

decay, the political ruin, the military in-This is so very sensible, practical and eptitude, the religious degradation, the dal a remark that one wonders that its maker ever committed the dull imutter ruin, of the nation, the priests pertinence of being a missionary at all, might truthfully, when asked to show and we would suggest that instead of the outcome of their power and their influence, answer, "look around." returning to the land of the enlightened Confucian she begin at once a campaign When she entered on her late disastrous war with the United States, among her own tribe at home and persuade them to stay where they belong and teach Christianity to Christians. Crispi, Italy's great statesman, on be-ing asked his opinion answered, "It is I have no stone to throw at the Chris- the end of Spain. The Spaniards have their heels he sought out this place and much more could have been accomtian religion; with all its faults it serves shown themselves cruel, barbarous, entered to find it deserted. So recently plished. The N. S. A. has now had an its purpose among Europeans as far and utterly incapable of governing the had it been occupied that food was still south as Turkey, because it happens to Pearl of the Antilles. The prime cause suit the needs. Let them live in it of all this is the general state of ignorand die in it to their sentiment's content, but in heaven's name let them likewise practice the sensible adage, "Live and let live," That, throughout the rapid progress of the new-religion, Mohammedism, Buddhism and Confucianism have refused to tremble on their immemorial pillars, is sufficient proof that Christianity has shouldered to its nethermost borders and must hereafter be content with a third of the habitable globe. So far as my knowledge of all religions go Christianity is superior to the others in one thing only-the stunning quality of its egoism, Each of these other creeds, made as impersonal as profound by the weight of their centuries, is wisely content with the soil which has nourished it richly since the seeds burst. It neither cares nor would it be guilty of the rudeness of attempting to murder another creed.' It is only the Christian, in all the fussiness of his plebelanism, who would displace that which his brain is not capable of understanding fetiches, a man-made priesthood. for the crudities of the country Sundayschool. He reminds me of Senator Beveridge, intoxicated with his rhetoric and the applause of the matinee girls in the Senate gallery, shaking his fist in Senator Allison's face and thundering-in | ical decadence, mental stagnation. effect. I cannot remember his precise there you find the priesthood battening words: "You old fogies have got to on the life-blood of the people, and, as a listen to and be guided by me-me vox populi!" .. Are there any men of high intelligence missionaries? I was quite sincere in my first lines in asserting that I at the Celtic south and west of Ireknew of none; and all my life I have | land, look at the cantons of Switzerread of them, met their friends, and land peopled by the Latins; look at the even heard them lecture. Six years ago | southern provinces of Luther's land. I went to a church in Yonkers one even- | where Luther's work was not at all. or ing with an evangelical acquaintance to only partly done; look at Spain and listen to two young Scotchmen on their | Italy and France and Austria and Portway to India. They were good-looking. strapping young men, who ought to have been soldiers of the Queen, and they were educated well out of illiteracy. But they did not have a fourthrate brain between them. They did not make a remark that was not contempible. They were silly, bathostical senti- in them you see grinding poverty; in mentalists, and if they vented the phrase "the sweet old story" once they vented it twenty-five times. No man ever made such an ass of himself in his first love letters, and I felt so ashamed for them that I was uncomfortable and finally got up and walked out. And these young fools were going over to squirt Christianity at Buddha's thumb. A man I know has just returned from Japan and traveled with a number of missionaries who had escaped the just mon sense is being lifted up to smite

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the siege. After telling what the foreigners did, after comparative quiet had been restored, he says: "The Rev. W. S. Ament, who is at the head of the American Board Missions

in Pekin, remembered a certain nobleman's residence from which all sorts of Boxer troubles emanated. While the Chinese were fleeing from the city with the soldiers of the foreign nations at

conscience and prevent freedom of was thought, and such have been and are life, still content to drift along an unorgan-ized and aimless body, with the idea lytic

that the dear angels will take care of their own cause without organized effort on our part.

That Spiritualism has made wonder-ful strides without organization is true, but there are many thoughtful persons who realize that in organized effort

It is true in 1889 I did receive a paralytic stroke which was both severe and decided, but it only affected my agnos-ticism or infidelity. My scientific stud-ies led me into materialism and disbe-lief in a future existence beyond the grave. With me death closed the drama of human life. There was no future of conscious existence, only a long eter-nity of annihilation or nothingness. I visited Lily Dale and the second day of of two mediums, Dr. Watkins and Mr. Keeler, I did receive a shock to my agnosticism that was fatal to it, and be no mistake; I found that I was surrounded by a number of unseen intelligences that had all the characteristics of friends that had long since passed over the mystic river of death. Their identity was as certainly manifested as that of any of my numerous clients and business correspondents. Four long weary years I had wandered in doubt and uncertainty. Like a wanderer in the dreary wastes of Sahara's terrible sands and solitudes. I saw nothing around me but an uninhabited boundless area of desolation. with no vista beyond the range of my clouded vision. In a few moments' time there was revealed to me the beautiful oasis of the spirit life; with dren. I was in the habit of taking jourjoy unspeakable I visited it and there amid a wealth of summer verdure of trees and flowers I found a spring of living water. The joy of that moment was unspeakable, and future investigation has shown me that it was not a mirage or a phantom of the atmosphere but a living fact, as clearly proven by the logic of experience and the philosophy of our beautiful religion as any physical force in nature's, broad domain. I care very little for the discussion of the existence or non-existence of an infinite intelligence... To my mind there are three immortal or . eternal existences-matter, force and intelligence. It matters not which name we give to this intelligence. That it exists is evident to every thinking mind. It is as useless for conventions to try to argue out of existence this intelligence as to annihilate matter and force by mental ratiocination. A construction of two different physical forms like the sexes in both animal and vegetable life to produce the phenomena of future procreation is unmistakable evidence of a design which could not exist without intelligence commensurate with the object to be accomplished. But I wander from my subject; a present I am in excellent health: I am actively employed in the practice of my profession, and growing stronger every year in the convictions of a future for man, and an increasing knowledge of a force that permits a communication with an unseen world. I amaware of the fact that I am rapidly approaching the boundaries of this life-that in the language of the accom-

It is a mistake to suppose that we enter the eternal life after death. It began at our birth. An insignificant part of this eternal life is spent on snow was still falling, the gentleman, have outgrown the lower, so are we sitting alone by the fire with his dog, transferred by death to other realms, noticed him growing uneasy and restwhere larger opportunities and dutles less in manner. Presently the dog got will greet us.

up and whines for the door of the room to be opened. Thinking he wanted to When that change comes into our experience it will be like opening a door go to the kitchen for food, his owner | from a dark room to a room brilliantly, opened the door and let the dog out, lighted. Death cannot entail in anybut the animal returned and seemed to | wise a loss, but is always an advantage. expect something further of him. Go-ing out into the hall after the dog, he of neither memory or affection, nor in found him making the same signs of any degree of our personality. The

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cooking on the fire. The Boxer patron's
ance in the upper as well as the lower
classes. It is the priesthood, absolutely
sovereign, which has led that fine coun-
try into ruin."
 Well and truly did Crispi speak, and
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with the full assurance of absolute his Chinese followers and a few Conknowledge, knowledge forced upon him by the condition of abject misery to which the priesthood had reduced his himself quite justified in seizing the own country and his own countrymen, house, for there was evidence that it until, at last, Cayour and Garibaldi and Victor Emmanuel rose up and drove before them, at bayonet point and cannon mouth, the vampire host which for ten dark and sorrow-laden centuries had feasted on the life-blood of the people. Boxer rites,

Tersely but fully did Garibaldi sum the situation up when, surveying the ignorance, the poverty, the brutal depravity, and the crime-encrusted lives of the Italian people, he sorrowfully exclaimed, "the priesthood has been the cancer of Italy." And as of Italy, so of Spain, so of Portugal, 'so of every nation which bows down before and is led to ruin by that most miserable of all Examine, even in the most cursory manner, the world's map, and whenever you find ignorance, lack of commercial enterprise, crime run rampant, politvery cancer eating into the vitals of their industry, their wealth, their pos- day.

sessions, their possibilities for great and good and noble undertakings. Look ugal: look at Mexico and the turmoil- vel of buildings, courts, passageways tossed republics of Central and South and gardens. "The Yu Wang palace was captured America; and in them you see every un-

lovely attribute of humanity magnified and distorted and made more unlovely still; in them you see ignorance settled as a pall upon the masses of the people; them you see bloodshed and riot, blackguardism, and illegitimacy, and in them also you see, hovering over and blasting all who fell beneath its black, pestladen shadow, the priesthood.

But light is flowing in upon the darkness; the light of mental liberty, which is gradually driving the shadows of superstition from this old world of ours; the light of liberty, by the glimmer of whose early dawn the hammer of com-

furniture, fine china, winter furs, and even his jewelry and valuables were intact. He had evidently never dreamed of the foreign armies entering Pekin, and had therefore failed to pack up before leaving. Mr. Ament returned for gregational missionaries and took possession of the place. He considered had been occupied by a Boxer band in the days of the slege. Several rifles were found in the various buildings about the compound, a number of banners, and all the paraphernalia used in

"Mr. Ament considered that the Chinese owed him and his converts anything they had, so he took possession of the palace and settled down to make himself comfortable with what he found around him. In the store-rooms he found rice and grain, and in the stables riding ponics, mules and carts. Some 200 Chinese Ohristians, converts of the Congregationalists, have settled about the place and a small co-operative colony is in operation there. The girls' school has resumed studies in one of the buildings, under the direction of Miss Sheffield. One of the houses has been cleared of furniture, fifted with seats, and is being used as a chapel. where morning prayers are held every day, and regular services, every Sun-

"The other missionaries have sought homes for themselves like the American Board people. The Congregationalists from Tung Chow, headed by the Rev. Mr. Tewksbury, are comfortably stationed in the Yu Wang Fu, the palace of Prince Yu, one of the descendants of the robber chieftain who captured Pekin 250 years ago. This place is a mar-

by Mr. Tewksbury and his people in much the same manner as Pei Le Fu was taken by the Rev. Mr. Ament, but after the soldiers of four nations and the Chinese had taken turns at looting it. There was an astonishing lot of treasures left for the missionaries to gather up. Yu Wang Fu has now been a famous place for several days among the foreign element, because its spoils

are being sold off to all persons who wish them and the money is being applied to a fund for the indemnifying of Christian Chinese who lost their worldly goods during the slege. Prince Yu. could he be present, would probably cry out in dismay at the ruthless dis-

existence of seven years, and while mistakes have been made and doubtless will continue to be made, the fact remains that to-day we have a standing before the world not hitherto attained. There have been abuses in the presentation of our phenomena and philosophy which have caused the blush of shame to mantle the cheeks of many Spiritualists, and which could not be remedied under the old order of go-asyou-please, and no one responsible. We have been powerless to cope with the fake element, the dishonest, the li-

centious and the intemperate, and have been compelled to bear the sneers of the ignorant multitude when rated as a conglomerate mass without definite aim or purpose, and have lost the co-operation of many excellent men

and women, because of our entire lack of common sense methods.

Undoubtedly there are sincere and well-meaning persons who, will con-tinue to oppose the N. S. A., but it seems to the writer that had they been upon the floor of the late convention at Oleveland, they would withhold their criticisms and cease their opposition, at least to the extent of giving the association-a still further " trial "before condemning it. Could they have been present and heard the reports of splendid work airgad # accomplished, could they have seen the bright faces and wit nessed the enrnest manner of every delegate there assembled, each and every one with a sofe determination to cash aside all personal differences, and with

an earnest purpose to work for what they deemed the best good of all concerned, they would at least have given due credit for integrity of purpose however much they might differ in opinion. Delegates, men and women of brains, were assembled from every important state in the Union, and if there were any axes to grind it was not apparent upon the surface.

Never has it been my lot to meet the friends in convention assembled where there was so much harmony and so little friction manifested.

It is my belief that all delegates returned to their homes possessed with a feeling of enthusiasm which augurs well for the future of the N. S. A., and for Spiritualism.

We were royally treated by the citizens, by the press, and by the gentlemen comprising the Business League of Cleveland, and accorded every privilege given to any other body of delegates of whatsoever name or nature.

The generous and whole-souled treasurer of the N. S. A., T. J. Mayer, was about the happiest man in the convention as he tendered to President Bar- | panying poem, by an unknown author, wrath of the Confucians. On Sunday and break in pieces the stony-hearted tribution of his treasure, his scores of rett the deed of our new home. He has I am growing old; yet with the investia splendid physique and his heart is as gation of passing years I am more and

ercise was what the dog wanted. On opened my mental vision to the radiant his opening the door, the dog, contrary sunlight of Spiritualism. There could to his usual custom, turned to the left, and made straight off in a certain direction. Following him at a run, the owner lost sight of him. Whistling and calling did not bring the dog back. He was able to track the animal's footsteps and found him in the act of removing the snow from a wretched waif, a man still living, why from hunger and ex-

posure had fain.ed and was half-frozen. This was some half-mile from the house. A gentleman personally known to me

recounted the following experience: "When I lived at Rustchuk-on-the-Danube I had a very clever pointer. The dog was not used greatly for sport, but was chiefly the companion of my chilneys of several days' duration and uncertain length. Usually I was not able to inform my family of the day of my return. Sometimes the difficulties of traveling made it impossible for me to judge myself when I might return. My of fearing we should welcome it at the dog always knew I used to return home by steamer from the other side of the river. My wife always knew from on the tomb which dispels its darkness, which steamer I should land by the dog's manner. Shortly before the

steamer on which I was about to cross was timed to leave the station on the opposite river bank, the pointer became restless and excited and would go out into the garden to watch the steamer come across to our landing stage. My wife used to say to the children: 'Papa is on the steamer.' The dog never made a mistake, although I might have come by any of the steamers leaving during the day. There was no hazard or guesswork in the 'dog's proceedings. Simply he knew the moment his master set foot on the steamer, and showed that he knew it. Were the other steps

of the journey all a blank to him, or was he, we wonder, through the same means, conscious of his master's doings?" A dachshund, the friend of the children, acknowledged only one grown

up-the children's father. He would lie curled up in the nursery armchair. snoring, certainly sound asleep, until half an hour before the arrival of the dogcart. Then he would go down into the hall and sit in a certain spot. Sometimes his owner arrived at midday, sometimes in the afternoon, sometimes only for 7 o'clock dinner. Certainly the servants knew, and some commotion existed in the house when the return was after a few days' or a week's absence, but nothing disturbed the quiet

my tarrying there, through the agency uneasiness before the hall door. His things which seemed necessary to our owner, therefore, took down hat and earthly comfort, our wealth, for excoat, and thought the usual evening ex- ample, will be left behind because they will be of no use in the new environment, but all the furnishings of the soul will resist death as pure gold resists the testing acid. Character is indestructible and can be changed only as we ourselves, through some inward motive. voluntarily change lt.

> The other side, therefore, is far preferable to this side. Life will be more worth living there than here. We are now hampered by circumstances, but there we shall have uninterrupted freedom to follow our noblest impulses and to become our best selves. Heaven is not a place of rest simply, but rather

> of divine activity. The angels are as busy as we are. God's work must be done by those who remain for yet a little while. The only things that are different are the conditions under which the work is to be done, and these conditions are more favorable than any which prevail here.

If all this be true we should dismiss the ghastly dread with which we regard the change called death. Instead time appointed. Undimmed faith in the future casts a ray of glorious sunshine Death is not an entrance into night, but a journey through lesser light into the greater. Our loved ones do not die, They are born again. They do not leave us, for in very truth they may be nearer to us than ever before. Our mutual love is no more destroyed than when they go to some distant land for a season. I even dare to say that when a dear one goes to heaven there ought to be congratulations mingled with our condolence. Perfect faith casts out all fear, and beneath our sorrow at the loss of the visible presence is the glorious consciousness that the departed are awaiting our coming in a land that is fairer than this.

That all conquering faith is sometimes met. It is the normal condition of a thoroughly devoted soul. It is the result of a religion which has stood the test of experience and made us victorious, of a practical religion which towers above the ambitions and avarice of this present time as a mountain towers above the plain.

I sat not long since by the deathbed of a man who had held these views for many years. He was not simply resigned to his fate, he was glad that the change was about to occur. There was no unnatural exaltation of mind, no abnormal ecstasy. His mental faculties were as clear as the daylight, and his heart was as quiet as a summer lake. He knew that he was God's child and that the Father would care for him. This life had many an allurement, but when told that the end was not far off he bade us all good-by as one who goes which cart went for his master, and, on a journey, assuring us that we should meet again after a little. It seemed to him the simplest thing in the world to die and the most natural. The other life had a divine attraction and he was almost eager to enter into it. I came away with the feeling that the religion which can produce such & result must have the indorsement of the Almighty and is the most desirable possession that we can pray for. It makes one strong to bear the ills oif life, because they are stepping stones to higher things. It is so practical that it seems like a giant who walks by your side, invisible, but always there and always ready to lift you over the hard places. He who has it is already living within the confines of heaven. We must recover from some of our blind prejudices concerning death. It is not an enemy, it is a messenger of God, and such a messenger can never be other than kindly. To Christ it must have been an infinite relief, and to us who follow in his footsteps it is the inn in which we sleep on the last night before we reach home. In the morning when we wake from slumber we find ourselves on the brightyr shore in the presence of the loved who have gone before. Such faith make us peaceful, contented and happy, gla ' to live as long as we may and glad o go when the Father summons us. GEORGE H. HEP, 'ORTH.

mornings they held divine service, and my informant, who is by no means a laye, and many of the preachers, too, scoffer, but a good deal of a Puritan, who have long been weighed in the balsaid that their want of intelligence. their feeble sentimentalism, made him blush for his country. It was all twaddle, all pathos, never an appeal to the intelligence, to the reasoning powers of educated, thinking man. This summer, while I was in the

Adirondacks. I went to the village church to hear a traveling evangel of of the mists of superstition, many some repute. My curiosity took me, for the evangel was a woman, and I wondered what her tactics would be. Perhaps, in spite of a former experience, which I will relate in a moment, I thought that woman might shine in a calling unworthy of an able-bodied man. The first view was encouraging, for she was an intelligent-looking young woman, dressed with a certain taste that indicated common sense. But her discourse was quite the worst I ever heard. She talked for an hour, and she did not make a remark that was not flat and brainless despite her really pitiful earnestness. I was extremely interested, because she prefaced her ad- the American newspapers of May 1 dress with a long supplication, whose | last. The subject is "The Situation in sincerity no one could question, to the the Philippines," and he said the situ-Almighty to put the right words in her ation is summed up as follows: "The mouth to move her hearers and fill them | friars are a menace and a danger to the with the spirit of holiness. But her introduction of civilization." appeal left them quite unmoved, those simple mountain people; try as hard as growing, and the republic has, by a she might she could not "hit them in timely discovery, been awakened to the right spot." The Almighty had no the dangers of allowing vast wealth to use for her. He thought her a poor be accumulated by the servants of the fool, who was going about making an |"true church," who play upon the creass of herself, and he would do nothing | dulity of the living, the terrors of the to encourage her. Otherwise he would dving. Quite recently the "House of have granted her prayer.

. I crossed the ocean once with a young was searched by order of the governwoman from some small Western town. ment. In the cell of one holy "brothwho was on her way to India to teach | er," vowed of course, to poverty, was the Buddhists Christianity with a found in notes, gold, and securities the Chicago accent. She threatened to bore | tidy little sum of £72,000. And now me a good deal so I diverted her mind | France contemplates important changes by warning her that if she were not in the law governing religious becareful India would ruin her complex- quests and the holding of property by ion, which was her only beauty. This | religious communities. so alarmed and interested her that she | In Austria the popular movement spent the lucid moments of her voyage | from Rome has assumed proportions writing down all the complexion recipes i which are described by Romish authorthe passengers could remember or in- litles as "alarming." vent, and if she thought on her mis- |? And so the dawn is stealing quietly, sion-for which she was as well fitted yet surely, over the nations of the as the others I have mentioned-we learth, giving light to the understandwere not aware of the fact. How the gods above must grin. GERTRUDE ATHERTON.

destroyers of the people, the priests. ance of the world's patience and forbearance; weighed, only at last to be found wanting, wanting in every attribute of truth and honor and honesty. wanting in pity for the weakly, in mercy for the hopeless, in common justice between man and man. To this increeping of light of liberty, dissipation things bear witness. In the daily papers of April 25, 1899, we read the following Reuter's telegram:

"Corrunna.—An anti-clerical meeting was held here to-day, attended by 300 people. Violent discourses were delivered against the clergy, the evils affecting the country being attributed to the Jesuits and the monks."

"Barcelona.-Violent speeches were made to-day at a meeting of Freethinkers here. One orator bitterly attacked the Jesuits and said the Philippines had been lost to Spain by the monks." An that this orator spoke but simple truth witness a cablegram published in

In France the exodus from Rome is the Assumptionist Fathers" in Paris

to the heart of all mankind. And not the veil of humbug and hypocrisy from | wave may beat admission in a thoufrom Rome alone are men seeking to be off the faces of deceivers of the people. sand years .- Tennyson,

fur robes, fine sables and wolf skins. richly embroidered garments of every description, household ornaments, fine chinaware and porcelain and even the family jewels which were left behind. less." "For several days after finding all this plunder it was a problem to the

missionaries to know what to do with it. They considered it unrighteous to appropriate it to themselves, and Russians, for instance, under whose control this part of the city had been placed, would have no scruples. So they finally adopted the expedient of

selling the spoils and applying the proceeds to the needs of the Chinese converts. So the headquarters of this mission has been the scene of commercial activity for several days. Army officers and civilians, bent on acquiring souvenirs of the campaign, have gone

to the Yu Wang Fu with their money and come away laden with genuine relics of rich Pekin. These persons are perhaps sorting over their stock of loot purchased or acquired otherwise, and wondering how much of it they will be able to transport or to pay duty on for returning home."

Verily, while these innocent emissaries of the "meek and lowly Prince of Peace" were looting the homes of unfortunate Chinamen they were crying

aloud to the credulous people of America to send "more contributions" to "relieve the sufferings of the Chinese converts" in Pekin. If the "head of the American Board of Missions" led in the looting, what may we expect from the humbler member of the profession? ONE OF THE HEATHENS.

free. Too long and too much have they been vexed, by a pseudo-Christianity which, preaching charity, has practiced selfishness. Trading on the names of

mighty men who feared not death and persecution, we have to-day "Protestants" who make a living by their protestantism, but who have long ceased to protest. Therefore do we find the

churches practically deserted, and by their benches, two-thirds empty, onethird filled with women and with their children, testifying that men have grown weary and heart-sick of the attenuated platitudes preached in the

large as his body, and I believe every more convinced that there is a life bedelegate present will echo the senti- youd the grave, and that we can and do ment, "May his shadow never grow

In addition to a beautiful home as tiny. headquarters of the association, there

is an endowment fund of over fourteen thousand dollars in the treasury, to be used as the wisdom of the board shall somebody was certain to take it. The direct. The board is composed of thorough business men who have the wel-A little more dim the eye. fare of Spiritualism at heart, and who can be depended upon to carry out the will of the delegates; and who feel to But a little nearer every day acquiesce in; the proposition of Mr. Mayer, namely: "Trust us for one year to carry out your expressed wishes, and And a dullness of the ear: then if you don't like us, put us out." It is worthy of note that the railroad officials treated us with marked consideration and said to President Barrett: A faltering in life's quest: "You are fully entitled to every privi-But a little nearer every day lege accorded to any other body, and if

you do not get what belongs to you it will be because you do not ask for it." With a 25-cent admission at the door, our evening audiences taxed the seating capacity of the ball, and were composed of the best people of the city, all of whom paid the closest attention to

the various speakers and to the demonstrators of the phenomena. Several clergymen were present, and

two of them received convincing proof of the continuity of life, which . they promptly acknowledged.

Now that we have a local habitation and a name and standing in the esteem of the public on a par with other bodies (all of which is due to organization), does it not behoove every earnest worker, medium-and speaker alike, as well as all true, Spiritualists, to stand by the N. S. A. and perfect an organization that shall prove a credit and a blessing to Spiritualists and to Spirit ualism? WILL C. HODGE.

. Voltaire lived long before the modern style of writing lystory was in vogue, and he was of the opinion that history

is little else than a picture of human crimes and misfortunes. There are people in this world so con-

stituted that they to looking for vice with a telescope and can't see virtue with a magnifying glass. ing, freedom to the will, and strength name of the Galilean teacher, who tore No rock is so hard but that a little

of the nursery, and carts from the stables might be sent out to fetch provisions or parcels from the station, five communicate with those who have premiles away, at any hour. The dog knew ceded us in the pathway of human deswhat is still more wonderful, if he failed to take that train, a telegram at GROWING OLD.

To a sweet and peaceful rest.

A little more loneliness in life

As the dear ones pass away;

With every passing day.

A little less way to roam:

And a happy welcome home.

Listen to the music swelling,

Hearken how its surges roll,

Of the mysteries of the soul.

Spaces known alone to thee,

Fall the tones in melody.

Life is love, and love eternal-

Joyous are the hosts supernal,

Where the air is clearer; purer; '...

A bigger claim on the spirit land

A little further from toil and care,.

A drawing near to a peaceful voyage

LOVE IS LEADER.

Grander grows the anthem telling

Singing through the silent spaces-

Rhythmic ringing from pure places.

Legions form themselves in line,

Moving on toward heights divine,

Where the gentle graces grow,

Where the steps are strouger, surer,

Mounting upward, as they go.

Hearken! They are gladly calling,....

ELLA DARE.

Love is leader! God is near!

Listen to the tone-bells falling,

Softly on the inner ear-

Austin Sta., Ill.

A: B. RICHMOND.

the station sometimes bade the coach-A little more gray in the lessening hair man wait; but never was the dog found Each day as the years go by: waiting any but the last half-hour be-A little more stooping to the form. fore the arrival at the house door. This was the stock story of the servants and A little more faltering of the step any one of them would have vouched As we tread life's pathway o'er, for it with his or her character, as I heard many times. The dog had fretted To the ones who have gone before. greatly at the absence of his master for A little more halting of the gait, a year and a half while he was in South America, and this wonderful knowledge A growing weariness of the frame of his owner's proceedings showed With each swift passing year. itself after his return on the resump-A fading of hopes, and ambitions, too. tion of the usual family life of the household.-Pittsburg Times.

LET ME HEAR YOUR VOICES.

Let me hear your voices, Angels ever near; Let me hear your music. Sweetly soft and clear; Inwardly I listen For your silent word-To the spirit spoken, By the spirit heard. Let me hear your voices When the morning calls, When the noontide gladdens, When the twilight falls, In the hour of labor, In the hour of rest, By your silent message, Be my spirit blest. Let me hear your volces,

When my heart is sad: In the midst of sorrow, Let my soul be glad. Sing your song of beauty, Hope and strength and cheer, Till my soul shall answer: Angels e'er are near. Let me hear your voices Breathing sweetest song: All my soul responsive Shall the strains prolong-

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Sweetest strains of music Float from heaven's door-In my inmost being Echo evermore. JAS. C. UNDERHILL. Hammond, Ind.

MOTHER LOVE.

There's no love like a mother's-So lasting, deep and true, No matter what her children, May think, or say or do. She holds them ever dearer Than any words can tell, And though they wander from her, She loves them just as well,

If any road is taken Which leads them into wrong, Her love it never lessens. But grows more deep and strong A mother's love is sacred, Her heart is always true-Her tender sweet affection, Forever fresh and new. JULIA H. JOHNSON. Los Angeles, Cal.

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factor, even if it should continue to reaffirm Infinite Intelligence. all Spiritualists. Let Infinite Intelli-

VARIOUS VIEWS OF THE N. S. A.

Symposium.

Briefly stated, the various views of ties all over the land into touch with

penses. Of the 600 societies, only jections and criticisms through the

about 30 are able to maintain meetings Spiritual press. Do their personal opin-

2. "Infinite Intelligence" must be of true Spiritualists? The N. S. A. has

fully aware of what the association is established before the law Spiritualism

and give them a year to report thereon. ligence is an offensive term to the ma-

3. The religious world has been run jority of the delegates let it be stricken on Divine Revelations. If the N. S. A. out. But the great need is more mis-

nite Intelligence is abstruse. Let us it is frequented by people from all

characterized as Godless, Christless, re- manent in everything, then we have to

ligionless, prayerless. If there can be a love everything to love God.

ions express the views of the majority

parts of the country, seeking light on

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October 20, are as follows:

throughout the season.

upon-Man and not upon God.

deal only with things knowable.

tion of principles is not qualified by the

word "an." Why not say "Infinite

7. The present declaration is defect-

better definition than Infinite Intelli-

6. Infinite Intelligence in the declara- Spiritualism.

Taration does not mean a new Deity. It him out.

hension. I can conceive of no intelli- theologies.

Infinite?

Spirit?"

ality.

Intelligence.

A Condensed Resume of The Progressive Thinker's gence be eliminated in the interest of harmony. I'am not partial to it myself. Let the N. S. A. be sustained.

40. The N. S. A. has discovered a special and particular God and has named 1'l' Intinite Intelligence-a seven-syllabled word, hoodooing all our spirit the N. S. A., and of its creed, as ex- each other and united them as they pressed in The Progressive Thinker of could not otherwise have been. It has power by its anaconda-like uncoiling. obtained a hearing in the United States It is paralyzing. W. H. BURR. Washington, D. C.

1. So far it has not been a success. courts. Even this is something, but it Between \$25,000 and \$30,000 have been is only a small part accomplished up to expended. The chartered societies are 1895. Since then it has been steadily WARLIKE financially weak and unable to con- going forward. It has shown that ortribute but a mere pittance to the pa- ganization is a necessity and that a cenrent body. Altogether the fund has tral association is needed. Some ten or

the Tree by Its been barely sufficient for running ex- twenty writers have ventilated their ob- judging Fruits.

carry on its good work than ever. It for the consequences of war and ness, etc., yet it all goes to show what 5. Gods are of man's creation. Infi- has a library of over 500 volumes, and division.

Measured by that gospel, can we find a sane Christian who, if smitten on one the propagation of Spiritualism. It cloak? who, if compelled to go a mile

makes but little difference what name | will go two? who gives to all who ask or title we give to the Supreme Power. and never turns the borrower away? ive. Finite intelligence cannot postu- For brevity I prefer God, but perhaps who loves his enemies? who takes no

hurt them?" No. "Tis folly. We do is the same as the Great Positive Mind 24. If there is an Infinite Intelligence not like these precepts, but Christians

Spiritual organizations have been form of human misery. If God is im- found wanting."

10. Infinite Intelligence is entirely for the Supreme Power to those who and things which we learn from history I think when our new hall is opened

millions of lives lost. They had wars from the perinning to the end of their 39. I think the declaration of princl- | rule, when the Romans broke them up. ples can be improved and made to suit | Some Christian writers say religion has been the cause of many wars since that time. To what extent will it not

go to conquer in its interests? War, with its Brinciples and effects, THE are incompatible with the moral principles that churches profess. This is hypocrisy. If they would practice their moral principles there would be no wars, and they would be better prepared to "teach" the heathens. The churches have become so divided and corrupted that the name Christian gives no weight or value to one's character, but is rather a thing of reproach; nothing in it to commend it to the heathen.

In view of all these conditions and causes, let us apologize for the warlike Christians, They can't help being what their religion makes them-they were

doing. Why not get an expression of as a religion. It has brought the great tian, which is made to mean everything murder, together with the horrid narra- he attaches to conditions. its views on the matter? Let a com- railroad companies to recognize its claimed or done in that name. Some tions of their Bible and church history, Intelligence. What do we know of the friends it is now in a better shape to did, he was a bad man and responsible otry, intolerance, prejudice, combative-

> Christianity is in substance and effect. It will be a great advantage to all the world when Christians shall "See themcheek will turn the other also? who, if selves as others see them," We judge 23. The N. S. A. is no mean factor in his coat be taken, will give up his the tree by its fruits-good for nothing. A. H. NICHOLAS. Summerland, Cal.

A Letter from Wellington, New

lesson.

Zealand. To the Editor:-I do what I can to spread The Progressive Thinker. hoard mine up for a few months and then give them, away at, our meetings, of A. J. Davis, or the Supreme Mind of that intelligence will be glad to see us profess to accept and approve them with a few words of praise. Our so-A. R. Wallace, of the Our Father and helping deluded mortals out of the sentimentally, although practically ciety here, which has been in operation Our Mother. Too. of Theodore Parker, quagmire of superstition and every they "are weighed in the balance and for eighteen years, is taking a step for-

ward. Last year we registered under Christianity is about played out and Act of Parliament, and this year we has little resemblance to the original. have decided to build a new hall worthy 25. The dead and decaying theolo- We do not say there is nothing good in of the cause and empire city of New gence, I shall be among the first to ac-cent it. 9: Substitute God in place of Infinite are reaching after higher truths. Leave him. He taught things that he said Spiritualists of the colony who may the question of new titles and names | were "of the law and the prophets," | visit the capital from time to time.

speculative; it is beyond my compre- have not outgrown the need of the old were taught by Confucius, Buddha, January 1, 1901, we may increase our Zoroaster and other great reformers numbers. It will be a very pretty



IMPORTANT MATTER FROM

CONDITIONS-MEDIUMSHIP. The Melbourne Age of August 1 conains a somewhat remarkable article on The necessity for pure conditions in the development and manifestation of

mediumistic powers can never be too It is not in its originality that the restrenuously urged upon Spiritualists. markability consists, but in the indica-In many cases there is an entire lack tion the whole tenor of it presents of of knowledge concerning the require- the remarkable change that has taken

ments of the medium in this matter, place during the past ten or fifteen with the inevitable consequence that years in the attitude of the press, much valuable time is wasted and guided no doubt by the trend of public many mediums spoilt. It is only neces-sary to look at the psychologist in his subjects. The article referred to (which ther notice, and it is the only book There is not a more uncertain word | educated that way-their doctrine of | laboratory, and to study his methods, is a sub-leader) bears on the apparently in our language than the word Chris- blood atonement, founded on a tale of to discover how great an importance epidemic nature of individual crime

THE CONTAGION OF CRIME.

In order that he may test the power ifestations of the same kind, such as cost to us. The price of each one of mittee be apointed for that purpose teachers and preachers by granting are for war and some for peace (even if all have a great influence in moulding of the individual to detect sound and are now causing so much consternation the other six Premium Books when with the Rev. Moses Hull as chairman, special rates of fare. If Infinite Intel- they have to fight for it). Their gospel their character. The attributes of mal- light waves he has a special chamber in China. It admits the fact that "these says: "I come not to bring peace on ice, revenge, envy, hatred are incom- built, to which no unregulated waves horrible crimes break out in great earth, but a sword. Except a man patible with true moral principle, but from the outer world can penetrate. batches over the face of the polluted hate his own family and kindred he entirely consistent with popular re- No effort, no expense, is spared to earth, just as do physical diseases," and may select, are sent out for 90 cents. hopes to command respect, let it rest sionary work, and the association has cannot be my disciple." We do not be- ligion. In view of all the mitigating attain this end; and the peculiar care, "that these repeated facts are leading Note the prices carefully when rebeen handicapped for want of funds. Heve Jesus ever taught such a principle circumstances we will not condemn the the application of every known method, men to look for a similar origin in the

4. Substitute "Divine" for "Infinite" Thanks to T. J. Mayer and other liberal nor uttered such language; but if he Christians too severely for their big- to attain his end is a brilliant object- cases of moral and physical morbidilies." Then, taking Sir Wm. Crookes and Camille Flammarion for authori-If in the study of the effect of light

and sound on the recognized senses ties, it admits that the latter has comsuch great precautions are taken, how piled a very striking concatenation of much more need is there for extreme links between the "Borderland" of Mr. care in dealing with those forces which Stead and the ordinary mundane exare more subtle, and of a far finer na- istence. Flammarion's theory is that ture than the ordinary waves of light these sporadic outbreaks of violence and sound? have their

The ancients knew much of the laws **ORIGIN IN "BORDERLAND."** which govern psychic manifestations,

and they in turn used every means the lower planes of spirit life, and are which lay in their power to give the communicated telepathically or by sugbest possible conditions to their media. gestion by minds on that plane; and The vestals of ancient temples were this is clearly recognized by the writer, kept pure and untainted within the pre- who concludes the article, after reclucts of the sacred edifices, and thus ferring to our present knowledge of in a state of constant meditation, and poison germs of infection "that in some shut off from the grosser affairs of the mysterious way fill the air," and so inworld, they were surrounded by the fect our bodies with disease, suggests necessary atmosphere for revelation, that "it may be established some day which was often of the most startling that the unseen world of suggestion is the real author of all crime." character.

The scientist when he wishes to be Comparing the forcgoing with what accurate in detail encloses his scales in was written about spiritualistic and an air-tight chamber, and adjusts his psychic theories even ten years since, balances to such a delicate point that a those who are familiar with such subspeck of dust will affect his calcula- jects will recognize the immense stride tions. His instruments are protected that has been taken towards them in from injury by the most ingenious de- the interim: then it was the effort of vices, and no one is permitted to enter the press to find in the physical organ-

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late infinite intelligence without accept- Great Spirit would be more appropriate thought of his life or what he shall eat ing the theory of design-hence person- for a Spiritual society. I have the drink and wear? Can you find one strongest conviction that the evolution willing to be tested by the rule: "If 8. Infinite Intelligence in the dec. of Spiritualism will eventually find they drink any deadly thing it shall not

that holy-of-holies - his laboratory - ism, or on the material plane, a solution 20. Modern Spiritualism has no who lived before his time. We can building, circular celling, electric light, during working hours, unless he be a of all phenomena of an occult nature; scription to THE PROGRESSIVE gence which was not developed through the processes of nature. Public prayer more exact knowledge of the Delty reasonably approve facts and true prin- nice locality, and freehold property. Of brother worker, an initiate into the the societies for Physical Research in THINKER, which is always one dollar. is a mere formality. Prayer cannot than has any other cult. Hence all ef- ciples wherever we find them, without course we are accepting a heavy rethe main co-operating with the press in Those who are not subscribers to THE mysteries of his special science. fort to formulate such a Deity is but holding anything especially sacred be- sponsibility, but our committees always change nature's laws. What are Spiritualists doing in this this direction: but the truly scientific 11. Infinite Intelligence is the same the old-time effort to establish a priestcause a certain person uttered it. work harmoniously and we pull the one men among the latter who would allow direction? I remember in childhood of seeing way. I have been president for eightold personal God of the church, or it is bood. If Spiritualism is not science it It is true that Spiritualism is more of no bias to divert them from the straight a new one made up for a special use, or is nothing. the picture in a school book represent- | een years, and we had very hard work. it means Pantheism in its broadest 27. To affirm the existence of God is ing a Hindoo woman casting her babe I have done a good deal of platform a religion than a science among its gen- path of investigation, followed that sense. So far the N. S. A. is a secta- to assume definite knowledge of what to a crocodile in the Ganges river, to work in connection with our progresseral adherents. It is a fact that really path beyond the limits of recognized rian organization. Let it expunge its must necessarily remain unknowable. appease the wrath of her god. People ive legislation, and was in the house scientific investigation is rarely dis- matter to the verge of the borderland, covered among the rank and file of the and there found the connecting link bepresent creed and substitute a simple A declaration of principles should not | thought that was perfectly horrible; | when we passed the woman's franchise, movement; but this is no reason why tween the material and the spiritual. one with no expression of belief about go beyond what can be satisfactorily yet, in the same book they were taught the land bill, shop and factory act, the the beautiful instruments which act as The theories of "telepathy" and "sug- for 25 cents. that the God of the Jews sent his only | land for settlement and cheap money, God. The Unity of Humanity might demonstrated. receivers for messages from the beyond gestion" are now established facts as 28. The N.S.A. is yet a child. Is it a neson for the purpose of being slain to the government takes large estates. form its basis. should be neglected or so treated as to between one human being and another, 12. The Christian world has buried cessity? I think it is. Does it need a appease his own wrath against the peo- cuts them wir and leases at 4 to 41/2 per be irremediably injured. and few would have the hardihood to ple. They did not consider that horri- cent for 999 years. We also lend money its Devil and now seems preparing the creed? I think it does-not an iron-Take the Edison-Bell phonograph as affirm that the thought or suggestion obsequies of the God of olden time. No clad creed but an elastic one. Infinite ble, for they said everything this God | to farmers and others at 41/2 per cent. a simple illustration. All our readers transmitted was material in the ordi-Intelligence may not be the fittest exdid was all right. The Jews had to However, politics and Spiritualism do straight-jacket creed for me. know how carefully the wax record nary acceptation of the term. From 13. We don't want a high priest or pression, but I fail to see the alarming appease his wrath by shedding the not run together. All the creeds run cylinders have to be guarded from a metaphysical point of view it might pope at Washington. Gods are all tendency of such a declaration. Why blood of sheep, goats and cattle in sacagainst me, but I don't mind. I can do barm. Wrapped about by wadding or be recognized as "spiritual substance," rifice; and they committed many horri- as much good out as in. With kindest man-made. We don't want any creeds choke the child to death with a Godtissue paper, they are shielded from the but this still leaves the effect a spiritregards and best wishes, yours sinor churches. Missionary work is a phobia gag? Let it grow: let it secure ble crimes in his name. It is not sur-WILLIAM MCLEAN. slightest scratch or rough handling. ual manifestation, one embodied spirit cerely,) i mistake. Let Spiritualism become the a home and a sinking fund. Let us aim prising that people partake of the na-With care the cylinder will last a con- communicating with another; and if siderable time, and, being costly, cau- embodied spirits have this power, why Offered at Far Less Than Leader and Interpreter of the world's to conserve all that is valuable in re- ture and attributes of the God they THERE COMES A TIME. philosophy. ligion. worship. With the root of their retion is usually observed. not disembodied ones? Assuming the 14. This new God, this neuter entity 29: Any other name than Infinite In- ligion founded on a story of blood and Suppose, however, a careless owner correctness of the thesis that crimes which you term Infinite Intelligence, I telligence would not improve the situ- murder, is it wonderful that they were of a phonograph allows his cylinders to and moral commotions are instigated There comes a time to every mortal bewould rather call infinite folly. I am ation. The N. S. A. is a necessity if we of a warlike disposition, and that lie about without protection; to be by suggestions from the spirit world; content with the God we have. I be- expect to be recognized as a power for | Christian nations are always ready and Whate'er his station or his lot in life, | handled by the ignorant and the chil- by undeveloped and discordant entities lieve in a personal God, in the divinity good. willing for war? When his sad som yearns for the final dren; the record is soon destroyed, and who implant their immoral and poisonof Christ, in the Apostles' Creed, and 30. All religious creeds have been We do not want to be Christianized instead of the beautiful rendering of a ous germs into the minds of mortals, the substantial authenticity of the clogs to freedom of thought and deadfreeing and do not blame the Chinese for re-From all this jarring and unceasing concerted piece, the ear is tortured by we must realize that these germs would Bible. lock to progress. The large majority of sistance to the encroachments of misstrife. a succession of grinding squeaks. only fructify in congenial soil. Disease 15. Let Spiritualists amuse them- our population are non-Christian, sionaries in their country. For more The medium's organism is more sen- germs will not affect a healthy body, selves with creed-making. The N. S. A. Wherein does the attempt to formulate than twenty-five years European na-There comes a time, when, having lost sitive than the cylinder of a phono- neither will immoral suggestions poison tions have been planning a war with a creed for Spiritualists differ, in prinits' savor, is yet a baby. graph; he needs more care than any a morally healthy mind. If bands of China, and they made no secret of it. The sait of wealth is worthless; when 16. I have never been in favor of ciple, from the attempt to put God in record yet made for a "talking ma- these misguided beings roam over the They have got it at last, and now they formulating a creed. The attempt to the Constitution? Liberty is life; a fosthe mind chine," and if caution is required in earth's surface, scattering broadcast Grows wearied with the world's caprido so will be as futile as that of the va-lized creed is a synonym of stagnation will probably enforce their mixed rehandling the cylinder of wax, then far their explosive and destructive crime rious Christian sects. The sum total of and death. Witness the painful throes ligion of Orthodoxy and Catholicism cious favor, more elaborate precaution is necessary germs, they only find conditions for a declaration of principles should be of the Presbyterians to reform their And sighs for something that it canupon an unwilling people, in the protection of a medium from in- their manifestation in minds that are what we know about man, and not creed. Organization may be desirable, The Methodist Bishop, E. Cranston, not find. jury at the hands of the ignorant and morbid and deficient in moral stamina, what we believe about God. Science but a creed is not necessary. Spiritualstruck the true key-note of Christians whilst those who have the latter are There comes a time, when, though kind undeveloped. . can deal only with phenomena. Spirit- ism is the philosophy and science of Be- and Christian nations when he said: What, however, is the case? How are impervious to their contagion, though ualism cannot be both a science and a ing or Life. Such a declaration, as a "It is worth any cost in money and friends are thronging blood, if we can make the millions of About our pathway with sweet acts mediums usually treated? they may be indirectly sufferers from religion. Let Infinite Intelligence alone matter of fact or knowledge, would In the case of the trance or inspira- their effects. This, viewed from a pesand let religion alone. I do not want doubtless be accepted by all Spiritual- Chinese true Christians." This is deof grace, tional speaker, the medium often steps simistic aspect, might have a disturbing cidedly a bloodthirsty sentiment. They We feel a vast and overwhelming another church instituted. ists. 17. My objection to the N. S. A. is 31. Man is a gregarious animal, and are going to Christianize the Chinese longing onto the platform amid the buzz of influence on the minds of the com-For something that we cannot name conversation, which scarcely ceases be- munity did we not present the other that it is not strong enough, and if it association is necessary to his activi-"in the holy name of religion." Missionside of the picture. If we admit the fore the singing of the first hymn. or place, were stronger I should more strongly ities.' Organization is not a synonym of aries have gone there in advance of Frequently whispering is indulged in power of the undeveloped spirits to sow armies and acted the part of spies. obblect. Thus far it has been little Association. The latter begets har-There comes a time, when, with during the progress of the meeting, unwholesome seed and scatter immoral neatest style of the printer's art will be more than a mass-meeting. Not one mony, the former means authority and Sooner or later the sword follows the earth's best love by us, and at times, where there is a choir, germs, we cannot logically deny to the furnished to our subscribers alone for Spiritualist in a thousand is a member rule. Let the N. S. A. drop its creeds. Bible and the missionary fraud. To feed the heart's great hunger and the choristers are busily engaged in developed and benevolent ones the \$2.35. But bear in mind that in order Will the Chinese be any better by beof the N. S. A. I protest against any Let Spiritualists unite on the common desire. finding the last hymn while the control power to sow good seed and introduce to secure these SEVEN valuable preattempt to force a statement of belief. ground of a knowledge of continuous ing Christianized? We say No, if we We find not even this can satisfy us; is endeavoring to obtain complete rap- moral germs into the minds of men, and mium books for \$2.35, the order must be What has the N. S. A. given for the life from the evidence given by . our may judge by Christians in America. The soul within us cries for something port between himself and his instru- we may rest assured that their superior accompanied with a year's subscription mouey it has received? Its strength departed friends. A salaried priest- It is no credit or honor to a man here, higher. must come from the local societies, hood will mark a decline in Spiritual- and it is less so in China. It would ment. wisdom will enable them to do their for The Progressive Thinker. The All these elements are of a disturbing work more extensively and success- paper one year, \$1.00; the seven books, Churches send out missionaries to ism. have been much more commendable if What greater proof need we that we nature; but when, during the invoca- fully. We cannot go so far as some \$2.35. Total \$3.35. propagate belief. Wouldn't it be queer | 32. The N. S. A. of last year did not the vast sums of missionary money had inherit to send them out to preach belief in as- give science a slap in the face, as altion, some individuals enter the hall, Spiritualists, who affirm that all man's been used to relieve suffering Ameri-A life immortal in another sphere? tropomy or mathematics? Do we want leged by Prof. Loveland. There is no cans instead of paving the way for It is the homselek longing of the spirit and even during the address people actions are instigated by suggestion books to the trade is \$10.75. In order enter and leave, all conditions are from the spirit world; but that each to assist in forming a Spiritual and to imitate the churches? After all that parallel between its action and the war. It is not for the love of religion That cannot find its satisfaction here. broken up, and the medium has to en- and all are influenced more or less Occult Library in every Spiritualist's Spiritualists have said about the adoption of the Nicene creed. Faith is nor of the Chinese that their conversion -Ella Wheeler Wilcox. "fraud" of granting passes on rail- a well known principle in human na- is sought; because this great nation, to dure mental torture, which cannot be powerfully by the mental sphere of home, these seven valuable books are roads to the clergy, shall we send out ture. True faith is as surely scientific | show its intense hatred of that race, comprehended save by those who have both the spirit and the mundane world, furnished to our subscribers for \$2.35, UNDER THE STARLIGHT. lecturers dubbed "Rev." to beg for as a rule in metaphysics. Superstition has, by its law, excluded them from had to pass through the torture-fire. we have good reason to believe. The which is less by far than their actual is the exercise of faith without the light | entrance upon its soil, while it wel-Again, in circles conditions are fre- thoughts we cultivate place us en rap- cost. The authors make no charge for half-fare tickets? If any little word of ours quently lacking. 18. The N. S. A. seems to have dis- of reason. Coeval with infinite space is comes people of other nations. They Can make one life the brighter. "Order is the first law of nature," planes of thought, and the man or these works, and which extended over covered the image of a new God. Let infinite spirit. Infinite intelligence in have such love for the heathen as the If any little song of ours and surely it should be the first law of woman who habitually lives on a good many years. The publisher receives not it be placed in the Pantheon of images. the Declaration comes short of full cat has for the mouse, as the million-Can make one heart the lighter. the circle; but often in its place dis- moral plane is impervious to the in- a single cent for the great expense he Babylon's king dreamed of a great im- truth, inasmuch as infinite goodness aire for the tramp. God help us speak that little word order reigns, and the medium, racked trusion of mischievous and immoral in- was to, hundreds of dollars being paid

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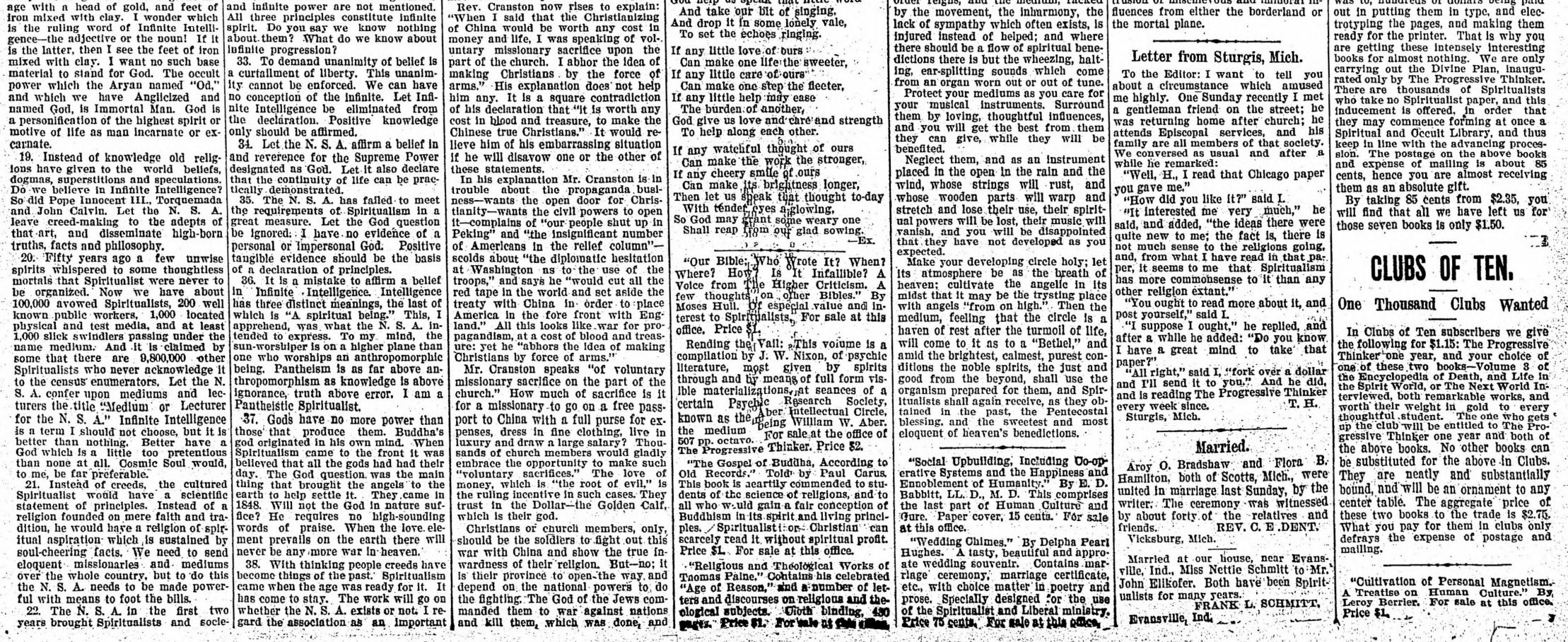
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The Strange, Weird Power vital force. It Possesses.

DOERS.

It is a strange, weird doctrine that L W. de Laurence, the hypnotist, whose demonstrations during the past week have raised such a storm of protest from the medical fraternity, preaches. It is the doctrine of the "power of Christian' Science belief. Professor de Laurence declares with the emphasis of deep conviction, that "all that we are is the result of thought," meaning that disease yields to the power of the mind, that suggestive therapeutics furnish a panacea for most all the ills to which

flesh is heir.

Physicians claim that hypnotism is a too dangerous science to place in lay hands and argue that its practice should be restricted to the medical fraternity. Though denying their contention in the abstract, Professor de Laurence tacitly admits the danger to society from an indiscriminate dissemination of hypnotic power, for he says:

"To set one person against another and cause him to hate the other, induce deep hypnosis in the regular way and suggest to him that Mr. B. has done him a great wrong or injury, and that when you wake him he will hate and despise Mr. B. When he wakes up he will have no knowledge of what you HAD SIX ARROWS IN HIS CHESThave done with him or how you have changed his condition of mind toward Mr. B., but he will have no friendship for Mr. B., that can be depended upon. Take a drunkard or a cigarette fiend and give him suggestions that when you wake him up the sight or smell of like some o' these wise chaps to explain whiskey or cigarettes will make him a little incident that happened to me a drink of liquor or smoke a cigarette Mexico, a few years ago."

and lie down in a comfortable position, and with the concentration of the mind and sight upon some small article or

object in the room, let the body become perfectly relaxed. Take in slow regular breaths, holding the thought and idea in the mind (exclusive of all other thoughts) that every breath you draw of your surroundings.

concentrate the mind and whole attention as well as the eyes upon the object and think only of going sound asleep, and that you will remain sound asleep | nues, have rightly merited the approval for an hour, two hours, or any reasonable length of time desired.

"When self-inducing the hypnotic sleep, a certain time or hour to wake up history. should be decided upon, when at its expiration you will surely wake up." The Professor talks entertainingly on all phases of hypnotism, and is able to skeptics.-Pittsburg Dispatch.



Saw His Chum in a Vision.

ATTACKED BY INDIANS HE FIRST SLEW HIS HORSES, THEN DEFENDED HIMSELF.

"No, I can't say I go much on superstition and that sort o' thing, but I'd deathly sick and that if he tries to take down in the Pecos valley, in New

he will get so sick that he cannot stand Grizzled Bob Morrow, veteran cow-

Prof. Lockwood Attacks the Physiological Basis of Prof. T. J. Hudson's System of Psychology.

[Note.-At a banquet given by the pressing consciousness evokes a sensa-Medico Legal Society of New York, at tion, which we call the human voice, St. Andrews Hotel, in honor to Prof. another the ring of a bell. In all sensaease enters the body at that point T. J. Hudson, who read a paper en- tions evoked through these sensory where exists the greatest deficiency of titled "Psychological Problems Re- avenues, consciousness is the factor lating to Confessions of Innocent Per- impressed, before sensation can occur;

"To be able properly to induce this sons," Prof. Lockwood received an in- and these processes are all subjective, condition, the psychic powers must be vitation to attend and be one of the since man can have no sensation from developed in the following manner: The respondents to the paper read. The fol- objective nature, or from the reactions DANGER OF ITS USE BY EVIL beginner should go into a quiet room lowing is a revise of his argument]: |occurring within his.own vascular sys-

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tem, in which consciousness is not involved. Therefore we submit, that the Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Medico Legal Fraternity: term "Objective Mind" is not sufficient-To widen the channels of charity and ly definite and scientific to express the justice, to mitigate human pain and subjective relations occurring in mental suffering, and to extend the boundaries processes. It will be seen that the view of knowledge, have ever been con- we have presented is thoroughly in harsidered the noblest virtues of individual mony with the science of cerebral menmind over matter" without the the- is putting you sound asleep, and that effort, or of sociological bodies of men tology, and it accords with the postuological phrase which is part of the you are becoming totally unconscious in the promotion of civilization. From late that "mind is an evolution of man's the time of the earliest traditions and conscious ego; which view makes

"It is absolutely necessary that you inception of history, until the present, thought and mind the result of impressions, and not the entity impressed; the savant and philosopher who have made noble effort for the advancement hence it cannot be both objective and of human welfare in any of these ave- subjective.

Prof. Hudson's definition of "Subjecand esteem of succeeding generations, tive Mind" also harbors difficulties of and reared for themselves an enduring physiological analytical character. He monument of respect on the page of affirms that, "The Subjective Mind is the intelligence manifested in subjec-

We have met here to-night to honor a tive states, conditions and activities, as gentleman of letters and thought, who in hypnotism, trance, etc."

calls our attention to a matter of the In this statement we are uncertain greatest importance, especially to mem- whether by the term "intelligence," he fence in admirable style with skilled bers of the legal fraternity, regarding means the intelligence of the individual "the confessions of crime on the part in the hypnotic trance, or the intelliof innocent persons," while under the gence of the operator. It would seem psychological influence of accusers, or he means the latter, for a little later on the short-sighted judgment of would-be he says, "The Subjective Mind * friends. These facts appearing in the by virtue of the fundamental law of its transactions of criminal courts, are of own being is compelled to accept and such gravity in their relation to human believe, and it does accept and believe had a law that when the accused was justice, as to be a menace to public and act upon and carry to its legitimate welfare and morals, and to merit the conclusions, every statement, expressed combined wisdom of jurist and the or implied, that is made to it." This careful consideration of the physician statement seems to imply that the hypin mental pathology. Hence, the guest notized subject is a mere mental reof the evening honors mankind in the spondent to the mental control and vo-

general spirit of his paper, since it has lition of a dominating influence in the had rendered to the city, he deserved for its object the extension of the person of the operator; and responds to not punishment, but the reward of a horizon of human charity and justice him in a manner analogous to that of public benefactor, and his maintenance for humanity at large, and the possible a telegraphic sounder responding to the in the Prytaneum at the cost of the modification of all laws and enactments raps of the telegraphic key; or, as a State, but to mollify his accusers, he that condemn the accused who con-stringed and highly tensioned instru- offered to pay a fine of one mina." His

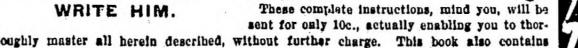
fesses guilt under the powerful psychic ment responds to the vibrations of friends importuned him to offer thirty influence of public opinion. It is then another instrument tensioned to the minas. He objected, amrning that he

and sentiment. It would deprive Ohris-PSYGHOLOGIGAL PROBLEM DISGUSSED tianity of the story of the pangs of civicifixion, by drying up its fountains of sympathy upon which it has built for two thousand years. It would take away from ecclesiasticism the dogina of vicarious atonement. It would rob God himself of "the plan of salvation." since Christ would be made to appear in the garb of a hypnotic only, who did not suffer very much after all, for the sins of the world. No sir! I cannot accept this axiom;

for in defiance of the monkish mob, Bruno submitted to the torture of burning at the stake-he refused to be hypnotized by priestly dogmatism, or yield up his individual manhood, although tortured by fire. Michael Servetus hurled back into the teeth of Calvin the verbal sentence that despot tried in vain to hypnotize him into saying. Fire and fagot and the horrors of mortal agony did not lose to him his manhood-he defied Calvin and his system of suggestive therapeutics. The heroes of martyrdom would be lost to sight, and heroism itself a morbid expression of human zeal, if Nature interfered with a hypnosis of the "Subjective Mind" at the time of execution. Yet, Mr. Chairman, there is much in the paper of the evening that I can heartily endorse. That the accused are frequently so menaced by the accuser, whether the accuser be an individual or the State, as to confess crime when it appears inevitable upon circumstantial evidence, being in hopes thereby to merit lenient toleration at the hands of the court. I believe this to be a very common occurrence. That all such are psychologized by the dominating mentallty of the accuser, or led to confessions of crime by the advice of friends, I do not believe to be true. The case of Socrates is one in evidence. He was accused by the Athenians "of denying the gods recognized by the State, and introducing new divinities, and of corrupting the young." Now the Athenians convicted of guilt, he had a right to name the penalty, providing the penalty named was in keeping with the character of the crime. His crime was punishable with death. But Socrates declared "that for the services which he

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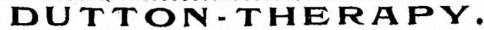


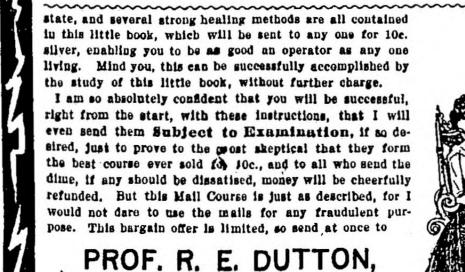
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up, then awaken him and have someone boy, ranchman, globe trotter and philwill refuse, giving as the only reason that the sight of them makes him sick. strange hypnotic power change the pershould hesitate in employing it for purliable to place the subject in a very unsponsible for evil results."

There are various stages of hypnosis, the cataleptic or rigid state, or the lethargic or independent state, both or which, the hypnotist says, are danrenowned mind reader, who died some years ago while giving an exhibition, was not dead when the physicians cut him up at the autonsy.

"The lethargic state," he says, "is an independent condition next to death, in which the subject ceases to have any connection with the operator, having passed out of his control. It is caused by the operator letting his subject sit inactive too long after he has induced somnambulism or trance. This is a very dangerous state and the operator should guard against it by keeping the subject interested and doing something, for if left to himself and preoccupied he is very liable to pass into this state.

"If you have more than one under control at the same time, keep them all busy doing something to engage their attention. If you cannot use them all, wake some of them up before they pass into this apparently lifeless condition. "There is no doubt but that Bishop, the mind reader, was in this condition and other vitals gave unmistakable signs of life.'

On the subject of clairvoyance or second sight, which the greater Bishop claimed. Professor de Laurence said:

"Clairvoyance, or seeing at a distance, whereby a person can be put into a trance so that they can locate lost hidden, or stolen articles, ferret out murderers, thieves, etc., is possible when this condition is properly induced minute my feet touched the floor Lee and a good clairvoyant subject used. "While in this condition the human

mind has the ability to extend its faculties of conception far into space. The condition consists of an absolute suspension of the physical organs, the got to sleep again. body appearing almost lifeless, or as if

for the time interrupted and an independent action of the soul or mind takes place. This action is an immediate perceiving of things, conditions, and persons as they actually and really exist in their very nature, and not as they appear to us, often hypercritically through mediating sense organs, as clairvoyance is finer and farther reaching than the sight of our dull eyes. The mind of a good clairvoyant subject can be made to leave the body, so to speak, and be directed to any given locality anywhere in space, and can give an intelligent and accurate account of things being done at this particular place. It matters not whether it is in the same room, or a mile, or 1,000 miles away. the mind will find the spot. Distance makes no difference because the human mind or the psychic organism of man

offer him a drink or a cigarette and he osopher, took another pull at his cigar as he sat in the Hoffman House cafe, says the New York Mail and Express. The writer has cured some of the worst A thoughtful look came over his face cigarette fiends by this method when and his companions at the table nothing else would cure or affect them. awaited in silence his further utter-The hypnotist can by this method and ances. After a pause Bob continued: "We were 'sign' riding, Lee Wells and sonality of an individual, and mold his I. Know what 'sign' riding is? An character to suit his wishes, but he imaginary line is drawn on the prairie. Two men, one stationed at each end, poses otherwise than beneficial, as he is | ride toward each other at a given hour. Any cattle that have crossed that line happy position, and of course be re- are rounded up and driven back. The idea is to keep the cattle together as much as possible during the winter.

"Our line was about ten miles long. Lee and I used to meet half way every day, and if no cattle had crossed we'd gerous. Speaking of the lethargic state sit down and smoke and chat a bit. he expressed the belief that Bishop, the Sometimes we'd visit each other's 'dobes and generally chum together so far as men can when ten miles apart. We each had six horses, the pick of the herd, and mighty proud we were, too,

of 'em. "'Bout that time the Indians were rather troublesome. They generally went in small bands and occasionally the loss of a bunch of horses would be reported by ranchmen thereabouts. Lee and I didn't fear 'em much. They carcame to a chase our horses could easily outrun theirs. The greatest danger we had to fear was the loss of our horses. "Lee and I had talked frequently about the Indians and both were of the same mind-if attacked, kill the horses rather | reasons: than let the marauding thieves get 'em. "I left Lee at the halfway mark as usual one day, got back to my 'dobe and after eating dinner turned in. I hadn't been asleep very long, when I was awakened by a sort of feeling that there was somebody in the room. when the autopsy was performed upon groped under the pillow for my gun. his supposed dead body, as his heart turning over as I did so, and there in the doorway stood Lee Wells, The feathered shafts of six arrows were sticking from his breast and his face in the moonlight looked drawn and ghastly. There was a smile of satisfaction on his face, though, as he said,

> quietly: "'Well, they got me, Bob, but they didn't get the horses.'

"I was out of bed in an instant. The vanished. The door was shut and locked just as I left it when I went to bed. Pondering over the realistic senses." 'dream,' or whatever it was, I turned in again, but it was a long time before I

"A second time I was awakened by in a deep sleep. The ordinary way of the same vision. There stood Lee in perceiving through the sense organs is the doorway and again he pointed to the arrow shafts and said:

eminently fitting that our guest should same tone. be banqueted, and his views and opinions on this important problem in menthe operator's mentality can be called tal phenomena be properly discussed by the able jurists and practical students per se, we fail to comprehend; and our in medical art here assembled.

ditional affirmation. While this banquet hall is not the place for hasty criticism, or the occa-He says that, "Under the supreme posion one to be marred by the combative tency of suggestion, a subject may be differences of individual opinion, as to made to believe himself to be a dog or the special merits or demerits of the a devil, demon or an angel, the spirit of essay under consideration, I trust that a deceased person or a living persona brief review of the fundamental pos-ality other than his own," and that "he tulates upon which he rears his hypoth- will carry every suggestion to its logi- whose quiet powers of reasoning, the esis of "Subjective and Objective cal conclusion so far as it is physically religious and political oligarchies trem-Mind," and a careful survey of some possible." Strange phenomena, we

physiological data involved in hypnotic grant, but more strange that it can be philosophic vision saw no occasion for phenomena, will not be construed as a classified as the subject's mind. Referring to the mental characteristcriticism upon the moral and humane idea so timely presented in the general ics of this psychologised state, Prof. Hudson says: mental trend of his paper-thus en-

"Reason is dethroned, experience abling me by this exchange of thought, counts for nothing, the evidence of the to honor our guest and his effort, and senses is impeached, the center of conthe occasion. trol over the dual mental organism is Before proceeding, however, allow me

publicly to thank my friend Judge Daily for the pleasure of being here state continues, or as often as it is rethis evening, and Mr. Bell, your cornewed, the subject is dominated by the responding secretary, for the courtesy central idea embraced in the suggesof being one of the respondents to Prof. i tion."

Hudson's paper. And yet this induced mental action The employment of the terms "Obwith its varying phenomena of inconried only bows and arrows, and if it jective and Subjective Mind," as fun- sistent, incongruous, irrational and abdamental postulates in Prof. Hudson's normal ideas-this reflex of the mind system of psychology, I suggest, con- or thought of the operator, is one of fuses rather than makes clear the basis the dual minds of the subject, in Prof. of the concept, upon which his super- Hudson's system of psychology.

structure is built, for the following Let us amplify this point. If I hypnotize Judge Daily (I do not like that

term in this connection, since it means Since the time of Plato it has become popular to look upon objective nature "self-induced sleep," and is not a proper as an expression of "Divine Mind," so term to use in this association of op-Plato taught; and there are to-day erator and subject)-if I psychologize many cults insisting that the physical the Judge, and his mental fiber beworld that we see and sense is only the comes magnetized to that point where ness. Hence the effort of our friend to mind of God in expression, since he is it responds to my mental volition. and credited with having spoken it into ex- carries out all that is expressed or imistence. Now whenever this term "Ob- plied by me, the phenomenon of this jective Mind" is used, the popular un- transfer of my mentality upon Judge thinking element of society-and they Daily's brain, Prof. Hudson, strangely moral equity. And the historian of the comprise a vast majority of the public, enough, calls Judge Daily's "Subjective instinctively reach the conclusion that | Mind."

this theistic idea is what is meant by Now I submit, Mr. Chairman, as you the use of the term. While it is true lawyers say, that if in a psychological that Prof. Hudson has defined in well state on the part of the Judge. I sugset words what he means by the term, gest to him ideas that impeach reason yet I must confess that from the plane and dethrone judgment, to affirm that of the physicist and physiologist, I am such mental state is the Judge's "Subled into deeper confusion than before, jective Mind," presents a questionable He says, "Objective mind being the commentary on the duality of mind: mind of ordinary waking consciousness, and were I to affirm that these irregular ceive a thorough and just consideration it takes cognizance of the five objective mental phenomena were a normal ex-

pression of Bro. Dailey's mind, he could

What does he mean? Has the vista justly inaugurate proceedings against of mountains we see in Colorado got me for criminal libel, which thought mind? Is a rock or a tree imbued with leads me to conclude, that the term mind? Are these factors of objective "Subjective Mind" in Bro. Hudson's nature possessed of a thinker that has system of psychology, only applies to touching the so-called independent comparison, reasoning faculties and those in hypnotic or trance states. judgment? Most certainly not. Men The term "Suggestion," as employed have mind-that is to say some men- in connection with mental phenomena the congress of people here assembled of psychological character, is not, achave mind, because possessed of a cording to my way of thinking, a thinker which is capable of comparison proper term, since it does not carry the of reason and judgment, but these full concept of the allied mental proattributes of consciousness and fac- cesses. The term "Inductive," in the ing been around. I sat up and smoked ulties of the intellect are not the pos- sense of "tending to induce or cause, is sessions of objective nature in the gen- a better and more comprehensive term. eral application of the term. How then And may I add that the phenomena of can objective nature be said to be thought transference by telephone. demonstrates the inductive principle, as "Objective Mind?" But Prof. Hudson does not say this is witnessed in the induced action upon or imply it in his definition of the term. the consciousness of the receiver of the yet the criticism applies to the com- message. Eventually it will be seen monly received meaning of the phrase. that the transference of thought. But our friend does say that "the mind whether the operator be near or reof ordinary waking consciousness takes mote, will be found to be in keeping cognizance of the objective world ex- with principles of mental polar states. clusively by means of the five objective inductively co-related to each other. senses." The question arises, is man An analysis of the principles of wirepossed or five, or even one objective less telegraphy demonstrates the prinsense! Let us inquire into this assump- ciples of electro induction, whether extion. The word "objective" in its phys- pressed in physical nature, or relating iological application means "beyond," consciousness to consciousness. I have "apart" or "outside" of the physical or- in former years psychologized a subganism. Man has no sense or avenue ject-a boy fifteen years old, as far as | could not possibly have any knowledge. of sensation outside of . his physical I could see him; and the same subject vascular anatomy. The point I raise would repeat aloud while standing the messages. If anything is impossihere involves the science of cerebral twenty feet away, my unspoken mental mentology. Physicists, anatomists and thought. It is such phenomena as these | to have written those messages, equally physiologists recognize in the gangli- that demonstrate something more sub- as impossible for any mortal save myonic structure of the sensory system of the in this relation of operator and sub- self to have done it, and if anyone can man, avenues through which sensations ject, than can be expressed by mere believe that I paid \$2 to perform such are evoked. If these tracts are only verbal suggestion. The phenomena of a silly act, he has my warmest symavenues that lead to centers of sensa- mental polar states, can be studied here pathies and congratulations that he is tion, what is this something that has with advantage. sensation? The ancients called it "the | One more point of divergent thought soul of man"-"his life principle." The from the paper of the evening I will. modern physiologist calls it "conscious- mention, and leave the" discussion to ness," "the sentient state of life"-an others. I refer to the following stateattribute of the soul. If, then, these ment in Prof. "Hudson's essay. He avenues are only highly tensioned says: "It may be set down as axiomatic tracts that center in the citadel of con- that Nature is ever kind to the victim sciousness, it will follow as a logical of the inevitable. And this is true. sequence that man has no sensations. Whether it is inevitable death, or an inhence no mind or thought until his con- evitable surgical operation. Where the scious principle has been impressed, two conditions of immanence and in-Science speaks of these impressions as evitability are present, the rule is inbeing molecular in character and evitable. It is Nature's compensation and made amenable to the well-being of operative only as invisible modes of for the prodigality of life, and the motion-that is to say, that certain universality of death made necessary the power and effect of suggestion, scientists, general readers and students color motions transmitted through by the process of organic evolution." either auto or spoken, on disease and of occult forces will find instruction of space and the optic tract by etheric vi- I fail to recognize this statement as pain, for when by the proper sugges- great value and interest. A large, four- brations, impress our consciousness and an axiomatic truth in the formula of evoke a sensation which we call "red." relentless nature. If is were true, it Another color motion evokes a sensa- would make principles of nature more death, with the intention of driving For sale at this office. Price postpaid, tion we call "blue," and so on. Ana- kind than civilizations of men. 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bled, was not afraid of death-his clear mental perjury; to him the realm of reasoned truth was the summum bonum of human greatness, and in this greatness he stood firm and undismayed to the end.

And may I say in this connection, that we of to-day are as fully under the ban of psychological influences as were displaced; and as long as the subjective | those of ancient Greece. Its formula comprise the basic effort of political aggrandizement and religious zeal. Its propagandism permeates church and state. Its unsheathed sword is still drawn and wielded to make slaves of men's intellects and to secure the fruitage of their toil. But these efforts of the past and present to enslave mankind will go down to oblivion before the rising tide of human intelligence. The dawn of a new era is upon us-the era of scientific analysis and inductive demonstration. Psychological influences upon the human race will be weighed in the balance of human justice, and its injustice to the temporal and moral welfare of the individual will be seen in all of its hideous selfish-

check the continuance of wrong upon the human susceptible to hypnotic environment and tendencies, is a move in the right direction-the direction of future, who writes on the page of time the aspirations and virtues of men, will write in letters of immortal light, the name of our guest, who has to-night made public record against the baneful effects of crime confessed by those under hypnotic or psychological influence. Let us see to it, that this phenomenon of mental character and this problem

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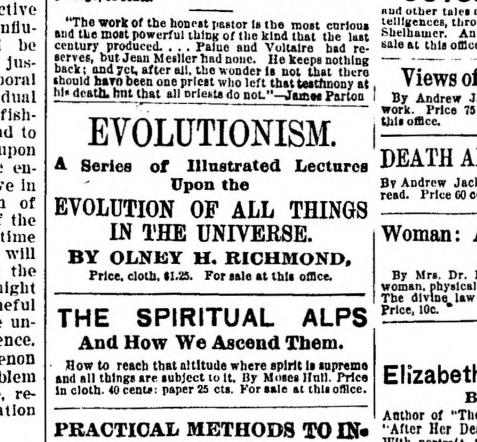
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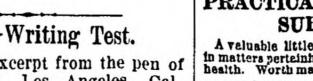
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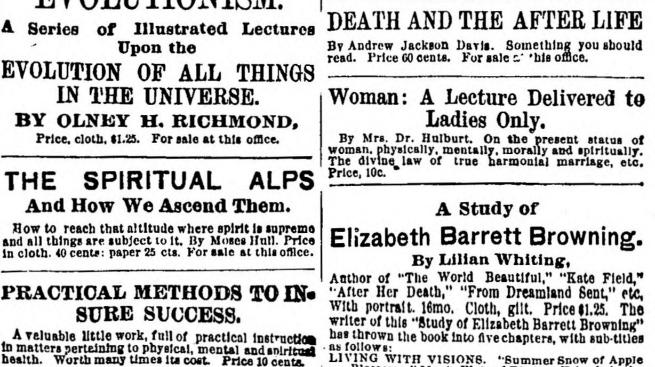
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does not recognize space." On the subject of self-hypnotization, the Professor says the subject is no about twenty Indians in the bunch. longer open to discussion. He says: "It most certainly is a wise provision of nature for anyone to be able voluntarily shells lying around. They took his to place himself in the hypnotic state. Winchester, of course, and looted the He who can by an effort of his will 'dobe. They didn't get much for their enter the hypnotic condition is complete master over his own mind or soul.

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"There at the gate of the corral was Lee's body, with six arrows in his chest. just as I had seen them in the vision. Inside the corral lay the bodies of his horses, all killed with bullets.

"It was plain to me that, seeing th Indians coming, Lee had deliberately killed the horses before turning his attention to the thieves. Judging from the hoof prints, there must have been

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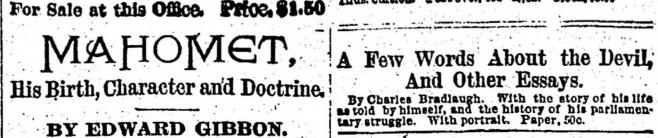
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The Corrector Corrected. Our friend E. Woodward, of Tucson Arizona, some weeks ago attempted to correct us in the use of the word "canteen," but he is laboring under a slight error.

The canteen to which we referred is the one described in Chamber's Cyclopedia as follows:

"In the British army the canteen is a wooden vessel, holding about three pints, painted blue, and inscribed with the number or designation of the regiment, battalion, and company to which the soldier belongs. * It is used by soldiers to contain whatever beverage may be obtainable on the march or in

Webster defines the word "Canteen-A vessel used by soldiers for carrying liquor to drink."

This liquor was not necessarily spirit uous, for the word signifies "Any liquid or fluid substance, as water, milk, blood, sap, juice, and the like."

The writer remembers how sacredly a canteen was treasured in his father's family in which his grandfather carried water in his long marches while in the army of the Revolution. It was made of staves scarcely 21/2 inches in length. The heads were probably 8 inches in diameter. It was bound by two iron hoops and iron rings were attached for a strap to sling it over the shoulder. It was painted blue.

If those warring on the canteen are directing their labors against the Spanish "cantena," which means a saloon, they had better use its English equiva-lent, then they will be understood, and we will all join in the fight.

Where Is the Thing to End?

That Missionary Business. The Methodist Times, an English church organ, replying to the assertion of the Catholic Times, denying that Roman missions in China had done anything to stir up strife, rejoined: "It is sadly true that ever since the Jesuits went to China they have been political fire-brands there, and have mischlevously interfered with Ohina politics. After the last war the French (who are ultramontane abroad and Athelsts at home) compelled the Chinese Government to give the Romanists one of the finest sites in Peking for a great cathedral. Quite recently the Indians. Romanists have been scheming to se-cure for their priests the status and au-thority of mandarins." Chas. Denby, in the Forum, advocating the interests of the missionaries, and evidently closely allied to them, large. kindly takes his readers behind the scenes where the wires are manipulated, and tells facts and purposes which are very interesting in this connection. We quote from the "Forum:" "In the beginning we must recognize the undoubted fact that the Catholic powers-the Pope, Spain, Italy, and especially France-will never consent hat the Catholic missionaries shall be driven out of China. Their interests there are immense. There are twenty-eight Catholic Bishops in the empire, of whom three are in the province of Chihli. There are vast establishments over the country with schools, colleges, and asylums. Curiously, the Catholics have not gone into medical or surgical work, but they fill all other fields, covering industrial schools, carpenter and other shops, and all the forms of labor. The great Cathedral at Peking was built mostly by the native Christians. The wealth of the church is enormous. The chief religious societies, the Jes-The chief religious societies, the Jes-ults, Benedictines, Augustines, Chris-tian Brothers, Lazarists, and Francis-cans are found at many places. You cannot turn the dial of progress back. You cannot revoke all the treatles. You cannot undo the work of three centuries. If the continental Catholic remains in China his Protestant colleague will go thither. It is not human nature to stand back and see others occupying fields of danger or of venture, and It-is lines. not in Christian nature to disregard the divine command to go into the world and teach all nations." It is universally conceded that the Catholics gained all their treaty rights

Progressive Thinker, and we knew in China by shameless frauds. Provisions were made in treaties at their dictation, which the Chinese government did not understand, and to which the people were determined they would not submit. - Protestants availed themselves of the advantages of these treaand aroused open hostility in others.

many parts of the great empire. We are all pained beyond the power of expression at the cruelties-barbarities, in fact, which the Chinese inflicted

on the missionaries; but when we recall the outrages practiced by enlightened Americans on the negro, and on persons entertaining adverse opinions to the dominant religion, we do not wonder at these foreign outrages. It is gross ignorance, both at home and abroad, angered by prejudice, and the

ranting of demagogues, that causes all hese wrongs. Concede to all others the rights and immunities we claim for ourselves, and no people would go very far wrong. If person is overreached in a bargain, if he cannot gain redress one way he is very liable to take it another way. And this, it seems, is what the Boxers did. But note the conclusion of Mr. "It is not Christian nature to Denby's: disregard the divine command, to go into the world and teach all nations." Here we have a "Thus saith the Lord' directing all this missionary work, and it is not surprising that it is met with an occasional "Thus saith the people,' as was the case in the American Rev olution. Till then all kings claimed authority by "divine right." Thomas

The Pregressive Thinker-Its Present Sunday-Schools. Status:

There is a wonderful diversity of opinion manifested among mankind generally. There are no two blades of grass exactly alike. No two flowers have exactly the same tint. No two persons resemble each other so closely that one, on careful examination, cannot be distinguished from the other. See how the various races differ throughout the globe. The dwarfs of Africa stand forth very diminutively when placed by the side of our native Difference exists everywhere-exact

counterparts and unison nowhere. We have the apparently infinitely small, and the apparently infinitely

The diatom cannot be seen with the ordinary microscope; but one that maguifies 10,000 diameters is able to bring it forth, resembling an ellipse with a straight line passing through its center. I'wo millions of these diatoms, it is said, can be placed on the head of a pin. There is a wonderful diversity in a homogenous mass, and even in a collection of atoms. Throughout the infinitude of space, in every department of life, no one object is an exact duplicate of anything in its class. In the human family this diversity is equally as great. No two brains are

exactly alike; no two have the same number of cells, nor are the brain centers in any two attuned alike. No two persons have from a mentalmicroscopical standpoint exactly the same shades of belief, or think in precisely the same channels, hence there are really as many religious cults in the world as there are individuals. The difference in shades of opinions is no less marked and distinct among Spiritualists. While all believe in spiritual communion, the belief of each one is more or less modified by his experience and drift of thoughts, hence no two think exactly along the same

This fact confronted us when we first commenced the publication of The

then with absolute certainty what to expect. To please all would be impossible with an archangel, or even with a God himself, and much less with man. Hence, commencing with the very first issue of The Progressive Thinker, we displeased some, made some angry,

and from time to time came the mes-sage, "Stop my paper." The reasons therefor have been multifarious, rangties, and became like their associates, the Catholics, a controlling power in ing from the sedate down to the ridiculous; in fact they have been as

diversified as blades of grass-no two exactly alike, presenting a wonderful kaleidoscopic view of human nature. Notwithstanding this, The Progressive Thinker has flourished - flourished financially as no other paper ever did in the whole history of Spiritualism. The peevish order, "Stop my paper," is

> gentle invigorating tonic against the bad effects of angry ebuilitions. The substantial fact that The Pro gressive Thinker has prospered in a

unfoldment.

dogs here and there that bark, disturb-gent powers behind the Boxers."

The Sunday School system was de-

vised by Robert Raikes, of England, in 1782. It was designed to supply an elementary education to the laboring classes, who until then had been shamefully neglected by the governshamefully neglected by the govern-ment, the church claiming it was the ables of Christ and those of the Hindoo special prerogative of ecclesiastics to sages who lived centuries prior to the educate the people. Raikes' project met with violent opposition, though the gions of the far East. It is presumed Bible was used as one of his principal text books. It was denounced as sacrilegious, a desecration of God's holy Sabbath to worldly affairs. "Such abuse of the sacred day," they said,

"will bring swift destruction to all connected with it, to teachers, to pupils, and to parents who encourage it, or splendor and of lavish display. allow their children to attend school."

It was soon discovered the system could be made auxiliary to the church; pered taste of her extravagant emper ors and proud patricians. Innumerabl then war was made on those who decaravans were required to meet the de sired to limit the teaching to the rudiments of knowledge. It was then determined to use the schools solely in the interests of creeds. this traffic. The old Romans,

The first Sunday School in America was opened in Philadelphia in 1791. Other societies were formed, but the sarcasm as to the fitness of things, stituted Mercury the god of merchants American Sunday School Union, which and—thieves. It is supposed, on the best of grounds, that Christ took part swallowed all others, was organized in 1824. in this business for eighteen years, and

We showed by statistics awhile ago made frequent trips between Alexanthat in some localities at least in dria, where the goods were brought to America these schools had fallen into' Rome, and the Indies. disfavor. An English journal before us of his extraordinary mental endowas we write, giving as authority for its ments would be an earnest student of statement "The Sunday-School Union," the theological literature of the east, to savs: which he could have abundant access

"Taking the figures as they are presented, we find that during the past year the Wesleyan Methodist Church shows a decrease [in Great Britain] of 5,400 scholars; the Baptists chronicle a prior to Christ. A recent publication lecrease of 7,000; Calvinistic Methodists. 4.200: United Free Methodists. 3.000: Presbyterians, 1.400; the Free Church of Scotland, 4,300; and the established Church 7,000. Altogether these seven churches show a substan-tial decrease of 32,300 scholars in a single year."

Then the paper goes on to sav:

"The above figures represent an the father; and Deva Maia, the Divine actual decrease in the number of mother, were compelled to flee by nigh scholars on the registers of Sundayinto a remote country for fear of a ty-rant who had ordered all the male chil-Schools, but their significance is increased enormously by two considerations. The first is, as the population dren to be slain. Chrishnu, by his wisdom at an early age, astonished the increases about 300,000 per year, the elders. He had a forerunner in his loss is really far greater than appears brother Rom. He is claimed to have at first sight. Secondly: The register washed the feet of Brahmins, cured includes a third more than the actual lepers, raised the dead, was crucified, descended into hades, ascended into attendance."

The writer then shows from the heaven, and sat beside Vishnu, the first official statistics that the loss of pupils is from those over 14 years of age.

In every department of church work, astonishing similarity in the Asiatic in all the Protestant denominations, and in all countries" where they exist, there seems a falling away of church workers, and attendance on church services. Men first lead the way out of the church and the women follow. The preachers have occasion to be sensitive on this subject, but vexation won't

A D.D. Who Thinks.

greed to push their conquests. Turn

Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., presithe commercial methods in vogue in dent of the United Society of Christian those days, and much more so than if Endeavors, with the subject, "Losses he had merely followed the carpenter's and Gains from the Chinese Uprising," trade of his father. Dr. Proudfoot is at the Congregational ministers' meetalso of opinion that he traveled in India and was engaged in commercial puring in Boston; on October 1, is reported sults as an attache of a caravan. by the Associated Press to have said: The above, written by James Sey-"The dragon's teeth of war and massacre were sown by the foreigners, who had come in a spirit of commercial

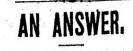
the tables for a moment and imagine China forcing her goods upon us at the point of the sword. Sending her oplum here to debauch our youth, compelling us to buy it, seizing the whole State of Massachusetts because two Chinamen as success itself; that is a most ex-cellent measure of one's status and imagine some of the feelings which aniwere murdered by a mob, and we can mated the Boxers or the more intellinary societies by experience, turn their attention homeward, and inculcate a true morality among the degraded and criminal classes of our own country, and give less attention to the matter of belief among foreign tribes and nations, they would do well. Creeds are not reformatory. Nearly or quite all the great criminals in America have sympathized with some one of the orthodox churches. The wretch on the gallows, the rope about his neck, frequently reloices that in a few moments he will be in Paradise, sharing with the thief

Was Ohrist a Commercial Traveler? HON. A. B. RICHMOND. About the first of December we shall All theologians tacitly admit that the vhereabouts of Christ from the age of commence a most remarkable narra-12 until he entered upon the ministry tive, by the Hon. A. B. Richmond, of at the age of 30, is unknown. Recent Meadville, Pa. Mr. Richmond is wideresearches among the sacred books of Hindostan show a great similarity bely known as the Sage of Cassadaga. Our Winter Campaign will be especially brilliant. Send in your subscriptions now, and enjoy the feast of good Christian era. The inference is that our Lord traveled extensively in the rethings.

The Progressive Thinker Travels. that, his precoclousness having excited the wrath of the Jewish priesthood, it The poem, "October," by Thos. Harwas found advisable to leave the counding, of Sturgis, Mich., which appeared try for a time, and that he joined one of the numerous caravans trading between in The Progressive Thinker, the first Egypt and the Indies. Rome, at that week of that month, seems to be going period, the proud mistress of the world the rounds of the press; it appeared last had entered upon a period of costly week in the "Republican," of Brecken-Th ridge, Colo., the highest city in the whole known world was ransacked to furnish luxuries to gratify the pam-Rocky Mountains.

Passed to Spirit Life.

mand, and there is not a shadow of a T. D. Kaynor, prominent as a Spiritdoubt that the leading merchants of those days were the Jews and the ualist, passed to spirit life, at his home,-8736 South Wood street, Chicago, last Greeks, who were largely engaged in week. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Isa Wilthose stern masters of the world, considered son-Kaynor, to mourn his loss. Will C. trade to be infra dig., and, with a grim Hodge officiated at the funeral.



What Good Does Spiritualism Do? It is but natural to suppose that one

Having just closed a month's work in Williamsport, Pa., some items may be useful, if not interesting. The work of Mrs. R. W. Barton and Mrs. Demorest Edwin Arnold, in his "Light of Asla," shows that portions of the Lord's prayer and the Beatitudes came ver has made a strong impression upon many. Mrs. Helen Taylor is also credbatim from Hindoo teachers who lived ited with a liberal share of the interest awakened. Her prophecy of the disalso shows that there is much similarcovery of oil and gas, that would be the ity in the lives of Chrishnu and Christ. chief business enterprise in Williams-Chrishnu or Christnu was born many port, to take the place of lumber now years before Christ. He was one of the rapidly disappearing, has already be-Trinity of the Hindoos occupying the more central part of India. He came from Vishnu, became incarnate, was gan to show up a few miles out of the city. Her prophecy was on record before any outward sign of of had apconsidered a savior of royal origin, born peared lowly, saluted by Divine songs from an-Mrs. Demorest made many friends in gels, surrounded by shepherds. Nada,

Williamsport, and is regarded as one of the best test mediums that has visited the city. A goodly number of church people were attracted, and became thoroughly converted, and one of them, Mrs. Lowry, is a rather remarkable medium and has had many startling experiences in the six months since her conversion. Thus the ranks depleted by death and hypnotic delusions are being recruited by fresh and reliable mediums, whose modesty and merit are in refreshing contrast with some of the egotistic vanity that gets lost in the clouds of romance, and fancles It is above mediumship. Mrs. Bar-ton was over a year in Williamsport, as speaker and test medium.

larity accounts in a great measure for the prevalence of German rationalism. Mrs. L. W. Dimick, 625 First avenue. No less an authority than the Rev. thirty-five years a member of the Pres-Dr. Proudfoot, of London, Eng., who, in early youth, was trained in mercanbyterian church, was twenty-five years an invalid. Anyone that reads the tile pursuits, has been cited to show that Christ himself, all through his Presbyterian confession of faith, might wonder that she was not an invalid from the first, and dead before the end proverbs and other parts of the Gospels, evinces a business training, and of the first decade. If she really un that he must have been familiar with derstood and appreciated that document, how could she be well? How can anyone contemplate it seriously and thoroughly believe it, and smile? How can a sane person eat and sleep, with such an infinite horror before him? No wonder Mrs. Dimick was sick, albeit

she did not attribute her malady to the creed she thought she believed. She mour and published in the American suffered terribly from general neural Commercial Traveler, illustrates in a gia. Her whole nervous system was marked degree the declaration that involved. Not a nerve that did not ache continually, unless deadened with there is no end of conjectures-no limit opiates. Physicians could not help her to theories! The Savior has been a She was to them a hopeless invalid and fruitful theme for discussion ever since a nervous wreck, a piliful sight to behold-a walking, trembling suffering skeleton. She went to one of Mrs. he commenced to act an important part on this terrestrial sphere. Sects-al-Barton's seances. Her parents came most numberless-have been founded and gave satisfactory proof of their on the incidents connected with his identity. They told her she could be conception, birth, life and various ut- cured. It seemed too good to be true. terances. Histories of his life by va-

AUTUMN DAYS. A Sentimental and Spiritual

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Discursion.

Who does not love and admire the woods in autumn? Everywhere they are rioting in floods of gorgeous color, telling of the recent visits of Jack Frost, with his icy breath.

We sigh sometimes at the thught of parting with the lovely flowers of summer, and the pleasant rambles under the cool, green branches, and wish for home in the Sunny South, where frosts never come.

But they who live in those summer latitudes, with their orange groves.and roses, know nothing of the glorious beauty, and the wine-like balm of an autumn day in the northern states. Here in northern California, among the foot-hills of the Sierras, the views are especially grand and sublime.

To one unaccustomed to climbing, the sight of these hills, perhaps a thousand feet in height, might dampen considerably the ardor of his first attempt. But ably the ardor of his first attempt. But we will go up along a winding path-way, that curves in and out, among the great boulders, and groups of plue, gaining gently upon the height, until after many halts by the way, to get firm hold upon our breath, we emerge ot lost argue the work burghest carles at last ,among the very highest craigs of its summit.

Now we have time to look about us, and the view almost sends us into spasms of delight. Below us is the valley we have left, with the little stream, like a silver ribbon, glinting here and there, from beneath the oaks and al-ders that line its brink. They still hold their summer greenness, with here and there a hint of change. But look along the ridges of the opposite slope, and the mountains that rise beyond, their pinnacled summits crowned with clusters of the vellow pine, at this distance having much the effect of a tuft of nlumes in the head-gear of an Indian chief.

The oaks along the plateaus are mingling their warm, russet browns with the scarlet and gold of maples and poplars, among which the green of the yellow pine, and the delicate blue green of the digger pine sets in, like

islands in a sea of color. How they rise, terrace above terrace, in mottled and waving beauty, until the needle-like tops of the pines, seem to pierce the very clouds. And you almost feel that you could unfold spirit wings, and float away across the chasm into that dreamy distance of enchantment. It is worth the climb, is it not, to feel the joy of it, and you are thankful now for the change from summer's greenness, to the glory of frosty autumn.

I sometimes think, as I look through the glimmering, sunlit spaces, if our vision could be opened to spiritual things, what might we not behold in these seemingly isolated, and lonely valleys.

Radiant forms, perhaps, passing to and fro, on errands of love; silvery, magnetic trails lying here and there across the gorges, and beautiful homes above that lovely grove on the mount-ain side, might be a spiritual village. It seems an ideal site for one in our estimation, and the atmosphere would be pure and free from unlovely thought images, such as may come from more thickly settled countries. The very idea comes as an inspiration, and a sort of recompense for the many privileges of society, which we are forced to forego.

We cannot attend the lectures, the musical seances, and other reunions of kindred souls. But who would regret that fact, if he could consciously entertain visitors from that celestial village over the way, and drink in the inspiring truths which they could give him? It only remains for us to aspire and labor with all diligence to arrive at that state of spiritual being when we can enter into consciousness of all that surrounds us, and greet our spiritual visitors as we do those on the mortal plane. No place, however isolated, would be lonely then, and all souls could partake of the water of life, as it Next she had a private sitting with comes, fresh and sparkling from its glo-

save them. 1

followed by the cordial impressive commendation of others that act as a most

measure that has had no precedent at any time in our ranks in the years gone by, is sufficient encouragement to us, and when we stop and consider the when we stop and consider the grand work consummated through its instrumentality, it in a great measure gives us that complacency of spirit that always comes to one when he has reason to believe that his labors are highly appreciated by those who are on the

There is nothing that succeeds so well

higher planes of spiritual thought and

at a new suggestion of science. The assistant at the Greenwich Observatory has just published a book entitled "Th Oldest Picture Book of All." That book presents the midnight sky with its constellations, as divided by the ancients, and mapped by the astronomers of the early ages of civilization, as that Picture Book. The author shows from these constellations that the story of Adam's fall was an ancient myth a thousand years before creation, as revealed

in Genesis. He shows that these constellations, or divisions of the heavenly bodies into groups, each named after some animal, was intended to symbolize and enshrine legends and stories which even in those ancient days were included in the sacred history of the race. He finds the story of the deluge preserved in these newly deciphered records.

Is this discovery by an able astronomer another weapon to aid in demolishing that silly fiction of ignorance, the gods, who built a little 7x9 world less than 6.000 years ago, and had a host of trouble with the incorrigible wretches with which he peopled it, and was almost deprived of its government by his arch enemy whom he kicked out of

Expulsion of Tolstoi.

Count Leo Tolstoi, the well-known and greatly admired novelist and social reformer, has been excommunicated from the Greek church. The Count's offence consisted in an exposure of Christian orthodoxy, in his work entitled "Resurrection." He showed that he despised Christlanity, as ordinarily interpreted. He was severe on "th meaningless much speaking," and "the sphemous incantation over bread and wine."

It seems for three years and over Count Tolstol's expulsion- has been pending, but final action was-delayed because he was a favorite with the peo ple, and skepticism has made large in the higher, and especially into the intellectual classes of Russia. and it was feared it would add to the disaffection by his excommunication. It is not in America nor in England only where skepticism prevails, but it is everywhere among thinkers.

A Glorious Trinity.

Rev. J. E. Roberts, of Kansas City, struck a key-note the other Sunday in one of his magnificent discourses when he said:

"If another conception of divinity is to be given the world, and in the form of a trinity, I believe in this: "God the father, God the mother, and God the He concluded by adding: child." every home where love sheds its beatific light will be a sanctuary, the dwelling place of all divine, and service will be the only worship, and love the only priest."

All honor to such noble sentiments, and hasten the time when such preaching and teaching shall become universal.

Paine controverted this claim in his great state papers, "Common Sense" and "The Crisis." The Continental Con-gress confirmed his logic by the Declaration of Independence: and each new Republic punctuates Paine's position, as do the people everywhere when exercising their elective franchise. The "Thus saith the Lord" does not control in American politics, nor in American legislation. It has no authority in China, and it is a usurpation when applied there in trying to establish mis slonary rule among that people.

They Acted Wisely.

The Chicago Board of Education, by the decisive vote of 13 to 6, voted down the proposition to use Bible Readings in the schools of the city. Trustee Keating, voicing the sentiment of the majority, said:

"Once admit the Bible in the schools and the doors will be opened to endless religious discussions. I, for one, would restament into the hands of young children, and these selections would lead them to seek out that book. The Old Testament is not for children." The Trustee was right And he need not have limited his objections to children. Presented as the Word of God. Spirit of Nature, of its deceptive representations in regard to science, and its

barbaric history and morals, it has no proper place other than with mythological literature. There, possibly, it would be servicable. And the New Testament is by no means exempt from serious objections as a school book independent of sectarianism.

Foolish Zcal.

"The American Bible Society pub lishes a list of the Protestant mission aries killed or missing in China. , The total is 178, of whom 66 are men, 73 women and 39 children. In this total are 69 Americans, 25 men, 24 women (16 married and 8 single), and 20 children."-Ex.

It would be supposed such a waste of life in the promulgation of a creed would satisfy an ordinary ambition, but the Missionary Boards are calling for volunteers to take the place of the slaughtered. Our sympathies go out to the unfortunate natives who will be misled, and will fall victims a few years hence to another uprising of the people.

The Method of Savages.

Some four weeks ago a German convoy was fired on from a Chinese village through which it was passing. An expedition was sent out from the German headquarters to punish the offenders. The village was burned and 300 men. women and children were killed. Says the report: "No attempt was made to discriminate between the innocent and the guilty." The practices of North American savages seem to be employed by brave Christian warriors in their treatment of the Chinese.

tle minds in the ranks of Spiritualism who set up a dismal howl against The Progressive Thinker simply because they cannot control it, at an expense to them of the miserable pittance of two cents each week, or nothing at all, while we are compelled to pay out hun-dreds of dollars, assuming all the responsibility. Such a person who pays wo cents per week, and desires The Progressive Thinker to conform to his own exclusive ways of thinking, is an exceedingly small specimen of hu-manity; and not worth noticing, though he howl and shrick, and gesticulate against us. We always take great

pleasure in being boycotted by such dismal specimens of humanity, for it is evidence that the driftwood is going where it belongs. Thus it is that under these circumstances The Progressive Thinker has

isen, has prospered, and is now surging ahead at one dollar per year. Bear in mind, please, as set forth by O. S. Marden, that "man's success in life is sually in proportion to his confidence

in himself and the energy and persistence with which he pursues his aim. In this competing age there is little hope for the man who does not thor-oughly believe in himself. The man who can be easily discouraged or turned aside from his purpose, the man who has no iron in his blood, will never with a 'diminutive conception of the win. Half the giant's strength is in the conviction that he is a giant. The strength of a muscle is enhanced a hundredfold by the will power. The same muscle, when removed from the glant's

arm, when divorced from the force of the mighty will, can sustain but a fraction of the weight it did a moment before it was disconnected. O. what miracles confidence has wrought! What mpossible deeds it has helped to perform! It took Napoleon over the Alps

n midwinter; it took Farragut and Dewey past the cannons, torpedoes and nines of the enemy; it led Nelson and Grant to victory; it has been the great

tonic in the world of discovery, invention, and art; it has helped to win the thousand triumphs in war and science win the which were deemed impossible. The man without self-confidence and iron will is the plaything of chance, the puppet of his environment, the slave of

circumstances. With these he is king, ever master of the situation." From, the start we have had undiminished faith and confidence in ourself to make a change for good in the status of Spiritualism. We have worked faithfully with that end in view. We now have the only first-class

view. We now have the only first-class dollar Spiritualist paper in the United States, and we repeat again it is pros-perous, for it works on the Divine Plan, a portion of the profits of the

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additional subscriber for our winter campaign.

who died on the cross, the bliss of heaven, because of his belief. Preachers should learn to teach common sense at home before they engage in teaching distant peoples, foreign to

our modes of thought.

As the Catholic Sees It.

A Catholic paper published at Columbus, Ohio, says Protestant colonyfounding is a great failure. It claims there were sixteen millions of Indians within the present United States four hudred years ago, and not half a million are left: that the few who remain owe their preservation to the Catholics. It claims "Protestant civilization can be erected only on the ruins of what preceded it." It quotes a Hawalian as saying to Protestant missionaries:

"You have taught us to lift our hands to beaven, and while we did this, you stole the land from under our feet." It is difficult to prove that the Catholics are not guilty of the same crushing vices which the editor says characterized the Protestants.

Why Not?

A Mr. John Merwin Hubbard, of West Haven, Conn., has come to the front with a new fad, or, rather, the revival of an^{iti}old due for Sunday services, which' should be promptly adopted by all cliurchmen, because it is

the reputed costume of the ancient Jewish priests, It is a flowing robe, with a golden girdle and a bonnet of ye olden time. Hat's and trousers are out of fashion with our reformer. He is organizing a society, to be known as S. O. G. G., which being interpreted means Sunday Order of Gowns and Girdles. The motion of "A Heavenly Sabbath." Membership is open to all. The founder expects to see the new costume adopted by all churchmen who respect the Word of God, and why not?

Power of the Pen.

Warriors brave, listen: "More steel is used in the manufacture of pens than in all the sword and gun factories in the world." So says a well-posted exchange.

Those pens are silent in their action but they are doing thousands of times more in revolutionizing the world and inaugurating an era of peace, prosperity and contentment than has all the armies in all the ages past

rious celebrities who have a world-wide Mrs. Barton. The medium knew nothing of her history, but told her reputation, have been written, and ser-"all she ever did," all about her ailmons without number preached from ments, taking morphine, etc., and said gilded pulpits with reference to him she could be cured. She told her to and his varied career, and verily the throw away all medicines. After a

time she suffered from the absence As a culmination of the various histhe usual morphine, sent for Mrs. Barton who gave her a treatment which re tories commencing with Renan and lieved her. She took six treatments in ending with Beecher, the above state- all, took no medicine or morphine after ment by a commercial traveler is most Mrs. B. took the case, and she is now a fitting, and is entitled to as much credit and freshness, and joy unspeakable at as anything previously written with reher wonderful deliverance. She was reduced to one hundred pounds. Now gard to the career of this remarkable she weighs 150, and is a picture of buoyant health.

We regard Jesus as having been a most remarkable man; a moral philos

end is not yet.

character.

person of the Hindoo Deity. The more

erudite German theologians admit the

savior Chrishnu and Christ. This simi-

opher; an iconoclast; a thorough and it has cured the sick, consoled and comcomprehensive reconstructionist; a reforted the sorrowing, lifted the burmarkable magnetic healer; a medium den from the oppressed, and given sunof wonderful powers; and a seer such shine and gladness to those who had as the world had not previously seen. suffered for years, if not a lifetime, As a reconstructionist, the hundreds of from oppression. This case is well known in Williamsport, and no one atsects in the world point to him exclutempts to deny or explain, except sively as the cause of their existence, Spiritualists, who understand the and though, looking from his supernal workings of the spiritual agencies, and home he deplores their innate lack of know to whom we are indebted for such spirituality, yet he recognizes the fact blessings. I realize that there are that his life and sayings brought them many remarkable cures performed by Christian Scientists and others, who do into existence. If a commercial travnot acknowledge the help of excarnate eler, he was undoubtedly a great sucsouls; and of course the same law is opcess, and possessed none of the subtle erative in both classes. private opinion, publicly expressed, that nearly or quite all of the healing characteristics of those of modern times, whose stories, ingenious prevarperformed by any of these are indebted ications, skilful subterfuges, and weird adventures mark them as a dis-But this is no reason for ignoring or tinct race of mankind, that it would neglecting the use of our own powers not be well to perpetuate into the far for good in whatever canacity we may. But distant future. What will next be asspirit friends. is to weaken their help signed to the Savior as a profession, refulness, and impair our own instrumen mains yet to be seen, for there is no tality for good. LYMAN C. HOWE.

end to conjectures-no limit to theories!

Did More Harm than Good.

Mrs. J. F. Adams, of Syracuse, N. Y. who was in China during the last six months, and has just reached home, was interviewed by a Syracuse Herald reporter, to whom she said: "The cause of the uprising was laid to the Russians by the English in Shang-

hai. It was believed that their purpos was to stir up dissension and crawl in through the breach. But think the missionaries were as much a fault as anybody. They had the bes intentions, of course, but they did more harm than good."

A Popular Delusion.

Friday has been reputed the unlucky lay of the week, a survival of medievalism, priest taught, but by careful observations in Germany, of near 10,000 weekly accidents, it was found Monday led the list; that Friday showed an equal number of accidents with Saturday and no more.

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N. S. A. Amendment Proposed. I introduced at the late convention of he N. S. A. an amendment to the article 6 of the Constitution, relating to membership, or primary units. The intention is to make its auxiliary

bodies only state, national or provinrobust woman, blooming with health cial. At present, local societies are represented. These should not be directly members, but gain their allegiance through the state associations, or as na tional bodies, such as the Y. P. S. U., or the N. S. L. A.

"What good does Spiritualism do?" It is true that many states are not This is one of millions of cases where vet organized, and that would bar out the local societies of those states. Is it not clearly the duty of these separate states to organize? They can each do so. With employed N. S. A. missionaries, these states can be developed this year-or at least the next, before this amendment will be in force; for it cannot be adopted until in 1901 and be in action in 1902. We should be ready by that time. It has been the intention to make the N. S. A. a delegate body for the state associations. And such it should be. We have a confusion of interests otherwise.

Let us place our organization upon a proper business basis, if we are to have But it is my our cause organized. Local societies ave jurisdiction in their separate calities, and are allied with the state association which has their common wealth as special territory. The N. S. the co-operation of excarnate souls A., made up of the states, occupies the nation. The representation will be more thoroughly realized and equally, to ignore, or discredit the help of distributed by having the delegations from states.

The state associations will more carefully select representatives, and will be able to pay their expenses to attend. Local societies can claim a delegate from their state association, occasionally, or every year if so numerically entitled.

A more dignified body will result and the proxy representation be solved. Then will cease the present conflict of proper representation, and the work of the N. S. A. be upon a stable footing. The state associations will be strengthened and the public cause move forward with a more firm spirit of co-

operation. I present this issue now to call out bought and to urge the state and local organizations to candidly consider the proposition. This must result soon; but the question is now, will we be ready G. W. KATES. for lt in 1902? Minneapolis, Minn.

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Here the easels hold the features, While the months go passing on, Of those little tender creatures Whose sweet faces now are gone. They are painted true as nature Can embellish ev'ry grace, And we see the form and stature In the picture of the face. Who can aught more deeply cherish

CHERISHED TREASURES.

That once brightly round us beamed

Oh, those dear old friendly faces

Have departed, and their places

Are so empty, yet esteemed.

With those faces e'er before us,

In the pictures on the wall,

Comes a charming angel chorus.

And a cheer to one and all.

And the soul ascends above DR. T. WILKINS.

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Than the face of one they love, When the mortal form shall perish

By Sar'gis. Spirits Antedate Scientists' Theories.

personal signature is to hear your ideas discussed without bigotry-but the years of priority estop this. writer's presence.

tinuance. It seems that this is now the one problem pre- planet, while the goologist contends for a much greater It seems almost a justifiable assumption, that the spirit only as to marine life but to mammals as well. Hence almost if not quite wholly so. immaculate conception is to become a "scientific" as well as a theological dogma. This Wood's Holl-"holl" being a "narrow ditch"-is a place on the Barnstable coast in Massachusetts that is used as an experiment station by the United States Fish Commission, and a working station for scientists generally in such lines of study.

Parthenogenesis is only a learned form of saying spontaneous generation, and while neither affirming or denying any theory, the design here is to show that spirit theory antedates Prof. Loeb and Wood's Holl on that subject. In what may be said, no statement as to spirit authority will be made that is not of record through mediumship, but the story will not be confused by parenthetical quotaoutset advises that all herein given is borrowed. This disclaimer is at once to remove any color of egotism from situation as described is the answer.

To the Editor:-One of the advantages of the im-putation would be promptly thrown in her face by would at once be questioned and questionable-for the takes root, grows and dies, but in the spring comes into primal teaching as to continued life is that it is human in life and is persistent in form. No seed was there, but the embarrassment of the discussors being aware of the Another theory of science ends life by the earth's all respects and therefore of limited or finite capacity for there is organic life developed and unfolded. It is a sign, riter's presence. It was such an opportunity presented the other day to coming like the moon a dead planet. Next, the theories that the thing cannot know or comprehend the power theory of life as we have it on the planet, or for illustra-

Sar'gis that is responsible for this infliction on the readers as to being struck by a comet or from a disturbance of behind its being. Hence the scientific knowledge of tion, mammal life: of The Progressive Thinker. The criticism was directed the pull of gravity running off the orbital track and col-spirits is as the Keplers, the Newtons, the Franklins or Simply stated it is this: The normal temperature of the to the statement that the progress and new discoveries in liding with another body, or dropping into the sun. All the Darwins in that life may look at its facts and the human body, say, is 98 degrees Fahrenheit. A few de-

Prof. Loeb's hatching sea urchin eggs at the experiment ses, the evolutionist, after forty years since Darwin essays. It may be mentioned that the discourses of Mrs. as the scientists say, that parthenogenesis is true-not is compelled to admit that its evidence is still indirect- on scientific problems, given her by the most eminent men in Europe and this country, could to-day be studied as To put the question of human knowledge as repre-profitable by the men engaged upon these "unsolved sented by science to-day, it stands upon the same ground problems of the coming century." There is not an un-Aside from the fact that invention and discovery, aided Babbitt and Prof. Lockwood.

moon and star accompaniment for day and night utilities, the work of science the results of laboratory investigation all are saturated with the old "creation" ideal, and allow had reached the borderland where spirit could only an-Neither has a basis of absolute evidence. Even mathe- it seems we have found the pioneer pilot, who takes the matics is found to be but a relation to hypothesis, not first step across the line between material science and a solvent-dependent for its answer always upon the spirit, as the solution of the problem. He is certainly premise-the X. In a former article it was shown that purely a scientist in his conceptions and methods, and he gravity; the cause of light and heat from the sun; the is as surely a Spiritualist in his conclusions. No student other like breaks upon continuity. The writer has no applied to the planet, are all in the nebulous hypothetical clusions are as unassailable as mathematical demonstra-theories, dogmas or personal hobbies to air, and at the condition. What then have we about which these phil- tion. Some day the initialed orders will be compelled osophers so wisely discourse-of the Absolute? The to call upon him for his assistance in the solution of the next century questions.

But what does the fact teach? No one for a moment But a few years ago it was the theory that space was a what is said. In newspapers and magazines was found a reported symposium from several professors of eminence in our own Naval Observatory. Also an address of the retiring president of the American Association for the Advance-ment of Science, all referring to this question of "peren-nial interest." And why this perennial question? Is it will attempt to belittle the wonderful advance made in the void, that the heat and light came from the sun by radiaadmit that as yet science is forever shifting its ground, when it comes to life, its origin and persistence, it is all not because science itself, outside this, is simply a con- the hypothesis of yesterday accepted or rejected as the guess and confusion-and theology is left to the Genesis theory almost unchallenged, while endowed science As Spiritualists we claim to have answered one of the | shrugs its shoulders and says it is not in its departmentquestions, one asked for ages, the one basic fact of all or as Talleyrand said-"that is left to my confessor." emphasizes this fact. What have been the steps of this the rest: "If a man die shall he live again?" To this we Andrew Jackson Davis has given us a principia in claim to say-Yes. It is, as yet, the one categorical an- which these questions are treated with as clear statement, nebula, the fire-mist, etc., is the true one, or that space is The first cosmogony upon which the modern world's swer in human knowledge. And how do we prove it? as logical as any hypothesis of orthodox science, and as absolute cold and dead worlds frozen or not. They conthought was based is that of the creation as given in Gen- By the same evidence that we prove anything else, the amenable to intellectual analysis and scholastic rules as tend that the moon is dead, yet insist that it controls the esis-the first book of our Bible. So firmly and so evidence in kind that science accepts for its hypotheses; any system of the schools. Admit it is hypothesis-that tides by attraction-as if a dead thing can exert power of universally was this so, that poor Hugh Miller lost his the evidence that is accepted by courts in all matters by confession is all that are the others. And why should any sort. Spirit theory makes the earth the manufac- WORDS THAT BURN. reason in consequence of the contradiction between that affecting human life and rights-that which appeals to science refuse to consider his theories any more than turer, so to speak, of its own light and heat, from the authority and the testimony of the rocks, which his trade the human senses weighed by human reason and ex- Tesla's? This name is used because his discoveries come power of its own atmosphere as a lens. Space, like the of stone-cutting compelled him to notice. And it is not perience. And it ill becomes the man who deals in the nearer spirit as their solution than most of his contempo-stick of carbon, conducts the force from the sun without too much to say that while the six-day period is no longer hypothetic to reject our direct evidence because it may raries. In these spirit discoveries referred to will be visibility, but the atmospheric lens, like the air space be- BY LIDA BRIGGS BROWNE. regarded, the idea of a "creation" colors the thinking of seem beyond his hypothesis to explain. That is the prac- found the beginning of the rejection of this void space tween the sticks of carbon, is not equal to that office and modern science in all planetary theories, as a rule. And tical situation to-day and all of it. His position was that theory, the idea of the sun as a base-burner heater, and light and heat result from that fact. If the earth were a so we read that man has been so many years on the earth, of the Psychical Research Society thirteen years ago and other things growing put of that basic thought. Even dead planet it could not do this, nor could it sustain life and can only stay so many more. Again, life is limited last year. But to-day it says as we say-jes. So much the hell of theology had to go when science let go these. on it. Science is at last beginning to see that a dead Now as to where you stuck the pin: atmosphere, while the destruction of forests and coal is It has been said that scientific research, experiment and As an illustration of spirit theory apropos of these its normal conditions at 98 degrees, it will continue to hastening the exhaustion of the stored supply of the ages. discovery were as a rule but finding facts anticipated by Wood's Holl experiments, let us take that of life and its carry its atmosphere, propagate life-forms and produce Prof. See obviates this by the prediction of the storage spirit suggestion, often years in advance of the results of advent on the planet. A quotation would make it too the light and heat necessary to these ends. But let the of the sun's heat to supply our demands for what is, now the laboratory-and we ought to be able to show evidence long for a newspaper article, and it will be given as briefly temperature go down to a normal of even 94 degrees and the first coincidence between science and spirits: One of questions have been discussed and spirit hypotheses given Contrary to the assumption of science as held by Tyn- planet and invisible to observers on other worlds. the medium to have thus accorded with science the im- otherwise its superior knowledge, if we so concede it, a frog leaping in, breaks it up and it floats to the shore, the most important problems of science to-day.

to the statement that the progress and new discoveries in made in many cases years ago. The ascertion was dis-puted by some, but as a rule was treated as not proved. But the talk suggested that possibly an article on the sub-jete might not be amiss, as the parties to the conversation a number of papers treating of Life, its origin, its dura a number of papers treating of Life, its origin, its dura bion on the planet, as well as the earth's age and its con-tinuance. It seems that this is now the one problem me-dianet, while the geologist contends for a lung tinuance. It seems that this is now the one problem me-dianet, while the geologist contends for a lung tinuance. It seems that this is now the one problem me-tinuance. It seems that this is it so comes now and cannot otherwise stay.

The next theory is that space is not void but world Asbland Healing Home, 119 Main St. Askland, O. eminent in the discussions of our civilization-or as the antiquity. Next come the biologists with whom evolu- people who have gone out from us had anticipated the matter in solution, and of differing densities, as the politicians would say, the paramount issue. But not tion is a controlling factor, and they incline more to the present demand and prepared for it. Hence the work of nebula we can see illustrates. The solar system travels in EYESIGHT even then was it undertaken until the appearance of the geologists than to the mathematicians. But as in the Swedenborg, of Andrew Jackson Davis, of Maria King, an immense orbit through this space and its worlds are article in The Progressive Thinker by "Jus Tice" as to case of the others, whose basic concepts are but hypothe- of Hudson Tuttle, Oahspe, and the scores of less elaborate fed and fertilized by this matter in solution, or the space conditions passed through. At the time our earth was Failing Eyesight, Cataracts or Blindness Cured station at Wood's Holl without the male fertilizing. Or opened the way by his Origin of Species for the doctrine, Richmond, from a child of a dozen years to the present, fitted by changes ready for the advent of life upon it, it entered for a cycle, say two or three thousand years, a region of a density to produce this normal temperature, and the green scum-like conditions obtain for all that period-would it not furnish for life's advent exactly as does that of theology in its domain-pure hypothesis. scientific sentence in one of them. And so of Edwin D. those that exist to-day for its propagation and maintenance? The case is simply put without comment, only by mathematics, have superseded a flat earth with sun, In a former article it was shown how in summing up to ask, has science or theology ever presented a more rational or a more scientific one? Yet this is a spirit theory. It is not the purpose here to argue this theory it, unconsciously of course, to color their thinking. swer the resulting question. Already in Prof. Lockwood, as to its bearing on the creation hypothesis or on evolution. It is given as an answer to the charge that Spiritualism never reaches the higher realms of thinking. In this matter it has one merit over its detractors or opposers: It is a theory consistent with itself and with facts as they are in nature-thus giving evidence of logical problem of life, its origin, development and duration, as can go behind his premises or his methods, and his con- thought. But at the end it has the frankness to say that though we may account for how life came upon the earth, yet life itself to man is unfathomable.

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nial interest." And why this perennial question? Is it geries of hypotheses, about which there is no absolute theory of to-day. knowledge? Science, orthodox science, deals only with phenomena. The very boast that science is progressive progress?

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supplied by coal and other motor agencies. Now, here is for the assertion. And it can be shown that all these as plainness will allow:

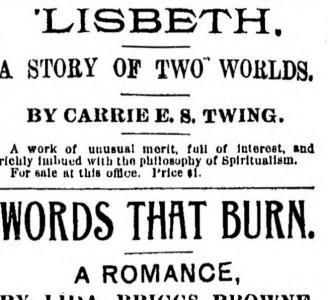
tion of rain, hail, snow, meteors and "dead worlds." One when as transparent nebula they lie in immense fields

millions of miles in extent between the earth and sun our spectroscope observers sometimes mistake them as being in the sun itself or in its atmosphere. Suppose this to be fact, what a revolution it portends in astronomic research. A STORY OF TWO WORLDS.

Science is now discussing the theory as to whether thing cannot produce life. So long as our earth can keep TALMAGEAN INANITIES.

temperature go down to a normal of even 94 degrees and witt Taimage's off-repeated attacks upon Spiritual-life would cease to propagate and the earth soon be a dead 10 cents.

the marked features of several annual discourses by Mrs. along the whole field of what we call physical, astronomic dall, that there is no such thing as spontaneous genera-Richmond has been this very prediction of the time when or biologic science with the of course added fact of con-Richmond has been this very prediction of the time when or biologic science, with the of course added fact of con- tion, the inference is that there was no other. For ex- pose in view-not to exploit or contend for any theory or solar heat would be utilized as a motor power through in- tinuous or after-death life. But it may as well be said at ample: Given a pool of still water in the hot weather hypothesis-only to show that what was said in other vention. And so often has this been so, that were it not the outset that this spirit outgiving is not dogmatic, but of dog-days and it soon becomes covered with green scum. articles is true: That in the fields of scientific investigafor the high character accorded scientific men, the charge after the scientific method-left to rest for acceptance on In a few days put this under a strong lens and it is a tion, experiment and hypothesis, spirit was on record with of plagiarism would lie at their doors in this regard. Were the reason and judgment of the student. Did it do forest of plant life. The wind, a stone thrown into it, or its theories and their exposition, covering and antedating



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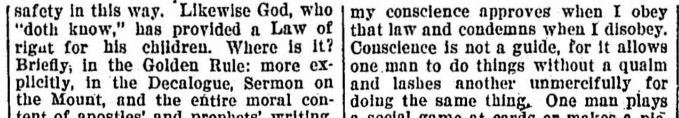
GONSGIENGE: AN INFALLIBLE STANDARD

I do not propose to tell you what con-/ tinguish between different lines of con-plicitly, in the Decalogue, Sermon on and lashes another unmercifully for "An Honest God is the Noscience is, for I am not sure that I duct. The same necessity that com- the Mount, and the entire moral con- doing the same thing. One man plays know. I only hope to point out a few pelled him to distinguish day from tent of apostles' and prophets' writing. a social game at cards or makes a picsignificant facts' bearing on the ques- night, up from down, pleasure from j tion. We state a series of propositions. pain, also forced him to make moral 1. Right and wrong exist. Some distinctions, and to catalogue one class wrong. There is another view held by bare suggestion that he should do such things and actions are good while of actions and results as evil and another class of actions and conse- altogether. According to this our ideas have been taught. Conscience is a others are evil.

There is a way-a law-a method quences as good. He would be a fool of wrong are simply the conclusions of creature of education. As near as I of some kind by which to determine who should say, "All is day, there is no human experience. In developing by can tell, conscience is only the action 1. I take a trinity of non-substant what is good and what is evil. A night;" or, "All is sweet, there is no evolution out of savage and ignorant of the mind in approving what it has infinitudes, viz., Space, Time, Law. standard of right, either absolutely true sour:" but not more a fool than the so- conditions the race has gained by ex- been taught to be right, or disapproving 2. A trinity of substantial infinior only relatively so, also exists. called (by himself) "scientist" who perience all it knows of good and evil. what it believes to be wrong. 3. Conscience is that attribute of our | chatters his inanity to the wind, "There | Our wisdom is not the ready-made heing, either inherent or acquired, is only good: evil is an imagination." maxims of a God-given revelation, but which approves the right and con-But I waste space in this work. The the slowly acquired lessons of ages of We need an exact measure of morals. demns the wrong. Conscience, in the sane, enlightened portion of the race human experience. We know a thing We need to be just what the Devil sugsoul of man, also exists. perceive that good and evil both ac- is good, not because God said so, but gested, "as gods, knowing good from We have then to deal with the follow- tually exist, and that they are forever because we found it out by trying. We evil." This is absolutely the greatest ing trinity: (1) Right. (2) A Law of at war touching the best interests of hold certain things to be evil, not be question before us at the present mo- Deity-Pantheos. right. (3) A Something (conscience) humanity. 2. A Law of Right. How shall we from a contemptible rock in a far-away of discipline, shall we develop our lating any special privileges or proviwhich, when enlightened by the law, approves the right. I believe these know the right? how discern evil? Said desert, but because centuries of human characters and shape our actions? dencies, or in enacting laws beneficial statements faithfully present the entire the tempter to Eve. "Ye shall become experience has convicted the race of Shall every man be a "law unto him- to the few, and detrimental to the field in which conscience plays a part. as gods, knowing good and evil." He their harmful results and tendencies. self?" Shall public opinion, which many, First, Right exists, and wrong is its | was right, "There is no religion higher | And so on. The standard thus pre- | shifts like the wind, be our only guide? negative or perversion. Anything not than the truth." To know good from sented is getting better. We are not Shall we have no recognized standard right is wrong. One thing is right, evil-to infallibly decide between right perfect but going on to perfection. We of conduct? no clear, comprehensive chosen people, and who favors that many may be wrong. Only one thing and wrong-that is god-like. A god can learn by experience instead of being statement of principles, no collection of is true in a given case, but there may do no more, perhaps only a God can do enlightened by a superhuman and moral precepts and maxims to which other peoples.

"doth know," has provided a Law of that law and condemns when I disobey. right for his children. Where is it? Conscience is not a guide, for it allows Briefly, in the Golden Rule: more ex- one man to do things without a qualm

The foregoing is the Christian con- nic of Sunday and feels no condemnaception of a standard of right and tion: another would be horrified at the many. It ignores God and Revelation | a thing. It is all a question of how they | ingenuity in this business, through the | view of the great infinitude of the uni-



GOD-BUILDING. blest Work of Man."

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1. I take a trinity of non-substantial

i nious, all the varied material, spiritual and life phenomena of cosmos are formulated, produced, and carried forward. To their energies and potentiality personality is incidental. Intelligence, love, justice and many other functions, faculties, and attributes are incidental to personality.

All these working together in one harmonious whole constitute a bird's-eye verse-without center or circumference

Co-operation.

world has been looking for a solution to

-without beginning or end. B. F. SLITER. Grand Rapids, Mich.

be a thousand lies in regard to the as much. Certainly man has only been supernatural revelation. same matter. But let us understand able thus far to approximate a perfect that there is always a right, a good, distinction between them.

and that any variation from it is Is there a law of right? if so, where? make four, or just double the first num- A Revelation is proposed. The serpent thing. If by revelation, here is the standard of conduct, anguide in char- hateful and detestable. ber. This is absolute truth. Any varia- | said to Eve: "God doth know." Of Golden Rule, Ten Commandments, etc. | acter building. It is the New Testaopposite: up and down express diamet- solute demarcation between good and excellent than the Golden Rule, Deca- supreme end every energy of the rically contrary directions. So in the evil. It is certain that if there is an logue, etc. I know there have been N. S. A. convention should be directed. rically contrary directions. So in the real of morals there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of morals there is good and evil. It is certain that if there is an of the evil of defining finally, and with absolute precision, just what is right and what is right a

to this most irrational theory. He that languages that we may correspond making faces. That is all. I refuse to amenable to moral law simply will not denies the existence of evil is either with other races. Prof. Garner is even believe there is a human being so des. desert the churches to flock to your broken round. suffering a mental aberration or else is | trying to master the language of apes. | titute of moral perception as to really | ranks. Without adopting and enforcing himself guilty of a fondness for some | Spirits seek to hold communion with | believe these things (Ten Commandform of vice. He that denies the exist- mortals. And God, if so be he exists, ments, etc.) are imperfect. ence of evil justifies every sin and in- will have broken down every barrier justice that wrongs and degrades the and established intercommunion with we reach the same position at last.

man. If there is a God, there is also incline to the theory that human ex. race. The sense of sin is well-nigh uni- a revelation. "God hath spoken" is as perience has resulted in production of conscience: but you are without a versal. The doctrine of evolution is sure as "God is." Deism is the most our moral standard, and that the con- recognized, authoritative Law of Right that sublimated substance commonly possible only because man can be up- illogical ism, or conception of things, clusions are embraced in the Golden

lifted. Whether one believes in the ever presented, because it assumes the Rule and other ethical instruction con-"fall of Adam" or not, it is a fact that | existence of God while denying the ex- | tained in the New Testament. Here is man has been down, and that through | istence of a revelation of his will. No: | the Law of Right-

the ages he has been rising. In order to he that will have a God must also have 3. Conscience does not decide what rise, to become better, he had to cleave a revelation. To suppose the existence is right or wrong. That is settled by Peebles, M. D., M. A., Ph. D. Price S1. | Law is the negative pole of the subto some things and to reject others. of an "Infinite Intelligence" who re- the law, by precepts and teaching For sale at this office. Some things hindered, others helped. I fuses to communicate with other intelli- which we accept as a standard of con-Some actions secured happiness and gences is to suppose an absurdity. A duct. "By the law is the knowledge of What Is Spiritualism?" A pamphlet of inical to the non-existence of the other. office. concord, while others produced only parent who knows good from evil is sin."-Paul, Having accepted a certain 40 pages by Dr. J. M. Peebles, the well- Through the manifold and mysterious misery and discord. So he learned to blamable if he fails to teach the differ- line of action as right, or, as Paul says. known author. Price, 15 cents. For involutions and evolutions of these in- Rosa C. Conger. Excellent for every date. Known author of the number of discriminate good and evil, to dis-ence to his children, providing for their "I consent unto the law that is good," sale at this office.

how we gain a standard of right. I do

Now the sum of the matter is this: We need a standard of human conduct.

cause God thundered against them ment. By what law, or book, or rule A Deity that is not engaged in formu-

people to the great disadvantage of

we may turn confidently as to an au-Here are two plans presented as to thority in all matters of human action? are abhorrent to me. I detest special Brother Spiritualists, L pray you, con- laws and favoritism in our state and the tree inclines." I never knew a man not care which you adopt as a theory: sider. This is the paramount issue, national affairs, and when carried into to become a drunkard all at once, wrong. Two and two added together The first possible reply is: God's Word, practically they come to the same Christians have such a law, an accepted nature's affairs they become still more neither did I ever know a man to be-

tion, such as saying two and two make | course. If there is a God, he knows. If you say we reach a standard of right ment. Honestly now I, do not see how ulty of personality and, inasmuch as hurry and don't think, but when you five, is absolute falsehood. Sweet and | He understands the finest distinctions | and wrong by experience, then human | It can be improved: but if it can, by all you cannot have a personality without | analyze it with the light of reason and sour stand opposite: day and night are possible, and can make a line of ab- experience can point to nothing more means let it be done at once. To this a limit, an Infinite Intelligence, be- experience, its a cullender and won't comes in absurdity.

Law, Nature's law, is an infinitude, a

evil. "Whatever is, is right." But hu- this fact: A God who knows is sure to seriously-they can hope for no recog- the world a standard of morals as your out beginning and without end, imper- present competitive system that is conman experience of pain, oppression, in- tell. See how different intelligences nition in the common way and hence rule of conduct, or else those, who be- sonal and impartial, involving and tinually subjecting the sons and daughjustice, neglect, falsehood, gives the lie strive to communicate. We study the secure a little cheap notoriety by lieve in good conduct and in being evolving, building in and building out. ters of men to every known temptation in one continuous, consecutive and un-

such a standard you will continue a dis- pole of matter, its correlation; one organized, incapable body of good peo- | could not exist without the other, nor | would not pay a premium on crime, as By whatever method we may adopt ple, possessing a great truth, but falling the other without the one; both are in- the present one does. short of your duty and opportunities. | finitudes, universals.

> You admit right and wrong: you have | Time moves ever on, ever has, ever and Wrong. ELD. H. W. B. MYRICK. Gentryville, Mo.

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ludes, viz.: Matter, Spirit, Life. Matter the positive pole of space, Spirit the positive pole of time. Life the positive pole of law. Now combine these infinitudes in the relation that we find them combined in vat, one side perpendicular, the other nature and we have a very respectable

sheep get the scab they drive them up to the top of the steep side and dump scramble out the other side. So the

I dislike very much a Deity who has dump the wicked in and have them special privileges to grant; who has a scramble out, "washed whiter than snow." So far they have followed a blind lead, the fact is they are lost in the woods, and are not following any

Special laws and special providences trail. Human experience and human wisdom show that "as the twig is bent come good or bad all at once, looks all

hold water.

Why, then, not have an economic

to do wrong for money's sake. Under a system of economic equality the en-Space exists everywhere, the negative [vironment would be good, the incentives would be good; such a system

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will: it is the negative pole of spirit. called energy. Time and energy are the opposite poles of the same universal magnet. They are infinitudes and correlations, and in harmony with space and matter. They are mobile.

finitudes that correlate and are harmo-



.. GENERAL SURVEY ..

Mrs. Lee Nora Claman writes: "Last

April I came from Louisville, Ky., to

Michigan to work for the First Spirit-

I went to Lansing for May, and then

visited the different camps, where I

was employed, and my work was so

THE SPIRITUALISTIC FIELD-ITS WORKERS, DOINCS, ETC., THE WORLD OVER.

vited.

Take due notice, that all items for their fire again." CONTRIBUTORS .- Each contributor this page must be accompanied by the is alone responsible for any assertions full name and glidress of the writer. L or statements he may make. The editor will not do to say that Secretary or Corallows this freedom of expression, believing that the cause of truth can be respondent writes so and so, without best subserved thereby. Many of the giving the full name and address of the sentiments uttered in an article may be | writer. The items of those who do not comply with this request will be cast diametrically opposed to his belief, yet into the waste basket. that is no reason why they should be Trinity Spiritual Society will hold suppressed; yet we wish it distinctly their regular meeting on Wednesday,

understood that our space is inade-October 31, at Van Buren Opera House, quate to publish everything that comes to hand, however much we might desire to do so. That must account for the non-appearance of YOUR article.

WRITE PLAINLY .- We would like to impress upon the minds of our correspondents that The Progressive Thinker is set up on a Linotype machine that must make speed equal to about four compositors. That means rapid work, and it is essential that all copy, to insure insertion in the paper, all other resatisfactory my services were again quirements being favorable, should be engaged for another year. I have done written plainly with ink on white paper, or with a typewriter, and only on a great deal of missionary work in the one side of the paper.

State. I have lectured in almost all denominated churches, even the Cath-ITEMS .- Bear in mind that items for olic, speaking the truth and demonthe General Survey will all cases be strating spirit return. On last Saturday adjusted to the space we have to occunight I lectured in the Methodist py, and in order to do that they will church at Constantine, "and the mingenerally have to be abridged more or ister, the Rev. Wilson, wanted me to fill less; otherwise many items would be his pulpit for him on Sunday night. I crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line told him I must decline as I was booked item is cut down to ten lines, and ten to lecture for the Spiritualists of Battle lines to two lines, as occasion may re-Creek. I find more Spiritualists and quire. Every item sent to us for publimore societies in Michigan than any cation, should contain the full name and State I have ever worked in. Since address of the writer. We desire to coming here I have officiated at five know the source of every item that apfunerals. The Spiritualists have a fine pears. This rule will be strictly adorganization and the oldest church in hered to. America, and the work they are doing

Mrs. Jennie C. Titus, of 822 High is indeed beautiful. I will be with them Williamsport, Pa., secretary, for two weeks. I send greeting to all street. writes: "Lyman C. Howe just closed a the societies and workers in Michigan, very successful engagement with the and hope to be able to come back here First Congregation of Spiritualists of in the spring and take up my work this city on the 21st of October, and from here he goes to Olean, N. Y. The | again." Mrs. Carrie F. Weatherford writes public as well as the society was sorry from Louisville, Ky .: "Essie and I leave to see him leave, as his lectures were Louisville for Flint, Ind., soon, and will very inspiring as well as interesting. remain there two Sundays unless called The society would like to engage a good home. We find it necessary to get lecturer and test medium. Our society quarters for the winter, having rented health. Several Michigan people asked the Olneyville Spiritualist Society, Ol- organizing new and re-organizing the is chartered and has moved into new nearer home on account of my mother's the Reno Post Rooms on West Third me to notify them of my first open

an admission fee. We should work as every town and village in the state of Indiana when we can do good work for nearly in line with the churches as pos- Indiana when we can do good work for sible. The public do not take kindly to the cause of organization. We are sudden changes. When the doors of both speakers and platform test methe churches are open and a free en-trance, It is not wisdom on our part to community to Dorganize. When the charge an admission fee. Our little state is well organized, circuits may be band of workers here are nobly holding | formed and speakers and mediums can go the rounds in good old-fashioned out against the strong opposition of the foes of Spiritualism. As soon as we Methodist style, or three or four societles, if weak, may engage a speaker can recover from our financial loss incurred by the debate, we will again en- together, and have meetings once in gage a good test medium and draw three or four weeks, if no oftener. In this way we can carry our beautiful

Mrs. Maggie Walte writes from Syra- philosophy into the thousands of sorcuse, N. Y .: "Again I have returned to rowing homes. Sister and brother Spir-Syracuse, N. Y. I am kept busy all the day, not able to attend to all who come, the people here preferring to visit a medium privately rather than attend meetings. A word about my mail sittings. So great has the increase in my mail become that I have got a little behind, but if the friends will have pa- give to those who would like to live in tience they will get their readings in a co-operative society of Spiritualists. Hall A. Mrs. Nixon president. All in- due time. I want to thank the many The land is good sandy soil; no mud friends for their kind and unsolicited or water to wade in after a rain, and as testimonials which I have received. I healthy as any place in the United have received letters with no address; States. Only those meaning business

some I cannot make out. If the friends | need apply. Address me with stamp, ualist Church of Grand Rapids. My reading this, who have not received for particulars." work was a grand success. From there | their letters, will write me, I can for-

ward them." Virgine Barrett writes from Marquette, Mich.: "I am here for a time, and shall be pleased to hear from societies in Michigan. Terms reasonable. Address me for the present, General Delivery, Marquette, Mich."

Dr. W. S. Eldridge, of Saginaw, Michigan, was in the city last week. He has been lecturing at Saginaw and healing the sick.

Mrs. Emmliss Blake, who resides at 369 South Division street, Grand Rapids, Mich., is open for engagement to lecture and give tests.

G. W: Kates and wife held successful meetings in Winona, Minn., October 21-29, excepting the 26th, when they had an interesting session in Minnesota City. The state association intends to hold a series of meetings in Minneapolis this winter, and Mr. and Mrs. Kates to be in charge, A campaign of spiritual conquest is inaugurated, from which there shall be no turning back. Address these workers at 58 Royalston avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. C. H. Mullins writes: "Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond will speak Sunday, Nov. 4, at 3 p. m., at the Auditorlum, People's Institute, corner Van Buren and Leavitt streets."

E. J. Bowtell has been engaged by neyville, R. I., for the present season, old. We must work with united effort

THE UNKNOWN GOD

Some Reflections on Spirit Manifestations.

To the Editor:- A poet erected a monument on the Rocky Mountains "To the Unknown God." Unknown powers, forces, spiritual beings, and the laws which govern them, are being discovered. The unknown is now known. Spirits throw their thoughts upon the sensitive brains of mediums and tell itualists, will you do your part. Write about the wonderful land of the dead in God's great country beyond the stormy gates of death. Thoughts are real material things and have been phowork needed for future success. to-engraved. Clear minded people can

containing 76 acres, fronting on the project, or send out, thought substances which can be caught on sensitive paper in the various designs desired by the thinker. Mental healers, Christian scientists, mediums and doctors may cure the sick by sending out strong, healthy "thought-pills" of invisible atoms. Draughtsmen, etc., may think of triangles, houses, etc., and their thoughts may be photographed under fine conditions. Thoughts may be sent thousands of miles, without any wires

or apparatus, similar to wireless telegraphy. Mediums can often read persons' thoughts at great distances. Of course, this is devilish, because some of the clergy don't understand it. Rev. Charles Sheldon says, in a late story: "Were Christ here to-day, the pastor of any wealthy congregation, they would crucify him again, even after the lapse of 2,000 years of historical Christianity." Neither spiritual nor material things are understood by the general public. At seances solid matter can be his facts from their pulpits. In Spiritpassed through solid matter by dematerialization of the atoms. Ayer says he has seen spirits have a solid cane | tain Spiritualism. Light, July 14, pubput through a solid board door, to look lished an article ,"The New Churchas if it grew there, and afterwards re- woman," in which a strong desire is moved, leaving no traces of a hole, or shown to try to trim our truths to suit injury to the cane. Mediums have a Christian theology of some descripbeen partly, or even fully, dissolved or tion, as it were, clothe our disreputable dematerialized, while spirits gathered facts in a reputable and orthodox garb. the atoms about their invisible bodies | And although the writer would appear and were both recognized, identified by | to differ considerably with the "Churchfriends and even photographed by the woman," on fundamental points of doccamera. The angel in Christ's tomb was probably made visible by this divine process, and doubtless they utilized atoms from the Savior's body. Christ would to-day be classified as a materializing medium. Indian wizards, conjurers and witches performed many spirit manifestations, even when America was first discovered. Good Father De Smet tells about "Religious opinions | farther. We prefer to join hands and

of the Assiniboinee," under date of agree." 1854, that "the belief in ghosts is very Agree! About what? Agree to differ! Of what use crying peace, peace, profound and common in all these when there is no peace? Why make a Western tribes. Indians have told me pretense of agreeing with what we seriously that they had met, seen and well know to be false? We are told at conversed with them, and that they the conclusion, of the same article, may be heard almost every night in the Miss Whiting is welcomed and replace where the dead are buried. They joiced over, as a good church-woman!" say they spoke in kind of a whistling "We are glad of it, and only wish that tone." Secret Indian pow-wows have all churchwomen were as rational, as some similar spiritual manifestations to generous, as spiritual, and as ready what may be seen and felt in modern with a welcome for all our modern seances. The East India Theosophistguests at the father's table." Diakka are of the same class; so are Light is overjoyed at having a the heathen Chinese. Spirits for scichurchwoman on its side, but does not ence prove that these residents of the next world appear to all races, only un- make quite clear, why a churchwoman (Church of England presumably) der different names and diverse condishould be considered as such a very imtions. At New Canton, Ill., with Oscar portant convert, after all. It might Ward, spirits have music without inhave been supposed by an uninstructed struments, messages on paper, written in the air; voices talk for one or two observer, that a philosophical thinker, a hours by spirit vocal chords, and often scientific skeptic, would have been a several at once. Raps, bell-ringing and greater gain to the cause than any table movements also occur. At E. F. credulous believer in bygone myths. If Rice's, of Kalamazoo, Mich., with the the tactics adopted by certain Spiritualists should prove to be successful and medium, Mrs. Amy Buchanan, of Jack-Spiritualism be converted into a sect, sonville, Fla., slates were written on then all philosophical and rational enwhen held ten feet from the medium, mental questions were answered by the quirers who have been hitherto content to be called Spiritualists will be spirits; a question in the Holland lancompelled to adopt another name, to guage was answered in English, etc. separate themselves entirely from those Voices spoke through trumpets to who prefer psalm-singing to investiga-G. E. LOTHROP, JR. friends. tion, and place preaching before knowl-Boston, Mass. edge. Perhaps the title of Scientific

for next year. It is hoped that a permanent place may be purchased before next meeting, so that cottages and other permanent improvements may be put upon the grounds.

This camp-meeting is an illustration of what one person can accomplish. Last year, the entire money responsibility was assumed by one person. The meeting was a success. Every bill was

paid, and the camp-meeting association partly organized. And the same persistent energy urged the meeting just closed so successfully. To Mrs. Nettie Howell we are indebted for the business push which has given us two camp-meetings, and the good promise for more in the future. The hope is that the officers of the association will be earnest workers in carrying out the

J. S. LOVELAND. Summerland; Cal.

Spiritualistic Time-Servers.

For some years past, Light has been looked upon as one of the 'principal

Spiritualistic periodicals in England. Of late, however, it has assumed an attitude in regard to the churches, which cannot be considered as fairly representing the opinions of the majority of

intelligent Spiritualists. ' It is only too apparent to all readers

of Light that week after week it is bidding for clerical support. It is lamentable to think of a representative Spiritualist journal stooping to such a course of action, degrading thus Spirit- | Send them to me, ualistic investigation. What would be thought of say, an astronomer who went around to the clergy cap in hand to beg of them to preach approval of ualism there is room for all religions, but no religion is large enough to contrine, yet he fences with the real question in this way, "So far as we know, Spiritualists have not, as a rule, concluded that the new thought is inconsistent with the old; and we certainly are not aware that they have cast away the old faith for the new, with-

and Secular Spiritualists might serve

was entitled, "The Church Awaiting,"

the purpose.

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Thomas T. Readdick, Wingsland, Ga."

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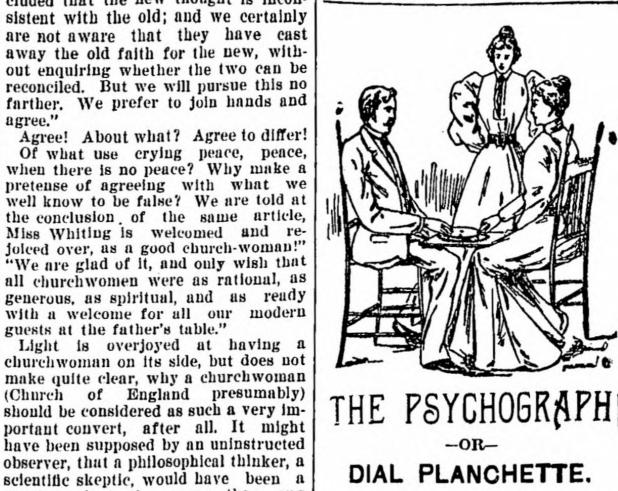
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ary.

thought it would be of interest to your readers to know that the State Association of Michigan is putting forth every effort to advocate and build up our

cause upon a solid foundation. As it was decided by the board that it was essential to send some one as missionary of the gospel of Spiritualism, to represent the State Association of Michigan, I was selected to do this work, and have been busily engaged, having lectured at Lansing, Vicksburg and Sturgis. Sunday, October 28, at Burr Oak, the opera house having been secured for that purpose. November is all taken. I am to speak at Owosso,

Sunday, November 4 and 11; Mecosta, 18: West Bay City, 25. I have calls for other societies, but dates not arranged. Now one word to the public: You who are interested in the building up of our societies, if you will do your part I will come to you and aid you in the work of

MICHIGAN. Work of the State Mission-

To the Editor :- Knowing you are interested in the welfare of true Spiritualism and interested in disseminating the grand truths of our philosophy, I

to us at once, addressing us at No. 99

Isaac Perry writes from Electra,

Florida: "I have a beautiful location

south side of Lake-Bryant, which I will

Maumee avenue, Fort Wayne, Ind."

street, near Pine, one of the finest halls | dates in the State, but I have lost their in the city. It has just elected a new addresses. Will they kindly write me from other societies within reasonable for good we all so much desire. set of officers and will be ready for the at once? I especially want to request distance. Can arrange with camp- The Spiritualists are composed of winter's work as soon as it gets a me- that all good workers coming this way meeting associations for season of 1901. people of differences of opinion; some dium. The following are the officers: should stop off and aid the People's Address 29 Home avenue, Providence, do not believe in organization, also do David L. Hess, president; Mrs. L. W. Dimmock, vice-president; Mrs. Jennie very fine workers here, prominent C, Titus, secretary; Mr. T. G. Lowery, among whom are Mr. Heinzon and Mrs. treasurer."

David Winegarden writes from Plerce, Ala .: "I am still in the work of healing the sick, and I give the angel world due credit for their assistance. I feel like doing some more missionary work. I have now an unlimited supply of 'Biggest Story in the Bible' to give away. To anyone sending a stamp to pay postage I will send a copy free. to find an orthodox minister who would They are a good thing to hand to your discuss the question of spiritual gifts. orthodox friend. Let us all push the In going to Flint, such a one will either good work, and resolve that we, one debate or back out. My first announceand all, will get at least one new subment hereafter from all rostrums to scriber for The Progressive Thinker. received the seven premium books. through the secular press, will be this: am well pleased with them. I do not 'We are among you to aid in proving to see how you can give all those books for the paltry sum of \$2.35."

Eli Link writes from Battle Creek, Mich.: "Mrs. L. N. Claman gave the First Spiritual Society of Battle Creek a rare treat consisting of two lectures. The subject of the morning lecture was "The New Thought of Immortality," and the evening, 'Evolution.' Both were handed in from the audience. Her descriptive readings were of such a convincing nature as to place her in the foremost rank of platform test mediums. She has a rare magnetic personality."

Mrs. Emogene York writes from Vicksburg, Mich.: "The First Society of Spiritualists here have been highly entertained by an earnest worker in the cause of Spiritualism, Mrs. Nellie S. Baade, of Detroit. The Society here was well pleased with her discourses. and hope to have her among us again 800n.

Mary L. Stillwell writes: "Bankson's Lake Spiritual Association (Mich.) is of new growth, having been organized last year, with a list of fifty members. The association held a camp-meeting the past summer, from June 3 to 17 in-City, Mo .: "The cause of Spiritualism clusive, with Mrs. Marion Carpenter, of Detroit, Mrs. Amanda Coffman, of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. Jennie Hagan Brown, of Fort Worth, Texas, as speakers. Although the association ran behind some, yet on the whole it did fairly well for a beginning. There is now a paid-up membership of forty members. At the annual meeting, held September 23, the following officers were elected: President, George H. Prentice, Lawton; vice-president, John Stillwell, Lawton; secretary, Mrs. Hattie Nesbitt, Schoolcraft; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. T. Beam, Lawton;

Spiritual Church. They have several R. I. in the divine authenticity of the Bible. Mann; the former a reputable business man and fine lecturer; the latter an unusually good test and trumpet me-

which I may be called, and also

a certainty that the primitive Christian

"Gifts of the Spirit" are possessed to-

day by modern psychics, and we also

aver that these gifts, like the physical

gifts, are from God. In order to aid

selves) and that I "give prophecy." I

ties desiring my services for such an

aggressive campaign against material-

W. E. Bonney writes from Kansas

at Kansas City has for its representa-

tives Mrs. Carrie L. Bean and Miss

Edith E. Edwards, two talented ladies

whose psychic powers are of a high

order and worthy of the support of

Kansas City Spiritualists and investi-

gators. These two worthy workers

have succeeded in organizing a Society

of Spiritual Truth, which holds services

every Sunday evening at Arlington

Hall, corner of Tenth and Walnut. On

Sunday, October 14, I attended their

meeting and assisted in the program by

giving a lecture on the subject, 'Do

ism can address me at Alaska, Mich."

but I do believe that there is a great creative power, call him Good or what you will. Now the question is with me. dium. While appreciating home work- does a man live after this existence in ers, outside talent is still appreciated another or spirit world. I want to read also. This society stands for honor and your paper and see what Spiritualists generally say upon the subject. I am integrity in mediumship, as do the workers above mentioned; and were it told that almost every one who atnot for such as they we should have no | tempts to investigate the subject faircause left. For a long time I have tried | ly will almost invariably become Spirit-

ualists." Polly Burrows writes: "A pleasant surprise was given Dr. Burrows, pastor of the Central Spiritual Union of Detroit, Mich., the occasion being the first social given by the Ladies' Spirituelle, when the Doctor was made the happy recipient of an elegant gold mounted umbrella. Mr. John D. Boyle made the presentation speech which was responded to by the Doctor. It was late when the company parted." F. P. Baker writes from Topeka, soul for light, more light; and having

scientific investigation into these claims we offer our services gratis to any address is Angels Camp, Cavalaras Co., committee of business men, lawyers, California. editors, doctors, merchants or clergymen who will form a psychic research first social of the season at Oakland association, providing a competent Club Hall, corner Oakwood and Ellis stenographer is employed to give the avenues, last Friday evening. Supper full reports of said research to the public. In the course of said scientific in-

vestigation I shall tell people all (or many things at least) that they ever greatly enjoyed by all who partook of spiritual gifts, prove all things and hold did; demonstrate that we have "disthem. Several remarked that the socernment of spirits;" that we speak in ciability manifested was worth the "unknown tongues" (unknown to ourprice of supper, saying nothing of the excellent coffee and eatables. An inshall give histories of people from photeresting program followed, Mr. Byron tographs, from sound of voice, and from the touch of the hand while I am securely blindfolded; and shall also deing part. The answering of questions liver messages of identification from by the guides of Mrs. Cooley, as well as spirits to their mortal friends.' Socie-

the messages by Mayflower, was very much appreciated by all present. The socials will be held the second and fourth Friday of each month.

G. F. Perkins writes: "I am constantly hearing reports to the effect that I am not holding Sunday meetings in Chicago, which is misleading the public. I certainly am, speaking, singing, and giving every Sunday evening, assisted by Mrs. Perkins, at 884 W. Madison street, also every Wednesday, at trary notwithstanding. If the attend- | ready. ants of Spiritualist meetings would. read The Progressive Thinker, they could easily locate the reputable mediums and meetings."

The Sunflower Social Club will give

with liberty to accept occasional calls if Spiritualism ever attains that power

not believe in an ordained ministry, are

Ed R. Kelley writes: "I do not believe opposed to the title of "Rev.," the thought of a Supreme Intelligence seems to greatly distress them; all of these technical points disturb them so much that they have but little time except to find fault with those who differ with them, and seemingly forget that all should have the privilege of giving expression to their highest conception of spiritual things.

For one I am glad that the State Association of Michigan has made it possible for us to obtain clergymen's rates, not because we consider ourselves better but because it makes it

possible for us to go out into the highways and by-ways, and at least endeavor to sow the seeds of Spiritual truth, that hearts may be made to rejoice, souls comforted and our cause built up. How, many desire spiritual consolation when the life angel removes their friends, and they refuse to be comforted with creeds and dogmas. At such times they cry out in agony of

Kansas, that Mrs. Maud Lord Drake's | reduced rates our speakers have been enabled to reach rich and poor without

respect of persons, and for one I hope The Sunflower Social Club held its the time will come when Spiritualists will agree to disagree and each one cultivate the latent forces within, that we individually and collectively may realwas served at 6 o'clock, the table being | ize that the greatest study of mankind | abundantly filled with delicacies and is man, and that we have within us the good things donated by the ladies and germ of all good. Let us cultivate our

fast to the good. Anyone desiring my services, to officlate at funerals, perform the marriage ceremony, or do any work in our line, will please direct all communications, Stillman, Mr. and Miss Hoffman, Mr. by letter or otherwise, to my permanent days I assisted in the building up of the Brewster, Mrs. Cooley and others tak- address 411 13th street. Detroit, Mich. NELLIE S. BAADE.



Second Excursion to Florida.

My second excursion by water, will leave New York in a fine, large steamer, on November 16. The hotel at the camp will be ready for guests on the arrival of this party. The Apartment house for light house-keeping, and 675 Larrabee street, reports to the con- Brigham Hall, for lodgings, will also be

There is much inquiry about the camp, and the prospect is good for a larger attendance this season.

Persons desiring to visit any part of Florida can join our party and get the treasurer, Mr. S. R. Munger, Lawton. Spirits Return to Earth.' The hall was a dance in the Oakland Club Dance benefit of the low rate for first-class asked by any other route.



Meetings Are Held at Lincoln.

The work in this city is slowly pro-

gressing. For the last eight weeks a thing better, if as good, from what we meeting has been held in Richards' hope without offense, we may call an Hall, on O street, between Tenth and outsider." Why should so apologetic, Eleventh streets. The first five Sunso deferential a tone, be assumed by the Editor of one paper towards anmeeting, which at first was very small, other? Why should Light, "thus bendbut has gradually increased. I gave ing low, and in a bondsman key, with five lectures, and on each occasion whispering humbleness" address the Mrs. Bonney gave psychometric readings and tests. Her reading were very accurate and gave general satisfaction. We were ably assisted by Mrs. Etta S. Bledsoe, who is a fine inspirational instrument and an attractive speaker. Mr. Scott Bledsoe also took an interest in the meetings.

Since I left Lincoln Mrs. Bledsoe and Mrs. Bonney have been continuing the meetings, and they hope to receive the support of all true friends of Spiritualism in Lincoln. Mr. and Mrs. Bledsoe have purchased a home in Lincoln, and its admission leads straight to our conexpect to remain there. They may posclusion and we are guite content to sibly take a trip to Kentucky for a few wait, in the assurance that the right inweeks; should they do so, the meeting will be carried on by Mrs. Bonney and be seen that Light not only receives reother friends.

Box 173, Blair, Neb.

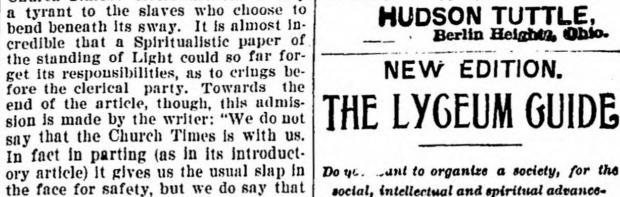
buke from her sectarian contemporary We see no reason why Lincoln Spiritwith becoming humility, also accepts Directors-T. Wyman, Lawton; T. H. well filled by an appreciative audience. Hall, cor of 39th and Ellis avenue, Fri- passage, which is much below the price unlists should not come to the front and assist the few active workers to build with the utmost meekness two slaps in the basic principles of the spiritual philosophy? up a good, strong permanent organizacome up smiling again next week to tion. This can easily be done if they offer the other check, and then sit will sink all little differences of opinion down submissively until acknowledged and personal grievances and work toby the Church Times and the rest of gether with a determination to succeed. The time is ripe for better organization | the theological quibblers. Such Chrisof Spiritualists all over Nebraska and | tian forbearance can only be compared Oh, Thou, who ever hast been, and we earnestly hope those interested in to the conduct of the gentleman, who, ever will be, we come asking for Divine | our grand philosophy will see to it that | having been twice kicked out the door and twice thrown out of the window, ministry; asking, that Thou wilt lift us | nothing shall stand in the way of still found an entrance down the chim-W. H. SIMPSON. I expect to work out of the State for Grahamstown, S. Africa. a time, yet I do not intend to neglect any duties which may devolve upon me as secretary of the State Association. I PROF. WILSON'S hope the time will come some day when societies will be formed all over the

This instrument is substantially the same as that employed by Prof. Hare in his early investigations. In its improved form it has been before the public for more than seven years, and in the hands of thousands of persons has proved its superiority over the Plan, chette, and all other instruments which have been brought out in imitation, both in regard to certain and correctless of the communications received by its aid, and as a means or developing mediumship Do you wish to investigate Spiritualism? Do you wish to develop Mediumship? Do you desire to receive Communications? The Psychograph is an invaluable assistant. A pamphlet with full directions for the

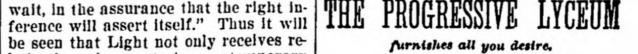
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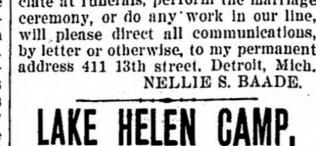
with every instrument. Many who were EOt sware of On July 28 the leading article in Light their mediumistic gift, have, after a fow sittings, been able to receive delightful messages. A volume might be filled with commendatory letters. Many who began with it as an amusing toy, found that the and commences: "We offer our respectwho began with it as an anitating toy, found that the intelligence controlling it knew more than them-selves, and became converts to Spiritualiam. Capt. D. B. Edwards, Orient, N. Y., writes: "I had communications (by the Psychograph) from many other friends, even from old settlers whose grave-stones are moss grown in the old yard. They have stones are moss grown in the old yard. They have ful congratulations to the Church Times. Its article on Spiritualism, on July 6th is almost perfect in tone. been highly satisfactory, and proved to me that Spir-For gravity, fairness, knowledge, and itualism is indeed true, and the communications have good taste, we hardly remember anygiven my heart the greatest comfort in the severest loss I have had of son, daughter, and their mother." Dr. Eugene Crowell, whose writings have made his name familiar to those interested in psychic matters, writes as follows: "I am much pleased with the Psychograph. It is very simple in principle and construc-tion, and I am sure must be far more sensitive to spiritual power than the one now in use. I believe it will generally supersede the latter when its superior merits become known." Securely packed, and sent postage paid from

Church Times? Ecclesiasticism is only the manufacturer, for \$1.00. Address:



social, intellectual and spiritual advancement of the children and adults?





Marcellus, and S. Beam, Lawton." Will C. Hodge, who is still engaged for Sunday work with the Englewood Spiritual Union, is open for week night lectures in any locality within one hundred miles of Chicago. He will make very reasonable terms with parties desiring such lectures. Who will be first to respond? Address him at 40 Loomis street, Chicago, Ill. takes nerve and indomitable energy as The Church of the Spirit Communion will give a ball at Kenwood Hall, 4308-

10 Cottage Grove avenue, Hallowe'en night, October 31. The best of music has been engaged and a good time is promised all. Admission 25 cents. G. H. Brooks is lecturing to appreciative audiences at Allegheny, Mich. He can be reached by telegram or letter at House are always well attended and he we had as good a medium as we knew. ye glad messengers from the realms of 909 Sandusky street. He will respond to calls for funerals.

Rev. Harry J. Moore and wife, Bertha Sheneman Moore, would like to correspond with societies wishing to engage speakers and test mediums. Would also be pleased to correspond for camp engagements for summer of 1901. Address, 336 East 55 street, Chicago, Ill. Mrs. F. A. Logan will hold meetings at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. in Cale; donia Hall, Los Angeles, Cal., South Spring street, every Sunday. All are welcome to participate. Admission 10 cents.

J. M. White is in Topeka, Kansas. He served the Church of Spiritualism at Lincoln Post G. A. R. hall, on the night of October 28. Parties desiring his services can address him at General Delivery, Topeka, Kans. After November 1, mail will reach him addressed to Box 97 Alvo, Neb.

business medium of Wheeling, W. Va., B. C. As a result of his work during has located for the winter at Washing- his short visit the society in that city vote our entire time to the work of reading your most valuable paper, and | but I hear that they charged a high ad- | new ones, and helping in every way | feel truly blest? Amen. It has been an educator to me in my mission fee, which scared away the possible to spread the gospel of Spiritpsychic development."

now. My permanent address is Box vate."

173, Blair, Neb."

Nesbitt, Schoolcraft; John Dewey, The following Wednesday evening a day evening, Nov. 2. This dance hall is benefit seance was given at Mrs. Bean's pronounced by lovers of the terpsirooms, 611 East Eighth street, which chorean art to be the best in the city. brought out a good crowd. The man- The elegant reception room will also be ifestations consisted of an independent at the disposal of the visitors, and no voice through Miss Edwards' medium- | pains or expense spared by the comship, also inspirational music on the mittee to make this affair a marked plano and tests by both ladies. Kansas success. The finest music obtainable City is not the best field in the world has been secured. Card playing by for mediums, as many good workers those who do not care to dance. Adcan testify from experience, and it mission 25 cents.

Mrs. James Alexander writes from well as good psychic power, to take Howard City, Mich .: "The Spiritual-N. M. Russell, of Grand Ledge, Unthis being a poor field for spiritual mediums, arises from the fact of Dr. Rob- fortunately we have entertained two erts' popularity as a liberal speaker. fraudulent mediums, hence the people is exerting a widespread influence for | With test seances she set them thinkgood. Many Spiritualists are regular ing. We feel that she has really aroused the people more than anyone we have attendants at his meetings and contribute liberally to his support. This, had to advocate this grand truth." L. D. Beatty writes from Alleghenv. however, ought not to cause them to neglect their own meetings where Pa .: "Mrs. M. J. Crilly re-opened her earnest speakers and mediums are en- meetings in the rooms of the G. A. R., deavoring to give to the world evidence | corner South and East Diamond

of a continuous existence, a matter streets, Sunday, October 21, with quite which is neglected at the popular a large attendance. The audience was Church of This World, as Dr. Roberts' | held for a time listening to the elothe Arlington Hall meeting last Sun- Day. Mrs. M. J. Crilly then followed manity,' which closes my work here satisfaction, both in public and pri- unseen, or the physical and the spirit-

George Campbell writes from Nanai-| Sprague, missionaries for Indiana, of immortality: mo, B. C.: "The Hull-Baer debate cre- write: "The National Spiritualist Asso-

ualism all over this Province, and the forts to help the Spiritualists of this result of it will redound to the advance- country to do more effectual work in ment of Spiritualism. Bro. Hull de- the cause of Spiritualism, and having thereof. Mr. G. W. Way, trance, test and livered only three lectures in Victoria, been commissioned to work in its interest for the coming year, we will de-

people. I think it a mistake to charge | ualism. We wish to hear at once from Olean, N. Y.

Write for information, circulars, etc., enclosing 4 cents in stamps for postage. H. A. BUDINGTON. 91 Sherman St., Springfield, Mass.

A Prayer.

nearer and nearer Thee. Asking that | united effort.

Thou wilt teach us of the Dinvine unfoldment, ours to have if we but open chances in building up a society in this | ists Association of this town are highly | up the windows of our souls, and flood city. One of the principal reasons for | elated with the five days' work of Mrs. | our understanding with Divine love, through desire to do thy will. Teach us so tonlive, so do and dare, state and speakers be able to find plenty that each day may find us nearer the of employment. At present such is not His meetings at the Coates Opera were slow to believe when we told them Divine Good. Fill us with desire (Oh, the case. Our teachings are needed by light) to do our duty to our fellowmen. the masses of the people, why not organize in such a way that they can be Make us to feel that no greater mission can be ours, than that of uplifting | reached? Nebraska is very well supplied with good, honest, capable home those who need our help.

Teach us to feel that we all are as one family, and children of the one God, lected. This should be rectified withwho is spirit. d:

Lead us, wise and loving messengers. into the valley of peace.

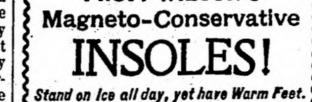
Flood our; souls; with understanding of Thy presence, and teach us to know church is called. I assisted again at quent lecture delivered by Mr. G. R. that Thy presence is for our benefit. That Thy mission to us is to elevate. day, October 21. On this occasion my by giving tests. All were recognized. to bless and guide and guard us, insofar subject was "The Religion of Hu- She is a medium that never fails to give as the law between the seen and the

> ual, will permit.- Teach us to know of E. W. Sprague and Mrs. C. A. the realities of the spiritual realms, and

Create within us a desire to know ated considerable discussion on Spirit- clation is now putting forth great ef- more concerning the evoluting forces of nity was shown in the immense patronspirit, that we may grow in knowledge | age given them. To name all the workers in these lines would occupy too of the laws of being, and the uses much space, and to mention a few

Bring to our hearth-stones those of would be invidious; and also offensive our loved ones; we pray, who are with to some, as all have individual preferyou, and teach them to manifest their | ences. ton, D. C., and can be addressed at No. gained eight members. I did not hear | building up the cause by visiting weak | presence unto us, that the sting of sep-A Southern Camp-meeting Associa-7 N street, N. W. He writes: "I enjoy of any gain in the Vancouver society, societies, organizing and chartering aration, may be healed , and we may tion has been formed and regular annual meetings are now expected. The

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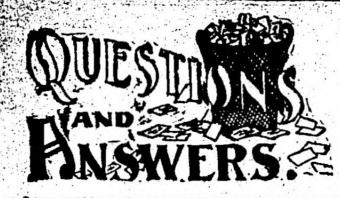
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Mencella Goodspeed: The passage from Petersilea, on materializations, tion, and should not be interpreted as denving the existence of such manifestations. It is a protest against the mercenary spirit which has converted mediumship into a handmaid of greed, and by fraud and deception brought obloquy and disgrace on the cause.

love, is of more consequence than flaunting red banners on every mountain-top of the world, or blaring a trumpet at the crack of doom. If St. John made a prophecy, let him see to its fulfilling, for surely an honest worker who has all he can stagger under is not called to prevent his becoming a false prophet.

Do not go out with those four lec-tures, for they are entirely beyond the

seals and the trumpets and Gabriel's Every one has to wait his time and blast to arouse the dead, and Chrisall one way so that the resurrected

might rise facing the east, where the white throne of the despot god would be seen blazing like the sun. Constantly the wall of prophets, howling war, pestilence and ruin, and the last day and the era of all things. The ignorant have quaked at the awful predictions, and there are ignorant people yet. But it is time this rubbish be brushed away and no more gibber in the light of day. Farther, what will I do about it? If the angel breaks the seventh seal,

and all goes on as depicted by the gloating church-member, who believes

Thirza Boyd: The successful way to he is elected while the majority are do a thing is to do it, and if you feel damned, and the goats are divided from strong enough to bear whatever small the sheep, the elect from the sinners; discomforts the exercise of your me- my voice will be raised strong enough diumship may bring, the only way for | to reach the thrope in thanks to be with you is to place your light in public and stand by the consequences. It is the true and only cause to bring out your latent faculties. which so richly merit condemnation. If all the great men of antiquity, sages,

poets, historians of the world's earlier perhaps is too strong in its denuncia-tion, and should not be interpreted as do not how the knee of the hypocrite In fact he needed not this experience, and say they believe what it is impos- | for he has received assurance on these sible for the human reason to believe, are cast to perdition, there would I go he had wonderful peace of soul. also. The dreariest punishment for me would be to sit forever with the elders. singing to the sound of harps praises to the glory of a tyrant who could have | slons to which he came. H. D. McCoy; Q. I am always con- saved but would not, the flower, beauty

Discourse Delivered at the Funeral of Samuel Fish, Milan, Ohio, by Hudson Tuttle.

RESURREGTED TO ETERNAL LIFE

tures, for they are entirely beyond the I come before you to speak some fection here be found to be prophecies comprehension of common people, who words of comfort; to bring if possible a of boundless joys ind the hereafter. have heard the seven angels, seven trumps, seven seals, and the four and and warmed over by theologues little and big until they call for a rest. Let the seals be smashed and the trumpets blare and at the final hour when you will be united. I did not realize how bright landscape, blare

Whether we mourn or rejoice at his the less a hero; for true heroism is de-approach depends on the manner in votion to right and duty, and however which we regard the future. If we are narrow its sphere it comes from the disturbed by fear of endless punish- same source and should receive our adment and the legends of creeds, the miration. He was honest, an honesty very thought of dying is agony. If on and integrity which went into the the other hand we believe the future to smallest details of his business and he be a continuance of this life, in the was not satisfied until his work brought same direction, with the same capabil- perfect results. If the larger field, the ities, faculties and culture carried for- blazing arena is not ours, the sphere of ward to a new sphere of existence, lesser duties is for all, and unless these death becomes no more than a journey are faithfully performed we are not to another country. No adamantine prepared for the world-wide should walls shut down between the world of they come. He was a loving, tender spirits and the world of men, and we husband, a kind father, a faithful are conscious of the living presence of friend, a generous neighbor, a public the dear friends who have passed from spirited citizen,

Early in life he became an ardent beour sight into the shadows. the dark ocean of eternity, its waves dent of that science till his latest movelaving our feet, we gaze into the thick. ments. I hold up his character as an ly gathering mists and ask the ques-tions which have been repeated by outwrought in character. He never hid countless generations, Whence? Where- his light nor compromised, and yet he fore? Whither? and we feel that our did not press his belief. If the ques-happiness depends on the answers, tion be asked of the Recording Angel, There is the infinite past, the infinite what he has done, it may be said in refuture, between which we stand the ply, He did his duty. In that short sen-central fact. Your father and my friend has ceased the strength of knowledge that he was

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By using hypnosis French of H. Durville. The preface by If we exist in the next state as indi- sweeter perfume, but his spirit will has recently come so remarkably to the viduals and retain our emotions and overshadow those he loyed in this life. front. Prof. Letsche assumes no mys-Shall we call him back? To return to | tery in the matter and does not surfeelings, we shall desire to come closer the shattered body, from which he de- round himself with any of the theatrical to those we leave, and whisper to them of our celestial life. If you accept the parted because he could no longer re- glare of the Delphic cave, but says that it and cure it. tain it? It would be selfish for us to do all parents should familiarize them-Bible as the foundation of faith, you will find it a history of spirit visitations so. He has met the great fransition, selves with the science as it would be Land of Pines, Song Birds from the beginning to the time of the We with one new sphere of activity. of the greatest service to humanity to apostles. Their appearance at critical We with our mortal eyes and mental have it generally understood. times shows that they knew what was perception see only the cold and move-passing on earth, and retained an inter- less body, the pall, the grave. We Jersey City, September 20.-Having come to prominence recently, on ac-The storm clouds of winter are hover- est therein even centuries after their whisper his name as we bend over his count of having my children vaccinated under the influence of hypnosis for the tism in "child culture." The articles Price \$1.00. marble face, and there copies no anmere purpose of saving them pain, and we have heretofore published on the swer. We confound the spirit with the being certain that the lymph would do same subject contain a great deal of lifeless clay, and ween, Tehrs are the offering of undying love, pearls from its work successfully in both instances, valuable information, which should the heart of affection." Yet If we look you asked me to write a short treatise have been carefully treasured by every through the rifts of the clouds of grief, on hypnotism. For the sake of science reader. Hypnotism should never be we shall see that this is only the conand to convert thousands of skeptics practiced for "the fun it may impart," fining cage that is left us, from which who are afraid of touching this treat- but to promote health, to alleviate pain, he has escaped; and "after, weeping, which is human; there will be rejoicing to change the current of evil thoughts ment I freely respond to your request. and intentions, and to create high and Instead of being afraid of hypnotism noble aspirations. Such a prominent which is divine. everybody should study the science. factor has hypnotism become in the 'On occusions' like this.' I'am in doubt In the writings attributed to him this Fathers and mothers should be practi- world to-day, that "schools" here, there, Mind and Body, Hypnotism and which to do; mingle my tears with the question is answered in a manner cal operators and teach hypnotism to and everywhere almost have arisen friends who mourn, or in gladness join their children; teachers should know it; which teach its mysteries, its methods, my voice with the angels on the other it is indispensable for doctors, dentists etc., for an exorbitant price. Dr. W. X. side that another spirit has ascended. He is safe with those he loved. No and nurses, if they would proctice hyp- Sudduth, a reputable physician of this more pain, but the joyousness of per- notism, they would not ruin thousands city, charged Lutellus Smith \$100 for fect rest. He is one of the host whose of persons every year with morphine, imparting instruction in Hypnotism. cocaine, chloroform and other poisons. According to the Chicago Chronicle, Dr. influence falls on us like a blessed benediction, inspiring us to good deeds and | The lawyer, clergyman, and other busi- |Sudduth had promised Mr. Smith that ness men ought to be familiar with its by receiving instruction from him, he, faithful endeavor. And when this life is finished and we | mysteries in order to be successful. Smith, could cure his epileptic son. He However, I will confine myself to the failed, however, to do it, and Dr. Sudapproach the immortal shore, these guardian angels will welcome us with use of hypnotism in the family circle. duth sued him for \$100. The jury, As hypnotism takes the place of opiates liowever, before whom the case was Waking State; Treatment In Natural soul-greeting as angels 'only can bestow. Then shall we find that we live it should be applied and practiced in tried, refused to order payment to Dr.

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PROF. LETSCHE SAYS HE HAS tist, having adopted this science as a Its History and Present Develop-SUCCEEDED WITH HYPNOTISM- | means of earning a livelihood, and per-

body who might happen to read this, but all the same I say: "For humanity's for you; your children will thank you in

scious when friends are writing me, and | and perfection of mankind. often sit down and write them at the same hour. How is this to be explained?

A. It is a constant attendant of the sensitive state, and has received the name of telepathy, or thought transference, The proceedings of the Psychic Research Society contain a great number of instances, enough to demonstrate the theory.

C. W. Jackson. Q. I find that the the sensitive and the invalid to make up spirits disagree on many things, for in- the mind to seek the genial resort of stance some say there are animals in Lake Helen Camp, Florida. Winter spirit world, others that there are none. will soon be here. The cold north wind utter; in other words, like many a mod-Why cannot these contradictory spirits brings his harvest of death. The sweet ern subject of trance, he found it imbe got together in the same seance and birds are saying, "let us go to the warm possible for him to describe what he have them explain things they report so differently?

A. It would be impracticable, by the well known laws of spirit manifesintions to bring those as conflicting The sick and the old need the better into the same seance in debate, and if this were possible there would follow the same unsupported spirit testimony. The causes which have produced these contradictory reports have been discussed in this department several times in the past year and the correspondent is referred to these numbers

of The Progressive Thinker. The causes which lead in general to contradictions, and make communications unreliable, may be briefly stated: 'All communications depend on three elements: The spirit, the medium, the the circle or surroundings

The spirit may be unreliable, as a majority of those in the physical life, being ignorant, or deceiving. They may assume well-known names of friends, or of historic fame, and communicate anything they know will please or excite.

.Even well-meaning spirits may in their ignorance communicate what they believe to be true, but which is entirely erroneous.

The circle may be the strongest force and the plastic medium fall partially or completely under its influence. It may act as a whole on the medium, as hypnotic operator on his subject, and the communications which it receives will then be only a reflection, or echo of its thoughts.

J. R. M .: Q. I have the key to the nothing but the best of time is anticinatural and spiritual scenes, and am pated. preparing four lectures on these, and



and Palmetto.

ing on the horizon. Now is the time for | death.

It is said of Paul that in a spiritual trance he was taken to the other world and saw things not lawful for him to south-lands and continue our song to had seen. But it begot in him a longthe flowers and the sun." ing to return, to leave the barren scenes

Let us initate the birds. Sometimes, of this life, and as he expressed it, "deinstinct has the wisdom of divinity. part and he with Christ," conditions of life afforded by the winter season of Florida.

of the body.

me.

clearly and perfectly. What is death? This season the camp will open about was asked by a follower. This mortal the middle of January and extend its | or "terrestrial" body cannot inherit meetings till the end of March. The ineternal life. There are two bodies, the tellect will be fed at the same time that terrestrial or physical, and the celestial nature is carefully nursing the vitality or spiritual. These are united in this life. and their separation is death.

One year ago I went to Lake Helen, Then the silver cord which unites them very sick and not expected to live out is severed, and the celestial or spiritual the winter, but the effects of that counbeing continues existence the same. try and the magnetism of its spiritual The belief in future existence is comconditions have put me into a good, I mon to mankind from immemorial time. may say, a perfect state of health. I Go where you will, to China, to Hinduspeak of Lake Helen with pride and enstan, the Mohammedan countries, or the thusiasm, because it did so much for isles of the Pacific seas, and most prominent, often it is true, horribly dis-

Lake Helen is located on the highest torted, it dominates all other beliefs. It point of land in Florida. Beautiful is held by the most barbarous, and the lakes abound in its neighborhood. The highest cultured people. The great repine trees are ever giving off their ligious leaders have held it dear, and health-giving powers.

The camp-grounds are on a gentle vored with angelic presence. Wesley slope running down to Colby Lake, as | taught it, Swedenborg extended to fine a sheet of pure water as the eye of | greater length, and the sermons of man ever looked upon. There is a nearly all ministers are pervaded by good hotel on the grounds, well suited this belief. We were taught it in the

to the needs of people who want the prayer we lisped at our mother's knee, comforts of home. There are cottages for angels to guard us while we slept, scattered about the grounds, of sweet and that grand Christian hymn which design and comfort. The auditorium is has been sung around the world, mura good and comfortable building. There will be lectures every day, good

music, tests from the platform, entertainments in the evenings, seances; reliable mediums have been engaged, and They are 'round my bed, they are in my

They wait to waft my spirit home, All is well! All is well! Death unlocked his perceptions and

that we may die, and we die, because ings for ideal excellence will be realized. Until that time we say to all that is mortal of our friend, good-bye, to his Home!"



As It Is To Be. By Cora Linn Daniels.

This is a decidedly unique book. The author states as a matter of fact, mured through the lips of a dying old, she has occasionally heard that since she was about twenty years more easily than its playmate who has "Voices" speaking to her, distinct to physically and mentally by the power-'Bright angels have from glory come, her consciousness as a human voice, yet making no sound. This book is the result of questions asked by her and

every household, as hypnosis will not Sudduth. Such an exorbitant charge death is the gateway to life eternal, and does not leave any bad effects on for teaching hypnotism is not in harwhere our vague and unsatisfied long- the human system like the above men- mony with humanitarian work. As tioned poisons, while the coveted rest, well pay a hundred dollars for teachand the relief from pain are so thor- ing the alphabet or multiplication table

ough that one wonders how it is there to one who wishes to learn the rudioften believed they were especially fa- spirit, with the angels: "Welcome are people afraid of its subtle influence. ments of knowledge. In order to pro-As an educator hypnosis is bearing tect our own subscribers from those A. P. Sinnett. This y tik, too, is worthy fruit and the desired result is gained who are making exorbitant charges for of great praise as it contains the results without any apparent effort on the part teaching hypnotism indifferently, we of the labors of a master mind. It of the child. Its memory is getting have grouped together all the really val- treats of Old and New Theories; the strengthened, the nerves are getting uable books on the subject. These Mesmeric Force: the Real Literature of strong and steady, disease, bashful- books will teach you all about hypnoness, nerovusness, etc., are banished tism, and if you study them carefully. from the system of the child, and it you can be instrumental in doing a

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meaning, in that it strikingly shows the cottage: far-reaching influence of a belief in the | A great many people have promised laugh over the strange infatuation which places implicit faith in the wailings of an unknown "prophet," and the incoherent utterances of Revelations. and persuaded that the time is at hand, saves a few dollars from the hardearned wages of an iron-worker, that he may get to the nearest mountaintop and wave his red banner, and blow his tin horn amidst the final wreck and ruin of created things. Yet this man is only one of untold millions who have been dwarfed and distorted, and made, like hypnotic subjects, to dance to the beck of superstition. He is not an object to awaken laughter, but the saddest of all sad things, a wrecked human soul, at which angels may pityingly weep. I hold him up as an object lesson, and call the old beliefs, and the Bible which has made them current, to account before the bar of eternal justice and humanity.

What am I going to do about it? To. offer this advice; that as any key you may find to unlock the Bible, is like a key to a trunk, which when opened

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needed information she can give the

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