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THE DEAD WEIGHT

That is Crushing Humanity

Must Be Lifted.

The sense of self-preservation and

self-protection being inherent qualities of human nature, it is the inalienable right of man to legitimately contribute to those qualities. And to the extent

we knowingly restrict him in this right

to such extent do we commit crime,

MORE EVIDENCE. Another Witness Adds His Spiritualism and Various

Testimony.

To the Editor:— I have just read with great interest in The Progressive Thinker of August 17, the recital by my old friend D. Edson Smith—now of Santa Anna, Cal., of a seance given him by the world-famed medium, P. L. O. A. Keeler, of this city. It vividly brings to my mind two very similar experi-ences I had with this grand psychic a year ago, which I had thought, in the interests of honest mediumship, and of our beautiful philosophy, I ought to lay before the readers of The Progressive Thinker, but which I have from time to time nostnoned.

In the first sitting I took the names of six of my spirit friends, written at home on tablet paper, allowing about six lines to intervene between each name, as spaces for their replies to be written. I folded each sheet closely together, put them into an envelope, sealed it and handed the letter to Mr. Keeler in a densely lighted room-who placed it in a little wooden box about nine inches square, which lay on the table between us, and closed the lid to the box. In about four minutes, during which time we conversed on various subjects, he said they were done, and at his request I took from the box and read them. All the spaces were filled up and in handwriting closely resembling that of the friends ad-dressed-all but one responding, and their answers relating to the questions My second sitting, which was about

a month later, was still more remarkable. I procured a double slate, on the inside of which I wrote the names of five or six spirit friends, specially requesting responses, and in addition stated I should be glad to hear from others.

I put a portion of slate pencil inside. took a stout twine cord and put it twice around the slates, tying it in a bard knot. On handing this to Mr. Keeler-across the table, and in a brilliantly lighted room as before, he had but just got seated when he informed me that I must have "more slates"that more friends than I expected were wanting a chance to communicate with me

On my informing him that I had but the one slate he loaned me four small slates about five by seven inches.

Being sented again, as in the first case, on the opposite sides of the table, he took hold with both hands of one end of the big slate and requested me to take hold of the other end-doing which we were seated about five minutes, when he said "they are through." I was about opening the slates, when fold by him to take up one of the slates he had loaned me and then another till

Other Matters. "All things come to those who wait." My life's desire had been that I might see the land of flowers and sunshine with its balmy air and abundance of luscious fruits. This prayer of the soul was granted me through the acceptance of an engagement as speaker with the Spiritualist Society of Santa Barbara, Cal., since April last.

CALIFORNIA.

I have enjoyed this beautiful climate which is the redeeming feature of the Golden State. These summer months have been pleasantly spent in Santa Barbara, Los Angeles and San Diego. I am at present serving the Camp Asso ciation of Summerland, the home place of two of our brightest lights, Prof. Loveland and Bishop A. Beals; the former, to my regret, is away from home, while Brother Beals has made himself conspicuous by his absence, never having seen him at one of our

camp sessions. Summerland, which was originally intended as an abiding spot for all true Spiritualists, soon proved to be a place for speculation. Its original founder has long since gone to his reward, while those who were left to enjoy the balmy ocean breeze, found that which lacking spiritually in the material element. A crude, tar-like oil is found in abundance along the coast, and all along its shores, and out in the ocean along its have been sunk and hundreds oil wells have been sunk and hundreds of derricks crected which though it is a helpful industry to the little town, yet it has marred the beauty of its otherwise

plcuresque scenes. I feel California fails in coming up to the expectations of all new-comers. While the climate is all one could desire, much else is not up to our standard, es pecially is this true of all vegetables Fruit, though perfect in size and color lacks the real flavor. Irrigation, they claim, is responsible for this. They have no rains during the entire summer season. All the water consumed is ob tained from the mountains, which con fains an alkali. The most of it is boiled

before using. In the interior towns, valleys or cities some heat may be felt at from 11 a. m. to about 4 p. m., when an ocean breeze is felt, making a wrap feel com-fortable. California has had four consecutive years of drouth, causing a great loss in fruit trees and shrubbery. There is nothing beautiful of Califor-nia during the summer season with the exception of those who attend to the lawns. The majority, however, show a lack of attention, which may be in the deficiency of the water system.

The various beaches afford sufficient amusement for those enjoying camping, fishing and bathing, and I feel the average Californians come just about as

"Happy dissolution! were this the period of their woes.) the spirit shall know as it is known, and be free to ex-But, alas! all these tribulations are only the beginning of sorrows, a small drop only from that cup of trembling which is mingled for their future portion. No sooner has the last pang dislodged their reluctant souls, but they are which it is evolved. We are spirits now as much as we the last pang dislodged their reluctant souls, but they are hurried into the presence of an injured and angry God; not under the conducting care of beneficent angels, but exposed to the insults of accursed 'spirits, who lately tempted them, who now upbraid them, and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a will be a spirit source and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a will be a spirit source and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a will be a spirit source and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a spirit source and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a spirit source and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a spirit source and will forever torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a spirit source and the spirit source and the spirit source and the spirit be hadden torment them. * * * Resurrection will be a spirit source and the s tempted them, who now upbraid them, and will forever garments; we have ascended another rung in the ladder torment them. * * * Resurrection will be no privilege to of life; the bird of song has escaped from the broken bars them; but immortality itself will be their everlasting of its cage, but its voice in unchanged. Life is continu-

ous, and the future is the prolongation of this. There is curse."-Hervey's Meditations. I have copied this excerpt from a religious classic- no break and the spirit carries forward into the next life which was pored over piously and held in sacred esteem all its attainments, intellectual, moral and spiritual. * * * which was pored over piously and held in sacred esteem all its attainments, intellectual, moral and spiritual. by Christian people of only a generation or two ago, as an Already in the spirit world, endowed with the heritage of orthodox presentation of Bible truth, as a sort of dark immortality, we have entered the Courts of Heaven and Main street, Buffalo, N. Y., and secure an understanding on rates, which range

background to the modern view of death and future hu- walk with the angels." man destiny as presented by Spiritualism. It would be Much more to the same effect, embodying the salient difficult to find in the churches to-day, one that acknowl- features of the Spiritual philosophy, I might quote from dition of the many hotels it is unlikely edges the old belief, or that does not even deny that such the excellent volume from which these quotations are that any arrangements for a hotel headbelief is held by the churches. This shows the great made, namely The Arcana of Spiritualism, by Hudson progress that has been made since the days of our pions Tuttle. orefathers. How full of sweetness and light, bright hope, cheerful

The mellowing influence of Universalism, Unitariansm, Spiritualism and Free Thought, has wrought wonders the teachings of Spiritualism; and how different from the in softening the religious thought and beliefs of the age, gruesome, somber, dismal, dank and dreary hopelessness since the days of Jonathan Edwards and Bellamy, from of the orthodox Hervey's Meditations. whom many quotations might be made, of the same tenor as that from Hervey's Meditations.

As an offset or foil to the picture painted by "the pious from a hell where millions suffer forever and ever. Hervey," and others, I wish to present some excernts To the Spiritualist's vision there arises a beautiful from a Spiritualist author of note and ability, a leading scene, and he can sing in his soul: thinker of to-day, whose published writings are worthily held in highest esteem among Spiritualists and students of Spiritual Science.

Among the best aids to the cultivation of spirituality, of thought along spiritual lines, aside from soul communion with spiritualized minds on earth, and the higher, finer hought that comes from communion with high spirit intelligences, must be reckoned good spiritual thoughts embodied in books.

It is not in distinctively Spiritualistic books alone that spiritual thought may be found, for it may be garnered in books of Christian stamp, and also in the written works bearing the imprint of Buddhism, Zoroastranism, and other emanations from the mind of the Orient. In these several cults the instructed Spiritualist will discover much of unpalatable mysticism, or of abhorrent dogma, which his enlightened judgment and moral sense will reject. Good spiritual books stir up the mind and sharpen spir-

tual appetite; they cultivate the soil and sow the seeds of piritual life and experience. They are helps to the growth of spiritual ideas, and the uplift and expansion of one's spiritual nature. They quicken the latent relig ious element into healthful activity and conduce to higher unfoldment along the lines of the higher plane of life. For there is something higher, nobler and better than

living wholly or mostly to the muck-rake ideal of greed through with them all-handling each in the same way as the first (on paper). In the way of its pleasures as any one and gain of gold above all things else set before one's min

Edward. As this meeting occurs during the continuance of the Exposition, reduced railroad fares can be had to Buffalo from all points. Persons desiring to secure quarters in advance can write to from 75 cents per night for each person to \$2.50. Owing to the crowded conquarters can be made, but the officers of the Union will do whatever they can to assist members of and visitors to the

CALL

To the Liberals of the United

States.

Congress. The hall will be the headanticipation, and deep consolation, are these utterances, quarters. The object of the American Secular Union and Freethought Federation, as is well known, is to secure the total separation of church and state, to the end that equal rights in religion, gen-uine morality in politics, and freedom, may be established, protected and per-petuated. To discuss the best manner To the orthodox believer, even at the very best, the spirit world is overspread with the dark clouds arising of accomplishing this separation, let us come together at this Congress as American citizens on the broad platform of no union of church and state, and the complete administration of our secular government on purely secular And the glow of its brightness enthralls me and thrills, principles. The National Reform Association,

having for its object the establishment of Christianity as the religion of the state by constitutional amendment; the American Sabbath Union, working for the enforcement, by legislation, of the Puritanic Sabbath on our citizens; the Women's Christian Temperance Union, indorsing the platforms and policy of both these organizations; the churches, both Catholic and Protestant, insisting through their ecclesiastical bodies upon the complete exemption of church property from just taxation, as well as upon appropriation of public money for religious institutions and schools; all these and many others which might be mentioned, are imperiling our constitutional liberties. Every Liberal and true in organizing an effective opposition to

patriof should feel 'called 'upon to aid these schemes. The following amendments to the constitution of the American Secular Union and Freethought Federation have been proposed, and are hereby published as part of this Call as pro-vided by Article XI. of the Constitution

But let us not blame the strong and

That is a miserably poor religious or governmental system which falls much short of taking into due consideration all that pertains to the preservation and protection, the peace, happiness and prosperity of its people. Point out to me if you please the religious or governmental system that does not fall short. Among which one do you fail to find numerous instances of privation, destitution and starvation? Let us not spend too much time in

congratulating ourselves upon the good, grand and noble things that some of us enjoy, that we cannot look those facts and conditions squarely in the face, which are constantly bringing to a large portion of mankind distress, destliution and death. We can far more worthily turn our attention to studying the causes and remedying the wrongs and evils that afflict the less fortunate

ones of earth. The reformer, the teacher or the statesman, who in his calling cannot take the inalienable right of mankind to self-preservation and self-protection into due consideration is but a poor worker ludeed, unfit for the position he presumes to occupy. And it is becoming more and more apparent that he must step down and out, and give place to those who can and will point out the defects and wrongs in our present sys-tems, and devise ways and means to remedy them.

But there is a greater force than manmade propositions being applied to bring about these changes. The power of natural law is carrying on its per-fecting work through the grandest and noblest of minds, who have qualifies that enable them to learn great lessons through the painful experiences that are but outgrowths of our present systems.

Man' cannot always contend successfully against natural law, however strong and enduring he may consider himself to grasp the larger part of the wealth produced by the brains and brawn of the toiling millions who are so busily and anxiously, and some of them so painfully, occupied in their, daily callings, that they know, not what; is going on in this world of grasping strife on the largest possible scale.

powerfully avaricious until we know, they are crushing the weak and un-suspecting with vicious intent. Are we quite sure we would not do likewise with their opportunities and environ-ments, if we could? But let us calmly study the lessons their experiences teach and profit by them. Mr. Morosinl, for years in Jay Gould's In addition to those now entitled to employ, speaking of the causes that vote, those who heretofore were memhastened his death, said: "My opinion bers of the American Secular Union or is his system gave way under great strain, resulting from the conscious-Freethought Federation or any auxiliary thereof, or of any society that has become an auxiliary of this organizaness of his immense wealth. It was a tremendous care, and he was always weighed down with the anxiety and tion, shall be members and entitled to vote, upon signing the roll and paying \$1.00 annual dues. And any Liberal care of protecting his property." And who, please tell me, with more wealth than he could count dollar after dollar, in several ordinary lifetimes, who is vouched for as a good and sincere Liberal, by two or more members not from his county, may be elected a would not become weighed down with anxlety and - excitement, feeling, as they all do, that he must manage with member and then have the right to vote, upon the payment of \$1.00 annual vigilant care to prevent it from becoming entirely absorbed by the grasping Any organized society desiring to further the objects of this Union may power of others? How poorly we pass judgment upon become an auxiliary of the same, upon others until through a higher unfoldfiling a certificate of its officers so ment of the spiritual senses we can certifying and showing that it has look deep down into the souls of men seven or more active members and and learn to judge them from the highworkers in the Liberal and Secular er standpoint. Ours is a country of wonderful re-sources, not only sufficient for the ne-These will be brought up for action. As to the necessity for vigorous ac-tion by the American Secular and cessities of our 76 million people, but for seven times 76 million. But so long Freethought Federation ,if our liberties as the iron hand of avarice is tightenare to be preserved, attention is called ing its grasp, that long will those reto the words of a former president: sources be appropriated to swell the coffers of the few, while the many will receive but a beggarly supply. "The quarter of a century since its inception has proved its absolute necessity. The increased tax-exemption of Has our Spiritualism so refined and church property, the reading of the Bible and prayers in schools, and this awakened our better natures as to lead us to a realizing sense of the rights of test on the word Christian in Virginia, are but a few of the precedents which humanity? Are we ready to co-operate with grandly inspired minds that are mean the passage of the republic into being devoted to the work of bringing a Christian theocracy. Whether this about a higher civilization? Infinite Intelligence or no Infinite Intransition can now be arrested is doubtful. That it can be by leaving every-thing to the church is foolishly absurd. telligence, Jesus Christ or no Jesus Christ, God or no God, or anything else The next Congress, therefore, more we know nothing about; they are all of than any event in our generation, will determine the fate of our country, and small importance compared to the establishment of a system of government that will not permit the power-Let all Liberals stand up for the fully selfish and avaricious to eternally cause of true Liberalism at this mocrowd the kind, generous, unsuspecting mentous time. Let us close our ranks masses into a desperate struggle for and meet the common energy, the blgots of the Christian church. We work for the future; we work for hu-manity; we work for the best interests of civilization, for the liberty and progexistence. . This may savor a little of politics, and if you feel like it you may shout, "For God's sake don't let us meddle with political questions." But this dead ress of all. Let us stand bravely by our colors and unite in the common weight of selfishness that is crushing humanity must be lifted! Buy and sell cause. There, are vast and profound the earth no more, because it is the only principles which should harmonize sunossible abode for man! Relegate the perficial differences. We have no creed to support, but always and everywhere doctrine of the "survival of the fittest" to outer darkness until you are thor-oughly convinced that "might makes right." Oh, ye Spiritualists, reformers, teachers and statesmen, what will ye do with these questions? What sort of a civilization do you want to leave as a. heritage to future generations? Shall the mental atmosphere of humanity forever vibrate with the distressing inharmony of the overstrained acquisi-tiveness of our present systems, or shall it be, as it can be made to be, agreeably harmonious with the universal peace, happiness and prosperity that will come from a wisely managed co-operative commonwealth?

When I got home I had a feast to set

before my family and myself. All addressed had replied (but one) to matters of inquiry and in their familiar handwriting-one or two of whose orthography and chirography was very peculiar and therefore of itself a test.

One of the strongest tests, perhaps, was from a venerable Quaker gentleman who has been, I am happy to say and believe, a guardian angel for fifty years, and who alded me very much in getting out of old orthodoxy.

Not having been specially invited, he says: "Although thee did not specially invite me, I knew thee would be glad to hear from me." etc.

Along side of a communication from a salated daughter was a beautiful painting of a "forget-me-not" rose, and a drawing of herself.

I could extend this description of my seance with this great medium, but must desist, as I fear I have already occupied too much time and space.

ave not got \$1,000 to put up like my friend Smith, to any one who will duplicate these communications; under similar conditions, but will simply say that I take pleasure in the thought this brief recital may lead some weary one to investigate our beautiful philosophy and find the comfort and pleasure that it has brought to me for the last fifty years. in the conviction that its truth

is to regenerate the earth. V. FELL, M. D. Washington, D. C.

Buried Alive Six Days.

Parker Johnson, the negro who was huried alive in the cellar of the Bowdoin Square Theatre, while under hyp-notic control last Monday; was ex-humed and brought back to physical and mental activity last night. Johnson was put to sleep by Wilmot

Barclay almost a week ago, and since that time has been under three feet of earth and dead to the world. 'A vast crowd assembled last night to

witness his resurrection. A few minutes before 10 o'clock the earth was dug away and the pine-coffin in which Johnson lay was lifted from its resting

place to the lecturer's platform. Hypnotist Barclay, after the numer-ous bandages had been removed, passed his hands gently over the man's face several times before he gave any sign of returning life.

When he uld commence to "come to" It was with giant-like strength that he struggled. So vigorous was the sleeper that assistance was called for and seven men were required to hold him down while the spasms of returning conselousness were on.

For ten minutes Johnson struggled and contorted his body. His exertions finally ceased and, opening his eyes, he mazed in a dazed sort of a way at the crowd about the platform. Assisted to his feet, he quickly regained composure and took up the interrupted thread of

his existence. Apparently no ill effects resulted from the long sleep, and Johnson assured the audience that he was ready for a good meal and a walk.-Post, Boston, Mass.

Few men think, but all have opin-We lie to our children in the interests of morality.-rant Allen.

on earth. Old and young can be found in the pools of their public bath houses, and surf-bathing is indulged in by those

who are seventy-five as much as does the youth. I witnessed two, man and wife, who had almost lived their allotied time, surf-bathing, and jumping the waves with as much vim and vigor as any who were enjoying this pleasure. Picnics seem to be the order of the day with most of them. I partook of my first experience at what they term a picnic with quite a spirit of amusement. When we reached Santa Monica

the picnic ground, found everybody sit-ting out in the noon-day sun upon the sand, their only protection being an um-brella. I said, "I see the picnic, but where are your trees?" Southern Callfornia has no forest trees. To me, accustomed to the sightly oak and the varied specimens of timber as grown in the eastern clime or home of my youth,

I can assure you there is an inner longing to touch, see or walk through the lovely forests that nature's God has given us. One finds just as many bodily afflicted

souls here even among the native born as elsewhere. Many that seek health in California I find are unable to live near the coast until they become acclimated This has been my experience. The fog arising from the ocean is so dense, it falls like a rain. While all the Eastern states have suffered so intensely from the heat this summer, this climate of-fers its cool mights, so that sleep is at all times obtainable. There is very litle difference between the temperature

of their winter and summer months, De-cember being as pleasant as May. Now as to their spiritual status. I have found humanity alike the world over-no worse and no better. All so-cleties are doing their best to keep apon their feet. About as much demand for the marvelous here, as else where. Mrs. R. S. Lillie and husband, now of San Francisco, have been serve ing this camp and I feel to say the sister has lost none of her old-time earnestness and cloquence, and as a speaker, I feel to say that she has no superior. Mr. Lillie has added much to the success of the camp by his beautiful singing. Allen Franklin Brown, formerly of Houston, Texas, was also on the list as

speaker and psychometrist, his work heing well received. From here I-go to Los Angeles. I expect to reach San Francisco sometime before the opening of the fall season. MRS. M. E. KRATZ.

IF LOVE ABIDE.

If love abide, misfortune may Upon us heavy burdens lay, Yet, we, dear heart, shall bravely

share The suffering, the toll and care, Nor vainly adverse fate inveigh.

The skies may turn to threatening gray Glad song and laughter die away. Yet we shall not for long despair, If love abide,

Capricious, fortune may betray. And friends forsake us day by day; Yet, even so, life may seem fair-'Twill not be marred leyond repair, Nor will all joy be dead for aye, If love bilde. -Margaret Manning.

as an object of desire. the

"As a science, Spiritualism is the knowledge of psychical, or spiritual, nature of man; and as Spirit is the moving force of the universe, its study is that of Creation, and is not complete until the unknown becomes known. In a narrower sense, as applied to the communion between Spiritual beings and Man, it embraces the facts, laws, and conditions of such intercourse."

"The spirit holds the same relations to the spirit world that Man does to the material. It has a bolly formed of ethereal substance, and a mind identical with that which it possessed on earth, except as changed by the process of mental growth."

"Man is a spirit, flesh-clad, and as such walks the Don't waste your time in telling what your neighbors have courts of Heaven, and stands in the presence of the Universal Spirit, in earth life, as much as he will after death.

"Sniritualism is a system of thought which goes down to the foundation of creation, and ascends to the sphere of highest intelligence. It is a system commensurate with the universe, from the attraction of atoms to the formation

of an angel." "Spiritualism sets out with the claim, that beneath the flecting phantasmagoria called creation, is a realm of force and energy, of which we know only by the effects we bh serve. Justice, right, truth and love arc-not because in the 'struggle for existence' man found such most expedi-

foundation of things. The human being is not a wave thrown up from the seething sea of life, to fall back again

Don't do a duty partly and then leave the rest undone. in the foam, but the heir of an infinite existence." "The spirit, whether in the body or out of it, is the

the same individual that he was within."

stantly around us, and that all that is required is a chan-nel for us to receive words of love from them, why should Don't think the world will listen when you tell what you we put on the meaningless weeds of woe?"

"With what pleasure we contemplate the world of spir- Don't look for any mansion there upon the other shore: its that surrounds us! There are congregated the wise Don't look for aught but justice, only that and nothing men, the sages, the prophets, the philosophers of the ages more. DR. T. WILKINS. the immortal land. We are travelers up the same way and they are our instructors and guides. True, the well of invisibility divides the world of spirits from the world of men, but otherwise there is little distinction.

"Intricate and beautiful are our relations to the angels: They are our friends, our relatives, the great and good greater capacity."

"I love to contemplate the future life, with all its grand possibilities, by which the spirit, however dwirdd by the accidents of time and place, may outgrow all de-Over there, sad heart, is the joy which knows no sorrow, do whatever is not contrary to the rights of others.— over there, pilgrim wandering in the falling shadows is Thomas Paine. formities, and become beautiful as a dream of loveliness. the light which is never obscured by clouds; over there, whys; over there the blighted hopes, the fond anticipa- rates. tions, the rose hued dreams of youth will find fulfillment, The good is universally, the pleasurable. Conduct is and more than all, there will be greetings from dear oper good or bad as its results to self or others is pleasurable or awaiting on the purple heights which overlook the grave frainful; the need for commandments from God dis-"It is like a delicious dream of Eden, that future, where appears.—Spencer.

There's a beautiful light on the heavenly hills Earth's beauties all fail to excel; How rises my joy while my glad spirit trills

There's a beautiful light on the heavenly hills,

Its glories celestial I see,

For I know it is shining for me.

For its beauty appears ever new,

In brightness exceeding the day,

With constant surprise it engages my eyes,

And my heart in its joy seeks its home in the skies, Where the beautiful mansions I view.

There's a beautiful light on the heavenly hills,

And I hear the soft echo of murmuring rills,

With longings unspoken I gaze on the scene,

That wins me from earth's sweetest joys,

There's a beautiful light on the heavenly hills,

And the soul of its music my restlessness stills,

With thoughts that arise to that heavenly home,

And earth's richest treasures are toys,

Where are beautiful scenes ever fair, .

Till banished is earth and its care.

Whose beauty enraptures my sight,

I hear angel voices that call me to come

And dwell in that beautiful light.

And the pleasures of time seem inconstant and mean,

And the fountains unceasingly play.

Soul songs that exultantly swell. Yet biding my time, my spirit awaits,

While the-joy of the vision infills,

And with rapture I gaze through the heavenly gates, On that light on the beautiful hills.

JAS. C. UNDERHILL. East Chicago, Ind.

A FEW PRACTICAL DON'TS.

Don't bottle up your goodness to expend another day.

to say. Don't climb the heights of wisdom till you learn the rudiments.

Don't call a man a rascal till you learn of his intents.

Don't tell your chums the secrets of your family affairs. tion of thought; from the birth of worlds to the ascension Don't worry other people with your troubles, woes and

cares. Don't fly your kite so high that your string will fail to

reach. Don't be a human vulture, or a serpent or a leech.

Don't be a crusty miser with a hoard of idle wealth. ent as rules of conduct, but because inwrought into the Don't hanker for possessions that you have to gain by stealth.

Don't think life's battle over till the battle has been won. same; so the man who goes out of the door of his house is Don't lie around contented with the thought you owe no

"If we receive the Spiritual philosophy, and believe that Don't fail to help a brother or a sister when you can.

death is only the gateway to another, better, and brighter state of existence; that the spirits of the departed are con- Don't think because you're wealthy that you never can be

endure.

Cems of Thought.

Few men are so clever as to know all the mischief they do .- Rochefoucauld.

the rights of man. This is the mighty The church still talks about "evidence," about "reason," battleground. Let us rally now as never about "freedom of conscience" and the "liberty of gone before us, superior in knowledge and experiencer about "freedom of conscience" and the "liberty" before, with earnest convictions, cour-with love and friendship increased in the measure of their who appeal to reason, and who honestly express their the issue, neither can the church itself. It is liberty or it is slavery. This is the conflict of the ages, and in the Amerithoughts.-Ingersoll.

The natural rights of men, civil and political, are libcan Republic all that is most precious erty, equality, security, property, social protection, and and ennobling is at stake. Contributions for the expenses of the resistance to oppression. Liberty consists in the right to Congress are solicited from all friends of Freethought, and may be sent to E.

We should avoid whatever may display bad feeling, and attend with civility to what may be addressed to us; all hearts are conciliated by politoness and with the street of the street of

E. C. REICHWALD, Sec'y.

Who makes quick use of the moment is a genius of prudence,-Invater,

MEMBERS.

AUXILIARIES "

now in force:

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largely of the world."

MRS. A. B. SEVERANCE. Whitewater, Wis."

The greatest events dawn with no more noise than the morning star makes in rising .- Beecher.

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when the heat and burden of the day is done, the very attend with civility to what may be addressed to us; all or to E. M. Macdonald, president, at the hands will rest and the sore feet walk not on flinty tath. hearts are conciliated by politeness and alfability. Soc- Truth Seeker office, 28 Lafayette Place, New York. E. M. MACDONALD, Pres.

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IMPORTANT MATTER FROM THE STRENGTH OF GHRISTIANITY.

lystem that has lasted many centuries and still flourishes and women of whom we are not worthy. in undiminished splendor; that survives with persistent energy notwithstanding the blazing light of science has scorched and shriveled its myths and crudities like gnats in a flame; that builds innumerable temples of worship to whom we may turn. Aye! let us feel that those who for its votaries, many of them exceedingly grand and costly; which pays millions of dollars annually to ministers and priests for performing its rites and expounding ties," are yet lovingly interested in us. They are our its mysteries; which gathers into its ample fold a heterogeneous army of wise men and fools, rich and poor, all held together by the same mystic thrall; such a system has its strength.

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Now, what is that strength? It is not ethics. I beculled from the Sermon on the Mount, and from the finest of Paul's writings, is the grandest body of moral teaching and ethical precepts to be found in all literature, But that does not explain the growth of the church nor the strange, powerful grip of Christianity. Unitarians cling almost pathetically to the ethics of Jesus and the moral sublimity of his life and teaching, but in spite of this they make no progress hardly when compared to the so-called orthodox churches. I myself, in the last few years, have preached simply morality, a kind of an emasculated gospel, and the result is that I have had fewer additions to the church in five years than I formerly obtained in the same number of weeks.

No; I say most emphatically that ethics is not the secret of Christianity's strength, nor of any other organization either. No church or society, in any land beneath the shining sun, can be run successfully and maintain a vigorous growth on a basis of morality alone. - Abstract morality is about as good a foundation for a society as quicksand would be for a business house in Chicago. This may horrify some austere Puritan who reads but it is the truth all the same.

Morality, or ethics, is not the strength of Christianity. Neither is it a cunningly presented scheme of rewards and punishment. Most especially is it not any theory of punishment. There may have been a time when people were scared into the church; it is not now. Hell has been as cold as an iceberg for years and yet people join the churches. No preacher would dare to go into the most primitive and unprogressive community anywhere and give them "hell and damnation." Not one church member out of a hundred believes in a literal hell. Hell and the devil have vanished in the same way that fairies and witches departed. But minus hell and the devil, the clurch is still able to do a very respectable amount of business at the same old stand. Whence, then, hath it strength of my life, or of yours, if we save men, is because the power I answer: It is the idea of atonement. Without any with our love, and purity, and hope, and so make a sacridoubt it may be said that the theory of an atonement is fice for them, an atonement that will uplift and save. the very heart of the Christian system. Christianity offers a Mediator, a go-between, a Great High Priest. Jesus is presented as pre-eminently a sacrifice, a Sin-Bearer. He enters into the sinner's lot, takes a place by him, and actnally takes up as his own burden the sinner's load of sin, grief and shame. And this is exactly the secret of Christianity's perennial strength and attractiveness. For this is just what the world wants. It is a universal need, felt wherever human hearts beat and thrill with passion, wherever human souls are conscious of the fact that their lives are not just as good and beautiful as they might be. The Atonement-in some form, fact or fiction-will last just as long as there is a soul who is conscious of sin or hopeful of a better life. The atonement, some sacrificial offering, is a necessary corollary of sin, shame, and repentance. Voltaire said: "If there was no God men would have to invent one." Similarly we say, in view of life's trials and tragedies, "If there was no atonement, no great High Priest, touched with the feeling of our infirmities; we would have to invent one?" We touch here a need born of sin, a demand created by failure, a want arising out of conscious imperfection. Moreover, it is universal. Like some mystic hunger the sense of this need is felt in every normal human bosom. It is an instinct of the race, an intuition of the soul.

That Christianity has strength no one will deny. A this life so long as there is purity above us and good men

And if there be another life, a realm of free and advanced spirits, a society for which our undeveloped spirits are as yet unprepared, we need friendly helpers over there have trod upon the self-same pathway we now walk, met our trials, been "touched with the feeling of our infirmiapologists when we fail, our sin-bearers when we stray, our helpers when we struggle to be better.

To multitudes of people Jesus is all of this, and herein is the strength of Christianity. I do not know whether Jesus lived on earth as reported, but if he did he still lives, lieve that the ethical teaching of the New Testament, and was and is a sin-bearer, a sacrifice, a helper of the fallen and needy.

> I have had on earth many mediators, good men and womy weaknesses, helped my infirmities. I needed them often, and I still need them. So when I pass "over the river" may I find Jesus, or my dear daughter, or some beloved spirit who shall stand between me and the higher life; pitying my weaknesses and helping to lift me to that which is better.

> This is the genuinely human feeling out of which grew the Catholic dogma of the "Intercession of the saints." it is the part of wisdom to inquire for that truth. If a huignore that need when we explode the myth, but rather attempt to satisfy it with something rational, natural and attractive.

So of the atonement and a mediatorial sacrifice. As long as there is sin man will need an atonement and there will be a demand for sacrifice. This is not a theological problem but a human nature problem. We may reject state, went into the front room where the orthodox theory of the atonement, with its "precious blood," but the demand of the sinful and sorrowful soul still and will remain

"As long as the heart hath sorrow.

OUR FOREIGN EXCHANGES HARBINGER OF LIGHT, MELrejoinder was, "Prayer will do me no good." Then I understood the case, saw BOURNE, AUSTRALIA.

ABOUT EVIL SPIRITS.

It has often been argued that ev spirits have no power over mortals. It is evident that mid all influence each other for gooth original and though no of the body; and in this way have a great influence over our body: good bear strong evidence of normal conspirits for good, evil ones for evil. But our spirit they i cannot compel. Evil for the time in the spirit body. spirits may ignore, may overrule or set

aside the will of another spirit who is At another time with my consciousyet in the body; they may get hold of ness fully awake, found myself in a vilthat connecting link which ... connects lage pear my birthplace in Germany, a men who tenderly covered my faults; patiently bore with spirit and body and thus play great village associated with very dear memmischief, with the body, while the right- ories. After having assured myself that ful owner protests, however feeble I was there in the spirit body and not such protest may be, but another spirit in the physical (always a difficult prothey cannot compela Such at least is cess because things are so real) went my experience. A sile at along the street to visit the house and, A few years ago I noticed that a par- if possible, the people who were once

ticularly bad influence was brought to very dear to me. While I was in search bear upon me, urging me on towards of these, became aware that my body "A good man said to me: "When I pray I somehow find unspeakable. vices. My spirit was not had. moved. Quick, like thought, was God and Jesus slip out of my mind and I am talking to entranced, and I consider it nonsense back in Australia in my hut and stood my mother whom I believe to be in heaven." Why not? for various reasons when G. Dawbarn beside my body. Found that my right tells us of "Ega entranced." In this hand had been lying above my head; case it was a fight for the possession or that position had become inconvenient control of, the body2 When my mind and the hand had been moved. Every-It is pertinent to remark also that every dogma of the was occupied, the temptation was gone; thing seemed to be right and safe, so church, no difference how grotesque and wildly improb- but the moment the mind was at ease, while I stood beside my body, resolved able it is, has beneath it somewhere a palpable truth, and the evil one seemed to work mind and to deepen the state abnormal by will, imagination at pleasure. All my will and to return to the village in Germany force was but of little use, earnest pray- I had just left. No sooner was the will man need has been fed upon a myth let us not forget or ers of temporary avail only; it was a formed, when I was again in the village terrible time of struggie, of watchful- in Germany. As I had not been there ness, of resolution to be master of my- for over twenty years, the place looked self. This most unhappy state came somewhat different so that I could not when the occurrence first happened. gradually over me, while the desperate, find my way; it seemed after some re- Does it not seem that the more the THE TERRIBLE STRUGGLE.

lasted for about a month; when one night I rose in the double or abnormal I found two ugly repulsive men sitting. The one tall, stout, with bright glittering eyes seemed to be the leader, while the other of smaller stature was in-quiringly looking at the other. Told sound asleep. When, finding that I houses villages towns just as we but them to go forthwith. They did not could get no intelligent replies, left them

'A VISION.

TRAVELING IN SPIRIT BODY.

yet closed, but our heart is cold; our sonses dull." That the change called death makes no difference in our real. self is true generally speaking, though when closer examined it will be found that many people while here on earth would fain like to lead better lives if but the conditions, the environments, were more favorable. Death removes what was wanted of me. Told him he many unfavorable conditions, and these was in the wrong place altogether, that people immediately expand spiritually. he ought to be with his friends and re- The opposite class, people who are fairlations, with his brothers and sister and | ly-good only on account of the continual parents; and if he would but pray, some- restraint placed upon evil doers while one would come and show him the road. here in the body, find themselves freer, Offered up a supplication on his behalf | less restraint over here, and when evil and awoke. Will Mr. Dawbarn kindly at heart, when the goodness was only to force us, yet they can throw their show me where his favorite theory of the veneer of civilization, when the magnetism over usior over certain parts sub-consciousness comes in here; ac- like darkness more than light will get cording to my reason, all the cases cited | rapidly worse. That we must work out our own salvation, often amidst fear and trembling. That sometimes we are called to use every ounce of effort, of determination, but we may be quite sure that when weary and exhausted from strife we can always appeal to our friends in the spirit world for a respite. But it can be a resplie only, for we must finish our work ourselves; we must manfully carry our burden, knowing

> heaver load to carry than he is able to. Do we do that? Does not everyone be-Heve that his particular burden is the heaviest? that continuity of life without memory would be a phantom, a delusion, a something without reality. If there should be a power that could take memory away from us, would it not take away every fdea, every consciousness of our past existence, every lesson we have learned, every experience we have gained with much suffering. What good would be a past life if everything that makes that past life valuable would be lost. Science gives us a correct explanation of memory when it tells us that memory is the ability of the spirit or mind to reproduce the same sensations, the same vibrations of the molecules of the brain it experienced flection that two worlds were overlap- spirit gets control over matter the more ping each other. As there were plenty the spirit becomes absolute master in of people about, asked a little boy to his own dwelling, the body, the easier show me to a house bearing a given it would be for the spirit to remember! name. He did so; found two of my The spirit world is, for those that live friends, who seemed to be yet in the therein, as real as the physical world body, they moved and acted quite nor- for its inhabitants; that the spirits wear mal, but when I spoke to them received | clothes according to disposition or sound asleep. When, finding that I houses, villages, towns, just as we; but whether their clothes are worn into after a while and awoke. Here indeed rags as ours are wont to be, whether their houses, built out of wood, sandstone, or marble, will crumble into dust as ours do, whether soap is needed to cases where I have actually stood be- | remove that dust or dirt, I do not know; side my physical body in the spirit body | nor am I particularly interested in such questions that have a downward tendency; but this I do know, that we live here in this world, that a great many things; laws of nature, bearing upon this world are as yet unknown to us; that while yet here in the body every one has his or lier duty to perform here in the present, and upon the doing or neglecting of such duties the state of our future both here and in the spirit world will largely depend. Let us therefore be practical, and do that first which lies nearest to us. When we have finally entered the spirit world we have ample opportunity to study its conditions and laws. During the last fifty years we have scientifically established the immortality of the soul. This is more than humanity has been able to do during its entire previous history. Is this not cause enough for rejoicing and thankfulness? I do not say contentedness, because discontent, moderately used, is a divine gift, like everything else of mind and body; for even earth bound spirits, though being in a pitiable state, cannot be helped so long as they are contented, perhaps happy, in their way. Let us give therefore to each world its due-Its proper due.

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"'Tis heaven itself points out a hereafter, And intimates eternity to man."-Addison.

Let us get at the gist of the matter. Sin creates the necessity for a mediator and a sacrifice. On one side is the sinner; on the other is God; the government, public opinion, anything in fact which has been outraged and offended. Now, a mediator must be sinless, or at the least not guilty of the particular sin for which he makes atonement. He must stand between the sinner and the offended one. He must take the sinner's guilt upon himself in such a way that he will have to bear at least some punishment for the sinner's sake. He must thus turn away or mollify the wrath of the offended one, and make peace between the two parties. And last, but not least, he must redeem and save the sinner in the operation.

Hear now Paul: "For he was made to be sin (sin offering) for us, who knew no sin, that we through him might be made righteous." No finer statement is possible. One who is sinless voluntarily makes himself a sin-offering, or sin-bearer, that the sinner through him, or by his help, may be made righteous again, saved, restored. That was Paul's idea of the atonement. It is my idea of it.

As long as the heart hath woes."

The strength of Christianity is that it offers a Sin- manded them to go! They heaved a Bearer, and that an imperfect world has need of one. The deep sigh, slowly rose from their seat, strength of my life, or of yours, if we save men is because and went. Then I noticed that they we become sin-bearers, enter into the lives of the needy

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11(1(OF THE SOUL VICTORIOUS.

- I stand in the great forever, I live in the Ocean of Truth, And bask in the golden sunshine, Of endless lore and of youth.
- And God is within and around me, All good is forever mine,
- To all who seek it is given,
- And it comes by a law divine. In the deathless glory of spirit,
- That knows no destruction or fall, From the immortal fires of heaven, To the planes of earth I call.
- Who is this "I" that is speaking, This being so wondrous in might? "Tis part of the primitive essence; In in date A spark of the Infinite Light.

1. 4.1. ...

- Blasphemous and vain they may call me, What matters it all to me,
- Side by side we are marching onward. And in time we will all agree.
- Oh, I stand in the great forever, All things to me are divine, I eat of the heavenly manna,
- I drink of the heavenly wine. In the gleam of shining rainbow,
- · The Father's face I behold, As I gaze at its radiant splendor,
- Of crimson and blue and gold.
- In all the bright birds that are singing, In all the fair flowers that bloom, Whose welcome aromas are bringing, Their blessing of sweet perfume.
- In the glorious tint of the morning, In the glorious sheen of the night, Oh, my soul is lost in rapture, My senses are lost in the sight.
- Come back, O, my soul in thy straying,... Let thy wandering pinions be furled, Oh, speed through the heavenly ether; To this prosy and sense-bound world.

move, but defiantly looked at me; then my ire rose, I got very angry and comwas "fogland," but it must be admitted that this was an altogether abnormal case. I intended to relate only those were almost naked, the only thing they wore seemed to me like an old wool and verified the fact with my eyes, leavpack or chaff bale that had been lying ing all others out,

in the gutter for months, and yet they seemed to be anxious not to lose that

Had my eyes upon them as long as I could, determined that there should be Once found myself climbing a staircase that had its lower end resting upon no returning nor wavering. When they the earth, while its upper end was to had gone about half a mile, saw some my vision unattainable high up in the thing I do not understand. It seemed sky. It was very steep, almost vertical, to me as if the earth had opened, as if so that I found it impossible to ascend a great fire leaped up just at that place in the usual way. Had to climb with where the two evil ones would be, the assistance of my hands, feet and Thanked God that the earth was re- knees; was high above the earth, and lleved of their presence, and went in- when once looking down, found the side. Since that very night no more head to commence to whirl round, and temptation of that kind. This, to me, the thought struck me that when I real occurrence, contains a terrible should fall now, there would be no stopping until the ground was reached and One night, as is sometimes the case, then the limbs would be broken, so that

was in front of my hut in the spirit. The future rising would be impossible. A hut was there as usual, but the country look to the sides showed me that the in front was unlike its normal state, stairs were but a few yards wide, while Noticed a number of persons walking upwards nothing but steps were visible. past me"within some slight distance. The steps themselves were made out of when one of them, a girl, intently looked some white transparent material. There at me. After a while, noticed that she I was suspended between heaven and lingered behind as if she would sepa-inte from the rest when the larger my position, resolved that there was number had gone allend, she came to nothing else to be done but to pay strict me, spoke to me and made certain pro- attention upon the work immediately posals. Told her to go away as I would before me. When after a while I looked have nothing to do with her, but she re- up, saw that someone was descending this very staircase. His step was light mained." Suddenly, and sure; there was no fear in him of

TWO LITTLE CHILDREN

falling. When he had descended so far came running up to me, twining their that his feet stood upon that step I was little arms · nround my legs, as little on, he halted, turned towards me and children will do. I bent down and spoke to them as I like little children, and have them often with me. The girl remained standing there all the time. The in face and person. It was a masculine next time when I looked up, noticed two stately ladies standing by me; they seemed to be the guardians of the little ones; they had their faces averted, they seemed to look at something; I could not recognize them. 'When the girl saw them, she ran away as if for dear life. This occurrence shows that our friends in the spirit world LIKE TO PROTECT US

from temptation and the gentle way when he directed me to look downthey are using. There is no doubt in wards; I did so, and beheld a most wonmy mind that in the previous case they derful phenomenon. At the foot of the also tried to send away the evil ones, but that was a more desperate case. Let the thoughtful reader ponder over these facts, and let him remember the words of Jesus of Nazareth: Offence there must be, but woe to him by whom ning to and fro, a few paces in one diit is given.

they went over the same ground again. EARTH BOUND SPIRITS. Perhaps they would turn to the right or as was shown by the order maintained above books and expense of mailing is For many years I had two Germans left and run a few paces, when they as neighbors. As they could neither would certainly turn back and walk read nor write in the English language, over the same ground again, and always I did that for them. When one of them, in a feverish excitement. Each one was "old Fred," got over 70 years old and in a stooping position, the eyes intently became tottery, spoke to him about the fixed upon the ground as if looking for future life as revealed to us by Spirit-nalism. But old-Fred only laughed, and women were both alike. My comsaying that no one could possibly know panion had watched my face; he must anything of that. As he was not what have read my thoughts, for without a is understood as "intellectual," I said word of mine he directed me to look for those that were following a different no more. Old Fred was not a had man, though worldly, he was not what people occupation. My eyes ran over the mulgenerally understand by the word titude and I found one here, one there, "religious." In due time he died. About who walked calmly erect, with the face 18 months later, one night was in front | turned upwards. But these people continually turned their head from one side of my hut in the spirit body. It was broad daylight, the country in front was to the other, and I could clearly persimilar to its normal state except dead ceive that they saw nothing but looked leaves and dead timber was absent. for something, while a very few stood When walking in front of my hut heard at the foot of the staircase; they saw a noise from behind it: The eyes looked the way upwards and seemed to contowards it, when samuch of the hut as sider the possibility of ascending. was within the straight line of vision Looked long at that strange phenome-vanished; it was like a hole in the hut, non, when it gradually vanished. I take while above and on both sides the hut it to be a view a spirit receives when he was standing. -Generally when in the descends from the higher planes and observes the doings of humanity. Let spirit body will walk around such like our workily; wise people take a lesson objects, but when in a hurry they vanish for the spirit body: to pass through it. Suddenly, old Fred: appeared upon of this. I have a friend residing not far from me with whom I often converse about the scene. There was not much astonishment on my part, though I wondered these abtruse questions. Once we were both what might have brought him here. IN THE SPIRIT BODY Knew him to be not assumptihetic man who would come to me of any one else conversing when my friend, being a out of friendship, some asked him if he man with a grown up family, comhad anything againstemes Wonderingly menced telling me about his family he looked at me, sating, "No, George, affairs." No sooner had I noticed the have nothing against sou." "Have trend the conversation had taken, when nothing against you mither;" was my re- I said to myself, "You onght not to hear on the program in his philosophy of ply, "and when I can be of any help to that." The thought was hardly formed "wit and Humor." you shall be only too igiad to do so." when my friend's speech, or what Again he looked at men the answer seemed to be his speech, got fainter and seemed to be strange to him. His face fainter and became presently inaudible. bore traces of suffering his eyes were I laughed heartily at this and bade him | compilation by J. W. Nixon, of psychic more intelligent than they used to be, good bye. Let me state here in passing literature, most given by spirits while his general appearance was just that the phenomenon of the double is through and by means of full form visas I saw it a few hours before his death. by no means so rare as is generally be- lible materializations, at seances of a He wore the same clothes, was bare lieved; but to be fully conscious when certain 'Psychic' Research Society, footed-they had taken a pair of new in the double is but seldom. 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Vicksburg Camp, Mich.

asked me to stand erect. Did so, and A lively interest is manifested a all fear of falling was immediately Vicksburg Camp this week, Visitors gone. We looked at each other. I took continued to arrive till Saturday night, when every room and tent was taxed face in the prime of manhood, with to its utmost capacity to provide for its | ual and Occult Library in every Spiritstrong chin, smoothly shaven face, very guests.

expressive, with the imprint of sorrow, While we were regretting the depart- books, substantially and elegantly or pity, or compassion; no head dress ure of Mrs. Carrie Twing, Dr. Emma His body was covered by a kind of toga Nickerson Warne came to our rescue, which left his ankles and lower part of and we have enjoyed one long spiritual arms free; he had a glittering girdle feast since her arrival. round his vest, while his feet were bare

He looked at me and patiently waited Notwithstanding Sunday was showery day, a large crowd entered the | which extended over many years. That until I had finished my observations, gate. Mr. Sprague delivered a very able is why you are getting these intensely discourse in the forenoon, drawing a interesting books for the price you do. comparison between the spiritual man- | We are only carrying out the Divine ifestations of past ages, as recorded in Plan, inaugurated only by The Prostairs was an immense plain, with a the Bible, and the spiritual manifesta- gressive Thinker. There are thousands large multitude of men and women. tions of the present day as viewed from of our subscribers who have no Spirit-When looking closer I found each and the standpoint of modern Spiritualism. | ualist or Occult library, and this inall engaged in a strange way. They were all in a feverish excitement, runafternoon by Dr. Emma Warne, whose may commence forming one at once, forcible manner and practical discourse | and thus keep in line with the advancrection, then suddenly turning round

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To illustrate: In one field of my work, where I preached for years, a young girl went wrong, the old story of woman's trust and man's betrayal. The usual social ostracism followed. Her own sex discarded her utterly, or else wounded her already broken spirit with a scanty recognition which was worse than none. At this juncture Sister W. took her up. She walked to church with her arm in arm. Side by side Lizzie, shrinking but grateful, and Sister W. sat near the pulpit. Many a Sunday I have preached the duty of raising the fallen while those two sat there, one strong, the other weak, one sinless, the other sinful, one of them reaching down, the other reaching up. It was an object lesson not soon forgotten. It was a visible realization of the sweet gospel message of Him who said: "I came to seek and to save that which was lost." It was an actual atonement, a positive sin-bearing, a real sacrifice.

"For observe: Sister W. was made to be sin, or bear sin. She was criticised sharply by some and a few times absolutely overlooked, refused recognition, because she had Lizzie with her. You see people punished her, put the sinner's burden on her because she was the sinner's friend.

But Paul says, "we through him become righteous." Exactly. That is the object of every sacrifice, of every atonement. So it happened to Lizzie. Sister W. was strong, and by her sacrifice, her disinterested nobility, she conquered opposition, controlled public sentiment, and made friends between the sinner and an offended people. Recognition came much sooner than it would if the poor girl had been compelled to fight her battle alone. In fact, without the mediator, or sin-bearer, she might have been goaded to the life of shame; but as it was she became righteous, was saved.

Now, we are all sinners. We "come short of the glory of God," or of our highest ideals. None of us are perfect. There is a higher life above us, possibly among men but surely among the angels. We feel our unworthiness, our lack of spiritual development, in the presence of that higher life, whether of men or angels. We want the recognition of, and fellowship with; those pure ones, and as Lizzie needed a mediator so we all need a mediator, or many of them .- Naturally as a vine seeks a tree by which to lift up its foliage to the heights above it; so do the lost and the impure seek the friendly office of the intercessor, the loving sin-bearer, the helping, healing sacrifice... Sin is a fact. Mediation is a fact. Sacrifice, or sin bearing, is not only a fact but an absolute necessity to meet one of the deepest of the soul's needs. We need it in

They say I am mortal like others,

And like others, am born to die; In the mighty will of the Spirit, I am living, and death I defy.

And I feel a power uprising, Like the power of an embryo god, With a glorious wall it surrounds me, And lifts me up from the sod,

Am I born to die? Oh, never! This spirit is all of me. I stand in the great forever.

Oh, God, I am one with Thee. I think of this birthright immortal And my being expands like the rose, As an odorous cloud of incense, Around and about me it flows.

A glorious song of rejoicing, In an innermost spirit I hear, And it sounds like heavenly voices, In a chorus-divine and clear.

I gaze through the dawn of the morning, And I dream 'neath the stars of the night, And I bow down in adoration Of this wonderful gift of light.

Oh, God, I am one forever With Thee by the glory of birth, The celestial powers proclaim it, To the uttermost bounds of the earth.

Ye pilgrims of varied probations, Ye teachers and saviors of men, To your heaven-born revelations, My spirit shall answer, Amen!

With you in the great forever, With the children of earth I stand, And this light flowing out like a river, Shall bless and redeem the land

Oh, the glory and joy of living; One with God while eternities roll. Tis an armor of might to the spirit, "Tis a blossom that crowns the soul.

Thus I stand in the great forever, With Thee as eternities roll. Thy spirit forsaketh me never, Thy love is the home of my soul, -From the Orient.

throughout the session, while many could not find standing room inside the auditorium.

Mr. Sprague delivered his farewell address Sunday evening. Rev. B. F. Austin, of Toronto, has

come into our midst and delivered his effort. Mr. Austin will remain through afternoon and evening.

Dr. Emma Warne's class in selfgrowth, aspiration, and soul-illumination is well attended, and her earnest effort is highly appreciated by all. Children's Day was given wholly to

the direction of Mrs. Emma Abbott, of office. Alliance, Ohio, After the lyceum ex-ercises, all adjourned to the lawn, where a pichic dinner was prepared for them.

Next in order was Woman's Day and a jolly time for everybody. The decorations of yellow bunting and flowers, both indoors and out, contrasting with the green follage above and the grassy carpet' beneath, which mother nature had spread for us, made a very pretty picture 'by' daytime, and as evening shadows fell the ladies came in holiday attire accompanied by their "choice" to a Ladies' Choice Ball, and all went "merry as a marriage bell."

The literary and musical event of the season will take place next Saturday evening, when a program of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, attitudes, and pantomime will be given. Rev. B. F. Austin's name will appear

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ual tone that characterizes all of Miss Judson's literary works. Price, cloth, the entertainment of the children, under | \$1; paper, 75 cents. For sale at this

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UNSEEN HANDS WORK BEFORE the possibility of repudiation on the HER MOTHER'S EYES-PICTURE part of prospective customers.

NOW IN TORONTO-REMARKA- Mr. Langton has been 'subjected to the fate of the famous outlaw and his BLE EXPERIENCES OF MR. AND | considerable good-natured chafing since | family. his return. "I may be easy," he said, MRS. THOMAS LANGTON AT LILY "but as I told my partner to-day, I DALE CAMP. stand prepared to give him \$30 if the

A picture from the spirit world, the Bangs sisters can't give him a likeness handlwork of the Bangs Sisters, of Lily of his grandfather, or his grandmother, Dale Camp, New York State, represent- for that matter, which will convince ing the daughter of Mrs. Thomas Lang- even him, skeptic and all as he is." The neighbors have taken a deep inton, of 52 Churchill avenue, as the child now appears, ten years after death. is terest in the matter, and it is now the medium which has brought joy to almost the sole topic of conversation in agree. Some unhesitatingly stated that the hearts of the Spiritualists of Toron- the West End. One ultra-religious lady not a single member of the Bender famto and set the West End agog with ex- informed Mrs. Langton yesterday that iny was now alive, while others, with it a spirit produced the picture it must citement.

"I am satisfied that this is a picture have been an evil spirit. Mrs. Langton Bender and two of his relatives, who of my little Eva as she now appears," could not find it in her heart to believe -said Mrs. Langton to a Mail and Empire that such a pretty picture could be the the rage of Western vigilants, are still reporter last evening. "I sat before the work of a bad spirit. canvas and saw the picture assume LANGTON'S EXPERIENCE WITH

shape without the aid of human agency and without a brush being applied. The picture is dear to me and I would not part with it for ten times the amount I wife had been investigating Spiritualmaid for it."

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"And what did you pay for it?" que- to say that Toronto did not possess any ried the reporter. "Thirty dollars. The Spiritualists of this from the fact that the police have

Toronto asked me to allow them to a penchant for running them in, just place it in their meeting room, but 1 consider it altogether too sacred to permit of it being used as a sort of an advertising medium. I consented, however, to allow them to send people to the house to view the picture."

At this juncture Mr. Langton made showed me little Eva, my wife's child. his appearance. He is a portly, jolly, with the same sitting as is seen in prosperous looking gentleman, with 'Uncle Tom's Cabin.'" nothing of the Spiritualistic in his ap- DARKNESS NECESSARY TO SUCpearnace.

"Well, if this thing keeps up we'll' have the police in on us next," he said laughingly.

Mr. Langton is a member of the firm of Langton & Hall, and occupies a which can only be produced in the dark. also maintains that sixteen out of the handsome, well furnished house at 52 The 'trumpet' seance, for instance. I band of twenty are still alive and any and left that were played last. The time, that his highest conception of Churchill avenue. A glance at his book-

MEDIUMS. Mr. Langton admitted that he and his

guilty of fiendish crimes. good mediums, but he accounted for

when things are coming their way. "Why, they arrested Colby!" he said. "And who is Colby?" "Colby is the medium who had such a following in London. I remember aftending one of his seances when he | sas home. He tells of the hanging of

CESS.

"This, of course, was in the dark," said the reporter.

"Yes. There are a number of things | complete their vengeance. The doctor attended a 'trumpet' seance once fully one of them would bear him out,

THE BENDERS, **Different Oracles Fail**

to Agree.

The fate of John Bender, outlaw and murderer, cannot be determined with any degree of certainty by Minneapolis mediums and clairvoyants. Despite the fact that they are in direct communication with the spirit world, yet in this instance they are apparetnly at fault for the reason that there is not a unanimity of opinion among the spirits regarding

In view of the wide comment excited by the recently published statements of numerous persons to the effect that they had seen and recognized John Bender in late years, and equally numerous statements that the Benders were all killed, the Journal to-day consulted several prominent mediums and clairvoyants. It was found that the spirits could not equal assurance, maintained that John were supposed to have fallen victims to living and that in the near future this fact would be corroborated by the elder

Bender himself. In each instance details were given concerning the action of the vigilantes at the time they were supposed to have ism for a number of years. He was free exterminated the notorious family held

PICTURED THE EXTERMINATION.

Dr. Heilabos, a local clairvoyant, who holds that the entire family was destroyed by mob violence, graphically describes the actions of the band of twenty persons who overtook the Benders as they sought to escape from their Kanthree men and one woman on the trees bordering what he believes is the Arkansas river, and how the remaining member of the family, a woman, was clubbed to death with guns when she endeavored to fight off her captors. He goes further and tells how the vigilantes burned the remains in order to

To the Editor:-As set forth in the New York Herald, at Newport, R. I., another opportunity was given to Dr. Albert de Sarak to show his wonderful powers when on one Wednesday night A CRITICISM AND AN EXPLANA-lately he was invited to Belcourt by Mr.

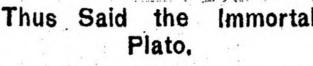
and Mrs. Oliver Ht P.Belmont to come In after a dinner party and give a seance. Mr and Mrs. Belmont's guests numbered sixteen, and about as many more came in time for the really marvelous exhibition. V. - 0

Surely there could have been no more artistic and delightful surroundings than the great Gothic hall of Belcourt, rich in its collection of armor and wonderfully toned by the stained glass windows that were lighted from without, giving a fitting atmosphere for the mysticism as interpreted by the man of science. Fortunately for Dr. Sarak, the company was limited in numbers, for a large gathering decidedly interferes with the train of thought and the concentration of mind. The exhibition of mind reading, while startling enough, was secondary to the cataleptic condition that rendered Dr. Sarak unconscious of such an experiment as piercing his cheek from inside the mouth to the outside of his face with a long hat pin, that had previously been heated in the flame of a candle.

All this seemed simple enough as compared with the game of dominoes that he played with the Count Sternberg. Before going into a trance Dr. Sarak's eyes were bandaged first with wads of large dinner napkins, each one fastened by a separate individual.

Before beginning the game of dominoes Dr. Sarak, in his blindfolded condition, walked across the room to Mrs. open at the conclusion of the game, which began at eleven o'clock. Just a quarter past that hour the Doctor, who had won, announced "Le jeu est fini, il est onze heures et uart."

An intense silence followed. The Doctor continued: "Mme. Belmont, ouvrez l'envelloppe ue je vous al donnee, s'il vous plait, et lisez cela." To the astonishment of, all Mrs. Belmont read the result of the game and the exact position of Atheism, nor ever hinted his faith and value of the dominoes on the right | in a Deific personality. He said, at one note enclosed in the envelope had been | Deity was that of a central sun. Some-



GEOMETRISES."

TION.

In a recent number of The Progressive Thinker a Brother McFarland assailed myself and A. H. Nicholas, of Summerland, for our atheism. But as there was no argument, I concluded

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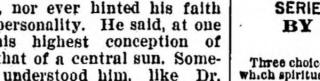
that reply was superfluous, and others have made all the answer that was necessary. Demolishing a man of straw is not congenial work for me. But the article suggested an explanation and a criticism upon a very common practice, I am sorry to say, amongst Spiritualists. The criticism is upon the practice of quoting names of so-called great men to prove the truth of something of which an ordinary person is just as competent to form an opinion as the greatest scholar. Educated men are often the most gullible characters you can find, and the history of Spiritualism is a wonderful illustration of the fact. The most incorrigible skeptics when converted to Spiritualism, have proved to be the

ones most easily imposed upon by frauds. The writer referred to, brings in a list of distinguished names as be-

lievers in God. With equal ease, I could do the same thing in proof of witchcraft or any other absurdity.

. The opinion of a technical scientist is of no more worth than another man's cotton and over this were placed three | except in the special phase in which he is an expert. The mental or moral philosopher is no authority in mechanics or chemistry, or electricity, or magnetism.: And so the list might be extended. All this appeal to great names is part Belmont, to whom he handed a sealed of the old system of personal authority, envelope, which he requested her to which real Spiritualism entirely ignores.

> But in this array of authority the name of A. J. Davis was made very prominent, and as I had the privilege of very intimate acquaintance with Brother Davis in the past it seems to me that an explanation is in place. Among the questions discussed between us the God question was one. He never intimated the slightest criticism





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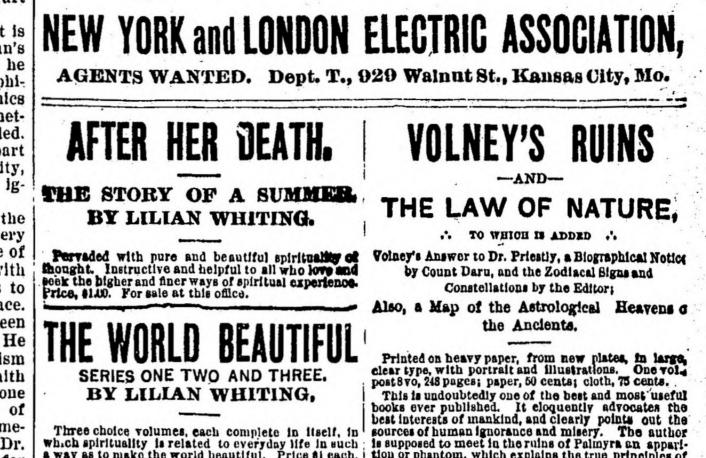
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case showed that his reading is not con. | determined to solve the mystery, if at fined to the occult, as well-bound vol- all possible. The trumpet first struck umes of Byron, Moore, Scott, Dickens, me on the head. When it came round and other classics were plainly visible. | again I put my hands up to my head, Mrs. Langton is a bright, good looking, only to be struck on the knee. A man intelligent woman, and an excellent sitting beside me said: 'You think you're and leading a lonely life on the borders conversationalist.

STORY OF THE PICTURE.

"My wife and I," continued Mr. Lang- selves with the movement about two ton, "became interested in Spiritualism | years ago, and have been on the lookout some few years ago. I had been more for mediums of prominence ever since. or less skeptical on the subject, but my At Lily Dale Camp their desires were visit to Lily Dale Camp thoroughly con- satisfied. Writing on slates, letters from vinced me. I am now an out and out the dead, rappings, etc., are there rebeliever in Spiritualism.

duced, to a science. The camp is well "We went to Lily Dale Camp intend- | conducted, and due attention is paid to | that the family consisted of five pering to remain only one day, but we things material. Mrs. Langton's pafound everything so comfortable and rents, who reside in Ohio, do not view agreement. Time and time again during reasonable that we stopped there eight with favor her leading to Spiritualism. days. There were the usual seances When her mother decided to visit her peculiar to Spiritualism, but it was not she was admonished not to take any until we visited the Bangs Sisters that stock in Spiritualism, as her daughter we were thoroughly impressed and con- was crazy on that subject. vinced. The sisters occupy fine apart- "Well," said Mrs. Langton, "mother ments at the camp. Mrs. Langton, her has been over to Lily Dale Camp, and mother from Ohio, and myself waited she, too, is now crazy on that subject." upon Mesdames Bangs prepared to test | The mother nodded assent to this. their wonderful powers. We were ush- All three scouted the idea that there do not tell the same story to their ered into the work-room of the sisters. | could be any fake in the operations of In one corner stood a number of picture the Bangs sisters. The exposure of the frames with cauvas stretched across methods of mediums in the past was rethem. Mrs. Langton acquainted the verted to, but Mr. Langton declared sisters with the fact that ten years ago, that it had been confined to unscrupu- the benefit of the readers of the Jour- Mrs. Lillie appeared to be at her best at the age of seven, our little girl, Eva, lous men who had attempted to make nal he said: died. She wished to have a picture of money by a flimsy imitation of the work her daughter as she now appeared, or of genuine mediums. There could be would have looked were she in the flesh. no exposure in their case, because they der family is alive to-day. Not one es-The sisters instructed Mrs. Langton to held communication direct with the caped the vengeance of the mob that approach the heap of frames and select spirit world. It was pointed out that all one. The frame chosen was placed on mediums were partial to the mighty readily because three weeks ago while an easel in proximity to a window, the dollar, but Mr. Langton thought they in Denver I was asked the same quesblinds of which were drawn. Mrs. were entitled to remuneration for their tion. I am telling you now what I then

of the canvas. One of the sisters placed covering the frame, but leaving the A Dream and Its Fulfillment. a cloth around the back of the canvas, front of the canvas exposed."

Mrs. Langton here took up the story. IT FADED AWAY TWICE.

"I sat before the canvas," she said, completed I was more than satisfied. up, I seemed to be beneath a cloud commore than fifteen minutes."

She insists that John Bender is alive smart.' The trumpet said: 'Yes; but he's of Indiana. According to her spirit innot smart enough to catch me."" Mr. and Mrs. Langton identified them-

formations, two other members of the family are still living, a man and a woman, and within the past few years another member, also a woman, died a natural death. It is also her information that the vigilantes caused the death of one woman at the time it is maintained the entire family was extermi-

THREE ALIVE, MRS. JACOBS SAYS.

In absolute contradiction to this story

is the statement by Mrs. Mary Jacobs.

nated. She agrees with Dr. Hellobas sons and that is their only point of the seance she repeatedly stated that no matter what any one might say John Bender was still alive.

Thus it will be seen that in spirit land -for both mediums gave utterance to their statements through the influence of thought transference from the other world-the same uncertainty exists as to the fate of the Benders. The spirits familiars in Minneapolis. When Dr. Hellobas was asked to ex-

ercise his influence on the spirit world

"I can give you the desired information. Not a single member of the Benwent out after them. I answer you so ing every Sunday afternoon, which is Langton was instructed to sit in front gifts .-- Toronto (Can.) Mail and Empire, stated."-- Minneapolis Journal.

A Disgraceful Exhibition.

Haverhill, Mass., is on the Boston & To the Editor:-Enclosed find a letter Maine Railroad, 33 miles north of Bos- which will explain itself, although it is ton. Here I have resided nearly 35 anonymous. You have heard of the years. In 1885 two of my sisters were Rev. H. J. Becker, have you not? If living in the \same house, about eight not, I will simply say that he was "gazing intently at it for a few minutes. miles west of Boston and near the New- elected the president of the National I first noticed that the outer edge of it tonville Station on the Boston & Albany Anti-Spiritualist Society, that was gowas growing dark. Then in the centre road. One of them was Mrs. Samuel ing to do such great things against Spira beautiful blue line became visible, Tilton, who now resides in Charlestown. Itualism a few years ago. Well, that and then the features came into view. The other was an unmarried sister National Anti-Spiritualist Society, I for I at once said, 'That does not suit me,' named Susan P. Leighton; she had been one am sorry to say, "died a bornin." and the picture faded away. It ap- very sick for several days, and one It never had another meeting-none but peared a second time, and, although I night (I felt sure that it was just 12 the one at which it was organized. It did not give voice to my feelings, I was o'clock) I dreamed that I was bent down never had an anniversary celebration, felt a quickening breath" and is revivnot satisfied with it. It also faded working hard digging a drain. While and I have never seen any accounting ing wonderfully. May this be the case away. The third time the features of thus engaged I heard a voice saying: for the vast number of contributions of all over the Union. my dead child as I knew she would ap- "While you are toiling in the earth, we money that came pouring into the hands pear were she alive to-day assumed pro- have come to waft away the spirit of of its officers according to their pubportions, and when it stood before me your beloved sister," and upon looking lished announcement at the time of its organization. What has become of all The whole operation did not occupy posed of pure white doves, and I par- this money? Who has got it?

ticularly noticed their feet, which were It seems that Rev. H. J. Becker is Mr. Langton and Mrs. Langton's perfectly clean, as though they had chairman of the Island Park Assembly say that I have never tried to thank you other has his mathematics.

written hours before the game had been contemplated. The test was considered nothing short of marvelous.

Here we have a most wonderful prediction, made in reference to a game of chance, and most truly it was-New York. MARVELOUS.

Spiritualism on the Pacific Coast.

To the Editor .- With pleasure we wish to state that this fall will witness a revival of Spiritualism on the Pacific coast. The tide of falent seems to have turned westward. The first arrival was Prof. Geo. F. Perkins, accompanied by his afflicted wife, who, we are glad to say, is improving in health.

Mrs. R. S. Lillie, after a period of rest in Southern California, is again speaking in Oakland and San Francisco. Mrs. Ada Foye is here filling engage-

ments. Mr. W. J. Colville is expected soon to arrive from Australia, on his way to England.

The State Association will hold its convention in Oakland, September 0, 7 and 8.

Last Sunday, August 11, the Psychic Society of Oakland, resumed their mofning meetings, with Mrs. R. S. Lilto determine the fate of the Benders for lie on the rostrum, at Woodmen Hall. and gave a beautiful inspirational lecture. She is also, lecturing for the Progressive Society in SanFrancisco. At the same hall Mr. C. F. Van Luven helds an interesting conference meetwell attended.

> Mr. Geo. F. Perkins made his first appearance in Oakland on the evening of August 11, at Woodmen Hall. He was greeted by a large audience. His address was interesting and instructive, his messages were recognized as correct and we hope that he will be able to awaken a deeper interest in the cause by his work just begun on the coast. By the way, his songs are beautiful and inspiring.

The Union Society at Fraternal Hall, holds Sunday afternoon and evening meetings with good success.

The Oakland Society is doing good work at Dr. Palinbaum's residence, on Wednesday evenings.

This does not look as if Spiritualism was on the decline, but rather "hath

MARY E. VAN LUVEN. Oakland, Cal.

The Encyclopedia of Death. or Design; and most certainly Paley has To the Editor .- Please permit me to proved his point as conclusively as the

thing, as I understood him, like Dr. Thomas Dick's great Sun Center for the Sidereal heavens.

Davis and Selden J. Finney were most intimate friends and I think Finney had a great influence in shaping Davis' philosophical notions. Finney was a radical Idealist, and was as much of a "Godintoxicated man" as Spinoza himself. "Spirit," said Finney, "is the eternal stuff of which all things are made."

Hosea Ballou, years before, had written that God made all things of Himself; and he naively asks what had he to make them of but Himself?

But when Finney defined God, he used this language: "God is Intelli-GENCE, but not IntelliGENT." Personality, self-consciousness were not at

tributes of the "Eternal Stuff" of which all things were made. I have no doubt that Davis shared in the same idea.

But, says our writer, take the essay upon the little Texas flower and the masterly argument upon the mathematical principle therein involved. This brings me to the explanation. In the first place, let me say, I don't believe that Davis is the author. The style is

not Davis. He was never in Texas. There is nothing in his works indicating that he had ever been in the doubting, uncertain, mental condition described in the article. Nor do I believe he was ever able to write such a mathematical argument. The essay appeared at first in the Democratic Review, and after' Davis started the Herald of Progress, it was copied into that. Of course, I only state my disbelief in his authorship, and my reasons for my lack of faith.

This brings me to the article itself. The text is from Piato and heads this article! "God Geometrises." The writer states his prior doubts and most completely overthrows Paley's argument from design. Walking in the Texas forests he inspects a five-petaled flower, and finds that all the thousands con form to the same pentagonal form. Plato's "God Geometrises" comes to him like a revelation, and he enters upon his elaborate mathematical illustration. This explanation is not a review, though I wrote one when the essay first appeared. I will, however, say that there is not a solitary vestige of real, original argumentation in the entire essay. While rejecting Paley in toto, it is nothing but Paley repeated with the use of the term mathematics instead of design. Design, says Paley, implies a designer. Nobody disputes that proposition. Mathematics, says the other, implies a mathematician. Nobody will question that. But the trouble is to prove either Mathematics

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ct JESUS. MAN

A Symposium by

W. E. Coleman, J.

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color, three feet by two and a half. It round the head and the white surplice thus impelled-perhaps I might say which covers the bust give it quite an compelled-I returned and related my angelic appearance. The face is not un- dream. like what Mrs. Langton's might have been at 17. A photo of the child taken | brother and a sister who were also on shorthy before her death bears a slight their way to Newtonville. So, of course, resemblance to the features displayed | we all went out together, and before we in the picture.

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mother were in the room and witnessed | never come in contact with the dust of | at Rome City, a favorite summer resort | for Vol. 3 of the Encyclopedia of Death, this phenomena. They were quite posl- earth. When I arose in the morning, I a few miles north of Fort Wayne. The and Life in the Spirit World, for I tive that no human hand had touched resolved to say nothing to Mrs. Leigh- program is in the hands and under really know no words to use that will the canvas, and that it was the work ton about my dream; but told her I the control of the various orthodox adequately express my pleasure in the of a spirit artist of which the Bangs thought I would start for Newtonville | churches. Rev. H. J. Becker took ad- premiums and your generosity-that on an early train, as I feared my sister The picture is a handsome water- might not be living. So I started, but possible, with the numerous defeats he something kept saying. "Tell your wife has suffered in the discussion of the shows the head and bust of a girl of 17. all about the dream. It will be a good subject of modern Spiritualism and forthe purpose of overcoming in a measure The features are regular, and there is a test. Be sure and tell her that Susan wealth of golden hair. A blue halo passed away at just 12 o'clock." Being

reached the house we could see that

crape was upon the door, and my

brother said, "Susan has gone;" and I

Mrs. Tilton met us at the door and

said, "Susan passed away at exactly 12

a very short time, and kneeling down

prayed, saying: "O God, send thy good

passed away at just 12 o'clock."

Haverhill, Mass.

the humiliation of the failure of his National Anti-Spiritualist Association, in the organization of which he was one of the prime movers. But here is the When I arrived in Boston, I met a

letter. Yours truly, H. V. SWERINGEN.

Rome City, Aug. 16, 1901. Dr. Sweringen-Sir: In the closing "services of the Island Park Assembly"

the Rev. H. J. Becker enacted a disreplied, "Yes, they came"-meaning graceful scene in the exposure of modern Spiritualism for the amusement and entertainment of a vast audience made up of cottagers and hotel guests.

Having slates and trumpets on hand, o'clock." Mrs. Tilton also said that just | also in some way making an attempt at grace at once impressive and charming. before 12 she left the sick chamber for materialization. Altogether it was a disgraceful exhibition of religious intolerance and deserves the condemna-I learn that you are a very ardent ex-

ponent of Spiritualism, also an able writer and contributor to various jour-It will be noticed that in Mrs. Tilton's nals, and would be pleased to have you prayer the word "waft" was used, and make use of this I am writing, in pub-Langton thought the picture as a pic- can neither of us remember having licly condemning such a very unchristian closing of a religious organization made use of the word "waft" before. I have every reason to believe that | which has the patronage of Spiritualists our friends who have passed to the alike as well as members of other de-

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have mathematics in nature, hence a vantage of his position to get even, if gives us so much for so little! Those not so fortunate as to have

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It is difficult to call phrases where all are so lovely, but how very beautiful is this, that Deathords "Life's flower-encircled door through which we meet the loved ones gone before!"

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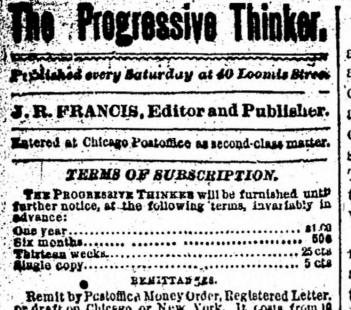
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Lesson from a Fit of Anger.

Of all the silly things we know that of quarreling on religious subjects

Benefit of Clorgy. Suppose a law was enacted exempting

all lawyers, all doctors, all teachers, or Though our series of articles on the all journalists from the operation of the Cave-Born Gods, with facts and refleccriminal laws? Would not the effect be tions thereon, are closed, we are a license to commit all manner of prompted to repeat an old romance concrimes to the members of that profesnected with that resurrected Labyrinth sion exempted from legal penalties? of King Minos, for more than 3,000 The morals of a community subject to years lost to the world, its history preserved by the poets of the times, as the influence of such exempted persons would be deplorable in the extreme. were the deeds and adventures of Turn back the records of time, and Ulysses, preserved to later generations make the long journey to Hindostan, by Homer. It shows that "Love ruled the court, the camp, the grove," just as and, lo, we flud such a law was in force there in regard to Brahmans. "They it did when Ruth lay down on the were not to be put to death for any threshing floor with Boaz, with whom crime, nor pay toll, nor taxes." They she tarried all night, and which was so were thus privileged because they could valuable a lesson for loving girls that read and write. They were able to hold God gave us the record by inspiration. communion with the gods, and persons And the remarkable feature that the thus endowed were too important to be account, so repulsive to the refined

denda. No. 9.

Bible Societies in hundreds of tongues, Would to heaven such laws had been an approved example for virtuous daughters to copy. Not that only, but confined to the Orient. But they were not. They became common to the West. plous prelates have dramatized the All the countries of Europe and colonies story, and it is played in churches for in America had laws extending to the the delectation of the young, the thresh ing floor scene at night, Ruth 3:9, of priestly class the "Benefit of Clergy." They became immune, so far as the course omitted.

The old Grecian tale shall be told as briefly as possible to accommodate it to our space. It is known as "The Adventures of Theseus."

mind, is preserved and perpetuated by

.Passing over the long story of The-England, but the preacher could look on at the execution, smile, and remark; seus' birth as the son of Aegeus, king "Such punishments are not for me." of Athens, who deserted the mother Arraigned at the bar of justice, his only before his son's birth; of the mother defence was: "I am a clergyman," Proof of the fact and the case was re- aiding her son when seventeen to removed to the Spiritual Courts. If he cover the concealed sword of his father; neglected to plead his exemption from of his journey from Troezene to Athens, the jurisdiction of the court until consome forty miles by sea, though he took viction, then he could set it up in arthe longer route by land, and had some exciting experiences by the way with Not until so late as 1827 was this in-

robbers, and particularly with Procrus-Under the action of that law the tes, who stretched his victims to fit his priest visited his parishioners to hear bed, cutting off their feet if too long; confessions, and administer penauce. his final triumph and arrival in Athens; His slippers at the door was a notice the attempt of his father to poison him; to husband and all the world that no intrusion would be allowed at such a his father's recognition of the sword, time. Seraglios were established, where and right of succession to the throne, the fairest daughters of the community | and then, to the story: Androgeus, son of Minos, king of

where applauded by the people; but the

king, Aegeus, was angered; and caused

were huddled together, under the name of Convents, as "Brides of Christ." To Crete, had visited Athens on the occaand the victims were prohibited from | tor in them all. Of course he was every-

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THEY ARE PESTS ON THE EARTH, AND ROTTEN | an ignorant state in order that they may exploit them TO THE CORE-THEY SHOULD BE EXTER-MINATED.V 149

"It is unfortunate [as set forth in the New York Trib une that the people of the United States do not better understand the. South: Americans," said Senor Perez, an active sympathizer with the Liberal party in the Republic of Colombia. "You think that we are anxious to fight, to engage in constant revolutions. This is not so. We simply struggle against the Clerical party to obtain freedom of thought and action. We should rather die than endure physical and moral slavery. Colombia is a large and rich country. It consists of nine states, and is more than double the size of Spain and Portugal. On the Atlantic Ocean it has a coast line of over one thousand miles. The national government is republican, the main basis of the constitution being a scheme drawn up in 1863 after the model of the United States of America. The executive power is exercised by the President and four ministers or secretarios. In 1811 the war of independence began, and a struggle was begun with Spain, which lasted until 1827. In 1819 Bolivar effected a union between Ecuador, Venezuela and Colombia, but this federation lasted only eleven years. It was in 1827 that the two parties which now exist had their origin. We first believed in the Spanish method of government, or, rather, in the despotic power of the Church. This party, the Conservatives, was composed ehiefly of the Jesuits, but was supported by priests of all denominations. The other party was the Liberal organization. These men believed in free institutions, progress in every respect-railroads, telegraphs, free and compulsory education, and so on."

eral party in Ecuador, Venezuela, and Colombia, and an "Whether or not Colombia should embrace advancing opposing Conservative or Clerical party in the same councivilization," he continued, "has been the principal bone tries. This is natural, because seventy-five years ago the of contention between the two parties for the last seventy- three countries were one. Thus, the Liberal party of one five years, not only in Colombia, but in Ecuador, Venezu- country helps its sympathizers in another. So it is with cla, Peru, Bolivia and elsewhere in South America. In the Conservatives. When the large number of Clericals the Argentine Republic and in Mexico the Clerical ele- or government sympathizers, entered Venezuela on July ment has been overcome sufficiently to admit of enlight- 28, they were attacked and completely routed by the comened advancement in those countries. But in Colombia bined Venezuelan and Colombian Liberal armies, who had and Venezuela the Clericals resist the establishment of concentrated their forces in a border state in Venezuela. these only the priests were admitted, sion of the public games, and was vic- free institutions. They know that if education becomes Of course, General Uribe-Uribe had a share in the victory general, the people will not pay their tithes and contribu- over the Clericals, although he was not present at the

JUDGE GREEN'S WISHES IN SOUTH AMERICA. Disregarded in the Disposal of His Remains.

> Appointments are being made with my wife, Martha E. Root and myself. with increasing frequency and in some cases years in advance, to conduct spiritual service after the person so arranging shall pass to the spirit world. In a number of instances relatives have disregarded the known wishes and caused extreme sorrow, even to a husband who afterward became a Spiritualist.

Judge Sanford M, Green presents a case in point. He passed out of his body August 13, 1901, at Bay City, Mich., in his ninety-fifth year. He was probably the oldest Spiritualist in this State, as well as the longest time one, for he accepted this truth soon after the raps were produced by the Fox Sisters. More than thirty years ago he was president of the Spiritual society in Bay City. Then it cost something there to declare "I am a Spiritualist." In his latest hours he was as fully convinced. He was author of standard works on law and practice His more than forty years on the bench of Michigan's Supreme and Circuit Courts, and the opinlons he prepared, rank him among the foremost jurists of the State. By nature and experience he was especially fitted to analyze evidence. Less than four years ago he put in writing: "From the most indubitable evidence'I have long been convinced of the truth of what is called Spiritualism."

and imprison our leaders and sympathizers. Because of While I nursed him fifteen of his nineteen last days and nights he emphasized this conviction, as also he did his wish for Spiritual service and cremation of his remains. His original letter, many times talked to the family he lived with his last dozen years, with our family and with his own children, was written to put in unequivocal form his unaltered wish. This was put in the hands of his children while yet be was for days talking freely with us all. But his daughters opened not the subject to him.

JUDGE GREEN'S LETTER.

"Bay City, Dec. 28, 1897. "To my esteemed friends, Melvin A. and Martha E. Root, of Bay City, Mich. "It is my desire that when I pass away my remains shall be taken to the Crematory in Detroit and reduced to ashes after such funeral service as may

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seems the most out of place, and the most indefensible.

We have a friend, a very earnest one, who we are sure would sacrifice much in our interest if needed; but he is a bigoted Methodist, Intimate to him a doubt as to the authenticity of the Scriptures, or of the truthfulness of any of its narrations, however incredible, and he is angry in a moment. A red rag in the face of a bull cannot excite more antagonism than our good friend displays when his faith is questioned.

It was only a few days ago in friendly conversation, we suggested that the Septungint, instead of being a translation of Hebrew Scriptures into Greek, was in fact a compliation and adaptation of myths belonging to neighboring nations, and we were about to cite Christian authorities, the most learned in the church, sustaining that view. Presto! A flash of lightning, accompanied by the roar of thunder, could not have been more sudden or fearful.

"You think you know more than Paul, more than Jesus Christ, more than God Almighty! Paul cited from that Septuagint with approbation, as did all the apostles, and Jesus Christ himself. God gave the world that book for our guidance and only fools will call its teachings in question."

"Tut, tut, my friend. Are you not a little off your base to-day?"

"I may be, but I have no patience when God's holy word is called in quesday Lessons." We quote: tion.'

"That is to say, you throw reason to the dogs and let passion rule for the time."

He instantly changed the subject of conversation. His voice dropped to its natural tone, a smile lighted up his features, the flery flash of the eye was gone, and "Richard was himself again." Now this absolutely late experience is only one of hundreds of a similar character all have met with in a long life. It has characterized the votaries of Christianity from the very beginning of its existence. It will continue while the shabby records passing as the word of God continue to be received as such; and because such exhibitions of anger will follow whenever their credibility is called in question, makes us the more ambitious to expose the error of the claim.

"Our friend will excuse us for using his angry fit as a lesson to all the world against giving way to passion, and making a fool of one's self when discussing religious affairs.

returning to the world to tell of their inflictions. Heretics were arrested, imprisoned, tortured, burned, and their his death. The father, King Minos, was property was confiscated; but the greatly angered, and made war on wretches guilty of the crimes were Athens, slaughtering the people and clergymen, and exempt from human laying waste her fields, so that famine penalties.

they have usurped the right to tell what

A Blow from the Shoulder.

preme law of the land.

famous law repealed in England.

subject to laws governing common

laws were concerned, from secular pun-

ishment, however heinous the offence.

Two hundred and twenty-three crimes

were subject to capital punishment in

mortals.

rest of judgment.

and pestilence followed. Acgeus begged for peace. This was granted on con-These priests, alias clergymen, would find examples in the Bible in justificadition every year a tribute of sever tion of every wrong of which they were young men, and an equal number of maidens, were sent him to be put in his guilty. The patriarchs had a multi-Labyrinth-just now exposed by the plicity of wives and mistresses. Why should they be barred from the latter. pick and spade-with leave to escape when they should master its mazes and Solomon, with his 700 wives and 300 slav its occupant. concubines, is a notable illustration.

Minos had placed in that Labyrinth It was while under the operation of a terrible monster, half man, with the these Benefit-of-the-Clergy laws the head and horns of a bull, called a preachers became domineering, self-Minotaur. Athens was greatly disimportant, tyrannical, criminal; and tressed each year when Minos' ship arthough the law has been long repealed rived to receive his tribute of her sons the customs acquired under it adhere and daughters, for, to the time of The to the profession and will so long as they can make the world believe they seus, no one had returned, and the presumption was they had fallen victims are the servants of the Most High God. They have stolen from the people for | to Minos' anger and his monster in the their use one-seventh of all the days; Labyrinth.

Theseus, with his experience in the are good morals and what are not; they destruction of the robbers on his way have gained exemption of their temples to Athens, determined to go himself as from taxes; imposed a collection of a victim, and try his own strength with barbarian myths and romances on us any difficulties which should beset him. as the Word of God; and, not yet con-It was stipulated in the treaty between. tent, they want to stick it into the fed-Aegeus and Minos, that if any victim eral Constitution, and make it the sushould succeed in slaying the monster. the tribute should cease. Theseus gained his father's consent with difficulty, and made an arrangement with him if he returned victorious he was to That was a sorrowful question which hoist a white ensign, otherwise the

our Br. Cole, of Dowagiac, Mich., asked black one which the ship bore when it left port should remain in place. of Rev. Withrow, in our columns of With heavy hearts, all but Thesens August 10, in his article headed "Sunthey sailed away to Crete. Arrived at their destination they were all im-"Have the tombs of Egypt's dead prisoned but the intrepid king's son, kings yielded a shred of testimony to who begged the privilege to go first to

confirm the story which adorns the the Labyrinth, hoping to save the lives pages of the infallible Pentateuch?" of his fellows. This favor was granted Our brother had cited the so-called him. The Cretan king had a daughter. Mosaic account of the destruction of Ariadne. She saw the doomed young the Egyptian host; their king; their

men and maidens, and was particularly chariots; and horsemen; all of whom attracted to our hero. While all were were ingulfed in the Red Sea when the asleep at night she bribed the guards walls of water on either hand rolled in and offered freedom to Theseus; but he upon them, after the flying fugitives, declined the boon, yet told her his mission. She gave him a clue of thread led by Moses, had reached the main told him to fasten the end at the enland. Ex. 14:28 informs us: "All the trance, and unwind as he advanced host of Pharaoh that came into the sea along the serpentine paths of the Labyafter them [Israelites] there remained rinth, to be taken up on his return. She also gave him a sword to slay the Minotaur.

By verse 8 we learn Pharaoli pur-With sword and clue concealed in his sued after the children of Israel; and apparel the guards led him to his doom. elsewhere we learn "he led the host." After wandering for a time among Ps.-136:15, says: The Lord "overthrew rocks and obscure passages he en-Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea." countered the Minotaur, with broad, ex-Not until the mummified body of this panded horns, fiercely angered at his approach. identical Pharaoh was found a few

tions to the Church. They want the masses to be kept in battle. This conflict ends the revolution in Venezuela.

face, into his eyes, ears, and nose, and Justice Tempered With Mercy.

down his throat. The sufferings of the The highest spirituality is manifestfellow must have been horrible in the ed in that nation where justice is temextreme, but he was alive three days pered with mercy. In the United States later when visited, and a week after- Reis," concerning whom we published wards the auts were still at him. criminals who are compelled to suffer Another method of torture witnessed death in consequence of some infracin the same locality was this: The vic

tion of law, are generally executed by tim was securely bound in an upright hanging, which is said to be a very attitude to a strong post, with his head now comes to the public with a circular, easy, though not a desirable method of fastened in a position that exposed his in which she reproduces the original dying. Those who have been hung, and face to the full glare of the blazing sun. by some fortunate turn of affairs, af-Then his eyelids were cut off dexterously, so as to leave the eyes intact. terwards revived, have stated that af Lime was then smeared over the face, ter the first paroxysm there was comand he was left to die by inches. For fiendish cruelty, for a comprehen- published by us. The occasion paratively no pain; a rather pleasant sive method of diabolism, and for a sensation followed; lights, kaleldototal disregard of tempering justice the with mercy, the Chinese excel even the vision; a sense of pencefulness superaboriginees of America, or the cauni vened, and no desire was manifested to bals of Africa. This exhibition of cruelty is in strange contrast with those

Whether hanging: be painful or othsublime teachings of Confucius that erwise, a desire to temper justice with sound so beautiful and that seem to mercy, has caused New York to pass a partake of the divine in all their charlaw ordering electricity to be used in acteristics, and which carried out in diumship; nor was the retraction of the all cases where the death penalty is to be exacted for the commission of crime. Such barbarity in China is only a mani-With that agent, it is claimed that the festation, undoubtedly, of the exact death will not only be painless, but instatus of the masses, which does not speak very well for a people, among whom are infused the teachings of Con-The general tendency of the benign fucius and Buddha. Only those who sentiment to temper exact justice with temper Justice with Mercy are capable tender mercy, has caused radical im-

of locating the truth and establishing provements to be made in jails and pen- its supremacy on earth. And whether Infinite Intelligence or some other God itentiaries, especially in the Northern sent those red ants on their hellish misstates. In some parts of the South, for sion to torture a poor mortal-we are some inexplicable reason, such is not unable at present to Locate the Truth the case. Horrible cruelties are often in regard to that, and refer it to the No next National Spiritualist Convention.

The Hydra-Headed Monster.

victs in charge; and in some cases the management is a disgrace to civilization. In China, in some few respects advanced as a nation, with the teach ings of Confucius to guide in the conduct of life, and with sublime precepts instilled in the minds of the people purgatory. It is one of the ingenious there seems to be total disregard of the devices of priests to supply their exhausted exchequers, identical in pur thought of ever tempering justice with mercy. A correspondent of the Globe- pose with the sale of criminal indulgences which produced the Protestant Democrat details some scenes he wit-

Mexico, writing to the Christian En- | such a high temperature, and our sym-

Some of the most remarkable execu- deavor World, tells what he saw in a tions ever witnessed by him took place Roman Catholic Church with his own but the preachers, who have been pic-

"LADY REIS."

an article in the May 4th issue of The Progressive Thinker, and a retraction of that article in the May 25th issue, publication of May 4. the retraction and ther agreement of release from libel

noticing this circular or this party at all is to deny and repel the intimation and suggestion carried in the head lines of the circular and in the fact of its distribution, that the editor of this paper in any manner or degree now endorses either the woman herself or her me-

the lives of the Chinese would exalt first article intended as any such enthem above every nation on earth. dorsement or to be construed as such by the public. We personally know ab solutely nothing about this woman or her mediumship, but we understand the following prominent persons, residing in Milwaukee, Wis., are intimately acquainted with her and are able to furnish parties desiring it such information regarding her as they possess: F. R. Foster, corner Milwaukee and Madison streets.

B. Lewis, 457 East Water street. Miss Amelia Hey, 209 Sixth street. Mrs. M. Schubert, 436 Clinton street. J. D. Lewis, 537 East Water street. Theo. Olsen, in Pabst's building, coruer East Water and Wisconsin streets.

The Saints to Be Roasted.

A Methodist preacher, Rev. J. Allen Viney, pastor of a church at Centerville, Ohio, has been searching the Scriptures with great care, and he finds the temperature of the abode of the righteous in kingdom come is exactly 826 degrees. As this is a trifle below the red heat of iron, we become conscious at once that our orthodox Christian must become a Salamander before Rev. Francis & Borton, a Protestant he enters his heavenly abode. It seems clergyman and missionary at Pueblo, rough on the babies to subject them to

be thought proper. I desire that Mr. Root will take charge of my remains for the purpose aforesaid, and that Mrs. Root take charge of and conduct my funeral services. I believe it is a blessed thing to die, as to the mortal, and to live immortal with the loved ones gone before. * *

S. M. GREEN." "Your friend, HIS DAUGHTER'S LETTER.

"Sunday Afternoon, Aug. 11, 1901. "We are all agreed in this matter, strongly opposed to any departure from the long-time custom of our family. We have therefore decided to have the funeral rites observed exactly as they were at our mother's funeral. The suits or damages based upon the burial service will be read and the realleged libelous article inadvertently mains taken to Flint, where they will rest beside the wife of his youth. "M. FRANCES BISHOP."

> The second day after the burial I went to the burial place. The Judge's remains do not "rest beside the wife of his youth," and his daughter Frances well knew all the time they could not. Her quarrel over property with stepchildren led a step-son to prevent any more Green burials in the Bishop lot, which is the finest in Glenwood Cemetery. Frances' mother was interred there 22 years ago in its most conspicuous spot, and room left beside her. But this daughter did bury her father's body in an obscure and neglected lot where her own son-in-law was buried alone five years ago.

Did this daughter hope to create the impression that Judge Green had forsaken Spiritualism and become an Episcopalian? She prevented his written wishes and had a robed rector "read the rites of the Episcopal church," and it went into the newspaper that this "was according to the wishes of the decensed.'

May Spiritualists everywhere make sure the means to fill their wishes about their own memory services and the disposition of their bodies.

MELVIN A. ROOT. Bay City, Mich.

The Strife In Armenia Revived. Again the terrible news that the Kurds have renewed their exterminating war on the Armenians, and again death and desolation follow their trail. They literally obeyed "the Lord God of Israel," when he commanded Joshua "to smite all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings [priests], and leave none remaining, but utterly destroy all that breathe, saving alive only the maidens, who have not known man, for your own 1166. It is the warfare of a race of savages. common to them from the very dawn of history. News from Constantinople says, "twelve villages have been destroyed, and only the young girls were spared." The Progressive Thinker has precisely the same abhorrence of these wars of desolation waged in Armenia as it had against the wandering Bedouins of Syria, known to us as Israelites, who, under their alleged leader Joshua, a bandit chieftain, was guilty of exactly the same offences in their day as those of the Kurds of 3,000 years thereafter. Every word of execration that shall come from the Christian press or pulpit, against the Kurds, applies with equal force against "the Lord" who gave the command; and his pets who executed it, in Palestine ages ago.

An account was given in these editorial columns some months ago of the practice of the Catholic Church Mexico, to hold raffles, for souls, those drawing prizes securing the release of such persons as they designate from

revolt in the 16th century. nessed while in China, the horrible nn-

pathles also go out to their mothers;

The woman calling herself "Lady

We simply cannot endure their tyranny, and so we fight

We have hoped for a better state of things, but we have

been forced to resort to arms to protect our lives and

property. - There is no more peaceful people in the world

than the Colombians, but we are now desperate, and

would rather die than submit to the caprices and cruelties

of the Clericals. The Venezuelans are not naturally so

peaceful as the Colombians. Twenty years ago the Lib-

erals, who had been in power for twenty-four years, lost

control of the government. This would never have hap-

pened but for the treachery of our president, who sold

himself to the Conservatives, or Clericals, in order to

make sure his own succession. He pledged himself to

look after their interests if they would supply him with

arms and ammunition with which to kill his former ad-

herents. The head of the Conservatives is the Pope. We

have no regular leader, because our best men are con-

stantly being killed in battle. Our old leader was General

infirm that he can no longer take to the field. General

Uribe-Uribe is now commander-in-chief of our armies.

He has fought steadily at the head of our troops since the

present revolution began two years ago. Last April he

issued a peace manifesto, when the fighting ceased tempo-

rarily. We asked at that time that the Liberals simply

be allowed to exist, but the Clericals continued to shoot

do not know the present strength of the Conservative or'

government army. I should say it numbers about forty-

five thousand men. In order to fully understand the re-

cent operations, it is necessary to know that there is a lib-

this tyranny we were forced to continue our fighting.

Vargas Santos, who is now eighty-two years old, and so

The True Animus of Romanism.

According to the press dispatches from Manila, Philippine Islands, "the friars have issued a circular to the public, through the Centro Catolica, in which they anathematize the government in the disguise of an eloquent and passignate appeal to Catholics.

"The circular declares that Governor Taft has declared war against God and denounces the members of the Philippine Commision as four rickety brawlers.

"The pamphlet calls the government officials buffoons, talking pigmies, vile persecutors, and pusillanimous politicians, who are seeking to overthrow the church under the guise of a pernicious mies of several prominent Pharaohs. liberty and are attempting to eclipse who had evidently been removed to the sun of the moral world. It calls on that secret place, and re-entombed to. Cathelics morally to unite against this save them from destruction during impions and irreligious government."

According to a later dispatch, the more judicious and politic Romanists are hastening to disavow and disclaim the circular or pamphlet. said to have been issued by the friars.

Whatever may be said or done by the Romish authorities, there can be no doubt that the friars' pamphlet illustrates the true animus of Romanism, not only in the Philippines, but the world over.

Outwardly, at least, these Philippine Catholic friars are truet representatives of the genuine spirit of Romanism than are the blatantly intensely loyal and freedom-loving ecclesiastics of the church in the United States.

The effusive asseverations of church dignitaries for loyalty, patriotism and civil and religious freedom are for effect. whilst all the time they are scheming and working solely to advance the Romish church in power and influence, politically and otherwise. It is thus we comprehend that these high Romish prelates are, though in another way, as truly representatives of Romanism as are their more outspoken and undisguised friar brethren in the Philippines.

Thus viewed they are all of one color.

years ago was there any question, by any party, that the Egyptian king fared other than the common fate of the 500,000 pursuers of the fugitives, of whom "not so much as one" escaped. But the tomb of this engulied Pharaoh told a sorrowful story. We shall tell it very briefly:

not so much as one of them."

It is universally conceded by Christian scholars that this awful destruction of the Egyptian king and army, of which there is no record, save in this Bible account, occurred while Ramesis II was on the throne, and, of course it was he who was lost

M. Maspero, the eminent Egyptologist, in his official report, we think it was in 1881, gave a detailed account of his finding at Davr-el-Bahari, the mumsome invasion or intestine disturbance. They were unrolled, and the inscriptions on the cerements were read and translated. Among these bodies of departed greatness were those of Ahmes I, Amenhotop I, Tothmes II, Tothmes III, Seti I. Rameses I, Rameses II, etc. Inscriptions on the mummy cases, clear

and distinct, left no possible doubt as to the genuineness of the personages preserved therein. The writer has all the details by

numerous personages who saw those remains, some of whom were present when Erugsch Bey arrived in Cairo, with the bodies; also many woodcuts of

photographs taken by the Bey at the time of their unwinding. Both the embalmed body of Rameses II, who of course was entombed in the Sea; and his father, Rameses I, during whose reign Moses is alleged to have been born, are now to be seen side by

side in the Boulak Museum at Cairo. . These facts become doubly important at this time, when we are showing that fiction.

"A Few Words About the Devil, and Other Essays." By Charles Bradlaugh.

"Monster of aspect fierce, whose bellowings Filled all the earth, that echoed back the roar In tones that made mortals shudder." Theseus drew his trusty sword, A desperate encounter followed; and the

monster lay dead at his feet. With his. the gate at which he entered. for Naxos, the beautiful Arladne ac-

he made her his wife. the wonderful success of the expedition our hero forgot to run up the white ensign as he approached Attica. His father, watching out for the promised the enterprise, and seeing only the he threw himself from the rock on which he watched, and was dashed to pieces by the incoming waves. Full of joy Theseus disembarked at the port, where he soon learned of the death of his father, the king; but the people were so rejoiced at his triumph over the devices of King Minos, for the destruction of himself and his companions, he was borne on their shoulders to the ancestral home and placed on the

just vacated throne, with the good Ariadne by his side, as their queen. For full a thousand years, say the reports, the good ship bringing the joyful news that the annual tribute was released, was preserved with sacred care through all the strifes, foreign and domestic, with which the city was beset.

It is just to add that there are conflicting accounts of the fate of Ariadne, but this one pleases us best, so we give it preference.

If any of our classical readers find discrepancies in the narration from that they are familiar, they will please reare but compliations and adaptations ments in the originals which the critics mouth being filled and a swat being Another age is on us. We are now of fragmentary accounts of other peo- have not harmonized. Taken as a ical Jews, whose whole history is a the story, we think it will lose nothing hill. Almost before this was finished demand this at our hands, and we proin comparison with divine Munchausens.

"Astral Worship." By J. H. Hill, M. Paper, 50 cents. For sale at this office. | D. For sale at this office: Price \$1

eyes. We copy: in Canton, or rather outside the walls of the city. On one occasion a China-

ishable by death was brought into this may be assured their loved ones are We are glad of that; for if any class of open space to be quartered. The pris- forever released from the flames of oner was placed in a standing position | purgatory: with his legs spread quite wide apart,

scopic in character, flitted before

systematically practiced there.

thought of reformation seems to be con-

nected with those who have state con-

ture of which could not be excelled by.

the cannibals of Africa:

return again to earth scenes.

stantaneous.

both arms extended on a level with the James Vasquey is released from purgaclue he retraced his steps, and reached shoulders and held by a man on each tory and ushered into heavenly joys. side of him. The chief officer stood di-Minos released the tribute. With his | rectly in front, and when the prisoner | deron is made happy forever. delighted associates Theseus took ship | was properly posed, gave a signal to the headsman who stood a few feet widow Francisca de Parras is forever source of the knowledge cannot be concompanying him. Arriving at that port away holding a sword about two and released from the flames of purgatory. troverted. Rev. Viney based his faith, one-half feet long, the blade slightly

The joy was so great on ship board at | curved-a cross between a ship cutlass | at this same blessed Church of the Reand a scimitar. At the signal he deemer on January 1, at which four stepped forward and with a sidewise bleeding and tortured souls will be re- of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the blow struck off the victim's head, and leased from purgatory to heaven, ac- light of seven days, in the day that the then with lightning-like rapidity cording to the four highest tickets in Lord bindeth up the breach of his peosignal of a successful termination of swung the blade aloft again and this most holy lottery. Tickets. \$1. To ple and healeth the stroke of their brought it down squarely in the center be had of the Father in charge. Will wound." black penuant, his heart failed him, so of the spot from which the head had you, for the poor sum of \$1, leave your just been severed with such force as to loved ones to burn in purgatory for almost completely split the body, which | ages?"

> the men grasping the extended arms; which these raffling priests in Mexico seven times hotter than summer heat, The two halves fell upart and at the are successors, came the whole Chris- therefore the righteous must adapt same instant two assistant execution- tian system. They gave the world their their heavenly apparel to a temperature ers stepped forward, and with swords Bible, their ecclesiastical history, the similar to the one described severed entire system of the fall of man, rethese two halves at the thighs. "This," said the narrator, "was probably one of story of Jesus, and for ages they wrote authoritatively established, we can well her with practicing medicine without a the most bloody death/scenes ever wit- | the history of the world. nessed." 1117

Another exceeding horrible execution | records as authoritative if they will. was the burial of a man near an ant but the old legal maxim clings to us: hill. This was alsonat Canton. The "False in one thing false in all things." fellow's crime was of a political char-! The Catholic church is an impeached acter. A hole was dug near an ant hill, body. Its records are valueless. The Where sinners in de brimstone like panand he was placed in it standing erect. greater their claim the more violent the The earth was packed closely and firm- presumption that fraud and forgery is

ly around him, so that his chin was just | at the base. above the surface. His mouth was then As lately stated in these columns, forced open and fastened so with a Luther and his coadjutors did not strike

completely paint his face and entire they could not do so with safety to head with some sweet stuff about the their own persons at that time. They consistency of New Orleans molasses | only made war on some of their vicious the whole Old Testament narratives member there are conflicting state- in cold weather, the inside of the habits.

run well down his throat. Then a train shielded by law, and it is our province the ants found it, and in a minute there pose to gratify them. were thousands of big red ants, some of

them a fourth of an inch in length and "The Spiritualism of Nature." By presentation of the facts and philoso- B. Newcomb. Excellent in spiritual even larger, following the trail. They | Prof. W. M. Lockwood, Price 15 cents. phy of Spiritualism. For sale at this suggestiveness. Cloth, \$1.50, For sale soon swarmed all over his head and. For sale at this office.

"Raffle for Souls .- At the last Raffle for Souls the following numbers ob- doubtless become accustomed to man who had committed a crime pun- tained the prize, and the lucky holders warm climate, so they can endure it. "Ticket 841-The soul of the lawyer. "Ticket 41-The soul of Mme. Cal. erously with the cash in pay for it." "Ticket 762-the soul of the aged in the fact, it is scriptural; hence the

"Another raffle for souls will be held and his sermon as well, on Isaiah 30:26:

was still held in an erect position by It was from devils incarnate, of er, and as the heat of heaven is to be demption by a bloody sacrifice, the of the New Jerusalem being now

Others may accept their doings and or giving in marriage in that country.

piece of iron. The next step was to at the root of Catholicism. Probably

ples, and of other times, than the myth. whole, and recollecting the antiquity of of the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of of the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of of the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the antiquity of los the stuff was laid leading to the stuff was leading to the stuff was

turing the great heat of hell, have people merit hot surroundings it is those who have taught there is such a place for those who don't give ear to their preaching, and come down gen-But the beauty of a hot heaven lies

"Moreover, the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun; and the light.

As the thermometer frequently regis ters 118 degrees in the sun during the summer, says in substance our preach-

of 826 degrees. The information as to the climatology

understand why there is no marrying It would be too demned hot! The negro minstrel used to sing-

"Oh hell. It is a hot place, it can't be denied,

cakes are fried?"

But the Methodist preacher has discovered heaven is a good many degrees hotter than the griddle on which sinners are roasted.

"The Spiritual Significance, or, Death as an Event in Life." By Lilian Whit- I ing. One of Miss Whiting's most suggestive, intensely interesting, spiritual Price \$1. "Humanity, Its Nature, Powers and this office. Price \$1.50,

Possibilities." A concise, masterly, office. Price 25 cents.

After a Medium. The Chicago Tribune of August 23 -

says: "The State Board of Health has brought action against Mrs. Clara Lam-. ber, 451 West Madison street, charging license. Mrs. Lamber is said to be a chiropodist and magnetic healer. Constable M. M. Jonas, who served the summons, is said to have told Mrs. Lamber that if she called on the attorney of. the board she could settle the case for, \$50. The fine provided by law is \$100.

The accused refused to settle, and her hearing probably will be before Justice Richardson next. Monday."

It is about time for a systematic action on the part of Spiritualists in order to give magnetic healers the protection they are entitled to. It is an outrage, their arrests; and the fines that follow.

"Heliocentric Astrology or Essentials books. It is laden with rich, thought- of Astronomy and Solar Mentality, 1910." By Yarmo Vedra, For sale at

> "Discovery of a Lost Trail," By Chas, at this office.

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Man's Aural Self. = = By Chares Dawbarn.

CHAPTER SIXTH-Continued.

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Suggestive Vibrations.

. * usual first answer to our question is that "suggesa patient is either killed or cured by active treatment of suggestive. In the vast majority of instances they pass of following chapters. mind? We have never seen a mind, though we often hear of specimens, large and small. We can conceive of intellicause and effect. So our question remains unanswered.

As we have already noted, neither intelligence nor energy can be conceived as passive or potential. They are eternally kinetic or active. In other words, they are perat any given time is a question of physics that need not enough to affect human sense; others seem to dance outside even the limit of imagination. But the movement is 50,000 vibrations in a second produce a certain tone to tive organs of sense. human ear, then that number of vibrations will produce the same effect on the same ear, from pole to pole, under similar conditions.

they were romping and playing, like schoolboys at recess. my thought to renew that suggestive effect. It must be In grotto and glen they sometimes have fun all to them- remembered that it was a numeral expression of m selves for minutes before they die away. Intelligence thought which traveled forth through my aura, and blendstarts the echo, and then plays truant. The echo is sim- ing with that of another produced a similarity of vibraply Nature's phonograph repeating the exact number of tion. Let the recipient place himself at any time in the nership with energy and substance. In other words, echo suggestive thought, as much alive as ever. is memory. That may be a new definition, but it covers the entire field. Memory is always intelligence repeating herself by numbers of vibrations. We readily apply that movements in the structure of a tuning fork or a human larynx produces an exact repetition of some earlier effort tiny vibrations upon the eye are counted by billions in- Homo. A memory is an echo the mortal can sense. stead of by thousands. human aura.

[tion." Every movement started by blended (personal) against, or in favor of suggestion. Hypnotism is now) that aura remains as personal as ever, and can actuintelligence vibrates to the utmost limit of its aura. It recognized as a suggestive effect produced upon one mind ally blend with the aura of Homo, as in the past. But its has a tendency to communicate a like vibration to the par- by another. On the one hand, it is praised as a great existence has never been taught in school or college, so ticles in any other aura with which it may come in con- blessing to the weak and the suffering. On the other hand poor Homo can only interpret its vibrated suggestions as tact. If these vibrations are not only received, but under- its dangers are pointed out, and it is claimed that it should dreams, or perhaps as telepathed from some unknown stood, we have suggestion. They may be felt, that is never be practiced, op wielded as a power, save by a pro- source. So he lays away his memories with all other metion" is an effect of mind. We have no doubt that when sensed, without being interpreted, and then they are not fessional mind with a diploma. This will be the theme mentos of his loved one, to be cherished only when he is

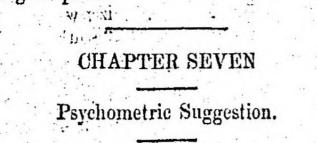
any kind somebody is furnishing a mind. But what is unnoted, and unsensed, when, of course, there is no suggestive effect produced. Thus a suggestion, like any other thought, is a numeral expression of intelligence in subgence in activity, that is to say, expressing itself in sub-stance by energy, which may be echoed as memory again stance by energy. If that is what is meant by mind it is and again, until the receiver at last becomes incapable of evidently the same as suggestion, which cannot be both repeating that particular vibration, when the memory has died out.

A suggestion may be either positive or negative; intended or altogether unintentional. It is thus a somewhat complicated subject both for direction and interpretation. petually vibrating the substance through which they man- If I am not thinking of you at the moment you catch my suggestive, although it is really born of my thought. Or concern the student just now. Some we know are large I may be actually directing my thought to you, and may thus affect your aura, although you do not sense it as from me. In this case you probably accept it as coming from always orderly, and produces an arithmetical effect. If the unknown, but with a conscious effect upon your recep-

> Yet again, I may consciously direct my thought, and you as consciously receive it. It is then we have suggestion, pure and simple. The very important point for the

Some of my readers have listened to vibrations when student to notice is that it does not require a repetition of vibrations originally produced by intelligence, in copart- same numeral vibration and he once again receives my

If vibration be eternal, or age lasting, its effect on my organ of sense will be also repeated as long as that organ continues equally receptive. An echo appears to die out thought to tone. We know that an exact number of tiny because it is passing further and further out into atmosphere (aura) where Homo's physical hearing can no longer sense it. That aura may not contact with a physical ear, of intelligence upon the human ear. The effect of such but it may be in harmonious vibration with the aura of suggestive thought, once received, may presently become Even scientists have rarely stopped to reflect that any echoed into a memory silent to the normal mortal. But and every expression of intelligence can only be by vibra- there are abnormal mortals. An abnormal mortal is one activity, otherwise mind, vibrates sometimes an oath, and hear. He can echo and re-echo vibrations impossible to Century. sometimes a prayer. Echo the vibration and you have the average man. If he can demonstrate that fact by any memory, which is merely a repetition of effect, though not proved interpretation of such vibrations we acknowledge All attraction and repulsion may be said to be suggestion, earth life. of cause, that is necessarily as eternal as Cosmos. So we he may rightly be called a sensitive, He becomes, by although we do not use that word in connection with If a man hear of a sudden catastrophe involving ruin repeat that memory is always an echo; a repetition of a divine right, a proper subject for scientific investigation. physical force. But as soon as intelligence in personality or death to those dear to him, the vibrations in his own certain number of vibrations, whether in mortal brain or It will be seen that "suggestion" belongs emphatically has evolved thought power, suggestion is its only method aura respond and blend with those of the source from



The processes of civilization may be summed up as his own past startle him as they are echoed through his ever triffing, towards a higher manhood. Anything less its leading officers.

physically and mentally.

Physical, mental and spiritual development are alike its tense. It is an ever-present, demonstrable reality. founded upon suggestion. That gained by personal ex- The proof remains, like the intercourse, almost as atten- An Interesting Story of Two perience becomes auto-suggestion. It was recorded by uated as the aura. It can be realized only by one sensitive vibration upon some physical organ, and when echoed, re- to aura in earth life, and at best is wofully imperfect when echoed and recognized, is counted as memory. The sim- tested by mortal sense, But the blending of aura with Elevating, Fascinating, Instrucple fact that two and two make four is suggestion if aura stands to-day scientifically attested by patient and taught by another. It becomes auto-suggestion if gained competent investigators. The name by which the fact by personal experience, and in either case must be echoed may be known, like the follies by which it has been bebefore it becomes an act of memory. The fact that men-decked by ignorance, remains a matter of little consetal processes are thus a series of suggestions, echoed into quence. Through the demonstration of blending auras memories, will prove the key to the mysterious claim that the existence of immortal manhood becomes an accepted different religious beliefs, have moved tion. Thought, which is an expression of intelligence in sensitive to sights we cannot see, and to sounds we cannot see, and to sounds we cannot see, and to sounds we cannot see, and to sound is later the sound in the sound is both interesting and important. It is me, not I them." The whole book is in-

alone with his own soul. He knows nothing of his own

aura, how then should he know of that of his lost darling?

In some fortunate hour Homo becomes alive to aura, or finds a mortal who can testify to the fact that aura is really blending with aura, if conditions permit, almost as in days gone by. That mortal is a sensitive, and simply recording a physical fact, become metaphysical by attenuation and ignorance. At first its vibrations recorded in

effects produced by one mind upon another. No man physical brain. He cannot realize that the aura he had could pass from savagery to civilization without exerting felt but never known is repeating them with all the force suggestive influence upon his fellows, and experiencing in of a new suggestion. Amazed, he tries to smother them ifest. The size of the particular whirl they manufacture previous thought, your movement may be called self. return all that he could himself receive. The effect is as by calling them "telepathic;" a contact with he knows not certain as that of the development of the infant through what, and coming from he knows not where. If he be childhood and up to the rounded man. Growth is a series himself the sensitive he can give no evidence to a skeptic, of repetitions, and a little more. Prenatally man echoes and is soon laughed into silence. If bold enough to the past of humanity, link by link, till the child is born. recognize a fact, without regard to foolish laughter from He will then mentally echo that same past but on another the blind, he traces further and further the effects he is plane of vibration. He will, if a normal lad, echo the experiencing. Presently he proves to his own satisfaction savage, the barbarian, the grossly animal; and is liable to the actual existence of two distinct auras. One, his own, arrested development according to the influence of his has a core that is of the earth, earthy. The other, which form (heredity), and his surroundings (environment). is that of his loved one, has dissipated its material center. Civilization implies that he has echoed that past, gathered The possibility of such blendings has been the study of its experiences, and made for himself some advance, how- the S. P. R. for a score of years, and is to-day attested by

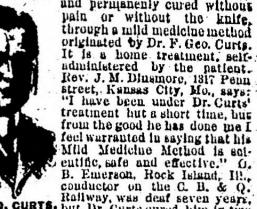
than that in civilization is decay. The social bond is To the patient investigator first comes an echo of the weakening, and disintegration has commenced. The root past, which is memory. At last, wonder of wonders, come cause affecting civilization, for good or ill, is thus seen to vibrations of the present. Then, and not till then, we be the suggestive influence of one mind upon another both have actual scientific proof that the aura without a core is yet a living personal entity. The I AM never changes





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The interpretation of the meaning of any special num- his approach to the sidewalk, that might possibly be called mysterious, so far, than in any other of the processes we depend upon his own sensitiveness. One will simply feel A VERY IMPORTANT WORK. ber of these tiny movements upon ear, or eye or brain is physical suggestion. But if I simply tell him he had bet- call normal. always a question of education. The child is taught an ter go, and quickly, the process is very different. I create We here recall the fact that connection is only possible cannot, at first, realize the extent of his own misery. exact meaning of vocal sounds, which we call language. a thought which vibrates the units in my brain and when aura blends with aura. For instance, the existence Another quick to respond, adds auto-suggestion to the Thus an echo may be received as mere sound and convey larynx, and then outreaches to the units in my aura. of aura may only become tangible to mortal sense when first effect; realizing the consequences in a flash of horror no intelligence, or it may bring with it a thought familiar There, like the aura of the sun, it expresses the movement a son's agony is flashed to his mother, whose form is that unmans him, and perhaps drives him to despair. It

gence is never meaningless, or it would cease to be intelli- on in my aura, and by my thought power is still entering long ago we have a most startling kindergarten lesson in and, by anticipation realizing its effects. gence. The movements of units thus in activity is a direct his aura. Whether he can get the exact vibration and immortality, for that aura is as much an entity as in the So much we know as every day facts. That the same curiously close correspondence between expression of their intelligence. The intelligence in the trace it to its source depends entirely upon his sensitive- remote past. It is ready, at any moment, to contact with law will work for health as readily as for disease has also the developments of modern science and rock, the plant, and in lower animal life is as much a fact, ness and power of interpretation. But the effect is there any suitable faculty or instrument, and manifest its active been known, but, until recently, never reduced to practice spiritual laws; to note that new forces,

of such is every scholar in the Academy of Science. Itreme they disintegrate the form. So the first effect of J. Rodes Buchanan, is the blending of one aura with patients. The trouble has been he has not believed in present may be ennobled by the con-

self-protected I necessarily am the sufferer, while he that the aura is itself form, although it is invisible to did not believe strongly enough. Where the uneducated Apparently a certain rate of movement is not extin- escapes. But if, as is quite likely, he commences to vibrate mortal eye, and has no limit the mortal can conceive. and untrained modern magician really helps his patient guished by another rate of vibration following it, but is at the level of my thought, I may succeed in poisoning What we are really asserting is that when units blend into it is because he believes he is transmitting some form of an eternal effect of an eternal cause. That numeral ex- him. The reader will notice that I do not thereby lessen form that form becomes what we call solid, liquid or energy which will change the mental and physical vibrapression always means something, and its meaning is also the effect upon my own aura and physical system. The gaseous at its center, and more or less attenuated in its tions of the sufferer. That this is an actual possible fact eternal-to its interpreter. He receives it to-day, and it man of powerful and unregulated passions is thus a curse circumference. Only a portion of form can thus be sensed cannot be disputed by the educated skeptic, although he becoines to him a new thought. To-morrow, or next year, to himself, and a danger to his fellows. The more ab- by Homo, but it is there all the same. Some day the form will find abundant evidence of gross ignorance in almost

Suggestion is a universal fact, a direct manifestation of notice at this time. We now turn back to continue our intelligence affecting intelligence throughout Cosmos. study of the direct and indirect effects of suggestion in

to the inner life. If I take a man by the collar and hasten of communicating with its fellow. There is nothing more whence came the evil tidings. The personal effect will a sudden depression, deadening every sensation, so that he

started in the denser center. If my aura can at any point 10,000 miles away, as recorded by the S. P. R. But aura is suggestion, that by vibration, is the potent factor in We have now noted that the power of thought, inhering blend with that of the man I want to suggest, and he can is there all the same. The ray of light is simply an out- either case. The care with which evil tidings are imto intelligence by divine right, can increase or retard the both repeat and interpret it, he will know just what I am reaching portion of the son's personality, and under the parted to the sick is a proof that men realize they are dealmovement of the atom. Starting from its own center expressing. If sufficiently near he may receive it as spectroscope it tells the tale. Time is not a factor, for ing with a deadly force. That suggestion can kill has long that movement travels to its own outmost circumference sound. If a little further off, sight might tell him that I the ray from the star, which has traveled, we are told, for been an accepted fact. The suggestion that poison has or aura (a distance incomprehensible to mortal man) with was clinching my fist, and growing dangerous. The in- a thousand years, contains proof of the present existence been eaten will disturb the digestive repose of the most a tendency to communicate its own rate of movement to terpretation might be the same. But when he is out of of well known elements in the outreaching aura of that innocent repast. And the man who goes through life all blended units with which it comes in contact. Intelli- reach of both sound and sight the vibration is still going star. If it be that what we call the star has itself vanished suggesting to himself coming evil is inviting its approach,

for profit. We have seen society terrified when witches neighbor. One we can interpret, to the other we are silent. movement is echoing its way to his center, he will reflect ... It is precisely the same with the entity we call man. have been suggesting sickness and death. As soon as their Both if repeated become an echo, but one is still meaning- that inharmony whether he can trace it to me or no. His aura exists when the physical Homo has vanished. grandchildren have taken to suggesting health and prosless, while the other is evolved into memory. We can thus Now let us see what this all means. We all recognize The thought embodied in a letter, written a hundred or a perity in return for a fee, society has smiled and opened easily conceive of a developed Homo, educated to interpret to-day that health and happiness are expressions of certain thousand years ago, will spectroscope this truth to any its purse. This is, of course, displeasing to the physician, ence the author of "The World Beautinot merely the sounds called speech of his fellow men, but vibrations throughout our physical system which are, student who possesses the human instrument or faculty learned in all arts and sciences of his profession, save that ful" continues the same argument prealso the vibrations by which intelligence is expressing itself in other forms. There are students of to-day striv-ing to master some branch of this universal language, and they are discords instead of harmonies. If carried to ex-ing to master some branch of this universal language, and they are discords instead of harmonies. If carried to ex-psychometric faculty, as it was called by its discoverer, talked lightly of the discase, and been welcomed by his its faculties and powers, and that the

Having accepted the fact that vibration is a tremu- my expression of anger and hate is to poison my own another, and therefore only a phase of suggestion. If his own suggestions. He was inwardly vibrating thoughts lous movement of particles originated by intelligence act- form, and expose it to any and every effect that can be psychometry be thus, as claimed, the blending of auras, it of suffering and coming death, while speaking and looking upon and within one aura, it necessarily follows that produced by disharmony. This effect outreaches into my demonstrates that auras exist as entities long after form ing the picture of quick recovery for the patient. Nature h.gher morality and increasing happl-if there be contact with another aura capable of the exact aura; and whoever enters that aura, unless self-protected, has become invisible to mortal eye. Of course such a is not deceived. Her treatment is a question of suggested same essential style and qualities that number of such movements there will be an interchange is injured by repeating its vibrations. I am, however, duration of aura is not thereby proved to be eternal, but vibrations. He who would be successful with therapeutic have insured for "The World Beautiof thought, so far as the receiver can interpret the move- directing it with all my power into the aura of the man that it is in existence long after form has disintegrated suggestion must, with his whole soul, believe in his own ful" volumes an almost world-wide ments, which is entirely a matter of education and I hate, or against whom I am harboring ill will. If he be becomes a demonstrated fact. The reader will understand success. And when he fails he must recognize that he popularity.



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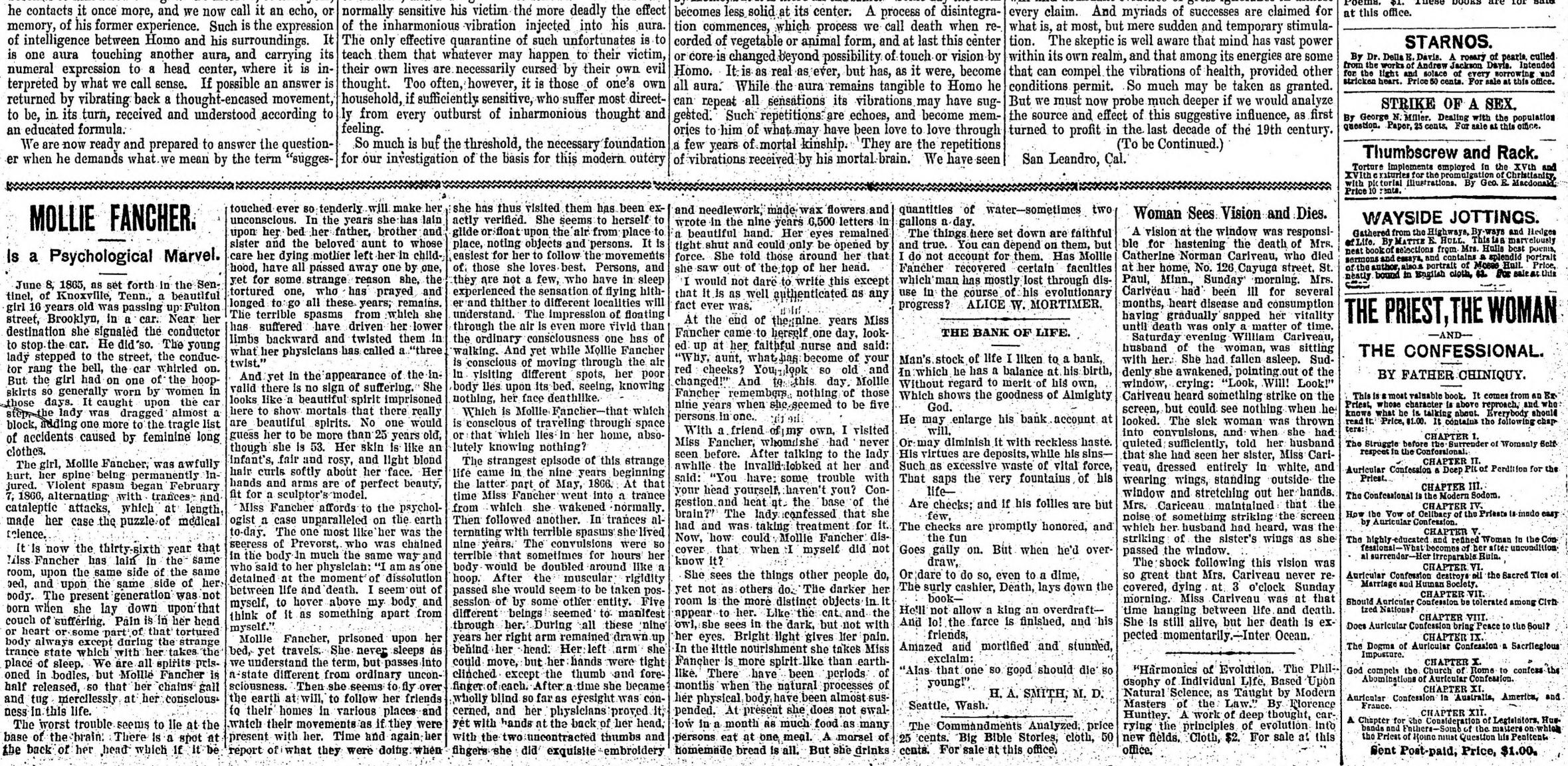
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WRITE PLAINLY .- We would like Luncheon was served by the ladies, and on the spot to deliver it three times of the Hopson neighborhood, near to impress upon the minds of our corre- all enjoyed a good hearty meal, fol- down in the city." spondents that The Progressive Thinker lowed by a moonlight ride upon the L. Murphy writes: "The Church of Church of heart trouble. He started to is set up on a Linotype machine that lake. Everybody is cordially invited. the Spirit Communion, Kenwood Hall, lead a song and fell over unconscious, must make speed equal to about four | Don't forget to bring refreshments." compositors. That means rapid work, and it is essential that all copy, to insure insertion in the paper, all other re- ance yesterday, many from a long dis- was "The Life of Jesus as a Cultured appeared to him and told him he must quirements being favorable, should be written plainly with ink on white

one side of the paper. ITEMS,-Bear in mind that items for where there was a better feeling and truth, a lodgment in the heart and soul 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 Everett." crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line Item is cut down to ten lines, and ten Hare tells a number of ghost stories. lines to two lines, as occasion may require. Every item sent to us for publication, should contain the full name and vember, 1873, Mr. Herman Merivale related the following story: "A captain address of the writer. We desire to know the source of every item that appears. This rule will be strictly adhered to.

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Isa Wilson Kayner writes from Sycamore Grove, Cal.: "There is now over 90 campers, and hundreds on the ground L. Murphy writes: "About fifty perperfect order. Every morning the to the purpose intended, (People of the

sons attended the basket picule given young men who have charge of the West are not supposed to be included by the Church of the Spirit Communion grounds are up sweeping and carting of in this appeal.)" The Spiritualists of last Saturday at Wooded Island, Jack- the day's litter, so it leaves the ground NewYork, some of whom are very diametrically opposed to his belief, yet Games of working black black of the belief of Games of various kinds were indulged | Mary A. Vlasek, Mrs. May Hunt, and | worthy lady and medium does not sufsuppressed; yet we wish it distinctly in, and we shall probably have some Mrs. Maggie Potter are fine, and do a fer. They allowed one of the Fox Sisequally enjoyable this coming Saturday, grand, good work. Our old friend, Mrs. | ters to die in destitution, and we hope as we have decided to give a basket pic- Mary Weeks Wright, is the same earn- an event like that will never occur lo hand, however much we might desire nic each Saturday at the same place so est worker. Mr. Cobb has promised me again. to do so. That must account for the long as the weather permits. Mediums his lecture to send you, entitled 'Seven being present messages were given. Strokes for Freedom.' He was engaged

4308 Cottage Grove avenue, was fatance. That estimable lady, Mrs. Work- Medium." The lecture was handled by go with her."

man, of Pleasantville, brought me forty | a master mind, who gave such clear paper, or with a typewriter, and only on of her Progressive Thinkers to dis- illustrations that no one with a rational tribute. I have never been in a camp mind could help seeing the point of more perfect harmony. Prof. W. C. of many who listened to his scholarly Home, the great test medium, of North | address. Our test medium, Mr. H. F. Adams, Mass., will be here during the | Coates, has presented his audience such balance of the camp; also the Rey, truthful evidence of spirit return that it has not left room for doubt. At the

In his "Story of My Life" Augustus | conference messages were given by Mrs. Hamilton Gill and H. F. Coates. The from which are the following: In No- afternoon and evening meetings are well attended. All are welcome."

The Spiritualists of Southwestern was crossing to America in his ship | Michigan will-hold their annual meetwith very few sailors on board. One ing at Lake Cora, Van Buren county, day one of them came up to him on the | Sunday, September 1. Mrs. Adah Sheedeck and said there was a strange man han-Horman, of Cincinnati, Ohio, whose in his cabin; that he could see the man's | words give no uncertain sound, will be face, but that he was sitting with his the speaker. E. L. Warner, president, back to the door at the table writing, Paw Paw, Mich.; Mrs. Ella Towers, The captain said it was impossible there | secretary, Mattawan, Mich. Miss Ione could be any one in his cablu and de- Reynolds will assist in furnishing

sired the sailor to go and look again, music. Admission 10 cents for each

When he came up, he said the man was | adult. gone, but on the table was the paper on Neosho Falls Spiritualist Camp-Meetwhich he had written, with the ink still | ing will be held at Neosho Falls, Kan., wet, the words, 'Steer due south.' The in Riverside Park, commencing Septemrespondent writes so and so, without captain said that as he was not pressed ber 6th and continuing until the 24th. for time he would act on the mysterious | Riverside Park is a beautiful grove of warning. He sieered due south and native timber, beautifully situated on comply with this request will be cast met with a ship which had been long the Neosho River, which flows close by, disabled and whose crew was in the last | where there is fine boating and fishing. extremity. The captain of the disabled The talent secured is excellent and no Oscar A. Edgerly has during July and ship said that one of his men was a doubt will give the best of satisfaction. August filled engagements with the very strange character. He had him- Speakers and mediums: Daniel Hull, Chesterfield, Ind., and Mount Pleasant self picked him up from a deserted Mrs. Bessie Bellman, Laura B. Payne, Park, Clinton, Iowa, camps. At present | ship, and since then he had fallen into | Rev. L. A. Mabee, Dr. Schlesinger, Mrs. he is filling a three weeks' engagement a cataleptic trance in which, when he Mattie Hayden, Mrs. Inez Wagner, with the Forest Home Camp, Snow- recovered, he declared that he had been | Walter V. Tibbets. J. Harry Bastian was one time very is 70 years of age, and is said to be prominent as a materializing medium in this country. Some twenty years ago he removed to London, England, where he remained until very lately, when he came back to this country. He writes for 'absent treatment' aggregate as met Col. Henderson, of the police force, as follows from Hamburg, N. Y., his Carrie F. Weatherford writes from at a dinner. Col. Henderson said that permanent postoffice address: "I expect to start for the West next week on my wheel, making calls in Pennsylvania. Ohio and other places on my way. I will arrive in Chicago some time in September, if all goes well. I have heard from a number of my old friends, mentioning seeing my name in your paper. grand convention during the Fair, and I you would open that box. One ought I think of going to the Pacific Coast. but this will be my permanent address, class medial workers are disengaged not like doing it, but took the box into and all letters sent here will be forgrounds this year. from September 20 till October 10, they | the library and sat down before it with | warded to me." Mrs. Grupp writes: "My husband, Jacob Grupp, and myself, have returned the table and, looking up, saw old Lord to Chicago after a three months' trip in Bridport as clearly as he had ever seen Ohio and Michigan. We found a lively interest manifested in all things spiritwith a furious expression. He went ual wherever we were called to minback at once to Lady Bridport and posiister. There are broad fields for active tively refused to open the box, which organizers in both States, for there are was then destroyed unopened. Col. many flocks without shepherds. We are Henderson said. "I shall never to my located at 742 West Madisou street, dying day forget the face of Lord Bridwhere we will resume work. Mr. Grupp port as I saw him after he was dead." will hold circles every Tuesday and Los Augeles (Cal.) Express. Friday evenings." The Fourth Annual Convention of the Reading, Pa., Aug. 20.-Prof. William Kretz, of the Berks Occult Science Society, is arranging for a more dangerous attraction. experiment than burying a man alive. has a wife and grown children. He is place, Minneapolis, Minn., September He says he proposes to fill a tank with oil gasoline, hypnotize one of the members of the society and stand him in it. A match will be applied and if Prof. Kretz' ideas are correct all the oil will be burned without leaving the slightest scar on the subject's body. Prof. Kretz all arrangements as soon as possible, has called a meeting of the society for ment of a prophecy.-Chicago Chronicle. speakers. Parties desiring further in-Thursday night.-Chicago Chronicle. resigned as secretary of the South Side | two lectures. Freeville_being half-way | camp-ground. Society, a position which he has occu- between points of the N. Y. C. R. R. and pled efficiently for several years. John W. Ring writes from Ardmore, I. | western camps could reach it at small | ing to a close, and we are already plan-T.: "I am camping out with a party of expense by stopping off either at Can- ning for another in 1902 to which we the finest farm near Chicago and deed middle of the first column): 'the politi- friends, who like me, failed to draw in astota or Auburn, N. Y., on the Cen- shall be happy to welcome both old and cal fabric, which is now composed of the great U. S. A. Oklahoma lottery, tral N. Y. R. R., or at Owego or Elmira, new friends. and now have other plans for land in N.Y., from the D., L. & W. or Erie R. R. ualist medium, known professionally as associated and naturally antagonistic view. Don't know just when I shall get back to my post, but soon I trust. It is | zie Brewer, Mary Elizabeth Lease, a conundrum what will become of the | Thomas Grimshaw, J. C. F. Grumbine thousands who came here expecting were among the principal speakers this homes and are disappointed. Last Sun- | year and all drew good audiences and Burtis, of Brooklyn. As a child she is me to go on record as teaching that the day by invitation, I preached to the gave perfect satisfaction. said to have developed remarkable clair- terrible strife pervading society is a Methodist congregation at Mountain voyant powers, and though brought up "natural" condition, though it is a nat- View, Okla. Don't know the general Freeville, N. Y.

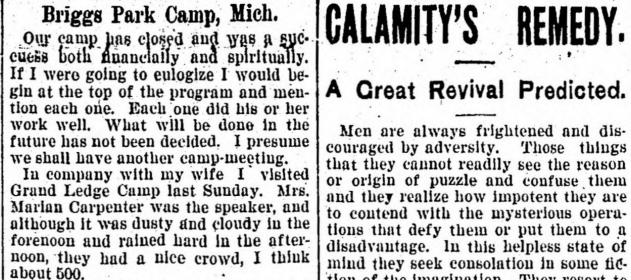
E. F. Bearse writes from New York: "The case of Mrs." M. C. Morrell is a most serious one, and needs the prompt daily. Last Sunday at least 1,000 were action of her friends to keep her from on the ground. The management of the actual suffering. To accomplish this ground is the most complete of any |end we have arranged a monthly subcamp I have ever been in. The dining- scription list, and those desiring to do room and daily menu is excellent. Mrs. | so, can forward their name and address Nettie Howell is here, there and every- to Miss J. Fitz Maurice, 686 East 138th where, looking after everything. Mrs. | street, or to E. F. Bearse, care of Cor-Ashbury, who is the presiding officer, | nell Steamboat Company, foot of West holds firm control of us all, and every- Fifty-second street, New York City, thing is done in time. There is no quar- stating what they are willing to subreling, and I have yet to hear a slang | scribe monthly, commencing with Auword and profane expression. This is gust, and all receipts will be acknowltruly a spiritual camp and conducted in | edged by postal and promptly applied

The Chicago American has the following: "Lowry Nabb, a prominent farmer Princeton, Ky., dled in Blue Spring He told his wife that morning that he S. J. Woolley writes: "Summerland vored with an able and beautiful lecture | had dreamed the night before that his Beach Camp, Ohio, had a large attend- by Dr. J. O. M. Hewitt. His subject | daughter, who died three weeks ago,

> Dr. J. M. Peebles will deliver a lecture this week at Geneva, Wis., before the Metaphysical Summer School. filled an engagement at the Clinton camp, stopped in Chicago for a few days. Mrs. Brown's lectures and poems are always enthusiastically received. open for engagements with societies." Mr. Moore is giving excellent satisfaction wherever he speaks. He is a young man of irreproachable character, and

the future is bright before him. He can be addressed at 6311 Parnell avenue, city.

The Record-Herald contains the following from Jacksonville, Fla.: "The leaders of the Mental Science Association of the World. Helen Wilmans, her husband, C. C. Post, and her son-in-law, C. F. Burgman, were arraigned here in the United States Court to-day, and, waiving examination, gave bonds in the sum of \$5.000 each. Scores of sympathizers were in the court, and many of hem were anxious to go on the bonds. Helen Wilmans is well known as a socalled mental healer. She is the found, er of the Mental Science Association, with a membership, she claims, of 80,-000 in this country and in Europe. The second annual international convention of this association is to be held this fall dominate the platform is wide of the in Seabreeze, the home of the leaders | truth. The new board believe both in who were to-day on trial. Colonel Post is mayor of Seabreeze. Helen Wilmans they should go together to produce the best effect. worth half a million dollars. The postoffice authorities assert that they have sufficient evidence to convict the lenders. It is estimated that their receipts much as \$2,000 a month."



I was pleased to meet the friends, and especially was I pleasantly surprised to meet Mr. Parker, the palmist. He is originally from my old home(Henry county, Ind.) and I had a very pleasant time with him.

I also met for the first time Miss Laura Matlock, secretary of Grand Ledge camp, also secretary of the State Association. I am much pleased with all the officers of our State Association, Mr. E. E. Carpenter, president; Dr. O'Dell, vice-president: Miss Matlock, secretary, and Mrs. Addle Nesbitt, treasurer. Such leaders are worthy the confidence, respect and support of the Spiritualists of not only our own state, but of our nation.

Mr. Carpenter's worth is especially known to me. In company with his wife he has been working here for both the society down in the city and also our camp, having been chairman each year since its beginning. I know him Mrs. Jennie Hagan Brown, having to be a man of strict integrity as well as ability, and a man who will never sacrifice the cause for personal friendship or self-aggrandizement. I feel sure that with the support and help of the Harry J. Moore writes: "I am still willing and able officers before menopen for camp engagements for the rest | tioned, together with the efficient board of the month of August. I have the and the various organizations throughmonths of September, April and May | out the state, our cause will prosper this coming year, 'In union there is strength." THOS. J. HAYNES. Grand Rapids, Mich.

Michigan State Association.

Your correspondent who reported the Michigan State Association meeting at Lansing on the 13th inst., was evidently Him with adulation and service. The one of the disappointed ones. The meeting was the largest and

most enthusiastic held for some years. Owing to the very general dissatisfaction with the late board, a complete change was made. The officers elect are as follows: president, Elmer E. Carpenter, Detroit; vice-president, Dr. B. over the country are cutting short the



tion of the imagination. They resort to

a belief that some power outside of

themselves will miraculously intervene,

and if they are sufficiently obsequious

'54, when Lee was being actively as-

tious belief that Providence would in

some way interfere in their behalf, and

to that they betook themselves for

comfort. Prayer meetings were held in

every tent. Testaments were in every

hand, and a sort of religious ecstasy

took possession of the army, and many

looked for a miraculous interposition in

its behalf. Such delusions buoyed them

up, and under their stimulus they better

Previous to the great earthquake,

Charleston was a very worldly-minded

city. The church pews were vacant

and Sunday services were very lightly

regarded. But immediately after the

thorough shaking up of the earth's crust

buildings and showed the people what

a feeble tenure they had in real estate,

a great revival followed; the churches

filled up and their seating capacity was

inadequate for the demands of the peo-

ple. The Almighty had reached them

at last and showed how dissatisfied He

was with their temporizing methods.

They bowed the head and bent the knee

and vowed to praise Him and flatter

clergy have a maxim that man's ad-

versity is the Lord's opportunity; and

this has been exemplified in all great

stresses that test the courage of man

We are entering now the shadows of

a severe experience. Great drouths

endured hunger and fatigue.

their distress.

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giving the full name and address of the into the waste basket.

dake. Mich. The first Sunday in Sep- in another ship, begging its captain to temper he will speak at Bankson's come to their assistance. When the Lake, Mich. He will be pleased to hear man who had been sent to the cabin from societies desiring to employ a saw the cataleptic sailor, he recognized trance speaker and test medium. Per- him at once as the man he had seen manent address, 29 Public Square, writing." In January, 1874, Mr. Hare Lima, Ohio.

Dallas, Texas: "For the last five weeks his father had been executor to old Lord I have been lecturing Sunday nights for Bridport, who had a box which no one the Dallas Progressive Society. I shall was ever allowed to open and of the be inFort Worth the coming four weeks, contents of which even Lady Bridport and shall then return to Dallas during was ignorant. After Lord Bridport's the great State Fair. It is the desire of death the widow sent Col. Henderson to the Spiritualists of the State to hold a look into things and then said; "I wish wish to request that if any of the first- to know about it." Col. Henderson did will do me a favor to notify me to that candies by his side. Immediately he effect. Address, Laclede Hotel, Fort heard a movement on the other side of Worth, Texas."

Bloux City, Iowa, is firm in the belief him in his life, scowling down upon him Elvin R. Hawley, 608 Eighth street, that the coming of Christ is near at hand, and regularly friends who believe as he does gather at his home to pray, sing hymns and read the Bible. Hawley has made a special study of the Bible and claims to give it a literal interpretation. He declares that every prophecy made in the Scriptures has been fulfilled and the end of time is apt to come at any time, "like a thief in the State Spiritualists' Association of Minnight," as he puts it, quoting from the nesota will be held in the First Unita-Bible. Hawley is 40 years of age and rian Church, Eighth street and Mary a man of thrift and intelligence. He 6, 7 and 8. An excellent program has states he can point out predictions in been prepared. The principal speakers the Bible of the labor troubles, the wars, will be Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kates, W. as well as the achievements in many F. Peck, Geo. P. Colby, Will J. Erwood, directions in this day. He thinks the Mrs. C. D. Pruden, Mrs. S. M. Lowell, fact that the nation has obtained a foot- Mrs. Carrie Tryon, Mrs. Shaft, Mrs. J. hold in the Orient is a significant fulfill- E. Sauer, and other local mediums and

Mrs. L. A. Barr writes: "While I am formation or programs should aldress writing I cannot refrain from wishing the secretary, D. E. Griffith, 1560 Henthat I could be rich. I would then nepin avenue, Minneapolis, Minn. make my appreciation practical for J. Madison Allen writes: "In my aryour goodness to me and to humanity ticle, 'Spiritualism Applied,' appearing at large; well, I would just like to buy in No. 612, I am made to say (at the It to you and your heirs forever."

Mrs. Louise Adelaide Akin, a Spirit- hostile elements-a natural result of un-Mrs. L. A. Olmstead, died yesterday domesticity, that is to say of competimorning at her home, No. 156 Madison | tive interests between families ("heads" street, Brooklyn, after a long illness. of families).' It should read "mutually Mrs. Akin was a daughter of Judge antagonistic." It would hardly please

Frecville Camp, N.Y.

The annual camp-meeting of the Central New York Association closed yesterday, and was the most successful in | Miss Laura Matlock, secretary of the the history of the organization. Gate receipts only lacked a few dollars of paying the entire expense. Nearly one hundred dollars worth of stock was sold as possible. the same to be used in improvement of

At the annual business, meeting, the following officers were elected for the year: President, Benj. Rhodes, Elmira, N. Y.; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Jennie McNeil, Tully, N. Y.; 2d vice-president, Mrs. Critchett (formerly Mrs. Tripp). Mrs. Charlotte Eccleston, Waverly, N. There appeared about thirty full forms Y.; treasurer, J. S. Love, Groton, N. Y.; secretary, A. C. Stone, Freeville, N. Y. and friends of the sitters. Many improvements have been made | The conditions were strict, the cabiin the grounds the past year, and the net being examined thoroughly by a

coming year will witness still other im- party of gentlemen, while the medium portant changes in the arrangement and | was carefully examined by a committee accommodation of the place. The wonderful artesian well which medium had nothing upon her person

flows from a depth of 100 feet, 3,500 that could be used in producing manibarrels of pure water per day, is a great festations.

In addition to the regular camp forms visible. They seemed quite which opens the last Saturday in July, strong and talked intelligently. Mrs. and lasts over three Sundays, the direc- | Critchett has held several public materializing seances in the pavilion at diftors have decided to hold services the first Sunday in June, July, September | ferent times during the years of her atand October. It is the desire of the asendance, all of which have been very sociation to engage speakers and make | satisfactory.

In generousness she has always given and would be pleased to have speakers them for the benefit of the Association. unengaged for those Sundays named, This time it was given to assist in the We understand that T. H. Hartley has write the secretary, giving terms for building of a new restaurant on our

We have had a most interesting and Erie, speakers passing from eastern to successful meeting, which is now draw-Moses Hull, H. D. Barrett, Mrs. Liz-SUMMER BREEZES.

> O, the chorus of the breezes, as they sing in summer-time. When they tell us of the wonders that A. C. STONE, Sec'y.

abound in every clime!

Matlock, Owosso; treasurer, Mrs. Addle ilies are confronting unanticipated dis-Nesbitt, Schoolcraft; trustees, W. R. | asters. Added to this is the unrest and Alger, Flint; Chas. Harris, Lansing, commotion of large bodies of working and Dr. W. O. Knowles, Grand Rapids. men that cease from labor and confuse Your correspondent's assertion that the usual currents of industry and prophenomena and not philosophy will duction. These factors will produce the usual and natural results. I predict the coming fall and winter one of the phenomena and philosophy, and think greatest "revivals" the country has known for years. The Lord will be in-

or woman.

The attempt that is being made to promercifully with the children of men. hibit phenomena on the public platform Services will be held on the street cordoes not find many supporters in Michners; the business men's prayer meetigan. The members of the new board ings will again open and flourish, and intend to put forth every effort to organlunch and psalms will be simultaneous. ize new societies throughout the state. The prayers will ascend in proportion and to assist weak societies to rebuild, as the price of pork and potatoes goes and will place in the field good and efup. As stocks go down owing to short ficient workers for that purpose. corn and scant forage, Wall street,

Any society or any locality wishing to pausing in its wild current of speculaorganize, will please correspond with tion, will seek to propitiate the Most High by paying additional church rates State Association, at Owosso, who will and increasing the subscriptions to the promptly attend to the request and have missionary fund. the state missionary visit them as soon The conservative Spiritualist will COR. make an appeal to "Infinite Intelli-

gence" and inquire why more judgment Mt. Pleasant Park, Ia. is not exhibited in running the weather bureau, and call attention to the fact On Sunday evening, August 18, a mathat as the earth and all that therein is terializing seance was held in the pawas made solely for man's delectation, vilion and through the mediumship of the irregularity and disappointments of the present year do not promote the object for which the original foundation which were recognized as the relatives was laid.

There will prevail a general impression that the time for balancing accounts has come, and that man has failed to sufficiently discharge his obligations, and in consequence the supplies of three ladies, who reported that the of rain and dew are withheld to punish the ungrateful rascal and compel him to renew his allegiance and worship to

the King of kings. The clergy will see At several times there were two their occasion and be instant to avail themselves of the hard times that will environ us. Look out for the revival. It is coming. C. H. M.

WHEN I AM DEAD.

When I am dead, let not the narrow grave

Shroud with its darkness that which once I was, Shutting me out from all the life and

light That nature brings in changing seasons

here: Let no one, robed in customary black, Read threadbare precepts o'er the tene-

ment That held my being erst; and this

No gloomy crape nor ceremonial grief. If there be those who loved me when I

Be sure they mourn me in their inmost hearts. Putting aside the many faults I had

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a strict Methodist, she became a Spirit- ural and inevitable result of the present effect, but quite a number came forualist and one of the best known me- system of arranging and relating the ward, introduced themselves, and said diums in Brooklyn. She is said to have constituent elements of which society they were pleased."

predicted a number of fires, among them is composed."

the Hotel Royal fire in New York and | This dog is entitled to immortal life. | late read any spiritual paper that gives the great Philadelphia fire.-New York A large Newfoundland dog saved Fred | me more satisfaction than The Pro-Tribune. Hane, 16 years old, from being burned

Isaac Perry writes from Florida; to death at his home at 2734 Princeton "Please accept my sincere thanks for avenue yesterday morning... Hanc, who the lovely book you so kindly sent me." | was askeep, was alone in the house ex-

A. R. Hossack, of Los Angeles, Cal., cept for the dog when the fire started. thinks that Hudson Tuttle's good na. The latter smelled the smoke as soon as ture is imposed upon by those who ask the fire started, and . commenced to tributors is certainly interestinghim questions that they could by a little bark. It could have escaped easily, but | Brother Carlyle Petersilea. His asserresearch answer for themselves.

Frank Collins writes: "I am in possession of the seven books, and when I tugged at Hane's nightclothes until he get this last one I will have all you awoke. have offered up to date. Fifty dollars could not buy them from me unless I could replace them with less money."

D. Webster Groh, of Hagerstown, upon which King Edward will sit when Md., writes: "As the members of the he formally assumes his duties as sov-American Press Writers' Association ereign is interesting as having underare doing much to liberalize the general neath it and constituting a part of it the | Camp, was a complimentary seance tenpublic, through writing rationalistic let- old Scotch coronation stone, called "The dered to Dr. L. H. Freedman, the Austers to editors of daily newspapers; so Stone of Destiny," which tradition says tralian Healer, by well known mediums. basing them on current topics or some was that on which the patriarch Jacob Judge A. B. Richmond made the open- Sheets, subject, "Scientific Proof of the article previously printed that they are laid his head on the plains of Luz. It ing address, speaking briefly of the in. Spiritualistic Phenomena." She spoke generally printed, and thus reach hun- found its way into Spain, then to Ire- justice done Dr. Freedman while in with her old-time vigor and force, exdreds of thousands of readers, your land and Scotland, and it was removed Erie, Pa., and urging the mediums and plaining the law under which the phereaders might likewise do much good, from Scotland by Edward I. during the healers to organize and test the present uomena are produced. At the close she book. Beautiful spiritual thought, comeither by co-operating with these Press war of independence. The promise was medical law in several States, making was loudly applauded. Friday, Mr. bining advanced ideas on the fiber and Writers in sending them marked copies made that it should be returned to it possible for mediums to continue Chapitan will lecture again. He is a ethereal phases of Spiritualism, leadof newspaper articles for comment Scone, from, which, it had been taken, their work without fear of imprisonthereon, or by writing editors them- but that was never carried out, and the ment. Mrs. Effie Moss gave full form estimable wife, has made many celves in a similar way and eventually "Stone of Destiny" has formed part of materialization in the light, "many forming a Progressive Thinker Letter the chair of oak in which every English spirits being recognized by friends. The Writing Club. We find this work the sovereign has been crowned since the spirit of Miss Lucille Weston materialmost effective ever yet done and wel- time of Edward II. Special coronation | ized and sang a duct with Mr. McDon- On the whole, the present session has come all who wish to co-operate. There medals were struck when Queen Vic- ald, of London, Ont. Mr. P. L. O. A. are no fees, dues or assessments."

Samuel Anderson writes: "I must same practice will be followed on the arms materializing, playing musical inhave every number of The Progressive | coronation of Edward VII. These are | struments, etc. Mrs. Maggie. Walte and Thinker as long as I live, for it is the given to peers, members of the House of Mrs. Florence White followed with best paper and the greatest educator Commons and to foreign ambassadors tests, all being recognized by friends in ever published. It puts people to think- and a certain number of them are the audience. Mr. Batrett, president of tion of Personal Beauty, Based on Hy- self. Price, cloth, \$1 per volume. For The torch inverted, and the harp uning and surprises the all-wise ones who scrambled for at Westminster during the N. S. A., has promised to give his giene and Health Culture. By twenty sale at this office: ap to the present time were all prepared | the coremony, an incident which is said special attention to adjusting the medi-physicians and specialists. Edited by | "Nature Cure." By Drs. M. E. and Think of me journeying through sunlit to play the golden harp. Bro. Francis, to have been one of the most exciting | cal laws in different States, making it Albert Turner." Of especials interest Rosa C. Conger. Excellent for every I must exclaim in the voice of our of that memorable day.-Chicago Chron- possible for mediums and healers to and value. For sale at this office, family. Cloth, \$1.50 Gand \$2. For sale I shall be there to meet you bye and Methodist brethren, 'Let the good work licle.

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John A. Hoover writes: "I have not of

gressive Thinker; it is so full of letters from the people, giving their hopes and fears, and graphic experiences of spirit tests, and spiritual growth, just what we old pioneers need as nourishment for our old vitality. One of your conrefused to desert its master. When the tions on communications from spirits

boy did not waken the dog went into are unique and startling." the bedroom and, jumping, on the bed, The book, "Legendary Lore of Mackinac." is for sale by the author, Lorena M. Page, Cleveland, Ohio. Price \$1.

Geo: P. Colby was in Chicago the first It will surprise many to learn that superstition has quasi recognition from of the week on his way to Minneapolis, the British crown. The coronation chair Minn.

Mrs. L. H. Freedman writes from this season at Lily Dale, Cassadaga an all-around helperiz au

toria was crowned and no doubt the Keeler gave his light seance, hands and count as the most harmonious.

continue their good work." Price, \$1.

Grand Ledge Camp, Mich.

Grand Ledge Camp had a fine attendance Sunday notwithstanding the rain, Mrs. Carpenter being the speaker. She and Mrs. McFarlin, of Milwaukee, were To the leaves, that, as they listen, the platform workers of the week, and both ladies won the encomiums of the

audiences. Frank N. Foster, spirit photographer, is present and having all he can do. The medlums have, with few exceptions, done excellent work, and have 0, the pity, that the language, or the been well patronized.

The entertainments "have been a marked feature of the camp and of a much higher order than usually given' in such places. Our dancing parties have been better attended than ever before. The social life" has been a bright sparkling feature of the session.

The music under the direction of Mrs. J. L. Marvin has given universal Lily Dale: "One of the delightful events | satisfaction and she has proven herself

> Thursday, Mr. H.: La Chapman improvised a beautiful poem. He was followed by an addressiby Mrs. A. E. new worker in camp, and he, with his ing the mind onward into the purer atfriends,

Mrs. Carrie Twing's work begins Friday. She will remain till camp closes. been the best attended of any, and will with the philosophy of Spiritualism.

LAURA MATLOCK: Sec'y.

of Form and Features. The Cultiva-

And thinking only of my better self. This is music, that enchants us, WILL its sweeping, swelling sound, For these, if such there be-aye, surely And 'tis freighted full of perfume, that some-

STELLA A. FISK.

it scatters all around. Flitting breezes in the tree-tops, softly

whisper what they know.

gently rustle to and fro. All the gossip that is going, and the news, the breezes bring-

Who can guess it, or translate it, as it files upon the wing!

speech, is past our ken, As it might be, that these messages may mean so much to men!

Though we cannot tell the import, nor can know a single word, We will listen to the rhythm, till our souls are soothed and stirred. By orchestral tones entrancing, which

may lead us up to God, Who is guiding all the chorus, by his own directing rod!

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I send my love throughout the passing vears: And this is what I ask, that when I die The shell which held my spirit must be burned. Ashes to ashes and dust returned to dust. Then, in the earliest days of early Spring, When sway the primrose and the buttercup-When bladed grass peeps timid from the ground And singing brooks go rippling to the sea-Then let some friend of mine my ashes take And scatter them abroad, so that the winds

May give them back again to Mother Earth.

So will I be content, for this I know. That I shall feel the breath of southern. winds Fanning the banks of odorous violets,

And falling thick across the happy fields

The yellow flakes of sunlight I shall see. This will not be to die, for I shall hear The blue bird sing when April opes the door. And often o'er my path shall come and

The robin's call and thrush's mellow notes.

> To live in Nature-share her varied moods-Laugh with the sunshine, sigh in whis-

pering winds, Bloom with the rose and with the - grasses wave.

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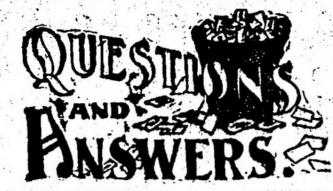
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L. W. Farwell: Q. Was J. S. Love- times in a millionth part of a second; ing difference between truth and error; land a Vermonter, and was his father a waves of heat, electricity and magnet-Universalist minister?

whom our correspondent refers, was ries, are impinging on the brain center. diates her smile; she is gentle and kind Rev. Samuel E. Loveland, cousin of J. As an atom of water may be moved by to all: all who know her, love her; all S. Loveland's father.

Arctic: Q. Will the North pole ever be reached?

from discovering the North pole? them all in and by its cells. A. Lieut. James B. Lockwood, of the to be made over torn and ragged masses physical life. There is no bridge from have attempted this journey report that with sledges, the only means available. of summer must measure the north- cell-like protozoa were subject to sensaward advance and return. It has been | tions and were capable of thought, that reasonably demonstrated that there is is were able to distinguish light from warm region, which must be relegated | way from this beginning to the higher to the rank of myths like "Simmes" Hole." There can be therefore no approach with ships however strong, and Admiral Marakoff of the Russian navy, breaking by his ice-crushing steamer. | tion. There is a generous rivalry among the nations and expeditions are starting or have started from the United States, Russia, Germany, Sweden, England and Italy. Like all the expeditions of the evolution perfected, at last when a cerpast they will find the last approaches | tain stage is reached, is enabled to invulnerably guarded. No benefit to maintain an individualized existence civilization will be gained if all these after the death of the physical body. expeditions arrived at the pole, and doined hands around the mystic spot. and safely returned. The only reward for the expense and suffering would be the honor of having accomplished this feat at which so many have failed. It may be said that geographical knowlrations. This is true, but so encrusted which, I believe, has misinformed your do likewise. You profess to pity the made a nice descriptive speech, relating is the land with ice, that the maps readers. It is headed "Light and Heat heathen, you send men to teach thein her experiences and the general imdrawn are anything but accurate and in | are Electric." many cases mere guesses at coast lines.

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retires by bimself, and seeks to cast aside all disturbing thoughts, and thus gain a receptive and harmonious state. This plan has advantages and is valuble to many, The objection to it is that it tends to produce a yielding, dependent character, which relies not on itself, but its impressions. Never was a saying more true than "the Gods help those who help themselves," as applied to development in concentration of the atteution.

peared in a Oleveland daily newspaper over fifty years ago, and has been Dr. M. L. W .: Q. Does the brain almost miraculously preserved by me ever since, I shall be more than originate thought? H. L. Toblen: Q. What is the philpleased to see it printed in your excelosophy of thought-making? lent paper. I claim no credit for my-

A. According to the school of mate-

ful appeal to the depizens of earth: C. H. MATHEWS. New Philadelphia, Obio.

Another period in the order of progress in the rudimental state has begun Say unto the people the Lord God reign-

ELOQUENT APPEAL

From the Spirit Realms of

To the Editor:-The following "com-

munication" from "the other side." ap-

self, except in having rescued from

earthly oblivion an eloquent and truth-

Life.

leth: he hath sent his angels to testify but while that spirit is united with the of his sternal love, to the children of physical body; its expression is through men-he will draw them by the cords and by the brain of that body. The of love into nearness to himself, and contact with the physical world. It is the spirit world. Men shall know the the bridge which spans the gulf be-truth, and the truth shall make them tween matter and intelligence, the free; free from every bondage; free point at which spirit touches the physi- | from every crime; free from all misery nerves of the five senses, and from it has come; sweet is the rising morning goes out those of volition. During wake- of this glorious day; salvation and joy,

as it were of the external world, . Ev- above; obtain wisdom from God, who ery atom of the body is represented by giveth liberally and upbraideth not. its nerve fibre in the brain and its dis- Truth and justice; mercy and peace tinction and replacement accurately shall soon be established on earth. noted; the waves of light of different Men are beginning to examine; they colors breaking on the retina millions of | will compare; they will see the amazism; waves of sound beating through plicity; they will discern her beauty,

a thousand different waves in varying who seek her, find her; her arms are ever open to receive all who long to

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food, in order to vie with those who THEISM AND ATHEISM.

food, in order to vie with those who have accumulated a liftle more of white and yellow earth, and who experience additional care and thar. How foolish, how degrading to the human mind; how prejudicial to spiritual develop-ment! Can that he evil which directs you to do good? Do not the spirits tell you of the love of a kind and indulgent God?—their Father and your Father. They manifest to you the harmony and love angels have to the great positive and all productive mind to each other, to the inhabitants of every sphere in the vast illimitable expanse. They de-scend from their bright and glorious abode to watch over, to guard and in-fluence their relations and friends, who fluence their relations, and friends, who are in the rudimental state, in order that they may be led to do justly, to break every bondage, to let the op-

pressed go free. 'Is this evil? We pity your ignorance, we will not

beauties of creation; we will go forth with you in the smilling spring; we will influence you to behold the glories of the summer months; we will excite

your gratitude for the profusion and plenty of luxurlant autumn; and in winter's pinching, reign we will move you to stretch the helping hand to recal world. To the brain, as to a cen- and oppression under which they have lieve the suffering sons and daughters tral telegraphic station, converge the long groaned. The day of redemption of humanity, Our work is the work of progress; it will require vigilance and attention, such as angels give; but the fulness a crowd of sensations are rush- | happiness and peace, shall soon be enadvancement which will be made in the ing toward its centre; of seeing, hear- joyed by all. Come draw near all ye spiritual and intellectual improvement ing, smelling, tasting and feeling; and, people, drink deep from the fountain of men, and the glory which will refrom it emanates thoughts, reflections, of truth; receive instruction from dound to the praise of the Most High, will be our rich reward.

into singing, beloved of God. United in | these facts? Which of these systems is circles by affinity, you shall prefigure | right? and which wrong? Can anybody and enjoy the harmony of heaven; like | tell? an indissoluble band you shall comfort and assist each other. Health produced truth will appear adorned with sim- by temperance shall expel'sickness and disease; moderate labor shall supply A. J. S. Loveland is a native of New the auditory nerves, of taste through and the enamored with her loveliness; your temporal wants; the earth shall Hampshire. The Vermont minister to the tongue, of smell through the olfacto- wisdom marks her footsteps, love irra- bring forth plentifully; the beasts of the field and the birds of the air shall be at peace with you; and God, even our own God, shall give you his blessing, You are now under the guardianship of without mingling with the others, the dwell beneath the shadow of her wing; particular spirits; you shall become brain receives these countless impress- her bowels of compassion are moved more and more subject to their control; Alex R.: Q. What benefit will come lons and without confusion - registers towards those who seek her smiles; she you shall daily progress in wisdom, receiveth them with joy and gladness love and truth, till the period of your



Theism is belief in a god or gods, with its foundation resting on faith, fable, myth, theory, dogma, creed, ignorance, error and the like. Atheism is of negative nature, being simply disbelief in a god or gods. The Atheist demands facts, proof, demonstration, reason, knowledge in support of the theory or faith in a god before he will accept it. Faith is a good thing where it is supported by truthful theory, and in some instances

faith is changed into fact, but Theism has no facts to sustain-it.

lacking in these. Theism is much mixed and confused, divided and subdivided into many con-flicting systems, such as mythology, idolatry,... theology, supernaturalism, monotheism, polytheism, pantheism, Christianity, 'Judaism, Paganism, and hundreds of other isms and ologies; some of them'as contrary and opposite to each other as black is to white. Christianity alone is composed of several hundred isms and sects, in conflict with each other, yet all "claiming the name Christian. Can you blame the Rejoice, O'ye spiritual!' Break forth | Atheist for rejecting Theism in view of

Spiritualism is ready to take in Athe-IN "FOG-LAND," ists and Theists of every department, as individuals or members of the human family, just as fast as they learn And Earnestly Endeavoring the fact of spirit existence, the fact of spirit return and spirit communion. to Get Out. Spiritualism, which is knowledge of the truth, leads to Atheism or disbellef in gods-it has led millions there-it led The Symposium of July 6 has apme there, and I rejoice in freedom and peared; no doubt it has been carefully release from the old bonds of Theism. perused by thousands of readers, and It was not a matter of choice with me. opinions formed. To me the most re-I once was a believer in the Christian eligion and a devotee of Jehovah, and dite scholar, Mr. Chas Dawbarn, where-I held on to the god-ldea several years in he asserts that we positively know after becoming a Spiritualist, but by investigation, a careful study of facts and principles, by enlightenment, I gradually grew out of Theism-so gradually that I cannot tell when or where the change was made. D's. Fog-land, and most naturally have Some folks carry their Theism all a bad effect on the Divine Plan of The through their mortal lives and on into Progressive Thinker in the distribution spirit life, but they will drop it some of the liberal premiums offered to subtime, sooner or later. scribers. Thousands of neonle from religious I would respectfully ask, what are we bodies have joined the ranks of Spiritto think of Dr. Peebles' work entitled ualists, yet they hold to some points of Then your celestint progress shall com- their former faith. These people are the Other Life?" What are we to think and "A Tour Through the Zodiac." bonest and their motives good. They of Samuel Bowles' pamphlets describclaim that we must recognize a god in ing spirit life; The Next World Inter- cult thought and will well repay careful some form. The nature and character viewed, one of your premiums; Lilian study and meditation by all occultists. of a god is a subject of the least imletters, published in The Progressive portance that can engage the human mind, because it is a mystery, unknown, Thinker, where he makes a statement unknowable, and a thing in dispute. that the work entitled Mary Ann Carew They can scarcely write an article for is true in all its details, and I have no the press without ringing in their goddoubt that there was quite a demand idea, which is only a blot and blemish for it. Then comes Robert G. Ingersoll on their fair essays. It would be better through Mrs. Cora L, V. Richmond, deto say what they know, for it is better scribing spirit life as far as he has disto know the truth than to believe error | covered it; and then that "Lady" who on any subject. dictated to Carlyle Petersilea-whom I think must be Madam Blavatsky-how "Infinite Intelligence" under different her letters have thrilled, thousands of names has caused more strife and division than anything else. It has readers, wherein she states that reinalways been a matter of faith and difcarnation is a humbug, and the lady ference of beliefs, instead of any herself is anxious to rectify the asserknowledge on the subject. tions made to her followers on this mundane sphere; and there are the spir-Spiritualism sets aside all myths, gods and devils. Nature and science teach it messages given each week in the us many things formerly attributed to | Banner of Light; and some Indian conedge has been extended by these explo- 17th inst., there appeared an article for the future? He does! Go you and my observation; the result was that she the gods of mythology and theology. trols give a description of animals, then there have been the beautiful mes-It is vain and futile for any man or body to undertake to formulate a statesages to Prof. J. R. Buchanan, on his

be no true religion without the god LILIAN WHITING'S BOOKS attachment. Fifty years ago-yes, forty, and even later-it was the policy of churches to preach hell and damnation as a means of religious propaganda. People were

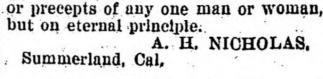
threatened with the scarecrow of an angry god, an almost almighty devil and an ever-burning hell, if they did not accept orthodox religion and join the church. This doctrine made their god

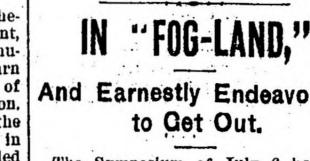
an embodiment of cruelty and oppression, tyranny too horrible to contemplate; and they worshiped a monster of their own creation. This cruel doctrine

of damnation wrecked many souls and blighted many lives. It has come to pass that theology has lost its prestige, and now sensible people do not care to be driven into goodness by sheer fright. What has wrought

Honorable Atheists have been slan- this wonderful change? A cloud of dered, ostracised and painted in colors | witnesses from the spirit realms have uphraid you for your unkindness; we as black as the shades of darkness by come to earth with the best of evidence will whisper words of peace to you in Theists, yet they will compare favor- and taught us that the old doctrines of as black as the shades of darkness by | come to earth with the best of evidence your solitary moments; we will cause ably in point of moral character with theology and Theism are false; and you to look within yourselves; in your god-worshipers. There are reasons why have taught what is the truth in such it Beams With Spiritual private walks we will point you to the the Atheist should be as good as the matters. They tell us there is no local Theist-one is that he is guided by hell, nor heaven; no devil nor god; no truth, reason and logic to sustain his vicarious atonement, nor salvation by nonbelief in gods, while the Theist is faith; no pardon for sins, as these

things are taught in theology. There are many Spiritualists who have rejected nearly all the old false doctrines of theology, except the god attachment, which they still hold as very precious. (Possibly some have a lingering fear of damnation.) I sympathize with them and I do not condemn them, for I have been there myself. Time will bring them out all right-the truth will come uppermost. True religion is as wide as the world and should not be built on the example





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it, and how gained?

the god attachment to their beliefs. The say they are without God; do they not ganization, and Prof. Gee gave tests. A. It has been said that great con- | greater the heat, as note the thermomecentration of mind-the ability to ex-i ter in the valley contrasted with its in-Your humble servant spoke, sang and god and the devil are inseparably conand explained by what process the melive and move and have their being in clude all objects and subjects except dication on mountain tops, or in the rare gave a few tests also. The meeting was | nected with the Christian system; one | dium had discovered two pawn tickets him as well as you? Has the eternal as much as the other; and it is the in the man's pocket and a porous plasthe one under consideration is the cases of the unchecked balloon in its Father of all left the noblest part of pronounced a success. business of the god to save people from i ter on his back. The medium must An creation in any part of his extensive In the evening, at Woodmen Hall. prime factor of genius, and an adequate + highest ascension.)" Oakland, an audience of considerable the devil. In this modern age we ob- have been possessed of an X-ray light, explanation of its. achievements. In The part in parentheses is what I can- domains to perish? No! no! His tender other words, - concentration is another not understand. Does the writer mean, mercies are over all his works. Man, over a hundred people listened to my serve all Christendom clinging teand called it spirit power. If so it must bis image! is he left without evidence humble efforts to expound the truths of | naciously to their god, while their devil | have been fraud. name for sensitiveness or impressibil-1,"the greater the distance a planet is ity. What is concentration? Is it not from the sun, the greater the heat on Spiritualism. is relegated to the background and After all, it is consoling to think that of the existence of his Father and God? that planet? I cannot guess what else It was decidedly lonesome without allowed to drop out of sight. They don't many clever men have lived on this a mental state where one idea or group No! millions of witnesses of the power. earth-plane, and passed on only to find it: "The argument is unanswerable. of ideas dominate: and where is the dif- he could mean. And as evidence of his wisdom and love of a great first cause Mrs. Perkins, but the many friends of want hell and the devil any longer olden times who gave me the hearty mixed in with their religion, for that is themselves mistaken in many things The book will at once appeal to the reaference between this state and the hyp- | theory, he says, "as note the thermomsurround him: the sun, the moon, the eter in the valley contrasted with its spangled firmament proclaim his power handshake inspired me with great cour- now unpopular. Poor old Satan is relative to the higher life. notic? Is it not a condition of exceedindication on mountain tops, or in the VINCENT REEVES. slighted, neglected, seldom mentioned, ing sensitiveness to ideas related to the and glory: the beautiful field; the age and renewed hope. rare cases of the unchecked balloon in flowery meadows and the stately fordominating? There really is slight dis-Mrs. Perkins has made great improve- | and by some repudiated. This is unfair, tinguishing difference between the con- its highest ascension." est display his wisdom: the rich proment, but the treacherous paralysis unjust, and incompatible with Christian Allow me to say that, if I have not | vision he has made to supply the wants | may be loth to let her go for a time, as | centration of writer, speaker or invent-Some Reflections. religion. or, and the hypnotic state of the sensimisconstrued his meaning, he is some- of man and heast, evince his love and she has dark days as well as bright According to the Holy Bible we do not Brother, stop! Stop in your career of | and the very death warrant of Christive. All the difference observable is on what mistaken in his theory, and that paternal care over all his dependent ones. Her case is a living illustration perceive that Satan is any worse than money-getting and consider for a time, | tian superstition shines upon its pages." the side the subject is approached. the distance a planet is from the sun creatures; and in the blissful mansions of what the invisible helpers may do Jehovah. And since hell and the devil "Does it pay?" Do you know, friend, Price 75 cents. This concentration has been called at- has little to do with the degree of heat he has prepared for them on high he for us. I hope to soon see her at the have dropped out of popular religion, that you are creating for yourself an tention by some authors who would on that planet. According to his thewill crown them with glory and honor. meetings, even if she does no work. We there is no need of a Savior to save peounhappy future, that you are building REINGARNATION. ory, it would be hotter than the ortho-Have you not heathens at home? now have a lady attendant, and Dr. ple from hell and the devil. make genius itself dependent on attena wilderness for your occupancy, on Barker, of Oakland, is treating her. There are some who sneer at the idea dox hell when you get into the region of tion: which Buffon speaks of as pro-What makes them heathens? Is it not that shore toward which we are all tracted nationce. The mind that can Neptune, and terribly cold at Mercury, your misapplication of the means com-August 13.-Have just received from of a Christian Spiritualist. Please don't tending? mitted to your care? Do you share your | Mrs. M. Robinson; Brooklyn, a check | do it any more; for there are Christian take hold of the thread of a subject, and the earth would be the only planet It is no longer believed that a per-Leading Work On That bread with the hungry? Do you clothe | for \$13, as the result of the work of her | Spiritualists in the churches and outand hold fast to it in all its intricacies | inhabitable in the solar system. side of them. Let us be tolerant. They | sonal devil is "going about seeking Willing Workers, which brings more Mars and Jupiter, which are much the naked? Visit the sick; provide for to the end, is enabled to do so by superlor attention. Concentration is more further away from the sun than the the widow and her helpless children? surprise and renews our faith in human-expressive, and under whatever name, earth, have a temperature similar to do you endeavor to reclaim the wan- ity. But our, "lady attendant," before whom he may devour;" do not think Subject will drop all false doctrines sometime. Spiritualism is not a distinctive move for a moment because of his decease and burial, that punishment for wrong mentioned, left yesterday, so I am ment (as some claim), because it is ours, undoubtedly. And, at the equaderer, and wipe the stain from polluted universal in its nature; permeating all doing is also eliminated. As a matter the same mental state is indicated. This is a newly edited and revised alone again. This is going to be, the and injured innocence? A remnant tor, and in the tropics, the difference in The profound student always falls grades and classes of humanity, with- of fact, "what we sow, that shall we production of Mr. Walker's great work the density of the atmosphere at differhardest part of the program, to get know the Master's will and do. it: into it when absorbed in his work, and out regard to sex, religion, politics or | reap;" if we have led selfish lives and by News E. Wood, A. M., M. D. It is points of elevation, is what causes the verily they shall not lose their reward. help at reasonable figures. becomes "absent-minded." which is an nativity; and it comes to all who are persisted in wronging our fellow man. brought down to date by the addition of difference in temperature. I don't now, whether it is best to pub-That remnant will soon leave your asexpression commonly used, to explain ready to receive it in every station in neglected our poorer neighbor, we shall new matter. It has the following fourlish the amount, of money, I have re-Swedenborg, in his work, entitled, sembly; they see the fallacy of your one of the most inexplicable, mental have stunted our spiritual growth, and teen chapters: "Reincarnation Defined "The Earths in the Universe," speaks. system: they have long been praying ceived or not, at any rate I think it not life. It is opposed to divisions and disafter awakening to the realities in the and Explained," "Evidences of Reincarstates. When under control of the will, policy to publish names, hence I submit | tinctions and teaches unity, liberty, on this very point. Concerning the for and expecting a reform. To that nation," "Astral Pictures of Successive such concentration of mental power benext world we will be astonished-if the planet Mercury, and its inhabitants, he reform they will be drawn by affinitythe amounts coming through The Proequality, tolerance, fraternity of al comes priceless to its possessor. 'If is Incarnations," "Objections to Reincarchange is realized-to find ourself in a mankind. It has no narrow limits or gressive Thinker and Banner of Light. ays: "It was then given me to tell that reform is founded on the principle nation," "Reincarnation Among the An-In many instances there was no name, boundary lines, but gives to all the place barren of vegetation, in semisimilar to the hypnotic state, with none them, that it lias been so provided for | which influences their souls. They love and in some cases no address whatever, liberty to find all the knowledge they darkness and without companionship; clents," "Reincarnation in the Bible," higher plane. The mind in this highly them by the Lord, in order that they the truth; truth which flows from the in other words, shut out from good, can find in every domain of life. might not be exposed to excessive heat | fountain of truth; not the muddy | that accompanied the enclosed amount. "Reincarnation in the East To-day," sensitive condition is impressible to the There are in the world many distinc. there to remain until a contrition for from the circumstance of their earth Benefit and purse, under direcwaters of sectarian bigotry; but the thought waves in the psychic _ether. "Esoterio Oriental Reincarnation," tive bodies, sects, fraternities, some of selfishness is felt, and an aspiration for being in greater proximity to the sun cool, clear, limpid waters flowing from tion of Mrs. Francis, Apr 29. \$ 40.00 As the result; of "appeals, Mrs. "Transmigration through Animals," On the other hand, when this concenthem secret orders, some not, warring a better condition, coupled with a longtration or attention is not controllable than the earths, since heat does - not the fountain of eternal life. Already "Death, Heaven and Hell," "Karma, the against each other. 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directions, and each wave go onward

Studied aright, and the evolution of physical forms is seen correlated with the evolution of mind, which as part of a mockery be acceptable to God? I tell the spirit being also by the same line of which is the staging by which it is orig- nolia and the fowering oak? does he not inated and sustained. This subject is fully treated in "Psychic Science."

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the sun is only the friction of light, "Psychic": Q. You often mention alias electricity, passing with such inconcentration; what do you mean by comprehensible velocity through the atmosphere, (the greater the distance the

sions; you listen to the voices of your assemblies, let us reason together; what profit have you in your pretended devotions? What spiritual life is there in the presence of God, but where are ing around; you admire the elegance of your stately edifices; the gay and the proud are respected and honored; the

priest and the people; the eloquent orator mangling the word of truth is looked up to and worshiped: can such you, nay, it is idolatry. You pity the poor Indian.' Is he more ignorant than you? does he not hear the Great Spirit in the whirlwind and in the storm? does he not behold him in the beautiful magbow his head in gratitude to him, who has furnished with plenty his present In part, the writer says: "Heat from | they benefitted by your teaching and your vices? Are they not rendered

tion resound through the mansions of the blessed, a child is born! a spirit is freed! Under our direction and protection you shall soar through ranks of celestial beings to the beatitude of Truth, Wisdom and Love, where you

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templated soon after its discovery to treat it as a religion, with Andrew Jackson Davis as its leader and high -priest. The modesty and good common sense of that great seer put an end to the measure, but still it was deemed wise by many of its leaders to treat Spiritualism as an adjunct to that form of religion called Christianity. This I believe was a great mistake, for examine it from any position you may, there cannot be found a single feature of religion in its nature or mode of action. Treat it as a fact only, with no taint of religion or theology, earnest men everywhere would have hailed its advent with Fourth of July gladness. Hill-tops would have glowed with bonfires, bells would have rung and cannon roared in exultation.

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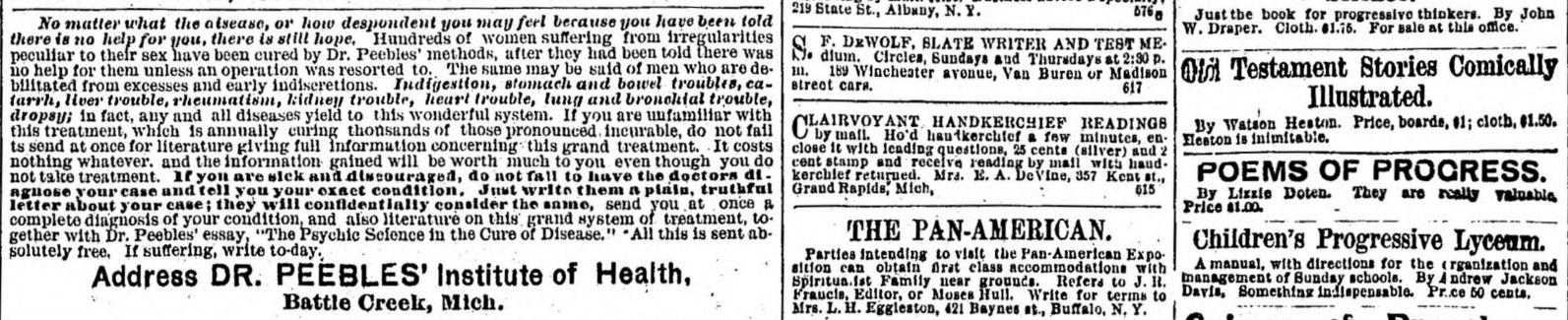
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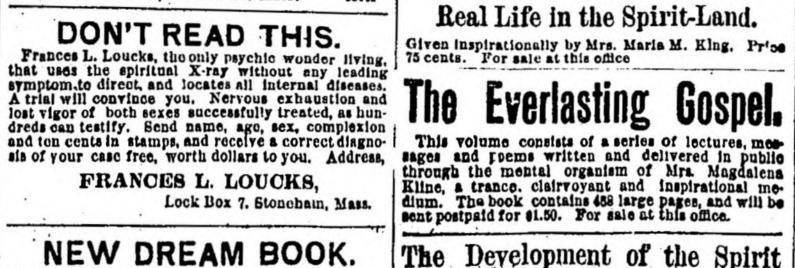


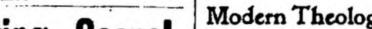
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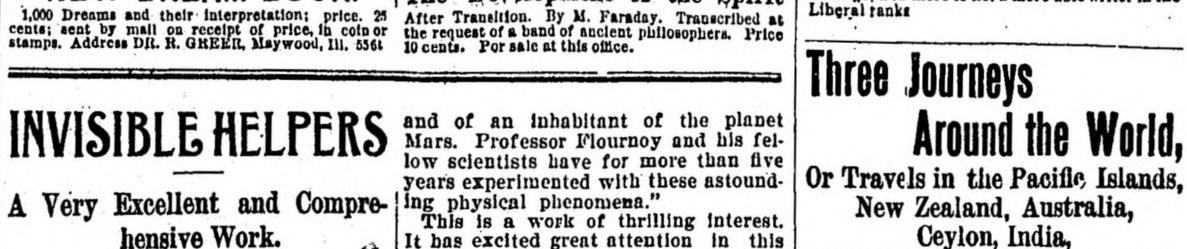
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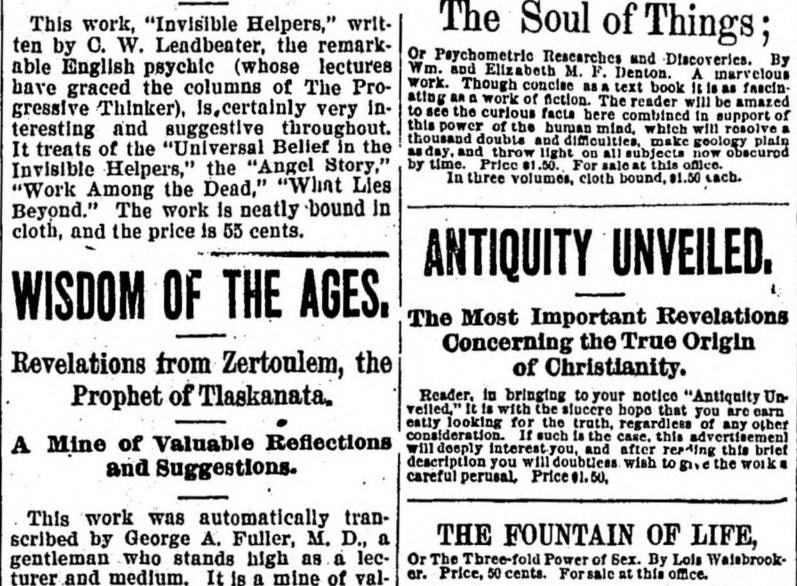
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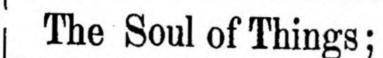
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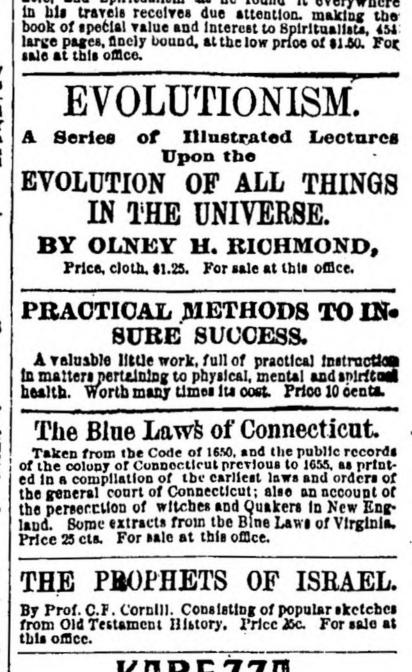
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