

		Logic-A. J. Weaver, A. B.	ing right in the dense woods of Wash-	No more a terror of the tomb,	their benefit your own wishes; to love	his energy in every direction, so we	can clanadulence, the soul sense of
	This fact is one thing that has pre-	Psychic Lessons and Class Sittings	ington. The Progressive Thinker of		your neighbor as yourself; to forgive	should not lessen our dillgence but take	touch we call psychometry. Certain
	vented scientists from discovering what	for Development, under direction of	course was a guest there. Spiritualism	For lo! the veil is rent in twain			persons are intuitively endowed with
	their own theory of the origin of things	spirit guides-Mattle E. Hull.	was their light and guide in all the	And I have found my lost again.	your enemies; to restrain your passions;	up and carry out whatever thought or plan of work we can feel to be helpful	these soul senses-such persons we call
	would have led them to discover had	Juvenile Department, to be supplied.	affairs of life. The little son Clarence	Since that blessed day when the beau-	to honor your parents; to respect those	in changing public sentiment or to crip-	mediums, or psychics. Many mediums
1.1	they reasoned from the correct stand-		was the one whom I was called upon to	tiful light first shone upon me, nothing	who are set over you; these, and a few	ple our common foe, that hesitates not	are endowed with all three of these
	point. They can see, or think they see,		christen for the birth into the new life.		others, are the sole essentials of morals;		gifts or developments. They are clair-
	man die. They have seen enough of de-				but they have been known for thou-	to polson our youth with deadly	voyants, clairaudients and psychom-
	cay to know that decayed animal mat-	EXPENSES.	What I am to tell seemed at the time		sands of years, and not one jot or tittle	cigarettes, or to rob our brothers and	etrists.
	ter is assimilated by the vegetable	Tuition for the term	almost impossible, but viewed with my		has been added to them by all the ser-	sons not only of their money and mor-	These gifts are so closely interrelated.
	kingdom. So far as they can see they			often is by its professed advocates. This	mons, homilies, and text-books which	als, but of that brightest and best her-	and their exercise is so interblended
			ent with our "wisdom religion."	truth ought to be purifying and en-	moralists and theologians have been	itage, clear and unclouded reasoning	
	are correct; it is what they cannot see		I arrived at Bothel about 11 a. m., in	nobling in its effects and lift its pos-	able to produce."	faculties. When we can cripple the	that the question of separating the
	that causes them to blunder, not know-		company with a married daughter, who	sessor up into a purer atmosphere.	And in a note he refers to numerous	business of manufacturing by lessening	practice of clairvoyance from that of
		per week\$3.00 to 4.00	brought with her three beautiful pieces	Mediums especially ought to realize	works of distinguished authors for evi-	the demands made for intoxicants, we	other spiritual gifts would hardly be
	could lead them to a solution of occult	Cottages or rooms for self-boarding	of perfectly arranged flowers for her			will drive the manufacturers into other	practical." Hence, the term clairvoyant,
	mystery.	at small expense,		who has passed from the night of hope-	dence of the knowledge of moral truths		as it is generally understood, takes a
	But they have done what they could.	Cost of books from \$1.50 to \$4.00.	four years and six months of earthly		possessed by barbarous nations, inde-	and more profitable lines of work. This	broader meaning than the simple sense
1.	I am not finding fault for what they		life.' About 12 o'clock I retired to the		pendently of Christianity, and for the	we should do by training our young	of spiritual vision.
	have discovered. In all the discoveries		privacy of my room to seek that quiet		most part previous to its promulgation.	men to favor a public sentiment that	These trance mediums generally pos-
		atudente for thinking writing public	milich if almore require a short time	make then knowledge of mediumship a	I quote further from volume II.,	will look at the whole business of in-	sess more or less of this clairvoyant vis-
· .	atmated on those principles has been as	students for unuking, writing, public	which I always require a short time	matter of trame, 1 and sure no good	page 112:	temperance, from the wholesale dealer	
×	structed on those principles has been so	speaking and mediumsnip. The school	before the services, which were to be	was ever accomplished by parading	"The only remedy for superstition is	to the bestial bot, as a class that belongs	ion coupled with other phases of me-
	perfect that some one could not improve	was founded in the hopes of encourag-	at one. I sat down upon the edge of the	one's powers before a scotting and	knowledge. Nothing else can wipe out	in the ignorant, immoral and lowest	diumship. In many instances that term
			bed and was looking through the Bible,		that plague spot of the human mind.	plane of society, while true culture, true	could be used to prevent trance me-
	mechanism, So philosophers have	our workers. It is desirable that our	which I frequently use in orthodox com-	of a trained-bear show at a country fair.	Without it the leper remains unwashed,	worth and high unselfish motives are	diums from filling their appointments.
1.	studied and made improvements upon,	speakers and writers be at least well	munities to show close relationship be-	There has been altogether too much of	and the slave unfreed. It is to a	a part of the very nature of our grand-	At least the opposers of Spiritualism, in
			tween the Spiritualism of ancient time			est men and women.	the absence of better arguments could
	decessors until there has been one who	grammatical construction of our lan-	and that of to-day. As usual I was	it be discountenanced by all true Spirit-	ano nicuge of the land and relations of	We can look back and see that a great	make some of our ordained ministers
	could be sufficiently aided by them to be	guage. so as to be able to clothe their	making myself receptive to an impres-	nalists.	things, that European civilization is ow-	change has been made through educa-	much trouble and expense.
			sion. Suddenly through the door a little		ing; but is precisely this in which Spain	enange man been made through cudet	Medical clairvoyance, is a term we ap-
	Sniritualistic and other phenomena, to	done there are many among the edu-	shadowy form came, and walking to the	calling sacred and and act percerdingly	has arnajo been denerent. And until	tion and legislation, but the present out-	
2	solve a problem for humanity that has	done there are many among the cut	side of the bed sat down beside me; in-	should not be an auroged for a memory	that denereded is remound, until bei		ply to mediums who see and describe
	wet to be given to the world But I am	trant from identifying themselves with	side of the bed sat down beside me, m-	Should not be encouraged for a moment.	ence, with her bold and inquisitive		things not visible to the physical eye.
		kept from identifying themselves with	stantly the little hands became clear.		spirit, has established her right to in-	Frank	Such seem to see and describe diseased
	anticipating.	us.	and distinct and rapidly began to fly		vestigate all subjects, after her own	and main, the better to succeed.	physical organs, and frequently pre-
1			through the leaves. I followed them		fashion, and according to her own	I have in mind another as yet, un-	scribe remedies, regardless of the dis-
• :	stances or elements unite that have an	only about nine weeks, but enough can	until I heard the words, "Three leaves	also.	method, we may be assured that in	written law, not of punishment for the	tance between the clairaudient and the
1.	affinity or the property of assimilation,	be gained to give one a start in the	more;" then I turned slowly and opened	How many Spiritualists find in their	Spain, neither literature, nor universi-	transgressor, but encouragement to the	patient. Here, we have interblended,
			at a page and the hands pointed to the			youth to restrain them from trans-	the power to prescribe with the power
			sentence, "God is a spirit." The little		ties, nor legislators, nor reformers of	gressing the law. We do not like the	to see. This is often done when the me-
1.4	homely demonstration will prove this		form then faded away, and as usual		and and an ever be able to rebeue the	harsh but well-meaning law the father	dium is supposedly in an unconscious
	to all who know that alkali and grease,		with clairvoyant visions it grew dim in	that will not make its possesson better	poor a chart active that bearbaced		condition. Many of the mediums and
		but special work cannot be done suc-	my mind, and I objectively doubted the	is not worth a straw If if will make its	condition into which the course of	might give forth to his son, saying, I	speakers of Spiritualism, some of whom
17	proper conditions will produce coan	angefully hy most of nearly arount hy	fact of a four-year-old boy selecting his	nonnegen hetter it mill mate the mold	affairs has plunged them."	will whip you within an inch of your	are pastors of churches, speak while in
÷.,	And wight horo lot me say that I am	most of Boonlo arount by special adu	fact of a four-year-old boy selecting his	possessor better it will make the world		life if I find you smoking and drinking;	an unconscious trance.
			own funeral text, so mechanically I be-		torian says, in volume I., page 199:	but we like the loving mother's way of	
	putting my language in the plainest	special education.	gan once more to turn the pages, when	feeding the hungry and lifting up the	"Every great reform which has been	pointing out the difference between	From this it will appear that the ex-
2.4	gard 1 know, because I want all to un-	Mediumship is an education to a	a sense of impatience greater than I	fallen in the naunts of shame? Is it	effected has consisted, not in doing	right and wrong, of her stronghold of	ercise of spiritual gifts is so closely
1			could stand came over me. I wanted to		competiting now but in undaing come	affection that wins the regard of the	allied to clairvoyance that to prohibit
30	hend the plainest terms, but the un-	but many workers are not mediums,	throw the Bible at some one, my own	houses of refuge and the homes for the	thing old."	child and makes him love to do right	the practice of clairvoyance would sup-
			head probably, reasoning in the light of		thing old.	if only for his mother's sake.	press other mediumship to a very great
	ities.		subsequent revealments. Suddenly the		But alas! the task of repealing bad	I know of one mother who found her	extent, and would thus encroach upon
	-The combinations and re-combina-		voice of my Teacher spoke: "Has he not		laws is quite hopeless. For every one	son of seventeen was smoking, offered	the religious rights and privileges of a
÷ .	tions of chemical substances have pro-		given you enough?" Then I heard,		repealed, many more, equally mischiev-		large body of people, who rely upon the
	duced many wonderful results. But in	Aside from aiding us in our more for	"God is a spirit," and turning to the	much hotton than Chulationity on la	ous, are enacted. Thus government	him a nice present if he would not use	manifestations of mediumship to de-
		Sniwituoliem our philosophy domanda	concordance (for T had not notice?	alaimed why not more than the as is	goes on from bad to worse, until over-	tobacco until he was twenty-one years	
	with lifelose matter Naturals labora	the aultivation of the intellectual	concordance (for I had not noticed	chaimed, why not prove it to the world	thrown and succeeded by a new and	old. That boy threw away his tobacco	monstrate the continuity of life beyond
			where the passage was) I found it was		generally a better form.	and was ever afterward a temperance	the change called death.
1	tory deals in vital substances in a way	well as the moral nature, because we	in the fourth chapter of John, twenty-	earnest, seir-sacrificing souls to take the	Up to thirty years ago I used to see	boy and man.	The gift of spiritual sight is as nat-
·	that denes man's imitation, but what	take with us into the spirit world our	fourth verse. Closing the book and feel-	light and truth of Spiritualism into the	at the bond of Dials & Direct Congress	Following along from these facts I	ural to some persons as is physical sight
	wonderful lessons can be learned! It is	illiteracy and ignorance, and these are	ing perfectly at peace, I went down to	haunts of vice, and crime and misery,	sional Globe this motto: "The world is	have asked many boys if they would	to others. You might as well attempt
	a most interesting study to follow na-	liable to be a hindrance to us in our	the room where had assembled the	and prove to the world that it has the	governed too much " That Jeffersonian	think it any inducement to be temper-	
Se .	ture in these combinations of elements	prograss Write for further informa-	friends and noighbors to liston to the	nomen to lift the follon and vales the	Borernen too much. Inte venersonian	at if he as delate the most of be temper-	his physical aves as to try to attempt

ture in these combinations of elements, from the lowest organisms of the animal and vegetable kingdoms to the highest.

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If the lowest organism in the vegetable kingdom was composed of but two elements, that combination would produce a third substance or organism, which would by its development in growth throw off some invisible part that would unite with still other elements in nature to produce a more complex organism.

I cannot hope to thoroughly demon strate all the processes that accompany organic development. The idea I wish to impress is, that every advanced organism is composed by some of the elements which have been components of lower or less complicated organisms The change we call decay may throw off unseen elements that unite with other existing elements to produce a new organism, because nature's elements are ever active. It is this action or expression that accompanies all de velopment that has caused the great stumbling-block for scientists. The growth of the plant is its action result ing from combinations of elements, and the action resulting from this assimilation is attributed to a Supreme intelligence, an Intelligent energy, etc. It looks like intelligence to see 'the

vine reaching out for a support and always twining around in a certain direction when it reaches it, but it is an unconscious intelligence, and its action is only a small part of the more stupendous ones in the universe, but in correspondence with it.

Conscious intelligence is not produced until brain organism is developed in the animal kingdom. Those sympathetic beings who claim that every plant, and even a blade of grass has a soul are only wasting their sympathies if they think them conscious of injuries. Injury results from wounds, but it is only because its development has been arrested.

As brain matter increases in size and the number of its organs, as well as in the quality of its composition, intelligence increases. It is this which makes man superior to the "lower animals." but there is so much in common betwoon man and animals that it lad Day have once been in mortal life. It is

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would do if he had the physical ca pacity. Man is always reaching out. striving for betterment, and why? Because there is an element or elements that have not found their highest affinities. We are lacking something to make us perfect, just as the potato vine in the cellar lacks the elements necessary to its perfect development, and is reaching to light and warmth for them. It is this lack in our make-up that makes us dread death and wish to live forever. If there were not elements in nature that can combine with these striving ones within us, to produce a more perfect creature, there would be no such desires.

Now we can see where scientists made their blunder. If nature in her evolutionary processes can produce such an intelligence as man, who can discover and use as many of her forces and principles as man has, we can rest assured that nature never stopped in this evolutionary process until she produced a perfect intelligence-one that can understand and use all her principles that are necessary for the well being of that intelligence.

To use the plainest terms possible everything in nature relating to the vegetable and animal kingdoms has been produced by- the growth and death-so-called. In this process brain power or intelligence has so developed that when it is separated from animal part, as we find it in mankind. through the change called death, the elements composing that intelligence can then unite with still higher elements in nature to produce the perfect intelligence. It is the new birth and we have attained to the knowledge that makes us free.

This fact solves all the mystery o miracle. All phenomena that have intelligence back of them-and I mean by that all phenomena that are not produced by the unconscious motions of nature-have been produced by those who

funeral service. ish voice say, "Don't touch them pretty flowers." I was dumfounded and tried again, and as I looked at them in all

their perfect beauty I saw that by plucking one I would spoil the contour. Such a wave swept over me! I could no more have touched those flowers than I could have struck a baby face. grandmother, and as we went out into overhead, and occasionally a glimpse of the deep blue sky beyond, such a meswas as it should be, a glorious uplifting; and the same sweet happiness came for the moment which we feel the first time in its mother's arms.

sequel: The father said that "Clarence" had been the most positive and determtouched unless he gave permission; and upon one occasion when the elders had not obeyed his kingly spirit, he said: I am going to die and go to God." After an admonition from his mother, the sis-

ter asked, "What is God, Clarence?" a spirit."

friends and neighbors to listen to the power to lift the fallen and raise the "strangest of all things," a Spiritualists' | degraded. It surely has this power when in a spirit of love-it is presented All went well, and I felt wonderfully as it should be. Every one upon whom at home, talking of God, the spirit | the light of truth has shown ought to within, until I turned to select some be conscious of an inner-a "saving flowers to give to the loved ones remain- power" that will keep its possessor ing, as is my custom, telling by the aid | from evil and all that degrades or mars of my Teacher the condition of the the spiritual nature-yes, or the physispirit, when, as I started to break a cal either. The light has shown very rosebud (symbolical as I thought of the | dimly indeed upon all who have not young life) from the little pillow, I learned that there is d wide difference heard clairaudiently a high treble child- between spiritism and Spiritualism. I think we all agree that a great many

church members will be bitterly disappointed when they pass out of the flesh, and it strikes me that a great many Spiritualists will be disappointed too. It might be well for us to pause and try and see ourselves as we shall be seen later on; well to try and dis-The little boy was laid away close to cover the true nature of the seed we are the house, side by side with the aged | daily sowing for the reaping by and by. of Wm. H. Burr's article in The Pro-The greatest sermon you and I can gressive Thinker. I cannot understand black shred of mourning, it seemed as It is small use to talk beautifully, if we sonal God, in the divinity of Christ, in of sadly sweet pleasure. At the side of sneer at Christianity and its adherents authenticity of the Bible." the casket, with the white fleecy clouds and boastingly assert that we have

any the less black for that? when a dearly welcome baby is laid for | and forward the cause of truth and right and for this purpose the spiritual lunch was served. I told them clearly | extent. There has been too little stress. was his was his alone, and must not be fully cultivate their own spiritual powers will not need to run after fake me- entity which you term Infinite Intellidiums, neither will, they desire the gence," said Mr. Marsh, "I would rather "You will be sorry you did not do it, for | find something vastly more satisfactory | the God we have." themselves.

Every one who faithfully lives up to the light he has will soon learn to recog-The little four-year-old replied, "God is | nize a voice within warning, and guiding to higher planes of spiritual unfold-Already my letter has grown too long | ment, and if this voice be carefully and I shall have to omit some very in- heeded always its possessor will soon teresting occurrences in the service of learn not only what inspiration means Ifallows a minister for thinty money | tot also what it is to commune with

doctrine has now become obsolete. Our nation is fast becoming an empire, and like all empires of the past, it will have its decline and fall. "Government in its best estate," said Thomas Paine, "is but a necessary evil." And as Geo. E. Macdonald facetiously remarked in one of his "Observations" in the Truth Seeker. "Governments are instituted among men to abridge human liberty." 'To that aphorism let me add: Governments are perpetuated to strengthen the strong and weaken the weak.

And as regards Ethics, I think that our wisest philosophers are coming to the conclusion that it is not a science, but only a conventional system.

## A READER'S BLUNDER.

A reader of The Progressive Thinker | bonors, and only a few can obtain them; at Gibson. Pa., writes to a friend in in this contest every boy (if we could Washington, D. C.: "What do you think | make this a law) who can show a good moral character, and that he is not addicted to the use of tobacco or alcoholic the yard, all bareheaded, with not one preach is contained in our daily lives. him when he says 'I believe in a per- drinks, may receive a fixed sum of money and a medal as a reward for though we were bent upon some errand act badly. It is worse than useless to the Apostle's creed, and the substantial well doing, when he takes the freeman's

oath. I believe this would do much The writer refers to an article in The more for our boys than anything we something better unless we prove it by Progressive Thinker of November 3, have ever done. Our nation believes in our actions. If the pot call the kettle 1900, headed "Various Views of the honoring great men for daring deeds sage was given me that it seemed death black, and the kettle twit back, is it N. S. A. A Condensed Resume of The and noble work in every cause; monu-Progressive Thinker's Symposium." As ments are erected for the dead, eulogies, Wise heads and brave, strong, pure a pastime I condensed the various views | loving cups and medals are freely given souls are needed to battle against wrong printed, at length in a previous issue, to the living, and every town and hamforty in number. I gave no names, but | let is wide awake to catch the news and numbered them from 1 to 10. Number | bear it on to eager listeners when a Returning to the house, where a light | nature should be cultivated to its fullest | 14 was by Luther R. Marsh, an aged | man like Dewey has become noted. retired lawyer, whom I personally knew | ask that our little men may receive honwhat I have told you, and this is the laid upon this subject. The spirit within | and for whom I have a high esteem. | ors, we do not know how many more ought to be our guide, rather than some | But his theological views I have long | grand men we may have if we encourdeparted spirit that may not have risen | since discarded. I did not sign my | age our boys in the right manner. We lned child they had out of a family of to the height and strength we may at- name to the "Condensed Resume," but | certainly should do everything in our eleven. Autocratic in all things, what | tain to even here. Those who will faith- the editor nevertheless attached it power to build up and strengthen. thereto. "This new God, this neuter | rather than to tear down and demolish. I would have the State pay this sum instead of towns. The State can afford startling and sensational, for they will call infinite folly. I am content with large appropriations for fish, game, schools, roads and various other things: W. H. BURR. are not our boys of more consequence

than any of these? Are not the laws remember that our daily lives are testifying for or against the cause we advocate. If I could say but one thing more quences of fiery drink? Of what use to you in this world it would be: My are school appropriations to that boy friends, come up higher. whose nerves are shattered and brain Bethel, Vt. MRS. I. L. LEWIS.

ate if by so doing they would receive a prize at twenty-one. You should see their eyes brighten with a new thought. a new impulse for right doing, and the invariable question. Is there such a law as that? I had to say no, but I hoped there would be one before they were of age; that we were working for it, and meant to succeed. I know of two who were just beginning to use cigarettes, who quit their use.

There are few parents high or low that would not encourage their boys to work for a prize, whether of money or medal, or both. Money with some would be a greater incentive, a medal would be a certificate for any young man to enable him to obtain a position

protecting fish and game for us to eat.

of less value than laws-which would

protect our youth from the evil conse-

of trust. We have school and college

Our association will gladly co-operate in any legitimate effort for the protection of the people; but, in the name of the New York Association of Spiritualists, we protest against this bill which would crush out legitimate clairvoyance, which is as sacred to us as was the clairvoyance of Jesus and the Apostles to the primitive Christian Ohurch.

Finally, on behalf of our association, chartered religious body, and of the Spiritualists of this State, we oppose this proposed legislation.

1. Because it would be an infringement upon medical liberty, and deprive a large number of people from availing themselves of what they believe to be the best and most efficient means of diagnosing disease and healing the sick. 2. Because it would be an unnecessary and unwarranted infringement upon the religious rites of the Spiritualists of this State, and would likely result in the persecution of honest and pure-minded persons, inflicting serious injustice upon them.

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his physical eyes, as to try to attempt to prevent a natural clairvoyant from seeing clairvoyantly.

To see clairvoyantly is to practice clairvoyance as much as to see with the physical eyes is to practice seeing. You cannot prohibit clairvoyance; at best you can only prohibit such from telling what they see.

Religious persecutions of past ages tell the sad tale of attempts to suppress spiritual gifts by the right arm of legal

authority. It will be a mistake to turn the wheels of the car of progress backwards and begin a new era of persecution. The enacting of this bill into law, and the enfocing of that law will be a long step in that direction.

.We are opposed to any and all forms of fraud and deception that may be practiced under cover of clairvoyance and mediumship, but in our opinion the statutes against fraud and fortune-telling are ample protection when properly enforced. But should it be deemed wise to enact more stringent laws to that end we will not object.

	tween man and animals that it led Dar-	simply the new of the new of the		but also what it is to commune with		clouded by the use of cigarettes or in-	W. H. RIOHARDSON,
	win to suppose that man descended	simply the power they possess over na-	and lately a seeker after truth, and our	those departed who, are on a much		toxicating drink? Are the extra-	Treasurer New York State Association
	from (or ascended, which is it) a certain	ture's forces to do anything they choose.	brother Mr. Hatton, who had the com-		Beware! Beware!	amounts given for road-making of more	of Spiritualists.
	species of animal.	Their motive for all these manifesta-		We should at all times maintain our		value than the people who pass over	
	Man never could have existed had it	tions that have been given to the world				them and who take no cognizance of	***************************************
	not been for the lower animals, any	since we have any history of mankind	son, a young soul bright with earthly	and strong and reliable as mossible. It	the College of Fine Forces, who pro-	them when they have passed into that	small fortune in corousols during his
	more than there could have been trees		life, and taking through our glorious	seems to me very doubtful if any real	fesses to be an agent of our college, and	stupor which destroys mind and body?	minority
	- before the lowest organisms of the veg-		thought the new life upon himself with	good ever came from vielding the will	who is going around, charging and re-	Let us look deeply into this subject and	Friends of temperance and readers of
	etable kingdom, but it does not depend	ture articles should there be a demand	strong determination to do as well in it	completely to the control of another	ceiving an enormous price for teaching	see if it is not practical, and if we can-	The Progressive Thinker give us your
	upon improvement by cultivating cer-	for them. AMERICA B. COOPER.	as he had done in this life.	either in the flesh or out of it. Snirit-	a nart our system under the promise	not bring one more point to overthrow	views on this subject
	tain selections of the species. The ele-	Irvington, Ind.		unlists of all people anglit to be a people	that that shall receive our diplome	this terrible curse that is everywhere	Lincoln, Vt. PHEBE HATCH.
18.20	ments of which man is composed had		that their work was being well done-	of high ideals. Of all people they	Taring received the money he floor to	in our fair land	MILCON, TU THEDE HATCH
	to be developed by combinations and	No single particle of matter, however	more than by the bedside of the sick	should know the value of purity and	neutring received the money, he nees to	I believe parents, friends of children,	We hold it for a fundamental and un-
		minute can be destroyed It may	dving and dead showing our complete	right living and right thinking. One	Dr Nordlinger cloims Sweden as his		deniable truth that religion, or the duty.
	to flesh development.	change shape and locality but will ro	realization of the new birth. The light:	who has been many veers in snirit life	nettro land		
4		appear in some other form or place	and continued growth that my loving	once sold to me: "Insulation comes not	An Institution has been established in	State shall pay every boy when taking	which we owe to our creator, and the
- Anno Anno	clearer by saving that as each new ele-	while eternity endures A philosophical	Teachers and Guides give me in this	to those absorbed in wif-indulgence"	Fanbag with the name of Collage of	the freeman's oath \$100, or more, and	
	ment has been produced, it has found	maxim.	work I cannot be too grateful for, and	and he might have mided with equal	Fine Enroes and another in Canada	a model swapland he say weed and multe	ed only by reason and conviction, not
	its affinity in still higher elements in		only wish that all the mourning world	truth: Neither is a high form of me-	called College of the Finer Forces T	and can show that he is of good moral	by force or violenceJames Madison.
	hature that, before, there' was no	The priests discovered that a peasant	might have the same fountain of ever-	diumshin developed by that class.	sneak of this so that they may not he	character and does not use tobacco in	Four hostile news papers are more to
	affinity for.	girl who, lived in Palestine was the	lasting life from which to draw		mistaken for the original Institution	any form or make use of intoxicating.	be feared than a thousand bayonets
	It is an interesting point to note the	mother of God. This they proved by a	strength. Yours in truth,	lowers: "Whether therefore ye eat, or	which has been sending out its princi-	drinks.	Napoleon,
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	God," or in spirits will be useless unless	and then makes it the basis to justify	empty benches, slender collections and
211	we "keep our powder dry."	the barbarism which I condem. He	the absence of people of intelligence
:	Having been a somewhat careful ob-	knew, or ought to have known, that I	from public gatherings are not argu-
	server of the Spiritualistic movement	used the term Imperialism in its usual	ments of sufficient strength to induce
<: .	from the very beginning, I have had the	sense of personal government as dis-	the kind-hearted members to remove
	opportunity of personally witnessing	tinguished from constitutional or popu-	them from the prominence that is work-
17.1	the result of trusting in spirits, as no	lar government, and, hence, all his criti-	ing ill to their cause. Rather than of-
	one person now living has done. It	cism of me was nothing but a pure mis-	
1.1	would more than fill the entire eight	representation.	fend those whose personalities are all
			too prominent from their positions as
	pages of The Progressive Thinker to	Does he wish to stand before the pub-	leaders, they will let the cause suffer.
	give even a partial sketch. Is Bro. Ven-	lic as a defender of the trusts as they	and our movement be trampled upon.
	ning familiar with the "Spear Move-	exist to-day? All careful thinkers are	Another type of the peculiars met me
v. 1	ment," with its mechanical Jesus-its	aware that the trust is the antagonist	a few weeks ago. He had been waiting
	tunneling into the earth to find the	of competition. That, in form, it is co-	to see me for months, he said, and pro-
1.	buried city of Klantone-the wreck of	operation; and, that in those respects,	ceeded to tell me of my many short-
	fortunes and of families, etc., etc.? Has	it is a teacher of the true method of so-	comings. I enjoyed his recital hugely.
	he read the story of Father Marble	cial economy. But they also know that	It does men good sometimes to see
	spending some ten to fifteen years drill-	the trust of to-day is a most perfect ex-	themselves as others perceive them.
	ing into the hard granite of High Rock	emplification of the old adage of "steal-	Some men ought to gaze into just such
	at Lynn, Mass., to find the Pirate's	ing the livery of heaven to serve the	a mirror for an hour or two every day
	Cave, and thus demonstrate the truth	devil in." The vast financial potencies	in order to learn what their fellow-
	of Spiritualism as Spear's co-workers	of the nation are combined in co-	men think of them. This friend revealed
	proposed to do at Kiantone? Or, of the	operative form to rob the many and en-	a portion of myself to myself with
	expedition, part starting from San	rich the few. The benefits flow to the	which I had never before been ac-
	Francisco and part from New York, to	money kings and not to the people. The	quainted, and he dilated upon some of
	establish the Kingdom of Heaven in	ability of the trust to cheapen produc-	my sins until the skies grew ashen grey
-	Central America? And of the Cocus	dion and 'extinguish competition com-	
	Island expedition fitted out under the	mends it to all true political economists,	above me, and the earth beneath my
	same inspiration? And, has he counted	while its purpose to concentrate all	feet seemed blackened, scorched by his
· · · ·	over the long list of medlums whose	wealth in few hands, and reduce the	righteous indignation over my foibles.
· • ·	bodies are to-day filling drunkards'	masses to hopeless servitude renders it	My chief offense was my opposition to
	graves? All this has come from trust-	the most abominable of all the reactions	war, and its erroneous cost in life,
	ing to, and being "controlled" by spirits.	of the 19th century.	health and money. "War was a neces-
	But the brother would perhaps object		sity," he said, and the man who op-
	that these were not "exalted spirits."	the people their own trust; or, in other	posed it was a traitor." It gave employ-
	If so, then we do not have any "exalted		ment to many men who would other-
- ·			wise be idle and helped to put money
S. "	spirits." I was well acquainted with	Providence Of The People," they would	into circulation." "Why," he exclaimed,
	Father Marble, the Hero of High Rock,		"don't you know that there haven't
	and have never known a more upright		been half so many tramps in the
1. 1.	and conscientious man. He devoted his	be exemplifying Spiritualism, instead	United States as there were before the
	life energies to the work of demonstrat-	of opposing and hindering its progress	Spanish and Philippine wars broke out?
1.5	ing the claims of Spiritualism. And in	as they are now doing. The worst ene-	Don't you see it proves war a good
·	that work he had the endorsement of		thing for mankind a spiritualizing
12.40	the mediumistic fraternity of the coun-	the loud-mouthed professors of the	force in society by taking the tramp out
17.5	try. Boston, at that time, was the great		of it?"
	center of Spiritualism. Leading Spirit-		He then told me of the messages the
	ualists and medlums were constant vis-	perialism, as usually understood, and	
2 345	itors, and High Rock, near by, was a	the Trusts, as they are, constitute a	spirits had given him, telling of the
	great attraction, and Father Marble as-	Unity. They mutually support each	righteousness of war, through which
	sured me that every medium who vis-	other. They both mean the same thing,	civilization and Spiritualism were to ad-
	ited there, or who was consulted by him.	the subjection of the masses to poverty.	vance togetherHe - didn't -say any-
	told him the same story and directed	and an enforced proletariat, and the ex-	thing about benevolent assimilation of
	him to go on. He did so, until the cold,	altation of the few to supreme power	the Filipinos, but he,did claim that war
	granite walls induced consumption and		was just what they needed in order to
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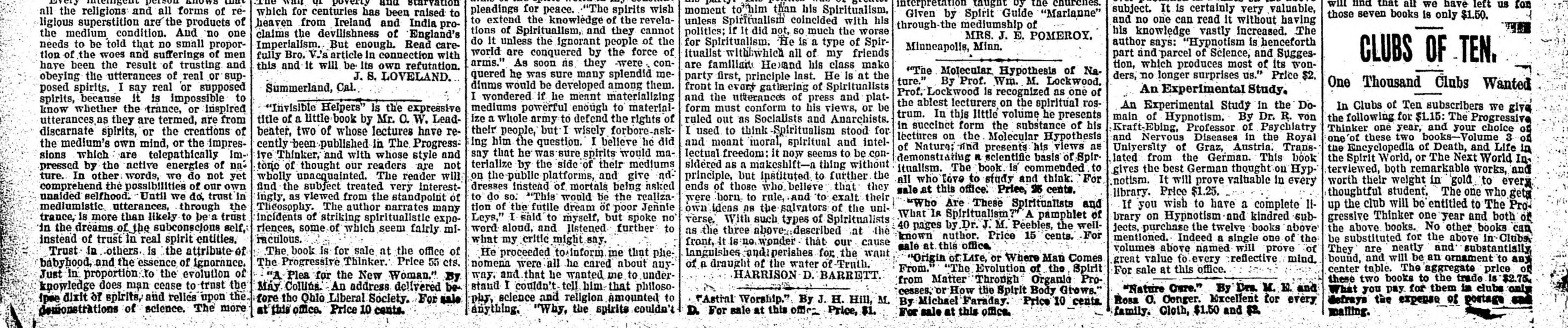
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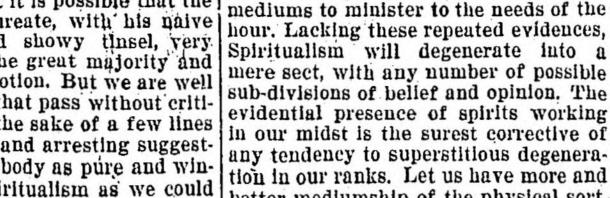
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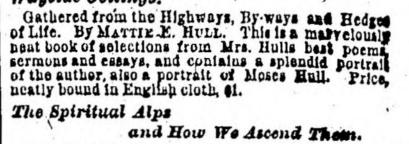
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certain woman was accused water was changed more frequently, Other persons deceased have since ap- witchcraft, at the first clamorings of nor are we aware that it would be a peared to the child, among them her the populace Colonel Buck ordered that sacrilege to mix with it some strong uncle, Eugene Burke, who was mur- she be imprisoned and later she was antiseptic solution. Again, at the dered on Second street about thirteen sentenced to be executed as a witch. The execution day came and the Ahmed Mosque of Constantinople there years ago by having his throat cut and his body thrown into the Ohio Canal. woman went to the gallows, cursing her is a small piece of the black stone Eugenia says that the murdered man judge with such terrible words that the appeared to her and told who his mur-people shuddered, but the magistrate derers were, but at the same time en- | was unmoved. All was ready and the joined secrecy on her part for the pres- | hangman was about to perform his duty ent, saying that it was not best to dis- when the woman turned to Colonel Buck, and raising one hand toward close too much just now.

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Buckport.

tion.' He was the highest in civil au-

thority and his word was law in the

was an out-and-out Puritan and to him

phemy. Thus, so the story goes, when

community in which he resided.

Still another relative whom the child heaven, she said: had never seen or heard talked of was "Jonathan Buck, listen to these accurately described.' The girl tells of words, the last my tongue shall utter. a number of robberies, committed in It is the spirit of the only living God Newark many years ago, the details of which bids me speak to you. You will which it would seem that she could not soon die and over your grave they will erect a stone that all may know the possibly learn.

Mrs. Glenn said to the Enquirer that spot where your bones lay and crumble when sitting in a dark room with her to dust.

"Upon that stone the imprint of my daughter showers of sparks can be seen dropping in the mother's lap, which foot shall appear, and for all time after Eugenia says is prophetic of some great your accursed race has vanished from gift that is to be bestowed upon Mrs. the earth will the people from far and Glenn. The father corroborates this near know that you murdered a assertion, and says that he has seen woman."

them himself.

She then turned to her executioners and another act transpired to make a

THE OCCULT.

part of American colonial history. The A healing power also came with the "witch's curse" had been almost forgift, and is now being used by Mrs. gotten until the monument was erected Glenn in several cases with great suc- to the founder of Bucksport. It had been in position hardly a

The child does not go into a trance, month when a faint outline was disbut the spirits appear in broad daylight. | covered on it. It grew more and more The process is, however, very exhaust- distinct until some person made the dising to her nervous system, and she has covery that it was the outline of a foot. been told by her deceased grandfather The old legend was revived.

to use her power sparingly until she is | They said that the "witch's curse" physically developed for a greater ex- had been fulfilled. An attempt was Arcise of it. Mrs. Glenn declares that made to remove the stain, but every and her daughter were sickly effort only tended to make it plainer. Doth, befor. ygenia came into her gift, but The imprint of the foot is there to-day that new er has since then suffered a as plain as ever. Amateur photograsingle acha or pain. phers have taken pictures of it and a

The mother, who is wonderfully visit to the Buck cemetery to see the wrought up over the child's strange "witch's foot" is one of the pastimes of power, has taken her daughter to sev-levery summer visitor to the pretty little eral mediums, who say that when the town.-Chicago Chronicle.

gift is fully developed it will be the greatest ever given. Eugenia is a pretty and bright little

pecuniary advantage. No member of

A HEALING POWER.

girl of twelve years. She modestly refers to her accomplishment, and is manifestly sincere. The family has no intention whatever of turning the girl to Woman Robs with Aid of

brought from the Kaaba of Mecca. Against this piece of stone the true believers come and rest their heads for a considerable time. By so doing it is supposed that various diseases can be cured, and as there are certain affec-

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tions that can be favorably affected by the force of suggestion, the results sometimes attained seem to confirm this superstition. But though a hard stone is less dangerous than water, and germs of disease depostited upon its surface would soon be oxidized, still patients following each other in rapid succession might convey to one another pathogenic

microbes: The same may be said with regard to the kissing of the toe of the bronze statue of St. Peter at St. Peter's, Rome. Would it be too much to ask that this stone, this bronze toe, and other similar objects of reverence and adoration, should be frequently wiped

would have revealed may well be

imagined. Now the fingers convey this

water to the forehead and breast of the

devotee, and of course the mouth might

also be touched with the same fingers.

But we do not see that there would be

any lack of reverence shown if this holy

solution? Why should science and religion be divorced one from the other? If we have been endowed with the intelligence to foresee a danger, may we

a kill-joy. not, with all due reverence, take the necessary precautions to ward off this

peril? With regard to the communionold grotesqueness; and the universality cup, Count Leo Tolstoy, in his recent novel,"Resurrection,' describes the celébration of the liturgy in the chapel of a Russian prison. Here the priest cuts the bread into little pieces and dips phrases sharply indicate survivals, of the old belief in the permanent hold of them in the cup containing the wine.

to have a clean spoon for each communicant than a separate cup. This is the general practice of the orthodox Greek

Wakeful now for evermore. Looking thence, I still will be; So that you forget not me, All that, more than, I was there, Weighted with my Crown of care. Over you I still will reign, Still will comfort and sustain. Through all welfare, through all ill, You shall be my People still."

things.

Dead I am not, no, asleep,

And asleep but to your seeing,

Lifted to that land of Being,

Lying on life's other shore,

preacher, public servant, or teacher, nevertheless would indignantly resent an aspersion of bona fides because of receiving pay for services so rendered. This is absolutely the basis of our tes- The fact is that money can become a

timony and the very soul of our gospel. | temptation to a man in any walk of life. We wonder what the world will think while it is equally true that there are of it, and to what extent Society will men in all ranks over whom money exponder it and believe it. We know that erts no influence whatever. The cry of the majority will simply read it as "trafficking in the dead," or "selling something nice and comforting, as God's gifts" in the form of mediumship, something to be neither questioned nor is largely absurd. All laborers "are too deeply probed; and there it will end. worthy of their hire," while in the But there will be a minority who will stress of life each one ultimately finds pause and dare to think the thing out; his proper level. We cheerfully pay the and many will be thrilled with the salaries of men who preach but cannot quickening or intenser throbbing of a demonstrate a future life, why then cavil at paying a man or woman who mighty hope. The condition of society generally to- | can prove it to us? Even in so doing in

day with regard to this subject is one such cases the service rendered can that is in the highest degree pitiable, never be fully requited by the few shil-Very few are hostile to faith in persist- lings paid to the instrument concerned. ent life beyond the grave; about as Common sense, rather than finicking many probably as those who entirely sentimentalism, rules the life of the with a rag moistened in an antiseptic realize it. The vast majority oscillate world, let us come into line then, and between a reasonable faith and the old render to Caesar the things that belong grotesque notion of the resurrection of to him, in this case justice to the methe body-as great a kill-faith as it is diums who are of such invaluable service to humanity at large.

The excessive clinging to the body and to graves is itself a survival of the primatur

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"sleeping in the tomb," and all such is it that has given such a celebrity and Then with a spoon he places the piece | the body upon the spirit, as & "sleeping sarily high personal character, by any of bread and wine into the penitent's partner." The Royal Mausoleum at means; though in certain instances, mouth. Thus there is no drinking out | Frogmore itself witnesses to the linger- such as Daniel, personal character was of the cup, and it would be much easier ing superstition. Over the door there is associated with the possession of spiritthis inscription: "Farewell, beloved! ual gifts. But take such men Here at last I will rest with thee: with Jacob, Abraham, Samuel, David, Solo-

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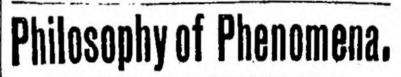
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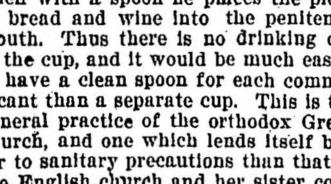
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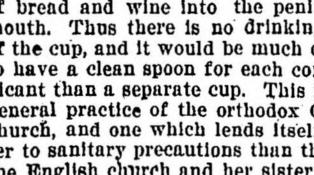
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thee in Christ will I rise again." That mon, Peter and Paul. Will anyone unchurch, and one which lends itself bet- is more than half a confession of faith dertake to say that these were, originter to sanitary precautions than that of in the doleful delusion that the body is ally at least, persons of high moral and the self, that it sleeps in the tomb, and spiritual excellence of act and charthat it will rise again. But all this the acter? Take Samuel, he is called a man Poet Laureate deliberately denies. The of God. See him "hewing Agag message he gives us from the Queen is pieces before the Lord," cutting him up

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"God suffered for humanity in the person of Jesus Christ," is the language of a correspondent in the "Contemporary Review" of a late date. Can any-

A Powerful Indictment." Controlled by an Idea. The author of "No Beginning," no The extent to which the body may be ticed in these columns two weeks ago dominated by preconceived notions is takes no stock in the prison house of the remarkable, and the same may be said priests, used to frighten the credulous in relation to the mind. An illustration into the belief that their Jesus is the of this latter truth may be found in the Almighty God. We are sure our readpeculiar stand of the Amish sect, as ers will enjoy his presentation, as brought definitely to light in the Moser found in a note on page 24 of the book case, which is just now claiming the referred to. We quote: attention of the newspapers and the

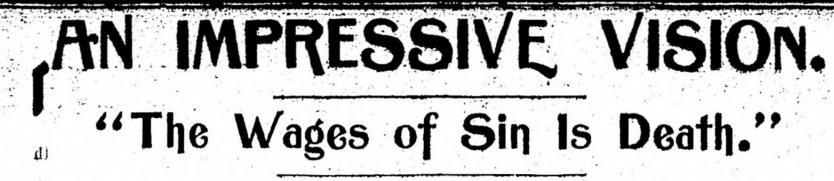
public. Doctrines wholly contrary to "That people of sound minds, who the natural human feelings are held to have any love in their hearts, can be believers in this monstrous doctrine of be the will of God, as the natural huan endless hell must always be a mat man love for one's children is accounted ter of astonishment to humane and a sin, and the church member guilty of thoughtful persons. The fact that such persisting in manifesting such love, is a doctrine has been retained so long as a part of the creeds of the dominant one to be cast out of the church and

churches is, in itself, proof that resubjected to most contemptuous and inligious beliefs are, as a rule, the result humane treatment as an outcast from of authority and not of thought. The his family, his relations and the church. doctrine is wholly irreconcilable with The Old Testament account of God's other church teachings. It is so far out of harmony with the conception of God commanding Abraham to offer up his as a good and compassionate being, son Isaac as a burnt sacrifice, and that, if it were true, it would make of Abraham's readiness to obey the inthe personal creature the church behuman mandate, taken together with lleves in an infinite and unrelenting the New Testament encomium ou tyrant. To the extent it is accepted, its tendency is to lessen sympathy, pro-Abraham for his faith and obedient mote selfishness, nourish bigotry, inspirit, these have led to similar mancrease intolerance, stifle thought, check dates and similar obedience in many progress, generate discord, estrange other instances, with more tragic refriends, create misery and antagonize sults than occurred in the case of at once the brotherhood of men and the Abraham and Isaac. fatherhood of God. It is a doctrine so The power of dominating idea to superlatively repulsive, absurd and awful as to make of all arguments affect the body is illustrated by the folagainst it the merest verbiage and any lowing excerpt from the New Orleans attempted defence the veriest blas Times-Democrat: phemy. Language cannot depict half Nothing is stranger than the way in its horrors nor comprehension grasp the which the body and mind may become smallest fraction of its infamy. It is dominated by what is called a "fixed infinite hate, infinite cruelty, infinite idea," said a physician of this city who nonsense. Let every reader reflect on the meaning of the words "endless punmakes a specialty of diseases of the shment,"-not a year, not a thousand nerves. "What reminds me of the subject," he went on, "was a very curious years, not a million years, not a million million years, but ages added to ages, case that came to my attention not a cons multiplied by cons, and the sum great while ago, A twelve-year-old boy, the son of a very respectable family in

and product of all these, and yet the tortures of hell have but well begun It is a disgrace to the present generation that any objection is made to striking such an antiquated, needless and immoral dogma from the creed of every church. It disparages man, libels God, and is too great a compliment for even an imaginary Devil."

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winter, and upon recovery some months later found himself unable to straighten his right arm. It was bent



I can never remember, and if I could, I could never away from the world that it will have lost all interest in make my typewriter tell all that came to me in "a vision of me, and I in it?"

the night.<sup>9</sup> If as Shakspeare supposed, "spiritual beings "You will never go so far but that there will be somewalk the earth unseen when we wake and when we sleep" body in touch with you. Remember you would be a -if they speak to men, as has been supposed (See Job | teacher all the way along your long life; some will comprexxxiii:14-16), then I have again and again come in contact hend and enjoy your teaching; they will again be in great men tolled and struggled are also touch with others to whom they can impart knowledge; dead? It is true, in one sense, the loss with the spirit side of nature.

On the night of Jan. 15 of the present year, Mrs. Hull thus, for one to accumulate and impart knowledge for a few hundred years would be indirectly of incalculable the world blessed with the presence of and grand-daughter Alfa, being fatigued, retired rather early! I sat in my library room and wrote until after ten benefit to the world."

o'clock. I then arose to disrobe and prepare for bed. "But," said I, "I will be in a sense young and full of vigor, and I would naturally want as associates, those who While getting ready for bed the thought occurred to me: were physically on my plane; such would intellectually be | numerable golden streams. The printed "l'o-morrow I will have passed another mile-stone on separated by all the years or centuries that I would have page still bears their message far and life's uphill journey. My race is nearly run. I look back over not a few mis-steps. One has to live three-score lived longer than they; what would I do for society?"

"I will answer the last part of your question first. All I lay down to rest while the above reflections were passdo not need society. Those who know but little are banking through my mind. It seemed to me that I was about rupt when alone: they require to be amused by others. while the educated and intelligent person finds his own a to go to sleep, when my attention was attracted to a most beautiful landscape-hills, valleys, a beautiful river with field of ceaseless exploration.

"In illustration of this case, you have had two sets of trees and flowers along its banks. The flowers all seemed companions in this room this evening; the first were some to be of a small and modest kind, of rather subdued colors, and exquisite in their beauty and arrangement. The of your best and most trusted earthly friends, who came fields were, as Dr. Watts said, "Arrayed in living green." in and gave you mental rest in a game of cards; the other The water in the river which gently flowed through the is the company you are having now. Which company do valley seemed the purest I ever saw. While I gazed upon you prefer?"

these beautiful surroundings, which it seemed might all My answer was that I had never enjoyed anything more be somewhere in this world, I became sensible, in some than the company and lesson I was at that time receiving. Said the intelligence: "If it were possible for you to kind of indescribable way, that there was an intelligence in my room which had something of importance to make rise to a point where there was no company in this world for you, you would, when you needed company, be intro-I listened, and the first thing said was: "Do you wish to mitted into both the society and the societies of higher inbe set back to all the vigor and physical manhood of your telligences; you would participate in their meetings, receive both amusement and instruction from them. Re-I answered: "No, not unless I can be placed back with member, Paul said, 'to die is gain.' You cannot die to all the experiences I have had, and all the knowledge I any earthly pleasure without receiving more than its have gained in the years through which I have passed this equivalent elsewhere. You will find that the higher you side of the place to which you would set me back. Could go the more you will realize that there is more beyond you I under proper conditions be placed back, and could I give and waiting for you than there is behind you. Do not culcating a true morality, and in teach-

the world the results of my every experience, and what fear that you will ever lack for society. Again, in answer to the first part of your question let us say, you will never Said this intelligence: "You have been growing older again be fitted in every respect for the society of those every day until now you are 66 years old. If you are set who are only arriving at the vigor of a newly developed back you are not to take a jump back to the twenties to manhood, in any other sense than that in which you are gradually again come up to 66. You are to gradually now fitted to teach little boys about their marbles, and

Truths Powerfully Told. A religious journal of London, imitable ing the whistling of the school boy in passing a country church yard, to keep up his courage; tells of the skepticing "which darkened all the sky only a lot years ago, but has largely passed away," is replied to by the "Literary, Guide," which seems to be honest

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whatever its faith. It says: "Who is foolish enough to think because Bradlaugh, Ingersoll and Huxley have passed into the land of shadows, the modes of thought for which these of these heroes is irreparable; for not often, in the course of the centuries, is such eloquent and powerful leaders. But, though they are dead, their spiritual children still live, and their influence still flows all over the world in inwide, and the myriad hearts, which they set on fire with live coals from the sacred altar of their own euthusiasm and devotion in the cause of truth and humanity, still throb in unison with the indomitable courage and proud selfsacrifice of these prophets of a new faith. The magnetic power which flowed from them still lives in many a life and voice and pen, and their work goes on, multiplied rather than diminished in force and effectiveness, because it is divided into a million smaller channels."

## The Cost of Churches,

The New York Herald, in a late article on the cost of churches, after going somewhat into detail, says the entire cost in the city of New York for one. year, makes a grand total of \$27,000. 000. It places the annual cost for the whole country at \$300,000,000; and for the world at \$1,000,000,000.

All this vast expenditure of the world's wealth is to bolster a superstition which is of very questionable utility. If the money was expended in ining the cardinal virtues, instead of imiginary ones, heaven would be at our doors here and now, instead of in a "! far-off country and in another life. The whole purpose of the Christian

religion is to glorify God. How would it do to reverse this action, and labor in the future to exalt man?

Subtle Influences.

suaded from the outset that the boy, Everything is a centre of force and

in such a position that the back of the hand almost touched the shoulder, and,

limb straight. I saw no reason why there should be any such result from his slight rheumatic attack and was per-

moderate circumstances, had a slight

attack of inflammatory rheumatism last

while there was no particular soreness about it, the boy simply insisted that he could not move the elbow and hold the

thing be more blasphemous? It belittles the Sovereign Ruler of the Universe into a mere man.

and think? Should they do so the ridiculous ideas taught in the creeds, and too largely believed, would soon disappear.

Read in Leviticus 16:21, 22 the direc- ence of various kinds, which may be so tion of the Lord to Aaron, to take a live goat, lay both hands on its head, then confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, and all their sins, putting those sins on the head of the goat, then sending him away by the hand of a fit be able to affect the external medium, person, into a land not inhabited, and there, with the sins of all the people on | from him, let the beast loose in the wilderness.

It was an easy way to get rid of sin escaped the punishment for transgression by thus loading a poor brute with their guilt, then sending it to the wilderness, they were ready for some new devilment, the consequence to be again ing thoughts, as the vibration of one escaped by a repetition of this ingenious process.

4:1b + 5

Remember this scape-goat bearing away the sins of the people, prefigured, the church tells us, "Jesus Christ," who bore on his shoulders the sins of the whole world, and suffered in his own person the entire guilt of all who believe in him-that is: he was God himself. clothed in the semblance of mortality for the express purpose of receiving and suffering in his own person the sins and the penalties his subjects had incurred and deserved.

And this the philosophy on which the Christian faith is founded! Spiritualists have no sympathy or use for such a demoralizing dogma.

#### Cumulative Evidence.

An animated discussion at an assemblage of theologians in New York a few days ago, confirms the reports from every quarter, that orthodoxy is in a fast decline. In the Princeton Theological Seminary, where 264 students were in attendance in 1895-96, there were but 196 in 1900. This is a conservative Presbyterian institution. In the Union Theological Seminary, a very liberal school of learning, the decline is not so marked.

Rev. Dr. Warfield, President of the Princeton Seminary, is reported to have of mortal virgin, and that though cosaid:

thought being a process of conception must be attended with the development of energy, which will be the stronger

Why will not people who write, stop the more intense the thought operation. Everything in nature gives off influence of some kind, and the human organism which is so wonderful an embodiment of organized forces must radiate influ-

subtle, however, as not to be readily cognized. Those influences need not be merely physical. If thought itself cannot transmit vibration beyond the organism, the molecular vibrations of the brain which attend it, may themselves and thus thoughts be communicated mind to mind. Therefore as thought is a spiritual force, every human being may be regarded as the

centre from which emanate various inand propitiate the "Lord." Having fluences for good or evil, without ref-

erence to his own particular actions. With the concentration of thought this influence will become intensified, awakening in other minds correspondwire arouses into active vibration

another wire in sympathy with it. The human organism is an instrument ever ready to respond to external vibrations, and this is true no less of the psychical principle than of the body itself, and true perhaps in a still greater degree of that mysterious something called the mind or spirit which bears the impress of the experiences of life, with all its joys and sorrows, hopes and fears. Thus are we all speaking to our fellows, inaudibly it may be, but in tones whose vibrations reach the soul, giving rise to thoughts which come we know not whither and which aid us, if we are in sympathy with them, to realize ideals that without them might have faded

away like a passing dream.-B. F. U.

Pray, Help Our Unbelief. Rev. J. T. Burhoe in a neighboring city, reviewing an address before the late Episcopal Congress, in session in Providence, R. I., said among other things:

"Christianity, as popularly taught, has been a difficult thing to understand." We beg the privilege of asking: "Is it not impossible of comprehension? We are met at the very threshold of investigation with the statement that the

founder of Christianity was a God, born

while no doubt perfectly hopest, was simply a victim of self-deception, During his illness he had probably

found the arm more comfortable when bent and gradually his mind had be come dominated by the fixed idea that it was impossible for him to extend it. In such cases it is useless to argue with the patient but frequently some lucky accident will dissipate the illusion. One day last fall I dropped in to see the boy, and while I was in the house an old negro auntie remarked in his hearing that "somebody done put a charm on dat arm." and that she knew how to "take it off." "How would you do it?" I asked. "I'd use a red charm stone I have at home," she said. "I rub it on his shoulder an' dat arm straighten

out shore." I could see the boy was deeply impressed and I gave the old woman a quarter and told her to be around with the charm stope next afternoon. I was on hand myself before the in the body? appointed hour and told the child, with a great show of telling him in confidence, that I rather expected the charm

was going to cure him. The magic stone turned out to be a plece of common red. flint, but after the old nuntle had mumbled several incantations, rubbed his shoulder vigorously and worked him into a sate of high excitement I took his wrist and suddenly pulled the limb

straight. "Why, she's done it, sure enough!" shouted, working the elbow vigorously before he had time to object; "try yourself! Your arm is as good as ever!" He moved it, cautiously at first and then more freely, and finally declared he was all right. The last time I saw him he was perfectly sound. It was merely a case of mind cure-that was all. As the trouble was imaginary in the first place, a little imagination was needed to remove It. The old darky, by the way, got all the credit, and she built

up a considerable clientele on the strength of the episode.

Nature Repuises the Assertion. A Mr. Waters, in an English journal, referring to the late discovery that mosquitoes are responsible for malarial diseases, remarked that these little instruments of God's displeasure towards man, should "be looked on with more respect," as showing the "inestimable benefit" mankind may derive from a study of "the Creator's works." To this ridiculous proposition "The Literary

Guide" replies: "No thoughtful and candid student of

equal with the Almighty Creator of the | mind of cant and prejudice, can believe | out of it."

grow younger; you will increase in strength and manhood little girls about their dolls. You like to talk to little every day until you find yourself ninety or one hundred folks about their toys only because they are interested in years young.

,has been gained by them, I would not object."

I said to the intelligence, which somehow infilled me ested in whatever interests them. with these thoughts: "Under these conditions, unless I could do better work for the world or for myself by going to realize that every death has been a birth into a higher to the other side of the River of Life, I would not object to gradually growing younger, and giving the world the mother's milk. Had you at that time been capable of discuss the subject in any way. "but," benefit of what I would have acquired."

you; it is and has been made to every denizen of this posterous; but that appetite-that love is dead, but that planet. No one ever lived who had not, in his flesh as death was gain, for in connection with that death was born well as in his spirit, the possibilities of immortality." flesh."

flesh is concerned. The wages of sin is death, and the perfect lives and pleasures will take the place of those one'does not live who has not sinned."

dred years without sin, without mistakes, you can remain at the end of that time, or any other given period you sin ward, live a perfect life-could live for a continued life you will find yourself as liable to death, or rather to a sep- in the flesh, I have sinned in the past; not only that, but aration from the flesh as at any former period. Your life my ancestors have from the remotest ages been as I have, here is, in a sense, a probationary, or rather a conditional both ignorant and wilful sinners. I do not say, as did the one; you stay here on conditions. Your health and happiness have the same conditions. You remain here until say, I have inherited both the sins and the results of the you have forfeited your right to remain longer, by a vio- sins of my ancestors."

lation of the conditions of spirit and body remaining together,'

out."

which warms your house, burning out. Your fire is not the fact that both heathen poets and Christian apostles immortal, yet you are convinced that you could keep it up have said we are 'the offspring of God?' It is your privfor years; or, for that matter, until it had burned your lilege and your duty to claim that higher inheritancefurnace up.

at another time you got a man to care for your fire-one overcome every earthly condition. Lose sight of earthly who professed to be an expert in such business, and he parentage; live only in relation to your heavenly origin either put it out or let it go out. So you place your life and birth, and you will be astonished at the result. Re sometimes in the hands of physician-experts; they often member, a wise man once said, 'As a man thinketh in his let it go out; sometimes they put it out.

"The wages of sin is death.' Some starve to death; more without sin; live wisely, and for the good of your fellows, eat or drink themselves to death; some perish with cold, and you can remain in the flesh as long as you may elect others with heat; some worry themselves out of this to do so." sphere of existence; others work themselves to death.

There is but one road into the life you now live; asked: "Is this all a dream? Is it imagination? Is it the there are millions of ways out of it. You can remain in workings of my own mind; or is it, indeed, a heavenly natural history who has cleared his the flesh as long as you can avoid all the numerous paths vision?" I said: "I do not see you; I do not hear you; I

them. Your interest in the little folks makes you inter-

"You 'die daily.' You ever have thus died; you begin life. Once you loved nothing in the world but your on Sundays. The management will not reasoning, and been told that you would some day give up | says the Courier, "the gates will be open The answer was: "This offer is not made especially to your mother's milk, you would have thought the idea prenewer and higher appetites and desires; so it is with every-"But," shid I, "no one ever has been immortal in the thing. You have died every day since you began to live; this will continue, at least throughout earth-life; but "No, nor will any one ever be immortal as far as the each death will, as in the past, be a new birth; newer, more which are passing away with the using. It is better to "Then what do you mean by talking of continuing life have the newer and grander desires which accompany a renewed life than to have a renewal of the older desires "I mean that if you live one hundred years or five hun- and gratifications which bring only decay and physical death. Remember, 'The wages of sin is death.'"

"But," said I' "supposing I could, from this time for-Psalmist, 'In sin did my mother conceive me,' but I do

"I expected to hear you say that; you have inherited many things if you will have it so; but if you will think "But," said I, " I am wearing out; we are all wearing again, you will discover that you have inherited more than you realize. By inherited power you can overcome "Yes," said the visitor, "so is the fire in your furnace, what you call inheritance. Have you ever reflected on that inheritance which antedates any and every earthly "Once this winter, you carelessly allowed it to go out: parent. That inheritance is sufficient to enable you to heart, so is he.' You can think decrepitude and decay, as "You will agree that very few persons die a natural the world always has thought, and you can take your redeath. On this side of life we know that nature drives | ward in sickness, pain and death and have them, or you none out of the body-that there are no natural deaths. can think them off for centuries in the future. Live

> By this time my old doubts came to the front, and I cannot tell how I know a wise intelligence is talking to

To Be Open on Sundays, The Buffalo Courier says it has been decided by the Pan-American Exposition to be held in Buffalo during the coming summer, to keep the gates open

the first Sunday after the opening." We are rejoiced at this intelligence. The fossils of the church will howl and threaten, just as they have always done ( when inroads have been made on any of their superstitions; but men of sense who are unwilling to encourage sloth, idleness and crime by closing the gates one-seventh of the time in the interest of saloonists and the bum element of a great city, will triumph, and the real patrons of the Exposition will sustain them in their action.

### Too Sweeping.

Dr. A. M. Hamilton, an expert witness on the trial of a case in New York thr

other day, wherein an attempt wat made to set aside a will for want of sane mind-the testator being a Christ tian Scientist-the Doctor said: "An believers in Christian Science are suffering from a delusion that renders them insane."

That opinion was quite too sweeping, and cannot be sustained. Even if a monomaniac on the subject of religion, he may be perfectly sane on every other question. The whole religious world, wherein their dogmas are involved, are just as "insane" as are the Christian Scientists, Both are laboring under hallucinations which warp their judgment, and make them somewhat irresponsible.

## Lack of Reverence.

Some reverent student of Paul has turned his attention in that direction, and he declares.

"It is a notable fact that the Apostle Paul, who did so much for the upbuilding of Christianity, and whose Epistles are more frequently cited, and from which texts are oftener selected for sermons than are the Gospels, nowhere inculcates the worship of the body and blood of Jesus, or even of Jesus himself."

Was Paul lacking in devotion to his hero, for whom he says of himself and associates, I Cor. 4:10, "We are fools for Christ's sake?"

The Query of a Child. "Mamma, are the stars holes in the sky to let the rain through?" inquired a little five-year-old of his mother. Strange, isn't it, that the children of the present generation are inquiring along the same lines of thought that, according to Bible authority, was settled by inspiration of God thousands of years ago? Yes, little one, the stars are windows in the heavens which the Lord opened, and flooded the earth for forty. days, causing a universal deluge, else the Scripture narration is false.

"There has been a decline in the candidates for the ministry since 1896 throughout the Protestant world, most marked, probably, in Scotland, where it has created a great deal of discussion and promises to create a great deal of distress. It has affected all the churches in America, the Presbyterian church along with the others, but not to the same extent as some others."

The Progressive Thinker tenders the distressed theologians a grander idea of mortal life than they ever conceived of, and a certainty of its continuance, the evidence not based on an empty grave; and at the same time a nobler, better conception of the Infinite than is taught in their sacred books., It only asks investigation along common sense lines. This done and they will be comforted with the assurance that the failure and decline of the church is proof positive that humanity is about to triumph over

the wiles of priestly demagogues.

Telling Tales Out of School. The Church Times, an organ of the established church in England, lately published a sermon in which occurs the following paragraph, the orator's object seeming to be to show that harshness. cruelty and unreason characterize the high dignitaries of the church. Quoting:

"Was it not an archbishop with six bishops who first defeated Romilly's proposal to repeal the statute which punished thefts of the amount of five shillings with death? Did not the bishops oppose Clarkson in his movement for the liberation of slaves?" Had the inquirer turned his attention to America he could have stated with positiveness that the temperance reform in this country in its inception was violently opposed by the clergy. And that because of the violence of the orthodox clergy against the anti-slavery agitators, the latter bolted the church took the name of Comeouters, who made open war on the churches in selfdefence, and were recognized as infidels. Of such were the Garrisons, the Phillipses, the Fosters, the Burleighs, and multitudes of others needless to vame.

Universe, was that Father himself, and died on a cross at the hands of mortal men

For rejecting belief in any portion of this incredible story we are threatened with eternal torture; while believing it, whether our judgment is convinced or | of a loving Father.' Watch the tiger not, we are promised an eternity of stealthily tracking his unconscious prey and preparing for the fatal spring; or fadeless joy.

This is "Christianity as popularly taught." as we understand it. Now good Brother Burhoe, do tell us how to comprehend these incomprehensible propositions. Tell us if the laws of procreation have changed during the last 2,000 years; if it is possible for the Father and Son to be identically the same person. And teach us how it is creed."

possible for a God to die. We know the romancer who told of that death related direful events in nature as occurring at that time, but outside of Biblical account of the affair there is no record of it. You have tried to bring eclipses of the sun, and earth quakes to your aid, but they don't syn. chronize in time or in place with the event. Please do help our unbelief, and make

is "comprehend" the subject.

He Was Correct.

Dr. Henry Austin Adams, who has left Protestantism and has gone over to Roman Catholicism, in a late lecture at Central Music Hall, this city, was very bitter in his denunciation of the Universities, declaring they were "turning out Pagans and doing all in their power to dethrone revealed Christianity." Of course the lecturer meant by Pagan those who refuse to worship the man Jesus Catholics have set up as a God.

Every school, college and university that teaches common sense is doing iconoclastic work, and every library is alder and abettor in "dethroning revealed Christianity," as inculcated by the parent church, and is laying a broad foundation for the reconstruction of Protestantism.

"The Spiritualism of Nature." Br. Prof. W. M. Lockwood. Price 15 cents. For sale at this office.

the wondrous structures and combinations which he beholds are the 'works' of a Creator who is all good, and whose

tender mercles overshadow all his creatures. Look at the huge jaws of the shark, with their long rows of horrid teeth, and then say, 'This is the worl

the cat playing with a wretched mouse or bird; or the serpent, with head aloft, ready to plunge its polson-fangs into the body of its fascinated victim-and then tell, "these things are the 'works' of a God who is the loving Father of all his creatures. 'Nature, red in tooth and claw,' shrieks and repulses such a

## Where the Right?

The Toledo Blade urges churchmen to "insist that children shall have the privilege of some rational non-sectarian religious instruction, based upon the principles of the Bible, in the public shools." Would it not be better to teach true knowledge, that which science imparts, and good morals, confirmed by the wisdom of the ages, than teach the fables,

the follies, the vices, and the crudities of barbarism as recorded in the Bible, which churchmen contend is the "Word of God?" They who wish to the their children

do so in their homes, in their churches. and in their Sunday-schools, if they wish; but it would be rank injustice to compel children whose parents repulse such teaching, "to be excused and wait outside during religious exercises," as have answered."

the Blade proposes. The public schools are supported by the taxes levied equally on all the people. Where the right to compel those who abhor antiquated error embodied in creeds, though labeled "anti-sectarian," to defray the cost of teaching bigotry and superstition?

Hypnotism Applied in Medicine and Education." By A. C. Halphide. President Chicago Society of Anthropology. For sale at this office. Price \$1.

"But," I queried, "is it desirable to remain in the flesh? me. Are there not better worlds in waiting for us?" .

"No," said my visitant. "It is time you were disillu- ceive, it is not necessary for your eyes to see. How do you sioned. You are old enough, and we trust ripe enough exist? Do you look into a mirror, or do you pinch yourto understand and to give to the denizens of earth something of the truth as it is. There is no better world than in a dark room, lying on your bed. How do you know you exist? Do you doubt your existence?" the one you make for yourself. All are world-makersall are heaven and hell builders. Your life in the beyond is the result of your life here. Your life to-morrow, no matter in which world it is spent, is at least, in part, the things you must see with your eyes before you can other-

in working for the diminution of sin and sorrow on earth knowledge." is not prepared to enjoy what you call heaven. If your

any other world where there was nothing to do. just beginning to get acquainted with it, and prepared to similar messages might be given. I soon found myself worktin it. There is much more need for your work amid the same surroundings I had seen on the night prewhere you'are, as there is more to do and fewer workmen to do it. You, Moses Hull, are just beginning to verge toward manhood; you have got to where you do not wish

for rewards? you are not in dread of punishments; you now ask only a field of usefulness, and strength, light and wisdom to do your whole duty. If that can be imparted to you'in what is called the world of mortality, then that back to the babyhood of the race, can | world is the place for you; there you will find your useful-

ness, and therefore your happiness." Said I: "I think I comprehend your thought, and gladly give it audience; and yet questions arise which; for the row and feel no regret at being called. Indeed, if I knew sake of the world, as well as for my own sake, I would I was to go, I should joyfully anticipate the journey. If

struction. I shall henceforth, as you prove yourself worthy by making good use of what is imparted, visit you from time to time to impart instruction, not alone for have of this. your benefit, but for the benefit of the world in which you live. Ask your questions."

"Supposing it were possible for me to live in this world spiritual stock-in-trade. Money is a handy commodity "Mind and Body: Suggestions and a century of more, would I not be unfitted for the world? here, but will not purchase a ticket to the beautiful here-If I were made as vigorous as I was at twenty or thirty after. years of age, and if I grow in wisdom as days and years increase, and as I increase in vigor, would I not grow so far think of that is too late to do .- Puck.

The answer came: "What you as a spiritual being perself to convince yourself of your existence? You are now

I confessed I did not.

"Well, you perceive, or sense our presence. Many result of your life to-day. The one who is not prepared wise perceive them. In this instance, in as much as you to be useful in your world is worth very little in ours. As fully catch our thought, and that is all that is necessary, for happiness, the one who does not find his chief pleasure an addition of sense perception could not add to your

This vision, or what ever it was, spoiled my sleep, but greater happiness is where you can do the most good, not my rest for the night. The next day found me perthen, you will find more happiness on earth where you fectly refreshed, but, like others, who have had similar incan do more than you could here, than you would find in tromissions into the spiritual, I thought of it all day. The next night I put myself to bed with the hope that the "Individually you are fitted to your own world; you are messages of the night before might be repeated, or other vious; the same wise intelligence seemed to be in the room, but it only said: "No more until you write out as well as you can the messages of last night. Remember the man for happiness you have not earned. You are not looking who wrapped his talent in a napkin; do not repeat his sin. These things were not given for your exclusive benefit." Then the vision was gone, darkness shut in about me and I went into a pleasant and restful sleep.

If I am asked, do I expect to live in the flesh for a century or more? I answer/I have no expectation about it; no offer was made to me that was not made to all. So far as my desires are concerned, I could leave the world to-mor-I can be made beneficial to those who need me, I am will-"I am sent here," said the intelligence, "to impart in- ing to stay another year or another century or millennium. If more should come to me that seems important to the world I shall not hesitate to publish an outline of it as I MOSES HULL.

Noble deeds, good thoughts and kind words are the

. The older a man gets the more desirable things he can

Cling to Truth,

"Whatever you do, never go in opposition to religion." Such was the advice of a religious crank to a friend, while

aping the successful demagogue. The Progressive Thinker would amend by advising persons to not go in opposition to Truth, let what will betide. Let creeds and their supporters howl as they will, cling to the truth and honest convictions with the tenacity of steel, and wait the future for your vindication.

## The Eve is Passed.

"We are standing on the eve of the most stupendous revolution in reference to the doctrines of the Bible the church has ever known."

Thus the Rev. Dr. Curry, a prominent Methodist clergyman of this city. Prevision is not necessary to convince any observing person that the "eve" is past and the morning is far advanced when the preacher's assertions are being gradually fulfilled.

Reason.

Said Rey. Boyce Dods more than fifty years ago:

"He who cannot reason is a fool; ha who dare not reason, is a coward; he who will not reason is a bigot; but he who can and dares reason, and does reason, is a man."

Mansill's Almanac for 1901, is now ready for delivery. It is certainly valuable. Price 25 cents.

Spracuse, New york, Baltimore and Slavery, Washington, The Longleys, Order of the White Rose, Order of the Mystic Seven, The Rosicrucians, The God Cult, Etc.

SULLES ....

No Buddhist reposing under the pend- [one Sunday morning, with a Spiritualist | One of the greatest healers that I ever | elect to serve them as officers and board | opinion that a good many swallows will [ ant branches of the sacred Bo-tree is lecturer. Heavens! What could be met was a Mohammedan Dervish in of trustees. more calm and contented in spirit than more tantalizing to a few perfected Constantinople. He was robed and am on this dark, rain-dripping win- saints!

ter's morning, looking out upon the peaceful waters of the Indian River. It is February 12, and springtime here in Florida. The peach trees are in full bloom; but I hear the music of no mocking birds, as I do in California. Crows countries.

Pneuma ho Theos-Spirit is God, said coin. a martyr of old. Spirit and life are everywhere. Not a link is missing in the vast chain of causation. In whirlwind bodily sick, soul sick, misrepresented, I and storm, as in sunshine, in tears as in smiles and in temporary pains and prisons even, I see necessary discipline and golden prophecies of progress. Optimism is the ism that prolongs life. Pessimism plants crowfeet in the corners of the eyes and cuts uncanny curves and wrinkles upon the forehead.

#### SYRACUSE.

On the way! Completely worn down prescribing, and only half relieved from physicians, Dr. Bobbe, Green and Brown, hustled me off Southward. My osyche sittings continue just the same. Thought, will-power and psychic force now little of locality, time or space. Syracuse is a thoroughly wide-awake Ciy. I knew it well in the palmy days I Samuel J. May, the great Unitarian health, to offer his resignation to the preacher. Here I met several old Spirtualists, and had a most interesting in- relations during the past nine months, terview with the cultured Miss Earl, an therefore, be it employe in the City Library, and also her brother Dr. I, Belfour Earl, all Universalists. Dr. Butterfield, residing here for years is a tower of strength to Spiritualism. It was in Oswego, neur Syracuse, that a howling mob followed the occasion which has led Brother Mrs. Amelia Bloomer and myself from | Peebles thus early to dissolve the conthe depot one afternoon, to the hotel. nection which has so happily existed be-It must have been forty years ago. She was to lecture that evening on "Dress Reform," and was naturally attired in be cast, when other friends are around a spare--a very spare short dress. Her him, and when other scenes meet his westward later to Council Bluffs, her his days on the earth. husband became Mayor of the city, and | Resolved. That in all his relation to-

This church edifice where I advocated the death-and-glory theology of Whitte-

famous Catholic priest in Paris, whose more and Ballou went several years later into the hands of negroes for negro worship, and the old slave-market building gave place still later to an eleand missionaries are common in all gant structure. Slavery died through that all healing of this character and all the office and work by the president though the White Rose Order is "generthe proclamation of the immortal Lin- modern spiritual gifts, are the work of (J. C. F. Grumbine). the devil. These Adventists have vast-

The Pilgrim in War=Paint.

Naturally independent in spirit, a straight-out abolitionist, a Spiritualist have in God.

SPIRITUALISM IN WASHINGTON. resigned my pastoral charge; and yet I The Spiritualist Home in this city, | Benefits of Annual Dues,-The benepreached to this church nearly two largely the gift of the royal-souled Mr. fits of the annual dues are chiefly permonths after the resignation, while the trustees were casting about for candidates. Conscientiously, candidly, I ling building. Sunday evening, full of charge or expense. count that the providential day of my faith, I made my way to the Masonic | I. All old and new books published Temple, where the Spiritualists hold by the order. life, when I left the sect, the creed, and later that slave state; and yet there their regular meetings. It was the last

were multitudes of noble, royal souls Sunday of Mr. J. C. F. Grumbine's enthere. From that time of throwing gagement-a lovely evening. The hall, teries. off that clerical mantle, my march seating 400, so I was informed, was a 4. The magazine "Immortality," the with literary work, with diagnosing and has been onward and upward as lec- triffe over half-filled. The lecture was official organ of the order. turer, writer, physician, author, editor, an attack of the grippe, my assistant traveler and Fellow in a dozen learned not recall just now, any points made. I the system of philosophy concerning its grand and glorious name are utterly societies in this and foreign countries. went to this meeting to see some of the divinity. Here follows a verbatim copy of the old guard, some of my old friends, such resolutions unanimously passed by that as Dr. Fell, the scholarly Gen. Parsons, order and participation in its social and Universalist church upon my leaving the erudite Geo. A. Bacon, the liberal- spiritual functions and exercises. hearted Mayer, the faithful and devoted the city:

Whereas, It has become necessary for our pastor, on account of his declining society over which he has held pastoral Spiritualists, and intelligent, rational

Resolved, That the resignation of Brother J. M. Peebles, as pastor of the or any other kind of pretentious orient- as the executive committees of the or- ticular constellation, there were the Second Universalist Society of Balti- alism. "Lift not up thy head nor exalt der and its chapters may arrange. thy horn," said Ben-Bahari in the Talmore, be received and accepted. Resolved, That we sincerely deplore mud teaching.

tween us as pastor and people. Resolved. That wherever his lot may

lecture was excellent. Neverthless, she eyes, our prayers still ascend to the ed, priest-ridden India. I am speaking was slandered; and yet, there never Giver of all good gifts to restore him to of the masses, and writing by the book. lived a purer, nobler woman. Moving health and usefulness, and to lengthen Thrice I have visited the country, and chical Sciences and Unfoldment are eli-

two or three educated and gaudilyshe led in what was termed the "best | ward this society, as pastor, friend and | dressed Hindoos missionarying in this | committee consisting of the president society." Slanders are mud-puddles that dot the great thoroughfare of life. ward this society, as pastor, friend and over the basic foundation of the Sabbath-school, he has that dot the great thoroughfare of life. ward this society, as pastor, friend and over the first page is ad-the philosophy and the moral grandeur three vice-presidents, secretary and to St. Ives?" There's a puzzler for three vice-presidents, secretary and the basic foundation of Spiritualism. Never mind-they soon dry up, while zeal, which have conduced to rivet the in India. The East is calling for help treasurer shall attend to all financial adepts. But seriously, has a number or The cornerstone, the basic foundation of Progressive Thinkers issued up to

held a wand in his hand. He was the equal of our own Dr. Newton, or that the city.

church as I saw it, was decorated with the White Rose are glways the gradu- take shelter under the wings of the the canes and crutches of the lame that ates of the College of Psychical Sci- White Rose Order, with its dues "chiefhe had made to walk. The Seventh ences, and those who have been espe-Day Adventists of Battle Creek insist cially appointed by mutual consent for mysteries," etc. It will be noticed that

> are five dollars, payable annually in ad- demonstrations of a future life, spirit vance on the first of January of each vear.

Mayer, is a fine, attractive and impos- sonal. They secure free of any further The same may be said of the "Order of

2. All teachings. 3. All special revelations of mys

upon "The New Civilization," but I do 5. A review of any or all series of

6. Admission to all congresses of the

White Rose.

7. Any information relative to the oc-Longleys, and other prominent old-time | cult and inner workings of all exoteric Spiritualists, but they were not present. and esoteric societies. (What are these Their absence was ominous. They are esoteric societies? Are they secret?) Spiritualists, illumined with the Spirit- the Order of the White Rose are exempt ual philosophy, are not hungering for from all chapter dues. They will re-Hindoo mysticism, esoteric hierophancy ceive for their time such compensation

The Vow.-I solemnly pledge myself Western science, western inventions, selfish consecration to follow to the best western enterprise, western education, of my ability, the teachings of the orwestern thought and western inspira- der and to foster and sustain its work | Seven" who has been seven times retion, free from the over-arching heav- at all times, understanding and realizens of the wisdom spheres, constitute ing that to do so is not to be recreant to lived through the seven Vedantic ages, the only hope of poor, ignorant, super- the sacred trusts and ideals which felstitious, plague-stricken, famine-haunt- lowship and unite mankind, or disobeed, priest-ridden India, I am speaking dient to the voice of conscience, or God. Only students of the College of Psyseeing is knowing: And by the way, gible to the esoteric circle.

Committees.-Section 1. An executive

sail southward, and a great many Only one First Society of Rosicrucians | islands sink in the ocean, before the inwill be permitted to bear the name in tellectual and independent-minded millions of American Spiritualists, consti-Teachers or evangels of the Order of tuting "The Spiritual Movement" will ly personal"-for "special revelations of Ically designated the Spiritual move-Dues .- The annual'dues to perpetual ment" by Mr. Grumbine, it makes no ly more faith in the devil than they membership to the order (not chapters) reference to spirit phenomena, spirit communications, spirit ministries, mediums, writing mediumship, angel guardianship, trance mediumship, materialization, etherealizations, etc., etc. the Sacred Seven." What is it about

that Shakspearean play, with Hamlet omitted? The first article on page 4 of the White Rose constitution commences

with these words: "A spiritual organization." etc. And yet mediums, mediumship, spirits, spirit ministries, angelic communications, and Spiritualism under ignored throughout the organization. Here endeth my direct reference to the

## THE MYSTIC SEVEN.

This incubating order of the "Sacred it, are covertly seeking to kill it, to build themselves up on its ruins. They Seven" in Baltimore afore-mentioned, are vampires. They are moral swinexpecting to draw its finances and mendlers. Their occult class teachings form Duly elected teachers or evangels of tal sinews of war from Spiritualists, no part of rational Spiritualism, nor the makes very much of the sacred number pantheism of the best German thinkers. "Seven." There were the seven sous of Enos, there were seven stars in a par- No! no! it is not these, but veneered Hindoolsm, and worse, it is the offal of mental slime: it is the emotional slush seven golden candle-sticks in John's vision, there are seven cervical bones in [and drivel of a set of semi-insane egoin the spirit of loving service and un- the spinal column, and there are seven upanishadic sheathings of the soul. Perhaps some one of the mystic "Sacred itously recommended ice and ice, a cold compress over the cerebellum, a spare potted and seven times re-born and diet, cool, light clothing, and vigorous manual labor; after which I turn them and been hierophantically "illumined" can explain the occult meaning of the "Seven wives on their way to St. Ives." The mystery runs thus: "As I was going to St. Ives, I met a man with seven wives, and every wife had seven sacks. and every sack had seven cats, and every cat had seven kits-kits, cats, sacks

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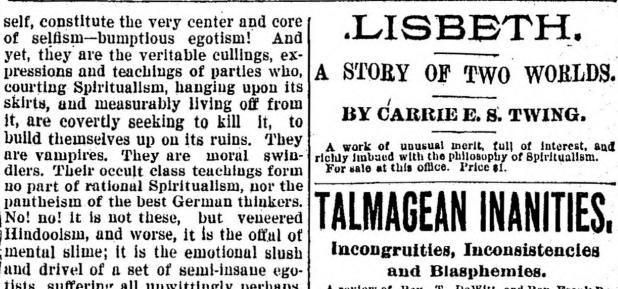
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from chronic inflammation of the organ of self-esteem. As a physician I gratu-itously recommended ice and ice a cold



The above is the number of the presover to Hudson Tuttle, Dean Clarke, ent issue of The Progressive Thinker, Will C. Hodge, Mrs. Lillie, Mrs. Under- as printed at the top of the first page. wood, Mrs. Longley, Mrs. Mattie Hull, | right hand corner. If this number cor-Mrs. Carrie Weatherford, Mrs. Marion | responds with the figures on your wrap-Carpenter, and a hundred other intelli- per, then the time you have paid for has gent, inspired and scholarly Spiritual expired, and you are requested to renew, ists to instruct them in the phenomena, your subscription. This number at the wanced each week, showing the number

the slanderer's name rots away into bonds of affection between us and him the infamy of eternal forgetfuluess.

## NEW YORK CITY.

Blessed are those invited to rest aeath the roof of the Rathburns! Of course I stopped with my old friend, Milton Rathburn; and from him I reeived the full history of his thirty-five Jays' fast. Fasting, yet working while he fasted, restored him to health. The Rathburn home is a paradise of books, paintings, music and social harmony. Mrs. Rathburn was absent in Florida with her invalid son. Luckily I was iecturing in New York during Dr. Tanner's forty days' fast. This fast, too, was genuine; and the lesson of them all, was, people generally eat too much, digging their graves with their teeth. On Sunday I was accompanied to Dr. Heber Newton's church-All Souls' Church-by Henry Forbes Kiddle, the cultured and worthy son of the late Prof. Henry Kiddle, writer, author, Spiritualist and superintendent of the New York City schools. The son, walking in his father's footsteps, is a Spiritualist, writer and musician.

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Dr. Heber Newton has a magnificent church edifice. His sermon upon the life and character of Phillips Brooks, was clear, brilliant and the delivery at times was almost tragic. Dr. Newton loes not haggie and wriggle to conceal his belief in the present ministry of spirits, but like the stern old St. Jecome, he virtually says, "If the truth oflends, be ye offended." Forty or fifty singers constituted his choir.

Conversing with the doctor after the services, I remarked: "I have derived great pleasure from reading your books and addresses," to which he promptly replied: "I, too, have been deeply interested in reading your books and pamphlets." He scented a bit of heresy in my book entitled, "The Christ Question Setiled," and wrote me concerning it. The correspondence was pleasant and fraternal. It may appear in print some day. Speaking geometrically, the Episcopal church is four square, Ritualists, MRS. LONGLEY AND THE SAINTED High Church, Low Church and Broad

Church-take your choice.

### BALTIMORE AND "THE SACRED SEVEN."

This is a cosmopolitan city, a sort of half-way house between the North and the South. Having lived there and ministered some forty-five or fifty years ago, how could I pass it without a laynear Baltimore" of calling upon my ex- the National Spiritualist Association patient and devoted Spiritualist, Mr. when convening in Providence, R. I. R---? He has a delightful home, his niece, a Roman Catholic, presiding. From him I learned of this new order for distribution): "Spiritualism is not extend to you the hand of fellowship order. flourishing in our city; two or three wanting to rule, and run everything. So we started the order of "The Sacred | Denton, Dr. James Jackson, some an-Seven." four ladies and three gentle-When sitting in a subdued light. men, three form the triangle and four the watch-tower square outside of the trithe important present. Vivid memories angle. Each organization is called a are unfading. Your literary and Spiritcenter; except the original; this is deualistic works with your humanitarian nominated the Divine Center. The teachings along the lines of reform and president is to hold office for life. At progress, will constitute your monueach new moon he appears in a scarlet ment. I congratulate you upon having robe. The purpose is to develop clairvoyance, healing, concentration, illurounded out nearly four-score years, remination and adeptship as steps to Nirtaining your mental vigor and good health. All hail to thee, then, my noble vanic absorption into the One, A. U. M. toiler in the vineyard! Thou shalt con-They believe in reincarnation. They tinue thy good work of enlightenment have three centers in Baltimore, but till like the ripened leaf thou shalt be just now are having some internal disgently lifted from the tree of mortality sension about the method of healing. by the tender zephyrs of angelic love-Some insist that patients, to be healed, must take to the bed, strip naked and and wafted to thy shining home on high. "Thine, Plerpont." be magnetized in a horizontal position. Never do I seek a sign, or ask for a Others think differently, contending test from the invisible dwellers above that magnetism can plerce the clothing. They expect to draw their recruits from us; but messages of the above character from Pierpont, through the mediumthe Spiritualists. They have an esoteistic instrumentality of Mrs. Longley, ric ritual in preparation. This I did not see. The meetings are yet largely and other highly unfolded intermediaprivate. Listening to this description ries, are as encouraging as spiritually uplifting. of the "Order of the Sacred Seven," I said to myself, "What next? what **REFORMED CHRISTIAN SCIEN**next?" as the tadpole exclaimed, when its tail dropped off!

from the West. more close and firm; and we will not omit to say that the cause of Christ has prospered in his hands. "Resolved, That a copy of this preamare its purposes? ble and resolutions be signed by the officers and transmitted to Brother J. M. RICHARD MARLEY. Peebles.

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tions and to receive candid answers. My chatty railway companion to this Those who have personally known city from Baltimore was the noted John me during the past sixty years (I began Hutchinson, last survivor of the Hutchinson Family Singers. They sang a know that I delight to educate, dissemgeneration or more ago in this country inate literature and extend a knowledge and England. John is now eighty years of the truth in this and foreign lands, of age, and yet he recently contemand doubtless Mr. Grumbine will thank plated marriage, but the lady demandboth myself and the editor of The Proing, so he said, the legal transfer of his gressive Thinker for publishing the genproperty into her hands before the cereeral outlines and aims of this order, the mony, he straightway bolted. Although John had sung for fifty years of temperown words, omitting the less important ance and peace, and anti-slavery and matters. woman's rights, this was too much-too much woman's rights; and so this venorder as none is enjoined in the consti-

erable musician remaineth unto this day in peaceful unmatedness.

While in this great capital city of 300,000 I was happily to myself, the laws. And may I say right here, I quite guest of Mr. Cheney and his family, fancy the name "White Rose." It is most excellent people. This gentleman, an ex-patient of mine, musician and orlittle lamb, was "white as spow.". ganist, a graduate of old Dartmouth. Mary may have been an "adept." (that graduated Daniel Webster a hunwas the lamb that was little. dred years ago) is the efficient librarian in the National War Department. This put me into the swim of the libraries First. A spiritual organization to esand into communion with the literati of tablish Universal Religion generically the city. Most delightful were my inset forth in the Teachings of the Order terviews with Gen. Greely of the Arctic of the White Rose which form a System expedition fame, Professor Moore of the of Philosophy concerning Divinity, and, Weather Bureau, Senator Proctor of as further expressed in the spirit of age. The divine idea of self is the Vermont, the president of Dartmouth trust contained in the sacred books of College, the officials of the Smithsonian all ethnic or racial religions. Institute, and others in authority, be-Second. To help humanity to realisides my old friend and able exponent ize, express and control its innate, diof the spiritual philosophy, Geo. A. Bacon, employe in the Civil Service department.

## PIERPONT.

TISTS.

so that error, disease and evil may be Who does not admire the magnificent checked and avoided and a divine manmusic of Prof. Longley, and who is not hood and womanhood be possible. charmed with both the womanliness Third. To establish and maintain as and the superior mediumship of Mrs. a center of propaganda and discipleship, Longley? Calling upon these devoted "The College of Psychical Sciences and workers I received the following write Unfoldment," where students may be ten message through the finely-attuned | taught the path to Nirvana (freedom | realize the sight beyond seeing, and the organism of Mrs. Longley from John or bliss) by the teachers of the College. off? And further, how could I refuse | Pierpont, reformer, poet, ex-Unitarian and where they can receive such wis- only see, but we may perceive, that we the cordial invitation if I "ever came preacher, Spiritualist and president of dom through tuition, discipleship and may not only hear, but we may undertheir career. Officers-Section 1. The founder-Here It is:

"My Dear Doctor:--Many of the old | and trusty co-workers of the past are hold the office for life and will be suc- ourselves in a new light, may we of the "Sacred Seven." The following with me to give you greeting and God- ceeded by a member of the order, either know ourselves by the new name, may is his condensed statement (the consti- speed in your mission of truth and love chosen by or recommended by himself we live in a new earth, for "Behold, all tution and by-laws are not yet ready to humanity. Among those present who and elected by a two-thirds vote of the things are become new."

business of the chapter. Section 2. A hall and home commit-

THE ORDER OF THE WHITE ROSE. tee shall consist of three members appointed by the president (J. C. F. Grum-What is it? Where is it? And what bine, appointed for life), whose duty Is it constructive? Is it to advance shall be to provide hall for regular and liberalism, promote altruism, build up public meetings of the chapter, also for the temple of Spiritualism; or is it for the meetings of the First Society of self-aggrandizement and personal pow- Rosicrucians, and to care for the society er? Thinkers, students of all schools functions of the chapter, etc., etc. ·Ritual responses in the Order of the have a moral right to ask such ques-White Rose:

Teacher .- There is one God and Father of all, who is above all and public speaking before I was twenty) through all and in all.

Audience.-Infinite Spirit, who are around, above and within, pervading and sustaining us at all times, may we realize thine omnipresence, thine omniscience and thine omnipotence. May we perceive all'spirit contained within the One Spirit all presences included White Rose Order, in the president's in the One Presence, and all that lives acting within One Life. May we feel that in Thee we live, and move and

Certainly there was no secrecy in this have our being. May, we be ever conscious of Thee, the 'one Reality and Power in the universe; may we realize tution, by-laws or vow; and then several have gratuitously sent, or shown the silence of God, may we rest in the "I am that I am" of Being, me the printed constitution and by-

Teacher.--My soul thirsteth for Thee, O God, the inspiration and realization pretty; and then the fleece of Mary's of life.

Audience.--I aspire to conscious oneness with the eternal Principle, the everlasting and unchanging "I Am That I Am," the absolute Truth, which I may fully realize as my inheritance. Teacher .- Thou art my shepherd, 1

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CONSTITUTION-OBJECTS.

shall not want. Audience.-We have already received Thyself. Thy Presence is our Presence. God has revealed to us the Divine imbread of life.

Teacher,-Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

vine powers as clairvoyance, clairaudi-Audience.-We unite with the one Adorable and Inseparable Spirit, Christ ence clairsentience, psychometry, inspiration, telepathy, prophecy, previs- unto a realization of the Self, into a ion, prescience, healing, suggestion, consciousness of our divine possibilities ideality, will, adeptship, illumination; We steadfastly behold the truth of our Being, and we become changed from glory to glory, until we are like unto our Cause and Creator-God.

Teacher.-Having eyes, see ye not And having ears, hear ye not? Audience.-Touch the senses quicken the consciousness, that we may sound beyond hearing; that we may not meditation, as will qualify them for stand, not only feel, but eternally real-

Teacher.-May a new consciousness president (J. C. F. Grumbine), shall of being be born in us, may we perceive

a figure of any kind, consciousness, reason or divine significance?

ROSICRUCIAN DEVELOPMENT.

These Rosicrucians, the order of the goodness and wisdom. .Therefore, Spiritualism, with its Sacred Seven, the order of Shinar, with tents in three or four cities and other demonstrations of a future existence, newly-concocted orders, seeking the with its tendencies to the good, the true support of Spiritualists, have some peand the beautiful, with its inculcations culiar methods for inducing concentra- of brotherly love and kindness, with its incentives of Spiritual mindedness, tion, and some very singular methods for developing inspiration, illumination, with its stimulus to purity of life, with and adeptship centering in Divinity. its tender voice of charity and sym-Among them are sitting six feet from pathy, its encouragement to the sad, its a table and looking into a glass of consolation to the dying and its comfort water, or at a black spot on the wall-to to the mourner, constitutes-Spiritualface the East, closing the left nostril and breathing through the right, countvinest, the mightiest truth of any word ing so many the meantime, then alterin the English language. Nail the new book in these lines from "Aurora nating. The figure eight symbolizes. they say, the "occult etheric flow." bear the mortal remains away to the (What in the deuce is that?) The solar crematory. SPIRITUALIST CAMP-MEETINGS.

plexus is pronounced the center of this figure. The circular top of this figure eight represents the brain, and the lower part of the figure the generative organs. Deep solar-plexus breathing fills these figure-shaped cavities with ether, and the ether aids inspiration. Avoid spiritual seances, say these roseate Rosicrucians, and do not consult mediums. (This advice is common to all these esoteric cults and classes). "Will to have whatever you want. Will more engagements. it, and you will get it." "You can thus

make anybody love you." "Wrap a wet cloth around the left leg, and contemplate Ezekiel's wheel," and so on ad nauseam.

Who in the name of reason would wish to attend a spiritual seance or any other, sitting down with a cold wet rag tied around the left leg, contemplating Ezekiel's wheel, and all to get unfolded and illumined into adeptship.

Why should Americans ape the Yogis of India? While I was stopping with Col. Olcott at Adyar, near Madras, the head-center of loyal Theosophists, the Colonel assured me "that "seven-tenths of these Yogis were lazy, dirty beggars and frauds." Some of the three-tenths were dirty beggars to my knowledge. One of them in Blacktown, in the heaven, here and now. suburbs of Madras, wished to put the ashes of some cow-excrements onto my forehead. These Yogis have eighty postures for development and illumination. One is to sit facing the East crosslegged and looking at the tip of the nose; another is counting and gazing at the navel, to produce concentration and If we knew the bitter heartache to develop divine adeptship. The Sac-If we knew half the sorrow,

not permit of description. Permit me to suggest (of course). for the benefit of "the spiritual movement" another side-show organization to be denominated the "Divine Order of Holy

We are apt to judge others over-ambitious spiritists are invited to From the outer side of things-

of Spiritualism is Spirit-absolute Infi- date. Keep watch of the number on nite Spirit, which spirit embodies force, the tag of your wrapper. motion, principle, consciousness, life, evolution, co-relation, purpose and will,



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Word to the head of my coffin as you Leigh:" "If a man could feel

Not one, but every day, feast, fast, and working-day,

Officially invited to attend the Lake The spiritual significance burn through Helen winter camp, and speak Feb. 27, The hieroglyphic of material shows, I could not do so because of a previous | Henceforward he would paint the engagement. This I deeply regretted, globe with wings."

being anxious to meet my old friends, The aim of this book is to reveal the the Bonds, from Willoughby, Ohio, and | curiously close correspondence between others whom I had long known. Last the developments of modern science and summer I attended eight camp-meetings spiritual laws; to note that new forces. as a speaker, and am engaged to five as discovered and applied in wireless for the coming season. I will make no telegraphy, are simply laws of an unseen realm into which humanity is rap-

Camp-meetings are not what they idly advancing and thus gaining a new were when first instituted. The curios- environment. From this evolutionary ity is gone and so are such speakers as progress, as illustrated by physical sci-Denton, Brittan, Dr. Watson, Emma ence the author of "The World Beauti-Hardinge Britten and others. The ful" continues the same argument prequestion was never asked then, "Who sented in those volumes in a plea that will draw;" but "who will edify and the future life is the continuation and spiritually instruct?" There was little development of our present life in all competition then and more earnest de-lits faculties and powers, and that the votion. The accommodations, too, were present may be ennobled by the confar better than they are in some of stant sense of the Divine Presence, and these new camps-more properly grove- a truer knowledge of the nature of man meetings. Still, the camp-meetings and his relations to God tend to a with their eloquent speakers, test medi- h.gher morality and increasing happiums and message-bearers are doing a ness. The book is characterized by the grand work in liberalizing many minds, same essential style and qualities that enlightening the understanding, reviv- have insured for "The World Beautiing old friendships, demonstrating a fu- ful" volumes an almost world-wide ture existence, and aiding in making a popularity.

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Wiggle-Waggle," the officers to be officers for life. All disgruntled, restless,

This cult, imported from India and

cuddled in the bosom of curiosity, with

its varied tents, shrines, chapters and

classes, with its sympathizing branches

and Clubs of Seven, has a general

"Spiritualistic" creed of this character:

"There is no matter, all is mind." "We

Audience .-- We have cast out all faise | Join: Spiritualist mediums are not eli- | Often criticize them harshly--

BALTIMORE AND SLAVERY.

As aforesaid, I ministered to a Uni- to the "Reformed Christian Scientists" versalist church in this city nearly fifty meeting. The hall was crowded with a years ago. I have been incarnated, or very intelligent appearing audience. re-embodied half a dozen times since. The music was exceedingly fine, and While I was here preaching the inalien- the address of Col. --- (Fve forgotten able right of freedom, and the brother- his name) was sensible, sound and loghood of man, one of my prominent ical. He repudiated orthodox creeds, church members, having a debt owing and such church dogmas as endless-hell him, took as security a slave girl, threetorments, and the vicarious atonement fourths white. In due time she was by substitution, the popery assumptions sold to meet the demand. This enraged of Mrs. Eddy, and he encouraged the me. My Scotch blood was up at fever | necessity of free thought and free heat. And further, I distributed John speech.

C. Fremont tracts against the extension of slave territory. I took Horace this andience three whom I had suc- der of the White Rose (J. C. F. Grum- in it-(the White Rose Order). the climar, I exchanged pulpit services belongs to no sect, creed or country. ters and those whom the society may founder-president for life, I venture the

is he of the 'Divine Fragments' (Harter), J. O. Barrett, S. B. Brittan, Wm. who has successfully passed final excient sympathizing souls, and others among whom is your loving mother. an honorable career as set forth in the found. "I am rejoiced to meet you in this vow, and has faithfully met the annual manner, both for old times' sake and dues.

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paid on or before the first chapter meet- keep the feast. 29. Sn ing of each month. Any member failing to respond unless acceptable excuse | a rest to the people of God. is given, will forfeit his membership.

the age. On Sunday afternoon I went cent of the gross receipts of local chap- and Peace abide with Thee now and alter dues will be collected annually on ways. the first of January.

> ulation. gels of the Order of the White Rose,

when holding other than class or chapcrucians." The management of said so- establishment of Universal religion, ciety will be left wholly to the guidance generically designated the Spiritual

Membership to the order .- Anyone sense of life, we have risen from the illusion of time and matter, and we have aminations in "The College of Psychical | turned our eyes where only the Good. Sciences and Unfoldment," maintained the Perfect and Eternal are to be

Teacher.-Lord. teach us how to pray. Audience.-May we be still and know.

May we let the Universal pervade the gala, assured me meant the total extinction of consciousness. Dues in this consciousness, may we pray with the organization, \$5 per year, payable to spirit; may we pray with the underthe president through the financial secstanding also. Inform the mind, the retary, appointed for life by the presireason, the senses, that all may be part of one Perfect Whole. May that pure dent. is accepted by the executive committee light which lighteth every man, so flow I shall be pleased to give this new order such encouragement as I give all through our Being that from center to "pretenders," and oily-tongued frauds. circumference God alone may reign. in my Temple of Health, and Temple's

Teacher.--I never die--the spirit ever Home Journal, the combined circulation liveth. of which is 53,000 monthly. Audience.-The false sense of self perisheth, but a new consciousness' dawn-THE CROWN OF THE CULT.

vine self, we pass from mortality to imrote of executive committee. mortality, from darkness to light, from Fourth. Membership dues (25 cents finite to Infinite. Therefore with the

monthly) are collectable and should be Spirit who giveth oth Passover let us

Teacher.-There remaineth, therefore, "All is OM." "There is but One." Audience.-I um in the world but not have arisen from the illusion of time Chapters or Branches.-Section 2. of it, the soul with a divine longing and matter." "The divine idea of self One dollar or each membership fee will seeks its true homesi Thou hast made is the bread of life." "God is everybe collected for the main order and us for Thyself and we cannot rest until thing." "God is all, and all is God." should be sent to the general treasurer we rest in Thee, O.God. within thirty days of collection, who Teacher.—The blessing of God, the "I am that I am." "I am God." "God and I are in partnership." "I am God." Reform is one of the watchwords of will receipt for the same; also 10 per | One and Inseparable! All Love, Mercy "I am sermon." "I am money." "I am filled with God." "There is no evil.

All is good." "I am the morning star." Audience.-The Lord, our God, will "I am the dawn and the evening." "I Section 3. Only one chapter will be continually bless us and keep us. He am harmony." "I am the bread of life." allowed in each city or centre of pop- will continually cause His face to shine "I am life." "I am old as God." "God upon us. He will continually lift up the | and I are one." "I am law." "I am Rosicrucians .- All teachers or evan- light of His countenance upon and give principle." "I am love." "Love feeds, clothes and supports me." "I am full us eternal peace. of God." "God is as dependent on me. On the first page of the constitution of ter meetings, will conduct their serv- this "Order of the White Rose" occurs. as I am on him." "We are one." ices and give their teachings under the this significant sentence: "All who are "There is nothing but God-OM," (proauspices of "The First Society of Rosi- earnestly and sincerely working for the nounced AUM.) "Whatever is, is right." "There is no evil in the universe. There is no place for it. for all As unexpectedly as gladly I met in and wisdom of the president of the Or- Movement, can work through, with and is God." "There is no sin; it is mortal mind." "It is illusion." "All is mind." Greeley's New York Tribune, and to cap cessfully treated psychically. Healing bine), with the assistance of local chap- Without opposing the order or its "All is God." "God and I are partners." The above phrases, referring to self,

gible. The password is prana. Being Saying words that leave a sting. in the interests of the "spiritual move-We feel keenly the world's injustice ment," all subjects may be discussed in In giving to them allthe secret sessions except Spiritualism. While we are forced to live The first aim' sought is adeptship, the

end to be attained is Nirvana, which On a pittance mean and small. the High Priest of Ceylon, Shri Suman-But could we throw aside the veil

Battle Creek, Mich.

Between ourselves and them, We might find they were unfortunate-Ourselves the luckiest of men.

J. M. PEEBLES, M. D.

IF WE KNEW.

Rankling in a neighbor's breast,

And their dark days of unrest.

That is shrouded from the light,

We might think our burdens easy-

If we only knew the trouble

Our sorrows only slight.

Nature gives to all her blessing With a generous, loving hand; If we only knew her better

Some things we might understand. -Virginia Curtis Smith.

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## Mar. 0, 1901,

## THE SPIRITUALISTIC FIELD-ITS WORKERS, DOINGS, ETC., THE WORLD OVER.

.. GENERAL SURVEY ..

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

ITEMS.-Bear in mind that items for the General Survey will all cases be adjusted to the space we have to occupy, and in order to do that they will generally have to be abridged more or less; otherwise many items would be crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line item is cut down to ten lines, and ten lines to two lines, as occasion may require. Every item sent to us for publication, should contain the full name and address of the writer. We desire to know the source of every item that appears. This rule will be strictly adbered to.

Subscriber writes: "At 884 West Mad ison street, Chicago, on Thursday even ing, March 7, there will be held a social and entertainment, including refreshments, for the mutual benefit of all who are kind enough to assist in the enterprise by donations as well as on the relations of Nature's forces and their Again he placed three sacks in the loft. program. All who are attendants of relations to the so-called spirit-media, This time the ghost was mad, and, unthe three branches of the Beacon Light | and shows how every one can become | tying the sacks, dumped the loose on-Spiritual Church are especially invited attuned to catch the messages of truth ions on Mr. Plummer's head, pushed to join in this effort of the friends to through application of continued effort, him off the ladder, and threw it down

Take due notice, that all items for this page must be accompanied by the full name and address of the writer. It will not do to say that Secretary or Correspondent writes so and so, without giving the full name and address of the writer. The items of those who do not comply with this request will be cast into the waste basket.

Mrs. Jennie Darrell, speaker, platform test and physical medium, is open for been or will be, are projected for the engagements for the month of March in | benefit of these leaders, and whatever New Hampshire, Massachusetts and they gain is at the expense of their Maine. Correspondence solicited. -

O. H. Perry writes from West Su-perior, Wis.: "We had the president of the N. S. A., Harrison D. Barrett, Moses Hull, Max Hoffman and the president of the State Association, Mrs. Clara L. Stewart, with us for three days, and vited." such a feast of truth, light and knowledge as we enjoyed is something to be long remembered by the citizens of our

M, H. writes: "Prof. Wm. Lockwood, the noted scientific Spiritualist, has completed, for the present, his engagement with the Philadalphia Spiritualist Society. He has no peer in the educational chair of the progressive rostrum. He has an extended knowledge of ancient traditions and modern ethics. He J. Plummer, representing a commission is a profound, careful and untiring student, and has the faculty of imparting to Orange Farm a few days ago and his knowledge with such simplicity that bought a quantity of onions. Not wishalmost any child can grasp his mean- ing to ship them all, he leased the ing. Prof. Lockwood's class lectures empty house and directed his employes upon Mythology and the Fables and to store part of the onions in the loft, Traditions of Pre-Historic Ages, and which is reached by a ladder. The men

were mines of information. A more in- ing the house when the sacks all came structive and interesting course has tumbling to the floor below. They never been delivered in this city. His searched the loft; no one was there. discourse upon the X-ray and Wireless Mr. Plummer then took a hand and Telegraphy, opens a field of thought in himself placed six sacks in the loft. In the minds of many regarding the co- a moment they were all thrown down.

J. J. Walter, of Findlay, Ohio, sends us a club of subscribers. Others have responded nobly. E. B. Gillett writes from Narcoossee,

"The story written by A. B. Richmond, entitled "The Necesis of Chautauqua Lake,' is full of life, just like the con-"Where all things are had in com- | tributor himself. An grd warrior like mon how can anything be gained by one | Mr. Richmond has dought many battles over another? The head of the Shaker in this life against ignorance. He is Society receives no salary. All is held trying to help the latter to diminish. in common, and the leaders are beyond The spicy and tasty-savory flavor the shadow of a doubt parental in their | brought out in that narrative is full of attitude toward those whose interests | relish to the reader. Such works are they are charged with, and are burhelping to progress, to, elevate. The Progressive Thinker ought to have dened with cares that love or money must recompense for. It is not money- more patronage anlong the Spiritualists on account of its progressive articles. then what? For a week at a time I Every Spiritualist' family should be have dug palmettoes on the wild hamprovided with The Progressive Thinker. mocks of Florida by the side of the leading Elder of all the societies of. To Spiritualists one suggestion I will Shakers. The following clipping from | make: Do not follow mountebanks of

your paper of February 16 caused me to the circus, nor learn to love the trashy write the above: 'Mark this: Every associative movement must have leaders; and all such associations that ever have credulous followers."" J. Kleinan writes: "The ladies of the

Spiritualist, you will rejoice in the gathering of the golden harvest." Beacon Light church will give a social for the benefit of the society at 884 W. 587 I have read the convincing test. Madison street, Thursday night, March 7th. An interesting entertainment and One of the closing paragraphs read: refreshments are promised. All are in-'And knowing that her daughter is absent in the body, she is with her in

spirit.' I am pleased to say that the George D. Fountain writes: "I was mother has realized the fact of her ost without The Progressive Thinker. daughter's spirit presence, as I think it is the best Spiritualist paper enumerated to me to-day some of her printed." experiences. She said she often feels a

A strenuous ghost that abhors the smell of onions is in full possession of a house in a little settlement of Polish onion growers near Orange Farm, Orange county, N. Y. The haunted house stands in the center of the village and has been shunned by all for years. A. house on Pearl Street, New York, came their influence upon modern civilization, passed up a dozen sacks and were leavHeld in St. Louis, Mo., and St. Paul, Minn.

MASS MEETINGS.

THE ST. LOUIS MASS-MEETING.

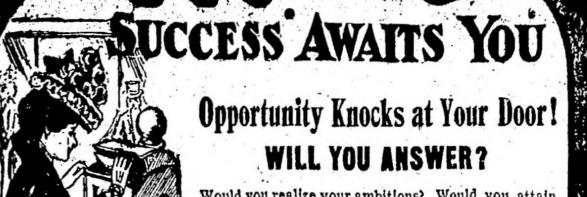
The mass-meetings held here in St. Louis, Mo., are the wonderful resultants of the power of co-operation. The St. Louis Spiritual Association, led by Thomas Grimshaw, joined forces with the N. S. A. and are having meetings to be proud of. Prof. W. F. Peck is also giving his able assistance. The press and public are manifesting great interest in the feast being spread by the able talent present. Large audiences assemlife of the theaties. Put to test with ble at each session and splendid reports an electric search-light all phenomenal are given by the Globe-Democrat. The mediums. A genuine medium will not beautiful Odeon Hall is an ideal one for be offended. Use 'your money judithe assembly.

ciously. Pay it to spirit lecturers, for President H. D. Barrett is pouring out spirit literature and progress within his soul and straining himself mentally yourself. Try it! Try it! If you are a and physically to make these massmeetings of great good to the cause he loves so well. Moses Hull is here with M. St. Omer Briggs writes: "In No. his vigor of brain and body, E. A. Tisdale has created much interest by his logic and fluency. Margaret Gaule and Mrs, Zaida B. Kates have been of great interest and wonderfully accurate in their message giving. The writer has added his mite of help, whilst Brothers she Grimshaw and Peck have by no means had their brilliancy dimmed by the visiting luminaries. They are efficient lahand placed on her head, and while sitborers and seem to be appreciated in St. ting in the evening with a pencil in her

hand, and elbow raised from the table, Mr. Barrett, Mrs. Kates and self are the point of the pencil is lowered onto to hold meetings in Kansas City, St. a paper, and beautiful flowers are Joseph and Topeka. The prospects are drawn. In some faces are clearly to be good that these meetings shall help the seen. One night she was awakened out localities and redound to the missionary of a sound sleep, and clearly felt hands work the N. S. A. is striving to develop. on her head. Then she heard buzzing

Louis.

in her ear which terminated in her "How Shall | Become a Me-MASS-MEETINGS IN ST. PAUL. hearing strains of beautiful music, but The three days of mass-meetings held not being acquainted with the phenomby the State Spiritualists' Association ena of spirit return, she became somewhat alarmed, but on turning her head of Minnesota, in St. Paul, February 22, she clearly saw the face of her spirit 23 and 24, were remarkably filled with daughter. She is now quite reconciled | interest and good feeling. The attendto the nearness of her daughter, and ance was large and the exercises most The above question is comprehensively an-swered by Hudson Tuttle, in his new work, en-titled "Mediumship and its Laws, its Conditions has become a reader of The Progressive | excellent mentally and spiritually. The Thinker, in search of more knowledge." | lecture talent embraced H. D. Barrett. L. H. Brewster writes: "The Sun- president of the N. S. A.; Mrs. Martha flower Social Club will give a Hard E. Root, vice president of the Michigan Time Social, at Oakland Club Hall, cor- | State Association; Mrs. Clara L. Stew-Ellis and Oakwood avenues, on Friday | art, president of the Wisconsin State evening, March 8. A special program | Association; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kates. and Cultivation." It is now ready for delivery, of a very unique and amusing nature missionaries of the Minnesota State Aswill be given; a mock law suit, fancy sociation; Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley,



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terly impossible for him to do himself What some people consider to be another instance of the fell influence of | or his audience justice in so short a period as one month. It seems, as a rule, the number 13 on human destiny is that it takes a month to bring a mafound in the accidental death of Robert jority of his heavers to the point of S. Coulter, of 5456 Maple avenue, St. thinking along his line of thought, and Louis, Mo., from morphine taken for just as they begin to show real interest insomnia. With twelve others he enit is time to be on the onward march. listed in the army to fight Spain, Sep-As one interested in humanity and for tember 13, 1899. Thirteen days elapsed the advancement of this great truth, we before they were sent away in a train appeal to societies who are interested in of thirteen cars. Thirteen days were the scholarly presentation of our philrequired to reach their destination at Nuevitas, Cuba. It took thirteen days osophy to make an effort to hear these scientific lectures." to reach Porto Principe, in the name of

which there are thirteen letters. They fought in thirteen engagements, attended thirteen dances and were orcide in Cuba, Frank Smith and Lily Dale Spiritual Training School; Dr. | mediums to come this way." "Frenchy" Diana became insane, Wm. | McLean, of Cleveland, who gave a fine Simon went blind, William De Turk | lecture on Anti-Vaccination. He had a died in Cuba, J. Kobush was crippled large crowd of interested listeners. married on his return from the war, Alfred Ward was shot in action, Herman Farber descried from his regiment, Frank Burg is locked up on a charge of us. Mr. Weaver gave a short address, theft.--Chicago Chronicle.

the First Spiritual Church, and while lowed with tests that were all recogthe interest is growing, yet we feel nized. The Spiritualists of Cleveland before of the language. Our pastor lec- to hold a monster anniversary meeting Rochester, Ind." tures inspirationally and such tests on March 31, 1901. Good talent has have never been given before in this been secured, and as the doors will be city. Any stranger wishing to attend | wide open, we hope to fill Gray's Arma meeting in this city will find us located at 120 South Sallne street, and will receive a cordial welcome."

Mrs. E. A. Magoon writes: "I take the | for work in the East End Hall, giving liberty so freely granted to your sub- their terms, etc.; also would like to hear scribers for the expression of all sorts from some good German speaking test of opinions, beliefs and unbeliefs. It is mediums and lecturers, as there is a this liberal office, so much appreciated good opening here for anyone who can by many, that no doubt causes them to use German, there being a large and declare The Progressive Thinker the prosperous society of Germans here. best Spiritualist paper published. | Write to C. Templin. 318 Jennings ave-Should they read some others as much, nue, for information in regard to the they might find it more difficult to dis- German Society and to C. H. Figures, criminate. I regard each one in its own | president of East End Spiritual Society. allotted sphere doing a special line of 9 Fulton street, Cleveland, Ohio, for inwork, which is of equal necessity, and formation about the East End Society." a society to take charge of the work

development of brain power. Spiritual-C. H. Mathews writes: "A trumpet se-Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley has re- ism under his masterly logic, reasoning ance was held at the Mathews resi dence, New Philadelphia, Ohio, Feb. 21. Mr. James Caton was the medium. .. Ten sitters were present, and all had talks should by all means be employed at least two months in a place. It is ut

with relatives and friends. Mr. Caton is from Washington, Pa. He is a thoroughly reliable medium, and has a good band of spirit in attendance." W. F. Peck lectures for the Washington, D. C., Spiritual Society during the month of March. His place with the Church of Spiritual Unity in St. Louis will be filled by Oscar A. Edgerly. Mr. Peck will return to his regular charge

April 1. Address in Washington, 1528 Corcoran street, N. W. D. L. Sprague writes from Clear Lake, the city after an absence of five weeks. Iowa: "Mrs. Eva McCoy, of Marshall- On the last Sunday in March, a grand town, has just closed, a month's en- anniversary day (long to be rememgagement here and our audiences in-

creased every night. She is a splendid C. H. Figures writes: "The East End Spiritual Society of Cleveland, Ohio, medium, and her services are in great ing, with dinner between. Full partic-C. H. Figures, president, has been hav- demand. I have a hall that is given ulars at a future date. dered home on the 13th of the month. ing successful meetings all winter. free to any mediums that can bring Of the thirteen young men who en- Since Christmas we have had on the good recommendations. We have quite listed, all suffered some misfortune or platform Mrs. McCaslin, of Cleveland, an interest manifested here during Mrs. fatality. Robert Burns committed sui- three evenings; Mr. A. J. Weaver, of McCoy's meetings. We would like good

·Mrs. H. J. Moore of this city writes: "Mr. Moore has been serving the First Spiritualist Church at Rochester, Ind., by rheumatism, Charles Ambs dis- Mr. Joe B. Jonson, the well-known for the last month, and has been re-enappeared from home, Charles Johnson | trumpet medium of Toledo, gave a light | gaged for three coming months. I expect seance one evening to an overflowing to join him next Wednesday and assist audience of weil-pleased people. Last him in the work. I have been detained Sunday Mr. W. V. Nicum, of Buffalo, here on account of my mother, Alice Robert S. Coulter died accidentally, and N. Y., and Mr. A. J. Weaver were with Gehring, intending to go to California, but she has been persuaded by the Spirbut to the point. Mr. Nicum then gave | itualists of Chicago to remain here, and B. B. writes from Syracuse, N. Y .: some experiments in hypnotism, which the first of March she will remove to "Mrs. Mary C. Von Kanzler is pastor of | were highly successful. The writer fol- 6311 Parnell avenue, Englewood station, Chicago, and will hold seances as usual, Mr. Jessup has gone to Missouri on a there is but a handful of us to sustain had a fine treat when the Campbell visit, but expects to return to Chicago the work. We have a fine developing Brothers were here. They were kept soon. Mr. Moore will be at the service class, and have had a number of phe- very busy and we are looking for a of anyone wanting him to conduct meetnomenal tests among them; some talk visit from them again in the near fu- ings, officiate at weddings and funerals German that have never known a word | ture. The State Association is preparing | during the week. Address all mail to | Fellows' Temple, Broad and Cherry

Maggie Waite is now located at 219 State street, Albany, N. Y., where she can be addressed.

ory, the largest hall in the city, with be-D. E. Griffith writes from Minneapolievers and investigators. We would lis, Minn.: "The last two Sundays of like to correspond with good mediums this month and during April our State missionaries and organizers, G. W. Kates and wife, will be with us. Some criticism has been passed on the State Association for holding these meetings, but the officers of the association- considered that under the conditions that existed in the early part of the winter. Philadelphia, Pa., and others. that something must be done to keep our cause up, and try and advance it as much as possible, and when things had properly shaped themselves to organize

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largely attended, and we are looking

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the necessities of the society. The La-

factor, and the meetings on Thursday

afternoons are increasing in interest

and numbers. Our home mediums are

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cellent satisfaction. Feb. 24 closed his

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dancing, good music, and a hard time of Chicago; Mrs. Lowell, of Anoka unch. Come and have a good laugh." Minn.; Mrs. Tryon and J. F. Raymond, Married Christmas eve, 1900, in San of Minneappolis; Mr. Will J. Erwood, Mrs. Kates, of Minneapolis; Mrs. San Francisco, Hon. and Mrs. Donnel-Cooley, of Chicago; Mrs. Sauer and Mrs. ly have just returned from an extended Connell, of St. Paul. Interesting retrip east and south. They will remain marks were made by J. S. Maxwell, in San Francisco a season, and then president of the State Association; C. D. take sail for Europe, where they will Pruden, vice-president; J. P. Whitwell, journey for six months or a year. president St. Paul Alliance; Mr. W. C. Thos H. Hartley writes: "First Spiritual Church, Oakwood and Ellis ave- Edwards, of St. Paul.

nues. Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley, the A conference was held each morning pastor will lecture from her rostrum on in which several local mediums and vis-Sunday, March 10, at 7:30 p. m. Seritors participated-making interesting vices will close with spirit messages. It sessions. Circles and social converse is to be hoped that a large audience will filled all interims between meetings. Lunches and dinners were served by be there to greet her on her return to the Ladies' Auxiliary.

An exceedingly interesting feature was a session of the Children's Lyceum bered) will be held. It is proposed to Sunday afternoon. The children reelted, hold two meetings-afternoon and evensang, marched, etc., winning enthusiastic applause. The lectures and messages were all

E. S. Dillon writes from Wheeling, freighted with power of conviction. The W. Va., that the interest in the investisessions were manifest outpourings of gation of our beautiful philosophy and the spirit. We shall reap great good. phenomena is unprecedented in the his-The press gave liberal reports, and the widespread influence will be realized tory of that city.

Mass Meeting under the joint aus

spirit messages: Mrs. May S. Pepper,

Providence, R. I.; Miss Margaret Gaule,

Evolution.

for many days. The State Association Dr. A. L. Drumm writes from Sparta, has experienced a great uplift and is Ill.; "Our little Society is coming to the front. I find I can get people interest- manifesting the good of organization. ed in Spiritualism through healing | Excellent vocal music was furnished by them. Thursday night I was called to | Prof. Zumbach and wife, Mrs. Chadsey the bedside of a mother and her little | and Mrs. Kilshaw. Mr. Barrett and 16-months-old baby. The parents were | Mrs. Cooley held a meeting in Minneworn out for rest and sleep, on account | apolis, Sunday night, and had a large of the child crying and being so rest- audience. Thus the visit of our National It Beams With Spiritual less. You can realize their surprise president has been fruitful to the twin when within 15 minutes after I came, | cities, and the N. S. A. is entitled to the the little child went to sleep, relieved of credit for his presence with us and able pain. The parents are Roman Catho- help rendered. The future looks bright, lics, and are in wonderment yet as to | and the dawning is at hand when truth how I did the work." shall illumine the world.

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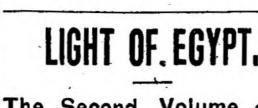
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pices of the Spiritualists of Philadelphia and the National Spiritualists As-A CARD. sociation. March 12, 13 and 14, at Odd Beyond the Vail.-This publication is streets. The most prominent exponents of the philosophy and phenomena of Spiritualism in the United States and Canada will be present and take part in the sessions. Among them will be the following: Prof. H. D. Barrett, president N. S. A.; Dr. N. F. Ravlin, California; Rev. B. F. Austin, Toronto, Canada; Prof. W. M. Lockwood, Chicago, sachusetts. Noted mediums will give able in the future life.

BEYOND THE VAIL.

therein:

Spirit; The Law of Attraction; Senses Will; Fear; Astrology; The God-Soul of



the same medium (W. W. Aber), J. H. (a valuable addition and) a library on fual power than the one now in use. I believe it will Nixon serving as compiler and editor. occult subjects. Spiritual astrology is merits become known."

mportance, along the line of human development and spiritual unfoldment."

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E. R. Kidd writes from Alliance, derstood, and this idea had never be-Ohio: "The Evening Courier, a new and fore been suggested. The Spiritualist newsy Democratic daily paper pub- continued: "An old servant, trusted. lished in Canton, Ohio, says in its issue | tried and faithful, is valuable enough, of the 23d inst: 'What is Cleveland do- but when he can enable one to coming to its preachers? Within a short municate with those who have ceased period seven of them have thrown up to have bodily existence, how much their jobs.' The prime cause, in the more valuable do you think he would writer's judgment, is one of two things. | become? So it was with John Brown. First, those preachers have investigated It was very well known by the late the truths of modern Spiritualism, and Queen's immediate entourage that she truth of spirit return and communion Queen should not be cited as an exwith loved ones of earth, and as a re- ample by charlatans for their own sult refuse to be longer bled by that use."-Chicago Times-Herald. class of yellow legged chicken de-

Jourers. The people of Hosmer, Ind., a mining town, are excited over the prophecies of new-faith. He claims to have a revelation from heaven in which the mysteries of the future life and the approaching destruction of the earth were rement of reform and people for miles around are flocking to Hosmer to become members of his band. Hundreds gather every day to listen to his prophecies, and business has been suspended. Men have quit work and women have ziven up their household duties to join alm in his efforts to spread his doctet in refuge from the impending doom will be received .- Chicago Chronicle.

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Queen of England was a great Spirit- 1 we expect to have a strongly organmedium." This threw light on many things which had never been quite unand trust keep it up to a high mark."

their spirit friends have advised them often retired apart to confer with the was controlled by the nightingale singgent paying members of their congrega- | she spent the time in prayer, and the | which was most touching, and -contions have quietly investigated the secret was closely kept, so that the convinced all, beyond doubt, of spirit face became dark, his eyes looked like a truth of spirit return and communion Oneen should not be cited as on or return." return." -Correspondent writes: "Services of

It appears from the Toledo (Ohio) News that at the meeting there Mrs. Marion Carpenter directed her opening remarks to those who scoff at Spiritual. Rev. Emory Wells, who has started a ism. She .said that Spiritualists are often asked why it is that if the philosophy is true that it was not given to us years ago. She gave as one answer doing excellent work, and our regular to this the fact that even to-day man vealed to him. He has started a move- is not spiritually unfolded except in a very small degree. That as the race six months' continuous engagement, progressed and humanity gradually rose to a higher plane the phenomena of Spiritualism would become better understood and be manifest to all men. Here the speaker traced the steps of mankind down the vast ages since animal life first appeared upon earth and rine. Mr. Wells says he will organize showed how slow but sure had been colony and locate where all desiring to the progress. We are, she said, the Mrs. Anna Hoxt Shaft writes from | ever go onward and upward. The world | mediumship of Will J. Erwood, begin-

all our cities.

T. Cravens writes, from Princeton, mere creatures of that mighty progres- Minn.: "A series" of "spiritual lectures sive law which says everything must was delivered in our hall through the legs have been growing longer at the Los Angeles, Cal., that she is spending had always derided and ridiculed the ning on Feb. 23 and lasting until the in course of evolution he did not need few months there. She is open for person who was ahead of his time. 27th.' The lectures have proven a great | such long arms, nature at once took the ingagements during the months of Such were Socrates and Pluto. Even help in interesting outsiders in our phil- hint and commenced to, shorten his March and April, as lecturer and test that mighty power, electricity, had osophy and also in awakening enthu- arms to suit his demands. So nature medium, and to hold circles. Any socie- come under the ban of the pessimists | slasm in our local association. The lec- conforming to man's needs, spiritually Hes between Los Angeles and Minne- and scoffers. Now other pessimists and | tures delivered were clear and strong | and physically, thus enables his spirit molis. Mlin. she would be glad to hear other skeptics and scoffers were being exponents of spiritual philosophy. As to manifest more fully its possibilities,

a result our association has gained several-new members."

sit occasionally to exercise and perfect and keep it going as it should be done One of the best known exponents of for the betterment of our cause. The this beautiful endowment, planted Spiritualistic doctrine says: "The late | time for this has arrived and by April | there for a noble purpose. The following experience occurred about one valist and John Brown was a wonderful | ized local society in this city, that will | year ago, which may be interesting to take up the line of work and we hope relate.

I was sitting quietly by myself in my room one evening. I had turned down Henry Booth writes from Cleveland, the light a little to sult the occasion. I Ohio: "Mr. Frank McKinley, trance and sat about ten minutes in perfect stilltrumpet medium, of Sandusky, Ohio, ness, when I was a little startled to see lectured here Sunday evening in the standing in front of me the figure of a parlors of Lake View Flats, at which man, whose form was a third larger were gathered a large number of than the average form of man to-day. Cleveland's most prominent citizens. His arms extended to his knees, his After Mr. McKinley was placed in conlegs were very short. As I sat looking trol of the vibrations from Rev. Dr. Burkhart, he preached an excellent berat him, for he stayed fully a minute, I mon. After the lecture, Mr. McKinley | noticed that his face, was white. As soon as that thought passed through my to let up on the dogmas they have been | spirit of the late Prince Consort on mat- | er, Jenny Lind, rendering the ever beau- | mind that he was a white man, he compreaching to their hearers, or the intelli- ters of great moment. Many thought tiful 'Sweet Spirit, Hear My Prayer,' menced to make passes over his face with his hands, and immediately his

> hair covering his face pretty well up to his eyes. His head, was small in pro-portion to his body. He feemed to be dressed in dark clothes. As I was evolving some question to ask, him, I asked him how long since he lived on earth. He replied in an audulitie voice-fifty dles' Auxiliary remains an important thousand years ago, he said, he lived on this earth. He then commenced to sink down, until his head gradually disappeared through the floor, Comparing his figure with the nverage form of mankind to-day, I sae a great physical transformation through evolution of nature's forces, in order to make man's physical body conform to his needs, and the fuller manifestation of his spirit within. Whereas in that remote period man, with his long arms and short legs. sat upon the ground and, gathered the

fruits and nuts of the trees and bushes. Having short legs and a massive body he could not get around very well, so nature came to his assistance and his expense of his body ever since. Now,

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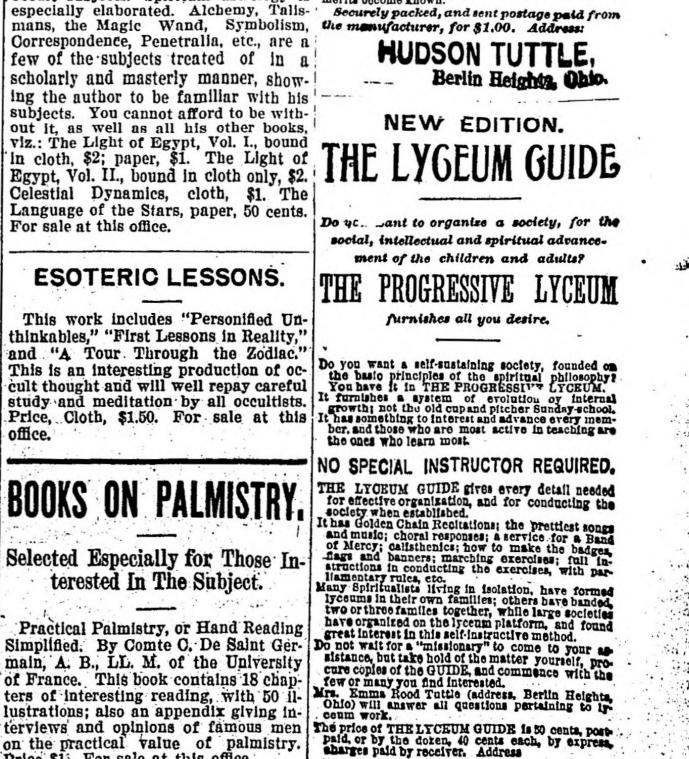
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A. P. S.: Q. (1) It has seemed so difficult to surely know that a person is dead, that many tests have been recommended. Among these is a sudden explosive sound as of a pistol fired over the body. Do you think this of value? (2) We are constantly told by the clergy, of the bottomless pit, where price can the works of Swedenborg be spirits are tormented. How do they obtained? know of it, or that it is bottomless?

A. (1) In profound trance, the explo- Association, Germantown, Pa. The slon of a pistol does not produce the works of the Swedish seer are publeast evidence of consciousness, and in lished by a fund, and sold at about cost.

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society, the means are thus directly within their reach. They can call a few friends together and lay the foundation. It should not be only a seance, but for improvement in many ways. There should be music, recitations, reading of selections, and pleasant conversation. Then a seance for an hour. For music, fresh spiritual songs, and subjects for discussion, the Lyceum Guide is as an assistant most helpful. There are few

> exercises which tend to produce a more perfect harmony than "its silver and golden chain recitations.' Such a meeting is a Lyceum, and may rapidly increase in members.

I have in mind a mother who wrote that she in the far northwest, had only one neighbor in sympathy. She would not send her boy to the Sunday-school, and with the assistance of the Guide, she held a meeting every Sunday with only her son and the little girl of her neighbor as attendants. There was no crowd, no expectant, excited multitude, yet who dare say that her meetings were not successful? Perhaps in fruitage far more so than those where crowds attend.

Hence, if you want a society, start one. No one can do this for you. The spiritual society is most essentially a school where the object is to learn, not the acceptance of beliefs. When you feel the need of officers, elect them, but do not at once elect officers and then resign everything to them. The value of a society is the result of the activity of its members, who must do, and not wait for some one else to do for them. Every spiritual family should give at least one hour each week to spiritual thought, and giving their departed friends an opportunity to come near, even into their innermost souls. Respect for our dead commands this of us, and the great benefit to be gained by ourselves, adds to the obligations.

E. W. Ritch: Q. Where and at what

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This beautiful day I come to you as a messenger of truth. Jesus, our first example, brought with his birth a dawning of a new day, yet he came through the conflict of a natural birth. In him we find life and immortality. In him are all the qualities that make up life. His teachings, his example should be lived. Never were grander or sweeter words uttered than the dear sandaled Nazarene gave to the

world. But to-day his life, his words are misconstrued. When he said: "If you know me you | their usual manifestations, which con-...

know the Father," he did not mean it walks of life and claimed humanity as ous other phenomena, brother and sister. Even Job in his

afflictions said to the worm: "Thou art my brother and my sister." Jesus embodied all truth for he was truth. Through great trials, suffering, temp-

and blood. To-day, legions rise and Pope. Truth once born must always

vealed through the children at Hydesville. has ever kept women in the rear, in fear

position was that of submission and silence. If she knew enough to ask a question she should go to her husband, or sober, her enlightenment must come from him. Thanks to the Infinite intelligence, when he saw fit to send a new

nailed to the cross, refused to live in the

SPIRITUAL SEANCES. messages, pictures, etc. The meeting was evidently a success both financially Some Remarkable Work by and otherwise. The Campbell Brothers will remain in the city until Friday, Campbell Brothers. when they leave for the East.

Following are some of the messages SLATE, TYPEWRETER AND PAINT alleged to have been received from the AND BRUSH MANIFESTATIONS. spirit world: Get this to daughter. L. E. Nichoson.

'AT MEMORIAL HALL," Glad to greet you again. Let people say To the Editor: The Toledo (Ohio) as they please in regard to the life be-Times of Feb. 28, sets forth that the yond; we prove we live by coming in Campbell Brothers, the world-renowned this manner to you.-Father P. T. psychics, were greeted with a large au- Schneider. I come with father and Clara Kopp; dience here in Memorial Hall upon their second appearance in Toledo within two love to all .- Alfred Schneider.

weeks. Get this to my son Orson; I cannot These noted mediums both appeared send much, so many come, but can say at the seance last night, and obtained all is well with us.4-Father Valentine Sage.

sist of independent typewritten mesin its literal sense but in the spiritual. [sages; paintings on porcelains and Jesus mingled with those in the humble | slate, also written messages, and vari-

The seance comprised spirituality and may all know he is happy; no fear of death and the hereafter now, because tests that were truly marvelous, all occurring in a brilliantly lighted hall, and we have met those who had gone beproduced by an invisible agency. Paintfore. We want to say you are going ings and writing came on slates and to develop greater phases soon.-Grandtations, persecutions, agony and death, porcelains in a short space of time that father Mallent.

he taught the lessons of love. Through | would take artists hours and days of superstitions, ignorance and creeds, toil. And all paintings, messages, etc., truth was crushed, hidden in the dark were given to those in the audience. folds of priestly robes at the cost of life | Messages were written on a typewriter you.-Miss Davenport. from friends on the spirit side of life testify to the wrongs done by priest and and addressed to loved ones in the audi-

ence; also numerous written messages live and therefore was once more re- and various other phenomena. The Campbell Brothers have made twentytwo trips to Europe, and are highly en-

gie, with Bessie and Hattle, are so hap-It seems strange that all Saviors of dorsed by the American and European py, and as we send to you they too want truth have been born of women, yet it press. They are the psychics through you all to know what a pleasure it is to is true. While this is true the church whom life-sized portraits, of which come and show you that you are rethere is one in Toledo, are alleged to membered. Joe and Robert and your dear sister Bessie send love to you all,

The program began by a few brief reand I know we shall come again to you marks by one of the brothers, who said when the conditions allow us; we are that those who had come expecting to happy, very happy.-Mother Elizabeth though he knew ever so little. Drunk see everything connected with the phil- Gilchrist.

osophy explained and proven would To my nephew, George R. King:probably be disappointed, but he hoped Yes, George, we are all right; father is they would keep their eyes on the cabwith me, and says I am to tell you we are happy. Love to all.-Uncle Wallace inet and were welcomed to make a thor-

ough investigation of the surroundings | King. fused to be crucified, refused to be and cabinet before the exercises began, but after that they were expected to want you to know that Nellie is cared squalid ranks of bigotry and ignorance, keep perfectly still. He said that those for and all are happy because we now and to-day this great child of truth has | gathered there had come to witness the know the truth. John J. Ryan comes grown so giant-like in strength that it phenomena and not to hear the philoshere too and sends greeting to all. Have no fear of death; we do love.-Father souls and fondle them on its breast. It At the close of these introductory re- Patrick and Mother Mary Keogh.

marks the brothers, with others, set up | To my daughter, M. E. Potter:-Yes,



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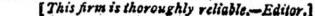
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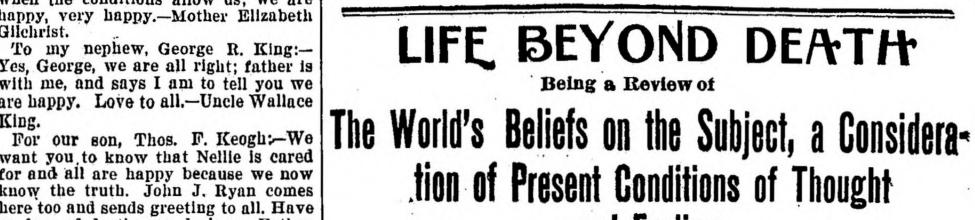
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guished from death, there is no reason to suppose the effect would be noticeable, but every reason that it would be less. There is only one sure evidence of death-decomposition. Hence when there is doubt, the body should be kept in a warm room, and restoratives applied. Even if there are all the usual my dead brother? indications, it is best to maintain the temperature of the room. Then if the signs of decomposition appear, there can be no doubt. If they do not, it is certain that life remains.

The usual practice of, as soon as the person is thought to be dead, placing the body in a cold room, or applying preservatives, should be discountenanced as misleading and cruel.

()) The idea of a bottomless pit grew out of a misunderstanding of words, and originally had no reference to hell or the future world. The clergy claim to know all about God and the future, but where they obtain their knowledge, is what the immortal Dundrenry would call a question "no fellah can find out." The Catholic priests are more fortunate, for Christ himself told Peter all the secrets of heaven and hell, he told the pope, and the pope has told the priests. who retail it to the people. The protestant priest has his own understanding | too well that as we sow, so, also shall of the Bible, each sect has a different understanding, and when all their conflicting views are canceled the sum of their understanding is reduced to zero.

Mrs. M. S. W.: Q. How do you explain the following: A gentleman sent a lock of his hair and letter to a medium for diagnosis of his disease, and received a perfect one of his wife's, which was entirely different?

A. The sensitive medium, or spirit (I mention both because the principle involved is the same), perceives (1) the influence most in harmony with himself, (2) less clearly the strongest influence. It requires practice and culture of the understanding to separate these diverse gold: impressions. A husband's letter and hair would not only give his own but his wife's influence. His would be the primary and stronger, hers secondary, but if most harmonious with the sensitive-medium or spirit-would be first received, and if the process stopped at this point, the first would not be received at all. If, however, the sensitive continues, he may become in accord with the first, and distinguish it, just as the multiplex receiver of the telegraph separates the messages which come as vibrations over the wire. Of course a spirit communicating with full knowledge would not make the mistake, but in this instance, the diagnosis was psychometrically given.

the coma, which cannot be distin- In fact some of them are sent for the dom and love and says to the world, postage.

> G. H., Goderich, Ontario: Q. How am I to explain a dream I had, wherein I saw an Indian in full dress, who said she was my guardian spirit. Her name Genesee; and again the appearance of

A. That you were clairvoyant and saw just as you describe, and further that if you will cultivate this faculty, you will receive most satisfactory results to yourself.

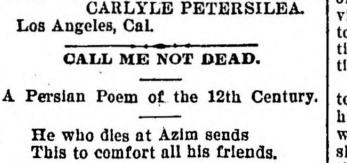
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This admirable work of our most esteemed and respected friend, Hudson Tuttle, should properly become the textbook of all Spiritualists and others who are seeking practical knowledge of the most important subject that can possibly engage the attention of mankind. Let it once be understood that we are, here and now, living among spiritual beings, both in and out of the body, who know us just as we are, and who praise or condemn us according to our God. actual worth, and we will all be inspired to live better lives, knowing only we reap, and that we, individually, are responsible for our acts. Many wise quotations might be made from Mr. Tuttle's book did space permit, but any

fragmetary presentation would be an injustice to the author. The work costs only a few cents, so that even the poorest among us can afford to buy it and study it. It is not a work to be superficially glanced through. It must be studied and thought over daily. Spiritualists, the world over, owe Hudson Tuttle, a debt of gratitude, for

this and other works, they will never be able to pay. The following words on page 2 should be written in letters of

"At best Spiritual Science at present is fragmentary and its facts often seemingly conflicting. The teacher must hold his theories tentatively, and be ready to change his views on points held essential. All he has to do is to follow the highest and clearest light."



heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Come all who are hungry and thirsty. eat, drink at the fountain of wisdom and be satisfied. This child does not say if you eat of the tree of knowledge you will surely die, but invites you to partake of its luscious fruit and grow in

mind. Jesus said, "ask and you shall receive, knock and it shall be opened unto you." Paul thought all knowledge contained in the world was confined to the brain of man, consequently all the way down the line from his time man has exer-

cised his ownership over women. I dislike the idea of a man God, but love and reverence the supreme Power whose true name is Love.

The need of a correct understanding of truth has brought want, misery and crime to earth's children. Truth disguised by the various names of religion has been the means of bringing humanity to the burning stake, innocent blood of babyhood to be spilled and countless thousands to mourn, all because of the false idea of an angry man

Let us in the name of all that is sacred and pure rise in the majesty of man- and womanhood and live the life exemplified by Jesus.

MARIA BITTERS. Rochester, Ind.

Consistency in "Divine Teachers." To the Editor:-In the December number of "Immortality," we find that Mr. J. C. F. Grumbine, the editor, has characterized one of Spiritualism's best known and most highly respected mediums, as being full of "vanity, jealousy, acrimony and selfishness." Surprise and indignation are expressed on all sides at this unwarranted attack, but no defense is necessary for this medium whom he has chosen to defame. The utter absurdity of his statement is

its own refutation. But what shall we say of the principle involved? Is it not unworthy the founder of the "Order of the White Rose" to descend to the venting of personal animosity in such terms as this? Is it not out of keeping with the dignity of an expounder of lofty ideals and "Divine Teachings" and the "Christ Spirit" to thus resort to such a string of expletives as can leave no doubt of the motive that prompts their use?

Are we not justified in looking to the teacher who exhorts us to come up higher, and to develop the God-life within us-as the one who shall himself show us the way and lead us thither by the sheer force of his own example

has thrown open the wide doors of wistheir cabinet on the low platform in full "come unto me, all that are weary and view of the audience. It consisted of a portable framework about 6 feet high, 10 feet long and 4 feet wide. This was covered with a black fabric. A table inson. that belongs in the hall was placed inside before the curtains were put down. The drawer was taken out of the table

and put aside on the platform. A slip of paper was given to each person present, and those who desired wrote some question or a request for a message from the spirit world, thereon. When the cabinet was set up these messages

were all gathered and bound with rubber bands. They were then undone in front of a committee from the audience,

placed in a pan, covered with alcohol and burned in full view of those present. The pan with the cinders was placed on the floor under the table. An ordinary Williams typewritar was then placed upon the table. One of the brothers then requested some five persons who were not Spiritualists to come forward and inspect the premises. Five persons went forward-two ladles and three gentlemen-and prowled about to their satisfaction without exidently discovering any trapdoors, etc. The cur-

tain was then lowered over the framework, leaving an open space of two feet in front.

One of the Campbell brothers, a lady and gentleman from the audience, who said they were perfect strangers, were then placed in front of the cabinet. A

popular hymn was sung. Then several handkerchiefs were placed hanging over the open place in the cabinet and another hymn sung. During the singing the handkerchiefs began to gradually glide inside the cabinet, propelled by an apparently invisible force. When the singing abated the typewriter began to click. Then paper that was shown to the audience to be perfectly blank was dropped through the open space into the cabinet. Instantly the click, click of the typewriter became more audible

and rapid. It was evident that what ever force, occult or human, was operating the machine, was a professional at the business. The bell would ring and then the shifting of the machine for another line was distinctly audible. Presently paper could be heard rattling on the inside and a white message appeared in the opening in the cabinet. Then another and another in rapid succession. These were taken out by Mr. Campbell and read to the audience. There were probably 20 typewritten messages. Then some common school slates were passed in, after being carefully wiped by a lady in the audience, and also some porcelain plates.

For some time no slates appeared to return. The spirit was evidently too much engrossed in the typewriter messages which poured out in a stream. At this juncture the writing machine was taken out and "Nearer My God to Thee" was sung by the audience. Presently there was loud commotion inside the dark curtains. Slates and plates rattled about. After some time a slate appeared at the opening. Thereon was beautifully painted a bunch of daisies. The reporter was shown the picture and the paint was fresh and wet. Next to appear was a porcelain plate, painted upon which was a bunch of wild red roses. These pictures were passed among the audience for inspection. The next painting to appear was a bunch of pansies. After this a number of lead pencils were thrown inside the cabinet and instantly written messages began to pour out. The scratching of pencils A. O. WINK. could plainly be heard inside. These messages were read out as fast as they appeared and many were "for persons in the audience, while others were for parties who were not present. When it came to the distribution of the pictures it was done according to messages received from the spirits. The third lady in the fifth row rot a slate. The second lady in the first row got a porcelain painting, and so of: The persons who received these pictures were then asked upon the platform. They were told, one at a time, to place one end of the slates into the opening in the cabinet and ask the splitt who the painting was from. The name of the spirit was written 12 upofi? one corner of the slate in? evely instance, and those who had received the pictures admitted that the written hime on the slate was that of a departed friend. Mrs. Nellie Seel, of-344 Vance street, got a beautiful landscape. The name written by the spirit guide upon it was, "From your beloved son, Jimmie Seel." Mrs. Seel was highly elated, and told the Times she had prayed for something from her boy before she came to the meeting. A bouquet of roses was passed into the cabinet. The roses had been presented to the Campbell Brothers by two: ladies in the audience. One was a blood red rose and the other a pale pink. In a very short time a slate hppeared from the cabinet with an exact reproduction prose. Specially designed for the use of the pink and red rose painted by the sad experience of many wrecked thereon. The audience seemed highly pleased Price 75 cents. For sale at this office.

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with the work done, and many came

forward and thanked the brothers for

Love to all-Grandma Emeline Beitz.

I want to reach my granddaughter,

Mrs. Irving C. Engle; and your father

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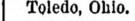
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M. Gilchrist: Dear William:-Your

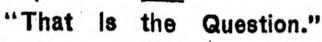
father and I want you to know your

dear ones are safe with us; dear Mag-

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Philosophers inform us that the eye is a surface organ, that is, that it has been evolved from the surface of the body corporate.

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There is another enigma about these Termites to be noticed. They have their being and habitat in a waterless country. Yet they build avenues and roadways for themselves and their needs out of the dry earth, up and over high trees and then feed upon the limbs thereof.

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It was mine, it is not I.

Loving friends, oh rise and dry What ye lift upon the bier Is not worth a single tear. 'Tis an empty sea-shell-one The shell is broken, it lies there; The pearl, the all, the soul is here. 'Tis an earthen jar whose lid That treasure of his treasury-Let the shards be earth once more. Since the gold is in his store.

Allah glorious! Allah good! Now thy world is understood-Now the long, long wonder ends; Yet we weep, my foolish friends. While the man whom you call dead In unbroken bliss instead Lives and loves you-lost, 'tis true, In the light that shines for you; --But in the light you cannot see, In undisturbed felicity-And a life that never dies.

Farewell, friends, yet not farewell, Where I go, you, too, shall dwell, I am gone before your face-A moment's worth, a little space. When you come where I have stept, Ye will wonder why ye went: Ye will know, by true love taught, That liere is all and there is naught.

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and practical application of such glo rious principles?

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to do likewise. Why should one who is endowed with the gift of oratory, one who is privileged to hold and sway an audience with his eloquence and "Divine Teachings," one who has founded an order imbued with lofty ideals and beautiful truths, why, I say, should such an one descend to slander and malicious falsifying? I leave the public to decide.

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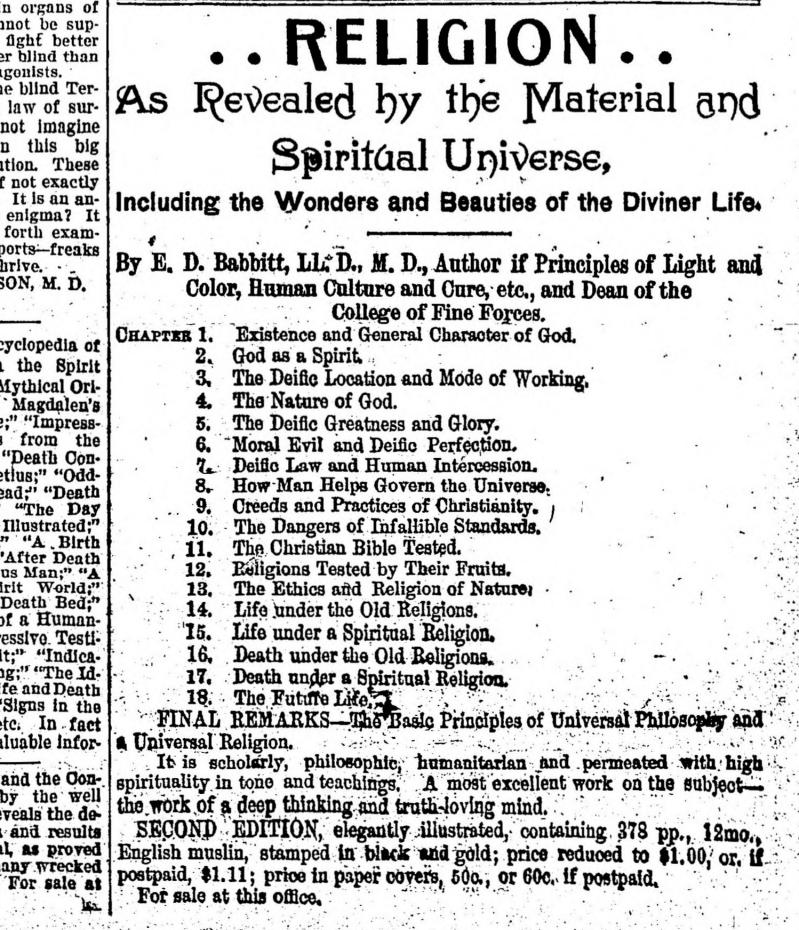
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G. H. BROOKS.

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In your issue of Feb. 16, some friend dark with dust after a few days. The snow first falls there is necessarily a portion of dust from various sources intermingled with it. For . instance, from burning of coal, wood, and other material. Also from dusty points, when the snow first began.

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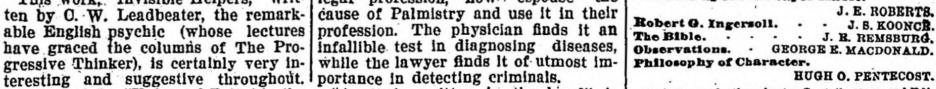
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