthodoxy. That is she makes a solemn vow that

she is honest and does not open the

"This fact, the committee asserts, ize his thought and his belief, and set to such mediums as the board deemed the extension and establishment of can and will be proved false. They say aside that knowledge of truth that may proper to present the phenomena at the these things have followed and justified she does open and read the notes on the be gained by careful experiment and session of the Chesterfield camp-meet- the "wars, bloodshed," etc of which we table by extracting one at a time from | honest investigation. the table and when read replaces the

note and then proceeds to tell her audience that she has a spirit present by name as appears in the note.

"This committee states that it 'will put up a forfeit of \$25 to be donated to the Ottumwa hospital if they fail to expose the deception practiced by the supposed medium. An answer to this office will receive attention by the committee."

While we have unbounded faith in the genuineness of Mrs. Freitag's mediumship, we hope she will take special pains to convince these skeptics that she is honest throughout. She has been long before the public and is highly esteemed as a lady.

Denies the Statement.

The Pittsburg Dispatch lately published a statement that an exposure of a medium lately occurred at Avalon, Pa. A letter from there states the account is false throughout-a base fabrication. As no name was mentioned by the Dispatch no particular harm has been done. The secular papers would

WOULD YOU? WOULD I?

When we are full of ignorance, And time's occasions misapply, Can we expect to learn by chance-Would you? Would I?

If we are full of slander's bane, And sneed the wrong of every lie

And the work may be as lasting and permanent along Spiritualistic lines, as more consonant with mature reason and

posed to extract a particular name, ral human affection and love-so will in- them out of the camp. struction in these things that distinguish Spiritualism from orthodox teach- umship upon these grounds, and to pro- estly, would you blot out the record?

fixed and permanent in the mentality other disreputable persons, and at the anything secured for humanity at

To become thoroughly orthodox, one | mediumship upon these grounds with- | broglios? Freedom, love of home, edumust traverse human nature and hu- out the consent of the executive board. | cation and commerce, these are the manitarian sentiment, must dehuman- Accordingly invitations were sent out | magic words that lead men to war, and

The work of the progressive lyceum

sentiment and strengthen thoughts and feelings in accord therewith; it trains the moral sense to keener perceptions and conceptions of right; and it enlarges rather than smothers the natural human scope and fullness of the affections planted by Nature in the constitution and being of huamnity. Spiritualism does not ask of human beings that they be willing to consent, either in

this world or the next, to the damnation in endless hell misery, of parents, children or friends, who may chance not to have been "converted" and "saved" before passing into the Beyond. Nor does it require that we become so dehumanized as to forget the "lost" ones, or have no unhappy thought or feeling for them -which we must do in order to be happy in "heaven."

The spiritual philosophy accords with nature, with reason, with highest, purest and noblest human thought and hope and aspiration.

Herein lies the scope of the work of the progressive lyceum-to inculcate the spirit of our philosophy in its purity and beneficent potency, thus molding the minds of the young and fixing in them the pure saving ideals that shall fit Now, this is the whole matter in a nutthem for pure and noble lives here and | shell. in the hereafter. Are not these things sufficient reason for Spiritualists to awake and work?

What Is the Trouble in China?

Doesn't she have enough religion? Are not her maxims and philosophy The State Association is not at war equal to the best? Out of some three with the National Association of Me-

The result was that at some of the | tablish" religion or have anything to do camp-meetings in the past, many perwith it. A curious war caused by religsons claiming to be mediums put in an | ion! The "Declaration" that produced appearance, and attempted to give se- | it and the Constitution that embalms its ances. Some came under assumed results both silent as the grave concernnames, others who had never been ing religion. Somebody owes the shades heard of by any of the Spiritualists in of Washington, Jefferson, Putnam and this section called themselves mediums. Patrick Henry an apology. And As the facts and philosophy of Spirit- The result was that fraud was pracualism are more reasonable and more in | ticed. The people were swindled out of "Crisis" and "Rights of Man," who concord with enlightened common their money. In one instance the con- played so great a part in the Revolusense and ethical principles, more in duct of one or two of these scamps was tion! Say, brother, the greatest wars of harmonious accord with pure and natu- such that it became necessary to drive the world, those that have elevated the

as honest mediums, but it was deemed | wars and bloodshed" is an object of best to limit the number, and hence commiseration. they were not invited. The board desired it to be distinctly understood that because a medium did not receive an in- I suppose? The destruction of Cervitation that he or she should not feel | vera's fleet an incident in the developthat, they had been branded as dishon- ment of infant baptism! Roosevelt's est. But it appears that a good many | charge up San Juan hill a piece of mediums took the other view of the "higher criticism!" Dewey's triumph case. There were two of whom special at Manila established the Mosaic aunote will be taken. They are Austin D. | thorship of the Pentateuch? Koch and his wife, Mrs. Lizzie Koch. For shame! Let those who say relig-The latter is a trumpet medium. The lon-Christianity-causes the wars hide former has recently engaged in the their diminutive heads in the presence practice of magnetic healing. They of a nation's glory. Let them seek in were here last season, and were voted | humility for the spirit of human liberty, a few days ago members of this asso- for the sense of justice, for the feeling clation. At the opening of the meeting, of resentment against wrong, for the

was notified to desist, but paid no at- of the world's greatest wars. tention to the request of the board. At

length charges were preferred against both Mr. and Mrs. Koch, and they were accordingly expelled from membership in the association without a dissenting voice of the members of the board. The board desired it to be understood that it will enforce all of its rules and

regulations-in a word, it proposes to supervise its own affairs-that physical mediums are to be under its supervision the same as lecturers or other persons who may be employed in any capacity.

Thomas Paine, arch-infidel, with his race and made freedom possible, have Now to regulate the practice of medi- not been "religious" wars at all. Honings and beliefs, be more lasting, more | tect the public against these frauds and | Did Washington fight in vain? Was shall be permitted to practice his or her" thing greater than mere religious iming. Now it appears that the board did hear such a wall. And a man who cannot invite certain mediums who had gaze upon the battle-fields of the directly tends to cultivate humanitarian | previously practiced on these camp | world and read no greater message in grounds. Some of them were regarded their gory workings than "religious And our tilt with Spain. War de-

clared because of the divinity of Christ

Mrs. Koch opened a seauce room upon | glorious ideals which have carried forthe camp-grounds and engaged in the | ward the race to present civilization. practice of mediumship. This was in | In these things, or rather the opposition violation of the rule above named. She to these things, may be found the roots

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THE BEAUTIFUL GARDEN.

(With apologies to the author of the song with that title.)

They lived in the beautiful garden, The children of high degree; The one was the wife of the other, The "she" was a rib of the "he." Up above, with his face at the window, Was their heavenly father, J.; He wanted to catch them tripping, So he watched them day by day.

thou?" the wheedling words of the brother; Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, do well to confine themselves to the truth when reporting a seance.

faithful Jacob, begging a blessing from his father which was designed for his

| | - gressive type of Christianity. If the | for me. It there is reward for any, I | revelator, who, with uplifted nand, | And speed the wrong of every lie, | doran to the Destr Out of some three | with the National Association of Me- | Bo Be matched them day by days | |
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| | churches desire to win respect for them- | beneve it will be for all good people. | swore, "Time shall be no longer," can- | Should we expect unsullied name? | dozen saviors, sixteen of whom were | diums or any other organization. In | He'd planted some trees in the garden. | |
| | selves and so for the cause of their | Some Christians say, unless you believe | | Wanted wanted TO | crucified, she had in Buddha a savior | fact a number of mediums belonging to | And loaded the boughs with fruit, | |
| 1 | founder and Master, they must evince a | in Christ you cannot be saved. I am | | | born of a virgin some six hundred years | the association were invited to attend | And said: "You can gather from that | |
| | vital interest in the extension of the | broader than that doctrine. My religion | past history, we do hope the words of | | berore ourist, one who, in his me and | the camp-meeting. But there is one | one | |
| 3-1. 1. | | comprehends all. | Rev. Hillis will be preserved, in which | And pass our brothers frowning by, | reachings, was me equal of any. | thing that may be counted upon, and | And that one, and that one, to boot; | |
| | kingdom which he came to establish. | "I have read the history of Europe | he threatened to "shake his fist in the | May we expect a peaceful fate? | It is said of him: "Rejoice at the glad | that is that the Indiana Association of | But the tree that you see over youder | |
| | Men are apt to believe in the things | during the Middle Ages, and the | face of the Eternal, and fling every vile | Would you? Would 1? | tidings! Buddha, our Lord, has found | Spiritualists will manage its affairs in | I shouldn't advise you to climb; | |
| | which have go in them. This is a push- | account there given of persecutions | | | the root of all evil. He has shown us | a way which it believes will be for its | It is bearing some capital apples, | 1 2.4 |
| | ing age, therefore let the church push, | caused by difference of belief fills me | | When we are full of selfishness, | the way of salvation. Buddha dispels | best interests, for the best interests of | But to eat them's a capital crime." | |
| | too, if it would obtain custom for its | with horror. We have no such records | with its demnation of infants | And others' efforts fain decry, | the illusions of our minds and redeems | Spiritualists, and for the best interests | "Old Harry" came into the garden, | |
| | spiritual wares.' | in China. Jews, Mohammedans, Budd- | and its unshirted of ments. | Can we expect the world to bless? | us from the terrors of death. Buddha, | of the public in general. | | + ×1 |
| | The church has been "pushing" its | hists have lived there peaceably side by | A Puzzled Jap. | Would you? Would I? | our Lord, prings comfort to the weary | The attendance last Sunday exceeded | In the form of an upright snake; | |
| | spiritual wares on China, and exhibiting | side. It is only when indiscreet Chris- | The editor of the Tokyo Orient has | If we are full of worldly greed | and sorrow laden; he restores peace to | 3,000, which marks the highest figures | He'd instructions to try and induce | · |
| | its "aggressive" character for a series | tian missionaries go to extremes and | | And clutch at all that cometh nigh. | those who are broken down under the | ever known here on the first Sunday of | them | |
| 4.1 | of years. Since the late disturbances, | excite the people that they have any | been posting up on Christianity, says | Should we retain the toller's meed? | burden of life. He gives courage to the | a comp-meeting The electric core and | To pluck of the fruit and partake. | 1 |
| | | trouble. Christianity owes most of its | the Chicago Journal. Japan doesn't go | Would, you? Would I? | Weak when they would fain give up | running from Anderson direct to the | He offered them some, and they took it. | . 70 |
| | resulting in great-loss of life, it is stated | converts in China to the fact that it is | in for much of that sort of thing, yet | | self-renance and hope. Te that shirer | grounds. | And the Lord at his window spied. | e 2 |
| | the Presbyterian Missionary Board, in- | more alluring than any religion we have | Japan finds herself an active member of | When we'are tempted sore with gold, | i from the tribulations of life, ve that | Moses Hull has just closed his engage- | For the ways of the Lord are "narrow," | |
| | stead of relaxing the "push" forwarded | there. The idea of a future life and | the International Dismemberment | And worship it in song and sigh, | have to struggle and endure, ve that | ment, and goes to Onset Bay. E. A. | And his range of vision wide. | 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1 |
| | eighteen additional missionaries to take | rewards for the righteous is tempting | | may we withhold from poor and old? | yearn for a life of truth, rejoice at the | ment, and goes to ouset buy. E. A. | to some an iteration of some | - |
| 1 | nn the work their late associates have | to many. Confucius taught no such doc- | league, which is composed of Christian | Would'you? Would I? | giad tidings! There is balm for the | Tisdale begins his engagement Satur- | As soon as they'd eaten the apple | |
| | | trine. He was once asked if he believed | nations. The Tokyo editor is quite sure | If we are full of vice and sin, | wounded, and there is bread for the | day, and Swami Abhedenanda is the | It opened the eyes of the pair; | |
| | laid down. | in a future life, and he answered: "If I | that the respect accorded to his coun- | TTTL | hungry; there is water for the thirsty. | next on the program, and begins his en- | Each one of them looked at the other, | |
| | If persons wish to become martyrs to. | don't know what will take place to- | try is not shown because Japan has | When comes the time for us to die, | and there is hope for the despairing: | gagement Sunday, August 6. Ignatius Donnelly speaks Sunday, August 12. | And they saw that they both were | |
| Ken in | a cause, and go out to gain a martyr's | morrow how can I know anything about | | | there is light for those in darkness, and | Chesterfield, Ind. J. A. WERTZ. | bare. | |
| | crown, we have no right to interfere. If | a more remote future." Confucius er- | made wonderrar progress in the arts of | Would you? Would I? | there is inexhaustible blessings for the | Unesterneiu, ind. J.A. Willing. | "The voice of the Lord they heard | |
| | they fall, like the fellow who places his | | peace, but because of the achievements, | If we have lived a life of shame. | upright." | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | walking | |
| | | no thought of reward. That seems to | not long ago, of the Japanese army and | And spurned the good, and truth deny. | Stop and think! What more could a | E are trying our best to estab- | In the cool of the day"-so they | · · · · · |
| | head in a lion's mouth, he takes the | ma the higher vlow" | navy. | Could we ask Christ to bear the blame? | savior promise, or in what way could | lish libraries in every Spirit- | "guyed"; | |
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| | that useful appendage, it is his misfor- | and it doesn't sound very bad. | gentleman is this: Why should non- | B. F. SLITER. | ers? Buddha himself said: "Ignorance | States, hence we are offering | And the palm of his hand is wide. | |
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Spiritualism and Science. = Sar'gis.

To the Editor:-It is some time since The Progressive | Spiritualism has an apparent mission, so far as the civic | witnesses almost a new science and the laboratory is on | world, yet we must accept that knowledge and utilize it Thinker has had anything from the subscriber, for one or temporal conditions of the race are involved, it is to the eve of a forward step that bids fair to recognize the under the conditions of the life we are here living. That reason at least-there being no need for addition to its demonstrate that a propaganda of beliefs, doctrines or equivalent at least of what we avow as spirit in the evo- though we may talk with Moses and Elias, yet must have many-sided contents. Nor is there now, but habit some- | dogmas pertaining to a future life, is hindered, retarded, | lution of life forms. The

or destroyed by such methods as have been employed by times asserts itself regardless of necessity or fitness. But being all the time a close reader the fact induces most of the religious organizations of mankind-from the compliment so far as to say that The Progressive Thinker very beginnings of history until now.

is distinctively the one Spiritualist newspaper, with emphasis on the first syllable. In this line it has no rival ion and flourished until it became itself an organization. | parlance it is the discovery that substance, atoms, mole- | thinking Spiritualist-living on the earth. and cannot have until others get new editors. There is Protestantism was so until it too became a thing of en- cules or elements, as you can best grasp the idea, when But what was in mind in referring to the book in this of course a personality about a book, a magazine or a forced authority, and then its sects were protests until they meet in proper proportions instantly unite in the connection is the suggestion of the meeting ground benewspaper, but one trouble is, there is often too much of strong enough to collect revenue. And to-day the effort it. It requires a more than average amount of egotism that built them up has degenerated into ways and means for a person to put forth individual opinions as guides for for the support of a

others equally intelligent, hence as a rule we find authors and literary folk tinged with vanity. But when one

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learns the printer's trade as a means to a living by labor- by an idle priesthood. The old time Methodist camping at it, publishing a newspaper is relieved from this dis- meeting is a tradition and the itinerancy, a feature that no longer the gate keeper at the door of our laboratories. ods of intercommunication and imperfections of the mesability-and he may be as hard-headed as a rock-crusher, encircled the world with its zeal, has given way to the commanded. and yet make a readable paper by judiciously printing the size of the purse that can command the best pulpit orator, productions of the self-inspired writing guild. Begging and the love-feast is fast being superseded by the innovapardon for the liberty of speech involved, this may ac- tions of religious club life. And, too, baptism by immerquired is that the spirit chemist understands this count for the excellence of The Progressive Thinker-in sion, instead of being performed before witnessing thousands in the Jordans of every neighborhood is now seen part.

But though each of the many has its excellence, The in the retired aquariums under the pulpits of palatial Thinker has many, each number being a symposium of churches, while the dove of consecration is symbolized by opinion, thought and all good things. Its chief merit in the image on stained glass windows. How long, Mr. Ed. a representative sense is its freedom from dogmatism, itor, would it be before Spiritualist organization would fault-finding, scolding and pessimistic utterance as to the follow in the wake of these did it prefer fat contributions, future of "the cause." Neither does it indulge in parti- a "permanent pastorship" and official conferences to desan politics as do some of its contemporaries. Above all clare "where we stand" on-what?

ts editor does not seem to disagree with his hatter. It is amusing to see so many of these writers alarmed ligence on the one side, or on a Know Nothingism on the its editor does not seem to disagree with his hatter. over the decay and downfall of Spiritualism. One class other? To the clear progressive thinker one is as much superior to ours, and their knowledge of forces beyond says it is doomed because of the tendency to make a sect a thing as another. What is the difference, practically, of the movement. Another bemoans its decline from the between the infinite and the unknowable? Yet the fact that the mass does not rally around a formulated world has been cutting each other's throats over this imcreed-or to declare "what we stand for." Next the ten- practical thing for ages-collecting money to keep it up. dency to make and run organization and levy tithes is re- Now, Mr. Editor, do not put all this down to the credit able in this proposition? garded as signs of degeneracy, while on the other hand of fault-finding, for at bottom it is only philosophic. It we are scolded because funds are not supplied to secure is not from a God, Jr., nor from a devotee of San Leandro real estate, and to furnish, after ecclesiastical methods, a vibrations, only an effort to look at two sides of the situfund for the propaganda of our truths. And just by way ation. There is no alarm for the outcome of "the cause," of parenthesis: Every time these scoldings appear offi- as these things under consideration are all matters of per- paper with a remarkable declaration, which as an admis- flesh only can such existence be obtained."-pp 102 and cially, there comes up before the memory the picture of a sonal idiosyncrasy and previous education. For ages we noble edifice at the corner of Exeter and Newberry, cost- have seen people making their bread and butter out of valists. Speaking of the great achievments of the emi- vicissitudes of the past from the chaos of the beginning EYESIGHT ing in the coin of the realm ten times the sum for which their beliefs, or out of other people's beliefs. Theology nent German, he says: "But may there not be other fac- has been the evolution of the perfect man; that through these objurgations are given, decicated to "the cause," has grown into the largest and maintained by personal liberality—yet its open doors are never alluded to, and these scolders of their fellows never darken them. The fact is there and that is all that in our civilization—neither railroads, steamships or banks need be said. Has it never occurred to some people that can overmatch its aggregated wealth. The Roman Cath- most vital question that the philosophical zoology of our part of the universe. In him the history of the past is things open to observation can be seen even if they do olic church once dominated the revenues of the Western generation must hand on to the twentieth century. For written. He is capable of comprehending all, because a world. As soon as Luther, Henry VIII., Calvin, Knox, to-day not even Professor Haeckel himself can give it an- part of all. In his mind are laid the orbits of solar sysignore them? Wesley or Joseph Smith succeeded in getting enough fol- swer." Yet despite all these prognostics as to the moribund lowers, they began to organize and collect revenue, and there they are-at it yet. SPREAD ABROAD among the people more than it is doing to-day. Only twenty years ago there was but one camp in America-Lake Pleasant. In The Progressive Thinker before me are notices of twenty-seven, and a dozen more not noticed occurs to the memory. And it may be pleasant to these despondent mourners to be assured that never before has it been so favorably regarded by "respectable" people-of all shades of opinion.

our supper before we go to bed. I shall not here attempt a review of this standard work, only to note one or two things: One is to ask the student to read carefully chap-

or equivalence, has revolutionized the science of chemis- ters VI and XIII. If the author had never written any-Christianity began as a protest against organized relig- try and brought it to the borders of spirit. In common thing else this would have justified his reputation as a

new or different form. In this way all substances, and tween the physical and spiritual scientist, and where the forms of the planet in all its so-called kingdoms are "cre- want of one is to be met by the other. As long as we ated"-even atoms are the results of this law of equiva- deal with angels and in the rhapsody of the emotional, so lence. It is a tremendous step in advance when the in- long will the cold, cynical man of the laboratory give us tensely materialistic concept of the atom as the primal a wide berth-and so long will we be at sixes and sevens form has to be abandoned by physical science. Yet it is over the limitations of mediumship and the mixed meth-The laboratory is creative when this "valence" can be sages given. All this comes from the traditions of theology-that we came from somewhere and lit here from our Apply this "law" as the chemists call it to the material- ["eternal home" or some other body's home.

ization of spirit forms, faces, hands, etc. All that is re-But when we can realize that we are the children of the But when we can realize that we are the children of the I wish every person in the U. S. suffering with planet we are on, that mother earth is not a poetic fancy, sized bottle (16 full ounces) FREE. I guarantee to but a fact, the primal fact; then we are at the starting ment. Where others fall I cure. point for physical science to seek us out, or rather the and give it conditions and instantly the form is present. meeting ground for the two schools of thought, out of That this is the process painstaking students have witwhich some new Darwin will be enabled to evolve a true nessed in the rapid spiral movement of the column of story of life, here and hereafter-or at least a working hystory of life, here and hereafter—or at least a working hy-pothesis that will answer all questions we are capable of FREE ASTHMA REMEDY. smoke-like substance, as if the laboratory power was in action, followed by its instant transposition into a form. asking. As has been more than once said in these Those who have not witnessed this phenomenon should screeds: This material planet had to be from which spirits Free Trial Bottle to Everyone Who refrain from urging opinions on materialization. If our could go, before it could have a spirit world to send them primary predicate is true—that the spirit state is per se to. And a well authenticated immigrant from any spirit world than the one inhabited by human beings from this

what we can attain, why not know how to so manipulate earth has never yet been presented for naturalization. the elements as to produce these equivalents, that with Two quotations from the book is all that will now be disease, and is now entirely recovered. He has write our crude acids, alkalies, blow-pipe and electro-magnetgiven: "If man exists for the purpose of the evolution of requesting that their readers be informed of this new ism we have found to be the conditions precedent in the the immortal spirit, the contemporary birth and develop- remedy, and that he will mall, tree, a trial bottle to realm of form production? Is there anything unreasonment of body and spirit is a self-evident truth. * * The ble in this proposition? In a masterly review of the progress of biologic science ized spirit, creative nature culminates. Individ alization water the cure is permanent. Write to W. K. a disciple of the great Haeckel, who declares the missing of spirit can take place in no other manner. The most link in the evolution of man has been found, closes his exalted angel was once clothed in flesh; and through the sion of science at the close of this wonderful century, 106.

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of ill-omen that the decline of the churches about which they do not understand. If our "leaders" who fret the knowledge of its earth professors and hands over to the science is not there, but it will answer for us in good time and greed that has taken possession of them to the dete- putations about creeds, vibrations, organization, money, professors of the two schools.

onstration.

tors, as yet unrecognized, that supplement the Lamarck- him in a direct line might be evolved an immortal spirit.

rioration of what they call the evangelist spirit that in the real estate, frauds and half-fares, would take a vacation Among the reading in the interval of writing has been beginning built them up. To-day the converts made by and run over the doings of the common world and people the new work published in England, "The Arcana of this so persistently quoted liberality of the churches to with the spirit world, they might get an inkling of the Spiritualism," by our own countryman, Hudson Tuttle. their cause are being killed by the zealous adherents of wonderful field before them. In the season of quiet re- It is a book an intelligent, thinking Spiritualist cannot another religion-another sect. It is the universal fact ferred to in the opening of this screed the reading has ex- afford to be without. One great excellence of Hudson In attaining complete knowledge of our own natures and in all human history, that a propaganda of religion, tended over both the spiritual and material fields, and the Tuttle as a writer is his human common sense. Possessimpression more than ever grows as to the coming to- ing the immense advantage over the mass of us of pergether of spirit prediction or forecast and scientific dem- sonal mediumship, he doesn't assume the role of the oracle, discovering the means of conforming to them under all but keeps closely in touch with every-day thought and variations of seasons and circumstances-we have abund-

side of itself; it requires only opportunity.-George Eliot. Our lives are universally shortened by our ignorance. of the natures of surrounding things-in ascertaining the conditions of existence to which we must conform, and in

wer." Thus we see how the latest discoveries of the great mas-But this talk is long enough—only this suggestion will

ters and students of physical science are nearing the bor- not down: Would it not be well for those who are day in Now the ranks of Spiritualism have been and are being der where by the logical demand of their own conditions, and day out-research societies included-exhorting for partly recruited from the church educated people, and a force, a power, a constructive intelligence must answer a scientific Spiritualism, to turn their faces toward real with most of them the force of tradition and habit im- the question asked by their own instruments. And there science and meet its masters on their own ground-napels them to attempt its cultivation by familiar methods is only one force recognizable by human intelligence that | ture? All this wrist and ankle shackling, eye bandaging, -with some to make a living from it. Hence all this responds to that demand -spirit. So much for the po- ear and nose stuffing, mask-wearing and giving false friction, this levying of contributions and this scolding at sition of science at this writing. And it really seems to names to mediums, and hearing about little brown knives the stinginess of us folks who earn the means to contrib- be that while our Jeremiahs are crying out for a Spirit- and initialed canes, is the very tragedy of the farcical. ute by planting corn, or some other pursuit that brings in ualism made respectable by scientific recognition, the real And to call it scientific Spiritualism is to invite the tears marketable things. It is all right for us to quit the science of the closing century is reaching out spiritward of both mirth and sadness. Science is really knocking at churches but wrong to quit the church habit of paying for its help in the solution of its problems as to perfected the door of Spiritualism for light on its ultimate prob-Again, has it never occurred to one class of these augurs people for telling us what we know, or talking about what systems of cosmic conditions. It has exhausted the lems, and are we to offer it these? No, no, real spiritual SAR'GIS.

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their success at driving women out of | It is a well-known fact that she has character they become more honest | others who might be named, but space never fallen without a masculine com- with themselves and with her; and forbids. "Dressmakers and seamstresses were panion in guilt. The prime motive that when woman sees that man has found | As to what woman's club work leads formerly all women, but now a man guides the noble women who lead in a lever wherewith to lift himself, she to, the records of our country are be-A Woman's Keen Reply to does the sewing in a filthy tenement, a this movement is not a desire for a "po- gladly stands ready to place block or ginning to show in better conditions al-man takes your measure and a man litical preferment and squabbling for stone to prevent a slipping back till he ready wherever they have insisted on spoils of office," and if the Creator did finds other vantage ground at a still being recognized in municipal affairs. not create them for such ignoble strife, higher point on which to rest the lever When it comes to the practical bread and butter question, the last census if parliamentary privileges can be dis- The gentleman's attempt at faceshows that there are 2,647,157 wagetorted into a travesty upon one sex, tiousness in referring to the lack of se- earning women in the United States, then why not upon the other also? riousness, or viciousness, in the organ- and there are in New York City alone "Broad charity" bids woman 'show ized proceedings of women, and the sub- 50,000 women who support their hus-

man where his error lies, and many stitution of the club for the "quilting- bands! Think of Chicago, who never strong-souled women are bending all bee and tea-party," and the "wielding allows New York to excel her in anythe energies of their being to the task. of a pretty gavel" and "administering thing; she must have at least 50,000 They perceive the great needs of hu- parliamentary law," etc., shows that he more.

needles out of the market. In flats and manity, the gross injustice under exist- has not his fingers upon the mental Then all the other cities will contrib-"Women fail as parliamentarians be- apartments the male janitor brings up ing laws that have oppressed woman pulse of American women. He but ute their quota, and this man of limited America when President Cleveland's cause, assuming their knowledge of ab- your coal and wood, scrubs your halls and enslaved her for ages, the dreadful proves his utter inability to perceive vision, who is too short-sighted even to Venezuelan message had brought the stract parliamentary law, they have not and windows, feeds the dog, and does results to the children they have borne, that this outer movement on the part of perceive that possibly he has laid the two countries into dangerous antago-

For example: In chemistry the close of the century people. He seems to realize that while there is a spirit ant scope for intellectual progress.-Herbert Spencer.

To the women of the United States at

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Experiences of an Avaricious Man;" "A

special Visit to the Spirit World;"

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Wales' Faith in Science. One of the most honored and conspicuous figures in the public life of Great Britain during the lost half-century

was Lord Playfair, of whom a sketch appears in the North American Review. The vast sanitary improvements which have taken place in England within 30 years and the evolution of the whole sytem of scientific and technical instruction are due to Playfair more than

to any other man. He originally suggested the adoption of open half-penny letters, now known as "post cards," and he was largely instrumental in suggesting the basis of an equitable agreement between Great Britain and

the opportunity to acquire the skill only to be had from much experience in parliamentary practice.

WOMAN'S ABILITY.

Hon. J. W. Bailey.

procedure.

parliamentary law.

"Women fail as parliamentarians because the feminine temperament is con- dairy maid, the governess, the music stitutionally opposed to the perfect | teacher, the singing teacher, the ladies' mental poise absolutely indispensable to hair dresser, the dishwasher, the presucceed in governing a deliberate body. serve maker, and the maker of home-"Finally, women fail as parliamenta- made bread. It really requires a magrians because parliamentary practice is nifying glass to find a part of woman's wholly outside of woman's sphere." -J. W. Bailey in Harpers' Bazar of February 24, 1900.

We do not deny the truth of the gentleman's first statement, at least as regards the past history of woman, but it is only a matter of time when such an assertion will stand without a foundation and for the very reason that proclaims the falsity of his second statement, that the recognition of her own mental power or compass has more the world as a champion of the rights of humanity; and while his third statement is true of women as a class it is not true in many individual cases, and the same charge may be laid to men as a class, though in a less degree of course, remembering, as we do, that men have had centuries of study and practical application, while it is only the present generation of women who have attempted to become parliamentarians. In answering the fourth proposition I say decidedly it is untrue, for she does not exhibit any signs of emvery many women have clearly proven their "mental poise" to be equal to that those rights, but a womanliness and of their fellow-men under many other dignity in discharging them that conditions as severely trying as governproves her loyalty to her country and ing a deliberative body, His fifth proposition prompts me to read from the pen of Dr. Anna H. Shaw:

WOMAN'S SPHERE.

gress, becoming thus mere sexless po-"There is nothing," said Rev. Anna Howard Shaw a few evenings before she left to attend the council meeting in | gets that we cannot be women and be |1y, it simply refers to deeds of valor that Washington, "which I like so much as sexless. We may be genderless on the belonged to the days of knight-errantthe phrase 'woman's sphere' when apcreative physical plane, in that the enplied to intellectual women by the larged minds and intellects of women mean absolutely nothing to thoughtful average man, but I cannot understand why he does not endeavor to protect | cease to create physical bodies for chivalrous in public to women who are that sphere. Thirty years ago thou- babes and create mind products that their abject slaves in private. It is a sands of poor women made a good liv- will become monuments in the history notable fact that with the decline of fathered children ever can. telligence. Yet to-day we find the business monopolized by men. They have

two-thirds of the menial work. "Everywhere men are usurping the

the field.

"Women fail as parliamentarians be- | want to be stylish you must patronize

cause they have no legislative business some man tailor. In fashionable so-

of sufficient importance to compel them | clety not a pretty maid, but a coarse,

to master the methods of parliamentary | ignorant man opens the door to you and

"Women fail as parliamentarians be- masculine chef replaces the good old

cause, generally speaking, they lack woman cook. Men make mittens, socks,

the mental calibre necessary to per- and comforters on the knitting machine,

fectly comprehend the technicalities of and have driven the old lady and her

sells wear and underwear to you across

the counter. To cap the climax, if you

serves you at dinner. In the kitchen a

ting in common councils and in con-

place of the waitress, the chambermaid. the scrub woman, the shop girl, the mote and cultivate brutality and crim- the accumulated forces generated by a | I dare appeal to the women of Texas.

inality in the other. sphere which is not occupied by a lot of superior male beings. The average man is certainly a coward, as well as a simpleton, to glibly descant upon our

did He create men for it either? And again.

sphere and deprecate our leaving it for | saw them because her inherent princi. | "tea-parties and quilting-bees" the ship | from a man who molds public opinion, a second, while at the same time he ples commanded them. Thank God for of state has been manned by incompe- you will retain such control over your calmly permits it to be parceled out and every such mother. It is usually the tent men who have cared little for the heads that he shall feel the seriousness appropriated by his own sex."

Evidently the Constitution of the equal suffrage. The anathy of the been burdened United States is open to variableness of American women themselves has been | In referring to the experience of a construction or interpretation, since one of the potent factors that have hin- man who becomes a member of a legisthe suffragists claim a right and the dered the movement and I am glad to lative body and the practical needs anti-suffragists deny a right under the have such a benefactor as Mr. Bailey, "that compel him to master not alone Mr. Bailey. You can do it. He is unsame instrument. And the charge he and a few more well directed blows like the theory of parliamentary law, but than any one thing pushed her out into brings of an "illogical mind," because this will will at least awaken many of the history and rules of the particular woman accepts and uses for the better- our sleeping Southern women. This has | body," etc., and his reference to "rockment of the race the rights granted by stung them to the quick, but they as- ing cradles and reading Ibsen." and wosome of the states in their statutes, is sume the pedestal of womanly dignity man's "losing her temper and her head," untenable for the very reason that she and say nothing, because they have no all tend to show his very limited acsees that all evolution comes step by recognized rights which such as he quaintance with the real women of real littles. step. And while she feels the injustice must respect. When the women of life. History and the experience of of the lack of general recognition of her | Texas become a part of Mr. Bailey's | many intelligent people in private life rights, unlike man she is willing to la- | constituency, then his tune will change, | are replete with noble (examples of bor and patiently wait for complete re- and where he dares to criticise and in- grand women who have throughout a sults. Perhaps the gentleman does not | sult now, he will be cringing and serv-

> her "glory," but for her just rights, and | come smooth and oily. I am glad he is a young man. The barrassment where she does exercise time will come when woman's ability to "comprehend the technicalities of parliarticle, but it will be too late then for the human race. When he speaks of him to try the chivalry dodge. There woman as "losing her character as wife has been so much prating about the deor mother in primaries, at the polls, sit- cline of man's chivalry to woman that I cannot refrain from mentioning it right here. It is a pretty word, but it means litical factors," etc., the gentleman for- very little to a thinker. Taken literalry; courtesy and empty . homage that who work for all of humanity may women. There are many men who are

There is no case known of any wo- perceive that women of brains see

both male and female, by this "traves- the women of the nation and race is ax at the root of his own political caty" on manhood that has enacted laws but the surface ripple of a deep under- reer by this act, dares to insult the wothat militate against the one and pro- 'current of unrest that is the result of men of this state and nation.

lofty altruism, that is but another name Though you have not the privilege of It has been my pleasure to note in my for the maternal instinct of woman. voting, you can, by united effort. observation of the discussion of this He shows clearly that he is incapable of through your federation of clubs, open subject, that the man who is fair and sensing the mental hunger of women, Mr. Bailey's eyes to the fact that, while just to woman, who sees her rights and, and the deep-seated desire to bring bet- there is no "viciousness," there is serigrants them as such, is the son of a de- ter conditions for all of humanity that ousness, and power too, behind your termined, independent, self-respecting is rooted within the heart of every true play at administering parliamentary mother, who truckled neither to hus- woman. Women have at last awaklaw, and that though you may be band nor any other authority: a mother ened to the fact that while they have strongly stirred by a just indignation at who demanded her rights as far as she frittered away their valuable time in such unwarranted and unmerited insult narrow, ignorant mind that opposes precious freight with which she has and power when election day arrives.

> large; every woman who is laboring for say, make it your business to defeat of sons and husbands. Make him feel

lifetime exhibited far greater generalknow that woman is not working for lie and his acrimonious tongue will be ship extending over a much broader area than that of a legislative body,

and that, too, without Josing either temper or head. Women, far more than men, have trained in the school of selfamentary law" will remind him of this repression and control of the belittling destructive emotions. What of some of the women of the early days of America? What of noble Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Frances Willard, Susan B. Anthony, and many of their earnest co-"Sensations of the 'Dying;" "A Birth Out of Dark Conditions;" "After Death workers in a field that had not even one furrow ploughed until they with their strong, brave hearts-with all the world against them-dared to prepare the way for the coming of woman. Dared to plough and harrow and sow that all of humanity might reap-for mony of an Exalted Spirit;" "Indicathe interests of both men and women are inextricably the same.

There are many excellent parliamenting by 'day's washing.' It is a very of the race that shall reflect more chivalry man's respect for woman has arians among women to-day; notably, humble work and requires but little in- glory upon their creator than badly gained steadily. Why has chivalry de- Mrs. Zara A. Wilson, of Nebraska; creased? Simply because men of sense | Mrs. Stoddard, of Texas: Mrs. Ellen Ferguson, of Salt Lake City; Helen access to it. It should be in every home. even organized a national association man who has purified or elevated any through the shallow pretense, and in Gougar, Lillian Cole Bethel, Mrs. A. S. Read the premium terms carefully, and washer-women, mark you, and glory in 'coarsened or degraded in any degree. wider range in contemplating woman's E. Lease, Anna L. Diggs, and many Encyclopedia of Death.

nism. Among Playfair's students at the university of Edinburgh was the prince of Wales, of whom a curious anecdote is told:

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"'Do you tell me to do this?' asked better conditions for all humanity; I the prince.

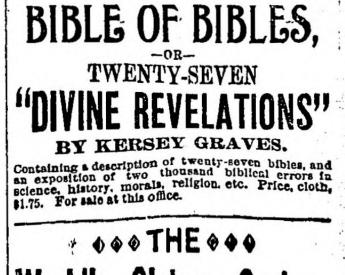
"'I do,' was the answer. "The prince instantly put his hand worthy to represent the interests of the into the cauldron and ladled out some wives and mothers of Texas, for our in- of the boiling lead without sustaining terests are identical with the interests any injury. It is a well-known scientific fact that the human hand. if perthe weight of a "woman's club," the in- | fectly clean, may be placed uninjured strument which he so derides and be- in lead boiling at a white heat, the moisture of the skin protecting it, under these conditions. from any injury. Should the lead be at a temperature perceptibly lower the effect would be. of course, very different." - OLUME 1 of the Encyclopedia of

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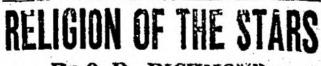




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J. W. Dennis, of Buffalo, N. Y., is engaged at the Freeville camp for the season.

Chicago, attempted to commit suicide

given the substance of the writing. It a dozen well-known gentlemen from ting them over here." was found to be something like this: Kempton present: They have been in- G. W. Flavell write 'Let me hear from all my relations and , vestigating the phenomena and they the question was made plain by the saw. The materializations were numerspeaker, who said all the relatives of a jous and forms flitted about in great given individual would mean the family | number. Some who were present ties for generation after generation, untold ages back. Several very interesting incidents occurred during the even- to converse with them and assert that ing which would take up too much space | they were given other proofs of the gen-Take due notice, that all items for to tell. But suffice it to say, expressions | uineness of the affair. These meetings this page must be accompanied by the of satisfaction and wonder were heard are held at regular intervals and some full name and address of the writer. It on all sides. It is hoped that the lady | very prominent mediums have visited will not do to say that Secretary or Corwill return at no distant day and give | Tipton."

several more meetings." The Beacon Light Spiritual Church writer. The items of those who do not has adjourned until September. Mr. comply with this request will be cast and Mrs. Perkins having engagements in Milwaukee Sundays, they will not

Rhodes avenue,

been engaged.

Mrs. G. H. Morris writes: "I so dearly hold any other hall meetings during love the beautiful truth of Spiritualism August except the Wednesday evening I wish to let the outside world know at Larrabee and Garfield, which will be how I became a Spiritualist; it was continued; also Friday evening circle at through a magnetic healer, A. L. their residence, 3558 Cottage Grove ave-Drumn; I was healed by him and I nue, Chicago.

then saw the light; my eyes were The Chicago Chronicle says: "Imbedded in the slimy bottom of the Jack-

J. Osborne Lunt writes: "Will you son Park lagoon, weather-beaten and please mail me ten copies of The Pro- not looking as proud as they did one gressive Thinker of July 21. The first | sunny day in the summer of 1893 when page of that issue is a wonder. That the revenue cutter Andy Johnson and article, 'Some Excellent Thoughts,' is the ancient battle-ship Michigan went quirements being favorable, should be worthy of being published in a pamph- up to Milwaukee to escort them to Chicago, the Columbus caravels Santa

> Maria, Pinta and Nina are now the The following is worthy of note: "The unfortunates who suffer from hay fever abiding places of ghosts, tramps and will soon be dragging out a wretched | whistling winds. Late strollers in Jackexistence at their homes or flying to son Park who haunt the place where places where they can find immunity stood the peristyle at the east end of from this annoying ailment. All such | the Court of Honor have been giving will find a gleam of hope in the an- the relics of Columbus' day a wide nouncement hade by Dr. H. H. Curtis | berth. They have shuddered as they in the Medical News. Dr. Curtis found | counted ghosts skipping up and down or dropping from the fast rotting rope that two girls employed in a drug store, handling ipecac, were rendered immune | ladders of the quaint sailing trio. Walls, from 'ipecac cold' by taking doses of | too, they heard, and with the appearthe tincture. This led him to try the ance of the ghosts of supposed Spanish effect of hypodermic injections of the sailors there was enough to send chills extract of roses upon a lady who could | traveling up and down the spines of the | in a flourishing condition, with much not even pass a florist's shop without affrighted beholders.'

J. H. White writes: "I attended the taking 'rose cold,' with the rest of effecting a permanent cure, He then | first Sunday meeting of the Island Lake experimented in a similar manner upon Camp. I found the buildings and patients.suffering from ragweed, golden | grounds much improved, making it one rod, and lily of the valey, with like suc- of the pleasantest camps in the State. cess. This 'like cures like' remedy is a | It is well located in a pleasant shady grove, surrounded by beautiful lakes of

The Grand Rapids (Mich.) Herald says | clear water and pure air. As a health | that July 22 was the largest day in the | locality it cannot be surpassed. The | ghosts which are said to frequent the history of the Briggs Park Spiritualist | rostrum is presided over by Mrs. Nellie | precincts of Hampton Court palace are camp-meeting since the presence last S. Baade. Prof. P. O. Hudson is mu- more or less known by reputation, but

Dr. Charles Butt of 43 Bryan place, year of Mrs. Isa Wilson Kaynor. Over sical director. The auditorium was their ramblings have been promiscu-2,000 persons paid admittance to the handsomely decorated, and a profusion ous and uncertain. Great interest in fately by taking four ounces of lauda- grounds during the day, and the attend- of flowers. Meeting opened by Mrs. num in Battery Park, New York: He was ance at the evening meeting taxed the Baade. The president welcomed the campers with a few remarks. The Rev. taken to the Hudson street hospital, capacity of the great tent to its utmost. B. F. Austin, of Toronto, gave two lecwhere he died. Dr. Butt gave his age | The sensational feature of the day was tures, morning and afternoon, ably de- ing certain rooms of the palace for the as 80 years. The only reason that could | the sudden collapse of Oscar A. Edgerly, fending the truth of Spiritualism in an | purpose of sketching the old Flemish be found for desiring to take his own the afternoon lecturer, who, in the mideducational and scientific manner. He | tapestry on the walls. While engaged life was that he was discouraged. Dr. dle of his address was taken with a case is a master of the situation. The cause Butt was a well-known Spiritualist in of heart failure. He was revived and has gained by the action of the Methohis place on the programme taken by dist Conference. He is an educated gentleman, and good. thinker, speaks of Grand Rapids, held the stage at the earnestly and well. The audience was and richly jeweled, has persistently inmorning meeting and Dr. Knowles, also not large, but a good, intelligent class | truded between him and the tapestry. a local medium, gave the descriptions. In the afternoon and evening Oscar A. of women and men who listened atten-Edgerly and Frank T. Ripley furnished tively. The music was excellent and the entertainment. The music was in the meeting a success, thanks to the earnest effort of Manager Brown and charge of Mrs. Haynes. Mr. Ripley, in one of his descriptions, created a senothers. Mr. J. D. Boyd between meetsation by delivering a message from ings gave descriptions and prophecies to downward. Mr. Haynes was much agi-Detective Powers, who was shot several | a large number, some of them surprises yet to be realized. He is a gifted and honest man-plain and simple. Everyone was pleased. The camp made a good strat.' E. M. Voorhees writes: "Oscar A. Edgerly lectured at Traverse City, Mich., recently two evenings to full H. A. Coffeen writes: "I am glad to houses. His lectures were well received, particularly the last one, at which he gave tests, most of which were recognized. Traverse City, a fine young city of 10,000 or 12,000 inhabitants, had never before listened to a trance lecturer. Mr. Edgerly comes soul's progress. The law of soul prog-J. W. Dennis writes from Buffalo, N. | ress in the future is and must be the from camps at Oden and Belleaire, Y .: "The Buffalo Spiritual Church so- same law that has brought the soul to where he has been fulfilling engagements with marked ability." clety holding meetings at corner Mo- its present stage of evolution. Mr. The Herald, of Grand Rapids, Mich., are having good attendance at all their | also others you are utilizing in The Prosays that the Spiritualists of the Briggs gressive Thinker." Park Camp-meeting are busy in preparing for the State Convention, which will A. F. M. writes: "The society evoluting out of Prentice Mulford's philosobe held August 12 to 19. This is the phy is quite in accord with existing greatest gathering of Spiritualists booked for this part of the country this things. The aim of life is to know self. year. The officers of the State organizaand self-knowledge makes God a scientific problem, solvable according to tion will be elected and a gathering of individual aspiration (purification). It mediums and lecturers from all over also demonstrates that morality is athe United States will be an attraction, which is hoped to be the magnet to science." draw the campers in crowds. So far The Boston Times says: "James Snee. this season the stockholders of the of Haverhill, lost his life at a railroad Briggs Park Association have had no crossing in that city a week ago last reason to think that their efforts in pronight. In the household of Mr. and Mrs. viding the attractions have been unap-George Jennings, on Temple street, the preclated. This year, as last, Mrs. 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Carpenter, the inspirational Jennings had been seriously ill for some and descriptive lecturer, has been and time, requiring constant care from her still is the leading speaker. She is unparents and the attending physician. doubtedly the leader in her specialty in Saturday evening, shortly after 10 Spiritualism in the Eastern States. Mrs. o'clock, while the young girl was rest-Ferris, the trumpet medium, and Mrs. ing in her room under the care of her Emma Blake, Mrs. Barton and Frank T. mother, she suddenly appeared to lose Ripley, descriptive mediums, are all of consciousness to such an extent as to unusual power. The present officers of The Democrat of Anderson, Ind., says: | cause alarm and the sending for the the association are: President, Roselle Rose; secretary, Thomas Haynes, and treasurer, Frank A. Baldwin. The officers have arranged for other attractions

opened and read by the committee of there have been of the most satisfactory like to correspond with some mediums examiners, after Mrs. Freitag had | nature. At the meeting there were half | in the United States with a view of get-

G. W. Flavell writes from Pennsyl some of my friends.' The absurdity of were more than mystified by what they The Progressive Thinker, I desire to exing perfectly satisfied with the contents claimed to have recognized departed friends and relatives. They were able itualism in its true interpretation."

introduced here on the 11th of August by the name of Madame de Leamout, Mrs. Hart desires to start a Christian of Detroit, a native of France. She will circle for development. Our object, deliver an original poem, given by her spiritual • knowledge and upliftment.

guides, historic of Joan of Arc. Dr. J. Thursday nights, (Free, No. 3436 M. Peebles is now on the grounds and will speak on the 28th and 29th. Lyman The Chicago Chronicle says: "By a co-C. Howe, Carrie E. Twing, Rev. St. the talent to follow."

and William Spottiswoode, who formerly sailed on the Canada, were found in Mrs. Le Sieur writes: "The second Young's boarding-house at 89 Roosevelt | benefit for the Board of Harmony took street, New York. They say that when place at the home of Mrs. Slosson, No. they sailed on the Canada they could 19 Elizabeth street. We had a full athear three men singing in the mizzen tendance, and the exercises in the afterupper topsail yard, but that they never noon were deeply interesting and incould see them nor could others of the structive, a day long to be remembered crew, who also heard songs. When the by all who attended. In the evening mysterious trio talked in the dark, as | eight tables for progressive euchre were they sometimes did, it was impossible occupied by players and everything to distinguish what they said. Three passed off very pleasantly. The supper men were once lost from the Canada, was ample and a real feast. Further these sailors say, and their ghosts have | notice will be given, when the next benhaunted and hoodooed the ship." efit band will be held,"

G. W. Kates and wife closed their Mrs. Bachham writes from Allegheny first year of service in Minnesota, with City, Pa .: "I received the seven prethe month of July, and will spend the mium books all right, and was very month of August at the camps. They much surprised to think you could send are engaged for another year in the so much for so little money. I have above named state and will resume the paid as much for one book alone as you missionary work September 1. They ask for the whole seven." organized a local auxiliary society in

R. M. Jones writes: "I have all of Fergus Falls, Minn., July 20; held meetyour splendid volumes of premium ings in Verndale, 21 and 22; Cokato, 26 books, except volume three of the Enand 27, and at Bederwood, the 28th. cyclopedia of Death. I have read them The State Association of Minnesota is through and re-read them, and am proud to have them in my library, as I conpromise for the future. The state is sider them all excellent. I consider yet young in the cause of Spiritualism, them a gift, for The Progressive Thinkbut is showing the good results of syser has been worth vastly more than its tematic effort. The annual convention cost to me." will be held in Minneapolis, September

D. G. White writes from Watertown, 7, 8 and 9, in the elegant Unitarian N. Y.: "I have read so much lately of church, for which some noted talent has Infinite Intelligence and Divine things, that the question has frequently come The Chicago Journal says: "The to me as to the propriety of you using the 'Divine Plan' in the very laudable project of furnishing your subscribers so much valuable reading for so little money. I really think the project is entitled to a far better title; it would

Charles Brockway is on the Pacific Coast again. He is now stopping at Los Angeles, Cal., 3281/2 S. Spring street. He will attend the Spiritualist camp at

vania: "In renewing my subscription to | Sycamore Grove during September. A grand excursion will be given by press the earnestness of my spirit in be- | Chicago Liberal Society, George Wheeler, Chairman, Sunday, August 12, of each number. I have learned many 1900, on the new steel steamer America. truths therefrom to meditate and pon- to Michigan City and Alaska Beach. der over the past year. In fact I have Steamer leaves State street bridge at been illuminated in the cause of Spir- 9:30 a.m. Mine bathing, boating and fishing. Three hours at the beach. All J. W. B. writes from Island Lake are invited. Bring your family and Camp, Mich .: "A new medium will be | have a good time. Tickets may be ob-

tained from members of the organization. Tickets 75 cents. Children, 40 cents.

MARRIED.-At the home of the bride's brother, in Akron, Ohio, on July 16, 1900, Mr. Charles W. Lentz and Miss Mertie Morgan, both of Columbus, incidence two sailors, George E. Eyre | Omer Briggs and Mrs. Baade are among | Ohio. The service was performed by

E. W. Sprague, of Jamestown, N. Y., assisted by Mrs. Sprague, and was very beautiful, being a truly Spiritualistic service in every particular. Mr. and Mrs. Lentz will make their future home in Columbus, Ohio. WILMOT.

Lily Dale Camp.

The week has been crowded full of interesting events. Monday evening there was a reception tendered to Mr. and Mrs. J. Clegg Wright, at the Auditorium, in which there was some interesting speech-making by Prof. Lockwood,

Mrs. Mattie Hull, Mr. Grimshaw and others. This is the last week of Mr. Wright's work here this season, and he will be followed by the regrets of the thinking minds of the camp that he could not have remained the entire season. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings

were held the usual thought exchange, where the question of woman's progress -socially and politically-was discussed pro and con, mostly "pro" however, as far as her right to vote is concerned. When education is made the standard of eligibility for voters, woman suffrage will be made easy; until then it is questionable, I think, whether enfranchisement would be wise.

Wednesday Mr. Wilde gave a lecture on "dreams" which was well received. followed by Miss Gaule as test medium. Miss Gaule is giving excellent satisfaction in her descriptive clairvoyance. We hear gratifying reports of manifestations given at Mrs. Wreidt's trumpet seances, also good reports from Mrs. Bartholomew and Mrs. Moss. There are visitors from the South, the East.



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this city, and at one time an excellent healer. Probably extreme poverty Mrs. Marion Carpenter. George Holmes, drove him to the rash act.

The Messenger of St. Albans, Vt. says:"The ghost still walks at the round house of the Montpelier & Wells River railroad in Barre, Night Watchman Sicard saw the dim outline of a spirit form there one night last week, fired three revolver shots at the phantom and then ran for his life.'

W. H. Apperly writes the following to | years ago while attempting an arrest at Bishop A Beals: "I thank you for the | the Detroit & Milwaukee junction. Mr. many beautiful and soul-inspiring Power's was happy in the spirit land poems with which you have delighted | and set at rest in the minds of the faiththe readers of The Progressive Thinker | ful all doubt as to the identity of his so long. It would give me much pleas, assassin. ure to subscribe in advance for your

poems if you could publish them in see a Spiritualist paper going ahead book form. I thank you again for the with the best thought of the age. Too beautiful gents of thought you are giv: many of them fail to catch the theoing to the world. May your days be sophic and true idea of the continuity filled with happy thoughts, and the si- of life in the future as in the past, and lent hours of the night bring you the in the past as in the future cycles of the sweetest repose."

hawk and Main streets, Buffalo, N.Y., Titus seems to be an able writer, and meetings. E. J. Chase president; J. W.

Dennis, speaker; Mrs. Catherine Chase, test medium. Mrs. Chase deserves more than a passing notice, for she is an excellent platform test medium, and crowds come to hear her give the truest of tests of spirit presence.'

Dr. J. M. Peebles writes under date of July 26: "I leave to-day to attend the camp-meeting at Island Lake, Mich.; then to Freeville, Camp, N. Y.; then to Maple Dell Camp, Ohio. These will occupy nearly three weeks, but I return a day or two at a time to consult and prescribe for the most complex diseases."

Mamie Selfeck writes from Santa Ana, Cal.: "We were entertained by two lectures this week from the guides of Allen Franklin Brown, who is to be chairman of our camp at Los Angeles, in September. The people were well pleased both with his lectures and psychometric work."

"Spiritual mediums are beginning to physician, Dr. George E. Goodwin, roll into Anderson with gripsacks and | Suddenly she seemed to be aroused other paraphernalia peculiar to their from her unconsciousness and cried out, calling. They are the advance guard of | 'Papa, do not cross the tracks. One is

their movements has. however, been newly aroused by the strange experience undergone by an artist who, during the past few weeks, has been visitin the guard watching chamber in broad daylight this gentleman, Mr. Haynes of Surbiton, positively asserts that a specter hand, white and delicate At, first he imagined the disturbing element must be one of the many hands so beautifully inscribed on the tapestry. but the limb, he says, moved slowly

from one stage to another, and pointed tated, and told several friends of this curious visitation. They, not unnaturally, perhaps, advised him to dismiss the subject from his mind and return to the chamber and his work. But the hand reappeared before his startled eyes; and on the last appearance of the phantom the artist made a hurried

sketch of the outstretched hand, the rough outline of which depicts a brilllant marquise, ring on the forefinger. The effect of these continued visits of the supernatural on Mr. Haynes is very visible; he is unnerved, and he has suspended his sketching. These are the plain facts, but there is, it would seem, a weird and historic connection between this hand and the hand of the Queen Catherine Howard, one of the wives of King Henry VIII." Frank T. Ripley writes: "I have the

last two weeks in August and September open for engagements. Address all mail in care of Briggs Park Camp, Soldier's Home, Mich.

A. S. Houck writes: "The absence of truth is darkness; it is the stampinggrounds of the Agnostic, where he waits for the light of a more glorious day; the dawning light, another resurrection morn when the soul shall receive the light of nature's illumination; but the ignorance, the cunning, the duplicity and the downright dishonesty that seeks to give false colors to truth they cannot hide, is deplorable. The mind of man, when left true to nature, has a natural affinity for truth, without the shading of dismal creeds or those reigious follies that blight humanity with the mildew of spiritual stagnation. I have practiced medicine for forty years, seen people die from almost every cause; but in that time, I have never seen a ghost or a spirit return, or had the slightest evidence of such a fact.' I cannot see how it occurs at the death of the body, that the subtile powers of nature, in natural law, brings together the senses and inner consciousness and all gent women with splendid capacities chairman and conduct the meetings as Address

please me and thousands of others to 'Christen' it the 'Humanitarian Plan.' How does that strike you?"

E. W. Sprague writes from Lake Brady, Ohio: "Everything is working nicely here and we have a good prospect of the Spiritualists buying and owning Brady Camp. Harmony prevails and we are happy. Oscar Edgerly just arrived this morning. Will C. Hodge left yesterday for Clinton (Iowa) Camp. We are engaged for the season. Our psychic class is well attended, and much interest is manifested in its work. The Progressive Thinker interests are attended to by Mrs. McCaslin, and its good work is appreciated by the campers as they who take it testify. May your good work go on forever.'

John W. Wray, a leading lawyer of Fort Worth, Texas, writes: "I enclose you a one-dollar bill to cover a subscripplease send to Samuel Stewart, Medithe Federal Court at Dallas, made an | son. argument, and after concluding it, on

my return to the hotel, I was greeted by the above named gentleman, and the speech very kindly spoken of. He was down from his home awaiting the disposition of another case, in which at the time I had just been engaged by his adversary, but without his knowledge .that I was of counsel. The case was disposed of, and on my stepping into

the sleeping car to come North, I was greeted by my street acquaintance kindly, and he expressed pleasure that he should have me as a traveling companion. It is my usual practice to endeavor to be silent as much as possible in traveling, and I was not quite pleased to think that this strong, active, vigorous man should be wanting to talk to me when I desired silence, but I recognized the rights of civility and sat down with him. I soon found him a vigorous thinker, and the conversation developed the fact that he had a favorite daughter, whose little history he gave me, indicating that she was a girl of fine mentality, good judgment, and possessed of fine elocutionary powers. He regretted to me that she was not a boy. I said to him: "You should be satisfied. Had she been a boy, in all probability he would have been very mediocre. You ought to be content with the good things that the Gods give you." He further said that with her mentality and her splendid elocutionary powers. were she a boy, she could make her way in the world so much better. I said I

Canada and the far West; and all who come express delight in finding such a lovely camp. The greatest harmony and good order prevails, and everything is running smoothly. Thursday afternoon Clegg Wright

gave a masterly lecture in answer to one delivered at Chautauqua by Prof. Coe, on "Hallucinations." A synopsis of Mr. Wright's lecture was published in the Buffalo Express, but the entire lecture was taken by a stenographer. and could be printed in pamphlet form. Friday afternoon Lyman C. Howe gave one of his exceeding fine lectures, the subject being Mind and Its Relation to Matter. Those who have listened to Mr. Howe can imagine the feast he spread before his audience. At the

close of the lecture. Mr. Macdonald, of London, Ont., rendered a fine musical selection which was heartily encored, Mrs. Connor assisting as planist. The tion to The Progressive Thinker, which lyceum gave a fine entertainment which was highly appreciated. Miss cine Lodge, Kansas. This subscription | Austin reports over sixty little ones in has a history. Before leaving home in attendance and she is admirably fitted June, I was trying an important case in to train them, assisted by Miss Peter-

> Thus far the meeting has been a success in every way, and the management may properly congratulate themselves on having one of the best camps on record. The masterly lectures which have been given on this rostrum every year is a fair index of the high ideals which actuate the minds of those having control of the programmes which have so long been set before the public at Lily Dale camp."

MARY WEBB-BAKER. Lily Dale, N. Y., July 26, 1900.

Freeville Camp, N. Y.

The Central New York Spiritualist Association, Freeville, N. Y., fifth annual camp, opens Saturday, July 28, closes Sunday, August 12. J. C. F. Grumbine, Syracuse, N. Y.; J. W. Dennis, Buffalo, N. Y.: Dr. J. M. Peebles, Battle Creek, Mich.; T. Grimshaw, St. Louis, Mo., and other noted speakers and mediums will be present during the

camp. Mrs. Brewer, of Belmont, N. Y., will act as test and platform medium. This flourishing camp now owns ten acres of a good location for a camp a few rods east of the Lehigh Valley railroad station. It has a nice auditorium built within an area of 70 x 90 feet, capable of seating about 1,000 people. J. C. F. Grumbine of Syracuse, is the speaker for Sunday, July 29. Dr. J. M. Peebles comes the Sunday following. B. L. Robluson is president, and J. W. Dennis and the president will act as doubted that; that the field for intelli-

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the annual meeting of the State Spirit- peated the warning cries in various ual Association. The camp ground is forms several times, and then subsided. filling up at a lively rate, many cottages | Mr. Jennings was away at the time, being occupied by Spiritualists from all having been absent on a fishing trip, parts of the state. President Millspaugh has gone to the grounds to take when he was told of the strange occurup his residence during the meeting." Mattle E. Hull is engaged for the en-

tire session of the Ashley, Ohio, camp. In connection with her lecture work, she has been engaged to take charge of the lyceum. If desired, she will form classes for psychic study, also for instruction and drill in physical culture. or other he was restrained. He was a She will resume the lyceum work in the | witness of the terrible accident, but Spiritual Temple, Buffalo, N. Y., the first Sunday of October. She is at liberty to make engagements either for lyceum work or lectures during the month | Sigourney, says: "The meeting on Friof September.

J. S. Harrington writes: "The Church of the Spirit Communion, 4308 Cottage Grove avenue, will continue to hold services through the summer. The conference meetings at 3 p. m. are very interesting. Professor Hallowell gives a very able scientific and interesting lecture every second week, in the evening and each alternate Sunday he answers all questions on Spiritual subjects. The services are followed by spirit messages through H. F. Coates and others, which are so convincing as to leave no ground for the skeptic to stand on. The picnic billets then followed, raps designating before. Of course I have stirred up a held July 21, in Jackson Park, was a very enjoyable affair. The Ladies' Auxiliary will give an ice cream social on the evening of August 4, at the home of Mrs. La Mont, 233 Thirty-second street. Admission 15 cents. All are invited."

Lillie A. Keepers writes from New Mexico: "I took The Progressive Think- | collected and before Mrs. von Freitag er for six months on trial, and like it so | had touched them, she asked some skepwell that I want to continue taking it. | tic or skeptics to come forward and ex-My mother and I have just returned amine them to see if all were tightly from Spring Hill, Kansas, where we folded. Two men went up, and after went to attend the Aber Intellectual examining them at some length, an-Circle, after reading the book, 'Rending | nounced to the house that they were the Vail.' The manifestations which we satisfied that no one could read the witnessed there were wonderful. We papers as they were folded. The lady where he was standing.'

as the season progresses, among the the crowd which is coming to attend enough. You will be killed.' She re present being Mrs. Sheets of Grand Ledge, Mrs. Barton of Minneapolis. Mrs. Claman of Chicago, Harry Warner of Chicago, Mrs. Burland of Muskegon, but returned a few minutes later, and May Cecil Lincoln of Buffalo, D. P. Dewey of Grand Rapids, and many rence, offered an explanation which in others. It has been the intention of the part solved the mystery. He had just management this year to avoid as far come through the street and was at the as possible the sensational features and railroad crossing when James Snee atto raise Spiritualism to a standard tempted to cross the tracks and was where it will be respected and considkilled. At the time he was about to atered a philosophy worthy the consideratempt the crossing also, but somehow tion of all thinking men and women. S. R. Spates writes: "Since the China" war and our subjugation of the Phili-

himself escaped." pinos and our glorious duty of giving The noted California medium, Mrs. them the improved code of Christianity. Freitag, is in Iowa. The Review, of and making of them a great and mighty nation according to the orthodox standday was not very well attended, owing ing, there has been much controversy to the threatened storm. The lecture was about the religions, philosophy, etc., of full of interest to those present, howthese Oriental nations. I take the ever. Mrs., Freitag referred in the

ground that India, China, etc., were the course of her talk to the criticism in the birthplace of religious ideas, and that Review of her 'fierce attacks on other Christ was a reformer versed in the beliefs,' and said she was sorry for that, as she knows there are just as good, upright and conscientious people in the and brotherhood of man as taught by churches of all denominations as there Buddha and others, of course adding his are who call themselves Spiritualists. own inspired thoughts and his grand And there are some of truth in each depersonality into his teachings. Our nomination, else it would not exist at Bible is made up of matter the suball. The giving of names and answerstance of which had been taught ages ing of questions from the tightly folded hornets' nest by making these statethe proper billet in each case correctly. ments. Did not Christ study in Egypt, Everyone seemed satisfied with the analso in India, and become familiar with swers. On Saturday evening the house the occult sciences of his day? I say it was well filled and the lecture was even is simon pure egotism in us as an inmore interesting than on the former evening. At the beginning of the se-

countries as something direct from God, ance, after the slips of paper had been when in the main it is almost entirely absorbed from the religio-philosophical works of so-called heathens." The Tribune of Tipton, Ind., says: "Thursday night there was an interesting meeting at the Spiritualist temple in this city, and the reports that come from the meeting are such as to arouse the greatest curiosity. At the temple went there perfect strangers. A num- then requested the two gentlemen to re- on West street the followers of the ber of our dear ones in spirit life ma- main on the rostrum a little while, as faith have the room fitted up in the terialized. I received a beautiful crayon her guides told her there was a question most approved manner and the medium picture of a sister on the other side, not properly addressed. According to of the meeting Thursday night was Mrs. most beautiful, poetry and messages which I saw the spirit artist draw with her instructions they divided the papers | Thomas, of Ohio. She is a trumpet as | from the departed ones are given both hands, he having called me up to into piles, and guided by raps soon se- well as a materializing medium and her through her, and often splendid tests lected the proper, paper. This was I friends say the results of her meetings | are given, that are recognized. I would

the faculties of soul life. mediums who have promised to be

Geo. M. Ramsey writes: "I wish you would call attention to a bad slip of the type in the article you kindly published, viz., 'Is Man Immortal?' Read 'arborial' man, not 'abnormal' man, and 'synthetic methods' not 'sympathetic methods.'"

Mrs. Lettle G. Keller writes: "The premium books you sent are grand, and so says my friend, Mrs. Stout. She has loaned her books to others and they are delighted with them, and I am very glad I sent for them, for she takes solid comfort reading them."

D. D. Duncan writes from Kansas: "I can do without a great many things better than I can without The Progressive Thinker, for it has turned darkness into light for me. It is almost like living in another world to me."

W. E. Bonney, writes: "We have just concluded arrangements for a ten days' camp-meeting to be held at the Crete Chautauqua grounds, Crete, Neb., commencing August 16 and closing August philosophy of those countries and teach- 26 inclusive. H. We will have good ing along the same line, bringing in love | speakers and mediums. The grounds are eminently adapted for the purpose, and we hope for a grand success. James Campbell, president; W. E. Bonney, vice-president." F.

H. C. Bordewich writes from Christiania, Norwaya (Box 160): "Quite an interest seems to be awakening in spiritual matters just now. dWhile there is no vival in real earnest. Get off at 119 apparent boom, the growth is steady and sure, and I am aware of a number of circles that are being held, not only in this city but in several smaller towns fant nation to take our religion to those | in the country of mediums we have several under development; one Mr. G., who is controlled to speak in foreign tongues which none can interpret; several professors of psychology, history, language and philosophy, at the Chris-tiania University, have many times been present at our circles, but they are; at a loss to find out which the languages are: they are quite puzzled. One Miss S. is a fine trance medium; sometimes she also gives good tests, and another one, Mrs. C., is a wonderful medium for automatic writing, etc. The

was perhaps greater than the field for the occasion may require. We invite young men, and spoke to him of our the attention of all central New York mutual friend, Mrs. Brown, whose ex- people to this camp where all are free to express their views in a liberal mancellent capacities as an oratress gave. her a successful way wherever she ner without hindrance or restraint. went. I had in my valise at the time a carbon copy of the lecture that I sent to you for publication. I read him the Deep Lake, Ill. invocation, which as you will perhaps Since the 10th of July, (the opening remember, is one of particular strength day of our camp) we have been enjoyand great beauty, and I may say, oraing the pleasures, both spiritually and

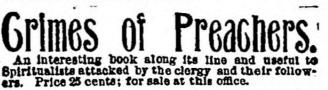
torical power. He was charmed and delighted with it, wanted to know the materially, that a camp can afford. history of the woman, the history of the Our beautiful situation which nature cause she represented, and the philosohas so bountifully designed seems to be phy which she undertook to inculcate. one of the main attractions. During the This, of course, was a pleasing thing to first week the inclement weather someme, and I entered upon it gladly. He what retarded our programme; also the attendance, but during the last ten days then asked me what would I take for there has been a splendid increase of the lecture and invocation. He said, arrivals and the programme has been "My daughter must see that." I told filled without any hindrances. During him he could not buy it with all the wealth in the universe, but he could the past week we have had the pleasure have a copy of it. I said, "It will be of listening to several lectures delivered published in a paper, and you can beby Mrs. Augusta Armstrong, of Bufcome a subscriber to it and get it." He falo, N. Y. Her lectures were not only wanted to know the price and I told instructive but sublime. This lady him, He handed me a dollar." The has made many warm friends among lecture to which Mr. Wray alludes will the Spiritualists and others of our camp. One important feature of our

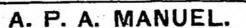
success is the dancing parties held Wednesday and Saturday evenings in our spacious and beautiful pavilion. These call many from the neighboring towns and awakens their interest for investigating our thought. street and Portland avenue."

B. B. Hill, of Philadelphia, is now having a good time at Lily Dale, N.-Y. G. V. Cordingley writes of Deep Lake Spiritualist Camp: "We are having great success here, at the present time owning all our property, such as tents and auditorium, dining-room, etc., and the prospects are that we will own the grounds in a very short time, as we have formed a syndicate which is to number 140 people at \$100 each, as stock-holders. Each stock-holder is entitled to a lot 25 x 50 feet, which is to be deeded to them; the balance of the ground is always to belong to the syndicate. This consists of 125 acres. One member of the association has donated one thousand dollars. To-day we took in twelve signers at \$100 each, and many more are expected during the

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month of August."

be published in The Progressive Thinker next week. Helen Berry writes: "The South Chicago True Spiritual Society will hold a picnic at Pullman, August 5, to which all are cordially invited to attend. bring luncheon and have a spiritual re-



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NOTE.-The Questions and Answers have called forth such a host of respondents, that to give all equal hearing compels the answers to be made in the most condensed form, and often clearness is perhaps sacrificed to this forced brevity. Proofs have to be omltted, and the style becomes thereby assertive, which of all things is to be deprecated. Correspondents often weary with waiting for the appearance of their questions and write letters of inquiry. The supply of matter is always several weeks ahead of the space given, and hence there is unavoidable dela for him. He advised us to board with Every one has to wait his time and place, and all are treated with equal favor.

NOTICE-No attention will be given no person having been able to sleep anonymous letters. Full name and address must be given, or the letters will had been killed during a neighborhood not be read. If the request be made, dispute in his dooryard, by being the name will not be published. The correspondence of this department has become excessively large, especially letters of inquiry requesting private answers, and while I freely give what-ever information I am able, the ordiuary courtesy of correspondents is ex-HUDSON TUTTLE. pected.

R. R. O. Mack: Q. What is the condition of a suicide, who as a medium became under evil control and unbalanced mentally at times? /

tal condition of the suicide. There may be circumstances which make this and into this we threw ourselves after life such a torture that it is a pleasure | carefully extinguishing the lantern and to escape and enter a new existence. There may be no causes for regret. Yet in the great majority of cases,

A FARM HOUSE. Certainly Haunted. 18

The "truly" ghost is still at large and may be met occasionally, sometimes indeed helping to form another of the many attractions of this most attractive state.

There is nothing particularly romantic or pleasing, however, in the tale of this ghost to be chronicled for the first time. It has existed for several years, a nameless horror in an otherwise peaceful neighborhood, and the house itself, the haunted house, has been as long a time tenantless, save for its unearthly inhabitant.

The story was told your correspondent by a most reliable young man, and is as

follows: In the northern part of Franklin county, the name of the town is not necessary, there stands a farm-house, rather remote from its neighbors, empty and deserted; with broken doors and shutters swinging in the wind. The owner of this farm lives in a distant village and one summer not long ago a young Irishman and myself hired to cut hay one of the farmers in the place, rather than attempting to stay in the house,

and finally after a little hesitation, informed us that the house was haunted, there over night since the former owner

stabbed in the abdomen by a dull knife, his wife being present during the struggle of the two men.

We were not superstitious, however, and insisted upon spending our nights in the ghost's company, and when our first day's work was ended, we sat in what had been the family sitting room and enjoyed a peaceful smoke, laughing at superstition and explaining away all the absurd notions and supernatural

theories of the too credulous people. When our pipes were out we decided to "turn in," Our bed was a sort of

A. It depends entirely on the men- straw bunk in the corner of the room, no doubt made by former having crews kerosene stove.

Pat was soon asleep and though his snoring was anything but ghostly, I felt sociation of Spiritualists will open at



Ashley Camp. O. This camp begins July 29, and ends August 19, 1900. For programmes ad-

dress H. Baxter, Ashley, Ohio.

Maple Dell Camp, O.

The National Spiritual and Religious Camp Association will hold its twelfth ending September. For full particulars dress Lucy King, corresponding secretary, Mantua, Ohio.

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. Ad-dress Albert P. Blinn, Clerk, 603 Tremont 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.

Chesterfield Camp, Ind.

The camp-meeting of the Indiana As-

Colorado Camp.' ISLAND LAKE, MICH. Canyon Camp, opens in South Boulder Canyon, July 1, and confinues through July, August, and possibly September. Any information desired, in regard to this new and interesting movement may be obtained by writing May Taylor, Box 780, Denver, Colo. 19

Lake Sunapee, N. H.

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

The twenty-third annual Lake Suna-pee Spiritualist Camp-meeting will be held at Blodgett's Landing, N. H., for four weeks, commencing Sunday, July 29, and closing Sunday, August 26, 1900. a review of the early movement of the For programmes address the secretary, organization and the formation of the W. H. Wilkins, Clafemont, N. H. Ladies' Auxiliary which did so much to furnish the hotel with the requisite

Marshalltown, Iowa. linen, etc. At the close she was loudly

The Central Iowa Spiritualist Assocheered. The musical programme is in charge clation will hold its annual camp at Marshalltown, Iowa, September 2 to of Prof. Hudson, who is equal to the oc-September 16 inclusive. Grounds openet casion.

to campers after August 27. For in-President J. H. White arrived Friday formation or programs address W. H. Wilson, 301 N. Center street, Marshallevening with his family, from Port Hu ron, and has been hustling to put everything in good shape and in harmonious town, Iowa.

Haslett Park, Mich.

Eighteenth annual assembly of Spirdrew a comparison of the landing of the tualists at Haslett Park, Mich, August 2 to September 4, 1900, inclusive. For and the landing of the first boat at the now Island Lake camp grounds. Sunday, the 22d, Rev. B. F. Austin delivered his first address from the text, programmes address J. D. Richmond, secretary, St. Johns, Mich., or G. F.

The Nebraska State Spiritualist Association will hold its second annual doxy and the decaying creeds, and ad-Crete, Neb., from August 16 till August from Lincoln. The grounds are very conveniently and pleasantly situated and every effort will be put forth to and the answer, supposed to be plenamake the meeting a success. Further particulars may be obtained of James Campbell, president, Havelock, Neb. and guilt and spiritual depravity

for the race the forfeited favor of God, on Sunday, July 22. The speakers present who took part in the exercises were F. D. Dunakin, Mrs. Carrie Firth Curran and A. J. Weaver. D. M. King, president of the association, made an address of welcome and introduced M. during the camp season, who made anpropriate remarks.



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Ottmar, Riley, Mich. Nebraska State Camp. annual session, commencing July 22, camp at the Crete Chautauqua Grounds, and programme, enclose stamp and ad- 26 inclusive. Crete is about 20 miles

Maple Dell Camp, Ohio. The opening of this camp took place

and also to show the necessity of that mysterious change by which the sinner becomes a saint. This was a most damnable doctrine-one of the most degrading ever taught by and to man. Man was indeed under the law of he-C. Danforth as permanent chairman | redity, he was badly born, badly reared, | Chicago Times-Herald. he was undeveloped, and largely under the sway of the material and earthly conditions, yet to say that his spiritual (divine) nature was spiritually de-

Mr. Weaver opened the regular ad-

conditions. Friday was ploneer day. The opening address was made by Dr. Briggs, who

"What must I do to be sayed?" which

often applauded, cutting like a two-

edged sword at the old hulk of ortho-

vocated a life of good deeds more than

This question has been a text of or-

thodoxy through the ages. The question

rily inspired, had been used to establish

through Adam's transgression, and the

necessity of an atonement to win back

Investigation had proved there were

Eve, and these could not have shared

in the fruit of his apple stealing. An-

thropology showed there had been no

monized with the current evolution

answers were given. Paul said faith

and baptism were necessary to salva-

tion; Peter said repentance and baptism

were necessary; Jesus said, "Bring forth

fruits worthy of repentance"-in short

amend your lives, live justly and lov-

pentance, baptism, or conversion. True,

Jesus taught the spiritual birth in John

lii., but that is a vastly different thing

Man needed salvation from ignorance,

passion, habit, bad environment, wrong

social conditions, and mostly from or-

mission to the age and race. 2. Recog-

nize the call of humanity for help, and

ligion was of the people, by the people

light of this age.

a life of creeds. He said in part:

was listened to with rapt attention, and

there will surely be regrets, so intense that the spirit in its attempt to escape the ills of earth-life finds itself overtaken by greater pain. The mind unbalanced by physical causes, will be-come chaos, and the fact that it is sensitive to evil control, is not a factor to be considered. Exceptions are so few that it may be stated as a rule, that to cut short the thread of earthly life is loss to the spirit. To bravely and courageously meet the affairs of life, bear one's burdens, fulfill obligations, and preserve over all a serene mind above temporal failures, and chaffing cares, is the law of our existence.

"Student": Q. Can one who often has prophetic dreams, which invariably are fulfilled, cultivate this talent?

A. The more attention one gives to such dreams, the more vividly they will be presented. Such dreams are impressions from spirit friends, who find the recipient more sensitive during sleep than while awake.

R. R. C. Mack: Q. In the apparent struggles and pain sometimes accompanying death, is the spirit conscious of pain?

A. However painful the approach to death may be, the final passage is free from pain. The spasms which sometimes are observed, are caused by the disturbed balance of nervous energy, in the motor tract, and are not felt by the sensory nerves. The spirit has fallen into an unconscious state-like trance, from which it awakens freed from the physical body.

T. A. Mervin: Q. Mr. Darwin claims that soul-germs are distinct entities, and never evolve one into another; that the negro race can never be evolved into a white race. Now what cross of a soul-germ is that, that from involution produces the mulatto, and why no soul-germ can be found to continue the evolution? Are the Negro and Indian races cut off from progression? Or is their spiritual birth necessary to it? Have the spiritual realms higher and lower spheres of soul-germs, or does the germ have to depend upon the conditions of the matter from which it evolves in its process of involution? A. This correspondent has an erro-

neous understanding of Darwin's theory of evolution. That theory has no place for "soul-germs," and hence all speculations or questions taking that view are irrelevant. Evolution recognizes no foreign influence acting on matter. It simply follows the lines of The physical germ and "soul germ" are | who has never spent a night in that hor- | N. Y.

after a time for I was suddenly din, secretary, Anderson, Indiana. aroused by a sound as of someone unloading boards in the yard, and a thril of horror run over me as I remembered that the murdered man had been unloading boards at the time of his difficulty. But by the time I was fully awake the sound had ceased and Pat lay sleeping peacefully, so, deciding that I had been awakened by a hanging shutter. I turned over and composed myself for the night. But just as I was beginning to enter the borders of dreamland, a shriek-if shriek it could

be called-rang out, that brought me onto my feet in an instant. And simultaneous with my own spring to the floor came Patrick. "Mother of God, preserve us! What

was that?" he exclaimed in a shaking voice. And while I lighted the lantern with trembling hands, the wild despairing moans and sobs of a woman could be plainly heard from the yard. But that scream of mortal agony! May I never hear another like it!

Well, we inspected the yard, the house, barns, sheds, everything, and found all peaceful and quiet, and a half hour later were in bed again. Near the foot of our improvised couch was a door leading into a large oldfashioned kitchen and in the center of this floor was a trap whereby the cellar was reached. After a time I heard this trap door open, not cautiously, not noisily, but in an ordinary manner and then the footsteps of someone passing to and fro in the room. We hastily lighted matches and as the light

flamed up the sounds ceased, commencing again as soon as we were in darkness. Well, we lighted the lantern, explored the kitchen and cellar and at last thoroughly tired out, flung ourselves down again, the moment we were in darkness being obliged to listen to the opening and closing of that door and the easy step, step, step of the invisible guest. At last the oil in both lantern and stove was exhausted and it was nearly morning, I was awakened from a troubled doze by Pat who was setting fire to the straw on which we slept, saying that we must have light and our matches

were nearly gone. But immediately the first rays of dawn crept through the window and our visitor left us in peace for that time. ished his story, "I did not believe in ghosts then and I don't believe in them now. But I can't explain the occurrences of that night. Neither can

growth in the world of living beings. credit an explanation from any person B. L. Robinson, president, Freeville, lowed by J. Clegg Wright.

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,

Glasco, Kansas. Cassadaga Camp, N. Y. This favorite place of resort offers an attractive programme the coming season. The camp opens July 13 and closes August 26. Write to the secretary, A. E. Gaston, Meadville, Pa., for

programmes. **Onset Camp-Meeting.** Commences July 15, and closes Au-

gust 26, 1900. For further particulars address Secretary, Onset, Mass. Vicksburg Camp.

The seventeenth annual camp-meet-

ing of Vicksburg, Mich., will be held in Fraser's Grove, commencing August 3, and closing August 26, 1900. For further information address Jeannette Fraser, Manager, Vicksburg, Kalamazoo county, Mich.

Lake Brady.

The camp grounds will be open for picnics June 1, extending through the summer. The camp-meeting opens July , closing September 1. Anyone wishing a Lake Brady program will please write Geo. N. Abbott, Lake Brady, via Kent, Ohio, or E. R. Kidd, Canton, Ohio.

Mount Pleasant Park, Ia.

The eighteenth annual camp-meeting of the Mississippi Valley Spiritualists' Association will be held at Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa, from July 29 to August 26, 1900. All wishing circulars should write to the secretary, Stella A. Fisk, 18 N. 11th street, Keokuk, Iowa. Those wishing to rent tents, etc., should write to John Nelson, Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa.

The Ottawa Camp. The Ottawa, Kansas, Spiritualist camp-meeting, from August 8 to August

13 inclusive. H. W. Henderson, pres-"Now," said the young man, as he fin- ident, Lawrence, Kans.; Ezra Carpenter, secretary, Wellsville, Kans.

Grand Ledge, Mich.

Freeville Camp. N. Y. Opens July 29 and closes August 12.

uneasy and lay on my back wide-awake | Chesterfield, Ind., July 19, and close | presses of the morning, not by formal and staring straight into the darkness. August 20, 1900. For programmes and prayer to God, but by expressing in fit- praved, was a libel on humanity, and However, I must have dropped asleep further information address Flora Har- ting words the love and reverence we a scandal on the Infinite spirit which feel for the living principles of truth | rules the universe. No man was a sinand goodness and the joy and gratitude | ner by virtue of Adam's transgression; There was not, and could not be any vicourse.

carlous sin or virtue. This doctrine of Mr. Dunakin paid a warm tribute to the valuable revelations which nature hereditary sin and depravity, though is ever making to the receptive spirit of | taught through the ages, preached by man, and Mrs. Curran gave her testi- theologians, sanctioned by scripture, etc., was melting away in the increasing mony to the importance of the truths brought to the front by the great Spiritualist movement of the age.

races of people before the time fixed by A good audience was in attendance. Excellent music was furnished by the Troy Cornet Band. I The strains of harmony from its instruments, added to the beauties of nature, made the mornfall in man, but a constant rise in physing one of the most delightful ever known at Maple Dell. I understand ical structure, mental power and spirituality from the first. This fact barthat the services of this fine band have been secured for the season.

philosophy, but squarely contradicted Maple Dell has been in existence for orthodoxy. eleven years, and never was stronger Again, the doctrine of hereditary and better equipped for effective work guilt through Adam and of a spiritual than it is to-day. At its head is the inregeneration necessitated thereby, was defatigable worker D: M! King. It is no part of the teachings of Jesus, and not a large camp, but in Bharmony of could not be inferred from his wordsthought and action, in moral tone and in granting he said everything attributed intellectual aims, I do not know a single to him in the New Testament. When camp which surpasses it. I hardly the question, "What must I do to be know of one which equals it: The obfectionable features' which are generally saved?" and similar questions were propounded in the New Testament to found at larger camps do' not obtain Paul, Peter and Jesus, three different here.

On this account it has won the confidence of the people in 'the neighborhood who are not Spiritualists and they speak of it and of its officers with respect. Those who desire to spend the season at a Spiritualist camp where ingly, and not a word about faith, reboth nature and Spiritualism are clean and pure and at their best, can do no better than to come to Maple Dell. The desire exists here, which is fast

from orthodox regeneration. It was a growing up in other, camps to make birth out of the material and earthly camp work educational. During the conditions into the spiritual, but that past year a school building fifty feet took place naturally in the progress of by twenty-five feet in size, and two man's development, and in most cases stories high has been erected and is beat death only. ing finished off into recitation and lec-. ture rooms. The auditorium has received a new coat of paint and the grounds show that the spirit of improvement dominates at Maple Dell. thodoxy. "What must we do?" 1. Recognize that we have a special work to do, a So the good work goes on.

A. J. WEAVER.

Lily Dale Camp.

the angel world for co-operation. 8. In-One week of the assembly at this culcate our beautiful philosophy in our life by the eloquence of true living. 4. camp has passed, and in every way has We must rescue religion from the hands fully realized the anticipations of the management and guests. Carrie Twing has given her pleasing addresses and gone. Moses Hull also has completed his work here for the summer, to be foland for the people, and not in the hands of a monopoly of a priestly syndicate.

We have now at Lily Dale such lights 5. We must simplify religion, purify it

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was on the rostrum at the time, con-

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gust 26. For further particulars and The camp was well attended yester- | full programmes, write to M. F. Phares day, and all who came were well repaid. | or Geo. H. Sheets, Grand Ledge, Mich. At the morning meeting Mr. Holmes

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gave descriptions and messages. At the evening service Mr. Edgerly was able to mencing July 10 and closing September talk to us. His lecture was grand. Mr. 1. Those who intend to camp with us Ripley then entertained the people forplease let us know in time so that we more than thirty minutes with mescan make preparations for you. Adsages from loved ones to persons in the dress G. V. Cordingley, President, 3300 audience, all of which were recognized. Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Island Lake. Mich.

ing we have yet had, although not more Island Lake Camp, Island Lake, Michinteresting than many of our previous Igan, commences Thursday, July 19, and ones. In making comment of any meetings I intend to be fair and impartial to closes September 3. For further information address the secretary. Ella B. all workers who come to us to labor with us in the case of truth. So if I Brown, 266 Twenty-first street, Deever chance to say anything which may | trolt, Mich.

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corresponding secretary. Niantic Camp.

ter is still with us and will stay till The Connecticut Spiritualist Camp-August 4. We shall be sorry to lose Meeting Association, at Niantic campthem both, for they have endeared grounds, Niantic, Conn; season of 1900. themselves to us by their many acts of love and kindness during their stay commencing June 25 and continuing unhere for a progressive camp, and under with us. Our afternoon meetings were | til September 8, inclusive. For prothe right management we feel sure of so well attended that it was decided to grammes address Mary A. Hatch, secre- at the same time discountenancing all keep them up, so we now have three | tary. South Windham; Conn.

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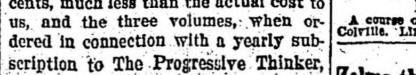
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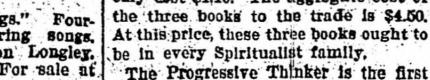


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