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an organization which honors one by its selection as dele- a more active part. gate to represent it, particularly when one must cross two continets, one of land, the other of sea, to meet the obli-instructive demonstrations of its own particular phase. Own convictions. Money is, however, gation, must be attended by perplexities and difficulties; In the Spirit Section were some plaster casts produced in incapable, in itself, of making arguyet the acceptance of such a trust should be its guarantee | Naples, which it was claimed were molded from the wax of fulfillment, regardless of hazard. Thus I determined impressions of spirit faces, hands, etc., of decarnate spirits to fill mine.

whose errand is majestic or whose purpose is sublime, and, drawings, some with a decided artistic touch, but none neither Christian nor Mental science, nor the philosophy complete and finished and mostly all hideous in expresof physics and therapeutics, have yet seized the art of con- sion, giving one the impression that if the angels we are trol of railway baggage transference, but even the delayed to meet on the other side are like these representations, other traveling half of me, my baggage—and consequent extra steamer fare and other freaks of a petulant mistress of events combined to disparage and hinder—could not prevent my attendance at the International Congress of Psychical Research in Paris, September 17th to 28th, 1900, as National and State (California) delegate. One 1900, as National and State (California) delegate. One other traveling half of me, my baggage—and consequent | we would better stay where we are as long as possible. of the most important in its deliberations of any of the In the Hypnotic and Mesmeric Sections, and practical quires that the medium be left alone many congresses held in that city during the Exposition. illustrations of the same, were many interesting features

There were bright and talented representatives from most of the great nations of the globe in attendance; Russia, Germany, Spain, Portugal, Austria, Holland, North upon the subject while under control. But what was of mortal eyes, may there not be someand South America, and many of the smaller countries. most immediate interest to me, because of its scientific thing about the performance that is not but the English speaking force was decidedly weak, par- value in linking and sealing forever the possibility of deticularly from Great Britain and her colonies, and consid- carnate existence and control, I found in the photoering the great number of Americans in Paris, the United graphic collection of that eminent scientist, Dr. Baraduc, States should have had more than the solitary native to consisting of numerous productions of various subjects duction of phenomena is wholly human speak for the cause that had its awakening among us, viz., and under varying conditions, in the reproduction in pho-Modern Spiritualism.

When the report of the deliberations of that Congress shall be published and translated, the great importance of the subjects as presented and discussed will appear.

Our French brothers, if anything, are earnest and serious in their undertakings. And in the investigation of the occult and spiritual they have applied themselves as jects and animals the results were very marked, and in thoroughly and as studiously as to every other subject, treating it as a science, to be demonstrated as such and in a scientific manner. Therefore there is no frivolity or half-heartedness in their approaches through the most intricate passageways through the various phases of the oc- | lucidity of force of thought of the subject directing the cult. Therefore the desire to know the truth and the ad- thought. vancement of spiritual knowledge being paramount, there is little thought or opportunity for fraud, and mediumship sharp radiations thickly interspersed with darting pointed is without a commercial quality and not resorted to as a business vocation. But if one has a gift or endowment in that direction, everything possible is done to foster and sustain it and its possessor.

. The Congress was composed of five sections or groups, as follows: First section, Spirit; second section, Magnetic; the eye hath not seen, but that clairvoyance has long since third section, Hermetic; fourth section, Theosophic; fifth discovered and declared, and sought in vain to prove to section, Groups Independent. The first and last days of the skeptic their real existence, have opened up the sealed the Congress were devoted to a general conference of all book of laws and bridged the way to tangible proof that the sections, which were ably conducted and each section man has a spiritual body that is perceptible even while given ample opportunity, and a capable interpreter pro- carnate, and if it may project itself in fact within the vided to translate at once to the audiences. The spirit body, it may as a whole be scientifically defined when desection was presided over by the very popular and elo- carnate. quent honorary president, Leon Denis, of Tours, France.

nouncement early on the first day, that M. Pasteur, the gained through a visit of several hours duration to his eminent scientist had avowed himself a convert to Mod- personal laboratory, was a source of great interest and pocketbook. ern Spiritualism.

Cardinal to the faith of the Spiritualists of France, are trine of reincarnation.

morning is dawning, and everywhere is the gowned and the physical faculties to the section below the line, the the church militant is over all; but they are nobly break- of the opposite hands in close proximity to the opposite ing away into freedom.

attendance and spoke on various occasions. One of the the spiritual as versus the physical predominance of most significant of his utterances was made at the banquet faculties and temperament of character is determined given on behalf of the delegates at the close of the Con- accordingly. gress, and in effect, "that of the forty thousand priests in | Having reduced this study to a science with great care France, two-thirds of them were with the movement and the Doctor is free and happy to explain, and instruct of the faith, and desired to be emancipated."

Next to America (the United States) the courtesies fell to in undeniable proof. Spain, between which, on that occasion there was mutual | San Francisco, Cal.

AN IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION. good feeling. Your delegate noted the deference of the seat of honor as being appreciated, to the vice-president, Mr. Delanne, whose quick response was characteristic of the entire courtesy of all, to the American delegate during the whole time of the Congress. His remark being. "We THE ISSUE.

MEET THE ISSUE.

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Quit Yourselves Like Men. Upon Which Orthodox Preachers Would Do Well to Enthe whole time of the Congress. His remark being, "We Research.

do not forget what we owe to America, and that you represent America here." I should note here that it is not lack of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral obligation to serve of recognition which keeps our French sisters from taking of a contract, or moral ob

as presented through the mediumship of Madam Paladino, However, the fates do not discriminate in favor of him the celebrated phenomenal medium, and many crude

showing the control of mind over mind, and also the effect of different objects, particularly various flowers, tography of the astral body and of thought vibrations, the former as apart and distinct from the natural body, the latter as depicting the crystallization of thought through than perfect patience and candor. concentration; the various expressions of sensations as seen by contact of the plate to different portions of the body and the different emotions, from that of anger to those identical ballots and none others that of prayer. In the thought concentration upon obsome instances very clearly defined. Pictures of objects upon which the mind was concentrated were displayed, showing an unmistakable semblance, while others were less clear according to fixedness of concentration or the

The emotion of anger showed in its rotary cloudiness, scintillations of a fiery appearance, while the radiations of the prayerful emotions were evolved in a soft, misty upward tending cloud, while a faint light seemed hovering over, either reflective or responsive.

These, because scientifically demonstrating things that

Apart from the Congress at which Dr. Baraduc was one Quite a ripple of enthusiasm was manifest at the an- of the most profound speakers, the fund of information value to me, and very highly appreciated.

Through some electrical mechanism of his own dethe doctrines of Allen Kardec, who is their patron saint, vising, by a set of batteries and plates, the status or vital and the majority if not the mass adhere strictly to the doc- registration of the individual is taken through the vibrations or currents running through the body and divided The imperial shadow of Catholicism still lingers like the by the opposite polarities of the fingers of each hand, the fog-mist of the night when the storm has passed and body as defined, being divided by an oblique angle gives bonneted priest, and nun in evidence, and the shade of intellectual and spiritual above. By placing the fingers batteries, the vibrations of each side are recorded sim-One young priest, Abbe Michael, was in almost constant | ultaneously on the respective dial plates, in figures. Thus

such as are interested in his discoveries, and is soon to It was noticeable that among the speakers, though issue an extensively illustrated work. While not claiming several women of other countries spoke or read papers, the to be a Spiritualist as the word goes, preferring to be women of France were silent, but they were admirable lis- known as a scientist, he has given to that cause inestimateners, and that is a commendable virtue much to be pre- ble service through his tireless researches, and proven ferred to ill-advised and much speech-making, sometimes. I through application of his higher chemistry the claims of The Russian women, some of whom wore their titles the ages based heretofore on visions and personal experigracefully and unassumingly, who appeared were unusu- ence, and made acceptable and tangible the things that ally intelligent and interesting. The representatives of the masses were unable to see except as miraged on the Spain were quick and alert, and talented and bright. susceptible film of faith, which now finds exemplification ADDIE L. BALLOU.

able deposit of one hundred dollars. own convictions. Money is, however,

ment, or of passing judgment.

Let us hope that the parties to the controversy will speedly agree upon trial conditions that will be fair to both sides and pull off the contest. Spiritualists everywhere will note whether the parties of the second part quibble, wayer, or retreat. A majority of us will be free from personal bias because all of the principals are strangers individually. I heard in the mountains of

upon the platform, while individuals and officials retire to a lower level for observation. If reading of ballots can not go on under the close scrutiny of acceptable to the spirit world?

There is a growing conviction in many minds that a great deal? of the talk about conditions necessary for the proin its origin and is simply the blinding jugglery of sanctimohlous trickery. We can hardly conceive of excarnate intelligences demanding of sitters more Means should be taken beforehand to know how many ballots are gathered from the audience and then see that are used during, or remain after, the

After Brother Buck has reached a conclusion of his pending differences, if still in funds, I would suggest to him that Chicago has facilities for development of mediumship with which even the wonderful wealth of California can not compete. In the single line which now absorbs his interest. I quote from offers before me as I write:

Morse telegraph instrument (for raps?) which can be carried in vest pocket or concealed about one's person,

How to read names of friends written by audience (on ballots?); five dollars. How to read and answer questions securely scaled in broad daylight in presence of sitter, without opening or tampering with seal, one dollar. Reading sealed letters in the pocket

or held ten feet behind blindfolded operator, ten dollars. The last you will note is a remarkably low offer, being at the rate of one dollar for every twelve inches of distance.

I can assure him our stocks are large and varied. If you do not see what you want in mediumship here you have only to ask for and pay for it Development is sometimes only an affair of the

Impulsive, superficial chinkers in our ranks become needed tools of the tricksters when they join the latter in crying that the struggle for nothing but the genuine is only personal persocution. "And pity 'tis 'tis true," but there is a "woe" for the individual "by whom the offense cometh." In spite of danger boards and warning signals disaster is certain, soon of late to overtake all who depart in methods from the path of integrity. The contest is for a vital principle, not against individuals. Shall trickery or truth become the synonym for Spiritualism?

An old Roman said: "Resist the first beginnings; a cure is attempted too late when through long delay the malady has waxed strong. The symptoms of reaction against dishonesty are becoming so widespread that our cause will safely round the critical point and attain wider and more honorable acceptance after being purified from its dross. GEO. B. WARNE.

IF WE ONLY UNDERSTOOD.

If we understood ourselves, We might bid the tumult cease; Where we find so much of sorrow, We might find as much of peace.

We might break the chain of bondage Binding us to earth so firm, For the mighty oak now towering Has its offspring from the germ.

So the germ of truth within us. Planted there by the great good, Would unfold our higher nature, If we only understood

If we understood each other. Could desires and motives rend. We would feel the soul uplifted. While attending to their need.

But if in the outer selfhood: Which is no part of the man, We persist in still remaining. Then our life is not began.

If in consciousness wellinger On the threshold of truth's door, And with pleadings long and earnest, We the mighty aid implored.

We'd extinguish clouds of darkness. And the light would brightly shine. and a voice would speak within us: Rest in peace, the truth is thine.

If we understood, within us' -Lies the secret of it all; We'd be stronger in temptation, For we'd heed the soul's own call.

If we understood the maker As intelligence and love! Then the man of his creating Would appear as from bove.

Falconer, N. Y

Soul, not sense, from thence would guide us Into realms before unknown, And the eternal good within us Would now sit upon the throne.

WALTER S. RULOND.

It has long been observed by the him, and he saw the Spirit of God de-

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lighten the Laity. Selected by H. V. Sweringen.

an interpretation more or less pointedly This is my beloved Son, in whom I am' in accordance with the denominational well pleased." Matthew, iii., 16-17. All those scriptural passages which do not thus conform to the orthodox idea are quietly ignored if not treated with silent contempt. It is with the view of manner,

the greatest medium of the ages. The foregoing describes his clairvoyant and clairaudient powers in an unmistakable in years.

"And the greatest medium of the ages. The foregoing describes his clairvoyant and clairaudient powers in an unmistakable in years. bringing prominently before the laity "The woman saith unto him, Sir, give and the public those severely neglected me this water, that I thirst not, neither passages of the Bible that I have gathered a few of them together for publication, hoping that the pulpit will husband, and come hither.

The woman answered and said, I proceed to do, and to shew thee these glad tidings." Luke 1, 17-19.

"And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and publication, hoping that the pulpit will husband, and come hither. give them more attention in the future "The woman answered

than it has done in the past. "The thing that hath been, it is that Thou hast well said, I have no huswhich shall be; and that which is done band: is that which shall be done; and there is no new thing under the sun.

"That which hath been is now; and husband; in that saidst thou truly. that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past." Ecclesiastes 1:9: 111:15.

occurred in the past is liable to happen do he shall do also; and greater works or occur in the future. It is sufficiently than these shall he do; because I go to

any one that consulteth a familiar profess to be believers in the works of spirit or holdeth converse with the Jesus are not doing similar and greater dead." Deuteronomy xviii., 10-11.

with the dead in the time of Moses he the pale of the orthodox minustry. would have been very foolish to for-

"And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines he was afraid; and his heart greatly trembled. "And when Saul enquired of the Lord,

the Lord answered him not, neither by for fear. dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets. "Then said Saul unto his servants Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor.

"And Saul disguised himself" (Just like the Christian investigator of Spiritualism does to day), "and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night, and he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me him up, whom I shall a few steps on the water but was too name unto thee.

done, how he hath cut off those that extent Peter did exactly that which have familiar spirits, and the wizards. out of the land: wherefore then layest If to-day any medium in the presence

saying, As the Lord liveth, there shall

Bring me up Samuel.

thou deceived me? for thou art Saul. afraid: for what sawest thou? And the hear when I speak with thee, and be- and self-abasement for days following, woman said unto Saul, I saw gods lieve thee forever. And Moses told the and learned as I never could have ascending out of the earth.

"And he said unto her. What form is he of? And she said, An old man unto the people and sanctify them tocometh up; and he is covered with a day and to-morrow, and let them wash have wished I might have known before Samuel, and he stooped with his face be clean to attend this seance.) to the ground, and bowed himself.

(Here is where Christians get one Mount Sinai. proof of the truth of Spiritualism.)

me, and answereth me no more, neither | made by the skeptical investigator of | him into hot brimstone because he did by prophets, nor by dreams; therefore I to-day, had to be observed then as now.) | not take the short cut home? Of course have called thee that thou mayest make | "And it came to pass on the third day | not. You would rejoice at his arrival known unto me what I shall do." in the morning, that there were thun- by whatever route. I. Samuel xxvlli, 5-15.

tion of spirit communication and offers trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the Truth and Morality, He welcomes our its own comment. If the narrative is people that was in the camp trembled. not true, the logical conclusion is that "And when the voice of the trumpet the Bible lies. Spiritualists believe it is sounded long, and waxed louder and tions are received to-day.

Matthew xiii., 58.

bitter opposition and unreasonable in- 9-21. credulity as they do in the absence of It seems that those in charge of this

to give her meat." - Luke vili., 55.

a different opinion. "And all wept, and bewailed her: but | well as vice versa.

or in a hypnotic condition.)

mediums are laughed at and ridiculed quite common in Moses' time. "And he put them all out." (Just ex- unto him (Moses) in a flame of fire out

made to-day of all "Smart Aleck" in- and, behold, the bush burned with fire, vestigators, so-called, who think they and the bush was not consumed. know it all, and never fail to detect "And Moses said, I will now turn "fraud" whether present or not.) "And aside, and see this great sight, why the he put them all out, and took her by the bush is not burned. hand, and called, saying, Mald, arise. brose straightway. And her parents him out of the midst of the bush, and were astonished," etc. Luke viii., 52-55. sald. Moses, Moses. And he said, Here

"And Jesus, when he was baptized, am I." Exodus ill., 2-4.

views of the pulpiteer or the more general creed of orthodox Christendom. There is no question about the me-

have no husband. Jesus said unto her,

"For thou hast had five husbands: and he whom thou now hast is not thy

"The woman saith unto him, Sir, I This extract would rather suggest "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that that which has ever happened or that believeth on me, the works that I wilt, let us make here three tabernacles;

my Father." John xiv., 12. "There shall not be found among you! How strange it is that the clergy who works to-day! Not only not doing them This is a condensation of those two themselves, but are persecuting and verses, the object being to show that ridiculing those who are manifesting if it had been impossible to converse simular powers of mediumship without

> "And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on "And when the disciples saw him

> walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out "But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I;

> "And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, let me come unto

"And he said, Come. And when Peter | receive help. was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

"But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord save me." It seem that Peter did actually walk

timid to rely fully upon the spirit power "And the woman said unto him, Be- present in him, which no doubt Jesus hold, thou knowest what Saul hath was seeking to develop. To a limited Jesus had done-walked on the water. thou a snare for my life, to cause me of Christians would claim to have acasylum. The strength of the present no punishment happen to thee for this day Christian faith in such phenomena. words of the people unto the Lord.

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Go | mon the folly of falsehood.

"And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast for the third day the Lord will come as I reached that plane, God is not gothou disquieted me, to bring me up?" down in the spirit of all the people upon | ing to question how I got there. He

dead rest"—against Spiritualism, little people round about, saying, Take heed Such theology was created by man, dreaming that it is derived from the to yourselves, that ye go not up into the and never originated with a loving "And Saul answered. I am sore dis- whosoever toucheth the mount shall be home, but arrived full of appreciation tressed; for the Philistines make war surely put to death." (The everlasting of the home and thankful for his delivagainst me, and God is departed from "conditions" of which so much fuss is erance from danger, would you pitch ders and lightnings, and a thick cloud God is surely as good as you are. By

Now, the foregoing is a simple narra- upon the mount, and the voice of the | whatever path we arrive at the door of him by a voice.

This is to say that Jesus as a Spirit- of the mount; and Moses went up. ualistic medium was obliged to contend "And the Lord said unto Moses, Go

with skeptics as are the mediums of to- down, charge the people, lest they break loading upon the Divine shoulders the day. Like him our mediums do not through unto the Lord to gaze, and mass of his own wretched creeds and succeed as well in the presence of many of them perish." Exodus xix., dogmas.

these untoward and unfavorable con- seance knew the "conditions" necessary is praying for me. My life has been one for its success, and if the people were succession of prayer, and I have great "And her spirit came again, and she not disposed to accept them all they faith in prayer's efficacy. I have lived arose straightway: and he commanded had to do was to stay away. They to see every prayer answered, or to be might cry fraud, humbug, etc., as they shown why they should not be. One of This was the result of a manifestation pleased, but if they proposed to attend my greatest causes of gratitude to God through the mediumship of Jesus in the the seance they were obliged to obey its to-day is that some of my early pleas to raising of Jairus' daughter, who was regulations and rules. It is not an un- heaven were denied. Perhaps the good supposed to be dead, but Jesus was of common thing for the true to be called dame who prays for me to go to heaven false; for right to be called wrong, as by her special limited route may yet see

he said. Weep not; she is not dead, but | "And the people stood afar off, and sleepeth." (Was probably in a trance Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God was." Ex. xx., 21. "And they laughed him to scorn, | Another dark seance (a private one). knowing that she was dead." (Just as It seems that these dark seances were

"And the angel of the Lord appeared actly the disposition that should be of the midst of a bush; and he looked.

"And when the Lord saw that he "And her spirit came again, and she turned aside to see, God called unto

and, lo, the heavens were opened unto seances, but the Christian church to-day at this office. Price 10 cents.

does not believe in their verity any more than it believes in much less remarka-ble though similar seances of the pres-

ent day. "And there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus saith the Lord God of David thy father," etc. II. Chron., xxi., 12. This is a clear case of independent

thinking laymen that only such texts scending like a dove, and lighting upon of scripture were chosen by preachers him:

for pulpit discourse as were capable of "And lo a voice from heaven, saying,"

"And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of

the Just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord. "And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken

"And the angel answering said unto him. I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak

bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, and was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. "And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him. here" (They enjoyed this seance. I would also, had I been there): "if thou one for thee, and one for Moses, and one

a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

"And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid. "And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid. "And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only." Matthew xvii., 1-8. Now if this was not a materializing

seance, what was it?

(To be continued.)

Unique Thoughts on Repentance. A woman writes me that she is praying for my soul, hoping I may yet be saved, and she gives me the address of a "mission" where she thinks I might

A man sends me a warning pamphlet telling me I must repent my sins or burn in hell fire forever. Now, I really do not repent my sins. I consider them as stepping stones to a higher understand-

ing of life. Of course, I wish I might have been born wiser, with a foresight which would have enabled me to learn the truths of existence without having to pass through the Velley of Foolish Ex-

But not being born wise, I feel a cerand "sins," which have been kind even complished this or any similar feat, he | if stern teachers to me. Every sin car-"And Saul sware to her by the Lord, or she would be booked for the lunafic i ries its own hell with it. When I was thing.

biblical or otherwise, is powerfully feed stole sugar from the pantry, and I ble, so to speak. It is represented by a shared the spoils. He said if I told of it bring up unto thee? And he said, very slender thread. According to hib- he would not allow me to play with him lical authority nothing has ever been for a week. When the sugar was missed

"And when the woman saw Samuel, accomplished that cannot be repeated, he stood behind the stern questioner, she cried with a loud voice; and the as the scripture first quoted here proves. | shaking his fist at me. Asked if I knew woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast for And the Lord said unto Moses, Lo, I anything about the missing sugar, I come unto thee in a thick cloud (dark | said "No." Then I suffered all the ago-"And the king said unto her, Be not trumpet seance), that the people may nies of shame and humiliation of soul learned through Sunday-school or ser-I have never "repented" that lie. I

mantle. And Saul perceived that it was their clothes." (They were obliged to I told it all I knew after it; but to my thinking it was a stepping stone to a "And be ready against the third day; higher moral plane for me. So long has no idea of submerging me in a Lake of their arguments-i. e., "Let the "And thou shalt set bounds unto the of Fire because I do not repent my lie. mount, or touch the border of it: God. If your child took a wrong road

There are only a few old fossils hanging to the cobwebs of those horritrue, because similar spirit communica- louder, Moses spake, and God answered | ble creeds of a decaying theology. They are like half-dead flies buzzing in a "And he did not many mighty works "And the Lord came down upon spider's web. Thank God, I have my there because of their unbelief." Mount Sinai, on the top of the mount; little broom, and will do all in my powand the Lord called Moses up to the top er to sweep them down and into the Ash Barrel of the Past.

Man's greatest sin against God is in

God is Love.

I am grateful to the good woman who the folly of such a prayer. Great surprises await the "strictly or-

thodox" Christians in the world to come. Each soul, like each railroad engine, must follow its own headlight. There are many tracks, but the Great Station awaits us all.-Ella Wheeler Wilcox in Chicago American.

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ing Influence.

set the path of life.

Little darling, rock and rest, Folded in thy mother's arms, On the heart that loves thee best, And would shield thee from all harms. With the twilight angels near, Pleasant may thy slumbers be, And, while thou art sleeping, dear,

Mother loves and prays for thee.

mother who sang her child to sleep in paused and listened. What a thrill went into his uplifted face. "I am glad if the twilight was one to whom the pass- over him when he recognized the words your mother has made me her messening years brought the change of death. of the song as being those his mother | ger," she said, 'such things happen Her boy was grown to manhood now, had sung to him so many times. Softly sometimes I think, I charge you to be His heart was like a book upon whose the last line of the first verse came true, be strong, be steadfast, for her pages, as yet pure and fair, the record floating through the open window to sake and for your own." of life was yet to be written. After his him: mother died he went out into the world, "Mother loves and prays for thee." knowing but little of the ways of men.

fellows, whose motto was to make the I way. He had not thought much about most of the pleasure youth afforded. this old song of late. But just now a When this boy began this kind of life, voice was speaking to him out of the he felt, in a vague way, that he was vanished years. He cried: "I am sorely It Had an Inspiring, Uplift- losing something. But he did not mean tempted. Help me." The words of the to be bad, only—he did not stop to song seemed to him his mother's voice think. It seems, sometimes, as if God out of heaven. He could feel the holy, puts out His hand to keep us back from helping influence of her prayers, "I Sitting in the twilight, when the the danger our folly would lead us into. will begin a better life," he cried, and room had grown still, and the hush of It was so in this case. I do not know the words were like a vow. "Mother," coming night was resting on the world just what it was that his companions he cried, lifting his face towards the like the silence that follows a benedic- proposed to do, but it was something stars, "your song has saved me. Help tion, a mother sung her child to sleep. wrong, and there was a struggle in his me to be true." Her song was sweet with her love for mind before he consented to join their Then he opened the gate, and went up her little one, whose feet, as yet, had party. But they persuaded him, and the path to the house and to the open not come in contact with briars that be- laughed at what they called his whims | window. The woman must have seen and he consented. They were to meet him-perhaps she felt why he came for at a certain place, at a certain hour. He she was not frightened when he spoke set out for the place of meeting. As he to her across the window-sill. "I want went slowly down the street he wished to thank you for that song," he said. he had not promised to go with his "My mother used to sing it to me. If I young friends. He knew that he was | had not heard it tonight I think I would doing wrong, but he lacked moral cour- have taken a step downward that would

The young men with whom he came in Is she praying for me now? He asked song had saved him. contact were gay, merry, thoughtless the question of himself in a startled!

age which would have enabled him to never have been retaken. She sang to turn squarely about and go away from me through you."

wrong rather than to it. He passed a The woman came to the window with The years came and went, and the house where some one was singing. He the baby in her arms, and smiled down "God bless you," he said, "I will re-

> member." That was years ago. He has kept his promise. His mother's ARZELIA C. CLAY.

THE NEMESIS OF GHAUTAUQUA LAKE: OR CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE.

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CHAPTER III.—Continued.

"what makes ye so slow? Come in right away or the sup- prisoner with considerable curiosity, and conducted him per will be cold and not fit to eat. I expected ye home to the inner bastile we have described. and Judge Hall entered the cabin. "Yer welcome, smiled good-humoredly at the rustic simplicity of his tired and hungry surveyin' all day through the woods and and the arrangements were completed; the Sheriff placed

we found the line and run it down to Munson's clearin', ity of the public building under his charge. where we found this stranger, and I took the liberty of in- | The hours of the night passed slowly to Judge Hall. vitin' him home to supper." Here he exchanged a know- He had no fears of a conviction of murder, but he was cious broiled venison steak.

as the Inlet, can't ve?"

fore I get to the village," said Judge Hall. "I have com- pleted his mission in Western Pennsylvania and returned bay, or what was in some far distant geological period an his awful decree should be fulfilled. Whose sheddeth mitted no crime and have nothing to fear from an invest to Washington, the incident of Oneida's death would be estuary of a stream of water that poured out of a deep man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed. I am but Books you may order, Price \$2.10. tigation save the delay that may arise from my detention; lost in the more stirring events of the times, and would ravine some seventy rods distant from the present shore a feeble instrument in His hands to execute His just pungreat interests are at a stake in my journey, and any be forgotten, or at least he would be safe from arrest. delay may work a great public injury."

important just now when the Western tribes are on the ments. war-path, that we should do nothing to disturb the Having come to this conclusion," Judge Hall waited in picturesque confusion along the shore, as if hature had friendly feeling existing between us and the Iroquois, and impatiently for the rising moon and the signal promised once attempted to form a fantastic barrier between the what we saw at the cliff to-day must be investigated. It him by Jonas wich. Was he certain that this man could two contending forces of lake and forest. is a part of the duty intrusted to me by the government, be trusted?—He was an entire stranger, and why should it in violation of his word."

haughtily.

him again, which I hope won't be long." The two ex- He thrust his hand between the bars; it was instantly in which a luxuriant growth of ferns and forest shrubs changed glances of mutual understanding; then the observed by the men who were now cautiously but swiftly had taken root, while moss-covered fragments of half-Judge accompanied by Sam and the "General" started approaching the building; soon they were so near it that | decayed logs were scattered over its surface. across the clearing towards the Inlet and soon disappeared they could not be seen from the street. in the woods.

"What does it mean, Jonas Birch?" inquired his good whisper. "Is anybody with ye in that room?" wife, after the men had left the cabin and were crossing the clearing towards the head of the lake. "Who is that remove the bars of my window?" stranger, and what has he bin a doin'?"

have narrated, and explained to her the project he had in Approaching the window he passed the hook of the chain view of liberating Judge Hall. "You will have to do up around a bar. "Here, stranger," said he as he handed door was next to the ledge of rocks from which the the chores, Dolly," he said, "for I must go down to the him the end of a small rope which was attached to the spring and rivulet were supplied with water, and was conlake and get Bill to help me. We will take his canoe and hook through the bars; "you haul taut on this rope so | cealed by a cluster of young pines and hemlocks. The row up to the Inlet; we will get there about moon-rise, when the bar comes out the chain won't fall to the ground only path which led to the door was the bed of the rivulet and we'll have the stranger out if we have to tear the old and wake up the sheriff. Keep the hook up to the middle along which every person must pass who entered this half log shanty down to do it.

be keerful and don't do anything unlawful. What if he now approached with a long stout "hand-spike," and did kill an Injun!—that's nothing to make a fuss about; placing one end against the logs at the side of the window if the government had to sleep every night in fear of being he wound the chain around it securely.

vided plentifully for him during the night. Then throw- comes!!" in the darkness of the wilderness.

When the "General" reached the Inlet or village at the the rope in the hands of the Judge. enterprise and civilization have swept over the continent grasped his extended hand with the force of a vise. from the Atlantic, and only paused to take breath on the "Young man," said he, in solemn though subdued a fire of dry hickory wood in a fire-place cut deep in the shores of the Pacific. Our means of rapid transit have tones, "Jonas Birch has told me all that happened at the ledge of rocks that formed one end of the cabin." The made the prairies of the West, only suburban to our East- cliff, after I left you. He told me you refused to mention ern cities.

him immediately to the place where he was to be securely murder it was not unless executing the stern decree of the had been unable to observe closely the outside of the kept until morning, when he was to have a hearing be- Almighty is a crime. The Great Being has destined you fore a magistrate. The building was a large two-story for a nobler purpose than either a prison or a gallows. A three rooms, one of them extending along the front was save himself from imprisonment is made of different they reached the very door of the cabin, and he was surused for a school where the flaxen-haired urchins of the material from the common potters' clay of mankind. lator and congressman. The two rooms running along little boy. But we have no time now to say more. Come | fire had lighted the interior of this singular abode. the side farthest from the street were used as cells or with us and in an hour's time you will be safe from "lock-ups" in which were occasionally confined the re- pursuit. fractory settlers, who, when becoming unduly exhilarated For the space of half an hour the men pursued their Towards the bank the ceiling or roof was over twelve feet with the popular beverage of the day, violated some of way in silence, when they emerged from a dense woods in height flut descending towards the outer wall where it. the proprieties of the settlement; as yet the majesty of and approached the shore of Cha-da-qua Lake. Here was considerably lower. The sides of the room presented the law had not asserted itself through its courts and Munson drew a canoe from a clump of flags and bushes a uniform surface of hewed logs smoothed and adjusted juries in the wilderness of Northwestern New York. where it had been concealed. "This will leave no trail The county of Chautauqua was not organized until nearly behind us," he said. "The eye of the Creator alone can shelf or mantel on which the Judge observed with sur- surely wisely put in our prayer.—Thackeray. twenty years after the date of our story; the first court be- track man's footsteps across the deep. The bloodhounds prise a number of volumes of books, and placed coning held at the Inlet or Mayville, as it was afterwards of the law may hunt for our trail in vain, on the surface spicuously in their center was a large Bible whose wellcalled, in February, A. D. 1811.

upper story of the building was used for public worship, is assured." ministers of the popular creeds of the day.

let and Lake. He was found at his home on the opposite water around them. Then exerting their strength with shattered by the terrible ordeal of the woe he had endured. | another's stairs. Dante.

side of the street, seated by his fire-side, engaged in the their tracks as they passed. primitive occupation of making "split brooms" for home "Jonas! Jonas!" called the matron from the cabin door, consumption and the Eastern market. He received the

long before this," continued the woman, as her husband . A bed of clean straw was prepared for the Judge, who stranger. Sit down to the table. I know ye must be couch. Over this was thrown a blanket and a bear skin over the hills. Did ye find the line ye was huntin' arter, a huge iron padlock in the staple and hasps that secured the door, and returning home resumed his pipe and "Yes, Dolly," replied the husband affectionately; "yes, broom with an unbounded confidence in the impregnabil-

ing glance with the prisoner. The "General" looked annoyed at the probable delay his arrest might cause him. grave and turned the conversation in another channel by If the magistrate should on hearing, hold him for trial praising the good woman's savory corn bread and deli- he would have to be taken to the distant county seat, and it might be weeks or even months before the court would Supper over, the "General" remarked: "Come, men, we sit, and all this time he would be imprisoned. If he remust be going; it is nearly sunset and it will be dark be- lated the facts connected with the death of Oneida it might lead to the arrest and conviction of Munson for "I don't s'pose ye need me, General, do ye?" inquired murder and subsequently to his execution. "At this his Jonas. "There ain't no one to do the chores but Dolly heart revolted. He determined he would not by his testiand the children; you two can take care of one man as far mony send to the gallows the unfortunate man who was made partially insane by his terrible wrongs. He there-"I pledge my word and honor not to try to escape be- fore resolved to escape if possible. When he had com-

"I do not know how that is," replied the "General," he must traverse to reach his destination. Then he would, a small rivilet whose source was a spring that poured its Jehovah-nissi, so have I built mine on the shore of this \$2.35. "but it is certainly of great interest to the people of New be safe from pursuit. The recent disastrons defeat of St. crystal current from a ledge of rocks that formed the lake to offer up sacrifices in the name of the Lord. When York that the lives of all peaceable citizens are protected, Clair in Ohio had exposed the frontiers of the West to the terminus of the ravine. This ravine extended back into whether they be Indians or whites. It is a part of my attacks of predatory bands of hostile savages; and he be- the hill-side several hundred feet. Its precipitous sides mission to see that the peaceful relations between the Six lieved he would be forgotten in the general anxiety and were covered with a prolific growth of forest trees and Nations and the government are maintained. It is very alarm that would soon prevail in all the frontier settle-

were to see him to-day, and how affectionately he caressed "Perhaps so," replied the "General," "but then, young them. No, no," he continued, "I have confidence in him."

"Are ye there, stranger?" inquired Jonas Birch in a

"Easy enough, stranger; easy enough," replied Birch as Jonas hastily related to his wife the circumstances we he noiselessly unwound a log chain from his shoulder. of the bar; so!"

scalped and murdered, as the settlers do, they wouldn't be "Give her a short bight, Bill," whispered Jonas, "and | so particular to count every dead Injun that's found in we'll fetch her as if she was made of lead." "Now then," he continued, "put your baby strength on the handspike! Jonas led the horse of Judge Hall to the stable; pro- Easy, easy, easy, so as not to make any noise; here she

ing a strong log chain across his shoulders, he crossed the | As the men put their strength to the lever, the bar gradclearing towards the lake, and striking a not very plainly nally bent outward in the center, and as Jonas concluded marked trail, was soon lost to the view of his anxious wife his remarks the ends of the iron drew out of the logs, and chimney the smoke of dry wood or charcoal would pass again. I have heard them often in the dead of night furnished to our subscribers for \$2.35, bar and chain would have fallen to the ground but for almost invisible, and could only be seen by a person near when alone, but never before in human presence. But

head of the lake with his captive, it was quite dark; the With this rope he carefully and noiselessly lowered the street of the little hamlet was deserted; bright fires bar and chain to the ground. The operation was regleamed from a number of the windows of the cabins as peated until three bars were removed leaving an opening mother, sons and daughters were engaged in some of the this opening Judge Hall with the assistance of Jonas soon owner "my friend." necessary domestic industries incident to frontier life. made his exit from the jail and stood by the side of his These rural homes exist no longer in this country. The rescuers. As the rays of the rising moon fell upon them, Geni steam, with his cohort, electricity, have annihilated the Judge recognized in the companion of Birch the time and space. We have frontiers no longer, American gigantic form of Munson, who approached him and

my name when by so doing you could have entirely ex-At the request of Judge Hall, his captors conducted culpated yourself from a false accusation of murder; for

less Attion and more vigorous strokes the light boat | As Judge Hall turned from the contemplation of these darted over the lake with increased velocity, and in a few | cheerful titles the brightly blazing fire illumined every moment's time rounded a point on its western shore a part of the room, and with a shiver of horror he saw that league distant from the place whence it started. Here the its walls were nearly covered with human scalps, while men landed in a dense thicket of hazel bushes and under- festoons of these bloody trophies hung from the ceiling growth that fined the shore of the little bay they had en- over his head. At intervals along the sides of the cabin. tered.) Munson concealed the canoe in a bed of flags that | towards the rivulet and the mouth of the ravine were portgrew near the beach and that could only be reached by holes cut in the logs of the wall, of sufficient size to admit wading several rods in the shallow water between them the sighting of a rifle or musket through them. These

"Follow us, stranger," he said. "But few know where could be removed and replaced in a moment's time. make my home in this wilderness, and they are my Leaning against the racks placed along the sides of the

and soon the lake was hidden from view by the dense and powder-horns were suspended from the rafters. The foliage 10f the forest through which they wended their side of the cabin next to the bank was a stone wall way, following the bed of a small rivulet that obliterated through which a door opened into some hidden recess in

"It was a lodge of ample size, But strange of structure and device; Of such materials, as around The workman's hand had readiest found. Lopp'd of their boughs, their hoar trunks bared, And by the hatchet rudely squared, the han de his To give the walls their destined height, was The sturdy oak and ash unite, While moss and clay and leaves combined To fence each crevice from the wind; The lighter pine trees, over-head, Their slender length for rafters spread, And withered heath and rushes dry Supplied a russet canopy." Scott's "Lady of the Lake."

"Tis the sunset of life gives me mystical lore And coming events cast their shadows before." Campbell's "Lochiel's Warning."

A little over a league from the head of Cha-da-qua Lake is a point of land extending out several hundred feet into its placed waters. Below this point is a little of the lake, but the breath of unnumbered centuries had In the meantime he would be secure in the wilderness | dried up its waters, until at the time of our story it was "under-wood." From its mouth the ground gradually descended to the water's edge, where the rocks were piled

... A dense thicket of witch-hazel mingled with pine and and I cannot permit the occurrence at Munson's clearing he feel a sufficient interest in him to justify the danger of hemlock completely concealed the rayine from view until to pass unnoticed. But, Jonas, I do not think it neces- a violation of the law by assisting him to escape? Birch | the observer stood upon its brink or at its mouth. In the sary for you to go any farther. Sam and I can take care had a valuable horse in his possession, and might not angle of its morthern bank and the ledge of rocks that that our prisoner does not escape, even should he attempt cupidity induce the man to attempt to secure it by leaving formediles terminal, there stood a rude and curiously dehim to his fate? He could not believe it; "no man with vised structure of logs, stone and earth, so artfully con-"My word has never been disputed, or my honor such a face and such a wife could be a scoundrel," cealed by most vines, ferns and under-wood that even the doubted by those who know me," said Judge Hall, reasoned Judge Hall, "and besides how glad his children | eye of and experienced woodsman would have passed it by

The logs which formed its walls were hewed on three man, we don't know you; and the incident that led to our At this point his logic was interrupted by the beams of sides and so laid together that their uniform surfaces left acquaintance is not one calculated to beget that confidence the rising moon shining through the branches of the no crevices between them, through which a bullet might in your honesty, that your character may deserve. But forest trees. He listened intently and in a few moments pass. The inside of the walls was straight and even, let us be moving, or night may overtake us in the woods." he distinctly heard the hoot of an owl in the distance; a forming perpendicular faces of hewed timber nicely ad-"Jonas," said the Judge, "I will walk to the Inlet. few moments more and he heard it again, but much justed, and smoothed with ax and adze. The outside of Will you take good care of my horse during my absence? nearer than at first. Looking anxiously through the bars | the logg was dovered with the bark of the trees, as they I do not know how long I may be detained, but I shall of his window he soon saw the forms of two men ap- stood in the forest. The roof and ceiling combined were want him on my release, for I have a long journey before proaching the jail from the woods. Fortunately the constructed of puncheons or logs split through their cenwindow of the room in which he was confined was on the ter and laid on the walls of the structure with their bark "I will take good care of him, stranger, until you want side of the jail from the street and towards the forest outward." These were covered with clay and forest mold

The roof'descended from the bank towards the rivulet, and its artificial structure was so artfully concealed that to an observer from either side of the ravine who looked "No," said the Judge, "I am alone, but how will you down upon it, it appeared to be a portion of the bank covered with a dense growth of forest vegetation.

The sides of this curious structure were so completely covered with woodbine and other climbing vines as to conceal the logs of which its walls were constructed. The cabin and half grotto, and in doing so the stony bed of the "All right, Jonas," said his wife, encouragingly, "but Judge Hall did as he was directed. The other man little stream, always covered a few inches deep with water, would retain no impress or foot-print. The structure was so ingeniously devised and so cunningly constructed to escape observation, that its presence would be unnoticed and unsuspected by persons within a few feet of its threshold.

The chimney was a long ditch dug in the side of the bank, walled with stone and covered with earth. It ran along the side of the ravine a number of rods until it opened under a large flat rock that projected from the awakening from a sleep he started up and looking around to assist in forming a Spiritual and bank amidst a dense cluster of under-wood. From this with a bewildered gaze said: "I have heard the whispers Occult Library in every Spiritualist's the mouth of the ravine.

in this lonely glen, that its existence was unsuspected by the settlers at the head of the lake, and was known only they passed, revealing happy fireside groups where father, sufficiently large to admit the body of a man. Through to a favored few, who like Jonas Birch, could call its

A few hours after the incidents related in the last chapter, Munson, Birch and Judge Hall entered the singular habitation we have described. With flint, steel and tinder Munson soon lighted an iron lamp that was suspended by a chain from the center of the roof, and kindled bright blaze soon illuminated the room and diffused a genial warmth through its farthest recesses.

Judge Hall looked around him in astonishment. He structure, as the moon shed but a feeble light through the dense foliage of the trees of the ravine. In fact he had

some thirty feet in length by eighteen or twenty in width. appoint me." with considerable skill. Over the fire-place was a rude imploring to be relieved from hunger and temptation is of this lake. For years I have lived alone upon its shores, worn binding indicated its frequent use. Curiosity The cells or "lock-ups" had each an iron-barred win- and often have I been beset by my enemies, but He who | prompted the Judge to read the titles of a few of the dow opening from the back of the building. These win- walked the stormy waves of Galilee and answered the volumes by its side; and he could not suppress a smile dows were two feet square, and the bars were rods of inch prayer of Peter, Lord save me, presides over this wilder- when he read the names of a number of the good old puband a half iron inserted into the logs at the top and bot- ness and on these waters. He heard my petition and de- lications that even at that time were considered somewhat tom of the windows. This primitive bastile would have livered mine enemies into my hands; and so he will con- antiquated on the subjects of which they treated. "The made a modern burglar smile, yet it was a terror to all the tinue to do until my measure is filled and my time has Groans of the Damned," stood lovingly by the side of convivial settlers and evil-doers for miles around. The come. But let us make haste, stranger, and your safety "The Saints Rest," while "Baxter's Call to the Unconverted" and "The Plays of William Shakespeare" leaned and its rude pulpit was frequently occupied by itinerant of other men stepped into the cance. Munson and affectionately against each other. A number of other Birch plied the paddles cautiously for a few moments, works of like character formed the library of the recluse, The keeper of the fail was also the deputy sheriff of the until the shore had disappeared from view and the moon- and the constant perusal of their gloomy pages had served county, whose extended boundaries then included the In- light seemed to rest like a silvery dome on a base of placid to increase the morbid condition of his mind, diseased and

holes were stopped by wedge shaped blocks of wood that riends? The way followed by Birch and Judge Hall, bunches of tomahawks, scalping-knives, bullet pouches OUR the hillside. This wall also was pierced with port-holes. and appeared to be an inner fortification behind which the garrison could retreat should the "out-works" be stormed and carried by a savage foe. Several rude chairs and stools were scattered around the room, and two bunks placed one above the other in a corner farthest from the fire, were covered with blankets and bear-skins. The cabin was scrupulously clean, and a few culinary implements of brass and copper that were hanging upon the wall shone in the fire-light as brightly as if they had been under the care of an accomplished house-wife.

For a moment Judge Hall stood looking in astonishment around him, but ever and anon as his eyes rested on the scalps that festooned wall and ceiling, an expression of disgust and horror passed over his features. Munson stood in the center of the room, watching him closely; observing the look, he raised his arm in an imposing man- | Price \$1.10. ner and in deep and solemn tones said:

"'Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge ye shall be judged.' Young man, these are the scalps of mine enemies! There are no locks of innocent childhood or of grey-haired, feeble old age among them. All of them are from the heads of warriors | Books you may order, Price \$1.50. who rejoiced in murdering the helpless and unoffending. As the Lord delivered the hosts of the Amalekites into the hands of his servant David, that they might perish by the Books you may order, Price \$1.80. sword, so has he delivered the savages into my hands, that ishment on those who have cruelly shed the blood of his people. As Moses built his altar on a hill in the name of Books are sent out together, Price God appointed the cities of refuge he said to his chosen people: "The avenger of blood himself shall slay the mur- are only sent to our own subscribers derer: when he meeteth him he shall slay him.'

"Therefore, judge me not with human judgment. Con- scription to THE PROGRESSIVE demn me not by human laws. I have but obeyed the THINKER, which is always one dollar. commands of the Most High. When human laws are of Those who are not subscribers to THE no avail to protect the weak and helpless, then must the PROGRESSIVE THINKER must pay the strong become the avenger of their wrongs. No law pro- regular retail price for these seven tected those I loved from the murderous hands of the sav- valuable books, which is \$10.75. ages, and I, their avenger, am commanded to slay their murderers when I meet them. This have I done, and this shall I continue to do until the mission of my poor life is

He paused a moment and bowed his head as if in prayer; a moment more and he straightened his tall form to its utmost height; his eyes glared with the wildness of insanity, and in a voice tremulous with the intensity of his emotions he continued:

"Here have I erected my altar! Here have I made my offerings to the Most High! Within these rude walls have | SEVEN REMARKABLE BOOKS I prayed that He would deliver mine enemies into my hands; and He has heard and answered my prayers. The shore of this lake is covered with the graves of those I have sacrificed in accordance with His commands. Because of these sacrifices this ground is made holy. The time shall come in the future when the place where we now are shall be dedicated to the worship of the Savior of mankind; songs and prayers shall stir the leaves of these trees as with the breath of the wind. A vast temple shall be erected here, and hither thousands shall come to listen to the voice of the servants of the Lord, as they shall expound the teachings of His holy word. The temple shall be lighted with the lightnings of Heaven. The bow of God's promise shall span its roof and its foundation. Around it will gather the habitations of those who love the Lord and obey its commands. The lake yonder shall be covered with arks like those of the early patriarchs. They shall be driven by fire and move without wind or sail. The blessings that shall spread from this place shall be like the dew and the summer showers that water the whole earth. All these things have I seen when communing with my Creator. His voice has whispered it in mine cars, as He did the coming future to the prophets of old, and verily shall all these things come to pass, for thus saith the Lord of Hosts."

He paused a moment, the strange light faded from his furnished to our subscribers alone for eyes, and sinking upon a chair he covered his face with \$2.35. But bear in mind that in order his hands while his frame shook as with convulsions. Judge Hall and Jonas Birch stood in silence and awe, looking at the strange man who seemed to have uttered his singular prophecy unconscious of their presence or even of the import of his words he had spoken. A few moments he remained thus, when suddenly, and as if books to the trade is \$10.75. In order come, I must banish the phantasies of an overburdened There was so little appearance of a human habitation heart and a diseased brain, to care for the welfare of him who has been endangered by my acts. Stranger, who are you? What do you seek? Whither do you go, and how can I assist you?"

The Judge hesitated a moment, then answered: "My name is Frank Hall. I hold an appointment as a Judge of several Courts in Western New York and have been to Buffalo on business connected with my office. I also have a commission from President Washington directing me to go to Pittsburg to inquire into the condition of the frontiers in relation to the apprehended outbreak of the Indian tribes of Ohio, and other matters for which I have secret orders from the government. The defeat of St. Clair on the Miami river has encouraged the Western Indians, and it is feared that they are combining for a general outbreak, and will make an attack on the frontiers in the Spring if not before. General Anthony Wayne will be appointed to take command of an army to structure of logs. The lower story being divided into man who would not betray an unfortunate stranger to observed nothing that indicated a human habitation until be raised as soon as possible and sent into Ohio to quell will find that all we have left us for the turbulent savages. It is probable that next Summer | those seven books is only \$1.50. prised when Munson seemed to unlock and open a portion will find us engaged in a general war with the western settlement were, during the winter months, taught the have told Birch all about the death of your guide, and of the ledge of works itself when he opened the door; but tribes. I wish to reach Pittsburg without delay, where I rudiments of the education necessary to the future legis- why I killed the red devil who murdered and scalped my he was yet more astonished at what he saw when lamp and shall remain during the Winter. My duties completed there, in the Spring I shall join the army of Wayne in Looking around him Judge Hall saw a spacious room whatever capacity the government sees proper to

(To be continued.)

The acknowledgment of weakness which we make in

It is very easy for a person without passion to set himself up as a pattern of self-control, and pass snap-judgment on those who carry enough steam to blow up a ship. -M. J. Savage.

Good conduct is a human necessity. "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you is the foundation of all honesty and morality. This was written by a heathen philosopher long before the Christian era. H. these two books to the trade is \$2.75.

. It is not until we have passed through the furnace that we are made to know how much dross there is in our composition .- Colton.

Only experience can show how salt the savor is of others bread, and how sad a path it is to climb and descend

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PRIESTESS

of the occult were by no means limited maiden or the ignorant wight.

confidence her patrons reposed in her town character. At Mrs. Fulton's death for nearly five minutes. Then we arose, Beatrice calmly pointing the adoring safe to say that there are no other and in consequence she imparted to her her body turned into stone, and it took awakened Arthur and made a thorough Dante on to the blessed is about as chill such manifestations as these in the uncanny calling not a little of the dig. four horses to haul the hearse. Her search of every room in the house. I a shadow of earth love as the most world. The words come direct from the nity of a legitimate profession. To this eldest daughter, Emma Davis, was by was frightened, of course, but I had the aesthetic soul could ask for. John Hay lips and pen of the spirits, in our pressterling quality, aside from her reputed gift of divination, she owed largely the respectability of her clientele. Never will be known the hard headed business men who sought her counsel in the manipulation of stocks or domestic entanglements. It's well she died with her in Emma Davis' high cheek bones, reputation for secretiveness inviolate, aqualine nose and straight brown hair. otherwise it might be the Press-Post's Her grandfather was a full blooded Inprivilege to make the hair of many of the capital's oldest and most unimpres- that her own father was the first colsionable citizens stand up like "quills upon the fretful porcupine."

It is safe to say that there have been few robber or murder mysteries in this vicinity which Madame Highwarden legal rights and social privileges of the has not helped to solve. Detective white race. All her life, however, she agencies here and elsewhere did not hesitate to seek her aid. In some in- tion, among whom she was a noted belle stances it was

A CASE OF RECIPROCITY. To bring to fruition what she saw in brown man. He was a ne'er-do-well. the spirit world, her patrons were often referred to detectives in whose honesty and skill she had confidence. One of the most celebrated cases with which Madame Highwarden's occultism is assoclated was the Adams Express robbery. The robbery took place in the company's office in the old Union Depot. The night custodian of the vault was found chloroformed and bound in a chair near the safe, from which \$80,000 was taken. When the loss was dis- in want and went away empty handed. covered, detectives were set to work on every side. Madame Highwarden in her and grandchildren. One son was a Coclairyoyant trance directed the detect- lumbus letter carrier. He died ten years ives to a certain yard adjoining a private house north of the Union Depot, where they would find the money buried in a corner. Her directions were followed and within two hours after the robbery had been made known,

THE \$80,000 WAS RESTORED. She said the robber was an employe; union. They were divorced. Then I that he had bound and chloroformed remarried them. I was her spiritual himself, all of which was corroborated director, but I never questioned or inby the unfortunate man's confession terfered with her business." when arrested. The company or the detectives promised to pay the fortune warden's most intimate friends had no after years, when the Adams Express Her honesty and sincerity they never suffered losses through theft, they are questioned. reputed to have sought Madame Highfor them. Her confidence once broken

was rarely ever restored. "your daughter in a great city in the riages and street cars." East. She will never come home unless brought back by strategy." Minutely she described the locality in which the girl lived in New York, and the waymother with instructions how to find the the detective went to New York. While standing at a street corner in the Tenderloin district, he came upon one of the

admirers. time," he said, "but I haven't seen her statement she might make in telling a for more than two years." Scarcely had fortune. Denials were frequent on the he spoken when the detective was part of experimenting incredulity, but startled by the cry, "There she goes Madame Highwarden held her ground now." The detective followed in hot pursuit, and with the artifice known the truth of her statements. only to the craft, he succeeded, after linving redeemed from pawn her jewels, laces and sealskin, in inveigling her home. No less happy than the mother was Madame Highwarden at the success of her prediction. She did not always see clearly. In the Williams mystery of recent date her failure emphasized her waning power, which she declared was an inherited gift. She claimed to be

CONTROLLED BY INDIAN SPIRITS. To satisfy the credulity of the masses she used cards, but they were meaningless to her. It was in clairvoyant trance the life of the sitter passed before her. Madame Highwarden was a woman of large sympathies. She felt keenly the sorrows, the griefs of those who sought her. The strain in time told upon her nervous system. After a trying interview her family did not approach her, so unstrung were her nerves by the mental telepathy through which she had cow and calf." Skeptically, the man

went off. Within two hours he came passed. She was an uneducated but a remark- back, leading the cow and calf. "I ably intelligent woman of dignified and know'd you'd fetch her," said Madame commanding presence. She made no at- Highwarden, and as she pocketed the tempt to understand or explain her gift. | money she smiled at me. She had no power to see into her own life or that of her kinsfolk. She made was, but still I say, only the Lord knows no pretentious claims; she rarely adver- the future, and no creature has no busi-

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occupant of the house is a little boy it becomes more than doubtful if the of our best horses were stolen. No sleeping in the bedroom leading off from peaceful dead to furnish some "new trace of them could be had. My wife, the kitchen. We arose after the sounds shudder" in literature for the restless unknown to me, went to Emma High- had ceased and asked him if he had living. Indeed, to get them beyond the He has had two horses stolen,' said she. | had evidently been sleeping soundly.

the sounds I heard, but they resembled are utterly unable to achieve. The tenmore than anything else I can think of tative ground where such masterly pronow a woman's voice singing-still, not | duction as "Aylwin" leaves them is still "Two years later," said the old man, that exactly either. The tones were so beset with shadows that no yearning and Long streets, when I saw my stolen ment. If a violin could speak and sing it, however delicious it may be to the horses come along hitched to a load of a solo as some prima donna does, then nice metaphysician. And as to the lesser hay. I stopped the driver and inquired I would say some virtuoso had been lights revolving about that British luwhere he got them. He bought them serenading us, but that, of course, is ab- minary, though we are speciously told from So and So, and I traced it to a surd. The voice that produced the that "grace, not horror," is the purpose third party, but never succeeded, as tones also spoke words. I distinctly of their drafts upon the dead, yet there Madame Highwarden was born in Co. pass away.' Sometimes parts of it that savors of "bones that are marrow-

pass.'

drone of a bass viol. windows and doors were locked, so that

sage from room to room. "It seemed to me that the sounds came from the front parlor, though Neither of us saw anything unusual last night."-Omaha (Neb.) Bee.

Tricks of the Devotees of Expir- chance, like Dante Rossetti, they do ing Theology.

To the Editor:-I have just received leaning with floating yellow hair "like and perused a small pamphlet, entitled ripe corn" from out "the gold bar of "A Correspondence Course on Hypno- heaven," then they are called sensuous tism, Magnetic Healing and Telepathy." and "anthropomorphic" in all their Of the methods set forth therein on thought and imagery. 9 111 hypnotism, I do not claim to be a judge; That is the bar in short to the whole it is to the contemptible method the effort to give us back our dear departed, author resorts to, giving a sly stab at either in so-called science or in art. We spirit phenomena and a puerile effort to want them as we had them on earth, bolster up decaying falsehoods, to and when they are shown to us thus the which I wish to call the attention of mind rejects them as impossible, and the readers of The Progressive Thinker. the flesh shudders at an apparition. It To show the secret animus of the work is a little as with the sorrowing child

and tenth lessons: has seen a ghost. I will show you just a story; didn't I see you put her in the what a ghost is. A hypnotic subject will see anything you suggest for him to see. If you tell him he will see a truth compels it to admit that in putting ghost, he certainly sees it. Of course off the human he has passed a stage the ghost exists only in imagination. that can never give him back just as he Let the impression get abroad that a was before. Fairer, diviner, better he certain house is haunted. Anyone who may be, but never, never just the same. has heard the rumor, going into that | And that is why the mourning cry of house at midnight, the chances are he David, "I shall go to him, but he shall plained in the same way. There is no phenomena of Spiritualism that cannot be explained by this science. Mediums read your past life by reading your subjective mind or soul."

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be misconstrued so far as to accuse the writer of "carrying the hatchet?" Is inof my modest article. I am sorry I cannot be more lucid.

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PLIED HER BUSINESS FOR HALF tractor in those days, and employed A CENTURY-MADE A FORTUNE, teamsters to haul stone for the founda- named Arthur Thompson, who, since time is ripe for as enterprising a de-BUT WHAT "CAME EASY WENT tion of the State House. One night two Mr. Millspaugh went away, has been mand as they are making upon the PRIESTESS - HER WONDERFUL warden. 'Your husband is in trouble. heard anything; he said he hadn't. He realm of qualms and shudders is the 'A discharged teamster took them, The horses have changed hands four times. Your husband will never get them back,

shanty at the corner of Third and recitative, shall pass, shall pass, shall Spring streets. Her mother was a fullblooded German woman, who eked out a livilihood by peeping into the future through the medium of cards. That she had any occult power, Madame THE PATRONS OF THIS FAMOUS Highwarden always denied. It was through her Indian grandmother she traced her gift of second sight. The

> father, who was A HALF-BREED INDIAN.

The Indian inheritance was apparent dian, and Emma always maintained ored child born in Ohio. The site of his birth was an old fort near Marietta. By the laws of Ohio, Madame Highwarden was a white woman, entitled to the was identified with the colored populaand beauty in her girlhood. Her husband, Joseph Highwarden, was a light To support him, four children, grand children and other dependents, Madame Highwarden was forced to turn her gift of clairvoyance to bread winning account. Her earnings averaged twentyfive dollars a day. Had hers been a frugal nature, she might have died one of the wealthiest women in Columbus. What came easy went easy. She was in her way a high liver, and generous to a fault. No one ever came to her door She educated and supported children ago, and his daughter is one of the brightest students in the High School. "No church work or charity but had her liberal support," said Rev. James Poindexter. "I have lived sixty-one years in Columbus, and shortly after my arrival I met Mrs. Highwarden. I married her to her husband. It was an unfortunate

Curlous to relate. Madame Highteller a certain sum of money if she faith in her fortune telling. That she would locate the stolen property. They was an unusual woman, something failed to keep their word. Twice in queer and inexplainable, they all admit.

"When I was a little girl," said an old warden, but she refused to do anything friend, "Emma Highwarden predicted there would be a great war in which brother would take up arms against to despair of immortality. Half a cen-To a distracted Columbus mother, she brother. We used fo laugh, but she was tury elapsed; the scientists went deepis said to have brought home, after five always earnest. Long before the Civil | er and deeper. At last the light was years' absence, a wayward daughter. war she saw it in trances. I remember | seen breaking. They could see the face

school. "I see," said the fortune teller, said we would live to see horseless carwarden's income came through the on every tree they saw his handiwork. truant lover was sufficient to enable her

daughter from all parts of the country. HER PERSONAL FOLLOWING was almost incredible. Nothing gave "Yes, I knew her very well at one her greater offense than denial of any

> until they were forced to acknowledge "Do you think I am making it up? that I would lie?" she has often de | that which is the only proof of all that manded with flashing eye. "I can only is true in Christianity, viz., Spirit comtell what I see."

"Once I was at Madame Highwarden's house," said an old neighbor, "when a man who had lost his cow came to see her. He offered her five dollars if she would recover it. I Ga. started to go home. Madame Highwarden knew that I took no stock in her calling. She asked me to wait until she

brought back that cow. Reluctantly

I stayed."

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"Your cow has a calf," she said to the man. "No, she hasn't." he protested. "I tell you I see her with a young calf. She has it in a ravine near the river road. You follow the road I tell you, and you will find her." The man offered her the five dollars. "Keep the money," she said, "until

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"She was queer, Emma Highwarden ness meddling with his work."-Colum-

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The novelists have taken to giving us

day's Bee, and a musical and somewhat | Democrat. Not exactly in the spectral paugh scorns the rat theory. She has fashion that is deeply, darkly chill and had some experience with rats, but occult, still. It is the best they can do. dead raised up, and with what body do said she yesterday. "The only other they come?" But by that same token thing which highest art must require of "I am not sure that I can describe them and the thing which as yet they

clairvoyant fortune teller. Her fame as Emma had forefold, in recovering caught the phrase, repeated often, is still too much of what Shakspeare with many variations: "This, too, shall calls unreal mockery in these graces, The truth is that it is ever "the touch of a vanquished hand, the sound of a-"The air in which this refrain was voice that is still," that the human rendered was inexpressibly sad, with an heart cries out for, and not all the psyeerle strain running through it like the chic marvels or phenomena that the sough of the wind or the subdued world can roll up have ever been able to offer that in any half way human

as we had left it upon retiring; the But he took her out of hell to do it, where it seems they do preserve much an intruder could not have had free pas- more of the human than in the other place. At least the artists seem to succeed better in getting some human life and color into the Francescas and Edith insists they came from above. Paolas who sweep in tender sorrow through the under world than in all the vows of the blessed who circle about the central throne of love. Or if, per-

venture to put some warm sense

touches into "The Blessed Damozel,"

make a few quotations from the ninth | who cried out indignantly when told her lost playmate was in heaven just as she "I have no doubt that many a person | had seen her here: "Don't tell me such ground-head, body and bust?" Love wants the loved one unchanged and will see a ghost. All phantasms are ex- not return to me," sings down the ages as the best that true wisdom offers as

a consolation for our lost ones. Not all that science, psychics or religion can offer can prevent the veil of flesh from being, more or less, a bar-The silly author no doubt thinks he rier to the spiritual. But when that is has demolished Spiritualism. Now for rent asunder the union with the spirit the rotten props he puts under old the- love becomes complete and that eternal order of nature which, despite our wildest cries, keeps the harmony of imbling in the vortex. She followed the mortal souls unbroken by any jarring same old pathway so long that she difference in the stages of progression is made herself incapable of producing vindicated. More than one poet seer, like the author of the "Epistle of Karshish," has tried to show us at what bitter cost the freed spirit would be called back to revolve about the narrow limits of our earth and even the higher teachings of theosophy hold it a retarding influence in the spirit's flight when some unreconciled voice from a lower plane cries after it in ceaseless longing. The sorrowing child dragging her pitcher filled with the mother's tears wearlly The greater part of Madame High- ning's flash; from ten thousand leaves about outside the ring of happy angel playmates is the artist's fit conception mail. With a lock of hair, she could True the matter out of which our earth of this blind earth love. And yet some read the owner's present or future state, is made may have always existed, but of the strongest writers of to-day are ward life she was leading. To a detective while a sock of a delinquent husband or God in his wisdom saw fit to give to it setting their best efforts to the power of the shape it now has 6,000 years ago. love to summon back the loved one to bring him back where he belonged. The Christian religion is a reality; of through "the gateless barrier" of death. girl. Furnished with a list of the girl's Since her death, letters of sympathy this fact there can no longer be any and no one can say that they are not old-time admirers and correspondents, and regret have come to her grand- doubt; science has demonstrated it, and handling a great psychic truth in so doshown that Christ did perform every ing. All that one can affirm is that as yet they do not, and can not, handle it There is much more of this fulsome, to meet the real needs of either the quick or the dead. For the hungry human heart can never be satisfied with the elusive gleams they offer it and no

larger life can be much benefitted by the sorrowings of a lower one. It were a double grief if the departed, Being released from earth, should still

A sense of earthly pain,

retain

writes Longfellow. It is indeed the older writers who, like Fredreka Bremer, picture the benign and hallowed influence which falls from the departing spirit, as if to enfold in its own new blessedness the mourning loved ones and draw them after it, that gives us the happiest idea of spirit bond and presence. For this is the order of progressive life and nature that the higher still leads the lower, and calls rather than is called to the spirit communion. How close, how real, how enrapturing this higher communion with our dead may be no one perhaps can tell who has not put himself in the right state to test it. As careful a writer as Hugh Black declares: "Spiritual communion can not possibly be interrupted by a physical change. It is because there is so little of the spiritual in our ordinary intercourse that death means silence and an end to communion." The spirits that are truly knit by time are knit by eternity and can scarcely be defrauded of the spirit meeting ground by the failure of the physical. Nevertheless this may not mean that our spirit loved ones should again take shape for us in the summer twilight, nor yet by any

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But let us stop here. I beg of you, Brother H. L. Chapman. It is only in the interest of truth and fairness that I ask for admission of these few words within the hospitable columns of The How can an honest appeal for harmony

deed the army of Spiritualists divided into two hostile camps? Alas! that would be a sign of speedy dissolution. As for my own stand towards that much disputed principle, I am agnostic and shall always be, as long as it is neither proved nor disproved, and I consider it wise on the part of the N. S. A. to drop that "apple of discord" and build up Spiritualism on humanitarian foundation, taking as cornerstone the cardinal truth of individual spirit-life after death, and human progression in all eternity. This was about the gist

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A Peking Outrage.

The whole press, religious and secular, should denounce without stint the acts of absolute barbarism which are being practiced by the allied powers upon China. We are rejoiced to note that the army of the United States has been the most exempt from these outrages, and have set an example for moderation which other nations should follow. We cannot commend too highly the following, clipped from the editorial columns of the Chicago Journal, under the above heading:

"Count von Waldersee has set the powers a princely example in the lovely pastime of loot. The devastation of the famous Peking observatory and the seizing of its store of ancient astronomical instruments are acts of vandalism without excuse. Such pillage suggests the pirate rather than the general, the freebooter rather than the com-mander of civilized soldiery.
"The Chinese are slow of understand-

ing. They will put but one construction embitter them and to heighten the hatred of foreigners of every race and class. In warfare the appropriation of many kinds of property is permissible. Food supplies and arms are the lawful prey of an invading army; the seizure of gold and silver in Chinese treasuries might be defended if it were reckonedas part of the indemnity China must pay to the nations she had injured. The plundering of the Peking observatory has no such excuse. It resembles Napoleon's theft of art treasures in Rome, for which he was execrated by all civilization.

"The absurd defense has been advanced that, as the Chinese court is unable to return to Peking, and the government powerless to protect its treas-ures, it is charity in the invaders to take of them. A fine theory, truly. If your friend has a piece of property you covet and which he is unable to protect, rob him of it and take chances of his ever appearing to claim it. Excellent amusement for a cynic in such a prin-

China, in her time, has put the world to the blush for her atrocities. The allied troops already have reason to blush for some of their own deeds. If they proceed much farther in their policy of spoliation and loot, philosophers will have cause to wonder which is the more dreadful visitation—the crimes of the heathen or the reprisals of Christianity."

Glorious Words.

Andrew Carnegie, the famous iron manufacturer, who has been so generous in the distribution of his millions aiding in the establishment of public libraries, and whose munificence to advance the education of all the people has not been equaled by any predecessor, in a recent address is reported to have said:

"I was recently asked what evil I would wish most of all to see abolished. I wrote: "The killing of man by men under the guise of war.' I would see the profession of arms, long regarded the most honorable, made the most dis-

Such words appeal to every honest and sympathetic heart, and elevates Andrew Carnegie, the multi-millionaire, in the humble estimation of The Progressive Thinker, far above the name of any other American capitalist. On a former occasion Mr. C. is reported to have said, in substance: "It is a crime for a man to die rich." For that reason he was distributing his wealth while living, where it would best benefit the

If at any time hereafter we shall severely criticise the action of our great capitalists for their penurious exactions, the reader will understand Mr. C. is not the subject of that criticism: for, unlike Rockefeller and others of his class, he has given for general education; where-as, with the exception of Stephen Girard, they have given to advance the interests of sacerdotalism, as Rocke-feller gave his millions to the Chicago University, an institution under Bantist management, largely engaged in mantianity.

"The Chinese need no missionaries,". said Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese Minister to the United States, before the Society for Ethical Culture, in Carnegie Music Hall. Every seat was occupied, and hundreds of ticket holders could not gain entrance. Minister Wu has shown himself to be possessed with no ordinary intelligence, and his course during the delicate relations between the two governments has been deserving of unqualified praise.

Minister Wu first outlined Confucianism as the predominating faith of China. He said while Taoism and Buddhism were for the dead, Confucianism was for the living. He then said:

"We are a practical people, and we do not know what will take place after death. To make sure, we employ all classes of priests. If one kind does not take us to heaven, the other will. Such services are looked upon as professional and are always paid for. "Confucianism recognizes the exist-

ence of a supreme and divine being. It does not seek to wean men from the error of their ways by telling of punishment for the wicked or promising reward for the righteous. Its cardinal doctrine does not teach that there is such a thing as life after death. The immortality of the soul is pleasant to contemplate. I wish it were so, and I hope that it is. I am not aware that with all the light of modern science we have advanced a step toward certainty.

"It must not be supposed Confucius denies existence after death. He regards all speculation as useless and unprofitable. There are four topics which ie would not discuss: Extraordinary things, feats of strength, disorder and

spiritual being.
"What is death? he was once asked.
"He replied: 'You do not know life; how could you know about death?

"Life is full of mystery too deep for the human mind to follow. It is of no use to seek to lift the vell which surrounds death. No operation of the mind, no flight of the fancy has been able to add one tittle to the knowledge which the world has always possessed of the world of spirit.

"Horace Greeley said: Those who discharge promptly and faithfully all their duty to their fellow men have little-time for peering into the life beyond the grave. It is better to attend to each world in proper order.' Confucius attempted to guide men only through this world; he did not speculate upon what would be after death. Minister Wu Ting Fang said that Con-

fucius taught that out of the fellowship of man with man, proceeded the five relations. They were those of sovereign and subject, parent and child, elder and younger, husband and wife, friend and friend. "The virtues," he added, "are righteousness, propriety, understanding and truthfulness. The comparison of these views with those taught by the founder of the Christian religion is a

"Christ says resist not evil. If a man smite thee on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. If anyone take away thy cloak let him have thy coat also. This, it seems to me, is meekness with a vengeance. I am inclined to think that no sensible man ever acted on those lines. Whoever smites on the upon robbery, and that construction, in- cheek is a dangerous person and needs steau of making for the much-talked-of no invitation. The man who takes ber and would take away the Christian's coat without saying 'by your leave.' Such persons ought not to be left at large. There is no disposition on left at large. the part of Christian men, happily, to take these words literally. It is better for the world that they are more honored in the breach than in the observ-

> "Confucius says do not quarrel with those who offend you. Christ says love your enemies and bless them who curse you. These, I must confess, are noble and grand sentiments. Such a standard, however, is too high for frail humanity. No man of this world could ever attain t. The conduct of Christian people falls far short of it. At this very moment Christian missionaries are crying for vengeance and bloodshed. Christian armies are sparing neither age nor sex in their indiscriminate slaughter, and carrying away everything upon which they can lay their hands. What a vast difference between profession and prac-

"May I ask if you have ever heard of any sensible person who would invite those to his house who had killed his father or his mother? I have never met such a one. Confucius does not demand tion or revenge carried out in a vindictive spirit as has been done by some. I regret to say, who follow those tenets of Christianity. Christ said judge not, that ye be not judged. He tells us first to remove the beam from our own eyes before we consider the mote in our brother's eye. Confucius says that you must be possessed of good qualities be-

fore you require them of others. "Christ and Confucius met in the annunciation of the golden rule. Christ whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them. Confucius said do not do to others that you do not wish them to do o you. This was 500 years before Christ. There is no difference except in be wording. There are some hair splitters who say that they do not express exactly the same idea. The spirit of the golden rule is plain in the teachngs of both religions. Christ and Confucius met. A good Christian is a good Confucian and a good Confucian is a

"The Confucian does 'not consider himself in relation to the life to come, although I think he is entitled to what pappiness there may be in it. I do not believe that heaven is an exclusive place. Christianity, Buddhism, Mohammedanism and the other isms all have their good qualities, but I do not think they will have private parks for their appearance. A true Confucian, who has lived an upright life, will get there as

quickly as any of them. "The crowning glory of Confucianism teaches men to be good for the sake of good. Confucinnism is the bighest form of civilization and morality. The Chinese people turned from the pursuit of war to the arts of peace. Confucianism s spreading to Japan and Corea. That s not the result of conquest; neither the sword nor the missionary has gained a ingle adherent. We do not need misionaries to extend Confucianism. Conucianism exercises its power through the anhmission of the heart"

Compare these noble sentiments with

enforcement of their demands by battle ships and massed legions of fighting men! Christianity that it is claimed has brought all moral truth into the world, here finds in every respect its equal, in some points its superior, and that other system of faith, that of almost onethird the population of the earth, and at least six centuries older. It was matured and strong before "the Christ"

Retrospective and Prospective. In a late discourse by Rev. Lyman Abbott, in the Cooper Institute, New York, on the localizing of vice in the cities, he is reported to have said among

multitude of other good things: "I do not believe in the policy of local-zing vice as I once did, in the doctrine of eternal puishment. It is because I do not believe in eternal sin. I do not believe that the Father will be satisfied to take the iniquity of the world and shut it up in some great prison house of despair and leave it there to go on corrupting and festering through the ages. We have something better to do in this life than to make a local hell, as the Cather of the universe has something better to do than to make an eternal

And this from a Congregational clergyman, a leader in one of its most distinguished pulpits!

As we read memory runs back over the history of the last fifty years, and what'a change in religious ideas that half century has wrought! The Universalists, at the beginning of that period, few in numbers, still placed faith in many of the dogmas of the churchan inspired Bible, many adoring a virgin-born God. They were fighting the bell of eternal torture on Bible grounds, maintaining that book taught no such doctrine. They proved the terms employed by Bible writers do not necessarily convey the idea of endless torture; on the contrary they claimed divine punishment is necessarily reformatory and must come to an end. To the writer, younger in years than now, the logic of the new faith seemed unanswerable. And so with the Unitarians who at the same time were controverting the idea that the Great Father had sired a son by mortal

Every argument used by either of hese factions seemed intensified by the teachings of Spiritualism, and remains manswerable.

Servetus, burned at the stake at the instance of the founder of Calvinism, for not believing Jesus was the Eternal Father himself; the wretches all over he world perishing in flames for lack of belief, or for some real or fancied wrong, suffer only brief minutes, and the tarture ends; but the churches taught, and wanted us to believe, Jesus taught punishment is immortal, and pain undying. They wanted us to be-lieve he was a God, identical with the gather, and that his expressions voice Infinite Wisdom.

If Jesus taught the sufferings of that wretched negro boy, chained to a bar of railroad iron the other day by a crazy mob in Colorado, and burned to death, hour, then we repudiate the Teacher and his teaching. Convinced he taught such sentiments, then we are convinced he was merely a pretender, else a myth

But we are rejoiced to note the churches, the people who constitute those churches, and the preachers who minister to them, are making advances along common sense lines. When they shall relegate their junior God to the dominion of mortality; shall cease to teach infinite punishment is inflicted for finite offences; shall discard the flummery they stole from our Pagan ancestors; then we can meet them on a common ground, and discuss minor isues, without being hampered by creeds devised by priests, and enforced by fear of eternal torture, for their own personal aggrandizement and subsistence on wealth they never earned, acquiring fame for virtues they never possessed.

Credulous Innocence.

A saddened feeling always passes over us as we come in contact with the evidences of ignorant credulity and monumental innocence of learned Christian writers when discoursing on subjects which are incomprehensible to their philosophy. Kitto, in his "Cyclopedia of Biblical Literature," article 'Sacrifices," after quoting: "Unto Adam and his wife the Lord made coats of skins for them."-Gen. 3:21, goes on to

"It is not easy to understand whence these skins came, probably before any animal had died naturally.

Rollin, in his Ancient History, while discoursing on the Assyrians, bookIII., chapt. 1, sec. v., wrote:

"I must own I am somewhat puzzled with a difficulty which may be raised. against the extraordinary things related of Ninus and Semiramis, as they do not seem to agree with the times so near the deluge: I mean such vast armies, such a numerous cavalry, so many charlots armed with scythes, and such immense treasures of gold and silver; all which seem to be of a later date. The same thing may be said of the magnificence of the buildings

ascribed to them." We of a later age, less credulous, do not hesitate to reject the authority of the book which tells incredible tales creation, of peopling the world with inhabitants, how sin came into the world, and how all were swept away by a universal deluge. By so doing we are eldom "puzzled" as was Rollin, a zealous churchman; or Kitto to account for the skins.

The Cannibals Were Happy.

"Ah, yes, this is simply delicious," remarked the cannibal, as he helped himself to a third slice of roasted missionary. "He always posed as a man of superior goodness, and I am right glad he did not deceive us in that regard." Young and tender," remarked another. "The cook got a good turn on him. The the vindictive demands of the mission- heart is rather tough."

ATTER ELECTION.

SOME WERE TRUE AND SOME RI-DICULOUSLY FALSE.

the Editor:-Will you not kindly give place in your columns to Dr. Max Muchlenbruch's election prophecy? If we wait until after the election of Mr. Bryan to announce this one, it may be said, as it is of those others, they were made after the fact.

Now, here is a clear-cut prophecy which I think, no well informed man on earth believes at this time will be fulfilled. After Mr. Bryan's election then this prophecy cannot be denied. Should it fail—which is impossible—that would of course be a sufficient assurance that the doctor is a mere guesser, as the invisibles must surely know how this thing is to come out. Here is the prophecy which I copy

from Light of Truth of August 18, 1900; "I want to say that William Jennings Bryan will be elected President of these United States. He will poll a larger vote than McKinley in the States of New York, Ohio and California. Two attempts will be made to assassinate Bryan. He will escape unharmed. The attempted assassination will be fostered by men who pose as the friends of merican Liberty.

Justice demands that the Doctor be alowed the full benefit of this prophecy. B. R. ANDERSON. Concordia, Kans., September, 1900.

To the Editor:-I suppose by the time you receive this you will have seen my istrological prediction in the Star of the Magl, which states in no uncertain tone that Bryan will be elected this fall, notwithstanding bets are 3 to 1 on McKinley and no takers, in San Francisco. I have infallibly predicted the election of every president as far back as I can obtain data—16 years—hence I am willing to risk my reputation as an astrologer that Bryan will be elected. I enclose herewith an opinion to that effect showing the absurdity of the straws at which some astrologers in the daily press are grasping to try to make it appear, that McKinley will be elected; when the ancient Arabian, the Chal-dean, the mundane, the horary and the genethledeal systems of astrology are all emphatically against McKinley's election. If you wish to publish this opinion you may do so.

I sunk all my money in the Dawn and Review, but they led me into the field where I belong, for, judging from universal testimony, no living astrologer can equal me in demonstrating planet-ary influence. See a few of the testimonials which A give in circular en-dosed. ERNEST S. GREEN. San Francisco Cal., July 18, 1900.

STARS FAVOR BRYAN-ACCORD-ING TO CALCULATIONS BY A SUCCESSFUL ASTROLOGER.

In my Astrological Department in the Star of the Magi, of Chicago, for August, I have shown that, in accordance with all the standard text-hooks on mundane, horary, genethleacal, Arabic and Chaldean astrology, Bryan's election this fall is unmistakably foretold are protracted into another life, and will by the stars. The same systems that the consummation was not wholly continue while eternity shall roll its have shown the election of every president an evolutionary process. Wise spirits easeless round, or even for one half dent, from date of nomination, for 16 years, as far back as I have the data to verify by.

Since writing my prediction for the Star of the Magi, several astrologers press to the effect that McKinley would be elected, but at the same time have, so far as I have seen, confessed that according to all the best authorities, anything undertaken when the moon is afflicting the planet ruling the figure, was likely to prove a failure, and that the planet rolling the figure at the time McKinley was nominated was badly afflicted by the Moon, which represented the populace. They further confess that the opposition of Saturn to the Sun is a very baleful aspect, yet, as a drowning man grasps at a straw, they seize upon the fact that Venus, the ruler of the figure, was on the midheaven and in conjunction with Mercury when McKinley was nominated. I confess that this, in itself, is a very favorable aspect, but its influence is comletely destroyed by the Moon afflicting both Venus and Mercury by a quartile aspect, not to mention the ominous affliction of the Sun by Saturn.

An astrologer in the New York Herald even goes so far as to point out all the evil transits in Mr. Bryan's nativity between now and the November elecion. Any astrologer knows, or ought to know, that transits between now and November have nothing to do with the

If the transits in the nativities of the two candidates are to be considered, hen again Mr. Bryan has decidedly the advantage, for on November 7th I find the following benefic transits in his nativity: The moon is passing the sextile aspect with Jupiter in the radix, and as Jupiter is his ruling planet and the Moon represents the peole, this alone is decidedly in favor of his election, But this is not all; the Sun applies to a trine aspect with Jupiter in radix, which is one of the best testimonles possible as to his election.

The only aspect of consequence in Mc-Kinley's radix on November 7th is, the Moon in opposition to Mars, which is an ill omen and indicates defeat.

At the time of Bryan's nomination the planets were in good aspect, with the exception dry Mars! which was separating from an opposition to Jupiter, Bryan's ruling planet, and applying to the opposition of Uranus, McKin-ley's ruling planet. The interpretation of this is plain. The opposition to Bryan will grow less as the campaign pro-gresses, and the people will turn against Mckinley, through; events unexpected at present."

As to the mental qualifications of the two candidates, the aspects of the planets in their nativities show that McKinley lacks self-confidence, and therefore bows to the dictates of his "bosses," while Mr. Bryan has an abundance of this very quality which is so sadly lacking in his opponent, and if elected, which he undoubtedly will be, no weakkneed policy will mark his administra-

The most marked aspect in Mr. Bryan's nativity is the Sun in confunction this aspect the native is endowed with a

humanitarian in sentiment, and very sensitive and sympathetic in nature. And Some of the Prophecies

Strangely enough, in the horoscope of McKinley's nomination we find the Moon, which is the astrological symbol of silver, in the 7th house, which represents his opponents, and there afflicting the ruler of the ascendant. Further, the Sun, which symbolizes gold in astrol ogy, is afflicted in the 9th house, which governs foreign affairs. This that McKinley's defeat will through his advocacy of the gold stand-

and his foreign policy combined. ERNEST S. GREEN. San Francisco, Cal., July 18, 1900.

PROPHECIES THROUGH THE PLANCHETTE. The following prophecies were sent to

os by A. P. Smith, of Chelmsford, Mass. Oct. 22, 1900.—An Influence came, pur porting to be Thurlow Weed. He said: "McKinley will be elected by the largest majority ever given any President."
Oct. 23.—An Influence came and gave is name as Abraham Lincoln. He said: 'McKinley will be elected by a very large majority, and the country will prosper under his administration, better

than ever before.
Oct. 23.—One came, giving his name as William L. Yancey. He said: "Mc-Kinley will be elected by an overwhelming majority, and Bryan will never say 16 to 1 in Nebraska again."

Nov. 5 .- One purporting to be General Andrew Jackson, said: "McKinley will be elected by a larger majority than any President has ever had in the United States. Prosperity will continue after election. War in China will not be settled this year, and not till some ways into the next."

In all ages of the world, so far as we know, there have been prophets-those who claimed the power of divination, or the foretelling of future events. The records of Spiritualism abound with incidents that were foretold. No one, however, can "look" into the future and actually see what is there, just the same as one can peer into a glass and see reflected thereon an image. Spirits -a high order-are able to predict future events, but their opinion is based upon certain data which is in their possession, and not upon their power to "see into the future," as you would look into a room. No one can see tomorrow, next week, next month or next year, until they in succession arrive. We have data, historical, astronomical and mathematical, illustrating the fact that those various periods will arrive, and one can base his statement thereon. All events, whether of a spiritual of material origin, are simply an evolution; and no event ever took place that was not embraced within the law. The as sassination of Lincoln was the culmination of an evolution that commenced with Booth, and the process therof can be traced from its incipiency up to the

to the assassination. The cruel murder of President Garfield can be readily traced through the tics, up through Guiteau, to the final assassination. No assassin ever used the pistol or dagger on any mortal of earth are able to trace this evolutionary process until it culminates, just as correctly as the naturalist can trace the rootlet in its evolutionary process until its culmination into a beautiful flower, and then luscious fruit.

culmination of the terrible act that led

There are prophecies, however, that are no tests of genuine seership. For example there are cyclones and tidal waves every year in the South and West, hence it would be exceedingly foolish for anyone to base genuine seership thereon in predicting them unless the time and place of the actual occurrence are given. It is precisely the same with railroad accidents-anyone who has a thimbleful of brains knows that on all lines of railroad accidents are occurring nearly every month hence if a prophecy is made in reference to them it will rarely fail of coming true, and is no test of genuine seership unless the very date and place of occurrence is given. The same may be said of rimes in general and particularly the assassination or attempted assass tion of high officials in Europe; for there is one unceasing effort on the part of assassins in foreign countries, and any one will not guess very far from the truth, if he makes a few special predictions along the line of assassination. In connection herewith we desire to call attention to the prophecies made by Dr. Max Muehlenbruch, of Oakland, Cal. The papers have teemed during

the past year with his prophecies until the Doctor has become a public charac-ter, and as such should welcome general criticism. We will weigh him in

the balance:
He said: "The coming election will be the darkest ever known in America." No one, as yet, in either party has noted the darkness.

"There will be much blood shed," Not one ounce of blood was shed during the whole political campaign. "Bryan will be our next President." False again. "Two attempts will be made to assas-

sinate Bryan.' False throughout. "The attempted assassination will be fostered by men who pose as the friends

of American liberty.' There probably was never a thought to assassinate this illustrious statesman. "He will poll a larger vote in New This was a stupid blunder.

Kinley in Ohio." Another egregious mistake. "He will poll a larger vote in Call-

Here was an unpardonable statement the state gave McKinley 40,000 ma-Here are eight false prophecies in

succession. Now, above all things absolute accuracy should have accompanied any prophecy made in regard to these political events which for a time overshadowed the whole country. It is evident that the Doctor's spirit controls were competely at sea, totally befogged, bewildered, and lost or densely ignorant, or they would have hit a single political prophecy of the eight given.

We grant that Dr. M. is an excellent physician, of unblemished moral character, a passably good medium, and very lovable in many respects, socially wonderful flow of language, and is very land otherwise, and in the kindness of

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> our heart we say he had better from | Bible are composite in structure, some this time on cease his political prophesy- were written in times much later than ing, and devote his whole time to his the authors whose names they bear. professional work, and thus do some We know that the Old Testament-as substantial good. He must certainly see in the books of Daniel and Jonah, and that he has lost caste.

The exceedingly sad and lamentable mits * * the use of moral allegory." act is this in regard to Dr. M.'s political prophecies. Many who had unlimited scholar; but there is a class of bushonfidence in his prediction, bet on the election of Bryan, and, of course lost he line of political prophecies.

But now comes an old rudely constructed Planchette to the front, and without any brains of any kind inherent in its makeup, even of the lowest type, its prophecies were approximately correct-McKinley was elected. Again read what the "Stars" said. In

of the astrologic art, and one in reading it, can not avoid thinking that he is highly gifted in his profession, yet the ception to the rule. He continues: stars, if they told Mr. Green what he to search heaven and earth for the next | ually coming over the country. Stars say, while Dr. M. would do well five years and determine if possible

carefully the following: "The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves."-Shakspeare.

"He will poll a larger vote than Mc-Universalism in an English Pulpit land, ought to be brought under ecclesiastical ban, and silenced forever. He has had the effrontery to write:

"Strange that Christians can really believe a God of love can be happy while the creatures of his hands are writhing hopelessly and forever in unutterable material torments. * * There has been a decided and a blessed change of view as to these cruel imaginings. When my 'Eternal Hope' was published, I lived for weeks and months amid a hall-storm of anathemas. Now the mafority of thinking and educated Christians hold the view which I there main- from the French. With numerous iltained—that sin indeed is always punishment."

And then the Dean, a high church official, whose views influence thousands, writing of the Bible, said: "We know some of the books of the at this office.

in the sublime story of the Fall-ad-Such is the position of a church

whacking clergymen in America, and their money. Dr. M.'s ignorant spirit we presume in England, who have no guides have all this to answer for. Ig- toleration for such broadened views, norant they must be, or they would not yet the facts are not changed because have made so many signal failures in of their lack of knowledge in the premises.

Think About It.

The editor of a local Pennsylvania paper says: "From all over the country come re-

ports of a falling off in the attendance Brother Green's prophecy there are embraced all the abstruse technical terms

The editor then goes on to

The editor then goes on to say that his own borough. Conneautville, is no ex-

"Pastors make special preparations said they did, have proved themselves for the day, and their sermons are exinfamous falsifiers—wholly unreliable.

It is certainly very injurious to the pride of Dr. Max Muchlenbruch, and our good Brother Ernest S. Greep, to our good prophesy correctly, while they made dency is to make the day one of pleasegregious blunders. They have our ure rather than by gathering in kindest, heartfelt sympathy, and in the churches to express thanks for blessings tenderest brotherly Jove and commis- bestowed on the people and the Nation." The writer of the extracts is a zealous never report again what the illustrious Methodist, and he saw the change grad-

Now is it not a fact people are learnwhy he could not tell to absolute cer- ing that prosperity, and what the tainty the result of the election. It church calls "blessings," are the product might be well for both of them to study of honest toil directed by wisdom, instead of the gifts of a God? The old Romans emphasized this thought in the often-quoted proverb: "Jupiter helps those who help themselves." Praise and thanksgiving, without labor of human Dean Farrar, of the Church of Eng- hands, will not plant the seed, nor reap the harvest. The granaries will remain empty, and the table unspread, where trust is wholly placed in supernatural powers to supply human needs. As idleness is enervating, and trust for support on the beneficence of others encourages sloth, is not the habit of crediting the productions of the soil, and commercial success to an outside party, calculated to discourage effort, and antagonize that very prosperity we all so earnestly covet?

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THEOSOPHY BORROWED FROM SPIRITUALISM.

through the Lips of Mrs. Gora L. V. Richmond, Ghicago November, 25, 1900.

"There is nothing new under the sun."

parts of the truth that you possess, by considering their teachings antedated the Kardecian theory. adaptation to the whole.

The mathematician knows of the complete sphere by the measurement of an arc of the sphere. So while one may not have the whole truth one knows when it is truth. "Be ye perfect even as your father in heaven is perfect,"

never be given. A perfect state does not imply all or Infinite perfection, but quality.

The two words that form the subject of this morning's their views-"Divine Wisdom;" and Spiritualism, the manifestation of spirit power and presence, and the demonstration, therefore, of the existence beyond the change called death, and as such has been in the world for more than fifty years; have been placed in juxtaposition by us this morning to illustrate how, uncon-

form of truth. But when a thing is in the world that ticularly emphasized the state after the change called don, Theosophist,) that much of his talk is connected with stands for a certain thing, and some one else appropriates death, or the states between any two successive incarnait who does not give the thing due credit, that, of course, is either concealment of the fact, ignorance of the fact, or the open violation of the fact.

any intention of plagiarism.

Spiritualism lays no claim to having a patent on the future life, or on the fact of the intercommunion between until the advent of Modern Spiritualism, excepting in the considered possible between the two states of existence.

ISTENCE.

Spiritualism for the last fifty years or more has been demonstrating to such as doubted a future existence the among church members, concerning that existence, and hand, had jeopardized man's hope for immortality, and order. science, on the other hand, had well nigh destroyed the fact that formerly existed in theology, and when spirit Madam Blavatsky, but was organized in the home of Mr existence, excepting in a general Hope possessed by the human race, was not definitely thought of as a thinkable state, as a state that could be known, as a state between which and the human state there could be continuous, intelligent intercommunion; that this state existed in the world you all very well know.

The majority of human beings in the so-called enlightened countries of the world do not to-day accept her possession an exact reproduction of the original copy Spiritualism by name, but the majority of human beings of the formation of that society and the names of th are indebted to the existence of Spiritualism for that which they claim to definitely believe concerning a future state. The sermons, literature, art and even science have been so palpably affected by the existence of Spiritualism, that scarcely a sermon is preached in any pulpit of any denomination; scarcely an article written in any paper concerning these subjects; paintings are not painted that picture spiritual beings that are not pervaded by Spirit- had been paid—in fact he had been paid for the entire ualism, and even science in its impinging upon spiritual rived from Spiritualism.

We say this, because we teach Psychosophy here Spiritualism is a part of it, but we do not say it in any sectarian sense. Spiritualism came to stamp upon a materialistic age the knowledge of a future state; to demonstrate to such as needed it the fact of that existence,

Presently I shall show you why.

IMMORTALITY WITHOUT BEGINNING.

More than thirty years ago we talked to our audiences in Washington, New York, London and elsewhere, that: Spiritualism being true, that which precedes it and that which follows it must be equally true. In other words All that can be known from the stated premises must be known in connection with Spiritualism, and all that can be established from that basis must be established or there is nothing in it. We, therefore, very early took the ground, that if the soul is immortal in the future then there is no meaning to an immortality that has one end cut off; that immortality is no immortality if it has a beginning; whether it begins with this earth or with some planet thousands of ages before and continues thousands and thousands of ages hence, beginning indicates nonimmortality. That that which is immortal cannot have and those who were following in their footsteps alike a beginning; and that if Spiritualism establishes a future hailed it as an added light upon those wonderful and in all its states of expression when you know the relation It is because things do not last forever that immortality is state and by inference an immortal state, immortality beautiful revealments. must be complete; must be as a circle or a sphere which has no beginning.

Spiritualists very early illustrated that they had fallen into a groove by rejecting the thought of pre-existence being stirred to consider that other religions had been inand saying, as some of their semi-materialistic philosophers have taught them, that the spirit has its first per had the privilege of hearing the teachings of the Light of sonality or individuality, and even its origin, with the Nazareth. body. In making that statement they give to materialism the whole proposition. So Spiritualists, not given to the closest reasoning and analogy, and not being open to added inspiration, having the fact demonstrated that spoken of; with Spiritualism to take the curse away, by immortal entity emphasized and declared. The soul there is no death of the spirit, confronted their philoso- being the first to break the ground of old theology; with (according to Theosophy) starts out as a spark from the phy to the knowledge that there is no death of the spirit Spiritualism reaching into the realm that had been hidden Infinite; the soul finds expression, or incarnation—to use with the death of the body, and that the spirit continues and mysterious, and occult, there was little risk and much | technical theosophical phraseology, in earthly life or to advance indefinitely from that time.

that the natural deduction must be, that the soul as an ualism, however, was open; the "seances" were not closed "Karma" or "Kerna," as the Hindoos pronounce it, that entity has always existed, if as an entity it is always to to any who sought admission; there was no mystery to me- the soul, this spark, this breath may be lost, obliterated,

exist, Spiritualists objected.

under inspiration and direct communication of spirits that would cause it to appear that Spiritualists or mediums, or | The Jainists who visited this country during the "Par- | and to escape the consequences of his crime. It destroys which was named "Reincarnation," the successive lives in any receiving this message were different, or set apart liament of Religions" said to your present speaker: "The personal responsibility, the most essential element of human existence; the pre-existent states on earth and in from ordinary people. Not so with Theosophy. It was Jainists differ from the Buddhists; the Buddhists believe moral character. It is contrary to every moral principle. other planets. He gave the system of teaching to France to be a cult, at first a secret cult; its mysteries were sup- that the soul is not an immortal entity, but is a part of the The church never has been and never will be able to exand to Europe that is known as "Spiritism," which is posed to be those that belonged to the initiates, to the expression of the Infinite and returns to the Infinite. plain why a God should be forced to resort to such injussometimes confounded with what is known as Spiritual- adepts. Its teaching at first was confined to those who The Jainist believes that the soul is an entity, even as you | tice to rectify a mistake of his own.—Helen H. Gardner. ism here. The French, Italian and other European belonged to a secret order, or were in a measure under a teach, referring to our Soul teachings. minds were prepared for this thought; but the Spiritual-secret pledge. Madam Blavatsky after the dissolution of Our claim is, that there is no value to an expression of thought that genius is not immortal,—Anon.

ists of Great Britain, as a rule, objected to it and a ma-Truth is a unit. You may determine the value of the jority of those in America. Still, as said before, our own

istence the expression of that which is now known as nothing could be learned after you had settled the prob-"Theosophy." It includes the Kardecian theory some- lem concerning death. Theosophists made the mistake the human body destroy the logic of immortality. Bedistinct interpretation of the primal thought of India and human mind. When Mrs. Besant came into Theosophy, is a command. If it were impossible, the command would the Orient. As far as we are able to state it, we think that she came from the ranks of the "Secularists." Direct represented the Western interpretation of Buddhism, leap; a process of revolution that few minds are capable future. Buddhism percolated through the Anglo-Saxon mind. of experiencing. But Mrs. Besant came with all her address: Theosophy, or as those adopting it designate Orient and from the western land as would make a system. accepting under conviction, first probably by intuition, prepare the way for the great light and knowledge that garded as adequate and perfect to explain all states and accepted. conditions of life.

the state which follows the earthly existence after the had changed and modified much of her views and sciously, people borrow from each other, and how a thing change called death, and which both Buddhists and The- attached more importance to the states beyond the change take possession of your facts; and you have allowed Themay be put forth under one name that really has its origin osophists denominate "Devachan," that state is not conand is borne forward under another, and that too without sidered as important as a state of expression, it is simply the state between two incarnations. Neither Madam upon mortal lives. You will discover in the distinguished Of course no people have a patent right on truth or any Blavatsky nor Col. Olcott and their followers have partions, until quite recently.

Madam Blavatsky served an apprenticeship in the investigation of Spiritualism before she announced Theosophy. She was quite a medium for physical phenomena, which was utilized to some extent in India to emphasize titles probably, as conferred by scientific and literary spiritual intelligences who have left the earthly state and her theory of "adeptship." This mediumship commenced | bodies, than any other man, when he was the President of | unless you have the complete proposition. However impassed to the future life and those in mortal life. But while she was investigating the physical phenomena in the Theosophical Society of this country some years ago connection with the Eddy Brothers, in New Hampshire. visited this city, and was invited to give a Theosophical metic would be almost valueless. You cannot dwell alperiods of so-called "miracles" or especial periods of re- It lasted for some time. Col. Olcott, her associate in con- lecture in one of the orthodox churches. The entire lec- ways in the small numbers. You can study forever the vealment and uplifting, there was no open communion nection with Theosophy, also investigated there and publiture was, what Spiritualism had done for this age, and as primary elements of language which is in the system of lished quite an elaborate account of the results of that in- he scarcely broached the subject of Theosophy proper, he | the alphabet; to say A B C forever would destroy all your SPIRITUALISM DEMONSTRATES FUTURE EX- vestigation. Later on, when and where the theosophical called it (Spiritualism) by its right name. A great many inspiration or idea entered the mind of Madam Blavatsky of the church people were indignant; they had gone to vancement. That babe that has passed out of your mortal is not fully recorded. But your present speaker knew listen to a lecture on Theosophy, and had listened to one sights learns more things in spirit life than just to answer when she became married to an attache of a foreign lega- on Spiritualism. He said, and he said it in all fairness, the questions all the time, "can and do spirits communition who was from India, and who was well versed in the that he must declare what Spiritualism had done. It was fact of that existence. And that it was necessary may be scholarship of India, and with whom, undoubtedly, there not always true that Theosophists admit this. shown from the great doubt still existing among people was much in common, and he must have communicated to who are partially agnostic and materialistic, and even her much of his Oriental thought and idea. Whether she the first teachings, a part of the essential proposition of friends. but, oh! what avenues of light, what vistas of visited India with her husband or separate from him the Theosophy to give especial notice to those spirits who are knowledge, what storehouses could be opened to you if the possible identity of those who have passed from earth first time we do not say. It was not until after this maris considered very doubtful. This demonstration came at riage that she announced Theosophy, and the first a time in the world's history when theology, on the one "Lodges" were formed that made it at that time a secret | been discussed, and has been really revealed by Spiritual- | istence; many times you are seeking for some material

Henry J. Newton, a prominent Spiritualist of New York. That society was fashioned for the purpose of forming a class to listen to some lectures on Oriental teaching and mysticism from a Prof. Felt. Madam Blavatsky, as a Spiritualist, was among those who joined that class. Emma Hardinge Britten and several other prominent Spiritualists belonged to it. Your present speaker has in original members attached to it. Consequently at that time Madam Blavatsky could not have had any of this Oriental thought, or any knowledge of those "occult" and mysterious powers that she afterward seemed to come into possession of, since she was one of the listeners who pro posed to be pupils to Prof. Felt, who was an Oriental scholar. After two or three lessons, for which Prof. Felt series of lessons-he disappeared; whether he dematerial themes, cannot make a statement that has not been de- ized or went into the "astral," whatever became of him his class never knew. But it was not until some time after that that the "Lodges" in Theosophy were formed and that is less than a quarter of a century ago.

SPIRITUALISM PRECEDED THEOSOPHY.

We are thus particular in giving this statement, not to and the correlated, inevitable fact of immortality; and the throw discredit on Theosophy, but to show that, whatever fact of the intercommunion between the two states, the thought was in the world at that time concerning the wedded to their creeds and beliefs like other people. one beyond the change called death and the human state. spirit of man and concerning the manifesting power of They do not want to be disturbed in their spirit world any be taken with you throughout eternity. You wear long Practically, and we say this with very great regret, the spirit it was not in connection with Theosophy. That Spiritualists have stopped there. Practically they have it was in the world is shown by the fact that Henry J. orthodox heaven; all their effects and family move in that thinking about it and hanging to it until a new misery not taken up the great logical deduction and the inevita- Newton and those who formed that class, which they spirit world, and they expect to join them there and have ble line of reasoning as a body from the revealments that named the Theosophical Society, were all Spiritualists at Spiritualism has made. Many minds that are known as that time, of many years standing. Besides, the western kingdom of heaven. To have that home broken up, to Spiritualists have done so. Some of the profoundest mind had become gradually prepared for Oriental thought move on to some other broader, higher and grander frathinkers of this age have accepted Spiritualism, not only in the school of New England intellect, in the Free Re- ternity, they do not like it. for all it demonstrates, but for all it implies, knowing that ligious Conventions or Congress, where Thomas Wentother portions of the circle are proven by the arc they worth Higginson introduced, whenever he was permitted possess. The segment of the circle is Spiritualism; that to do so-and that was frequently, he acting as the reprebeing true the other inevitably follows. But the majority, sentative of the Oriental religions, including Mahomthe rank and file of Spiritualists, have not so concluded. medanism, all that was known of the Parsee religion, and looked, that explains more perfectly human life and from now everything will be different." There was no particularly Buddhism. Besides, there were not visitors from the Orient by the scores at that time, and those who

One devoted Christian lady said, with great distress of mind in her tone: "Every religion has an opportunity of presentation here in this Free Religious Meeting except Christianity." Of course it was not true, but the lady was very much impressed by the thought that all these Oriental religions were being introduced which formed a tion among all these different Oriental religions.

interpretation of Sir Edwin Arnold, in his "Light of Asia." casting a flood of light upon the life and work of the great Teacher, Buddha Gautama. Scholars, students.

Theosophy came just at that time when the western mind was being awakened to the thought of Oriental religions, and when the bigots in Christian lands were spired; that other souls were saved aside from those who

THEOSOPHY A SECRET CULT. glory in interesting people in the more mysterious, still planetary life; the soul finds successive reincarnations. When the statements came from your present speaker, deeper and more occult teachings of the Orient. Spirit- But it very clearly crops out, also, under the law of diumship, excepting that mystery that belonge to every annihilated by "evil Karma."

the teachings of Theosophy; after a time, of course, the general teaching became more public, but the "esoteric," idated. Just as Christian theology is invalidated by the or "inner," teachings have never been given except to loss of a single soul. tail, since it is but atternal.

portion of the western mind that wished to know some- embodiments, as we term them, are expressions for the thing more of the other life than Christianity revealed, manifestations of that entity, which has experience in life; yet was not quite ready to be identified with Spiritualism. whether in one or more planets, is not lost, is not prima-Later, about twenty-five years ago, there came into ex- | Spiritualists have made the mistake of supposing that | rily effected. what, but it is what its founder, Madam Blavatsky, and at first of undervaluing the influence that Spiritualism her immediate followers regard as a distinct revelation or had exerted and was exerting upon the theology of the Theosophy for the last quarter of a century has from materialism to occultism and Theosophy is a strong As the Infinite proposition includes the past, present and A Buddhism including such other propositions from the strong vigor of intellect, with all her power of analysis, osophy that includes Spiritualism for what it has done to of thought relating to human life, that its followers re- then afterward, by analysis, she modified that which she the world is coming into concerning the soul.

talk more about the influence of spirits in those states visitor who is now in your city (Mr. Leadbeater, of Lonmand that Spiritualism has made, and in all fairness dents of this country, having more scientific and honorary

The first Theosophical Society was not originated by ism opened should have been proclaimed by Spiritualists. ists we stated a few moments ago.

PSYCHOSOPHY.

But while Theosophy has grown to admit the value of these communications and ministrations as coming the soul and its destiny, to solve even the smallest problem BY LIDA BRIGGS BROWNE through Spiritualism, Spiritualists as a body have not grown to admit the value of the teachings which we gave before Theosophy, and which Theosophy in some portion of its teachings declares, and which you, as a church, have adopted under the name of Psychosophy, or Soul Teachings. The soul, being immortal must inevitably have pre-existence as well as-it being conceded by Spiritualists—existence after the death of the body; which shows the inevitable necessity of more than one expression of human life if human life is valuable at all. The Spiritualists want to stop there, want to limit expression to one human existence, because that human state is supposed to constitute the identity. The lack of knowledge in this is manifest from all mental philosophy as well as all revealment; for if human existence stamps the identity then the death of the body could destroy it, and must inevitably

Here we clasp hands, making our claim the priority, with the Theosophists. Here the Psychosophist and Theosophist must inevitably agree. Spiritualists become wedded to their idols like other people; they become more than the church people want to be disturbed in their a material home, which is just as material as the literal

Of course Spiritualism is large enough for the human .mind; we do not doubt that there are things enough to trouble because her external surroundings were so delearn in connection with it to occupy several hundred em- pressing, asked us if there would not be a change? We bodiments. But if something is true that has been over- | said just by way of encouragement. "Oh, yes, a year spirit life without wiping out either, it is a great deal change as far as external improvement was concerned, better to know it. As we have given this illustration sev- | physically everything looked even more depressed, but she appeared there were accepted by this Free Religious eral times, you will bear with us if we give it again. It came one day with a radiant countenance and said: "It is" does not disturb the solar system when a new planet is discovered. Of course your ancestors objected very much to changing their flat earth to a round earth and to have | changed?" "Not in the least," she said, "but I have it moving all the time; objected to the sun being the cen- changed." It is this regeneration from within that conter instead of this little world. But you have moved your centers according to your knowledge. If the soul is the center of life instead of the body, and the Infinite is the comparison in the analytical mind with the cause of Chris- spiritual center of all souls, that solves the whole problem | blossoms are here for a day just to show what glory there tianity, which seemed to her to have but one representa- of existence, just as the sun being the center solves the is in this change. The great life-tide that goes on forproblem of the solar system, and the more distant central Following upon this came, as you all know, the splendid sun solves the problem of all systems. Just think how brown and sear and the petals shall fade. Think of the much easier it is to comprehend what existence is on those planets by knowing their true relation to the sun; and how forever! You might then pray for earthquakes and volmuch easier it is to comprehend the existence of the soul canoes, they would be a Godsend; tempests and cyclones in its earthly state of expression and in its spirit state, and of one expression to the whole.

But, "Oh!" people say, "I do hate to lose my identity." can be lost is not worth having. If your identity is your destroy your identity. Herein we must now take issue, as matter. Psychosophists, with Theosophists: Nowhere in any of Theosophy was formed in this atmosphere that we have the books or teachings of Theosophy is the soul as an

the first Theosophical Society, owing to the disappearance a "spark of the Infinite" which can be lost under any cirof Prof. Felt, adopted that name for her secret order. cumstances. That the primal value of expression is for She formed "Lodges" in New York, afterward in London, | what that expression can give; and if there are any cirthen in other cities. These Lodges alone received at first cumstances or conditions that, as a spark, that expression

"initiates." As to "adeptship," that was something almost | Our teaching is: That the soul is an eternal entity. unheard of; as man different stories as there are different | Not the Infinite, omniscient, omnipresent entity which is conditions of minds have been told concerning the differ- God, but like unto God in quality, in perfectness, and ent Theosophists who were more or less initiated in the | that no change, or condition, or expression, or surroundmysteries of the adepts of India. We know the entire ing or manifestation can mar or destroy the soul; and history, but it is sourcely worth while to repeat it in de- that no individuality could possibly be a product of the soul as a portion or spark of the infinite soul, and that, Theosophy, as a movement, has taken possession of that | therefore, it cannot be lost. All expressions in successive

The Spiritualists by making the entity commence with cause it cannot have an immortality simply in futurity. Eternity is not future time; eternity is neither past nor future, but forever. So in the teachings of Psychosophy we include all that has been, all that is and all that will be.

As a proposition concerning the soul, we hail that The-

But we warn Spiritualists, as we have many times It is partly due to her that the Theosophists of to-day | before: You have allowed "Christian Science" to As between Buddhism proper and Spiritualism proper give more value to what is known as Spiritualism. On take away a large portion of your demonstration there is little comparison, since while Buddhism includes her second visit to this country Mrs. Besant very clearly and a large portion of your Philosophy of Healing; and you have allowed the "Psychic Research" societies to called death than did Madam Blavatsky. Her followers osophy" to take possession of your philosophy. Spiritualism had all these at its command. But because people must narrow their beliefs to their present desires; because they must limit their possibilities of thought and hope to their present narrow human needs; just as a hungry man the state after the change called death; recognizing the de- forgets other people and their need for food, in attending merely to his own physical needs, sometimes, for to-day, recognizing the answer that Spiritualism has given. The so the Spiritualists ravenously absorbed the message from late Prof. Elliot Coues, one of the most intellectual stu- the spirit realm and allowed the greater propositions concerning immortal life to pass by unheeded.

Nothing can solve the problems of life, dear friends, portant is the arithmetic, geometry must follow, or arith- VEDANTA propositions of education as the result of continued ad-

But you are so hungry; it is heart hunger we admit; It has not always been true, and neither is it, viewed in you desire these messages, you wish for these especial in the intermediate states between the incarnations on you were ready. Many times you are seeking for that earth. All that realm has been brought forward, has which applies to riches and the prosperity of human exism. And we mainfain that every realm that Spiritual- message, something that will serve your physical well-being, instead of opening up the treasures of immortal life. That they have been proclaimed by individual Spiritual- | Your spirit friends are asked to come down and open up the treasures of earth, as though you did not pursue that purpose enough in human existence.

> We assure you, you need all there is in Theosophy, in Spiritualism, in Psychosophy, in everything that relates to in human life, when that problem is put to the test of the perfect solution it no longer is a mystery. Theosophists have and are having continually a large augmentation to that knowledge, but they discover their limitations and make haste amend them. So would Spiritualists, but for fear of losing the coat they have worn threadbare, for fear they will not be recognized by the very imperfect human countenances that they wear here, for fear that these particular names of "Smith," "Jones" or "Brown" will not be the names they are known by in the spirit realm. They reject the larger individuality of the soul, in order to masquerade throughout eternity in the semblance of this imperfect expression here; will not take up the great proposition of the soul's immortal destiny lest this one, feeble, small existence is swallowed up. you may ask, if it be swallowed up? Everything of value in itself is yours, but that which is of no value is no more borne on throughout eternity than last year's eggshell is borne by the bird when it is on the wing singing its song. You cast off all that is transient, that is simply for the uses of daily life, and even your sorrows which have served to refine, strengthen and exalt you are not to enough here the headache you had last week, you keep takes its place; you leave all your shadows unless there is sufficient reason for the shadows to continue until you forget them from within.

THE CHANGE WITHIN.

A lady whom we knew, who was passing through great all just as you said." "Why, has your husband a better position or any position at all? Have your circumstances stitutes all the change there is.

Matter is continually changing, casting off its old garments and putting on its new raiments of delight. These ever and forever does not mind if these leaves shall grow world in which if it were possible, every form would last would be uppermost in your thoughts to change things. endurable, or the thought of it. If things lasted forever your immortality would be perpetual bondage. Then we have answered, so many times, an identity that | things are only to use, they are steps, stages in this immortal pilgrimage. You only come in contact with things body, it is lost every seven years or less according to sci- in the recurrent action and reaction; earth life itself being ence. If your identity is your body, it is lost just as soon an expression, death a relief from things, and the knowlas your body is dead, and the materialist is right. If your edge that you are glad of it. In fact, life and death being identity is you, all the bodies you can ever have will not the contact with things and the seeking to be free from

> Argument and flattery are but poor elements out of which to form a conversation.—Goethe.

Men (as all philosophers of antiquity have said) made God in their own image; which is the reason why the first Anaxagoras, as ancient as Orpheus, expresses himself thus in his verses: "If the birds figured to themselves a god, he would have wings; that of horses would run with four 'legs."-Voltaire.

The theory of vicarious atonement is the child of cow-But shortly after that Allan Kardec, in France, taught subject that is not fully studied; there was nothing that In our opinion, this is a serious fault in Theosophy. ardice and fear. It arranges for a man to be a criminal

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diums here; have not had any since last | your paper," summer, when Mr. and Mrs. Hayden of some good test medium."

thought, and also have the helpful op- ber 16." portunity of gazing over the Spiritualavoid some of the rough places."

here with the following officers: L. funerals. Travis, lecturer and president; Miss retary: Miss Edna Thomas, treasurer. | with the "law" at Erie, Pa., as it is vio-The meetings have been held at 1202 lently opposed to having the sick cured Walnut street, but will hereafter be magnetically. He was arrested and held in the Ridge Building. The attend- finally concluded to leave the bigoted do to whom I have made known your in Spartansburg, Ph., for the month of ance has been good and new members | place. The costs proper were \$7, which | generous offer that we cannot underare constantly being added. The regular | were paid. The Doctor said to those | stand how you can afford so much readtest medium has withdrawn, but tests present: "If Christ were on earth, and ing for 15 cents; but as the Divine Plan are given after every meeting."

Loveland's remarks, 'Should Spiritual- back and fight you."

The Philadelphia (Pa.) Record says: | to the mother." "The will of Colonel Simon P. Kase, the ! well-known Spiritualist, was also admitted to probate and made provision pleasure of listening to several very in- best of all. I have now six of your come here, by addressing me." for the establishment of a temple of Spiritualism in certain contingencies. W. E. Bonney, before our society (the The value of the estate is uncertain. Southside). His labors among us have but the testators had a number of law created a very kindly feeling towards suits pending, and his executors are in- him. His manner is unassuming but structed to push them to a conclusion. very earnest: his ideas clearly ex- ester for the winter. He has been Overbrook and vicinity are very much In case of their successful termination pressed, progressive and practical. He quite ill, but is now on the way to interested, and many are the complithree-fourths of the estate is to be set | should be kept actively employed and | health again. The Doctor is a veteran aside for the erection of the Spiritual | well remunerated. His present address Temple and the promulgation of Spirit- is Monett, Mo.; We have also had a

never grow less."

The Daily News of Fond du Lac. Wis. | W. Ring, a survivor of the Galveston has the following: "The tests given by disaster, on his way home from the N. Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley and Max | S. A. Our work is increasing in inter | hands of ex-treasurer, Mrs. Murphy, at | dancing, sociability, supper and mid- one dollar Spiritualist paper. Not only Hoffman were the best yet. A remark- est here." able feature of Mrs. Cooley's exhibition was her description of a young man in Roversford, Pa.: "I am glad to inform the throes of drowning. She dramat- | you through the columns of this good ically depicted his struggles in the wa- | paper, that we have formed a society in ter but no one present was able to rec- our town through the assistance of our ognize him or assist the medium in any | missionaries, E. W. Sprague and wife. way. Everyone knows of the finding of | Brother Sprague made a very favorable | the body of a young man in the lake, impression on our people, being greeted yesterday, and are now aware of the each evening with large and apprecia- the Crawford Theatre for Mr. Ainsfact that at the time the meeting was | tive audiences. Mrs. Sprague followed | being held at the Crescent not even his each of the lectures with tests, many of highly elated over the general enthusiown relatives had any knowledge of which were recognized. The following asm, and trust our brother will remain his death."

of being the only county in the state | secretary, Ella Buckwalter; trustees, igan line and near Clear lake, and is the society will be known as the First Asso- on sale at our next meeting. Dec. 20. subject of a strange tale told by many clation of Spiritualists of Royersford." | When all our returns are heard from ling physician, being now connected with old settlers. In a grove at the head of the lake is a circle of earth about 15 quette, Mich., where I have labored for hundred and twenty-five dollars or feet in diameter, on which no vegeta- our grand cause, for the East, for a more. We will be called to order in the number who heard him last night. He tion will grow. The cause assigned by short time. I would like to hear from afternoon at the usual hour, 3:30, and tradition for this is that this grove was societies or persons, and would like to instead of a mixed programme, our the torture ground of the Bawbeese In- engage for camp work, to lecture and president, Mrs. Richmond, will take litively demonstrated a future life, but dians and that it was in this circle that | take charge of vocal department, at rea- | charge, and we will have an address | the stake was set up. It is believed that sonable terms. I gave the first spirit- from the guides, assisted by Ouina. This the ashes of so many murdered human | ual lecture ever given in Marquette. Ad- is by special request. We extend a cor- Modern Spiritualism has disclosed some | by the sad experience of many wrecked beings has rendered the place accursed dress me for the present at Bonfield, On- dial invitation to all interested persons of the unspeakable, beauties awaiting lives. Price by mail, \$1. For sale at and-hence this dearth of veretation." tarlo, Canada."

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> Mrs. Maggle Waite is now at Springfield, Mass., and will serve the Church of the Spirit there until February. Ad-

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Mrs. Fannie Hyer writes: "With

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Mrs. Geo. C. Farrar, of Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "I am an old Spiritualist, but | time commanding them to do various | and is drawing packed houses. If the not a spiritual paper reader, I tried them twenty years ago. A few weeks since I heard Mr. Lockwood speak very | First she made them bring her money, | to rent a much larger hall. The elechighly of The Progressive Thinker, then their clothing, and last of all she tion of officers for the coming year, therefore I bought one and I must tell set them to work cleaning her shoes which was a lively contest, resulted as you it has been a three days feast to and doing other tasks. Each one of the me; it has opened the door to volumes | girls declares that she was powerless J. F. Harvey writes from Atlantic, of information which I have long looked to resist the demands made upon her. Iowa: "We have had several good me- for. I shall hereafter be a reader of Yesterday the gypsy made such out-

Rolla Stubbs writes from Bederwood, were here. We would like the services | Minn.: "We have had Mrs. Lowell, of Anoka, Minn., to give two lectures. She called on the police." Mrs. E. E. Compton, of Washington, is a good worker for the cause of Spirit-D. C., writes: "I am glad to have The | ualism: She has been in the work for | meeting of the Advance Spiritual Con- | spent in company with my wife, with | Or ass o'er laden. Must I rate man less Progressive Thinker again: indeed it is | twenty years or more. All were well | ference of Brooklyn, N. Y., held on Mon- | the Pittsburg (Pa.) society. This makes | Than dog or ass in holy selfishness? like an old friend returned, for through | pleased with her lecture, "Dawning of a | day evening, December 10, the follow- | seven months' work in less than two its columns we keep informed of the New Day. Mr. Will J. Erwood, of St. | ing officers were elected for the year | years for this society. I followed Miss most brilliant truths and advanced Paul, is to be with us Sunday, Decem-

Mrs. J. W. Kenyon closed a very sucistic field weekly, thus knowing just cessful series of meetings in Worcester, where our workers are, and how grand- | Mass., on Nov. 18 and 25, giving large ly the cause is spreading. I truly hope | numbers of tests. She will lecture and each one will contribute their mite, so give tests in Fitchburg, Mass., Dec. 10 that this beacon light may continue to and 23; in Milford, Mass. Dec. 30, and shine on our pathway, that we may the Sundays of January, 1901. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kenyon have moved perma-J. M. White writes from Kansas City, | nently to 95 North street. Fitchburg. 110.: "The First Church of Spiritual Mass, where they can be addressed for Science has been recently organized open dates, and to attend circles and

Kate Richards, vice-president and sec- magnetic healer, has had some trouble went about healing the sick precisely as is moving you we thought it best to aid Mrs. S. Augusta Armstrong writes I am doing, he would have to first get | you in its object. They all desire the from Buffalo, N. Y .: "It is seldom that | permission of the Erie County Medical | paper giving the crimes of clergymen." I have the slightest inclination to com- Society and then obtain a license, for An Illinois paper says: "Rapids City. ment (in public) upon any article I which he would have to pay \$10 per a little place in the north end of Rock chance to read; but when the wave day." "We have been defeated now," Island county, Ill., is all stirred up becomes surging in upon me as it did a said Mrs. Freedman, "but you shall all cause spooks have taken possession of few moments ago while reading J. S. hear from us again. We will come the residence of the priest. At times

ists concern themselves about tricksters | The St. Louis Post Dispatch has the | that it is feared the door will be driven in their ranks,' I know it is right for me | following from Hot Springs, Ark.: | from its hinges. Armed guards have to put my thoughts into words for "Though the sad news of the sudden sat up continuously for eight nights in others to read; and this will not be an | death of her two daughters | had been | the hope of capturing the miscreants adverse comment or criticism, but withheld from Mrs. Lienen until Mon- who are supposed to be working the rather words of commendation. I hope day morning, when it was at last de- game, but so far they have been unevery Spiritual paper will reprint this | cided to tell her, the bearers of the tid- | able to discover the cause. The matter article; it ought to be emblazoned upon | ings found her prepared for the sad | is becoming serious; and when two of the walls of every Spiritual church and | news. The death of her daughters had | the guards refused to further serve, the meeting place of every Spiritual so- been foretold to her in a dream. The villagers began to think that some unciety. 'Honesty,' oh, yes, how we need | sudden death last week of the Misses | earthly agency is the cause of the nocit within our ranks. The deep heart- | Maggie and Emma Lienen, popular longings to once more clasp the hand of | young ladles of this city, was a great some loved one gone, or hear again the | shock to a large circle of friends. Their voice that has gone out in the silence, death was withheld until Monday mornhas a tendency to make one 'credulous.' | ing from Mrs. Lienen, mother of the The poet Milton says: 'So glistened the | young ladies, who is at death's door at | house has been surrounded by men and dire snake, and into fraud led Eve, our the Catholic Infirmary. The second credulous mother.' And as we all par- daughter to die was buried to-day, the sitting close to the door when the raptake more or less of that nature, it is a first having been laid to rest Saturday, ping commenced, and for a fact, it sin for it to be played upon and used by | On the death of the first it was deemed the unscrupulous to deceive the sorrow- best not to apprise the mother of it unburdened mourner. Spiritualism is the | til she got better, but after the death of | the door and opened it wide and no one grandest truth that stands before us to- | the second it was thought best to break | was there. No one on the outside of the day, and since the world began, if any- the news to her, and a party of friends one knows when that was, there have called this morning at the Infirmary on been vilifiers, but 'truth crushed to that mission, but, to their amazement, men watching at the priest's house, but earth, shall rise again.' This thought is the mother addressed them on the submy greatest comforter when I see and | ject first and said: 'My daughters are | the mischief. There is one thing certain hear of 'tricksters' and 'jugglers' that | both dead and buried; no need of keep- | that it no one who comes from the outare flocking into this city, presumably ing it from me." Mrs. Lienen then told side of the house. Further develop-American. I trust all who have not read | last night in which she was apprised of Prof. Loveland's article that has called the fact. When her friends entered the out this expression of mine, will get room she at once divined their mission | Lake City. A good genuine platform | We are of the opinion Mr. Chester will The Progressive Thinker of December and relieved them of the unpleasant medium, satisfied with moderate re-15 and give it careful attention, for duty of telling her. They were com- muneration, would bring wonderful reevery word, to the truth seeker, is pletely dumbfounded. Mrs. Lienen sults here, one of which would be a worth a mint of gold, and the quotation | said she saw them in her dream lying | good large addition to your subscription with which the article starts, I most | dead and then saw the funeral procesheartily endorse. When you write like | sion to the cemetery as plainly as if she | miums." this. Prof. Loveland, may your shadow had attended in person. No one had communicated even a hint of the deaths

> . J. Madison Allen, of Springfield, Mo., writes: "We have recently had the teresting addresses delivered by Bro. brief visit and two lectures from John

Ellen H. Buckwalter writes from officers were elected: President, David here with us for some time to come." The Chicago Chronicle says: "Steuben | Rittenhouse; vice-president, I. N. Buckcounty, Indiana claims the distinction | walter: treasurer J. A. Buckwalter; having a spot of land upon which vege- | Henry Rittenhouse, Jackson Thomas tation absolutely refuses to grow, while and Geo. Thomas. We are earnest in attended, and all the workers were kept ences in a most interesting and enter- and obtain the books we announce. the surrounding soil is apparently the our work and hope for a bright future. busy, and sales were lively at the vasame and very productive. This place | We have taken 54 members and hope to | rious booths, and brought good prices. iscated about a mile south of the Mich- have many more by another year. The We have a few articles left, that will be a pulpit. Then he studied medicine and

North, Hamilton, Ontario, by sending to him on a postal the address of Madame Vivian?

Cornelius Van Buren writes from Waterloo, Iowa: "Mrs. Emma Nutt-Moore, of Muncle, Ind., came here some weeks ago, and is doing a much needed work in reviving an interest in Spiritualism. So far she fills the need and wants of our present dilapidated condition. She is an earnest and truthful speaker. She has been giving lectures and tests every Sunday evening."

Wm. Ellison writes: "I notice the N. S. A. is about ready to dress the old Pagan God in a new suit and call him 'Infinite Intelligence.' How hard it is for thase that were born under the slavery of the old Pagan church to throw off their dirty clothes and put on a new clean suit, made in the latest style of science, philosophy and common sense." A special dispatch to the Chicago

American from Minneapolis, says: "Minneapolis possesses a female Svengall, who by weird incantations and young girls to do her will, even to robbing themselves of all their fine clothes, according to a story told to the police to-day by Hannah and Tina Lund and several of their companions. The woman with the wonderful hypnotic power is a gypsy who lives in a tent at the outskirts of the city, and the police are now searching for her. According to the story told by the girls, who things which they, in their ordinary rageous requests that after the girls had complied they became frightened and told their parents, who to-day Kesler, Mrs. M. Powers, trustees."

The Progressive Thinker on sale." Mrs. Mary C. Von Kanzler writes from Syracuse, N. Y.: "I think as others the pounding upon the door is so violent

turnal rappings. This rapping and pounding on the doors and windows has been going on for eight nights commencing a week ago last Sunday night, and the strangest part of it is that the still the rapping goes on. One man was seemed as though the door would be knocked from the hinges. He sprang to house could see any one, but everybody heard the rapping. There were eight they failed to get the one who is doing

T. J. Stayner writes: "Your excellent paper should be in every home in Salt list, not forgetting your generous pre-

cept my many thanks for the grand and away. I received my third volume of the Encyclopedia of Death, and like it | good, honest medium will find a welgrand premium books, and I feel that wish you great success."

Glenora, N. Y., that he will go to Roch- | Wagner, both of Topeka. The people of worker in our cause.

The raffle on a quilt, held by the Lamoney paid in on chances is in the 233 E. 32d street.

Spiritualistic work here in Topeka. Rev. serving our society. His lectures and demonstrations are good, and we were worth's future lectures here. We are Handel Hall building, Thursday after- mysterious things the adepts of the noon and evening, Dec. 6, was very well | Orient perform, and relates his experi-Virginie Barrett writes: "I leave Mar- | we expect to have realized about one

Will some one please do a great favor | lunch, and be served with tea and coffee to R. C. Pettigrew, of 93 West-avenue at six o'clock, and stay to the evening session. We have such good times, we wish to share, with everybody."

J. Hey writes from Overbrook, Kans.:

"Our society hereoheld a series of meetings, four, nights in succession, with Laura B, Payne as lecturer, and Inez Wagner, platform test medium. Quite an interest was awakened and seed sown that promises to be a fruitful harvest. Mrs. Payne is a good speaker, and held her audience interested with her lectures and inspirational singing. Mrs. Wagner on the last night gave ballot tests from the platform, blindfolded. Over twenty ballots were submitted. In every instance the names and questions were correctly given and answered. In one instance an individual wrote one and did not send it to the platform, which was read and a message given. What is most remarkable, that was her first attempt at giving ballot tests from the platform."

G. W. Kates and wife held interesting and well-attended meetings in Jackson, Minn., December 11 and 12; Sherburne, strange calisthenic exercises compels 13 and 14. At the latter place the prospects are good for a local organization at an early date.

Dr. G. W. Fowler writes from Lynn, Mass.: "We think you are achieving a wonderful success in your work-and your paper is a power for good in the promulgation of our principles."

A. Katzenburg writes from Fort Wayne, Ind .: "We have had quite a revival in the First Spiritual Society of have given away all of their costly this city, having had Mr. and Mrs. clothing and performed menial tasks for | Sprague during the month of November the female Svengali, they were first ap- as lecturer and test mediums, who have proached by the woman, who pretended inspired a new life into our society. she had something to tell, several weeks | This good work is being kept up by ago, A few daye later she began to Mrs. Lee Norie Claman, who has been throw a spell over them, at the same engaged for December and January, audience keeps increasing in number as senses would not do for the world. | they have in the past we will be obliged follows: A. Katzenburg, president and corresponding secretary; E. G. Pierce, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Julia Stapleford,, 2d vice-president; H. Brindle, recording secretary; Mrs. S. V. Sweringen, treasurer; Chas Stapleford, Mrs. A. J.

G. H. Brooks writes from Spartans-G. A. Deleree writes: "At a business | burg, Pa.: "October and November I 1901: First vice-president, Mr. Barber; Gaule, who opened the meetings in Sepsecond vice-president, Mr. Smith; finan- tember. She always has a large ating secretary, Mrs. Dr. Franks; treas- first to last. Mr. Stevens still serves urer, Mrs. Evans; advisory board, Mr. faithfully as President, and is ever Of natural pity drop upon its fires Hopkins. Mrs. Dr. Franks, Mrs. Green | watchful of the interests of the society. | Some cooling tears.' and Mrs. Robinson. This conference The Ladles' Aid which meets every will hold a jubilee entertainment at its | Thursday afternoon, is a great help to hall, No. 1101 Bedford avenue, on Sat- the society. There has been a glorious urday evening, January 5. After the in- work done by the Pittsburg society stallation of officers, a fine programme during its existence, when you come to will be arranged, concluding with re- consider the strong orthodox influence freshments. Out of town friends and that holds sway in that city. The offimediums are cordially invited to meet | cers and menilers give each speaker the Dr. Louis Freedman, the excellent with us any Saturday evening. Speak- greatest of liberty, it is absolutely a ers and mediums always in attendance. free platform. The work is always pleasant there, and it was with feelings of regret that we bade the many friends good-bye. I am now serving the society December, where I should be glad to hear from any point in the state within a hundred miles, to hold week-night

> Rev. J. W. Green, of Forrestville Congregational Church, will lecture before Mrs. Cooley's society, on the evening of December 23. His subject will be "The Battle of Gettysburg, from Actual Experience.". Mr. Green is a believer in spirit communion.

Mrs. E. F. Jay Bullene wishes to inform her many friends in Kansas and other points east, that she will remain at work in Denver through January, 1901, and will give due notice to those

who have kindly solicited engagements. C. M. Folsom of Springfield, Mo., writes: "The Zoo Park Camp Association has decided to hold its second annual camp meeting, and would be pleased to correspond with speakers and mediums. It will hold the camp during July. We have secured the Park for 1901, and will hold meetings each Sunday during the spring and summer, and will be pleased to correspond with speakers and mediums for these months. Address me at 603 N. Campbell street.

Springfield, Mo." G. F. Perkins gave twelve lectures and an entertainment at Villa Ridge, Ill. He returned on Saturday last. Dr. G. F. Dougherty writes-from Ne-

oga, Ill.: "During November our people had with us Mrs. Maggie Vestal, of 728 South Ludlow street, Dayton, Ohlo. Mrs. Vestal is as fine and honest trumpet and independent voice medium this people ever met. The grand work is ing year and if anyone wants to investigate with an honest materializing medium, I am sure he can make dates with me in a short time, as I am arranging the work for the year, and my plans Mrs. D. B. Bowen writes: "Please ac- | will be completed in the next thirty days, at which time I will give notice: instructive books you are simply giving | Spiritual phenomena and philosophy is planted in this part of the state, and | you will aid this noble and true pioneer

of very successful meetings, conducted Dr. Fred L. H. Willis writes from by Mrs. Laura B. Payne, and Mrs. Inez

The State Spiritualists Association of Minnesota are arranging a grand new century greeting, the night of December dies' Auxiliary to the Church of Spirit | 31, in the elegant 'Unitarian church,

taining way He first studied for the ministry and for several years occupied for over fifty years has been a practicthe sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich. He made a deep impression on the large

to come and be one of us. Bring your lus in the manymansioned house of the this once.

Father, These mansions—aural schemes enzoning stars and planets-are real substantial and adaptively fitted for the abodes of spirits and angels.' Alderman Henry Smith, who was one of the many who stopped to shake hands with the patriarch after the address, said to him: 'Doctor, three years ago I was a strong materialist, but to-day I fully believe as you do."

Sarah M. Dudley writes: "The First Spiritualist Society of Williamsport. Pa., is having much interest manifested by the public, as evinced by the large attendance at the Sunday lectures and test circles. People have been turned away from our hall on account of deficiency of seating room. Our last 10cent aid test circle had 70 people present. We expect to organize a lyceum after the holidays and enlarge our psychic library. I have been serving the society for some time past as lecturer and test medium, and am much gratified with the interest displayed and the desire for progress along the higher phases of Spiritualistic thought."

AN UNDESIRED HEAVEN.

I am too poor for such grand company

The crown would be too heavy for this

Old head, and God forgive me if I say It would be hard to sit there night and Like an image in a tribune, doing

naught With these hard hands, that all my life have wrought. Not for bread only, but for pity's sake. I'm dull at prayers, I could not keep

awake, Counting my beads. Mine's but a crazy Scarce worth the saving if all else be dead.

And if one goes to heaven without the God knows he leaves behind his better

TO THE PLANET MARS I love my fellow-men; the worst I know I would do good to. Will death change me so A MOST REMARKABLE WORK

That I shall sit among the lazy saints, Turning a deaf ear to the sore complaints Fascinating, Interesting and In-Of souls that suffer? Why, I never yet Left a poor dog in the strada hard be-

Methinks, (Lord, pardon, if the thought chology in the University of Geneva. be sin!)

The world of pain were better if therein cial secretary, Miss Brown; correspond- tendance. I had good audiences from One's heart might yet be human, and desires

Then was he made aware, by soul or

Of somewhat pure and holy bending o'er him.

And of a voice like that of her who bore Tender and most compassionate: Never

fear! For heaven is love as God himself is love; Thy work below shall be thy work

EVOLUTION.

-John G. Whittier.

Away back in early ages. When mankind the earth first trod. The more they lacked in intellect. The more use they had for God. Many gods the ancients molded. To explain some simple law.

And they would make a special god For every thing they saw. rather like this ancient way Keeping up a Godly crew, Dividing the large business That one God now has to do.

But as science solved each problem It would kill its god as well, Until it reached one supreme God With heaven and burning hell.

And again this God is changing From a wrathful God above To one more suited to our times. A God of goodness and love: Or "Infinite Intelligence," Some Spiritists would it call-

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about so-called "Absent Treatment" of

late, it seems no more than right that I

the Master as a Perfect Man and a true

and spotless medium, I go back to him

for my inspiration for what he did we

can do also if we only lead the pure and

holy life he did. Through the spirit and

healed at a distance, not only those who

were conscious of the health-vibrations

he was sending, but he also healed those

who did not know he was putting forth.

any effort in their rehalf. Now if this

be true-and I know it is, for it has

been proven to me through spirit, by

one of my teachers-then we have the

promise to do all he has done, but if we

live the true and spiritual life we can do

even more, for it is one of the gifts of

But when we look over these "Absent

spirit of truth or the love of afflicted hu-

manity in their hearts. For example,

one of the healers boasts that he treats

forty thousand every month, giving

each a treatment every, day. He does

not state how long he treats them, but

we will say he gives each one only a

thought as he reads over the long list of

names, it would take him at least one-

half of forty thousand minutes to do

this, or about 333 hours gut of every 24.

But there was one-thing, he did state

which we can understand perfectly,

each patient paid him one dollar per

month, and we readily see he was

Another advertiser, is a little more con-

siderate but not consistent. He states

that he treats each patient one hour

every day for the charge of five dollars

per month, and farther along in his cir-

cular says he treats from forty to fifty

patients every month with the most wonderful success. No doubt the suc-

cess like the first mentioned, lies in the

income and not in the good he does, be-

cause it is as much an impossibility to crowd fifty hours into a day as to crowd three hundred. I asked an explanation

of the avove inconsistencies of a student

of one of these heaters, and he said the

work was done by assistants. That

may be, but the advertiser did not say

he had girl-type-writers who treated all

this multitude of deluded patients who

supposed they were getting electro-

spiritual vibrations direct from the per-

fected spirit and electric will of the

healer. I do not say all do this and I

believe the honest spiritual healers are

far from it, yet I must say positively

that to be a good and successful healer

you must be pure in thought and pur-

pose as well as in your actions.

Thoughts that are even tainted with

hate and revenge for any one will react

on your patients. Keep this thought,

the Master and the higher angel forces.

ing life he did, so we fall. But there are

many who do live this unselfish life for

spiritual work he did in a more or less

link between man physical and man

the allments of this lifesimental and

controlled by a purg and healthy elec-

tric will, curing disease personally or at

a distance. The question is, How?

Electric vibrations are Being constant-

ly and unconsciously thrown off by

healthy persons to ho purpose, but by

the use of the electric will these vibra-

tioins can produce impressions on other

spiritual minds. If one constantly hates

another and that other will unconscious

of the fact and of & receptive tempera-

ment, his spirit mind would feel these

unhealthy vibrations and it would

sooner or later make him sick or totally

destroy him. I have also noticed that

there is a reflex vibration which grad-

ually poisons the sender of the hate

thoughts. Reasoning from this, if elec-

tro-health vibrations were sent with the

same intensity, it would cure the afflict-

ed and distance could not limit its pow-

er. And at the same time its reflex ac-

tion would invigorate and strengthen

This constant and unconscious throw-

ing off of electro-spiritual vibrations

the sender.

This I will show. as Halt ..

making a fortune at least,

the spirit. -

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

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

F. H. Carr: Q. What are the titles of the different Bibles, and by what people

The Vedas of the ancient Hindus is perhaps the oldest of so-called sacred books. It is written in Sanskrit, and supposed to date 2,000 B. C. The Zend Avesta is perhaps of almost equal antiquity. It is the Bible of the Persians. Book of Kings, are sacred to the Chi- ence." nese. The Old and New Testaments writings of the people who claim them, collected when writing was regarded as miraculous, and retained as holy by inherited superstition. The Koran came in comparatively recent times and shows how readily a religious movement may be started. It departs from the others in being written by the same hand, but Mohammed had the dense ig-

To them all writing was sacred, and a written word had tallsmanic power. It is recorded that the words of the prophet, as they fell from his inspired lips, were written down by faithful scribbes, on the shoulder-blades of sheep or other flat bones, and preserved until copied into the continuous pages of the Koran. It is the last of the sacred books, for writing since that time has ceased to be a mystery, and the "written word" lost its divine origin. A yet more recent Bible, if it may be called a Bible, is the Book of Mormon, claimed to have been discovered to Joseph Smith by angel communication and translated from gold plates on which it was written. This claim has been proven beyond doubt to be entirely untrue, That its crude style and souscless jargon could have gained a hearing and followers in the present age, is a sad commentary on the human intellect, and explains the unquestionable authority given to similar revelations in the earlier ages of ignorance.

H. S. S., St. Louis: Q. What is the nearest and truest road to mediumship? A. All that has been given to me in regard to the development and cultivation of mediumship, has been crowded into the book under that title, just published. No doubt it contains obscure passages and points will constantly arise calling for explanation. These will receive attention in this Department whenever they are brought up by

Mrs. Ida Thetteplace: Q. Is there any evidence of the existence of man prior to the Bible account 6000 years

A. This question has been exhaust ively treated in this Department. There is so much evidence furnished by Geology, and archeology, that there is not a scientific man in the world to-day that for a moment holds to the Biblical chronology. Egyptian civilization has been proven by the Nile deposits beneath the great pyramids to have been, on the authority of the explorations of Linant Bey, at least 40,000 years old before the pyramids were built, and they were old when the supposed Adam and Eve came into Eden.

Man inhabited the earth before the coming of the Ice age, and the approach of that period has been calculated from astronomical data to have been anywhere from one and a half to three and a half millions of years ago. The fact is that in the evolution of the life of one globe, a million years, vast and incomprehensible as it is in duration, is as a swing to a pendulum, and the order of eyents is all that can be safely predicated. Time as measured by years, or by centuries, or by millenniums, is an inconsequential factor.

E. R. C.: Q. Have the English and been of benefit to Spiritualism?

A. By calling attention to the subject, and prestige, perhaps they have, nounced member of that sect. but it must be admitted that in the researches they have instituted, with such | and death, and was convinced of the imappearance of scientific accuracy, the mortality of the spirit and that it carhas been traversed by Spiritualists for | to meeting his departed friends with the the last fifty years. Beyond a few facts, pleasure one long from home anticipates nothing has been added to the work of a reunion. He found this belief not Prof. Robert Hare, Judge Edmonds, only good enough to live by, but good Prof. Mapes, and hundreds of others | enough to die by. It was the ripe fruitwho pursued their investigations in pri- age of a noble, self-sacrificing life, durvate for their own personal satisfaction, ling the long years of which he had ments. The hesitating, half-way style | ingly and done his work to the best of of the published reports of the psychic his strength and ability. It bore him up societies, while utterly ignoring all that | during the last days when tortured predecessors have done, leaves a shadow of doubt over the minds of readers, and weakens or destroys as evidence. With the right kind of members, working on the true lines of investigation a great and most needful work might be | Angel standing by the gates of Everaccomplished, but the committee with a lasting Life speaks to the ascending few remarkable exceptions, seem chosen, as are jurymen, because they have formed no opinion, read nothing on the subject, heard nothing, and are incapable of having an opinion.

port on "Haunted Houses," giving numerous attested instances supported by witnesses called before the committee of the society. A great deal of labor was given the subject, and the reader left to draw his own conclusions. Spiritualists long ago on a priori grounds be- all who would gain a fair conception of lieved in the possibility of houses being Buddhism in its spirit and living princihounted: for admit that spirits return to their former homes, having the same shoughts and desires as while in the Price \$1. For sale at this office.

For instance, take the voluminous re-

body, it is self-evident that all houses are haunted houses, and whenever conditions allow they will manifest their

Again, all Spiritualists believe in ghosts, that is, that under favorable conditions spirits can appear to mortals. There are two distinct methods by which they are enabled to thus appear, by materialization and psychological impression; i. e., the objective by which they are recognized by the bodily senses, and the subjective, which is by impressibility more or less keen and distinct.

This belief is not strengthened by a collection of stories of phantasms of the dead or of the living, however rigid the attention given to details. It is true, a secondary corroborative evidence may be drawn from such accumulation of tales which differ from that of the famous "Cock Lane Ghost," only in a thin veneer of scientific wording.

Again Spiritualists have received "thought transference" as the process by which spirits communicate with each other and transmit messages to sensitives or mediums. It may be a pleasant pastime to trace the impression of mind on mind, but there are more successful methods than guessing the thoughts of the operator and averaging the probabilities of success or failure, so as to avoid a positive conclusion either way! It would seem to be an essential condition in the investigation of spiritual phenomena that the investigator should be spiritual and capable of the comprehension of spiritual laws and forces, and not predetermined to drag everything down to the requirements of sci-

entific muck. The Spiritualist comes with an explanation, a theory which has become a grand generalization of spirit existence and unitizes all the diverse facts hauntings, phantasms of the dead and the Hving, thought transference, hypnotism and the whole wide domain outlying the borders of materiality. To it the "researches" of committees and psyebical societies are as play of children led away from the real issues.

Spiritualists may well say of the Researches that have been published: "What good are they? We knew all this before. We have the key whereby the problems thus explained by being stated in other words, are solved with The writings referred to Confucius, and | the mystery and arcana of future exist-

"Oh!" retort the muck-delvers, "you are the sacred writings to the Chris- have a beautiful belief, but it is only a dan. The Bibles consist of the earliest | facts are not well observed and we do Then we say: Here is the open court

for true psychic research. Here lie the facts which are potent with vitality. We have observed them, and they are free for the observation of all. But remember, this most important condition, that you are to investigate under the requirements of the laws of spiritual forces. You are not to weigh spiritual energy with steel yards or enter the vestibule of the mind with a butcher's

Spiritualists have been and are members of a committee in investigation. They, however, do not call it psychic and there is the difference between scientific and unscientific.

The mole, burrowing under soil, has the capabilities of evolving organs of visions, whereby it could see the landscape, the sun and the stars, but never would this occur if it contented itself with its underground life. Its conceptions of the world must be limited by the confines of its burrow, and in contrast with those of the eagle who from aerial heights above the cloud-capped mountains: surveys the circling earth and sea from horizon to horizon. Great as this contrast appears, it is not as wide as between the science of Spiritualism which sweeps through time and space from eternity to eternity, and the "psychic research" which has passed current for scientific investigation.

Every circle is a psychical society. The facts presented at every seance are direct, readily observable and have living force. There spirit identity may be proven, and all the laws and conditions which enter into the problems of spiritexistence be studied as nowhere else.

A Veteran Gone.

Departed to a higher life, Horace Leonard Hill; at the age of 85 years and 6 months, from the home of Dr. Carl Tuttle. He was among the earliest ploneers of Berlin Heights, coming into the then wilderness, country in 1818, with his father, from the East, being only ten years of age. During all this time he has been identified with the interests of the town. He married in 1831 Fanny Jane Tenant, and they had three children, all of whom are departed, leaving only one grand-child, Aggie, wife of Dr. Carl Tuttle, with whom the aged pair made their home.

The end came December 3, and on the 6th a large gathering of relatives and friends attended the funeral. The services consisted of appropriate music, reading of "Thanatopsis" by Emma Rood Tuttle, and a brief eulogium by Hudson Tuttle.

Mr. Hill had no enemies. He was absolutely honest, and from boyhood never touched alcoholic beverages, tea, coffee or tobacco. He was one of a family of eleven children, who by their widely connected family ties, and their strong, liberal minds, have made a deep impress on the community, and been a strong force in making the town noted for being foremost in intelligence, public spirit and reform.

In closing, Mr. Tuttle said: He was by organization a Spiritualist, and found that belief good enough to die by. He inherited a broad and liberal mind and was too charitable to believe that any part of the human family American Psychic Research Societies were so bad that they would be lost, and this inclined him to the belief of the Universalists, but he was not a pro-

He intently studied the problem of life same ground has been gone over and ried forward into the next life the acidentical conclusions arrived at, that quirements of this. He looked forward without making public their experi- borne cares and burdens uncomplainwith pain and gave him courage to heroically bear, and he passed into the shadowy portals of death with no reprets, no pardon to be asked, nothing to be forgotten, and if even the Mighty spirit, he will say to this one: "Well done, good and faithful servant; thy deeds have been many; thy failures have been of necessity; thou hast been true to the small things intrusted to

> "The Gospel of Buddha, According to Old Records." Told by Paul Carus This book is aeartily commended to students of the science of religions, and to ples. Spiritualist or Christian can

> scarcely read it without spiritual profit.

you, and now enter into thy reward."

GENUINE KICKER.

But One Who Is Highly Respected.

HENCE WE GIVE HIM SPACE IN THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, AND HE DEVOTES SPECIAL AT TENTION TO "SPRING HILL, KANS., THE SPIRITUAL MECCA."

From what Mr. E. J. Schellhous says, even Rochester pales before Spring Hill, to Spiritualism. . 1 . 0 Kansas. \$25 for a demonstration that there will "appear one or more forms clothed in male or female attire," is cheap enough, considering that millions are paid to gentlemen to prove that Jesus Christ had the cheerful habit of walking around after he had been crucified-and then they do not prove it; hence, the necessity for a present-day

Spring Hill manifestation of spirit power. The laborer in any department of life should be paid for his labor, although I have done a great deal of work for humanity's sake without compensation. "Humanity" gave me more kicks than coppers, and I do not blame Mr. Aber, the medium; for demanding cash down, It is a business-like method which excludes sentiment from the seance-room; or, leaves her, like the Christian young woman, clinging to the "Rock of Ages" in mid-odean, slilvering

in her chemise.

My friends at Spring Hill misapprehend the purport of my kindly-meant challenge to Spiritualists " for 'debate.' Many times Spiritualists have reminded; should give my experience in this Spirme, when I have called for what Spring | itual gift of healings! As I am a lover of Hill generously offers, that debate is argument, not experiment. Yet, unconvinced. I continued to think that experiment, demonstration, fact is the best "argument," like a chemist's." In my pleasant debate with Dr. N. F. Ravlin, in Los Angeles, I called for the concrete instead of the abstract. We were promised that the next night a demonstration would be given by a medfull, "but a pressing engagement called her out of the city before twilight, and we were left to grope in darkness. Dr. Ravlin, dear, good man that he is, did his part

Mr. Schellhous assures us that spirits 'come down the shining way," in great numbers," and so convincing are the phenomena "that no one who has visited them has gone away with the least

That is sweeping and decisive. It is better than all the preaching on earth, which begins with assumption and ends with inference. Now, permit me to suggest that the Spiritualist campmeetings and societies should engage Mr. Aber, the medium, and if we should have debates, I will be glad, and I believe the patient public will be, to have Mr. Aber's "ample proof" presented as part of the Spiritualist's argument, for "he goes into the cabinet, without, a thread of white clothing on him, and from 20 to 50 forms come out, the females who are recognized, in dazzling white, and the males, also recognized in white shirt fronts and collars. They talk, write, and draw portraits that are recognized by the circle. Here is a

chance for Mr. Jamleson." Yes, and for the whole human race. The spirits, hve are condidly told, 'come in great numbers;" give "most ample proof;" no one-goes-away from their presence with the "least doubt." Surely, the "shining way" does not end, let us all hope, at Spring Hill. That is a small part of this globe. Let the light flood the whole earth. It is it long distance from Michigan to Kansas, Had I the spiritual gift of Mr. Aber I would be willing to travel; could I have men and women visit me fin great numbers;" men and women supposed to have been long dead, and who would so unmistakably prove their presence that, in no case, would there remain the least doubt in the mind of the visitor -well, I would not stay in Spring Hill all the time.

Where is your N. S. A.? Why should it not take hold of this matter and let "infinite intelligence," which is not doing a thing to answer the heart-cry of humanity for knowledge of our future destiny, subside into that state of innocuous desuetude which seems so becoming

Yes, I will read "Rending the Vail," for I believe in investigation; but for several months I have been reading and he slew himself. studying "Christian Science," which necessitates a careful perusal of "Science and Health, with Key to the Scrip- if he has not benefited them. This tures," by Mary Baker Eddy, Do would make the healer more consistent you Spiritualists realize that the Chris- and also make him-devote more time to her sister who was in Seattle, Wash., tian Scientists are capturing Spiritual- his patient. It would bring a more lofty | 3,000 miles away, saying, "You thought ists by the hundred?

I admit they are gaining many from | for suffering humanity, and less love for the ranks of the Materialists, also; so | greed. One with more of the spirit of we cannot afford to laugh at each other. Let me say, then, that in my opinion, Where the patient must trust every-It is the duty of Spiritualists to avail thing to his healer, this would at least to demonstrate, beyond all doubt, that sick and sorrowing. istence, and like a cyclone it will crush

this coming spiritual storm. You Spiritualists are too trifling over the great questions of life, death, destiny. Your public tests are puerile, as a rule; your materializations are coarsely | the pure, honest, self-denying and lovbedaubed with paint, false hair and too much darkness, just enough light to show the spangles on the garments of celestial visitors!

You may denounce me for telling you unpalatable truth, and even go so far as to question my honesty-but all that does not lift your spiritual charlot one inch out of the mire.

I have been hoping for years, even wishing, that you could really prove, beyoud all question, without the "least doubt" that those the world term dead live and communicate with the inhab-

If you have a medium at Spring Hill that fills the measure, you are the ones to bring him before the world, and the world will bless you in return, and will give you, not grudging but hearty support, in every sense - The very fact that a million people rally round the standard of Christian Science proves to me that your Spiritualism is not much better, if any, than my cold, clay-clod Materialism. The seances which Lhave attended were nothing but "Punch-and-Judy" spiritual shows, and when crowned with a fog-horn salute from celestial shores the acme of manity was

successfully scaled.

That poor invalid, Mollie Fancher, lying in physical darkness, lias done more to give us a glimpse of a life to come than all the dark-circle toggery ever invented to cheat wonder-mongers. Petersilea, I think, is right in saying, "very little materializing would be found in the world" if scientifically investigated. Thousands of thinking Spiritualists have the same conviction. Because I speak my mind about these things it does not follow-that I bear any ill will to the Spiritualists personally. I have for them nothing but good will.

would soon deplete the sender's electric force unless he thoroughly understands My wife, one of the best, truest women on earth, is a Spiritualist and a methe law of electric supply and demand so that he at will, can renew his own dium. We recognize each other's right force. The allwise Creator has proto think as we must I became, acquainted with her while I was conductvided for this in his natural gifts-sun, ing one debate with a Spiritualist and | sir and water and when we understand | Price \$1. For sale at this office.

one with a Christian, in Cincinnati, she | nature's law we can renew our electric | attending all the sessions. She has and spiritual forces at will. The result given me tests for which my material- of years of experimental investigation istic philosophy cannot account. But and study of cause and effect shows my philosophy is so hatd headed that it | that there are electrically but two diswill not yield to proofs to satisfying to eases, either positive or negative. Too others. I really believe it would de- much circulatory excitement, causing light her heart M. like Paul of old, I pain and fever-Positive disease. Too should have a heavenly vision "at mid- poor or too little circulation, hence day" "above the boightness of the sun, sluggishness, decomposition or paralysis knocking me flat, without seriously —Negative disease.

ophy of electric and spiritual vibrations, Well, my first wife was also a Spirit- it will appear to the thinking mind how ualist, so I am a kind of brother-in-law reasonable and how easy it is for the spirit to bring the health vibrations of I know there is much that is good in the sender into harmony with the waitthis philosophy, but I donot think that | ing and expectant patient. The best the movement possesses the grandeur, method is to have a private sitting. the dignity, the sublimity it had in the near a small individual cabinet, with early days of A. J. Davis, Judge Ed- | each patient; in a subdued light just as monds, Prof. Hare, William Denton, you would in preparing for any spiritual Joel Tiffany, Emina Hardinge, Lizzie | manifestation, but the one you are to sit with and treat may be a thousand or I observe that Clara Watson, one of | more miles away. Then the healer is your ablest correspondents, has a let- to project his own electro-spiritual vi, an editor of a leading daily, and a pro: "The work is not written by the meter which merits consideration. I will | brations to the waiting patient, and give reply to it next week, thanking her in him a thorough treatment in the spirit, He says: . the same as if he were in your office or with you personally. Treat the patient from fifteen to, thirty minutes. You should meet these patients three times per week, say, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, beginning at 7 p. m., and continue until all are treated. I never treat more than three in one hour. I make these sittings with my patients | osophic, religious, theologic and occult spirit communication. Swedenborg, sacred and allow nothing to disturb me until I have finished the treatment of all on my case-book. You should 'reserve the right to set the time for all patients and expect them to be just as prompt and honest with you as you only that of the spectators to ask ques- ties and is printed as given. One reshould be with them, if they expect to | tions. receive the benefit desired.

When we stop to consider the philos-

This is a good and holy work which any one can do, if they will prepare their spiritual mind for it. I look on the gift of healing as the hest gift of the spirits, but to develop the spirit-man to receive this heavenly gift, we must think nothing but pure and loving thoughts for all mankind-we must have a great desire in our hearts to do good, to heal the wounds of this life when we see or hear of suffering, send thoughts of compassion and strength to all and without price. When a beginner has thoroughly mastered the full meaning of the above instruction, he should be ready to sit for development. .. Sit alone in the twilight, thoughtfully and

prayerfully. Yes I believe in prayer. Pray to the Creator of all good and to esty of purpose and the power to help others to get rid of or to bear their burdens of affliction and sorrow. Ask for this unselfishly and you shall receive. Then single out some one who is poor and sick and make them a special patient of yours. Ask the angel forces to draw near and assist you in treating this one and if you will be persistent in your work you will soon be made glad by seeing an improvement and finally a cure. Do not let this patient or any one else know what you are doing, keep the development and the work between yourself and angel helpers until you are in the full vigor of your gift. Do all the good you can in secret at first, then you will be rewarded by success openly, if you will be patient and true. Then you can take patients for pay, as the labor is worth the hire.

would like to have answered. It will give me pleasure to assist anyone and to freely answer any and all questions in regard to this Heaven's best gift, but please remember to enclose stamp for

E. M. HARRISON, M. D. Ph. D. No 26 D. 39th street, Chicago.

Psychic Experiences.

I want to tell the friends of the psychic experiences of one of our good sisters of the Independent church, Mrs. ago. She has a sister she has not seen for seventeen years, and had not heard bers of the family thought she must be dead, but Mrs. K. gould not so believe, so she determined to find out. Last February, while alone, she got the sister's picture and concentrated her mind upon the sister, with the earnest desire to know in which sphere she was, and for half an hour she earnestly sought; remember it well, "Love brings love and then she saw her sister's face plainly, hate brings hate." Beware of the exand said: "You are yet with us," and ample of Samson, in slaying his enemies heard the response, "Yes." But she got no further news of her.

Then in March she also made the ef-An honest healer will not hesitate to fort to find her. Her hand was made to refund the money to his absent patients move as though traveling a long distance. In June she got a letter from and spiritual force, one with more love I was dead," etc.

Mrs. K. thinks her effort mentally reached her sister and caused her -to

She had another sister who is in the Salvation Army; she was 18 miles away. themselves of every mediumistic means be honest and commend itself to the | She made a date by letter with her to sit at a certain hour and she from her human beings called dead actually do | Having ever since childhood made the | home here saw her sister take her seat communicate with people on earth. If occult cause of disease and its esoteric with a look on her face that said, it's all you do not do this, Christian Science is cure a study, and from this long thought useless; but she touched her on the arm and study I know there is an electro- and shoulder and the sister recognized spiritual force that is as yet little under- her presence. At another appointed creeded Christianity. I confess that my stood or demonstrated except by the time her sister wrote, "I knew you Materialism will get badly battered in | Master, whose power far excelled all | were here, and others, but I did others, and yet he stated that if we know who." Mrs. K. wrote and told would only hear his words and do them. | who the spirit friends were that were greater things could we do. But the there, and on which side of her each one fault is ours, we are not willing to live was. Then the sister wrote, confessing "there is something in it."

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