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ASTOUNDING PROPHECY, OF OLDEN TIMES. PERPLEXING PROBLEM. HUMANITARIAN WORK.

THE FATE OF FOUR PRESIDENTS | Then six again, with added six, shall OF "AMERIKA" PREDICTED BY SIR WILLIAM HOPE IN 1732-THE ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT NOW IN THE CONGRESSIONAL LIBRARY,

To the Editor .- One hundred .and bixty-nine years ago a most wonderful

True Art of Self-Defence;" its author, Magazine" and headed "Looked Into Sir William Hope, Bart.; its date of the Future-Bryan's Election Predicted publication, 1724. But the date of the by a Sage in 1732." The writer of the prophecy is eight years later. An en-prophecy is eight years later. An en-graving of the badge of "The Royal Society of Swordsmen" appears on the leaf facing the title page, and under it is written. "Private library of Sir william Hope," in the handwriting of William Hope," in the handwriting of William Hope," in the preceding fly-leaves, subscribed by the same name. No probable doubt can be entertained.

No probable doubt can be entertained that the prophecy was written by the author of the book, which was procured and placed in the Congressional Library in 1879. Nothing in the printed text relates to the matter in manu-script, which is dated 1732. There are three prior publications of the same bearing date 1691, 1694, and author. 1707, all on fencing or sword exercise. (Alliboue's "Dictionary of Authors.") But the prophecy shows that Sir William was a student of the stars and a psychic.

I will now transcribe the lines, verbatim et literatim, with notes interspersed indicating the fulfillment of each prophecy, numbering in all fourteen.

PREFACE.

"Tis Chaldee says his fate is great Whose stars do bear him fortunate. Of thy near fate Amerika, I read in stars a prophecy: Fourteen divided, twelve the same, Sixteen in half's, each holds a name, Four, eight, seven, six, with added ten, The life line's mark of four gl. men. A PROPHECY.

This day is ended, far beyond the sea, One starred by fate to rule both bond &

free. George Washington was born in 1732. the year inscribed to the prophecy, as seen below.

Add double four, thus fix the destined day When servile knees unbend 'neath free-

dom's sway:-Double four, 1. c., 44, added to 1732, equals 1770, the year of the Declaration

of Independence. Place six 'fore ten, then read the pat-

Whose deeds shall link him to a deathless fame,-

in the preface.

wrong none,

country walts.

pending fates,-

shall fade,

prudent guide,-

sign heroick son.

one farewell word-

Mars' red cloud;-

fitting shroud.

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ing sun!

Resplendent ruler, good and great and

wise Four sizes hold a glittering star that on his way shall shine, And twice four sixes mark his years

from birth to manhood's prime. Before giving my own interpretation

prophecy in verse concerning this na-tion was written on two fly-leaves of a little book now in the Congressional Library. Its title is "Vindication of the Library. Its title is "Vindication of the Library. Its title book now in the congressional Library. Its title is "Vindication of the is subject copied from the "Home

At the end of Mrs. Johnson's article are fourteen notes of fulfillment, headed, "Key to the Prophecy." Eleven of these I have substantially repeated. Three more remain as fulfillments of the prophecy in regard to the fourth great ruler. Two of these I accept; the other, as fulfilled in William J. Bryan, great ruler. must, of course, be rejected. Note 11, upon "Six again, with added six," is as follows:

"Twelve letters in the name of our next President, as forefold by Sir William Hope. Who will he be? The nation waits tremblingly, hoping in their selection the people will remember that in nuclent Rome the Temple of Fame was placed bolind the Temple of Virtue, to denote that there was no entrance to the Temple of Fame but through that of Virtue."

This is the only non-committal note of the fourteen. The interpretation that "six with added six" indicates the name "William Bryan" is given only in the heading of the article in the "Post." But it excludes the middle name, Jen-nings; and even then there are seven letters before five, instead of "six with added six." No such inexactitude appears in the previous names. Anyway, Bryan was not elected and therefore must be counted out.

But I see no reason for doubting the interpretation of the other remaining figures, which I quote as follows:

"Four sixes indicate the Presidents, as President McKinley is the twentyfourth man to hold office.

"The President elected in 1900 shall have reached the height of his fame when he is forty-eight years of age." Mrs. Johnson said nothing about the ages of either Bryan or McKinley. The latter became forty-eight years of age January 29, 1891, in which year he was first elected Governor of Ohio, Did he not then attain manhood's The Prayers for President Teaching Dumb Children to McKinley. Another perplexing problem in mys-

tic religion has come to the front in the matter of the prayers that were offered up for President McKinley. There seems to be something wrong some-how and somewhere. Christians pray for so many things they never get, indleating that their God is a myth. For a time it was reported that God had heard and answered their prayers

for the president-that he was out of danger and on the rapid road to record ery-a glorious proof of the truth of Christian religion and the power of prayer.

About all the God-worshipers in Christendom were well agreed as to what they wanted done, and they did not doubt the ability of their God to do It; yet they were doomed to disappoint-ment and made painfully sensible of his unwillingness and refusal to grant their petition. Can they explain why Jehovah refused them in so important

a matter? A God that acts so mean and arbitrary as to pay no regard to the wishes of so many people, must be a very hard old autocrat. Sensible people should disavow allegiance to such a monster. But no, they reply: "The ways of Divine Providence are inscrutable. God's

will be done-we bow in humble submission to his will. He is creator and cause of all things; and all things come to pass according to his will. It was not God's will that McKinley should live longer, but that he should be shot suffer and die."

Nevertheless, the people persistently besought God to do a thing that was contrary to his will and purpose; then evidently it was against his will that such prayers be made. They were all utterly vain and futile. Then why pray at all? Wouldn't It be better to omit all prayers in such cases until they ascertain what God's will is by whatever comes to pass?

It seems unreasonable and unjust for the good people to hate and condemn the assassin while they love and praise God who willed and caused McKinley's death, according to their own statements. They approve God's action, then turn right around and express regrets of what he has done. Czolgosz simply executed God's will.

Another explanation is that the peoole didn't pray in faith, or faith not strong enough, or didn't have the right kind of faith, or some played the game of make-believe. This is an acknowl-edgment that they are lacking in the all-important matter of faith, and consequently their religion is a failure. Faith proves nothing.

sign language in the world. It seems that the people applied to And above all, and over all, the neverthe wrong God. It is a fair presump-tion that the Christian's Jehovah has ending patience of it! Let us suppose a child that has never leard sent to such a teacher. The begone out of business, or for some rea son he is not available in such emerginning is the production of some common word, "mamma," as the first word gencies. In utter disregard of all earnest appeals for ald, he has allowed of the hearing child is the one generally three Presidents to die by assassinachosen. It is several days before the tion. These examples ought to teach real tultion on the word is commenced; religious devotees the folly of their dethe teacher must first win the convotions to an imaginary delty. fidence of her pupils, so that they will There are millions of people in the be on working relations before they be-gin. Then, when the time comes, the world who claim that Allah is the one only and true God. This knocks Jehopupil is seated before the teacher and vali out entirely. Then there is an-other class in the Orient claiming that taught to put one hand on the teacher's cheek, where the "m" sound is pro Buddha is the only living God, And a duced, and the other on her throat just above the larynx, where the sound of host of other Gods from the fields of myth all come in with the claim of suthe brond "a" is produced. The child is shown that the motion of the throat The next time a president gets shot and cheek in making the sound is to be imitated. Day after day the teacher and wounded, if it should again occur, wouldn't it be a good idea for god-worsays the word over, the child's hand shipers to call on a number of gods and still on the check and throat. When the them by their proper names? By dea first comes, the pupil will make the motions with the throat and face, this method they might strike the right one who might hear and answer their but unvocalized-without sound. Let the reader say the word "mamma" Christians often get into trouble with with his hands on the place where the sounds are produced, trying it first without vocalization and then speaking it with full vocalization. He will their theories and mythical teachings, which all goes to show what kind of stuff their religion is made of. The clergy make their credulous followers notice that the difference to the touch helleve they have found a reasonable comes in a vibration when the word is excuse for God in removing from us given sound. It is this vibration which the deaf child must hoxt learn. This is our president, William McKinley. In this case we have viewed the matthe hardest task of all,! It lasts on the average perhaps three months, ter from their own hypotheses as explained by their wise theologians, and although some catch the idea of a vibration from almost the first moment. we hope they may be able to "see themselves as others see them." A. H. NICHOLAS. Summerland, Cal. When this is done, the first real step is taken. It was my good fortune to see a teacher of the oral method force the first word out of one of her afflicted children. The subject was a pretty, flaxen-haired girl of six years of age, possessing perfectly every faculty exyear ago, in "Occult Truths," the same Interpretation of the Hope prophecy in regard to the fourth great ruler that I cept her hearing. She was born stone deaf and had never spoken. There had scovered October 9, 1901. He further writes that in the followbeen two or three preliminary lessons, designed to give her the idea that she was to follow the tencher in the move-ments of the face and threat that make the word "mamma." They had resulted in imitations of the motion without the vibration which means! squad. The child was seated on a lost stool before the tencher who had here evidence of the seater. "Four, eight, seven, six, with added The life line's mark of four great we have a prophecy of the combined ages at death of the four men; and he the teacher, who had been cuddling and petting her to gain her confidence. Her mother was attending the first lessons figures out the problem as follows: The sum of 4 plus 8 plus 7 plus 6 equals 25. which with added 0 (zero) makes 250, in order to give the child confidence, the exact total of their ages, to wit. and the teacher tricil by expression and gesture to bring out the connection be-WM. HENRY BURR. tween the word expressed by the mys-terious motion of her this and the idea that it expressed. Again and again she repeated the word. The baby held her HAUNTED. hand against the throat and regarded the moving lips with a look of curiosity that had no understanding in it. "Try, dear," sald othe teacher, as "Try, dear," said othe teacher, as though she were specific to one who heard. The words in bain nothing, but the kindly manufer and throat of the baby moved awkwastly in initation, baby moved awkwastly in initation. But there was no spund. Again the But there was no spund. Again the and again pressed into child's hand and again pressed into the could feel against her throat that she could feel the vibration at work And then, all of the vibration at work. And then, all of a sudden, the idea began to dawn upon the child. She leased, forward to look at the lips and down the throat of her teacher, her face lighted with the awakening of new iungristanding. "Try to do it as Lito, dear," said the teacher again. In another moment it

she only have known it, the greatest moment in her life. Again and again the teacher encouraged her to make the Speak. sound, until she grew thred and her at-tention began to wander, when she was A fine instance of unselfish human-itarian work is that of feaching the sent out to play with the three other dumb to voice oral speech. As stated finy tots that make up the kinder

and touch which remains to them.

by the Cincinnati Inquirer, there is no garten class. And what that ghost of a word meant such thing as a dumb human being to the mother-ah, that is something an There are, unfortunately, deat people outsider may not understand. but there is no one who cannot be faught to speak-to make ac. jal, coher-ent sounds which shall be intelligible And now for actual results. Besides

the Jittle girl, whose attempt at a first to others and in turn to know what word has been described, there are others are saving through the motion seven pupils in this school. Of these of the llps. The days of the sign and finger language are numbered; it is an only one had ever spoken a word when taken in hand. All the others were obsolete method, a thing, of the past deaf from their birth, although two can and the real way to tokch doof children hear the very loudest metallic sounds, such as the whistling of a locomotive to speak is through the senses of sight One boy has been in training four The home of the oral method for years. He was a slow pupil in the beginning, and has been handicapped since by nervousness and illness. teaching the deaf to speak was Massachusetts, and most of the teachers who are spreading the new gospel from end to end of the United States came from Nevertheless he rounded into intelligible speech about a year ago, and now he talks so that any one can under stand most of his speech. To a stranger there. The Clark School, at Northampton, is deservedly famous, and three of its graduates, after passing through the High School of Northampton, were he appears only badly tonguetied. This will be obviated in time. At eight years graduated from the Lawrence Scientific many children who said their first School, another was graduated at the Columbia School of Mines, while a fifth word at fifteen months cannot talk plainly, and this little lad never made passed through the Folby Academy a sound until he was four years of age. Even then it was three months before successfully. Oral day schools are just gaining a he caught the idea of making vibrapermanent place in the great system of tions in the throat, six months before public instruction in this country. the teacher could be sure that he was There is the Horace Mann School, in going to utter a sound when he tried, Boston, the oral day school in the 1'hoand nearly a year before she could give nological Institute of Milwaukee. his parents any assurance that he could be taught. Another boy is eleven years old and schools in Chicago, Detroit, Oakland Cal., and a new one just made a part

of the public school system of San has been in the school a year and a Francisco, Cal. Several States have lately incorporated the idea in their half. He has a large vocabulary, but his voice is not under control, and State system of schools, among them although he reads lips well and can un-Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio and Illinois. derstand and be understood around the The contention has everywhere been school, most of his words are gibberish made that deaf children, of taxpayers to the outsider. Nevertheless, he is just have the same right to be educated as rounding into speech, and in a year other children have, and that they have more will make himself understood. the right to be educated at home. Most He is a very bright boy, eager to learn States provide some sort of grim inand his progress has been remarkable, stitution for these defective children. considering that he never made an intelligible sound until he was nine years but to most parents of the better class the idea of the institution is abhorrent. old. Another boy who entered Everywhere in the oral schools, pa-rents' associations and mothers' meet school at the same time has made slower progress. He has been ill a great deal and is very self-conscious. rents' associations and mothers' meet-ings aid the idechers for it is important that, the children should always be spoken to, never signed to at home, and that, if possible, they should not be Nevertheless he has a fair-sized vocab ulary and ought to come to the intelligible point soonr ...

permitted to know that they die differ In the kindergarten class, are three girls and a boy, all under six and all congenitally deaf. The bright child of ent from ordinary children. Many of them do not know that they are deaf, the school has been working only six months and already she can say "good and think that all children meet the same difficulties that they do in learn ing to speak. Many of them do not morning" and several like phrases so know that there is such a thing as a that they can be caught. In fact, conidering that she is only four years old, it may be said that she speaks her lim ited vocabulary as well as the hearing

came, a little, weazened sound, drawn AN EVIL DAY, out as though wrenched, but still a sound and nearly like the word. It was her first vocalized speech, and could And Varied Experiences.

I left home on Friday. The day has

a bad reputation, and my experience on this occasion justifies the charges. Skipping the rush for depot in a pouring rain, footing it a mile, water several inches deep on sidewalk, and no chance to evade it, the sneak who engaged to take me to the train, and skulked, and for aught I know is skulkng yet, and a hard two hours in Buf

falo, I will touch the sunny spot that lit on me at Albany when Brother E. A. Doty greeted me at the station, and escorted me to his pleasant home, 33 Elberson Place, where a dainty meal in-spired my stomach and quenched my appetite, and then we proceeded to join a select company to offer greetings to Mrs. Cunningham of Boston, who is heir speaker for October. Sense, sentiment, wisdom and wit, anecdote and experiences filled the hours until 11 p. m., and all sweetened with ice crean and good will, left in Impression long to be remembered. Mrs. Cunningham was entranced and spoke earnestly for a few minutes, and I hope the month will bring much good to the Albauy Spiritualists.

Maggle Walte has done a remarkably good work in that city of political at-tractions, as did Moses Full and A. H. Richardson in exposing the medical bigots and their plots last winter, Brother Doty reports some striking tests by Mrs. Waite, and excellent work for the cause, and no abating of interest while she stayed. This is good news for all of us. I rejoice in the good true work of every worthy medium. The cyll shadow of that naughty

Friday that inaugurated my journey spread over all of Saturday. I boarded the train at Albany at 9:15 a. m., which should have connected at Springfield and Palmer in time to reach Nor-wich at 3. 30 p. m., Saturday. But the naughty meddling of that disreputable Friday held the train 50 past schedule time before a wheel stirred, and so dumped me in Springfield to wait for another train that stops at Palmer, The train I took at Albany went The train I took at Albany went through Palmer, but the wicked perversity of that Friday shadow, would not let it stop to let me off! Perhaps because I was a Spiritualist and needed a lesson to bring me to Christ. It succeded! As I walked to kill time, and kindle a fire in my blood, I saw, in a window a peculiar picture, and a state-ment that the real picture, showing Christ at his second coming, was inside. walked in, but found that Christ could not be seen without the magical light and bewildering charm of a silver mirror called a dime. I paid the dime, and saw a picture. It was highly sug-

mast dastardly, low, base species of which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so cheft we aver he with the Lord". so shall we ever be with the Lord."-I. Thessalonians, iv: 16,17. Evidently all of this must have happened in that day, and generation; for it is after this "shout" of the Lord, and the rising of the "dead in Christ," that those who remain are to be "caught up," etc. Hence this whole scene of a world consumed with fire, the coming of the Lord, "with a shout," the rising of the dead in Christ, and the final scooping up of those still alive, to meet the Lord in the air, is a thing of the past. It occurred over 1800 years ago! And still

the disciples of supersition are looking for it in the near future. These reflections, growing out of the accidental discovery of this picture, may be credited to the evil shadow of unlucky Friday. But it did not stop with the picture of Christ playing foot-ball. I got to Palmer at 3.45 p. m.; ball. I got to Palmer at 3.45 p. m.; about two hours after my train bad taken its departure for Norwich. Another was due at 0.55, and scheduled for Norwich at 9 p. m. That's good temperate bed time. I was still secure. But alas! that train was over three hours late, and if it falled me, I was booked for a Sunday in Palmer. That would be a dubious beginning of my first engagement at Norwich. To spend my first Sunday sixty niles away was not likely to impress my new parishion-ers with the value of my inspirations, To add to my social comfort others were waiting and watching and scowlng and laughing to keep the time lively. A unique character approached me, thewing one end of an old clay pipe, while evil smells issued from his mouth and the "smoke of his torment" darkened the air around him. He surveyed me critically and evidently impressed with my unpretentious dignity, asked me to care for his budget of conglomerations, while he went out a few mo-ments. I looked at it, and it did not rawl away, but remained faithful to ts owner until he returned. In about ten minutes he came back, was quite social-though not so attractive, as to change all my vibrations and cause me to forget my name and the place I was

alming for. Then he went out again, and again, and grew more social at each exit. He was curious about my, history and destination. He concluded that I was "one of them big fellers," and that I was going to boss one of them church union things." I assured him I was not big or uncommon, and possed-no one. That seemed to relieve him and he soon proposed that I go out and drink with him. But I did not forget that a train was due and if four hours late I must board it when it ar-rived—if it did arrive, which began to look doubtful. He sat his bundle on the floor, requested me to watch it and disappeared. The train came and I left it then, and have not heard from it

gestive. It did not alarm me, though it or him since. represented the earth on fire, and grea Well, I arrived at Norwich a little after midnight, and got to bed about 70 minutes later, and here I am at 353 East Main street, nicely cared for in the pleasant home of Mr. and Spaulding, who are earnest Spiritualists and faithful workers for the cause. Sunday, about 12 m., I joined them in work. The attendance was vceum fair, but not so many children as adults. But all did good work and the essons, recitations, and music were all inspiring and enjoyable. Mrs. Chap-man, who has been the efficient secre-tary for years, and still is, lies helpless, and anxious to escape from her prison house of clay. I find here thinkers, students and good mediums and good fellowship. LYMAN C. HOWE.

prime? G-e-o-r-g-e W-a-s-h-l-n-g-t-o-n; six let-Less than a fortnight ago the article in the "Post" of November 2, 1900, was shown to me. 1 was astounded at the ters before ten; "six with added ten" Whose growing love and ceaseless trust fulfillment of the prophecies in regard to Washington and Lincoln. That in And catch truth's colors from its glowregard to Harrison appeared to fit, but I saw no way of Interpreting "six with added six" to indicate the name of William McKinley. I then thought of Death's door shall clang while yet his he name of the man who was said to His planets point the way to others control the administration of President McKinley. There are just twelve letters in Marcus A. Hanna. It is a rediculous fit, but a better one than William Bryan, with no middle name Washington died December 14, 1799, ope year and eighteen days before the end of the century. or initial J. I was about to give it up, Till all the names on freedom's scroll so when yesterday it occurred to me that Kinley was the real ancestral name of our late "resplendent ruler, good and great and wise." Mac, con-tracted in writing to "Mc," is a mere prefix meaning "son." And a boy Two tombs be built, his lofty cenotaph The names of the signers of the Dec laration of Independence have faded, and the engrossed document is no named William is always called Will longer exhibited to the public. The or nicknamed Bill. In Kinley there are remains of Washington were removed from the vault in which they were first six letters, and in Will Mc, (phoneti cally Wilmac, if you please) there are entombed and deposited in a more also six letters. So then we have Will costly tomb about sixty years ago. The McKinley. "Six with added six," in exact fulfillment of the prophecy. "lofty cenotaph" at the National Capital was completed several years ago. There are four more lines of the Full six times ten the years must prophecy, as follows: onward glide, Nature their potent help, a constant These truths prophetic shall completion Ere time's deep grave receives the 19th "In 1860, "full six times ten" years century: after the death of Washington, Abra-All planets, stars, twelve signs and ham Lincoln was elected President. horoscope 'Then fateful seven 'fore seven shall Attest these certain truths foretold by William Hope. Writ at Cornhill, London, 1732. Mars & Jupiter strike down before his work is done,-Some years later than the above date A-b-r-a-h-a-m L-l-n-c-o-l-n; seven lethe following lines were written below the prophecy: When' cruel fate shall plerce, though The learned hand that writ these lines artless of its sword-' Who leaves life's gloomy stage without no more shall pen for me, Yet voice shall speak and pulses beat for long posterity. Abraham Lincoln uttered not a word This soul refined through love of kind bewalled life's labors spent, Then found this truth, his search from youth, Greatness is God's accident. after the assassin's builet pierced hi A softly beaming star, half veiled by JAMES HOPE. Yes, indeed, "Greatness is God's accident." And a ruler, whom everybody recognizes as great and good, becomes How strikingly fulfilled! The softly beaming star, half veiled by the red cloud of the God of War! greater by the accident of death at the his noblest cloak, shall form his hand of an assassin. WM. HENRY BURR. Washington, D. C. Thus far the fulfillment of the proph ecy in regard to two of the great rulers Critics will be sure to say: "Why was of "Amerika." Now for the third: the prophecy in regard to the fourth Then eight 'fore eight a later generagreat ruler made so obscure? No such inexactitude exists in regard to the With light undimmed and shed in prog- other names. If it had read 'seven ress' schools, with added eight' it would have fitted William McKinley exactly." Just so "Eight 'fore eight" ("sixteen in halfs" but in that case would not everybody in, the preface) fits the name of Benwho read the prophecy before the elecin the preduce? Its the hand of the a jamin Harrison. This may seem a questionable fulfillment. Was Mr. Harrison a great man-a great fule? He certainly was intellectually great, and doubless would have proved himtion in 1900 have known that it indicated McKinley? And would it not have been safe to wager ten to one on him? The, interpretation of this part self a great ruler had there been a prophecy seems to have been great crisis during his term of office. prophetically deferred until the tenth month of the twentleth century, and At all events his is the only name that fits the prophecy, which, as will pres-ently appear, is limited to "the nine-teenth century." And what one of our Presidents since Lincoln was intellectone month after the assassination of the fourth great ruler, WM. HENRY BURR, A. M. POSTSCRIPT ABOUT THE PROPHually superior to Benjamin Harrison? 11. ECY. Mr. Charles .W. Smiley informs me that he discovered and published a And now we come to the prophecy of. the fourth great ruler:

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premacy. Dravers ing lines-

Washington 68. Lincoln 56, Harrison 08, McKinley 58. A specter all arrayed in white Comes haunting me; L.dare Not ope my eyes at night Lest I behold it standing there. The face is pure and sweet; But in the blg, soft eyes is woe. And I can hear a voice repeat A cry I hear long, long ago. She may have ceased to think of me; She may have happy ties-she may Be shouting joyously With little ones of hers to lay. But often when the night wind woos The spirits of the past, I know That near me stands the specter of malden whose . Fond heart was broken long ago. -------S, E. Elser.

child of her years.

A pretty little flyaway with a pair of marvelous Irish eyes has only been at it four months, and has only a few words, although she has caught the dea of the mysterious vibration in the throat. She can hardly be kept still long enough to take any instruction, as she is flying about the place most of the time. A lad of five is as pretty as a cherub. He has been under instruction for two years and a half, but, ex-cept for half a dozen words, does not make himself intelligible yet. He is pegging along nevertheless at a vocabulary of about fifty words, and will learn in time- Meanwhile he has practically overcome his deafness by cultivating lip reading, his parents having encouraged him by using no other means of communication at home. He is not at all sure of many of the difficult consonant sounds, and "P" is his bugbear. To teach that his teacher finally resolved to use play methods. She took a feather and blew it with him. When he had been accustomed to that form

of play, she taught him that he could send it up more quickly by the ex-plosive jerk of the lips used in making the sound of "P," and he caught the

Perhaps the strangest thing about the children in this marvelous school is that they do not know that there is anything peculiar about them. They do not realize that they are afflicted. do not realize that they abject at all If they think about the subject at all they believe that other people whom they see communicating with one another by the motions of their mouth

are doing it as they do-reading the lips. The fact is purposely concealed from them, because it is a part of the training that they shall be as unconscious of self as possible, and partly be-cause the task that is set for them in learning to talk is a heroic one, and if any one of them realized its magnitude before learning fully, he might give it up and try to learn easier means of They are never communication. They are never allowed to know of the easy means of communication afforded by the deaf and dumb alphabet of the hands. And what does it mean? It means

that the deaf child will be able to take his place in the world, scarcely handlcapped at all, and that the world is advancing from the stage where the deaf and durch were classed as idiots-God's fools-and is learning that it cannot afford to lose a single brain or the intelligent labor of a single pair of hands.

· All must acknowledge that the pre ceding account is a beautiful illustra tion of kindly humanitarianism, the spirit that makes the world grow be ter. JAS. C. UNDERHILL.

AUTUMN LEAVES.

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Chicago, Ill.

Whispering leaves Softly sail down; Tinted with red, Tinted with brown; Fall to the earth, Cover the flowers, Keep them from harm. Long wintry hours. Crumble to dust, Mission fulfilled. Gaining their strength New leaves to build. -E. B. Holt.

volumes of smoke issuing from two prominent craters, and extending over a large part of the earth's surface, while above was the illuminated picture of Christ, the earth under his feet. and a rich, soft, golden aura extending from his body in all directions was really beautiful and attractive. But he appeared to be only a spiritually illumned man of fine proportions, and kind ly countenance, with no frown indicat ing disgust or anger, or implying any thing wicked or unpleasant under his feet. But the curious thing about it was that he was several times taller than the diameter of the earth from pole to pole, and including his aura his body covered more space by several times, than the world he was after, and had apparently set on fire at his approach

I queried: "Is he a Spiritualist, and iljustrating eternal progress? Do spirits grow in bodily proportions forever? If Christ has grown in 1900 years to four times the size of the earth on which he was born, what will he be in a million years? As he is the great exemplar. and the type of our immortality, will we all grow at the same rate? If so, there cannot be room for more than a lozen of the sages of antiquity to get within shouting distance of the earth! And in a few million years, with hundreds of thousands of millions of millions of millions of human souls, each one large enough to cover the whole solar system, where shall we find room

for a dwelling-place?" Perhaps our Advent brethren can explain. The key to this picture was handed me, and reads as follows: "The Second Coming of Christ. Painting by Henry Hammond Ahl." "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the arch-angel, and with the trump of God: Then we president received and read my letter, I have no means of knowing. I sincerely hope he did.

Whether the president believed in the great truth of spirit return, I have no means of knowing. I never talked with him upon the subject. With Mr. Lin-coln it was different. He was known to have a knowledge of the fact that spirits could communicate with their riends in the earth life, and it was known that he often during the war invited mediums to the White House and held seances with them, and was on more than one occasion guided by their counsel. The fact that Mr. Lincoln was himself the victim of an assassin's bulet, and through his sudden taking off plunged a great nation into the deepest gloom of sorrow, is the strongest evi-dence to my mind that he would use every means in his power to prevent a like catastrophe befailing his friend, the good President McKinley, and the grief it would bring to the nation over which he presided.

In many ways President McKinley resembled Mr. Lincoln more than any president before or since Mr. Lincoln's. time. The assassination of the presi-dent was the result of a deep and cun-ning anarchistic plot. Its method was new and original, with one hand mailed or covered with a handkerchief under which was concealed a deadly weapon, he reached out one hand to shake the hand of the president and with the other fired, the fatal bullet

Temple Dedicated to the Cause of Truth.

Representatives of every society of Spiritualists in the city attended the dedication of the Temple of the First Association of Philadelphia, Twelfth street, below Thompson, yesterday morning.

President F. J. Keffer delivered the address of welcome, and, following the invocation, by Mrs. M. C. Von Kanzler, of Syracuse, the temple was 'dedicated to the cause of truth,' by Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader, vice-president of the association, who also handed to the president the title deeds of the property, in trust for the society. In her address Mrs. Cadwalader gave

an outline of the history of the association since its formation in 1841 as a psychic society. After various changes was organized as a society of Spiritnalists in 1852, and was incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth in 1857. It was, she said, the first Spiritualist association to demand and to obtain recognition as a religious body in this Commonwealth.

Mrs. Cadwallader made an address also at the meeting of the Children's Progressive Lyceum yesterday afterpoon, at which was adopted a resolution relative "to the transition of President McKinley," and expressing sympathy with Mrs. Mckinley in her bereavement.

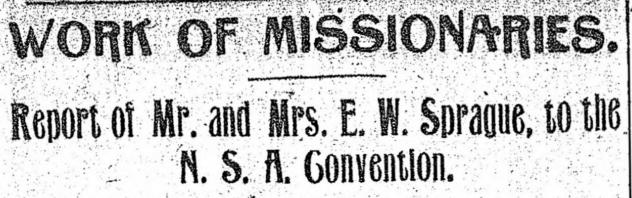
McKinley resolutions adopted by the Bootle and John Lamont Spiritualist societies, of Liverpool, England, were read, together with a copy of a letter from the former society to Mrs. Mc Kinley, signed by the secretary, Miss Emma F. Norton, as showing the widespread mourning in England on the

death of the President. The exercises were conducted by Ar-thur Groom, who expressed the hope that the government will use every effort to stamp out anarchism, teaching, he argued, led astray the man who assassinated the President.

Special services were held last evening at which were read greetings from various Spiritualist societies in England and America, congratulating the association on its occupancy of its new temple. A McKinley resolution also was her A mertiney resolution also was adopted, and an address was made by, Mrs. Cadwallader, while Mrs. Von Kanzler gave spirit messages. Public. Ledger, Philadelphia, Pa.

O beloved Pan, and all ye other gods of this place, grant me to become beauwhich caused his death. This was the | tiful in the inner man .- Socrates.

THE FREEDRESSIVELTEINKER



Mr. Chairman and Fellow Delegates .- , added fourteen new members to Bro. Mrs. Sprague and I have spent the Locke's faithful band of workers. We last eleven months in the active mis- held one meeting at West Philadelphia, sionary work of Spiritualism. This replying to the Rev -, an Episcopawork has been somewhat experimental. Han, who had preached a Talmagelan The N. S. A. board, realizing that our tirade against Modern Spiritualism. association was not growing as rapidly | We also organized two new societies. as it should, engaged us to go into the One, two hundred miles from Philadelmissionary field for the year, with the phia, on the Allegheny mountains, with understanding that we were to devote eight charter members, and one at Rogersford, Pa., with fifty-six charter our entire time to the work.

The results of our effort have demon- members. All together we held twentystrated beyond the shadow of a doubt, seven meetings in December, and when as this report will show, that what is the month closed, we had eleven cents needed to advance the cause of Spirit- over and above the total expenditures ualism in America, is thorough organi- of the month's work. zation and vigorous missionary work. | January 1, we started on our way

The people are ready for the truths back to Indiana, where we had several of Spiritualism, when its beautiful and | calls to organize societies. On the way inspiring philosophy, together with its we held meetings at Columbiana, Saconvincing and satisfying phenomena lem, Lorain, Elyria, and Kenton, Ohio, are presented to them in a proper man- with excellent results. At Elyria we. ner. Wherever we have been the peo- found considerable prejudice against ple have received us gladly, large audi- the N. S. A., as well as the Ohio State nces have greeted us, we have been Organization. We held five meetings granted a respectful hearing by those there. They were converted, and in outside our ranks. The newspapers accordance with their unanimous vote, have given' splendid reports of our we chartered them with the Ohio State work in most places that we have vis- Association. ited. Many people have been led to We next visited Kenton, Ohio, where the investigation of the subject, and we held four meetings and organized a

not a few have accepted the truth of society with twenty-one members, charspirit return, even becoming members tering it with the Ohio State Associaof our newly formed societies. . We began this work while serving Our next stopping-place was Penn-Brother Schmid's society in Indianap- ville, Ind. Here we organized a good,

olis, Ind., having previously inspired its strong society on the ruins of two old members to pay their back dues, thus ones, uniting the Spiritualists of Pennmemoers to pay their back dues, thus reinstating this society with the N. S. A. We sent out letters to every place in Indiana and Pennsylvania, where we could learn the address of a Spiritual- miles from the village of Balbec, and ist. We received responses to less than three miles and a half from Pennville. one half of these letters. Some of the The membership is scattered; they are replies were very funny and would be mostly farmers. Whenever a speaker an ornament to any odds and ends comes their way, he receives a cordial

greeting. The people come from far scrap-book. We received many heartfelt and en- and near to listen to the true gospel. couraging letters. Some of them from Balbec and Pennville society, it is We received a call from Brother J. people who were in love with our called West Grove society, has a his- A. Ball, of Thorntown, Ind. He was cause, but were prevented from doing tory running back to the time of the the only outspoken Spiritualist in that anything, becase of the prejudice of Anti-Slavery agitation before the War town. We held three meetings in the dreds of leaflets and lectures, furnished sure success thereafter. This is no considerable diversion. members of their families. Some of of the Rebellion. The Quakers and Opera House and organized a society by the N. S. A. for free distribution. wild dream. In the calculation we On Sunday, September 15, a pretty them. They are very valuable. They

tion.

great work at this place and it will be fried and true Spiritualist, was unani-lasting. Our next stopping place was Elwood, to-day, together with Brother G. W. lections of these societies to be taken Ind. We had written six letters to that place, receiving no reply. We went to Of the eleven months' work here rethe telephone at Mechanicsburg and ported we have only devoted six in sending mi called Capt. Henry Wagner, and in months entitely to organizing societies. new societies. three minutes we completed the ar- We filled regular engagements at Fort rangements and next day we went Wayney India and Philadelphia, Pa., there. We found things looking dubious. The weather was very bad, the Spiritualists seemed to have no enthuslasm, and our start was slow, But interest increased, and at the third meeting there were several hundred present.

I must give some credit for this to "our friend the enemy," the Rev. Mr. Becker, president of the Anti-Spiritualists' Association of the United States. This gentleman (?) was in town when we arrived, and his bills advertising to expose Spiritualism were in many windows. (Our bills were placed beside his.) The newspapers stated that he had been invited there by the orthodox churches of the city. He was received into several of their pulpits, where, it was said, he uttered his foul slanders

truths of Spiritualism. How can some dox churches, when they use all their nower to injure Spiritualism and blacken the character of our mediums. Rev. Becker undoubtedly helped us in our work, as such "exposers" usually do, as we had a real revival there and organized a society with fifty-five charter members.

We had organized a society in Elwood in 1896. It lived three years and died for want of a visiting missionary to come once or twice each year, to interest.' We should have stayed in

self-supporting, and the community doctrine of co-operation, and co-operawould be made to respect Spiritualism, tion is exactly the purpose for which as it now does other religions, Rev. rather unkindly assistance in Elwood services could be utilized to the advantage of Spiritualism in nearly every town where Spiritualists are afraid of their shadow or where they have lost interest, or are "afraid they cannot do anything." He stirs such people to rise to the defense of the sacred truths of Spiritualism.

Way, as delegates from that society.

during November and December. June was our vacation monch. July and Au- the Spirisualists are ready and walling gust we spont in camp-meeting work, for the opportunity to organize, 3d with the exception of the last ten days | That it costs but little to organize, and of August. That time we spent at La- 4th, That missionary work at this rate fayetton Ind; looking up the interests will pay its own expenses in the end of then. S. A., in the "Wm. Case will." and is; consequently, a good invest-

This leaves but six months devoted ex- ment. clusively to prganizing societies. During the eleven months, we held two hundred and seventy-two meetings, an average of nearly-twenty-five meetings raise a missionary fund of \$500, and per month, or nearly six meetings each | place it in the hands of the N. S. A. week for the entire time, including our | That Association agreeing to send two vacation. We organized thirty new so- missionaries into each state and carry cleties and reorganized three others, on the good work one year. Some mismaking a total of thirty-three societies. \ sionaries would likely be self-support-Twenty-eight of these new societies ing or nearly so, while others would were organized within the six months need financial assistance; it would deagainst our mediums and the beautiful mentioned, making an average of one pend upon the condition of our cause society for every six days and a half of within the certain territory allotted to Spiritualists continue to support ortho- the time, These, thirty-three societies them, and also upon the ability of the are composed of a membership of nine missionaries. This \$500 would guaranhundred and ten persons, or an average | tee the deficiencies. This amount can of nearly twenty-eight persons to each be easily raised, I think, when the Spirsociety.

There is practically no opposition to be done. There are many Spiritualists organization among Spiritualists. They in each state that could afford to conare ready and glad to have the oppor- tribute the whole amount. There are tunity to make together for more prac- many that could give \$100 each, others tical work, just as soon as the facts of \$25, and so on down to smaller the case are presented to them. Not amounts, and I feel sure they will give, would be best to sell lots at a small one Spiritualist in hundreds that we as soon as the work is well under way. have met is opposed to organization. If only some one in each state will bring encouragement and keep up the | Things have changed quite materially | start the ball rolling by furnishing the in this particular, since our N. S. A. was first \$500, this thing can be accom-Elwood one year. By so doing we organized eight years ago. Nearly all plished. I hope and trust this proposicould build up a society that would be Spiritualists believe in and teach the tion may be carried out,

our N. S. A. was organized. It is cer-Becker has my thanks for his kindly or | tainly fulfilling this purpose in uniting | the forty-five states of our Union, and the Spiritualists of this country for ten more in Canada, we would then be Any Spiritualist or friend who would as well as at Williamsburg, Ind. His co-operative' work. The organization prepared to do business. Instead of like to encourage this plan should write of Spiritualists is the only thing that can preserve Spiritualism in its purity as a distinct and independent movement.

Correspondence and Leaflets,-Our correspondence has been considerable give the N. S. A. 1,000 societies at the when taken in connection with our oth- | close of the first year. If these one er work. We have sent out 1,500 pri- thousand societies should average thirhave mailed and distributed many hun- ization the first year. This would in-

each year, and the dues for the coming years, all of which will be of assistance. in sending missionaries back to these

Thus, dear fellow delegates, we have demonstrated, 1st: That it is necessary to organize to do good work. 2d. That

We have shown what has been done; let us see what muy be done. Suppose that every state in the Union should itualists realize what a good work may How to Make an Organization strong. -If one hundred missionaries were placed in the field, two in each one of

these missionaries organizing one soclety for every six and a half days, as we did for six full months, suppose they succeed in organizing ten societies each in the whole year, This would

NEBRASKA NOTES.

Crete Camp, Future Outlook

The Nebraska Spiritualists have reason to be proud of the work done this year at the Crete Camp. While from a financial standpoint there is a delicit which falls on the two principal financial managers, Mr. James Campbell and A. Scott Bledsoe, there was nevertheless a great deal of good work done, and in spite of the very unfavorable weather a larger number of visitors came than were present one year ago. The interest is growing in this locality

and many of the prominent business men of Crete have evidenced a desire to see the plan of our president, James Campbell, for a permanent camp there consummated.

Mr. Campbell is an unflinching and untiring worker. For several years he was a pioneer worker in Glasgow, Scotland, and stood single-handed and alone on Glasgow Green every night in the week and all day on Sunday advocating the principles of our grand philosophy; he is also an. earnest ada practical system of co-operation.

With this object in view he has plan for the purchase of a tract of land either at Orete or some other point for a permanent camp. He belleves i price and get as many people interested | may order, Price \$1.50. as possible. Four hundred lots at \$20 each would 'purchase \$8,000 worth of property. Only a small part of the may order, Price \$1.80. property would be needed for lots and camp purposes, the remainder to be owned by the State Association as a source of income, leased in small tracts for fruit and vegetables to colonists, or to one tenant as may be determined. at once to James Campbell, Havelock, Neb., stating what they would like to do in the matter. The speakers who entertained the other publisher. audiences this year were Mrs. E. L.

Bledsoe, A. Scott Bledsoe, W. E. Bonney, Judge Dunn, Mrs. Mary J. Bonney. James Campbell, C. H.-Simpson, James vate and circular letters, besides many | ty members each, we would have thirty | Her. Harry, Davis, Mrs. Lillan Snow, articles written for the papers. - We | thousand members added to the organ- J. M. White; the latter gave a lecture on Heathen Christians, which caused

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these letters would make one weep. It Spiritualists worked together then; with ten charter members. is a sad case where one loves Spiritual- | since that time all have joined the Spir- | Sprague's tests and messages did much ism and cannot have the privilege of itualists' ranks. The history of this soenjoying its blessings. clety should be embodied in the history

We were called to several places, of Modern Spiritualism, when that hiswhere there were a few Spiritualists, tory is written. In visiting this place we isolated from the busy world, with no traveled backward and forward over opportunity of attending meetings, more than forty miles of frozen country The expressions of these good people roads, experiencing blizzard, and very were encouraging to us poor "pilgrims | cold weather, all of which goes to make in a strange land." One good soul said, up the sum of the missionaries' happi-"O, I am so glad you came; I was so ness. We held two meetings in West been delivered in this place. After fearful that something would occur to Grove hall, one at Pennville and one at prevent you from reaching us, and now Nottingham, Ind. Our next field of labor was Portland.

you are here, God bless you!" Another said, as she was bidding us Ind., where we held two meetings in good-bye, "God bless you, dear sister the court-house. These were the only and brother, and the N. S. A. that sent lectures on the subject of Spiritualism you here. I never expected to have ever given in this town, with the ex- large tent in the Town Park. Large camp-meetings, may differ from some such a treat. We have fought so hard ception of one by Mrs. Colby Luther, audiences came out to hear us, and and so long, and now we have a society | twenty years ago. Our two days' so- | many heard our philosophy taught for and are to be visited by missionaries." journ here resulted in the organization the first time. We increased the mem-Another said, "This is the happiest day of a society with nineteen members to beship of this society to twenty-six, of my life."

found another defunct society. It had

with new hope, and they elected offi-

- Friends, the good work our N. S. A. good missionary work to build up a topic of conversation for miles around. is doing is greater than we realize. strong and useful society in this place. Some letters brought the discouraging Hartford City was our next stop. news that "orthodoxy has supreme con- Here we held our meetings in the Adtrol in this town. You can never do ventist church. The weather was at its anything here, it is no use to try." To worst, consequently, our audiences such people we would reply, "Are you were not large. We held four meetings going to give up and quit, allow your and organized a society with thirty-six children to be educated in the orthodox charter members. This field should be schools, and allow our beloved Spirit- worked thoroughly and with good manualism to be stamped out by old theol- agement will bring good returns. ogy? If you consent to this, others We next visited Dunkirk, Ind., and

will not.' Spiritualism has come to stay. Wher- given up holding meetings some two ever there is one Spiritualist in a town, | years ago before our visit there. We he may do a grand work by arranging held four meetings, started a new memfor the coming of missionaries and thus bership list, inspired twenty people converting more to help him.

Occasionally we would receive a vig- cers, beginning the work again. Bro. orous and prompt reply saying: "Yes, Barney Leitz had kept up the dues of sir! you are the ones we have been the old society, thereby holding the waiting for. Name your dates, and we charter, an example that I wish could will be ready for you." One lady said: be followed in every place where socie-"All the property I have in the world ties are weak. Brother Edwin Hoover that I can call my own is my watch, tendered the use of his hall gratis, givand I will sell it, if necessary to bring ing them the privilege of using it as you here." We went there. The lady often as they chose. This society, like still has her watch and is the happlest all of the others, must be visited by woman in that town, because Spiritual- missionaries or speakers placed on cirism has been brought into prominence cuits, to keep them going and to make by the organizing and chartering of a them strong.

small society with the N. S. A., composed of some of the leading people of the members of that society in a parlor. the place. meeting, talked to them an hour, an-Having heard that the society at

swered all their objections to the N.S. Rochester, Ind., had gone down, we A., and they voted to take out a charwrote Brother Major Bitters, asking if ter, which they did. We sent their aphe would not like to have us come there plication next day. and help to resurrect it. He replied,

At Anderson, Ind., a great work was saying: "It is no use trying to build up this society, it is dead. We have given done. This society had become weak, up, and have sold our hall furniture to many good workers had given up enthe United Brethren, who have built a tirely. About three years ago this sonew church here." In closing this dis- clety made a contract, turning their Sullivan, in the state of Indiana, and new church here." In closing this dis-couraging letter, our brother invited us to come and make him and his good wife a visit. We went there and held wife a visit. We went there and held

in the way of interesting the unbelievers, converting a few to a belief in

> to others to join the society. A test medium should certainly go with every missionary where it is possible. From Thorntown we were called to Remington, Ind. Not a single lecture on the subject of Spiritualism had ever holding three meetings we organized a society with twelve charter members. We arranged for a grove meeting to be

held the first week in July, which arrangement we carried out, holding holding eight successive meetings in a start with. All that is needed now is and left them with Spiritualism as the

> There is some prospect of a permanent camp-meeting being established in this place. Here again is the practical demonstration of the good that may be done through missionary effort. Our next meetings were held at Americus, Ind., a village of seventy. seven inhabitants according to the last census. The members of the United Brethren church of this place refused to let us hold our meetings in the school house, which had been eugaged for the purpose, insisting on our occupying their church. This we did, holding four meetings and organizing a soclety with nineteen charter members. Since that time the membership has inpaid their yearly dues to the N. S. A. there would have been no Americus so- | ganized effort. ciety to be represented here. This soclety is aiming for permanency, as it

has been incorporated under the laws of the state of Indiana. The determination and persistency of two good Spiritualists who took the lead and worked to bring us to Americus, is an object lesson for others to imitate. We stopped at Marion one night. Met | each place, thousands of societies may ported.

> Besides those above reported, we organized societies at South Bend, Plymouth, Argos, Frankfort, Noblesville, Sheridan, Connersville, Burney; Seymour, Goshen, Flint, Trafalgar and

These have done great good in calling Mrs. people's attention to our work, and giving them an insight into the teachings of Spiritualism. These little leaflets spirit return and giving encouragement | are great missionaries, and I hope they may become as plentiful, or partly so, as the leaves of the forest.

Camp-meetings.-Our work at the camp-meetings was thoroughly appreclated by the great number of people who listened to an explanation of the purposes and aims of the N. S. A. and It's missionary work. Many were led to see the pecessity of thorough organization and vigorous missionary work. The seed, thus, sown will bring forth good results in the future. Here let us say, though . our opinions regarding others, we must report the facts as they appear to us. We are convinced and firmly grounded in the belief that camp-meetings are great factors in spreading our gospel. Our work has ply speakers for weak societies by diums. been langely in, Indiana this season, therefore, we will confine ourselves in this matter to that state. .. The Chester portunity of having a speaker one Sun-

field. Indiana, camp-meeting has had day in a month, or as many Sundays and week days as they could afford. and is still having a powerful influence in bringing Spiritualism to the under-Traveling expenses would in this way standing of the people. In our work we be reduced to a minimum, and weak sodiscovered that the nearer we came to clettes could have the privilege of lis-Chesterfield, where the great camp- tening to different speakers and medimeeting is held each year, the more ums. The state missionary should visit Spiritualists we found and the better each society at stated times, and and easier we could do our work. While should, where practical, arrange for quarterly meetings, bringing together, the farther we were from there, though within the state boundaries, the less

first year.

Spiritualists we found and the harder | ties of each vicinity, creating interest in each community, adding new memthe work and the results not as good. bership, etc. Let no one misunderstand us, we found Spiritualists everywhere, though not as creased to forty-five, all of whom have | plentiful or enthusiastic in places remote from camp-meetings. The campand that society is represented on this meetings are spreading the truths of him to join it. The church grows floor to-day. Without missionary work | Spiritualism and preparing them for or-

The N. S. A. in turn has greatly aided the camp-meetings. The Chesterfield Camp Association, especially, has been a society and then work for membergreatly assisted through our missionary | ship in that society. Our mass-meetefforts. We attended Chesterfield ings may be utilized with great success camp-meeting this year. The first Sunday there were eleven of our newly organized societies represented on the With some one to take hold of it in grounds. Some of them came in wagon | able to build temples, send out missionloads and from long distances. Two aries, distribute literature, employ be organized and just as good work loads from Sheridan, Ind., forty-five done as here. But I must hasten. Our miles away. One load from Economy, experiences at the following named forty miles away, several loads in carplaces were similar to those already re- | rlages and busses from thirty-five miles down to eight miles away, and many

came by rail. They were so delighted with the place that they declared they | made to live and thrive when compe- | Stella Hogue, vice-president, Sherman; | ing procession. The postage on the closed. These people made these long them. Thorough organization is the trips in wagons at the time when Indi- only road to success. ana was having the hottest weather in the history of the state.

have allowed for every two missionaries nearly double the amount of money that we expended, and have based the happy couple being G. F. Staub and remitting do not fail to enclose a dollar calculation on their organizing socie Miss Dorothy Ehmeke, of Lincoln. A for The Progressive Thinker. ties at a little more than one-third the number of invited guests partook of an rate that we did in the six months deelegant dinner under the trees of this voted 'exclusively to that work. beautiful park immediately after the

It seems to us this proposition, toceremony. gether with the facts herewith pre-Judge Dunn, of Grainfield, Kansas, sented, should encourage every Spiritualist to work to carry it out. If the on the late President McKinley, on Spiritualists will send in their contri- | Sunday, September 22. butions to this fund, I am sure missionaries will be sent out in accordance with the generosity of the contributors. If we only succeed in doing one-tenth other ladles.

as much as proposed, we would have 100 societies and 3,000 members the were Max Hoffman, who did a great work in platform tests and aroused

State Missionaries .- State missionagreat interest; Mrs. Bartel, trumpet ries in my opinion should be placed in and physical seances; Mrs. Bonney, charge of all local societies in their alpsychometry and tests; J. M. White lotted territory, with authority to supand E. F. Barrows, both trance meforming circuits and placing speakers

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· CORRESPONDENT.



four times each year, the local socie- Spiritualist Convention Held at Dallas.

The Spiritualist Convention that was In my opinion Spiritualists have been too much afraid of proselyting. The called some time since, met in the city hall auditorium, on the 5th inst., at 3 church converts a person, then gets p. m. The address of welcome was destrong. Spiritualists convert a person livered by Dr. W. H. Harrell, president and then turn him loose. Spiritualism of the Dallas Progressive Society. as an organization is weak. I would suggest that every Spiritualist first join another service. Lecture followed by subscribers for \$2.50. We are able to

test and light seance. in adding membership to our Association Let us work for organization and membership, for through it we may be man, and Fred Tatum, secretary. After some discussion, motion prespeakers and mediums, establish schools where the higher faculties may be developed, establish homes, and thousands more may be sent out to go into the organization. The follow- ducement is offered in order that they teach and demonstrate the truths of ing named officers were elected: Dr. may commence forming one at once,

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five meetings in four days, three in one day. I shall never forget that day. We had a veritable "pentecostal feast." The power of the spirit was in our midst. It was a regular old-fashioned Methodist love feast. Old differences and disagreements

were burled. With clasped hands and words of forgiveness, amid tears of joy the desired result. We were in Ander- ticular purpose of replying to the Rev. and smiles of gladness, we all pledged son one week and held six meetings. ourselves anew to the glorious work of the first meeting, owing to our drop-Spiritualism.

The United Brethren did not get the ping down upon them without notifyfurniture. The rent of the hall was ing them in time to advertise the meetpaid a year in advance by our good ings. At the fifth meeting the temple Brother Milo Smith. The society paid. was packed and many went away. We' What Does It. Teach?" The following their back dues to the N. S. A., and were reinstated, and began holding their meetings. They continued them was unanimously elected president of regularly throughout the season and the society, though he was not present, have a speaker engaged for six months being away attending the Florida of the coming year. camp-meeting.

Missionary work saved this society. We spent November in Fort Wayne. Ind., having made the engagement previous to engaging with the N. S. A. This once prosperous society,' having Ali this was accomplished in the face had reverses, was very weak. We of the fact that the churches of Anderwere called there in the hope of resur- son were holding a union revival, led recting it. We started a new member- by two imported evangelists working Facts, though radical, did not seem to ship list, and organized a new society incessantly, holding services first in under the old name and charter. There one church, then in another in the was much enthusiasm, and forty-six evenings, then in the court-house, good Spiritualists stood around the rostrum and took a solemn obligation to until many people of the town were stand by each other and the society, to greatly excited. This had little effect work together in harmony and brother- upon the cool-headed Spiritualists, as ly love for the advancement of pure this report clearly shows. Anderson

Spiritualism. We left them in the hands of Sister | state of Indiana. Our work prepared Claman, who was subsequently en the way for a grand mass-meeting in gaged to serve them for the lecture sea- | Anderson, which was held soon after. son. This society has been doing suc- We next visited Economy, Ind. cessful work ever since. During the month of November we lized a society with twenty-nine charter

held twenty-one meetings and re-organ- members, held seven public meetings, fized two societies. They need a Na- and attended one funeral. From here tional mass-meeting in Fort Wayne very | we went to Williamsburg, Ind., where much. It would do great good.

Our next base of operations was a society with nineteen members, Next Philadelphia, Pa. Wo had engaged we were called to Mechanicsburg, Ind., with this society previous to engaging to attend the funeral of Dr. W-O. Reed, with the N. S. A., and Brother Locke, a ploneer Spiritualist and noble man, Its president, did not like to have it | We remained after the funeral and canceled, so the National board con- held five meetings in a union church, gented to our filling it.

During the month of December, we ty-five charter members. We did a ficers. Brother Henry Brunkhaus, a work done and seed sown in these

Hilligoss took this responsibility upon til they could call a meeting and elect himself, because of his great love for new officers. We have written them a Spiritualism. He engaged us to come number of times and they instruct us co-operation. Let the camp-meetings he went to Florida. He told us he have paid over the charter fee, but are work. wanted the factions united, and be- holding the application as directed. lieved we were the ones to bring about | We were called to Goshen for the par-Wm. P. Pearce, a Baptist minister of There were only forty-seven people at | that city, who had preached a most vulgar and insulting sermon in his church, on the subject of Spiritualism. On May 21, we spoke in Goshen, subject: "What is Modern Spiritualism and were successful in organizing this so- evening we replied to Rev. Pierce's serciety with a new membership list of mon on "Spiritualism." These meet-one hundred and four. Dr. Hilligoss ings were well attended, though the weather was very unfavorable. Among our listeners were the Rev. Wm. Pearce and four other ministers of the gospel, together with a goodly number of their church members. At the close Sunday evening we held our little service, publicly receiving the candidates of the meeting, two of the ministers who were liberal in their views, shook into full membership of the society. our hands. One thanked us for the discourse; the other said, "I have been very much interested in your meeting." disturb them. Goshen is a good field for work in our cause. At Wheeling, West Va., Brother Selshops, and other places during the day, vey and Brother Way had been working hard for more than a year to arrange for our coming there. They raised what they could by subscription, and this summer Brother Way held one has now one of the best societies in the

cause and is on example for other medlums to follow. where we remained one week, organ-We'left our work in Indiana and went to Wheeling; held sixteen meetings there and organized a fine society with ninety charter members. We recolved a royal welcome at the hands of we held two meetings, and organized

the Wheeling Spiritualists, made many good and true friends, interested a large number of people in our philosophy and converted several to its truths through our lectures and Mrs. Sprague's messages, tests, and private readings.

them as missionaries first. The lesson tion and do a work that will be permato be learned from this is the lesson of nent. Conclusion.-In conclusion we wish to

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The court room was half filled with

testify against the wretched pair. The

her and her husband as almost gods

have been opened to find them demons.

The hearing of the case against the

Horoses, to call them so, was resumed

o-day. Certainly Diss De Bar present-

CRIME.

silk

THE ASSASSIN.

An Eastern Psychic's Plea Pala could not rouse me from the trance. I was cold as ice and rigid. It for Assassin's Life.

THE MISTAKES OF MEN-DEATH THE MISTAKES OF MEN-DEATH cured me of the idea of being an adept WOULD, LEAVE MURDERER'S in India."-Chicago Inter Ocean, SOUL FREE FOR MISCHIEF-OTHER CRIMES OF A SIMILAR NATURE, SHE SAYS, WOULD RE-SULT FROM HIS EXECUTION.

Philadelphia; Pa., Oct. 10.-Mrs. May Yet Controlled by Dark S. Pepper, of Providence, R. I., who has won fame as a psychic among Spiritualists and psychologists, made a re-markable plea for the life of Czolgosz, and incidentally for the abolishment of capital punishment, in a lecture de-

livered in Handel and Haydn Hall, before the Philadelphia Spiritualists' So-LIFE. Her desire to save the murderer's life

is based on the belief that by sending his soul into another world in its wicked, unrepentant state, it is given Ann Odella Diss De Bar is a mo markable medium, at times giving gen the power to do further evil on this uine manifestations, and then present earth. By being freer from the body it ing the fraudulent. Her, career is will be evabled to remain at liberty on about ended as set forth in a dispatch earth, fasten itself to some person as from London to the Chicago American, vicious as Czolgosz himsen, and inspire this individual to a similar deed of as follows: murder.

law officers now confidently expect that Mrs. Theodore Jackson, alias Horos, By permitting capital punishment the deaths of persons in high places will continue indefinitely, she argues, the unregenerate souls of those whose lives fraudulent cults, whom New York and are the forfeit of their crime being the other American cities know as Ann inspiration. Odella Diss De Bar. "Let Czolgosz live," she begged in

ringing tones, after paying an eloquent tribute to the late President McKinley also suffer life imprisonment. and speaking tenderly of his sorrowing Treasury prosecutors say they have wldow.

"Give the murderer a chance to repent of his sins. You have no right to take a life before its time, and send a soul into a world for which it is not ready.

"By taking his life you send him into with conspiracy to defraud womena world where he is not wanted. No particularly young women-of money one here wants Czolgosz. No one would and fewelry by pretended fortune tellassociate with him. He is not fit for ing, and so with obtaining money under the life over there. false pretences.

"His soul will return to earth, fasten itself on some other evil person and in-fluence him to murder. Thus we will have another assassination. Some one in high office will be the victim. This will continue so long as you send souls walling into the darkness before they have lived out their allotted time. "Instead of keeping them in the body and within your control, and educating them to see erring in all its enormity

and abhor it, you free them from the influence of all earthly laws and give them the power to work endless evil. BELIEVES IN WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

cd an appearance almost unearthly. She wore in the dock the same costume "The men who legalize explicit punshe had on when she was remanded on ishment refuse to let the women vote. September 26, a loose, low-necked, cream-colored garment, resembling a They do not consider us capable of exercising intelligently the right of fransurplice, and over it a pale blue chise. The worst thing they would do to Jefferson Davis was to disfranchise him and put him on a level with the robe. Her billowy figure seemed about to break through its frall confines. Now she was dramatic, now in pretended hysteria. As Charles W. Mathews, senwomen of the country. We cannot make worse mistakes, however, than for counsel to the Treasury, coldly rehearsed the frightful charges against the men have done. "I tell you this: The day is coming her, as a witness uttered convincing testimony that will convict her, the fat,

when we will have the right of suffrage all over this land. When this comes to pass you will see capital punishment abolished, and men of the Czolgosz type educated until they can view their own crimes with horror and are incapable of evil."

ing link between this world and the

Mr. Mathews said the offences of the Then Mrs. Pepper talked of Spiritual-Horoses have been committed by fraud ism, explained its beginning as the reinique in the annals of crime The Horoses established a religious sect called "The Theocratic Unity." They claimed the attributes of Divine Power. Neosult of the longing in the human heart to fathom the unknown, and declared that "the churches are teaching the phytes joining the Unity were obliged to vow secrecy and to profess belief in Christianity of Paul, not of Jesus, and so the world is turning to Spiritualism. Then for a time she was the connectthe divinity of the Horoses, both of

whom, said Mr. Mathews, possessed other. The audience saw a large blond mesmeric power; the woman in the woman, irreproachably gowned, her higher degree. A well-bred woman, twenty-three white hands beautiful as a sculptor's

RELATES CRIMES OF DISS DE BAR, AN AMERICAN MEDIUM, AND ONCE IN THE PENITENpriest, and he gave me a message, seven

TIARY. words. Then I came back and I-knew London, Oct. 10 .- The hearing in the case of Theodore and Laura Jackson, the latter being the notorious charac-"I awoke in a bed in a hotel. Dharma ter, Ann Odelia Diss DeBar, who is

was four hours before they succeeded well known to the police in Chicago and other American citles, was rein restoring me to consciousness. That sumed in the police court here to-day. Mr. Matthews, representing the Treas

ury, said that the charges against the prisoners were threefold. One was ob-taining money and jewelry from Vera Crogsdale and Olive Rowson under alse pretenses. The other two charges f a criminal nature and were against the man, but it was claimed by he prosecution that the woman had knowledge of the crime. One of their THE INFAMOUS CRIMES AND CAvictims was Dalsy Adams, 16 years old,

UNUULION.

England.

REER OF THE MEDIUM, DISS DE who was maltreated by Jackson, aided BAR, ILLUSTRATING VIVIDLY by the woman prisoner. CLAIMED SUPERHUMAN POWER. THE DARK SIDE OF SPIRIT

The barrister said that the prisoners initiated persons into their cult, which According to the statement of Hon. Luther Marsh, a prominent Spiritualist was known as "The Theocratic Unity." A series of werd ceremonies were used and the accused claimed they had all power, spiritual and temporal. They exacted vows and threatened with dire puishment those who violated them. Both prisoners claimed divine powers, The lawyer's remarks were interrupted three times by the Jackson woman ex-London, Oct. 10 .- The Government claiming "That's false." Witnesses testified that the woman

left a matrimonial advertisement for insertion in the newspapers. She is a dangerous woman, of many

TESTIMONY OF ONE VICTIM. Then Miss Crogsdale, who is stylish, about 23 years old, and pretty, took the

And it is entirely probable that her husband, Theodore Jackson-Horos, will stand. She testified that she had an-swered one of the matrimonial adver-The tisements and received a reply which Jackson subsequently took from her. positive evidence that Jackson was He asked her to come and reside with convicted in America as a confidence him in Duke street, Charing Cross. She man. But much more serious are some of complied, and asked Jackson for a description of Mrs. Jackson, whom Jackthe present accusations against his son represented as his mother. He said she-was beautiful and clever, and had great power to read souls. Miss Orogswife and himself. They are charged lale, whose home is in Hull, came to London on July 12,

She went to the house of the prisoners, who called themselves by the name They are also accused of alluring of Horos. The woman received the witness kindly and kissed her. Later the man appeared and exclatmed: "What a sweet little girl!" He also kissed her. She thought that Jackson young and pretty women walting to meant to marry her. Later she returned to Hull. Jackson induced her to leave eyes of these unhappy girls who had been taught by Diss De Bar to regard her jewelry behind, and she brought more when she returned to London. RELATES PECULIAR CEREMONY. Once Jackson went to her room and old her she was his wife, she having taken vows to that effect. Another

He talked all the time and made motions with his hands over her face. This, witness ald, had a soothing effect. Jackson remained with her after compelling her to repeat vows after him, which he claimed made her his wife. The witness was surprised when Jackson informed her that Mrs. Jackson, knew all that was happening. Jackson then introduced the witness to Mrs. Jackson, saying: "Welcome our little daughter. She is one of us."

The prisoners were remapded. The false prophetess constantly shricked, "False! 'Tis a lie!" government officials are confident the prisoners will receive life sentences .-UNIQUE IN THE ANNALS OF Chicago Tribune.

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Mediumship as Practised in Was Forewarned Against Assassination.

> To the Editor:-In the month of June Frank T. Ripley came to my home to spend a month in quiet and rest, and to recuperate from the effects of a sick-

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ness of the last winter. For many years President McKinley and 1 were warm personal friends. I had met him often and corresponded with him before and since he was elected president, and our relations were of the best. Since his second election to the presidency, I have been many times imressed with the fear of his assussination, and this grew upon me until at times the thought became deeply painful to me, and I would write him that he must be more careful of himself, that he should go well guarded, and run no risks; that he owed It to his friends and to his countrymen to guard his life well against the conspiracies of the vile and brutal anarchists and the black hand of the assassin. To letters of this character I received no response, having understood that it was his custom to treat such communications with silence. The President was a good, brave and strong man, with a heart as tender as a woman's, and he could not

be brought to believe that there was one in human form so low oud vile as to attempt to take his life. In this regard he was like the good Lincoln, whose heart was as tender as a child's but with all his goodness and tender ness of heart, he became the victim of the assassin's bullet. Mr. Lincoln was warned time and time again 'by his friends and through mediums to more carefully guard himself against the wiles of the assassin. But reasoning through his own innate goodness of heart, he could not conceive of the existence of the vileness of a man so low

as to take his life. The good President McKinley was warned many times by his friends to guard als person carefully and to run no unnecessary risks, but the goodness and the tender heart of the great man

whose highest ambition was to better the condition of all human kind, could not be brought to believe and realize that there were fiends in human life so base as to seek and take his life. This was the fatal delusion that lured the two great men, Lincoln and McKinley, into the net of the anarchist

After Mr. Ripley had rested a few days, he announced that he would hold two seances a week, and these should be private for the family only, unless we desired to invite some special friends to be present. These seauces, he remarked, should be for the special special benefit and entertainment of the famlly and their friends and relatives who were residents of the spirit world. Other spirits might seek audience and none should be turned away. My recollection now is that Mr. Ripley was with us six weeks, and the seances were held regularly twice a week. On the evening of the fifth of July, the seance proved to be of an unusual depressing character, so unlike anything expected, or what had preceded it that t cast over all of us a spirit of gloom and depression of spirits that even to this day we have not been able to efface.

After being entranced on the evening of July 5, Mr. Ripley at once turned to ne and said, "There is a band of spir-Its here to-night who have come to demand your co-operation in an enterprise that is nothing less than to assist us to prevent the assassination of President McKinley." This was so startling to me, that at this stage, I demanded to know who was talking to me. The answer came quick and prompt, "Abraham Lincoln and with me are Gen. Grant, Gen. Sherman, James A. Garfield, Chester A. Arthur and Gen. Mc-Pherson, and our mission is urgent, and what we have in hand to do must not be delayed."

At this stage I felt deeply embarrassed and said, "Go on, Mr. Lincoln, and let me hear what you have to unfold. "There is a deep and secret plot to

assassinate President McKinley, and the assassins are already on his trail determined to take his life, and unless

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dream, shimmering with pearls, talking years of age, who, the prosecutors sav, to invisible friends, asking them ques- is the oldest of the many victims of the tions, compelling them to speech when they were vague and indefinite. And as she delivered these messages they Bar recovered from her assumed hyslistened breathlessly and received them terla and shrewdly cross-examined the with tear-filled eyes. One gray-haired man left a sealed let-The identity of Laura with Ann

Odelia Diss De Bar has been perfectly ter on the desk to be read. His face was a sad one, telling of a disappointed established. It has been learned that life. The psychic held the letter aloft, the accused were married in New Orasking for the owner. The old man did leans in 1898, came to London in 1899, not speak. Presently she found him. and then went to Paris and Cape Town. "There is a woman beside you," she Returning to London, they established

sald, in a nervous, high-keyed voice, "The Theocratic Unity." altogether different from her sonorous

tones. "She wants me to tell you things CLAIMED ROYAL PARENTAGE. Will be better next year—better than they have been for three years past. That is what you want to know. "You have been saying, if these things were to go on much longer in the old fashion you would not want to live. You would give up to thet not 'It would seem that an English prison will shut out forever from the world she has defrauded, "Editha Lolita, Countess Landsfelt and Baroness Ro-

senthal, daughter of King Ludwig I. of Bayaria and Lola Montez, god-child of live. You would give up. Is that not Pope Plus 1X.," all of which Ann Odelia

The old man bowed his head sadly. Diss De Bar has claimed to be as well His chin was quivering and his eyes as the divorced wife of General Diss were full of tears. De Bar, and of two other men, one of

"But she says to tell you everything will be brighter. Everything will be as Colonel W. J. McGowan. As for this fellow who called himself Horos in England and whom the proseyou want it. Do you understand?"

Again he bowed. He was smiling cutor calls "Theodore" Jackson-The Diss De Bar woman went to New Orleans early in 1897 and assumed the

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THEIR CELIBATE MARRIAGE.

through the tears, The psychic and hel spirit had brought him renewed hope and life. He was but one of many who re-ceived messages. Always they were men and women whose faces showed they had known sorrow. And the mesname of Howard. There, on November 13, 1808, she was married to James Dutton Jackson in the presence of a large assembly of Spiritualists, Theososnges brought happiness to their eyes phists, children and negroes. The and hope to their hearts. It was weird blushing bride, of charms so luxuriant, then acknowledged herself to be fortyand wonderful.

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"The world pust admit now that there is a strange power in some per-

there is a strange power in solution of the strange power is and fast and become an and packson having 7,000 acres of land in Lee County, Florida, they decided not a colony there and to enter into a cellbate marriage in order to avoid scanadal. Leaving New Orleans, the pair said they were going to Florida, and scanadal.

"He was on the platform, and had me

hold a spindle on which was a thread. Diss De Bar pretended, too, to be a fol-He held the other end for one of his lower of Mme, Blavatsky. They got no experiments. At first I laughed, Then, nearer India than London. experiments. At first I laughed. Then, becoming serious, I felt myself floating away. It was as if my soul were leav-

BRILLIANT. ing my body. "I could not move, yet I knew all "I could not move, yet I knew all Don't miss the brilliant debate be-that was transpiring around me. Then tween Moses Hull and W. F. Jamieson, I saw myself standing beside the adept; soon to begin in this paper. Put your I suppose it must have been my astral name on our list and the names of a body. I saw myself go away to a dozen of your friends. The good will strange city, where everything was in more than balance the expense. Let us sevens, I saw a weird old man, a convince the world.

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rning are given that will be effective, the president will

be assassinated. The reason why we come to you is, because it is known to us, and known in the spirit world that you are a warm personal friend of the truth of spirit return and that that friendship is reciprocated by him, and we have believed that he would listen to you sooner than he would to some

one nearer to him in person, or higher in station; and we feel deeply the responsibility of our mission." I replied, "Mr. Lincoln, I am most

willing to co-operate with you in any way you may point out that I can do effective work to save the nation from so dire a calamity; but I have already on three different occasions given him these notes of warning, and what asurances have I, Mr. Lincoln, that he will listen to my warnings any more than you listened to your friends and your spirit friends through mediums, when they warned you time and time again that you must guard yourself better against the wiles of the assassin or your life would pay the forfeit. You yourself was good; that the whole vorld knew; and you could not believe that there were men vile enough to

take your life.", Me replied, "This was my fatal mistake, and it lured me to my death. We know that you have sent your warnings to the president, and they have had some influence over him. President McKinley is good, he would not willingly harm the humblest of God's' creatures, and he cannot yet be brought to see that there are mendow and vile enough to take his life: Thisds a fatal delusion and he must be warned to forsake this unnatural and udelusive thought. Do not delay a single day to warn him. Let your warning be of no uncertain kind. Rouse him out of his delusive thought that because he is good the vile assassin avil not take his life. The anarchist and the assassin have neither respect for goodness, their victim, or the nation which they would destroy. Will you promise to act promptly?"

"Yes," I replied, "to-morrow's mail shall bear my message to the president, and it will contain no uncertain sound of warning."

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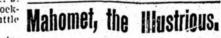
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The Trend Is Toward Liberalism. Dr. Wm. C. Gray, the learned editor of "The Interior," the organ of Western Presbyterlanism, lately died in this city. His last request was that Rev. Dr. Hillis, now of Brooklyn, and occupying the Plymouth church pulpit, should preach his funeral sermon. This request was gratified, and the venerable editor, grown grey in the service of Presbyterianism, was quietly laid away, freed from mortal suffering.

But note: It was Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, formerly of Chicago, who, on March 25tn, 1000, declared in his

Plymouth pulpit: "I would rather shake my fist in the face of the Eternal and fling every vile epithet toward the stainless throne, where eternal mercy sits with the world's atoming Savior, than lift my hand with that creed towards God's throne and attirm that I taught or belleved it."

The fact that Dr. Gray selected such a clergyman, with such a record, to administer the last rites of the Christian faith over his remains, tells where his sympathies were more forcibly than words could have done. The Chicago "During Frof. Swing's Irial for here

sy the columns of the paper [Interior] were opened to the controversy. Dr. Gray opposed the idea of a trial, believing it would bring out every damnable passion resident in human nature Cyrus McCormick took the same view Their opinions were justified by the subsequent events. Prof. Swing came out victor, and the Presbyterian church

The Ravings of a Fauatic. The Devil is a very important personage in orthodox theology, and cannot learned professions on any subject be dispensed with on great occasions. within the range of his guild, and the The "amusin' little cuss," as Artemus chances are a hundred to one he will Ward characterized the kangaroo, assume complete knowledge, and ad-"bobs up screnely" when we least ex- vise accordingly. He will not tell his pect him. Hell being so nearly played client he is ignorant, and consult auout, it was supposed its prince expired thorities in that client's presence. with his kingdom, but the preachers Should he do so he would admit by manage to galvanize him into life when such act that he is not well informed they can find no other way out of an The lawyer may request his client to

awkward dilemma. The following was clipped from a for the delay, that he may look over his late issue of the Chicago Chronicle. It reports to see whether State Courts is too rich to abridge. It all fell from have made inroads on the common law. the lips of one of God's inspired and The doctor called to a patient may adanointed oracles, so read it with care: NO PRAYERS FOR CZOLGOSZ-REV. WM. B. LEACH COMPARES fore commencing a systematic course

ASSASSIN TO THE DEVIL. "Pray for Czolgosz? No," said Rev. William B. Leach in his sermon at Wicker Park Methodist Episcopal church yesterday. "The assassin is fixed irrevocably," the preacher con-tinued "'No murderer shall enter the kingdom.' This is enough. Man might

as well pray for the devil.

"Government is of God. It is of ing, he was prompt with his enswer, divine right. Who destroys it fights God. Who shoots a bullet at its reprethat a great God made it, but destitute sentative shoots at God. America is God's laud as much as ever Israel was, all life was the product of his skill-the and more so. Its history is almost a priest had no conception that worlds, and life in some form was eternal. With no knowledge of 'natural phildivine one. Its rulers are of the peo-ple-'Vox populi vox Del.' A blow at government is a blow at God. osophy the priest could only account

"The Judas who shot our President got his cue from him who foughtheaven and gained hell. A blow at manhood or womanhood is a blow at him who honors it. The striking down of a good man is a blow at the Supreme

the world again. Climbing the highest Being whose he was. mountains he found fossil remains, abraded rock, bowlders, pebbles and "No wonder we shiver when men stalk into heaven to shoot its plenopensand. Of course a universal deluge tlaries on earth. The bullet that passed through the manhood of McKinley would only account for the phenomena. struck the divinity of God. Listen: that The priest knew nothing about the subullet of sin struck you, me. If we reand the upheaval of mountains. He bel at God's government we kill God." Are we not instructed in the creeds that "God decrees whatever comes to pass?" That creed, if true, makes God, not the Devil, responsible for the mur-

der of President McKinley. The Devil, in popular theology, is a creature of God's creation, a tool to execute an Infinite purpose, and when

God refused to heed the prayer of his saints to save the President's life, it is ing the people that was the way to gain heavenly blessings. very clear the preacher is "barking up As all the world seemed to the priest the wrong tree" when he lavishes his sunk in vice, and as the blood of bulanathemas on the Devil.

If prayers by the million could not save so good a man as McKinley from God, so the story of a son of God was invented, who was sacrificed on a cross mortal death, is it probable any numto appease the Father for the sins of the world. His blood, so precious to a Father, was only conditionally acceptber of them can save Czolgosz from hell? If so then the murderer sustains no loss by Rev. Leach's refusal to pray ed, however. The sinner must acknowl for his salvation. edge his guilt, and trust implicitly to

"Government is from God!" So Paul the saving virtues of that brood. taught, and when our revolutionary Only an anointed priest could fathom the Divine will, and detail with ab-solute precision everything pertaining fathers repudiated the British government the clergy branded them as In-fidels, and fied to England to get away to Almighty purpose. from the Infidel government. This As education has become widely difpulpht snge, Rev. Leach, has discovered

fused priestly authority has waned. that the whilom Infidel government has Exact science has taken the place of become "God's land as much, and more his ignorant guesses. The universe has has in effect modified its doctrines." as Israel's was." We own we are glad When the newspaper organs of Pres-byterianism show such a front it is im. We wish he and his whole tribe of have an ending. Every process of Na-

5. Godless Schools. Consult a member of any of the Yes, Godless schools are grievances of which churchmen justly complain. Catholics dwell long and eloquently on the subject, and Protestants are by no means silent:

Assumption of Wisdom.

taining to God and the universe.

In those sellools where God is taught, science is ignored, and superstition takes its place. The expression "Godless schools," is designed as balt for gulls. Ignorance snaps at it, and swal lows it whole.

The priest, Bible in hand for a text call again, making some feeble excuse book, knows all about God, and im of the N. S. A. The fact that up to the life in all of its manifestations and huparts that knowledge when he can get present time there is not a single Spirita chance, to the young. He tells of God's great industry, how he waked minister a harmless placebo, and wait from an eternity of sloth and idleness, until the disease is fully developed beand in six days of fatiguing labor created a world out of nothing, clothed it splendency that must excite the admiof medical treatment: but the priest with verdure, and peopled it with inwhose mission it is to know all about habitants. He instructs the juveniles; God and his doings, to retain his yes, and the old folks as well, that man position as a religious instructor, has to repulsed God's authority, for which he claim full knowledge of everything per-

was driven from a beautiful garden expressly prepared for him, the Creator compared with this masteriy young stopping however to play tailor and man, who only a few years ago was In the past when interrogated in remake aprons-breeches, says the Gegard to how this world came into beneva translation-for the sinfal creatures. Once out of the garden, and heaven and usurp his throne, God destroyed the tower they were constructing and confused their language so they could not plot his ruin. Mortified because the production of

for rain by representing God opened his 'prentice hand turned out so poorly, viduality on the Cause only as Presithe windows of heaven and poured the God sent a flood and swept all away, water down upon the earth. Ignorant save a favored few who deserved of the laws of refraction and reflection drowning.

This God the preachers tell about, and complain because denied the privof light, the rainbow was a miracle set in the clouds that God would not drown llege of exploiting in the public schools, was not a very dignified character. After wrestling all night with Jacob and failing in strength to throw the patriarch he put Jacob's thigh out of joint, a mean advantage that would be mergence and emergence of continents could only account for the changes of the seasons by ascribing them to honorable referee. See Gen. 32:23, 25. But personal combats were not rare occurrences with this Jew God the miracle. God was repentant and preachers are so anxious to make changeful, and adapted himself to the caprice of his creatures. He could be bought by sacrifices, teased into favorbought by sacrifices, tensed into lavor-bought by sacrifices, tensed into lavor-able action by prayer, and was particu-tarly kind to those who lauded and praised him; so these practices of little episode. Not satisfied with top-pling over Dagon, and hurling him face down on the ground, on the second night he cut off the heathen god's head

and hands, leaving only a stump of the body, says the careful historian. But he took revenge on his captors by smiting them with "emerods," otherlocks, and goats, and cooing doves had lost their efficacy with a blood-thirsting wise piles, afflicting them so severely the Philistines voluntarily returned the God in the ark to Israel, drawn on a cart by the bellowing cows, described in the next chapter. They found God-stealing a poor business, JUST as should, any people who worship an idol, though

bearing the name Lord God. Passing over numerous incredible doings of this Lord God these godly clerics are so anxious to make known to us, and passing his indiscretion with he young Jewess, Miss Mary, It does seem crucl to allow the product of that little incident to die on a cross for the sins of the world. He ought to have devised some other method, it so appears to The Progressive Thinker, to satisfy his anger, rather than the sac-



THE REPORT

Of the Committee on Resolutions, at N. S. A. Convention.

Mr. President and Delegates:-In pursuance of the duty devolving upon your committee on resolutions, we beg to

We most heartly congratulate Harrisubmit the following report: on D. Barrett on his election for the Whereas Spiritualism is the philosoninth time to the position of President nhy leading to knowledge concerning man destiny especially, and that mediumship is the doorway to tangible recualist in the ranks of our workers as ognition and demonstration of man's spiritual existence after the change called death, we the Spiritualists of suitable for that position as he, makes his name stand high on the pedestal of North America in convention asfame, and causes it to glow with a resembled in the name of the National Spiritualists Association, do ration of all. The position he occupies re-affirm our devotion to and advocacy of, the divine principles of nature and is a proud one, for when weighed in

the balance with other aspirants it is the voice of the great spiritual world to like comparing mole hills with a mountmankind. ain. All else seems diminutive when And whereas, Spiritualists believe

that the brotherhood of man is the integral factor of all problems relative to the social evolution of the world, and that all elements conducive to that simply a school teacher and chairman of a camp-meeting. He casts all the work should be discountenanced, old workers in the shade, as not sultsubmit the following as suggestive of of material he spake it into being. And fearful those he cursed would scale able to represent Spiritualism at the our position touching those elements. herefore be it

head of the N. S. A. The author of no. Resolved, That this convention reitstandard book, not considered in any rates and emphasizes the resolution on respect highly qualified as a business altruism adopted by the Cleveland

Convention last October. We affirm that the divine principle of doing for man, and in no way stamping his indiothers, which in a word is altruism, is dent of the N. S. A., yet through all these years he has cast in the shade all should be magnified in our law of conothers, and in doing so he is a psychoduct ever toward another. It embodies, all that is involved in the affirmation of logical wonder-an extraordinary 20th

century puzzle, and it is useless to try the celestial realms that the brotherhood of man is the great work of Spir-litualism on earth. Affirming the pa-renthood of God, it follows that humanto defeat him. Again we congratulate him most cor

dially!

Mr. Barrett came to Chicago nine pronounced a foul in these modern years ago with no thought of the prestimes, and lose him the award of an idency, and scarcely able to pay his way here, with no particular record behind him to distinguish him from any common one in the rank and file of alone an all-inclusive knowledge of all Spiritualism, with no reputation as a natural psychic and spiritual laws, but known to us. He had a little adventure Spiritualism, with no reputation as a speaker, with no established character as a specific worker, yet he rose up on education in the truest sense of educating or drawing forth into expression as a specific worker, yet he rose up on those divine elements latent within, una tidal wave, overshadowing all others til man shall really know himself. -veteran workers they-and was elected amid loud acclaim and cheerful hurrahs.

necessary bondage to the flesh shall be It may be sad to think on the part of outgrown. the disappointed presidential seekers, Resolved, That as only the living tree that they have a man of destiny to conblossoms and bears fruit, so Spiritualtend with, and who, like the immortal ism to be vital must express itself in a useful, altruistic service to the world, for which all personal differences shall Napoleon, has his Star which leads him on to victory annually, defeating all be forgotten in an all-embracing charity with an ease that would make the and universal love. lazlest man on earth feel cheerful. Again we congratulate Mr. Barrett-

the man of destiny-the superb champion; with no particular history to distinguish him save his connection with declare that statutes enacted to deprive the N. S. A.; he has only to say the bealers and other kinds of mediums of word, and he starts a vibration which the right to practice their art or gifts tion, and rendering his friends hot with enthusiasm.

You may talk of the "Seven wonders

speeches concerning each other, and that persons indulging in such talk should publicly be prohibited by the va-rious associations with which they come in contact, from fellowship there

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with. Resolved, That the thanks of this convention be extended to our missionaries for their able and efficient work during the past year. Resolved that the thanks of the con-

vention are due and are hereby extended to the officers of this association for their admirable administration of the affairs of the association during the

year. Resolved, That thanks be tendered the newspapers of Washington that have given space to fair and unprefudiced reports of the meetings of the convention; to the railroads, for timely courtesles extended our delegates and Courtesies extended on acres, etc. Visitors in the matter of rates, etc. MOSES HULL, Chairman.

WILLARD J. HULL, Secretary,

F. W. SMITH, MRS. STELLA A. FISK, MISS SUSIE C. CLARK. Committee,

SYMPOSIUM RESUME.

Heaven and Earth Searched for New Definitions.

The Progressive Thinker forever! I have heard a million prayers and from them all never learned so much about a cardinal idea of Spiritualism, and prayer as from that one issue of your paper. Heaven and earth were ransacked for new definitions. The words desire, wish, require, ask, strive, study, work, etc., were all merged into the one word prayer. Hereafter language will be so much more simple; it will require the use of so many less words to express thought. The word prayer bereafter will do duty for all times, ocity are the children of God, hence, brethren, whose destiny is to be worked casions and things. And withal it was all so good-natured 1 leaned back and out in service to each other, inspired at ways by love, wisdom and understandlaughed to see how each one would Resolved, That education should be struggle for a new definition or a new the chief aim of all Spiritualists not

application. If all words in the English language could be so much broadened in meaning, dictionaries could be reduced in size and the cost of getting an education would be almost nothing. Also the symposium demonstrated the class of mind that prays most and Resolved, That the possibilities of the class that prays least. It was freedom for the embodied spirit should shown that the mind with the best debe tested to their utmost limit until unveloped reason and most free from the church handicap had the least need of prayer. Those still living on the plane of the imagination and its consequent fear, had the most need. It was made more clear that the element of Spiritualists having a lingering tincture of the God-fearing teaching within them got the most comfort out of prayer. In everything else they might have ad-

Resolved, That we are opposed to all mirable logic. It made it clear to the sumptuary laws which in this nature understanding that with the faculty of are designed to oppress the people in the free exercise of their will in. conreason on a sufficiently strong and high plane, a lecture need not only not be prefaced with prayer, but that the poem as well could be dispensed with. This does not mean that the imaginaformity to moral and civil law. We tion would be dead. Within the realm works both ways, cooling the opposi- are inimical to our civil institutions and of reason imagination does its best dangerous to the welfare of the people. work. The symposium further revived the

Under this protest is included all acts elative to compulsory vaccination. knowledge that for all these 1900 years Resolved, that medical persecution the Christians have been doing the of the world," but we place Harrison D. throughout our country being now so very thing that their Christ told them rifice of his own and only son as an Barrett as the eighth, overshadowing arrogant and oppressive, that a test not to do, which was not to make an exhibition of themselves by praying in public to be seen of

possible to avoid the conviction that the Levites would let it alone, and not try ture is governed by law, which no atonement to himself for mortal sins. even the great Pyramids and the Hang. test case to determine the constitution-whole trend of the church is towards to manipulate it in the interest of their power can change. The priest and his It is just to say, this Bible God, with ing Gardens, causing us to again contiberalism. creeds. dupe may count their beads eternally,

life is a continuance of this.

their inculcations. .

wrote:

teach, and common sense corroborates'

Science and Theology.

Leckey, one of the world's most dis-

inguished writers and - thinkers, thus

"It is, indeed, marvelous that Science

her way. Together with a system of

at the same time so capricious, that it infallbiy came into collision with every discovery that, was not in accordance with the unaided judgments of the

Czolgosz Is Catholic.

Shamefully Deceived.

Many a lawyer has gone into court and is just what the advocates of the with what he thought an unquestion-able case, with the rulings of the Su- Anine. It was thought to be a foolish preme Court to sustain the position on We would suggest to the divine, that which his action was founded, to be no one, however manifold his guilt, met by the opposite attorney with an ever deserved an eternity of torture; "Beecher's Life of Christ." We find heaven. An immortal life is an inherit- caped." ourself in a similar dilemma. Relying implicitly on God's unerring Bible, we stated recently that he wrote with his will have much to learn and correct to to stay away; but it is apparent they own finger the law and the command- fit him for h.s new abode; while the ments which he gave to Moses. And evil must plod on in sorrow and grief we found several passages of sacred Scripture so stating. See Ex. 31:18-34:1-Deut, 4:13, etc.

But one of those carping critics against whom the church rebels, calls attention to Ex. 34:27, 28, wherein it is stated:

"And the Lord said unto Moses." Write thou these words. • • And he [Moses] was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread nor drink water. And he [Moses] wrote upon the table the words of the covenant, the ten commandments."

Through all the years of a long life we have credited the Lord, otherwise Jehovah, with having written these precious words, commanding us to senses, and therefore with the familiar worship no other God than he. Now expressions of the Jewish writers, we find, to our great mortification, it was Moses who did the manual labor,

and perhaps inspired the words. With these facts what becomes of the statement that the Lord gave unto

duced a condition of besotted ignor-Moses through a cloud on Mount Sinal 'two tables of testimony, tables of ance, of groveling and trembling crestone, written with the finger of God? We have been misled and deceived by except among the most degraded barbarians. Innovation of every kind was that story. As the commandments did down through a pift in the regarded a crime; superior knowledge not com clouds, as alleged, we begin to susscion the Lord had nothing to do with was shown in speculation, it was called the matter. As he "made the earth and heresy. If it was shown in the study all that in it is in six days," it always of Nature it was called magic. The dignity of Popedom was unable to save seemed incredible that he spent forty days and forty nights making those Gerbert from the reputation of a plates of stone. Now we learn it magician, and the magnificent laboration inexperienced Moses who spent so of Roger-Bacon were repaid by four magician, and the magnificent labors two Was much time on the job.

The N. S. A.

We publish this week the excellent lecture delivered by Hon. J. B. Townsend, at the National Convention at Washington. Also the comprehensive report by E. W. Sprague, and the resolutions adopted. Next week we will publish a report by Moses Hull.

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"A blow at government is a blow at water fall in consequence; neither can they protract a single breath of life, God." That is what the preachers maintained all through the revolution, nor abridge a single heart-beat. ports the Bassel mission at Plang-Tong, Northern Kwang-Tung, has over-ruled case which put him out of neither does any one, however virtuous burned by members of the Triad socourt, and sent his client kiting, like or worthy, ever merit the joys of clety of rebels. The missionaries es-

ance for the evil and the good, which We are glad the missionaries got no act of life can allenate. The future

away. We wish they had sense enough The bes have not. The later missionaries have put on for a past life, until he has made full the Chinese costume, and added the restitution for every wrong. Spirits so

plg tail appendage, hoping by such silly devices to deceive the devotees of Buddha and Confucius, and induce them to blte at the gilded balt of Ohris-

tianity: but the fraud did not succeed. The most successful missionary enterprise ever waged was probably commencing about 1204, the object to extend the blessings of the Gospel to

should ever have revived amid the the poor benighted Germans. They fearful obstacles theologians cast in were known as the Order of Sacred were known as the Order of Sacred Sword Bearers. With fire and sword Biblical interpretation so stringent, and they prosecuted their deadly work leaving bleaching bones and desolation in their trail. Their bloody hands were only stayed when the ruin was com plete. Similar methods must b adopted in China before the people can the lamented Ingersoli an Athelst. He be successfully Christianized.

To Be Starved into the Faith.

everything was done to cultivate a habit of thought the direct opposite of the habits of science. The constant ex-The good Ohristians of St. Kilda, one altation of blind faith, the countless of the islands of the Hebrides group, miracles, the childish legends, all prooff the west coast of Scotland, have got the bulge on heretics. Their minister. dullty, that can scarcely be paralleled. Rev. Mr. Fiddes, excited the wrath of the dormant church, by repudiating some portion of its creed. The islandexcited only terror and suspicion. If it ers refused to sell him any provisions in consequence, or allow any to be landed shipped to him from abroad. The last ship for-the season, says a telegram from Glasgow, sailed without supplying his needs because of the violent hostility of the churchmen, so the

poor man must revise his faith again. teen years of imprisonment, and many else starve. That is Protestant Christianity at the others of less severe but unremitting persecution. Added to all this, the over very dawn of the 20th century, as ex-

whelming importance attached to the-ology diverted to it all those intellects pounded where churchmen have full power to enforce the beauties of their ch in another condition of society would have been employed in the in vestigation of science."

Not a Sure Test,

A good Catholic priest gives it as his opinion that to tell a person to "go to It appeared in evidence during the hell" is prima facia evidence of the trial of the assassin of President Mcorthodoxy of the person so directing. Kinley, that Czolgosz was partly ed-We apprehend many persons use the ucated at a Catholic parochial; school, expression who would not plead guilty and that his religious instructors were to the soft impeachment of being Oatholics. That is the kind of "Inorthodox.

fidels," identical with Booth and "Gleanings from the Rostrum." By Guiteau, who assassinate Presidents. B. French. Oloth, \$1, For sale at The same breed are the assassins in this office.

It is just to say, this Bible God, with ing Gardens, causing us to again conso many peculiarities at which a sensibut they cannot make one drop of live mind revolts, is not the God we We bow in reverence to that adore: Master Mind, the Spirit of Nature, who

At It Again. "A cablegram from Hong Kong rebeing.

been

changeless law all the processes of

Judged Insane.

Scarcely a paper in our large exchange list without an item bearing the above heading. And reading on we very generally find "The unfortunate was mentally unbalanced on matters pertaining to religion."

The good old orthodox faith, with its angry God'and associates, its Devil and Hell, and a near by blazing world, is mainly censurable for these mental wrecks. If Spiritualism was responsible for such direful results, it would be inferred the system was defective, and the announcement of the fact, that the one on whom the Presidential laurels insane asylums are recruited from the that ranks of the new faith, would be the strongest argument against it. Why should not the same fact against ortho doxy militate against the damnable rett, makes our ranks seem like an arid teaching inculcated in its hellish creed?

Col. Ingersoll Misrepresented. It is most strange that well-informed was an Agnostic, and stood before the world as such. An Atheist denies there is a God, an overruling power that governs the universe. The Agnostic neither main the leading Spiritualist-paper. denies nor affirms; he doesn't know.

Here is an extract in point from the Colonel:

"There may be somewhere, for aught the ensuing year: H. D. Barrett, pres-I know, "upon the shore of the eternal vast, a being whose very thought is the ident; Thomas M. Locke, vice-presiconstellation of numberless stars. I do not know, but if there be, he has never written a Bible, he has never been in favor of slavery; he has never advocated polygamy, and he has never new board of trustees, which resulted told the niurderer to sheath his dagger in the selection of the following: I. C. I. in the dimpled breast of a babe,"

Writes Approvingly.

A lady patron writes from Western Kansas:

"Wasn't Mr. Tenney's article good? Why, it was worth a whole year's subscription to me. And the editorial. headed 'Not Mind Reading,' inspired me with more faith in-immortality than I ever possessed before. Either The Progressive Thinker is getting better and better each week, else I have grown to the point in knowledge where I can appreciate it better. I have sim-ply feasted on the last three numbers."

The good sister voices the opinion of thousands. And the numbers are constantly increasing. It is not wholly

selfishness on the publisher's part when tion of the paper.

gratulate him as being a modern Hercules whose very presence wins victorics and stampedes his opposers. That United States. knows no cessation or decay, whose he has a cinch on the Presidency of the reign spans eternity and a limitless N. S. A., seems to be self-evident. Oth-universe, guiding and upholding with ers who are claimed to be far more capable, far more business-like, with and suggests that active steps be taken larger claims for the position, might as to co-operate with all other forces look-

Ing to that end. Resolved That we are unalterably opwell take a seat in the rear wagon, and calmly and resignedly submit to this posed to capital punishment, believing that the best interests of society and man of destiny. They must remain as mere tools-lesser lights-to furnish ir- humanity at large will be subserved by paratively little satisfaction. ridescence to the figurehead, and thus imposing life sentences upon all criminals convicted of murder in the first desecure his election each year. gree.

proves the idea of holding an Interna-

tional Congress of Spiritualists at the World's Fair in St. Louis, Mo., in 1903,

The Fates, it is said, sometimes Resolved, That we give our unfalterrule peculiarly, leaving old veterans ing adherence to the great principle of and tried workers in the rear, and the liberty and free government, and deplore in the most emphatic terms all murmurs of discontent vanish only to sentiment and actions of an anarchadd force to the powers of the man of Istic nature. Resolved, That in the taking off of destiny to calm them. In view of these

facts we raise our hat, and bare our head to Harrison D. Barrett, the only most-horrible crime has been committed against man and government, and our nearly eighty millions of people will rest during his natural life on mourn not only the loss of a good citiearth. This dearth of those fit to be zen and honorable man, but one whom President of the N. S. A. save Mr. Barwe believe, as President of the United States, worked honestly for what he desert, while the skeleton in the Spirdeemed the best good of eighty millions of people. Resolved. That while the assassin of itualistic closet opens its mouth wide

with a ghastly grin, and extends its our beloved President has perhaps comhearty good wishes to all disappointed mitted the most of all possible crimes, journalists will persist in representing Spiritualists. It is the bounden duty of and that while he deserves a punishall the so-called lesser lights to cluster ment which will place him where he could under no possible circumstances around him, and calmly obey his berepeat the offence, we do not endorse hests, this man of destiny! In the mean the anarchy embraced in the following time The Progressive Thinker will repulpit utterances: "Lynch Czolgosz on the spot." "I wish the policeman who

arrested Ozolgosz liad, with the butt of his pistol, dashed his brains out." "I would have the. scoundrel blown to The following were elected to serve atoms."

Resolved. That when our martyred ed delegates to represent the I. S. S. A. President said of his assassin "Let no man hurt him; may God forgive him," he proved himself a worthy brother of our elder brother, Jesus, who said of his assassing, "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Resolved that we heartily endorse the action of the Wonewoc, Wis., camp-meeting association, and the Wisconsin State Association of Spiritualists assembled at such places. Resolved, That while we will do all in

our power to reform such persons, we cannot accept them as the proper ones to lead unbellevers to the light of our beautiful philosophy; their daily lives would compromise us more than

enough to overbalance the good their mediumship or their teaching might do. Resolved, That in order to cleanse the

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endorse and carry out resolutions simi-nar to the foregoing. Resolved, As we believe in love and for the spirit whether incarnate or de-carnate, that we deery the toolouser or decarnate, that we decry the jealousy ex- books. It is laden with rich, thoughtminates in slanderous and spiteful Price \$1.

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office.

interests of medical practitioners, be in-stituted and carried through if necesther shown that the few public praying Spiritualists, are, probably unwittingly, treading the same maze. sary to the Supreme Court of the It was further shown that the argu-Resolved, That the convention ap-

ment claiming that prayer harmonized an audience was founded on the lack of knowledge that the audience was already harmonized, that it was in harmony before it came, had come to hear the lecture and that the speaker could not get down to his business too soon

to please them. Of course there is excuse for the Christians whose sermons furnish com-The symposium did more: it caused the two wings of the same bird to move ogether more unitedly. Symposiums E. W. BALDWIN. forever!

Verona, Wis.

STATE ASSOCIATION.

William McKinley, our President, the To the Spiritualists of Illinois:

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ELLA M. JOHNSON, Sec'y., 11437 Harvard avenue, Chicago.

The Illinois State Spiritualists Association held a very interesting meeting at their office, 4203 Evans avenue, October 8, 1901, at 2 p. m., at which Dr. Geo. B. Warne, of Chicago, and Geo. H. Brooks, of Wheaton, Ill., were appoint-

> at the convention of the N. S. A. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: . President. Geo. B. Warne, Chicago: vice-president, Jas.

Freeman, Bloomington; secretary, Ella M. Johnson, Chicago; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma N. Warne, Chickgo, Trustees, Orrin Merritt, Genoa. Ill., Mrs. S. A. Brookins, Wheaton, Ill., Ervin A. Rice,

Chicago. Just before the close of meeting, the president with concurrence of delegates present, appointed the following persons to act as missionaries: Dr. En

Nickerson Warne, Dr. Arthur Houghton and Mrs. A. M. Lind. ELLA M. JOHNSON, Sec'y., 11437. Harvard avenue, Chicago,

dent; Theodore J. Mayer, of Washington, treasurer, and Mrs. Mary T. Longley, of Washington, secretary. The delegates then took up the election of a

Evans, of Washington; Alonzo Thompson, Fullerton, Neb.; C. D. Pruden, St. Paul, Minn.; and C. L. C. Stevens, of

The N. S. A. Officers.

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Meccssities of the Mour at the R. S. H. Convention, in Washington.

tion will youch for me to the extent of saying if I commit man, a man born into a world doing business on the com-Errors in what I have to say, they are of the head and not petitive plan, who slowly, through the methods adopted, of the heart. If my remarks deserve your censure, you out-generals his rivals, develops craft and shrewdness,

the words "Spiritualists must unite or perish," arouse proceeds to place and preferment, in the mean time growgreat opposition. My criticism on these utterances is ing cold and stolid and indifferent to the misfortunes of that they did not go far enough. For several years I his fellow-man, until at last comes the change called have waited, hoping that some one would be moved to speak plainly of the necessities of the hour: I therefore with the clairvoyant eye, watches the separation of the speak plainly of the necessities of the nour. I therefore with the clair organice, watches the separation of the break my silence and speak to that purpose, and shall begin by adding to those words, "We must unite or perish," a further declaration that unless we make an en-mathematically weighed. Now, what do we see clairtire change in our policy, "We ought to perish."

directing Spiritualism as a movement into an iconoclastic for paralytic body, forced upon the inhabitants of that world war. Let us try and be fair as we proceed. When spirit to the level of earth-bound spirits, who must be enlight-return was first announced, it awakened a wide-spread interest in the land, its novelty arousing the curiosity of the sacrificing mediums until, through their aid, such spirit world. This interest was manifested by all sections of is led into the realization of his spiritual plight. the people; in village, hamlet and country the school If this is not proof enough then watch the dissolution houses were thrown open to its lecturers and mediums; of a mortal whose life has run along the lines of altruistic the city councils of towns and cities vied with each other teachings. See the joy, the conscious vigor with which in passing resolutions, in tendering public halls and other he moves about. From experience, we Spiritualists know privileges to its workers; great men like Greeley, Parker, that this knowledge will be to man a great boon, and can Edmonds, Whittier, Longfellow, Garrison, Wade and only be made known to him through spirit return. hosts of others were soon deeply engrossed in studying its phenomena. In the twinkling of an eye, as it were, the scene was changed. That great organization, the churches, with their clergy, arose in opposition to the Spiritualists will all agree that the invisibles universally convert, through the gladness of his soul, attempted to guardian angels is through the function of prayer. explain spirit return to others, he found arising in his path this mailed hand. These veteran lecturers were followed to the threshold of their homes, their own kin were physical strain.

criticise our veterans in the course they thereupon through his soul, call to the spirit of the waters, to the adopted. The blows from the opposition came so thick them to hit back, giving blow for blow, and thus nat- mortal is in a profound soul silence, he can call to his kinurally the movement drifted into an iconoclastic war. The criticism I make is that Spiritualists still continue that soul may go out toward his tutelary gods and receive these attacks. Wherever we assemble, before the program of that day is through, some speaker, amidst applause, will arise and proceed to lampoon the churches. In doing this we are simply threshing out old straw. Our vet-

(voyantly? The worldly man's spirit a helpless, dwarfed,

Originally the veterans of our cause were excusable for paralytic body, forced upon the inhabitants of that world

further spread of this doctrine. They pronounced it the say that they are desirous of co-operating with man, and work of Satan, or, on the other hand, declared it a fraud. in fact do not care to journey to other planets, or systems So active were they in their opposition that they forced of worlds, until we on earth recognize that all men are of it out of public places and compelled the students of its one blood and with their assistance and teachings, phenomena to carry on their investigations secretly and establish here upon earth the state of Universal Brotherunobserved by the masses. Should a member of the hood. Thus far we can surely go without dissent. When church, or any other individual be known to be partici- we come to discussing ways and means of connecting ourpants in its investigation, they came immediately under selves with the inhabitants of the higher spheres, we find the ban of the churches. Speakers who had begun and there is more or less difference of opinion as to method were endeavoring to extend its philosophy, were treated and condition. All are anxious that the way be found. as if they were the enemies of humanity. Whenever a I maintain that the bridge, or ladder from mortal to his

To make my meaning clear, permit me to resort to analogy and contrast. The soul, for the spirit body, performs functions similar to that of the heart for the physiforced into the attitude of enemies. The mediums, those cal body. As long as the physical life continues the heart chosen instruments of the angel world, whom we believe is active, while the soul, the other pole of life, lies dorshould be housed in palaces and surrounded with love mant. In the experience of many of our sensitives, we and care, were compelled to wander up and down this can see there are times when the physical is tranquil, that land, gaining their livelihood as best they could, forced the spirit within takes on quite a degree of activity. to exhibit their talents every hour of the day and every Often we hear someone say that a friend at a distance has day of the week, until they gave way under the great for a moment, seen his counterpart and been impressed

with some message of love. We know if mortal can calm In the face of these conditions it would be inhuman to the physical man amidst surroundings of nature, he may spirit of the mountains, and at those times receive back and fast that self-defense and self-preservation forced the baptism of Nature. Again we know that when the

dred in the worlds beyond. At those supreme moments back from them, along the currents of the soul, wisdom and inspiration. This state we call a state of prayer.

Spiritualists must advocate the use of prayer, if they are to eliminate fraud and dissimulation from the seance erans while fighting in self-defense, worked a change in room. We know that if a number of curiosity seekers the forbidding features of existing religions. Under surround an instrument of more or less selfishness and their deadly thrusts, Hades and its dwellers, including loose purposes, they thereby let down the bars for an inhis Satanic Majesty, vanished into thin air; the diabolical flux of earth-bound spirits; that if the seance room is to belief in infant damnation and the barbarous notion of be freed from deceit, the participants must invoke those privilege of inaugurating a struggle, the successful issue vicarious sacrifice also went tumbling after him. The lofty spirits who control the realms beneath them; for which will result in freeing forever the immortal man, churches still stand, and they are frequented by people like attracts like. They must have in their hearts spirit-of religious and serious temperament. Their creeds, their ual purposes, and with this granted it will not be difficult see living in abject slavery. dogmas, the very complexion of the pulpit's utterances to repel fraud and remove obsession; therefore we say

Frankness requires me to say, in advance of my re-marks, that my place on to-day's program, is a matter of my each nave for years control of a physical organiza-it believe every officer in this organiza-my own seeking. I believe every officer in this organiza-it believe every officer in the away in a man born into a world doing business on the com-it could be average to the every officer in this organiza-it believe every officer in the be the experience of others. In addition to our own expe- Selfishness must be burnt out! rience, if we talk with pioneers in charge of .other reforms, we find that they declare the cause of indifference in reference to existing religions. I reply: "That of good Ever since the May convention in New York, the comes to regard himself as one of the lords of creation. is due to the terporized state of the majority of mankind fellowship." As to our attitude towards the scriptures, Spiritual press has had much to say, both pro and con, His horse, his wife, his business, in fact all that relates to for the want of raiment and food, and the feur that on concerning the addresses there delivered, especially did self, now fill him with pride and conceit. On and on he the morrow after their death, their offspring, their dear seer, Moses Hull. As to their Christ, we regard him an ones, may be turned into the streets and scuffed about as unrivaled medium and a grand Altruist; hence we can have, millions before them under similar conditions. graciously designate him "Our Elder Brother," and we Spiritualists, more than any other class, know that spirit churches to call on the Invisibles, the Elder Brother, or directed toward benefiting the inner man, must wait until bring about a Universal Brotherhood. To our Spiritualthis obstacle is removed. Spiritualists as a class should istic brethren who have misgivings about prayer, we sugbe ready to declare that the next great humanitarian re- gest they call on our Indian spirit brethren who are doform-is the issue of Economic Equality. Our inspired ing noble work to aid them. In talking to the public, let Tuttle says, "We are coming to a crisis in the accumula- us draw from our philosophy what may fit man's needs. tion of wealth. There must be a change or the flaming We have many bright pages to which we can turn for insword of revolution will avenge the wrong." I say if we struction. From Andrew Jackson Davis down to the adopt the teachings of Bellamy and proceed one step present workers, we find a hundred or more writers,

ism, in effect we shall have established the state of glorious science and philosophy. Prenatal culture, men-Universal Brotherhood.

works directly or indirectly to accomplish the great pur- thought, power of love, will furnish themes for future poses of destiny, we might very properly be asked on work. what lines this evolution will proceed. Looking over the In conclusion permit me to say that Spiritualists

history of our own people we can glean events which may should be the rainbow of hope. Spiritualists, like an be used to illustrate our meaning. I refer to the founda- army in Israel, must move out upon the stage of action, tion of this republic. The mother country had meddled bearing in their hands a banner on which shall be inbearing, in their hands a banner on which shall be inwith the traffic and trade of the colonies until they were scribed: "We declare that all men are of one blood, and restless under these restraints. Everywhere agitation that a republic shall be builded based upon a state of was seen, and the remedy generally adopted was to pray Universal Brotherhood." Our religion will then appeal and petition the King for redress. But this was not to to man's needs and should lead to a great spirilual be the course of events. The lofty angels in whose hand revival. Thinking that I may make clearer my meaning, I shall

rests the career of this Nation, touched the brain of the as a recapitulation, add the following resolutions: immortal patriot author, Thomas Paine, and the clarion words of "Unite or perish," rang out over the land, and Resolved, That the first effect of spirit return upon from his pamphlets, "Common Sense" and "The Crisis," mortals is to destroy the fear of death. Resolved, That its great message shows mortals how the people of that day were taught that a greater issue was involved than they saw on the surface, and that issue was through co-operation with spirits they can establish upon the establishment of a government based upon the inearth the state of Universal Brotherhood. Resolved, That spirit teaching convinces man that

alienable rights of man, that now, for all time, the doctrine of the divine right of kings was to be exploded and sovereignty located within the breast of every human body, and in order to develop it requires a good, sound being.

Economic Equality. Passing rapidly through the succeeding years, we find our nation growing in prosperity and extending its Resolved, That the next humanitarian reform will be Economic Equality; that the next great spiritual reform boundaries along the shores of two oceans. Deeply interested in trade and commerce, we appeared to be inwill be the union of Economic Equality with Altruized different to the iniquities of slavery. The angel world Spiritualism.

saw that that cancer was sending its roots down into the Resolved, That the phenomena of spirit return inevitably leads the investigator into the science, philosovery souls of our people, and that our ideas of right and wrong were being dulled by its effects, and now the hand phy and religion of Spiritualism. which shapes our destiny touched the brain of Phillips, Resolved, That the controversy with the churches is Garrison, Wade, Greeley, Whittier, Longfellow, Harriet ended; that we adopt the works of Moses Hull as our Beecher Stowe, and so on, until the immortal Lincoln signed the decree abolishing slavery forever from our them in promulgating the Altruistic teaching of the Elder Brother, the Christ. domain.

These were grand issues, but to a large extent the nave reached an altruistic state, are children; that lofty efforts then, as in all previous struggles of man, were to improve his physical and material state. The spirit man, spirits and soul-developed mortals can co-operate, and the man we know resides within every physical organizathe latter be led by the former by establishing connection through prayer. This we understand to be a state, a postion, has not been thought of in these great struggles. In fact it is for Spiritualists to discover to science and ture of the soul, a going out of the soul, a wholesome exmankind that there is such a thing as a spirit body within crcise which develops the muscles of the soul and the physical organization, and to disclose further that strength to maintain connection with the higher spheres, that spirit, by reason of its environment, sits shackled a telephone on which the soul of mortal can call to his and in slavery. To Spiritualists is given the God-like aid the multitude of celestial guides, and on its currents receive back vibrations, instruction, inspiration.

Maintaining as I do that the next issue will be the this country several millions who are not connected with a truer knowledge of the nature of man stion of Economic Equal umanitarian que

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The question might be asked what should be our policy Light, air and water are free, while bread is secured only shall vie with them in teaching the world his altruistic through war under the name of competition. Therefore, principles. As to the subject of prayer, we advise the return, or the wholesome influence of any reform his followers, to co-operate with them in an effort to further by uniting Nationalism to an Altruized Spiritual- speakers and mediums who together have wrought out a In the light of our theory that the invisible world notism, clairvoyance, clairaudience, obsession, power of

within each mortal organization there resides a spirit

Resolved, That we claim spirits and mortals, until they

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Not one, but every day, feast, fast, and ended; that we adopt the works of Moses Hull as our working day, reast, that and morking day, position on the Bible; that in future we shall vie with The spiritual significance burn through

The hieroglyphic of material shows, Henceforward he would paint the globe with wings."

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Resolved, That next to extending the knowledge of spirit return, is the necessity of uniting its present be-lievers into an harmonious organization. There are in this country several millions who are not connected with ind his relations t tend to a popularity. OTHER BOOKS BY LILIAN WHIT-ING: Kate Field, A Record. Price \$2.

are radically changed as a result of the original contro- that prayer, the state of aspiration, is essential to the versy; therefore, there are no further honors or achieveseance room and the rostrum.

ments to justify our prolonging such debates, and the only excuse I can offer is that having originally been mortal is having his career shaped for him by the invisiforced into a spirit of war, its victories cast over our fol-lowers an hypnotic influence, and under its spell, we are Nobody questions the doctrine that a child, during its inlike Sancho, engaged in a hand to hand encounter with fancy, is "watched over," and its destiny in the hands of wind-mills.

What right have we, as custodians of spirit return, to sacred by our fellow-man, as well as pounding uscless, dead issues. I maintain that in so doing we load down spirit return with our idiosyncrasics and infirmitics, Spirit return is a stupendous fact, and in solving man's needs, should be the most potential fact in the universe. In our hands it is fast becoming a mere provincialism reits use to petty strife and selfish ends. Spiritualists, look about you! See your fellow-man and direct the energies of this great Truth toward meeting his needs. What are the lessons to be drawn from the experience of other religions? For centuries they have been concerned over a these lofty controls: heaven, some far off world removed from man and his present needs. In these days they lack the cohesive power of great spiritual fervor, and indifference has spread among their members. If Spiritualism is to be- ings. come a moving force, we must avoid these indexempty to direct our machinery, our religion and our philosophy to lentless war. Fourth—That the veteran, unaided by organization, Fourth—That the veteran, unaided by organization, come a moving force, we must avoid these mistakes and and strife, we, the custodians of spirit return, find our- forced to fight in each community single handed and selves as a movement, steadily falling behind. To-day alone, would with each added victory, develop an arrowe appear to be at the foot of the hill. To continue con- gance and pride that would eventually lead to-the merchant, the transporter, the banker, the distributing troversy will transform Spiritualists into Materialists. worship of ego. In the light of these experiences, we should face about, begin the work of construction, and bring these controversies, as a chapter in our history, to a close. Construction is Godlike and will spiritualize our people, and each

step should be taken amidst harmony and concord. We surely can agree:

First—That every mortal has within his physical body a spiritual body.

Second-That to all intents and purposes, all mortals are, while on this earth, really in spirit life. In the language of our great. Tuttle, "We are spirits while in this life, and earth is the first sphere of heaven."

Third-These two propositions being conceded, the work with which we should be employed should be gerwill agree that in so far as it has been in their power to pitfalls and fogs.

perform deeds of kindness and altruistic work on earth, they have experienced their highest delight; that is the turn, would awaken from their trance and see that their special issue, as it belongs to a class which we must leave ecstasy of the soul.

Before proceeding in the search for other points of to petty purposes, and profiting from the lessons to be popularize spirit return by altruizing Spiritualism, and agreement, let us see what these truths mean for the drawn from their experiences, bestir themselves to free freeing it from the spirit of selfishness. It is conceded world. By securing a wide hearing from our fellow-man, we could use our speakers and mediums to show man this first grand Truth: that he has a spirit body within his ings of their hearts that these errors were due to lack of open alliance with us is our next harvest field. Granted physical organization; that purity, virtue and goodness understanding, and that the time would come when our that these millions believe in spirit return, then their are not diagrams drawn by the intellect, but are natural states; that goodness and spirituality are not matters of ing in accordance with the laws prevailing in the spheres of Spiritualists. To secure their co-operation, as well as metaphysics, but great scientific truths, and that living of the soul. the Golden Rule is absolutely essential to our proper de-

Another subject of contention is the doctrine that

of following and being guided by the parent, and as we be seen with deadly bludgeons in our hands? If we, in look at mortal and his conduct here on earth, we realize humanitarian issue lies in the future. For the present I these peaceful days, claim to be the representatives of the that until he attains to a high state of soul culture, he is see the American people the most prosperous nation on angel world, what more do we need in our hands than likewise an infant compared with the guiding hands of the globe. I believe they are in the hands of destiny, day commune with the lofty spirits and send out to each olive branches? Yet, like blind men, we are still striking these exalted intelligences. Therefore, until the earth- and will lead all other people in this commercial era. We out in every direction, often hitting things regarded as child attains to this state, he must come under the guid- have a great continent filled with natural resources, and ing hand of destiny, either directly through mediumship, or indirectly, as we now believe the masses to be affected their thrift and their industry will enable them in time by those decrees from above. No miracle is performed, but simply destiny working through natural law. In be conceded that the American citizen is the successful brief, when speaking of destiny I want to be understood man, and the highest type of civilization. He will then as saying that until each individual attains the altruistic be respected and followed. garded as our exclusive possession, and we are narrowing state, the state wherein the soul and its laws dominate, we are but children guided by lofty spirits.

It might be well asked, "To what extent have Spirit- up by combination, and there is no serious objection, for ualists come under the decrees of destiny?" What we now all men realize that competition is war. Combinasee as we look backward, must have been foreseen by tion is on, and it will proceed until these industries are

great interest.

Second-That the clergy would soon oppose its teach-

Fifth-That under the pressing wants of material life, the first instinct of the mortal would be to use the spirit the Nationalism of Bellamy may be an improvement over for bettering the physical man, and that such purpose the present state." The nation proceeds in its career, and would attract a multitude of earth-bound spirits who in the course of time meets a period of financial distress would be ready to work out every material wish expressed which, from the very nature of things, will probably be by the mortal.

making experiments for the purpose of benefiting self who have centralized in their hands the wealth of the naand a select few who gathered about some favorite me- tion, finding that there are no other markets for their

Seventh-It will be readily seen, like attracting like, that earth-bound spirits, or those recently entering the Economic Equality thus settled." mane to their truths, and the teachings of the invisibles spirit world, would, through said mistakes, be brought to bring us to the realization that our work here, like their comprehend their helplessness and ignorance, and event- calling government an evil, man will come to look upon employment, should be a work of service. Spiritualists ually the boundary line of earth and spirit be freed from government as the largest possible combination for his

point of observation, how is the next step in destiny, pure devotion to the interest of others. Economic Equality, to be worked out? Give us your its parents. We concede this is the natural attitude, that idea as to the line of least resistance in this reform." In answer, I should have to say: "I believe that this

to dominate the markets of the world. Eventually it will

"As time proceeds, the working of destiny will slowly develop within. To-day competition is being swallowed all gathered under one roof. Now man, in this period, First—That spirit return would, by its novelty, arouse as in all others, must be taught by object lessons. The masses, the middle classes, the millions that have here tofore stood opposed to changing the functions of government and have regarded man as naturally depraved, Third-That opposition would result in a bitter, re- as one who could not be trusted but simply spurred on by punishment or reward, have stood like a stone wall against a change. Now as these great combinations are exploited, dividends must be carned for the holders of their securities. The middle classes who constitute the agents and manufacturers, will, one by one, be affected by these changes, and in time come to say that after all y the mortal. Sixth—That before man would turn this discovery to middle class will join with the others who now urge the the uses of the entire race, he would first exhaust it in necessity of Economica Equality. The capitalistic class dium. It was destined that spirits as well as mortals securities, will quietly drop into the idea that the best should be taught; and, without bloodshed or civil war, we shall find the issue of 2

> This issue is not an attack on government; instead of zood.

methods resulted in the subordination of this grand truth in the hands of destiny. Our work for the present is to spirit return from their infirmities. Having reached this that there are seven or eight millions of people who beillumination, they surely would know from the sound- lieve secretly in spirit return. To lead these people into people would commence the real work, that of upbuild- holding aloof must be due to criticisms of the personnel that of the higher spirits, our duty is plainly to put into

iritual as ciations, that they stay away because of the in the audience might say, "Mr. Townsend, this is Social-selfishness, the egotism and strife among ourselves. To be the morality and increasing happlies. The book is characterized by the ism. Do you claim that Socialism is near at hand? You soften these asperities and eventually induce these waithave been engaged in large enterprises mingled with ing millions to join our ranks we say that in the future have insured for "The World Beautistatesmen, politicians and men of wealth. From your the chief good and supreme end of conduct shall be a ful" volumes an almost world wide

To that end we recognize the highest aim of each individual Spiritualist is the development and purification of the body so that this temple of the spirit shall reflect the greatest inspiration.

Resolved, That Spiritualists, as a body, should each other altruizing thoughts, looking toward Altruism, here and now.

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Has some misfortune fallen to your lot This, too, will pass away-absorb the thought,

And wait; your waiting will not be in vain. Time gilds with gold the iron links of pain.

The dark to-day leads into light to-morrow; There is no endless joy, no endless sorrow.

Are you upon earth's heights? No cloud in view? Go read your motto once again: This, Too,

Shall Pass Away; fame, glory, place and power-They are but little baubles of the hour

Flung by the ruthless years down in the dust. Take warning) and be worthy of God's trust. Use well your prowess while it lasts; leave bloom,

Not blight, to mark your footprints to the tomb.

The truest wisdom in a happy mind. He who desponds, his Maker's judgment mocks;

The gloomy Christian is a paradox Only the sunny soul respects its God.

Since life is short we need to-make it broad; Since life is brief we need to make it bright.

Then keep the old King's motto well in sight,

And let its meaning permeate each day. Whatever comes, "This, Too, Shall Pass Away."

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The story of the miraculous conception, the ascent of Abandoning this figure of speech, let us turn our our daily lives the teachings of the invisibles. We have Christ into heaven, the temptation, the opening of his welopment on earth. If this is not true, then a life lived thoughts to man's pressing needs and see what our phil- often heard spirits say that they think nothing of labor- grave by an angel, etc., was taken bodily from the religion on the opposite line, of craft, of cunning, of deceit, of osophy has to offer in his behalf. Experience shows us ing for years to control some medium through whom of the Buddhists .- E. W. Howe.

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Hattle Tiffany writes from Alliance Ohlo: "The Independent Church opened its meetings October 6, with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Carpenter, of Detroit, Mich. They lectured and gave messages, which were all recognized. We had a good attendance, and expect to have a arge audience before they leave, as Mrs. Carpenter always gives good lectures and all are well pleased with her work wherever she goes. I hear that Mrs. Herrick and Mrs. Nellie Mosler are doing a good work at Conneaut this month, with large attendance."

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Demorest, of Pittsburg, Pa., can be addressed at the St. Charles Hotel, Williamsport, Pa., for one month.

G. W. Kates and wife may be permanently addressed at 1744 Natronia street, Philadelphia, Pa. Mail will be promptly forwarded to them. They will serve the New York State Association during October; Philadelphia, Novemper; Pittsburg, December.

Lyman C. Howe will lecture in Norwich, Conn., during October and No rember. L. Leighan, Rio Dell. Cal., thinks that

if the assassin of President McKinley could be put under hypnotic influence, that there might be some startling revelations.

Homer B. Austin speaks favorably of

H. W. Boozer, of Grand Rapids, WRITE PLAINLY .- We would like Winans. He says his gifts are gaining He has also a good word for C. B. Nichols, whom he claims has remarka-

the drowned, etc. L. Murphy writes: "Dr. Bishop oc-

Miss Gertrude Knott, of Cassadaga,

N. Y., and Mr. Frank Knopp, of Roches-ter, N. Y., were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents, Mrs. M. E. Thatcher, of Jamestown, officiating. They will be at home at Rochester after October 1.

Captain Geo. W. Walrond, 306 Opera House Block, Denver, Col., owing to his very severe and almost fatal attack of congestion of the liver, will not be istie services until Sunday, November

3, and Wednesday, November 6. Ilis large spacious rooms in the Opera House Block are especially adapted for Spiritual meetings. This is Mr. Walrond's seventh year of continuous work for the cause in Denver. His past success has been simply phenomenal. C. J. Henderson, of Carthage, S. D.

has gone to Northfield, Minn., to attend the funeral of his mother. On the night of his mother's death Mr. Henderson had an experience which is one of those mysterious manifestations so often tes tified to by reputable people and so hard to understand. Henderson did not know that his mother was sick, and was not in the least worrled about her condition. While sound asleep he was awakened by the vision of his mother, who appeared to him plainly and bade him good-by. He was, so impressed by the occurrence that he felt sure his mother was dead, and at once began preparations for going to Northfield. He had nearly completed the preparations when he received a telegram an-

nouncing her demise. A comparison with the time of his mother's death and the appearance of the vision showed that they were within the same hour and almost, if not exactly, at the Identical moment.-Record-Herald.

E. J. Bowtell writes from Olneyville, "The Spiritual Society com-R. I.: menced meetings here for the season October 6. In the afternoon, invocation by the pastor, followed by an address by Mr. J. T. Fletcher, after which Mrs. S. E. Humes, of Providence, R. I., occu-pled the rostrum. In the evening the resident' speaker, E. J. Bowtell, with tests by Mr. Mendowcroft, of Provi-dence. Both meetings were well at-

tended. There will be services throughout the season in Library Hall, Olney-

"On the 9th inst. we had with us

"Within nine days that fine mare will

is president of the Ladles' Ald. Mr. Clark was presented with a gold watch chain and charm; Mrs. Clark with a Mrs. Clark are both workers for Spiritualism and its truths. May their pathway be bright." S. Hartman writes from Wheeling,

W. Va.: "After the departure of Bro. and Mrs. Sprague, those graud and use-ful mediums, we held a well-attended meeting at McClain's Hall, at which the writer gave a discussion on Spiritualism and Ancient Religions. Mr. H Brunhause, of Wheeling, started last night, the 13th, to Washington, D. C., as a delegate to the convention from our society, which now numbers over one hundred. We have started a small

library, Miss Nellie Silvey is librarian." M. J. Morley writes: "J. S. Loveland has struck the keynote in The Progressive Thinker of October 5, and if not too late I would respectfully present his name for president of the N. S. A." E. S. Dillon writes from Wheeling,

W. Va.: "We are having a grand revival of Spiritualism here, and the interest is intense and many are coming to the fold and accepting the truth of spirit return through the instrumentality of the silver tongued orator and mediams, C. W. Sprague and his gifted wife. They have been among us the past two weeks as missionaries of the National Spiritualists' Association, and have been lecturing and giving tests to our people. Their audiences were large appreciative. Mrs. Sprague is a

very genial and gifted lady who, in spite of her grand powers, conducts herself with modesty and refinement when on the rostrum. She follows Mr. Surague with tests that in many instances are so convincing as to bring tears to the eyes of many in the audience. Through their efforts a society was formed which starts with eighty dve charter members. The name is the First Progressive Spiritual Society of Wheeling, W. Va., with II. Brun-

hause as president, and Mrs. Carnol, secretary." F. Corden White has removed to 74 West Thirty-fifth street, New York. After the audience had joined in slifeing "America," at a Spiritualist meet

at Conneaut, Ohio, and Mr. Ring

had offered an invocation he began discourse, the theme being "What is Spiritualism?" He said: "The inspiration that led Moses to Sinal's smoking height to receive the written messages on tablets of stone is the same that leads to the slate-written messages which mediums receive to-day. The fact that Gabriel, an angel of the Lord. appeared to Joseph and Mary and foretold the birth of Jesus the Christ, established the law of spirit communion, and Jesus in the last chapter of Mark assured his followers that every believer would be blessed with similar gifts. The fundamental teachings of modern Spiritualism, which originated fifty-three years ago the thirty-first day of last March, and has awakened a responsive vibration in the intelligence of

every nation on the globe, are identical with the true spiritual basis of the religion of Jesus the Christ. The golden rule is all the creed necessary and the laws of nature our only guide." Dr. Nellie C. Mosler was introduced after another song had been rendered. Dr. Mosler said: "I expect the honest belief of every person because I once lived on faith, but I grew tired of being put off with 'God moves in strange mysterious way his wonders to perform" when I

asked to know something of Delty and the after life, and I obeyed the admoultion of Paul and added unto my faith knowledge. This evening I hope to come enraptured with some of your spirit friends who have gathered here a mighty host. Though unseen by mortal sense our acparted loved ones walk beside us in our pligringe here and are God's ministering spirits." Dr. Mosler then, as if acting interpreter for

the spirit voices which are too spiritual

Win, McKinley, which, with the appro-priate musical pelections, made a very nice memorial service. At night I had gold ring set with a ruby and two thirty minutes to extend greetings from pearls, also a beautiful opera shawl, as Texas and Galgeston, and Mr. Hull fola tokce of our appreciation, as Mr. and lowed. Then Mr. Emerson gave messages. The services were very well at-tended through the day and at night crowded. I have spent the week here visiting, and last night lectured, and Dr. Nellie C. Mosler gave messages. Rev. D. A. Herrick and Mrs. Mosier are engaged here for the month of October. Sunday I start from Columbus to Washington. Frank T. Ripley can be engaged for

lectures and tests for the Sundays of November, December and January at reasonable terms. He is now serving the West Side Spiritualists' Church of Columbus, Ohlo, the second month glying good satisfaction. Address all letters to him at 130 West Rich street. Levi Wood, South Haven, Mich. writes: "I made a recent visit to Battle Creek, hoping to meet some old-time friends of twenty years ago. A chain of most gratifying events met me at every turn. I met the surviving companion of Daniel Powers, a true and carnest man in our cause, and the fates so shaped events that all of his sons drove to town that day, and it was an nounced in the dally papers that Rev. know that persons of a certain temper-Jessie D. O. Powers' family of that ament are liable to this danger, espe-cially if they are ignorant of the law. county would preach in the Independent Congregationalist Church on Sun This young man in whom the news day, and his subject would be "The Gospel Needed for This Age.' Some paper correspondents have validly tried to find the lineaments of the villain, is sixteen years ago he attended our sodescribed as weak in body, and probacials and circles, a mere boy at the bly weak also in will power, easily imtime, and he would give us a short talk; pressible. His honest, candid stateto-day he is standing before large aument that he killed the President bediences proclaiming the pure facts of the spiritual philosophy. It was also announced that the Rev. L. E. Great-head, an ex-Methodist minister, would shows the influence behind the deed. preach in the Spiritualist Hall on Sunday evening, and his theme was that he now found himself a free man after and "don't know why he done it." these long years of labor in the ministry. He had met with a change of heart, and found the true God, whom to know is life eternal, and a bright future. There was a refreshment entertainment also; an afternoon literary or thought circle. All were well patronized and much interest manifested. I fluences, who can withstand the also found The Progressive Thinker in nearly every family, which shows its appreciation by the people as an in-structor and aid in the study of the occult sciences, as it costs so little money compared to its real worth as an exbut spiritually-minded people who pouent of the higher . thought. I also practice what we preach? paid a visit to Mr. Julius Gault, hear Galesburg, of which many reports have mitigate the punishment decreed. But been given of his daughter, Miss Alma. I do believe that the united force of She possesses wonderful mediumistic sympathy from one thousand souls will gifts as a writing medium. She will reach him and help him to pass through engage in a lively conversation; never the ordeal with fortitude. Has he not looks at her writing, and writes from already suffered enough? right to left; commencing at the bottom line, she writes very rapidly and plain. to pity the erring and unfortunate, to One is obliged to turn the paper upside join me in a strong wave of sympathy down to read the messages given,

which are fine." Msr. Bertha Cummings writes: "Laura B. Payne is now at her home in Topeka, after filling a long list of engagements in Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa all is over. and Missourl. She will probably remain here all winter as pastor of the shurch of Spiritualism. That society opened meetings Sunday evening, Oc tober 6. It is the desire of the society to retain her as speaker for the winter months if possible."

not spent in vain. Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley is located at 526 Milwaukee street, Milwaukee, Wis., for October and November, and will answer calls for funerals and week night meetings.

Thomas Harding writes: "Mr. Henry H. Warner, of Boston, Mass., Is lecturing in the Free Church of Sturgis, weak!" Mich., morning and evening, every Sunday, and giving good satisfaction." Cel. Freeman, a prominent Spiritual-

themselves as to which fills that measure of Brother Hull's "cullud geni'man." We had a good time, the ist of Bloomington, Ill., and a member of the Illinois Spiritualist State Association, was in the city last week

L. Dustin writes from Rochester, N. Y .: "The Spiritualists of Rochester for common sense, gave the names of a have been afforded a rich treat by the number of spirits who greeted her. She return to us of our former pastors, the

choicest thoughts attend them."

individual on my part. On my own re-sponsibility I rented the hall, paid for

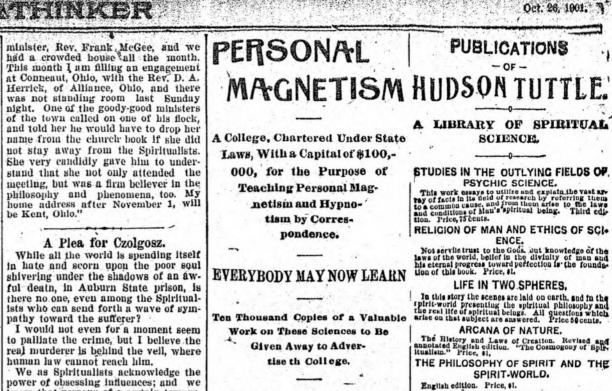
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anyone can learn these sciences in a few days at home, and use the power with-Probably nothing would now avail to out the knowledge of his most intimate

friends. The reporter asked for the names and sonally. Several hundred were offered. ANGELL PRIZE CONTEST I call upon all those who have a heart four. The replies received were more and hope in the power of the unseen than sufficient to convince the most skepto be derived from this mighty power. There were absolutely no failmes. All had learned to make practical use of the sciences. The following extructs are

J. H. Schneller, 1412 Avon st., La Crosse, Wia, writes: "Hypnotism truly reveals the secrets of life and the mysteries of nature. My own father could not have convinced me of its wonderful power if i had not setually tested it for myself. I consider a knowl-edge of it invaluable to those who wish to get the most out of life: to those who wish to achieve suc-cess and live up to the full measures of their power billites.

billies. Mrs. Effic M. Watson, Martinsville, Ind., writes "Hypatism opens the road to health, happiness, and prosperity. It should be studied by every one. I would not part with my knowledge of it for any shoust. The instructions have developed within me a force of character, an ability to influence and com-trol people that I did not dream I could acquire.

J. W. Clinger, M. D., Springfield, Ohlo, writes: "I have used the methods of hypnotism taoght by the American College of Keirness in two cases of dimenti American operations with perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-puter in the second perfect success. It is a com-in less than than three days. The book is grand. Been the second perfect success of the second perfect seco

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Mrs. Annie M. Clark, trance and medium, has arrived in this trumpet elty, and has opened rooms at 2541 In-liana avenue. She comes here recom-mended by many of the best people of Anderson, Ind. They thoroughly endorse her. She will visit any part of the city where desired and hold trumpet scances. We wish her abundant

success.

George Friend writes from Toledo. Ohio: "I say one dollar. Who says another? See President Harrison D. Barrett's annual report to the N. S. A., in No. (200 of The Decent in No. 620 of The Progressive Thinker. as relates to 'Medical Persecutions.' 1 take the view that it involves upon every magnetic, mind, faith, divine, and christlan science healer to rally to the support, and gladly contribute to meet the expenses of a test case which has been proposed. To-day we are slaves to class-legislation and medical monopoly which should have no part with true friends of liberty."

Mrs. C. Partridge, psychometrist, has chapged her place of residence to in Mansfield, where the last Spiritual society dwindled out a number of years 2576 Fulton street, one block south and ago. Mr. Arna's next stop will be at one west of 48th street station of Lake Lima, Ohio." street elevated. David Williams writes from Utica,

W. F. Peck writes: "I am pleased with your 'Prayer Number' of The Pro-G. W. Kates and wife, who presented gressive Thinker, and glad to see so the claims of Spiritualism in a clear, substantial a majority who appreciate logical and instructive manner to a the true significance and spiritual helplarge and appreciative audience. At the close of the lectures, Mrs. Kates gave a number of spirit messages, which were all recognized. They should fulness of prayer." Mrs S. E. Reed writes: "I was pleased with your paper of October 10, devoted to prayer, and among the be kept constantly in the field, as they arena of writers will only add that I alare doing noble work for the elevation ways felt ashamed of a speaker who of humanity to a higher plane of spirit-

had to have a prop of an invocation to juni unfoldment." lean on.'

Some one from West Superior, Wis. sends money to this office, but falls to then you will die. This was the prophsign name.

J. A. Cunningham writes: "We must all acknowledge some higher power han man that we should reverence in ll of our deliberations. Soul-prayer, silent prayer to the unseen forces, often on the evening of the ninth day, the brings sweet relief. I shall never consent to be debarred of that liberty. My heart and soul go out for the uplifting and clevating of all mankind to truer and nobler purposes of life,' and in so doing I commune with the spirit

ably caused the man's death by the psychic effect upon him. But the quesworld. L. A. Sherman writes from Munns-tion remains, who is the woman? For ville, N. Y.: "I often wonder how I ever only Dr. Lemberger knew her and he lived without it. I have two of the never told her name. Miss Kate Schuspremium books, and for them I thank ter, who was to have been married to you. I would like to tell our speakers the doctor the latter part of this month, where they can find a hall and lighted does not know the woman, neither does for the asking. It is at Norwich, N. Y., her sister, Mrs. Schweitzer, who kept house for the doctor. Several weeks about forty miles from Oneida. It is a town of about six thousand inhabi-tants. For further information apply ago Dr. Lemberger was called to attend a sick child. The physician and the to T. S. Baker, Norwich, N. Y." family differed as to the diagnosis. He

E. W. Pirnan writes from Minnesota: claimed it was diphtheria, placarded the place and enforced the sanitary measures that the law provides. The family objected bitterly. The baby died. One of the family then visited "It seems to me that I could not hossibly do without your most valuable paper. I have had it for several years. paper. I have had it for several years. I think more of The Progressive Think-er than any dally paper I have ever the physician's office on Goss avenue to "wish him ill."--Chicago Chronicle,

seen. It is as welcome in my house as any friend could be. I only wish that Co-worker writes: "The First Society every family in the United States of Spiritualists of Lansing, Mich., held would take it, and most especially, the preachers of the gospel, as I think they would somewhat change their ways in preaching, although I am glad to state that many of the elergy are rapidly healers Lansing ever knew. Mrs. Clark

gave a description of their condition at transition so that their friends recog-nized them. They were each acknowl-Arthur S. and Mrs. M. E. Gilliland-Arthur S. and ans. A. E. (masker Howe, of Boston, Mass., will answer calls for platform or circle work at edged by some one in the audience. Those present who understood the phenomena of spirit return smilled with reasonable terms. Located for the pres-ent at 619 South Hill street, Los An-geles, Cal. Will answer calls together unspeakable joy, and those not ac-quainted with this psychic law were amused and as in the days of Jesus or separate. For terms and dates ad-dress as above. They claim the best of marveled." references from societies East and

Dr. Phillips writes from Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa: "A few days since I called on Wm. Bock, a grocer of this Geo. A. Uhlich writes from Mansfield, Ohlo: "Mansfield has received a wonity, to learn if his mother was still derful impetus along the lines of the taking The Progressive Thinker. He occult recently since the arrival in our replied, 'You bet she would not do without that paper.' I then asked him if he read it, and if so, what he thought midst of St. Roy Arna. Mr. Arna, representing the Biosophical Unity, has of it. He replied very emphatically: I would rather have The Progressive succeeded during the past two weeks in organizing a very flourishing society of sixteen charter members, which Thinker than all the other Spiritualist papers published in the United States," promises a phenomenal growth. The society includes Spiritualists and other which made me feel good." seekers of psychic phenomena, who are

Miss Lizzie Harlow, of Haydenville, Mass., has the month of February, banded together in a grand universal 1902, open, and the last two Sundays in January. Would like to fill them; any movement for the unfoldment of man. This organization fills a long felt want society or societies near together that would take the entire six weeks. Would make terms very reasonable."

E. J. Davidson writes from San Francisco, Cal.: "I have resided in this the advertising, etc., and started in. Collections from the audiences have city twenty-five years and there pover more than repaid the outlay. I believe was a time when the cause of Spiritualism was so flourishing as at present. It tended the meetings, but a still larger is wonderful to see the hundreds who number of others. The attendance are investigating our beautiful philosogradually increased nightly till last night, when every inch of standing room was occupied, and many had to phy. The organized societies here don't contain one-tenth of those who believe in the phenomena and philosophy, and go away who could not get inside at they come from all churches and classes; for instance, there were three all, and this though the ante-room was also filled."

young priests attended one of. Mrs. Vermouth's seauces one night, and they received excellent tests."

M. T. C. Flowers writes from St. Paul, Minn.: "The St. Paul Spiritual Alliance opened its meetings on Suncey made by a mysterious woman to Dr. C. Lemberger, of Louisville, Ky., and it came true to the letter, for Dr. lay evening. October 6, with Mrs. Tryon as speaker, and Mrs. Shuer as test medium. Both ladies acquitted themselves most honorably. On Oc-tober 3, occurred (to me) an important Lemberger fell dead from heart failure other conditions of the prophecy having event, the celebration of the 87th an-niversary of my natal day. I am yet been fulfilled. Now every detective in Louisville and the police officers and every newspaper reporter is looking for quite vigorous; could run a pretty good

foot race." Lyman C. Howe writes from Nor-wich, Ct.: "I am delighted with my the strange woman who made the pre-diction. Physicians say that she probplace here. Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding both mediums, are intelligent, social and lively as well as thoughtful, and the daughter is original, bright and a medium. I have two months to remain here, October and November, after which I am open to answer calls East or West."

J. M. White is at Logan, Iowa. He writes: "From here I intend to work East, stopping at Newton, Iowa, and other points that desire a medium for lectures, tests or fire test."

John W. Ring writes from Conneaut, ohio: "October 6 I was in Columbus, Ohio, and attended the dedication of the temple of the First Spiritualist So-clety. The building is a very substantial stone edifice, beautifully finished inside, with a five-pipe organ. It is the

gift of a Mr. Barkus. Mr. Willard J. Hull presided. Edgar Emerson gave am, Ohlo: "During September I filled a the dedication discourse Sunday morn- month's engagement at Salem, Ohio, ing. In the afternoon Mr. Emerson, Dr. for the First Society of Spiritualists. gave short addresses in memory of bored with me was an ex-Methodist gret it. Subscribe now. Carr, Mr. Ripley and Mr. W. J. Hull the speaker for the mouth who la-

"Our Moses" I enjoyed had with indefatigable workers, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kates, who were here on the 6th inst., under the auspices of the State the last at Lily Dale best.

Hull's Hello!

Inwood, Call.

Several weeks ago I wrote to a Liberal journal thus: "I can say for the spiritualists, after years of debating with them in oppo-Association, and were accorded an euthusiastic welcome, especially on Sunday evening, when the house was sition to their great idea of future con-scious existence, that they are intellipacked to overflowing. Many were compelled to go away for want of even gent, freethinking, liberal, and the betstanding room. They gave two soul inter element are enemies of fraud, and take an active part in exposing fraud spiring lectures, each followed by the spring rectars, each followed by the exceedingly fine test work of Mrs. Kates. They have a happy faculty of administering food. While calculated to invigorate the most advanced in the mediums. Even while I have been fighting against their phenomena and philosophy as an explanation of the riddle of the future, I have been treat-Spiritual philosophy, it is easily assimied by Spiritualists as a rule with courlated by the babes. We called them tesy, and even friendliness; just closed a debate at Lily Dale (the dale of lilles good before; now they are better, and we hope they will not be counted as best until they have reached the hightruly,) in the State of New York, and although my opponent, the 'Champion est altitude attainable on this plane. of Spiritualism,' had ten Spiritualists We bespeak success for them wherever to my one common sense defender, yet I could not ask for more gentle courtethey may be called to labor. Our sies than I received from these Lily Dale Spiritualists. Does this not show A. M. Morrison writes: "I have been lecturing in Wichlta, Kan., during the past five weeks, every Sunday night in the N. R. A. Hall. I am not employed by any society. The effort was purely that we all might work together for a common purpose-to liberalize mindwithout the least sacrifice of principle. W. F. JAMIESON.

Cincinnati, Ohio.

An Appropriate Introduction.

To the Editor:-Oh, Bro. Francis! That picture! How appropriate as an Introduction to the great symposium on prayer in The Progressive Thinker of October 19. What worshipful loveliness! How it takes me back, with no ness: frow it tangs me back, with ho agreeable recollection, to my childhood days, when Jesus Christ, God Al-mighty, hell and damnation, His Sa-tanic Majesty and the wrath to come, resounded with distressing vibrations in the very atmosphere all the year how so many Spiritualists will plod along, and not see the value of your around more or less; but more especially during the winter season of religious

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jections to one's praying in the way that suited him, or her, best; but to do one's prayers was more to the purpose than the mere saying of prayers. Words are meaningless when we can-not, or will not, apply them to practice.

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(2) The question of hermaphrodites, beings uniting both sexes, was incited by monstrosities in which there was ap-----------"Inquirer:" Q. How are we to know the spirits are those they claim to be? parent blending of the two. There are That is, our friends, or great personno authentic cases, and in the higher. ages? animals and man it would be impossi-

A. There is great difficulty, it must ble for both sexes to be developed in be confessed in identifying the spirits the same individual. All claims made who communicate with us. They for any case of the kind may be taken who communicate with us. They for any case of the kind may be taken stand behind the door of invisibility, as an error of observation or as a fraud. The lowest forms of living beand so few things are in common in their present lives and ours, they can only draw on the past for incidents which are reflected in our memories., If anyone should some dark night return to their homes, and the only means in their power to let themselves be known was the feeble raps they could give on task. If a code of signals had been es-tablished, then if those within the door the door, it would appear a hopeless tablished, filed if those within the door tablished, fight questions, replies might nsked the right questions, replies might be made satisfactorily. If allowed to be made satisfactorily, if allowed to neited to make his presence and his thoughts known by impressing some one within whom he was able to influ-one within the succeed and he might the character of the individual thus afflicted than in physical conformation. ence, he might succeed and he might

fall; the probabilities, considering the difficulties of such hypnotic influence,

being greatly against success. Yet if a friend rapped at the door, and we were in doubt as to his identity, we might assure ourselves by his reply to a few questions. If one called claiming to be of high rank in literature or statesmanship, and he was able to send a message to us, we might judge from

such message. If measured by this rule, the claims of high authority for a vast mass of verbosity, becomes a mere pretense Spirits may have written these high-sounding "communications," but not the spirits claimed. A conspicuous example of this appears in the book by Prof. Kiddle, eminent as an educator. The spirit messages he gives were written through the mediumship of a son or daughter, both remarkable mediums. With such surroundings it would be inferred that the messages from superior sources would be of high order. Prof. Kiddle claims that they are worthy the great names attached, and unqualifiedly endorses them. The reader will Shakspeare writes:

"My joy in heaven Is from the seven the truths of God's creating:

IT IS NATURAL. We expect imperfection, incoherence, contradiction; to see the influence of the medium, of the circle, of conditions known and unknown, sway the current Handled.

To the Editor:-Shall we all unite in prayer, is a subject of vast consideration and one that should be handled in a very delicate manner. It is just as method of thought. This internal evinatural for some people to pray as it is to breathe, therefore one must respect dence is our only reliance in determining the source of the intelligence. If the communication does, not rise above their feelings or we will never be foreven mediocrity; if it has not a single given. To pray to an invisible God is characteristic of the source which is something I cannot do, but to pray to

my guardian angels is easily accom-plished. I do ask them to assist me claimed, we are justified in refusing acwith their spiritual gifts. In this way S. M. Rude, Oregon: Q. What is the my prayers have been answered. I am now about 80 years old, and I have never yet been able to discover that there was a God, therefore it would be silly in me to pray to an un-A. B. Stevenson: Q. (1) Is it true

discovered being. Asking our spirit times hatch eggs from virgin females? (2) Is there any case recorded of act-ual hermaphroditism? A. (1) The female silk worm moth, friends to aid us in our spiritual work is a legitimate way to be answered if we are thought worthy to accomplish it. The people on the earth are prowhen kept by itself from the time of its gressing at a rapid rate, but they are leaving its cocoon, has been observed to not yet ready to receive the higher gifts lay eggs which hatched, but exceedingfrom the holy kingdom: The fact is, a large majority of the Spiritualists in The bees and ants belong to a family America are not yet ready to be organof wonderful modifications. There are ized, and yet there is a larger majority

males-drones, females-the queens, that think it beneath them to pray to and neuters, or workers. In this case something that they do not know exall neuters, when first laid are female, ists, and the workers can by food and care take any egg and develop it into a

I would advise that the subject of in-vocation should be introduced in the N. S. A. convention, and get the voice of the people on that important subject. The drones are the males, and if excluded from the queen, she goes on lay-The spirits love us all, and would do ing eggs that the workers care for as all in their power to aid us; they are our fellow servants, and to asist us to enlighten the world in this new philos ophy is the height of their ambition. Spiritualian is a co-operative work, the spirits are as much beholden to us as they do for the common neuters, giving them a larger cell, and these always

ve are to them for the advancement of civilization. What about the martyrdom of our three presidents-were there not millions of prayers offered up? Were the

gods too far away to hear them, or did they not have respect enough for those who offered them to heed them? The prayers of Jesus were not answered, while in the agonies of death his last words were, "My God, why hast thou forsaken me?" The priests convicted and burned at the stake the Maid of Orleans, her cries for help did not avail, the gods did not hear them.

There is really nothing to be gained by offering invocation before a speaker commences his lecture, it is a habit that the priests have led the people into. It is only a question of time when praying to a God will be forgotten or laid aside as no longer useful. "God save the life of President Mc-Kinley," was repeated millions of times

in America and in Europe; did he heed their prayers? The life of all humanity is surrounded in mystery, we know not how soon we may be called into another sphere of existence, but that we live after the death of the body is a demonstrated fact, proven through

spiritualism only. Many lives have been saved through the power of our healing mediums, af ter the best medical skill and priestly praying had been exhausted.

Harrison D. Barrett is my choice for the next president of the N. S. A. He is well known in all parts of the country and can be trusted to do the best he knows how. Mary T, Longley makes a good secretary, she would be

my chol I believe the time has come when the voice of every Spiritualist in America should be heard regarding the location and building of a Temple sufficiently large to seat ten thousand people. My choice is Chicago; there are more Spiritualists and liberal minds in Chicago than in any other city, besides it is more central and the people in the west, southwest and northwest can be de-pended on to raise the money to build

the temple. The spiritual press of this country must be sustained. We must show our loyalty by paying our money even if the gods are not all invoked, or are

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INCOMPREHENSIBLE The Matter Should Be Deliberately Is the Powers That Governs.

THE FROM BASE OF THINKS

There is no question that comes up for discussion in our spiritual papers and spiritual meetings, upon which there is such a great variety of opinion, or which arouses such a bitter feeling or which arouses such a pitter feeling of opposition and confroversy, as the subject of Infinite Intelligence, of pray-er, or of any power controlling and di-recting the universe. Much has been said upon such subjectly with which I have very little sympathy. As to the power, intelligence of whatever it may be called that controls the universe, in my outdoor would be discussion. my opinion no one bas any comprehenwith a small capital." sion of it and probably never will have. I have been interested in Spiritualism from its first start over fifty years ago. read A. J. Davis' Divine Revelations before I ever heard of the Fox girls. I read the first Spiritualist paper ever published and have been reading them more or less ever since. I have been greatly interested in all questions per-taining to the origin of life, in general blology, and especially in the histology

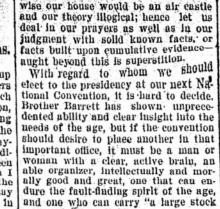
of both vegetable and animal life, but everywhere I find problems too deep for me to solve. I long ago came to the conclusion that everything is governed by law, that these laws were never created, that they always have been in operation and always will be. But the mo study into such things, the more of beauty and perfection I find everywhere, the more I appreciate and admire the omulpotent, invisible forces that everywhere throughout the bound-less universe are unfolding and perfeeting the "beautiful waters of life." to me it matters little whether it be called God, Infinite Intelligence, Ego or Law. The important question is, what can we do to help humanity to rise to a higher, happier, more intellectual and spiritual life?

Evolution from the simple protoplasmic cell to the highest human unfold-ment that we can conceive of means work, culture, unfoldment, getting above the animality of our grosser nature, till we arrive at that spiritual eleration where our instincts, appetites and passions can be governed by a cultured intellect and enlightened conclence. I believe a good deal in the power of mind as taught by mental scientists, but I believe also that there s a realm of wisdom and goodness beyend and above us that we can put ourselves more or less in rapport with, and that this power is ever working to up-lift humanity. The important question is, how we can best attain that culture and spirituality which will prepare our minds to receive this higher inspiration which is ever tendy for every hu-man being who is prepared and willing to receive it, and profit by it. Whence comes this inspiration? Some say from God, some from Jesus, while others tell us that it is only a higher unfoldment of the subconscious self. "My own opinlon with regard tout is that its immediate source is our spirit friends and guides. What thay inspiration may be,

high or low, depends very largely upon ourselves, our culture and capacity to receive. 11 It has been my good fortune during

my fifty years of experience with Spirtualism to listen to many excellent mediums and trance speakers whose controls often gave beautiful invocations and prayers, which I must say I have been pleased to hear. I think a prayerful spirit often better fits us to receive inspiration, and I freely, admit that I have not the least objection to our spir itual meetings or even, the National Spiritualist Association itself being opened with prayer. I have not the least fear that any prayer will be of-fered for any foolish thing or for the suspension of any natural law. I have

alistic spiritists who are ever setting up some personal God in order that they may have the pleasure of knocking it down again. I think such are doing more harm to the cause of Spiritualism than even fake medlums.



O. J. JOHNSON. Pocatello, Idaho.

Most Emphatically, No!

As there has been no Supreme Ruler of the Universe proven, I ask, Whom in the name of common sense shall we pray to? Do you believe in a Supreme Ruler of the Universe? I have so far no proof of the existence of such a be-ing. In a word do you believe in a ing. In a word, do you believe in a God? Not outside of Nature. To be lieve in Infinite Wisdom, or in Infinite Intelligence, is futile, us they imply an organization, which in their nature would be a Supreme Being, or a God. Prayer to a Supreme Being, or a God, never changed the conditions one par-ticle, or one tota, and will not change the status of the N.S.A. Malignant diseases may have yielded

to natural causes, but not to incanta tions, or any unnatural cause. Prayer did not save the life of a Lincoln, a Garfield, or a McKinley, although the prayers and supplications of an entire globe were uttered to that effect. There is not a particle of doubt in my mind as to the merits, efficacy, or beneficial influence of any prayer ever offered to

a God; as to me they avail nothing. I do not believe in the idolatrous aping, or continued using of the rites and cermonles of the age of past ignorance in connection with the more intelligent presentation of modern Spiritualism. Prayer is but the overflow or desire of the soul, and should be connected with sound reason, and not with past Irrational observances. Spiritualists claim to have taken advanced ground on the theory of existence, or of life and its connections with the presen and the hereafter, but if they still continue in the same old tracks, and in the use of the same old dogmas, they are not one step in advance, but mere tail-enders, making a great ado in the shadow of orthodox rituals.

The Spiritualists are supposed to be a progressive people, and should take advanced ground from all the lines pertaining to the teaching or theories of old theology.

The N. S. A. is hinged altogether on is support, which support should come from State organizations, through rep-resentation. This representation should be supported by local societies, by their representation. The burden of its life should be borne by the whole, and not sectional, or by the few, and until this condition is consummated, it will not be a representation of the whole, but a faction of the same, and will serve to create jealousies and estrangement. The Spiritualists need and must have

concentration of all their forces, tinctured with harmony; they need all, their strength to withstand the onslaughts of the persecutions and false representations that are hurled against them throughout the length and breadth of the land, by an ignorant, blgoted, concelted and God praying

I have no objection to President Barrett, who has proven himself to be a worker. But if in the wisdom of a majority of the representation, it is conno sympathy with that class of matericeded that a change would be beneficial to the cause of Spiritualism, I freely coincide. Until the influence and numbers of those embracing Spiritualistic ideas seems to be on the advance, yet outspoken Spiritualism is on the background, because by the majority of the





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and three dolars and hity cents. I do not know how it can be done, but I do know that the readers are highly pleased with their bargains. Readers of our spiritual papers and hooks call These words will go down into history as the dying utterance of a nation-mourned martyr, President William about them the angels of light, which is a compensation beyond the price of McKinley. And yet it is a question with me whether they will bear more than a very superficial investigation, money.

Modern Spiritualism has that within sufficient only to satisfy a sort of illy-defined conventional orthodox sentiit that fills the soul with joy and happiness, and to share that joy and happi For one, I do not believe that God

ness with the world at large will tend to improve the morals and bring about had anything especially to do with Mr. McKinley's lamented untimely death. If he had, I doubt the justice and pro-priety of judicially murdering the as-sassin who was simply the instrument a unity of sentiment when arbitration will take away strife and there will be no more wars or assassinations to mourn over. Spiritualists, let your light shine, and make good to the world all that is re-quired to improve it. You have it with-in you, and the spirits of the upper chosen by the Almighty to execute his

Logically, it must be apparent to the thoughtful that to the Jews who killed Jesus we are indebted for the salvation world are ready and willing to assis of the orthodox saved, if not of the you. See that you do your duty and

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To Whom Shall We Pray?

To the Editor:-In answer to the question, "Ought prayers be said to a heathen or modern deity at the opening of our National Convention?" Well, there are prayers and prayers; for example, some pray to an unknown god, others pray to a "higher power," while still others pray like the Penobscot elder, "Oh, Lord, bless me and my wife, my son John and his wife; us four and no more. Amen." But looking at the question more seriously, several questions arise, 1st, Are we going to steal the ceremonial garb of the modern Christians as their predecessors stole the rites and ceremonies from the heathens 2d, Are we to pray to the warring man god of the Jews, the jealous and revengeful god of the early Christians, a modern loving god, or a If our spirit of the winds and waves? spirits were elementaries, as claimed by many, prior to our earth experienc power over all these must of necessity be a central elementary spirit. If the god who demands or delights in prayers is a god who, created things out of nothing, he is as great a phenomenon as Signor Blitz; but if he didn't

create them, they gray like Topsy. From a natural or scientific point of view we find that this tiny earth has grown from the archalan period to the upper tertiary by slow growth, and ev-erything in it is a product of necessity. rything in it is a product of necessity. The wilted tree, the vicious beast or man, the crippled child, can all be traced to causes, without any seeming-ly interference by flyone outside of Nature; now, if there is a central pow-er (there can be no possible first cause in an eternity), how can fe fathom it? and how can we know, except from what the heathens have made us be heve?

Neve? Next, whom are the torthan to, except with kindly imploing thoughts send our wishes and desires the angel hosts to bring harmony," wisdom and co-operation in our erribly work, and for them to contact work and and the for the second for them to assist Vistin'Haising up the erring ones on both shores? To me every heartfelt desireds a prayer, but putting such thoughtsi into nwords spoll their beauty, though even clothed in grandest poetic diction. atl

The noblest and mest of all the gods to worship and adore (If. we must have god,) is an omnippesentigod, found in. verything-in the wilted; grasses or the bright orange grovestan the lowest gambling den or in the halls of Congress, in the raging storm or in the balmy south-land, breezes, in the occan's mighty wayes or in the calm prattle of a child, in the grandeur of a Niagara or in the city's slimy sower; in fact, everywhere, and Nature itself. Therefore, friends of free thought and Spiritualists of the world, let the grandeur of nature, from the tinlest atom of the stellar world above us, awaken asspiration and inspiration, learning to live right and assist others to live, and term this an omnipresent

people it is held in contempt, and it takes a vast amount of nerve and selfindependence to face a frowning and Moline, Ill. O. P. MITCHELL.

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To the Editor:- I want to congratulate you and your numerous patrons on the improved appearance of The Pro-gressive Thinker. To a person like my self, past the fourscore mark, nothing in a favorite newspaper is more pleas-ing or conducive to perusal than good, clean, white paper, and a plain, clear typal impression upon that paper of the matter presented for perusal; and the last number of The Progressive Thinker meets both of these requirements fully and most satisfactorily. I hope and trust that each one of

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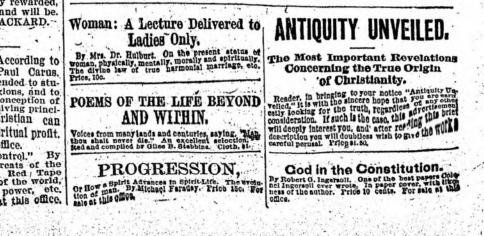
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condition so long and earnestly sought for, and which by the hope being de-ferred has made many hearts sad, namely, that hope of a glorious republic of heavenly conditions here; and the one who while possessing material wealth makes it subservient to the higher forces of life, will be "laying up treasures where moths cannot corrupt and where thleves cannot break through and steal." Opposite to the method that is neces-sary to be pursued in the accumulation

of material wealth, namely, give less than is received; in the accumulation of spiritual wealth the more that is given to others of those immortal gifts, the more the individual soul who is the dispenser possesses, The faculty of acquisitiveness which in different individuals varies to such a degree that where one would starve the other would accumulate wealth; that faculty when dominated by benevolence and human sympathy guided by judgment in the using of the forces it possesses, gives a greater degree of power to its possessor, hence a greater responsibili-ty in the using of those gifts than is possessed by the one less gifted.

In the evolving of higher conditions of life, the barbarous dogma that asserts that "every one for himself, and the devil take the one that gets left," is being set aside for the more humane one which when asked, "are we our brother's keeper?" gives answer in the affirmative. It is becoming less and less possible and desirable for any na-tions of localities to surround themselves with such a wall of exclusiveness that all ambition for the advancement of - the universal race can be crushed out by the one desire to build themselves at the expense of their fellow beings. Spiritual Tiches are only gained by self-abnegation; by using the fac-ulties of the soul as helpers with others of like mind to lift to higher conditions the great struggling hody of human life regardless of what the present con-ditions of slavery to which they are being made a member of the Psychological Association of bound. Such efforts return to the giver Loudon, England, a fellow of the Academy of Art and Sciences, Naples, Italy, a mem-ber of the Victoria Institute

manifold blessings in spiritual power and that "peace which passeth understanding." The splititual philosophy has proven that not all those who in mortality have accumulated wealth, when passed

over the boundary into the greater life beyond entered there as wealthy citizens of that spiritual republic. It is how the faculties of the soul have been used, that will there determine the position which it will occupy, whether one of destitution, or one who by giving to beneficent objects; those which have helped move the lines of life upward have invested in securities which have caused them to be counted as citizens of wealth in that country where it is gauged by a standard opposite to the one which regulates its accumulation here.

The old theory that there can be something received from nothing has collapsed from its inherent weakness; for whatever is gained there is some thing given. In the effort to satisfy that insatiate greed there has been sacrificed many of those gifts that can

make life worth the living. In contradistinction to this insatiate scramble for wealth, the cornering of markets, monopolizing the products of labor so that pauperism grim and sullen is ready to wreak vengeance on those who, possessing certain faculties great er than their fellow beings, have used them to minister to their own selfish desires, instead of a means to advance to higher conditions the lives of those who temporarily have been placed in their power to control, are the lives of those who serene and self-poised live above the discordant elements that are round them, and are using the gifts that they possess as not abusing the gifts recognizing their stewardship, that they are beholden to their fellow beings to give of that which they possess in a mount that will most consistent.

a manner that will most effectually forward the movement toward a more just equilibrium of life's forces. Such have placed their investments where no bankruptey proceedings can rob them of their wealth. HAMILTON DE-GRAW.

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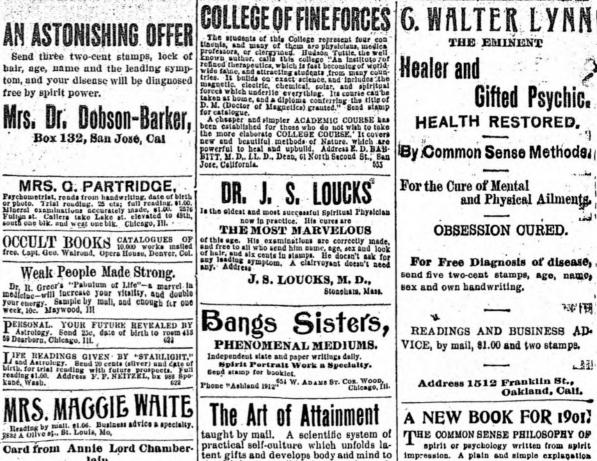
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To the individuals who, being so absorbed in the accumulation of external wealth that the end for which they strove, to their mind seemed to justify the means which they used even if it trampled out the mortal life, of other struggling souls if they dared to enter into competition with such autocratic forces-to such the suggestion that there are spiritual treasures attainable that but it must be, by different methods than the ones that they are using, would be met by a spirit of contempted ous scorn, it being something that could not be understood by that type of mind; proving the truth of the assertion that the casual mind discerneth not the gifts of the spiritual life, "they are foolishness unto them."

In the struggle of the human soul here in this earthly environment to better its condition by subduing the forces of the material world, making them his servant instead of master, is a legitimate one and a means to help forward his spiritual development; but in that effort the tendency has largely been to ignore the existence of those forces that are superior to and beyond the control of that power that however able it is to conquer the antagonism that the material world presents, finds itself left helplessly when trying to grapple with those higher energies, while using the same means that have proved so successful in conquering the lower. Such non-recognition or ignorance of those higher laws has caused those master- minds in the realm of finance to believe that the only laws that they were subject to were the that would further their schemes for those · universal financial autocracy.

The argument that human society at present is in a state of transition, betwixt and between the old order and the new, and the massive combinations of wealth that at present are being consummated are needed to accomplish that end, may be true,(?) time will solve that problem. But human society has always been in transition, and from the earliest historic time, and even on into the dim past of his prehistoric existence, he has through the inherent, forces of his being never ceased his struggle for a higher environment, made efforts to discard the old and worn-out, conditions and assume the new and better. As human life is more more enabled to bring into subject tion the heretofore untamed energies of the world, causing them to work in the accumulation of wealth, there should be a corresponding development of the conscience, that spiritual faculty which

causes the soul to recognize the fact that whatever the amount of power it, may have to lay up carthly treasures it can rightfully only hold them to be used for the betterment of human conditions; otherwise according to the mandates of that higher law the title to ownership is worthless

The material standard, by which the power of wealth is measured is in the amount possessed, the spiritual is gauged by the standard of use. If the one that-holds it in possession applies that power to ben ficent designs, hon-cstly striving to make it one of the means to advance human progress pringing nearer to consummation that

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beauty floated away. The music died to a soft murmur, and in the sacred hush the inspired voice of Mrs. Carpenter began the simple and impressive ceremony of the spiritual marriage-the solemn vows and the fateful words of the law-binding forever.

Then followed the benedletion, and the angels' message full of love and the angels message full of love and wise counsel for the young feet just starting out on the unknown and diffi-cult voyage, dimly pletured on the years before them. It was a high and holy lesson for all,

young and old, who are trying to live the true life. Oue little boy, a relative, observing the tears and feeling the wave of tender sympathy, whispered to his mamma, "I cafft help crying. I feel as if I was most married myself."

Then came the most delicious and satisfying refreshments; none can doubt its fitness for the occasion in 'n house so well known for its hospitality. And there was music at the grand pl-

ano; a quartet of trained baritone nilo, a hontee of transce volces just waked the echoes. Then, on invitation, Mrs. Carpenter seated, bersolf at the instrument and lightly touching the keys, lifted her beautiful volce in a rich inspired song. of blessing and good night. N. M. S.

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wright, N. Y., September 29, 1901. Funeral discourse by Lyman C. Howe. During many years she has been a Spiritualist. She was a great grand nelce of Rev. Jonathan Edwards. Her husband and a daughter, Mrs. Cella Loucks, remain in the mortal life, three children having preceded her to spirit realms. COR.

realms. Oscar Jay Sturgis, 6703 Halsted

street, passed to the spiritual expres-sion of life, Monday, October 7, aged 19 pastor. years. He was the only son, a young man of great promise, and was at the threshold of a useful career when

stricken with the disease (typhold fever) which closed his earthly existmonth, beginning afternoons at three o'clock. The ladies bring refreshments; supper served at six o'clock. Evening ence. His parents are not strangers to the philosophy which proclaims there is no death and, while the blow has fallen session commences at a quarter to with crushing weight upon the family eight. Questions invited from the audience, and answered by the guides of and friends, they have in their sad be-Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond. Always an interesting programme. All are welreavement the consolation which only Spiritualism can bring. Funeral ser-vices were conducted by the writer come. after which the house of clay was

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