

teachings, and human folly attendant on spirit communion, it would be out of. the pale of nature, and would not be

When their efforts are directed to new and consequent strange movement was novel, any sort of public expression attracted audiences. The novelty wore strangers they result in many cases in provoking only laughter and derision. off. A demand was made for the new, In the presence of such a spectacle, is it strange that Spiritualism is treated bright pupil to have a brighter, fairer please publish this explanation also. ears and no eyes as we know them. with scorn by many who regard its exdress. He must be trained to better ponents as either frauds or ignoramlogic and sweeter melody." A lull followed. It did not have to wait for long uses?

with the added statement that she would stay and work with me. And, now, my friend, if you are kind enough to nublish the communication.

as it is voiced by its numerous able ad-

vocates to-day. The Christian clergy of

the 19th century should hide their

heads in shame and cover themselves

'in sackcloth and ashes," when they en-

counter a Spiritualist who possesses

ent of the sacred writings so-called.

knowledge of the future state independ.

There probably has been no time in

the last fifty-five years when so much

truthful literature in regard to the fu-

ture state has been given to the world

and almost "without money and with-

out price," as there is to-day. For its

almost free dissemination, we ought to thank also J. R. Francis, the fearless

editor of The Progressive Thinker, of

the "wicked" Christian city of Chicago.

In the language of that "holy book," 1

say: "Render unto Caesar the things

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Slander is the revenge of a coward

The innumerable star shining in or

der, like a living hymnig tien in light.

Who plays for more than he can lose

with pleasure stakes his heart .-- Her-

Give up no science entirely, for sci-

-Willis.

bert. -

...

and dissimilation his defense .- John-

LOIS WAISBROOKER.

senses of sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch has been left behind. That means that unless necessities demand just the same form "over there" he listens to the tale told in the name of would have, for instance, no nose, no spirit return. She changes form at ev-

water, and beyond into steam and hydrogen gas. But nature laughs as she listens to the tale told in the name of

their natures. Do we not know that one may manifest an aptness in executive affairs and ery critical point, and death is emphatnot know one note from another or even long to this world. nomena and messages, and the great suhave a liking for music, flowers, poetry or a beautiful landscape?

cause just recognition everywhere.

ciation by right of adaptation and be-

cause the spirit world and the material

world decided that he would be the

right man in the right place, and until

is work is done, that work which is so

essential at the present time, he must be retained, and now that he has been tried and not found wanting, now that he understands the work thoroughly, now that he has proven his sincerly

and fidelity to the cause and his im

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money?

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bored?

man?

"Without more or less abuse of our privileges, and perversions of spiritual

In another beautiful city-said by some to be the second in beauty and natural attractions in the United States -a friend of the writer recently atlended a "lecture" delivered from the platform of a chartered society in which reference was made to. "times when angels talked . to men"-angels incarnated in the human formand it was solemnly averred that "some of them had four wings, some had six, and some of them eight!" "Just think," remarked my friend, "we mortals are not to have even one little pair of wings

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And this in the name of Spiritualism! If Spiritualism were not founded on fact, it must long since have been strangled to death by its professed friends.

If the conditions herein indicated are at all widely prevalent, how can they be changed and a better order inaugurated and maintained?

The half-developed medium takes to the platform because it welcomes him and his crudities, and he wants, above all things, to gain publicity, and if possible to attract pupils or patrons. He is ignorant of his unfitness for the work, and incapable of realing the disintegrat-ing and demoralizing influences often thus generated. Having been cajoled by some ignorant or mischievous spirit through another medium, into the fond belief that a "great work" is before him and that he is chosen to be one of the and that he is chosen to be one of the brilliant lights of a new dispensation-a modern Moses who shall lead the peoale out of bondage to material conditions!-he mounts the platform and displays his ignorance with all the egotistical confidence of an old-time religious

exhorter. Some societies exist merely as feeders of private pay seances. Our modern Medusa-a magnetic charmer-sits in the shadows and manipulates men. She is not seeking to strengthen the cause of Spiritualism, but to weave her spell over the minds of the ignorant, the unsuspecting and the credulous stranger so that he shall bend to her blandishments. But, it may be hoped, she is the exception, not the rule. Back of crudely organized societies may sometimes be found one who is really their direct beneficiary. He or she may be a good psychic but a poor Spiritualist, if one may be so called who is indifferent to the welfare of others. The

"familar spirits" of all such mediums are-neither spiritually-minded nor wise.

If they were, they might be obliged to seek other mediums. So far as societies may be able to correct to pevils mentioned, the writer's suggestions may be summed up in two sentences: Select level-headed officers: persons , who cannot be "run" by any medium, who have minds of their own.

know how to use them, and are not afraid of shadows. - If they have not sufficient common sense and energy to see that only qualified persons appear on their platforms, they might profitably go and sit at the feet of Mos

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In law nothing is certain but the expense .- S. Butler.

Virtue itself offends when coupled with forbidding manners.-Bishop Middleton,

The Editor-at-Large. The general intelligence was equal to the situation. Spiritualist meetings Mr. Hudson Tuttle, of Berlin Heights, Mr. Hudson Tuttle, of Berling Heights, will soon dot the land again an hundred Ohio, to be "Editor-at-large," and to to every one heretofore.

combat the numerous misrepresenta-The ablest scholars are becoming the tions in regard to Spiritualism and its salvation of Socialism. The unedugreat truths (which the intelligence of the last half contury has given to the denizens of earth), was most timely and a move in the right direction. I am in cated were sufficient unto its start They were unequal to its finish. Science is controlled, directed and sustained by the keenest of education. Sci receipt of a leaflet by Hudson Tuttle, isence deals with nature exclusively. The little child has no difficulty with Chrissued by the N. S. A. for free distribution, which is devoted to a very import-ant subject, "The Spiritualism of the tianity. Indeed the less knowledge the more success. Spiritualism is natural-Bible."

ism. Its scope is not only two worlds, While I do not attach immense imbut innumerable worlds. portance to what the Bible does or does Man's unpleasant racing will denot disclose, as evidences of a future crease with the increase of his conlife, yet I must say that intelligent Christians who pin their "faith" to that "holy

tinued growth. Concord, harmony, mellowness and melody will be the ripe fruitage of the perfect understanding between his grandest temperaments,

the positive and negative. E. W. BALDWIN. Madison, Wis.

THE YET-TO-BE.

I have stood by the bed of death; Heard the last sigh of the failing breath

When weak hands groped for the waiting hands. Leading them into the unknown lands; When the light that shone from the dy-

ing eyes Was light from the glory of Paradise. I have heard the cry of a triumph gained,

Of a heaven given, a joy attained.

And my spirit was lifted high to see The radiant shores of the Yet-to-be. A glory beyond all tongues have sung From the open gates of that land out-

flung. And a peace that passes all peace of

which are Caesar's, and unto God the earth things that are God's!" As I may not often thrust myself upon the public in the future, I take Crowning the hour of the spirit birth. And the star bright faces, tier on tier Massed in the light and lingering near. kind words often expressed in private Is this the terror which waits on death And darkens life with its under-breath?

and political, and to assure them of my This? O soul, be thy wings unfurled To the uttermost ends of the woeful world. a future state of existence. C. H. MATHEWS. New Philadelphia, Oho. And carry the message near and far,

Of things that seem and of things that are. This to the hearts bowed down in

gloom; Mourner, up from the empty tomb,

Look with the eyes of faith and see The deathless life of the Yet-to-be. Lean your soul on the silence dim-Angel, cherub and cherubim

Circle near, and the mourned as dead In such a world as ours the idle man Stand in the living light instead. is not so much a biped as a bivalve .-Dream you; then, that a hand is lost, Horace Mann. A love-bond broken, a river crossed? the first fruits of human reason .--- H. N. Ever some loved one whispereth Hudson.

Close to your side, "There is no death." Near, not far are the angel bands, Yearning faces and outstretched hands, Tear the voll from your eyes and see The mighty hosts of the Yet-to-be. Hear their hymn to the wide world cost:

'Io triumphe, for death is past!" NORCISSUS AGAPA. Through Beatrice St. George,

His face was of the doubtful kind that wins the eye and not the mind .- Scott, ence is but one .- Seneca. The sensitive in earth form sees with lically one of her important steps out optic nerve and eyeball. He hears

vithout any ear drum, which ear drum is most emphatically shaped and limit. ask us to stop for a moment, just here, and answer a question of deep import. Odors impress themselves on this brain that have no inlet through nasal organ. In other words, the mortal organ is only for mortal service, and not needed for earth life, as we suggested, he must also realize by his imagination that he will not be needing the organis through which his five senses of earth-life have done their work. If he finds himself with new senses, it will be because he has new organs with new shapes. Even if at first he carry with him some of the old organs and senses they would soon disappear by the law of use, which holds to form only that which is needed. When unused the form disappears. So book," owe a debt of gratitude to Hudson Tuttle and Moses and Mattie Hull, for their indefatigable our very first step is startling, for it implies a totally new "form divine," as the old organs will not be needed, at least "searching the scriptures" for numerin the old shapes, which were only ous texts that prove incontestably the earth necssities. truth of the philosophy of Spiritualism

Spirit return offers no help to our research, for, of course, Ego, when he comes back, can only appeal to our mortal senses and experiences. The other day a returning spirit was described for duplicate of some existing portrait or identification as having very red hair, photograph. This has been attested pock-marked face, and a nose pointing many times, and the fact published in to the north star. It was declared to be gels with turn-up noses and red hair are unsupposable. Yet change that into an imagined netfection of anit forms and faces so pictured are not fashed from existing spirit life but an imagined perfection of spirit form and the lady in question has lost her identity. Remember those special feat. by which the mortal was identified as a ures by which that lady was known were all left behind in the casket, and their microbes and atoms found occupation' elsewhere. Death is evidently one of Nature's

critical points, at which she forsakes her old past, and plunges headlong into a new future. We all know that at a certain point in vibratory temperature solid ice becomes liquin water. Again further on the water, vanished, and mammoth or man. The old form was the product of conditions which we crudely call "the sufficient born bridge to test," and the new form bridge to test," and the new form, born amidst to-tally different conditions, cannot repeat the old shape.

other life, and claim any, different law life, reflected as from a mirror by scien-The smiles of infants are said to be as governing his formal, He is just an animal all through and through. Every norance.

animal all unrough and infongal. Every hone, muscle, nerve and organ is shaped to a previous pattern, in some older form, afterwards improved by time and experience into a handan organism, where intelligence becomes more pow-efful than matter. He flus, at last, evolved intelligence to point where impatient of the present form limita-tion, it is reaching out to greater sensitiveness than the old organs can supply. He is now gradually adding or perfect-

word and upward. The good, old-fashioned believer will

He will tell us that spirit forms have been photographed under conditions precluding fraud, as in the published experiments of Sir William Crookes the higher or inner life. So when the with Katie King, and her mortal medistudent has imagined himself outside um, Florence Cook. The inquirer will demand, and has the right to demand how such forms could be photographed if they have no existence "over there"? f they have no existence The genuineness of spirit photogra-phy, at least in some instances, has been attested and accepted as proved in courts of law. That is to say, it is under natural law, and not by miracle, that in the presence of certain sensi-tives, peculiarly organized, faces of dead forms have appeared on photographic plates, some few of which have been recognized by those well acquainted with the mortal. The student will here notice a most important fact that throws light into this shadow.

Although the sensitive has been absoas every fair-minded person can see; his duty as he sees it; his duty to the lutely freed from legal suspicion by strict scientific precautions, yet it has cause he loves and the cause that needs been found again and again that the his services very much at the present spirit face and form has been an exact time, and the cause that asks him to hold fast to that which is true at the sacrifice of all else, and he shall not only succeed in that which he has unthe columns of Light, the well-known English Spiritualist paper. This is abdertaken to accomplish, but will succeed in placing Spiritualism before the people of this state thoroughly reno-vated, purged of the element that has long threatened the extinguishment of mere copies of molecular arrangements the voice of Spiritualism. This is neither a dream nor a laudation of a man who is undeserving. The person in earth life. This important fact carries us logically much further. eyes of the spiritual hosts are upon Dr. for if these spirit photographs are in Geo. B. Warne, and the eyes of the most these instances but replica of existing substantial, the broadest-minded Spiritualists and all honest investigators are portraits, then the similar photographs, upon him. He has the approval of all attested as genuine but not copies of any portrait by a mortal artist, must, all who care to see Spiritualism simmer the same, be reproduced by memory of the mortal form, at least in cases where down to the solid foundation of truth, be it ever so simple. He has the sanction of the spiritual

they have been accepted as identified. And in the myriad of unrecognized faces and forms, apparently genuine, we have to face the same startling fact. Though so-called "spirit photographs." they are really evolved from earth life, although they may be the genuine work of invisible operators. In other words, spirit photographs are never portraits of the spirit, but always of the mortal. This must be so. We may not know by what process a figure is thought onto represent itself dwarfed by our limitations. Therefore we are not getting facts of spirit life, but facts of mortal tists of the invisible, of whose shapes and forms we thus remain in total ig-

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acts are too highly commendable to go Sow good services: sweet remembrances will grow from them.-Mme. without praise, We heard criticisms on the side and

de Stael. Like clocks, one wheel another on must drive, affairs by diligent labor

only thrive.-Chapman. little weight they were made conscious The most certain sign of being born of their own smallness, and that is all ing senses almost letent in lower with great qualities is to be born with-torms, though dogs, Dorses and birds out envy.-Rochefoucavild. the rebuke needed for any one.

perstructure of spiritual science and Do we not know that one may be a moral philosophy are inseparable and rare genius in poetry and have neither indispensable; and Spiritualism is the one word that expresses all these." taste nor faculty for financiering and managing; in fact be dumb to parlia-Sometimes the question

asked, mentary usages and to the value of 'How shall I become a Spiritualist?' We answer, Investigate-go to a medi-Do we not know that one can be me-'um and learn the facts of spirit existence and communication, and you will chanically pumped full of grammar, orfind the evidence in abundance. You thography, rhetoric and even "homiletcan stop the pursuit of this knowledge ics" and still not be adapted to the rosat any desirable point, yet the fields of Do we not know there never yet has education are endless and boundless. There is a great body of spiritual litera-ture open and available to every earnest lived upon the earth a man or woman who escaped the criticism, the faultstudent and seeker after knowledgefinding of even those for whom they laenough to occupy an ordinary lifetime. Do we not know that even the ruling Spiritualism is not distinctive bepower or powers of the universe have cause it mingles with the various orders, classes, grades of humanity and they accept its facts, to some extent. It comes to any and all who desire it, who been the recipient of the most senseless accusations from this little thing called Then why need President Warne exare ready and willing to receive itpect to escape? He is pushing ahead permeates all sects and classes without in the straight line of his sacred duty.

distinction of sex, nativity, station, condition; yet it does not teach nor hold any of their errors. It is there to teach the truth only. It grants to all freedom, independence and the liberty to hold any belief they like, until they learn the truth which will release them from the bonds of error. It is opposed to religious divisions and distinctions. and teaches the opposite principles of unity, equality, fraternity, harmony, tol-erance, liberty; aiming to finally de-stroy the distinctions of old organic bodies, founded on error, ignorance and superstition.

The countless divisions of humanity into organic bodies under distinctive names are the greatest impediment to human progress.

People investigate and learn the facts and principles of Spiritualism in some degree, and accept the facts as far as they understand them. That makes them Spiritualists, no matter where they stand among the various classes and masses of men. At the same time they may hold loads of errors in their

press in his effort to elevate the cause to the ranks of the highest institutions minds, from which they will be finally, of the world and establish for that emancipated as they progress beyond them. He is at the head of the State Asso

Weak or strong, good or bad, high or low, rich or poor, intelligent or ignorant, perfect or imperfect, we are all one family or fraternity in Spiritualism, which takes all humanity into its communion and benevolent domain; therefore, we can not conceive how any honest, intelligent person can aver that it is distinctive. A. H. NICHOLAS. Summerland, Cal. is distinctive

ings, but cannot feel lonesome in this muneness to the vituperations, to the condition while on earth: but up brimstone of its worst enemies, Spiritfrom the human soul should reach a ualism wants him to remain in the harness for a while longer. We listened to all the unkind thrusts strong love for the man or woman who tries to do right. Out from the mind of We listened to all the unkind thrusts made against him at the meeting so re-cently carried to a finish. We listened to his kindly, yet positive defense of his own position upon which he was oriticised, and the clearness, the calmevery truth-loving person must come the strengthening thought waves for whose aims and motives lofty. We know of whom we speak and speak with no thought but that for the ess and the wisdom in his words and greatest advancement of the Spiritual cause.

We have no fault to find with any of the present officers of the State Association, but do most profoundly deplore only pitied the narrow limitations of the conditions under which they must the critics, for their words were of so strive and worry and push, when the road ought to be made clear and the streams bridged. DR. T. WILKINS. He may have faults and shortcom-11:

this occasion to thank many friends for steam appears. In its turn steam merges at a critical point into gaseous letters and the public prints, religious vapor, beyond which the mortal cannot follow such evidences of indestructibil distinguished consideration and regard, and the assurance of meetings them in change of form, whith involved the breaking up of old melecular combinations and the aggregations of others to take their places. If then death be recognized as one of Nature's critical P. S.-I may add in this connection that the publication of so much free literature by the N. S. A. is attended by considerable expense, and that contri-butions from those who order this printed matter will be acceptable. C. H., M.

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

While Miss Agnes was narrating this

pleture and its significance, my father

stood like a statue of marble: not a

muscle in his face moved, and his eyes

were fixed on the speaker. The rector gazed at him with a look of bewilder-

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WISCONSIN.

Convention.

ment.

Zurilda Wellington.

Her Life in Two Worlds. The Lifting of the Vell.

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her take me out of his presence, as I ther the mission of Jesus on earth; also TO THE READER. It was to unbar the gate of death and bring to earth's inhabitants a knowledge of life beyond the grave, that I, a mere child, have rent that yeil to light the path of those who yet remain in doubt. I who felt the withering blight and the power of doubt darken my and the power of doubt darken my young life, feel that I have a duty to perform in giving my little life history to those who may need the redeeming power of Divine love.

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Unbelief has closed the door between man and the angel world, and the ministry of the departed ones, who come to comfort those who mourn their absence. It would be well for those who have shut out this divine ray o light if they would let it penetrate the darkness that envelops their vision. Those who claim to be born of God and are the heirs of that salvation hought by Jesus Christ, should look within, and see if that infinite compassion and love to God and man, be his ideal and standard of right.

It is for those who are in darkness her?" and doubt in relation to the future life that I, and others, have rent the veil of not say such things. I will have to pundeath and rolled the stone from the ish you, too, if you tell such stories." sepulchre to hold communion with earth. Some of these minds tasted of nurse opened a flood of childish ques- me."

the spirit, and held communion with my mother and others.

to give a knowledge of that life. It is not death that has come to us.

but the angel of life; and by the law of love we have come to comfort earth's children.

ZURILDA WELLINGTON.

"God writes His thoughts in facts, in solid orbs.

In living souls; His revelation is the concrete world."

when the soul was lifted above that me to be instructed in the Bible. One which pertained to its earthly condition day my teacher said: "Zurilda, you surand made free, by spiritual growth, prise me with the interest that you take from the bitter memories of earth life, in our studies of God's holy book.' made bitter by one who, above all others, should have rendered that life bright, but who smothered its flame in a dungeon, and sought by such means ful Jesus confounded the wise to obliterate the rays of divine light priests and teachers of his day. A new that warmed and guided the life he had projected into being; a soul which was yearning for that parental love that freedom look down with Godlike love taught me. So plain and simple was on those who were blinded by ignorance her language that it took possession of land?" on those who were blinded by ignorance iner tankage that it took possession of and cast fetters about it—then it be-came my mission to lift the veil, that firm and lasting hold on my memory,

knowledge of the laws of life. hour. Sweet voices in tender tones I, who poured my heart's warm love on a parent and received rebuke and fell on my ear, and awoke in me a de-scorn in return, will now give to earth's sire to know something of my mother's ocean of popularity." children an account of my childhood life and death. So intense was this deand riper years.

had been naughty. This scene filled my little heart full This scene filled my little heart full with this admonition I was dis-with the servant had announced of sorrow; scalding tears rolled down my cheeks, and I begged to stay with papa, but he waved me off with his hand. "Take her to the nursery," he missed, as the servant had announced that our rector and his wife were awaiting us. "The good and godly man," as the

When we had reached our apart. people called him, came in smiling and happy to see us engaged in the study of God's holv book. Must With the study of the study o "I was not naughty, Miss Agnes; no, wife, gazed at me for a moment, then

folded me in her arms and said: "Oh, I was not," I said. Zurilda Wellington, from your home in

"But, my dear, your papa said you ere. What did you do?" heaven I see you looking at me through were. "I did not do anything," I said. "What did you say, then?" those eyes of liquid blue!" as she brushed the tears from her eyes.

"Why, papa said my mamma was "Wife," said the rector, "what do you gone to God in heaven, and I said she mean by this outburst of feeling? One as not; that she was with me all the would think that Mrs. Wellington was

feel a benefit to her."

time; and he said 1 was naughty. Is really before you in person." time; and he said I was haughty. Is that naughty?" "My dear, what do you mean by talk-ing in that way?" said Miss Agnes. "Why, Miss Agnes, mamma is stand-"Pardon my weakness, husband, but really that dear child is the living em-

All exchanged looks, and a moment's ing there by my little bed now; can't silence followed, then Mrs. Wise said: "That was a heavenly glimpse, and a you see her?? Don't you think I know

foretaste of the joy yet to be." No one replying to her, she continued: "I have "Zurilda," said my nurse, "you must often thought that our dear ones gone before come to us and linger around us, These commands from my father and for I have often felt their presence near

death ages that are passed. It was before I had passed through the gates of death that I was born of heaven, and where is heaven and God?" them, you, my dear, would call from While thus engaged in questioning their graves all the dead."

"Well," said .Mrs. Wise, "I would not ny mother and others. Intercommunion between the two presence by a rap on the door, and rewish all the dead back, but some two or worlds has ever been. Love cannot die, thought cannot perish, but lives on and on; and we, who have passed beyond ings. "You know," he said, "that seeds ings. "You know," he said, "that seeds ings. "You know," he said, "that seeds "No, indeed, I do not. But do you not thought cannot perisa, but nives on and on; and we, who have passed beyond the confines of mortal life, feel the throbbings of your hearts and hear the cry for a positive knowledge of life be-yond the tomb. To demonstrate this fact I, with a band of wise minds, strive think that it would be very pleasant to hear from that other life; have our dear ones come to us, and tell what "Wife," said the rector, "where is

n the plain gospel stories. You know I have an ideal of Christian beauty to your faith-is it dead, or so cold that rear that child to, and I want the foun- you need the personal presence of dation laid now. Engage her sympathy some one to assure you that there is an in the Master blessing the young chil. other life?"

dren, and such instruction as you may This conversation was interrupted by a call from my father's lawyer, and his I could read a little and write a few son, Albert. Albert Howard had been lines in my childish way; that enabled my playmate on the lawn at such times me to follow my teacher in the Bible lesson that was my daily task, and afas my father and his father were in the library engaged in business. Mr. Howard did not remain long saying that he

would call on the morrow. After a few moments my father said: diencess that assembled. "It seems very strange the turn that our conversation has taken this even

ing." "Yes," said the rector, and Mrs. Wise From the manger to the cross I was led step by step; then back to Bethleadded: "It is the most interesting subhem and to Jerusalem, where the youthject that enters my mind." men,

My father then said to Mr. Wise: light beamed on me; and a vast range have a plan in my mind that I have of thought seemed to lay open before never spoken to you of, and this is as good a time as any; perhaps you can me as each day's lesson was over; and, was here by a divine and natural law, as I lay in my bed, my spirit mother (as aid me as well as instruct me, and I but was repulsed by him in every at- I had now learned to call her) came to will relate it to you. Since the death of tempt to impart its love and filial trust, me and explained that day's lesson in a my dear wife. Zurilda, I have had an obbut can now from the plains of spiritual new light from what my teacher had ject in view in regard to my daughter's well-being. You know Bishop Suther-

"Yes," said the rector. "He and I were very dear friends and classmates; mortals might be redeemed through a and they served me well in a trying he is a man who has made a great name in the ranks of the ministry."

getting in on the ground floor. "Yes," said Mrs. Wise, "and that is often The meetings opened with an infor-mal reception in the parlors of Mrs. Holmes' residence, tendered to the visocean of popularity." "Wife, are you not going too far?" sire that one evening while I knelt in said the rector. iting delegates and speakers. The re-

imagination and fancy that you see considered, and many interesting ideas heaven come down to you-and I sup-pose that heaven will be in accord with each sone's epiritual or mental developwere brought out in the discussion. Dr. Geo. B. Warne, president of the Illinois State Association being present, took mento This picture resembled a gar-den, with fruits and flowers, that surpart in the discussion, advancing many, valuable suggestions. The result of the conference upon that point was the appointment of a committee of three, rounded a mansion of great beauty, situated on ashigh elevation that gradually sloped to where a boundless river nstructed to confer with like committees of other state associations, to con-sider the matter of local representaflowed in rippling waves. Many per-sons, were in this garden; some very aged looking people, as though they had lived: in the days of Jesus. Some seemed to belong to the Oriental times: tion for societies, with a view to estab-lishing a legitimate basis of representa-tion for all. At the evening session, Rev. T. Grat-

seemed to belong to the Oriental times; this fjudged from their costume. From this giver there arose a misty sub-stance that was very clear and bright, in waves that were floating out and away from the river, coming to the earth of the scene was one of great ton Owen was the principal speaker, and gave a splendid discourse, taking as his subject, "A Ghost From the Lab-oratory," which proved to be a scienearth. 2 The scene was one of great tific and logical exposition of the laws beauty and grandeur and held me spellof materialization, and made many bound; while Zurilda looked at me with points more clear than they had ever mingled joy and fear. 'You will have to explain this to me,' I said. 'I can been to many of those interested in the subject. The remark, "I have never only tell you what mamma said it meant,' was her reply. 'Well, that understood that phase so well before,' was made by old-time Spiritualists who beautiful garden, with fruits and flowheard Brother Owen's lecture. Mrs. ers, is the habitation of earth's children Eva McCoy was again the message meafter they have left earth life. Those dium of the evening, bringing words of flowers are emblems of the beauty and comfort to many present. Two beauti-ful vocal duetts by Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Draper, and two exceedingly fine the unfoldment of the soul, as it throws off the earth darkness that held it in ignorance. These fruits are the rewards musical selections rendered by Messrs of a well-spent life on earth. That Tippmann, Arenz and Wheeler, and reboundless river is the river of life, that marks by Brother Warne of Illinois, flows from God to His children everycompleted a very successful evening's where, And that mansion is to desigsession. nate a home or abiding-place, eternal in

the heavens; but this mansion is not devoted to the closing of convention reached as soon as one leaves this work and the election of officers for earth, but by the unfoldment of the the ensuing year. The election of offi-cers resulted quite satisfactorily to soul, like the unfolding of flowers. The those present, the following persons begarden is to represent a condition of growth; and we must till the soul, so that it may be beautiful and fruitful in ing again placed in the harness: Mrs. Clara L. Stewart, president; Rev. Nellie K. Baker, first vice-president; J. C. all that God has endowed it with. Now, Miss Agnes, I have told you what my Bump, second vice-president; mamma said, but not all, for she told Erwood, secretary; Dr. C. W. Sanderme, oh, so much more—all about those people; how long ago they lived on the earth; and, oh, I do not know it well enough to tell you just now!" son, treasurer; and J. H. Houston, J. S. Cowan, Mrs. Hattie Smith and F. J Bristol, trustees.

Another thing of importance was the voting on the camp question, which resulted in the decision in favor of a camp, and the executive board was instructed to go on and hold the camp, which-will be done, the camp-meeting

The State Spiritualists Association crosse. The fourth annual convention of the Wisconsin State Spiritualist Associawithout feeling that the sentiments adtion which was held in the city of La vanced were beneficial to the cause. At Crosse, on April 21, 22 and 23, was in this meeting the messages were again many respects one of the most success

ful conventions in the history of that association, and was brought to a close on the evening of the 23d. The talent was excellent and the work done was on the whole yery satisfying to the au-Much business relative to the work of he state association was discussed and

space forbids. Suffice it to say that at any time during Mr. Hull's discourse one could almost have heard a pin drop,

The meetings were held in the beautiful new Masonic Hall, situated in the centre of the city, and fortunately for those who have passed their fiftleth milestone in life, was upon the first floor of the building, which fact gave mediums is well much comfort to those who had been for years climbing to the second and third floors for their meetings. This is indicative of the fact that Spiritualists are beginning to realize the value of

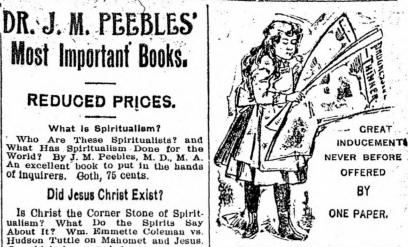
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To my spirit mother I am indebted prayer, as I had been taught, I felt the for the history of my infancy. With the first cry of an infant strug- on looking up, a very beautiful form tined to excel his father."

hopes. When he had recovered in a It is I whose lullabys have lulled you in knowledge that caused my father to measure from this blighting storm, and your cradle bed. It was I who whis- look with astonishment. realized that he had a new duty to per-form in the care of a motherless infant, he resolved to rear his child to his ideal of womanly beauty. I being his first and only child, he that fell on my spirit's birth, mingled marriage, that both of us would marry

first step was to procure for me a nurse faint cry." This pure, sweet face bent over me and guide. This was no easy task, as he felt that he must be careful in the selection of a woman to train his child mother's tenderest love. I have sought and mold its young mind in the form of your earthly home to aid you, my child, his ideal. In due time he procured the in life's grand design. I have prayed services of a lady whom he felt would for this time, and for strength to guide aid him in this work. you in temptation's hour."

It was necessary, he said, that my A gleam of Beavenly brightness surroundings should be such that no passed before me, and seemed to enone might Interfere with his plans, for velop me, folding me in like a curtain of, and that he is soon to be ordained a he felt that there was a power in the in- of light; and from without there came bishop. The subject uppermost in my terchange of personal magnetism that a voice in tender tones: "Oh, a moth- mind is to prepare Zurilda by a thormight retard, or even blight, his high er's love is weakness, but it is divine ough education in church history, that hopes; and to guard against this, my hopes; and her charge were in a meas-ure isolated. My infancy was not un-hand. It is to teach your soul that I like that of other children, save the ab- have come. I have waited long for this sence of a mother's personal care; and triumphant hour, to give you strength, yet it was unlike that of those who have | courage and freedom from thraldom." a mother's care in person. At what age There I lay in sweet repose; not a I realized a mother's care I do not thought of fear fell on me, but a joy know, but I do know that I had felt and and delight in the confidence of a mother seen her bending over me as I lay in my | er's love and care. My eyes filled with cradle bed. I did not know that my tears, so great was my joy. "Zurilda," mother was not a mortal being until my said my teacher, calling to me from the other room, "are you not well, my

father told me she was dead.

"What is that, papa?" I asked. "Why, my dear child," he said, "I mean that God in His wisdom saw fit to take your mother to heaven to dwell with Him when you were very young." dear?" oftener and grew longer, and I soon This strange statement startled me, learned to watch and wait for her.

and I asked, "Where is God, and heaven, papa?

"You are now too young to under-stand such things," he replied, "but when you are older I will tell you all higher studies, as he said. about God, heaven and your dear mother."

My eyes filled with tears at this statement, and I said, "No, no, mamma is not dead, nor gone to God in heaven; she is with me all the time."

history. "No," said my father; "Miss Agnes is not your mother, but your nurse and tural lessons that you have been enteacher. I know that you love her very

gaged in," he said. "Perhaps you will be better pleased if you questioned her yourself," said much. "Oh, papa," I said, "I do know my mamma, and I do know Miss Agnes, my teacher. too."

"Zurilda," said my father, "you donot know what you are saying; you must not talk so. You do not understand your last lesson about?" asked my me, my dear child."

me, my dear canda "Yes, papa, I do; because I feel what I say here," and I laid my hand on my breast. This seemed to surprise him

breast. This seemed to surprise and he said: "Has Miss Agnes told you this?"

"No, papa, but mamma did," I an-swered. I was sitting on my father's knee, and he said to me: "What a joy you would be to your dear

"What do you learn about Jesus Christ? "That he was a good man, loved little children and that He loved God and all that was good," mother if she had only lived to see you now "Stop," said my father, "He, too, was fine art and fine artists, but never such now. Oh, God! why didst thou take God."

"Oh, yes, I am, and so happy, too," I

These visits of my mother were made

I had now reached my seventh year

and was being instructed in music and

Church History.

"I think that Zurilda is too young in

"Bring your book and let me see what

"About God," I answered. "Well, what have you learned about God?"

"That there is only one true God."

her to heaven?" her to heaven?" "Papa," I said, "mamma has not gone "for the Bible does not say so; I did not displays in these pictures." to God in heaven; she is with me all read it there."

read it there." "Yes, Jesus Christ was God, and the Holy Ghost, too; which, makes three to a that we call the Trinity, and I powers," said Miss Agnes. "Oh; it was "Zurilda," said my father, with a Holy Ghost, too; which, makes three stern look, "you shall not talk so; now Gods, that we call the Trinity, and I remember what I say, for I will punish want you to remember this. Miss Age a heavenly scene, and of master work was you will please see that she does manship; but I will try to outline it for you if you do." He then rang for my nurse and bade not forget this, and I want you to teach you, and you will have to draw on your representation for local societies.

said my father. ception was well attended, many of the pressure of a hand clasping mine, and, is with him in his travels, and he is des-

with the first cry of an infant state gling for physical existence my mother surrendered her life. This dark cloud fell on my father like the simoon on the way," said this bright one. "I am your from them; future destiny, established, appointed or predestined by a divine de-cree." said Mrs. Wise, with an one of sert, drying and withering his mother and will control your destiny. Cree," said Mrs. Wise, with an air of "As I have told you," said my father, "he and I were classmates and very dear friends; and before we left the university we agreed, on the subject of twined around me his affections. His with pain and anguish, with my infant's and rear a family, if God should see fit to bless us with children; and if my first was a girl, that I should give her in marriage to his son, if his first should be a boy. Now, Mr. Wise, I think that

God has heard our desires, and answered us.' "Mysterious are the ways of God,' said Mrs. Wise.

"Yes," said my father, "so it seems. And I hear his son, Louis, highly spoken years. I want her to excel in all the Christian graces that adorn and dignify a woman, and I have formed an ideal that I am trying to rear her after. Our religion needs woman, and woman needs religion; for it is she that exalts, dignifies and embellishes Christianity." "Religion is goodness, is distinct from theology and is the performance of all known duties to God and man, said Mrs. Wise.

"Zurilda is bright," said my father: "her intellect is of a high order, and her mind is being rapidly unfolded; her talent for music exceeds her years; indeed, the higher branches seem to be at her command."

"Does she draw and paint? asked

the rector. " said Miss Agnes; "I wish "Oh, yes," said miss Agnes, I wish you could have seen the picture she rew yesterday." "What was it?" asked my father.

"My mother's spirit home, or home in leaven "What do you mean?" said my father.

rising from his seat in an excited man-"Then let me hear her in those scrip-"While at her lesson yesterday, I no-

ticed that she was gazing at or out of the window, and I said to her, 'What are you looking at, Zurilda?' At that beautiful picture on the window-pane,' she said, 'and I am drawing it on this paper.' 'Picture on the window-pane?' Miss Agnes has taught you. What was I said. 'Yes, Miss Agnes, on that pane.' pointing to a large pane of glass, Please tell me what it is,' I said, 'as I cannot see it.' 'Yes, Miss Agnes, I will, and it is beautiful indeed.' I asked her to let me look at it. Her eyes filled with tears as she came to me with the paper, 'You must explain this to me,' I said. 'Please do not punish me, Miss Agnes Oh, how happy it makes me feel when my mother comes, and all those beauti

ments out in vivid life-likeness as she

friends and investigators of the philosophy of Spiritualism being present to greet our visitors. Remarks were made Moses Hull and Mrs. Stewart, the state president. The utterances of the speakers were well received by all

and one of the right kind.

present. I wish it were possible for me to give in detail all that was said at this gathering, by the visiting delegates. The musical part of the program was taken charge of by Mrs. Francis Wheeler and Mrs. Draper.

The first actual business session of belief that God's angels are sometimes permitted to visit their loved ones on the convention was called to order at 10:30 a. m., Tuesday, with President Stewart in the chair. At this meeting, the earth plane, and change their sor row into joy unspeakable: the necessary committees were ap-Many years we lived together, pointed and assigned to their respect Minding neither wind nor weather, ive duties, after which the meeting was declared informal and remarks were Happy were we in our union, made by the workers present, including Daily held we sweet communion, the delegates, and their friends. Many excellent ideas were advanced along the line of the work of Spiritualists, For in heart we were united. Heart to heart in love united, and the state association in particular Each person seemed hent upon mak

Wife and I. ing the association better, and threw themselves into the work with a will. Smoothly as a placid river The afternoon session was called to Flowed the current of our life. And I learned how great a blessing order at 2:30, and all were soon actively engaged in the work of the conven-Is a gentle, loving wife; tion. The reports of secretary, treas-urer and president were read and hand-For in heart we were united, Wife and I, Soul to soul in love united, ed to the committees whose duty it was to act upon them. After much other Wife and I. Wife and I. work was attended to we again made the meeting informal, and those pres-But one day the angels called her, ent entertained us with their pithy re-And we parted, sadly parted, It is the opinion of the writer marks. Wife and I. that at this session there was more Sad my heart was then, and lonely Seemed the remnant of my life, than one excellent sermon presented in condensed form. Each speaker had Till one evening in the gloaming. something to say, and said it in a way I beheld my angel wife, that none could be misunderstood. And again we were united, This fact was particularly noticeable

Wife and I. throughout the convention. Heart to heart in love united, throughout the convention. At the evening session, a splendid au-dience assembled, and we had a first-class meeting in every respect. The class meeting in evening was our time-speaker of the evening was our time-speaker of Hull. The writer has tried Moses a great number of times, but fiever has he heard him de-tiver, a more forceful and locidal ad-Wife and I. Wife and I. White her raiment was and shining, In her hand a palm she pore,— Emblem of the blessed triumph. Love achieves forevermore. For in soul we're still united. iver a more forceful and logical address than upon that occasion. It held the audience in rapt attention, and Wife and I. Heart and soul in love united, when the speaker closed his all too Wife and I. short sernion, the audience demon-strated their appreciation of what had been said, by vigorous and prolonged applause. 'On every side was heard the verdict that "Moses Hull never talked Wife and I. Shirley, Mass. BELLE BUSH.

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sages were received by those who came eager to hear from their loved ones who had passed into the great Beyond. The musical part of our program was on this occasion effuriely in the hands of Mrs. Francis Wheeler, Mrs. Draper, and Miss Clara Branger. The songs were beautiful and appropriate. The kind-ness of these ladies throughout the convention was most marked as they were ever ready with their aid in bringing

dresses there."

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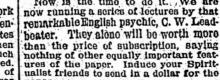
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ILLINOIS AFTERMATH.

Notes From the President of the State Association,

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Sprague have organized at Peoria, Ill., a society of fifty members as auxiliary to the Illinois State Association. Its officers are Mrs Martha Winn, president; Mrs. Martha Tamplin; vice-president; Rodney F. Green secretary, 712 Fourth avenue; Mrs. Anna Deltman, treasurer. Trus yes, Geo. H. Hess, H. P. Schneider, rurs. Sylvester Bradley. Mrs. Gertie Huston, musical director.

This royal band has started out to redeem Spiritualism from the very low estimation in which it is held by the press and the people of Peorla because of recent work there in our name by unknown and irresponsible tricksters, who advertised great things and reaped a financial harvest. Another fake cursed city. Newspapers of the city refused to publish notice of the Sprague meeting and insulted the lady who took it to them. One impostor took one hundred and ten dollars from a poor woman and disappeared. Another told six different women their husbands would die in April. He had dancing women on the stage while himself and did fake ballot work, read palms and told his sitters a lot of nonsense as spirit messages. When will Illinois Spiritualists waken to the fact that they have some one else to fight besides each other? Is the truth worth a struggle to rescue it from the wolves

Local societies in Illinois will often escape bitter humiliation by not recognizing any stranger who is not endorsed by officers of their state assodation. Always take the time and Fouble to make inquiry of the latter. Their best information and counsel is at your command.

The full official board of the state asociation is as follows: President, Geo. B. Warne, Chicago; vice-president, Jas. Freeman, Bloomington; secretary, Mrs. Ella Johnson Bloom, 971 South Homan Byenue, Chicago; treasurer, Norman Bpeight, Chicago. Trustees, Orrin.Mer-before I heard her voice. ritt, Genoa; S. H. West, LeRoy; Wilber Hammond, Rockford.

A gentleman connected with the management of Handel Hall compli-mented the Spiritualists for the selfcontrol they displayed in listening without reply to the frenzied prayers made for them and attack upon their cause by the Farson Holiness people at the noon hour. Their wild but vain pleadings with the Lord for the conversion of just one of these servants of the devil made the taunt of Elijah applicable to the petitioners: "Either your God is musing, or is gone aside, or he is on a journey, or peradventure h sleepeth and must be awakened." He is not censurable for geting out of hear-

ing, filling his ears with cotton, or sending word, "not at home." The receipts of the recent mass-meet-\$23; printing, \$11.75; mediums, \$79; hall rent, \$140; total, \$253.75. Amount collected at the door and by donation, ing were expended as follows: Music, was \$255.03. Balance on hand. \$1.28. Never before were conference meet-

ings so well attended nor the time so ings so well attended nor the time so completely occupied as at the recent Chicago gathering. All sides were given a hearing, even to an element which is credited with studying death certificates filed by doctors at the city hall, presumably to verify in advance messages to be given later on the public platform.

Camp meeting associations, like individuals, have their fool friends. One of the latter, a transient medium in Chiis reported to have said that certain man was put upon the Clinton,

Iowa, camp board to look after the interests of the tricksters, while two or more of his associate members were to be depended upon to support him. Such reports will not injure the association with those who know its many good workers for decency. Some grandly onest people summer there.

A pronounced Spiritualist of Chicago sometime since took a member of her family to a Sunday evening meeting.



OGGULT MYSTERIES.

SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCES OF LIFE BEYOND THE GRAVE.

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A Governess and a Visit From Dead, it home. It was a dirty-looking letter,

Pupil .--- Case E. addressed in an uneducated hand-writing, and of ordinary bulk. I placed it Sister Bertha, Superior of the House

on the chimney-piece in our sittingof Mercy, Bovey Tracy, Newton Abbot. room and sat down alone. I expected visited by her dead pupil: On the night of November 10, 1861 (I my brother home in an hour or two. The letter, of course, in no way interdo not know the exact hour), I was up ested me. In a minute or two I heard a ticking on the chimney-piece, and it in my bed watching, because there was a person not quite well in the next room. I heard a voice which I recogstruck me then that an old-fashioned watch my mother always had standing nized at once as familiar to me, and an first thought of my sister. It said, in in her bed-room must have been brought downstairs. I went to the the brightest and most cheerful tone, "I am here with you." I answered, lookchimney-piece, but there was no watch or clock there or elsewhere in the rom. ing and seeing nothing, "Who are you?" The ticking, which was loud and sharp, The voice said, "You mustn't know yet." I heard nothing more and saw seemed to proceed from the letter itself. Greatly surprised I removed the letter nothing, and am certain that the door and put it on a sideboard, and then in was not opened nor shut. I was not in one or two other places, but the ticking the least frightened, and felt convinced continued, proceeding undoubtedly from where the letter was each time. After an hour or so of this I could bear the that it was Lucy's (Miss Lucy Gambier Parry's) voice. I have never doubted it from that moment. I had not heard of thing no longer, and went out and sat in the hall to wait my brother. When he her being worse; the last account had been good, and I was expecting to hear came in I simply took him into the sitthat she was at Torquay. In the course of the next day (the 11th) mother told ting-room and asked him if he heard anything? He said at once, "I hear a me that she had died on the morning of watch or clock ticking." There was no watch or clock, as I have said, in the

before I heard her voice. room. He went to where the letter was and exclaimed: "Why, the letter is tick-SISTER BERTHA. The narrator informs us that she has never in her life experienced any other ing." We listened to it together, moved it about, and satisfied ourselves that the hallucination of the senses. Mrs. Gamicking proceeded from the letter, bier Parry, of Higham Court, Glouces-ter, stepmother and cousin of the which, however, plainly contained noth-Lucy" of the narrative, writes: ing but a sheet of paper. The impression which the ticking made was that of an urgent call for attention. My brother Sister Bertha (her name is Bertha Foertsch) had been living for many took the letter to Mrs. J. W. either that years as German governess to Lucy night (it was very late) or next morn-Anna Gambier Parry, and was her dear-Opening it she found that her husing. est friend. She came to us at once on band had died suddenly of sunstroke hearing of Lucy's death and told me of

the mysterious occurrence of the night

before.

her

ample of a message sent from beyond the grave. The dead girl appeared to wise have done. I have never experienced any other dearest friend and informed her hallucination of the senses. I once that she was happy.

Mrs. Clark, No. 8 South View, Forest Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, states:

I send you a short account describing what I experienced at the time of the apparition of my friends, who was a young gentleman much attached to myself, and who would willingly (had I loved him well enough) have made me his wife. I became engaged to be married, and did not see my friend (Mr. Akhurst), for some months, until within me.

when, in the presence of my husband he wished me every happiness, and re gretted he had not been able to win me.

it were better I should not be told:

He was found lying in bed with his

shirt and trousers on, just as he had

thrown himself down after taking a

sleeping draught. I myself am quite convinced that Mr.

Akhurst's thoughts had been so con-

centrated upon me before the draught

proved fatal that his spirit visited me

on its way to that glorious land where it shall dwell in the presence of Him who said, "Come unto Me all ye that

labor and heavy laden, and I will give

To me the memory of Mr. Akhurst

will always be as of a dear brother, greatly esteemed and deeply regretted.

Note on Case F.

living with her father when her hus-

band left home, passed to a family whom I will call Brown, with whom I was acqueinted, as I also was with Mrs.

J. W. and her family.

In this case a woman saw an appari-

you rest."

all.

January 6, 1885.

my husband had been the more fortu-nate of the two, but he added if any-thing happened to my husband he could leave his money to whom he liked and From Senhor Ulysses J. C. Cabral, his widow to him, and he would be quite Rut Escobar, No. 48 Rio de Januario.

I quite expected, a letter awaiting me saying my prother had died on the above-numed date. E. K. ELLIOT P." Worthing.

The Dead Calls for the Dying .- Case J. Miss Pearson, No. 15 Fitzrey Square,

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London, sees her dead aunti come to fetch her dying aunt: The house, No. 19, St. James place, Green Park, had been taken on a-very long lease by my grandfather, a solicit-or, in large country practice, having his offices in Essex street, Strand. There my father was born and his two sisters, Ann and Harriet. Aunt Ann died in 1858, leaving all she possessed to Aunt Harriet, who remained in the house. They had been devotedly attached to one another. In November, 1864, I was summoned to Brighton. My Aunt Har-riet was then very ill there. Mrs. Coppinger, the daughter of Mr. Thomas Pearson, my father's brother, was there, and her son, Mr. George James, by her first husband, came up and down. Eliza Quinton was nursing her. She only craved to go back to the old house where she was born, and I made arrangement with the railway company and took her home.

This was the second week in December. She became worse and worse. Eliza continued to nurse her, and Mrs. Coppinger. Mrs. John Pearson, the wife of a nephew, and myself helped with the night work.

Miss Harriet Pearson slept in a large three-windowed bedroom over the draw-ing-room. The room behind was occupied by Mrs. Coppinger and myself though one of us was generally in the patient's room at night. On the night of December 22, 1864, Mrs. John Pearson was in the room. Mrs. Coppinger and myself in the back room; the house lighted up on the landings and staircases, our door wide open.

About 1 or 2 o'clock on the morning of December 23, both Mrs. Coppinger and myself started up in bed; we were neither of us sleeping, as we were watching every sound from the next room.

We saw some one pass the door. short, wrapped up in an old shawl, a wig with three curls on each side and an old black cap. Mrs. Coppinger called out, "Emma, get up; it is old Aunt Ann." I said, "So it is; then Aunt Har-riet will die to-day." We jumped up, and ,Mrs. John Pearson came rushing out of the room and said. "That was old Aunt Ann. Where is she gone to?" said to soothe her: "Perhaps it was Eliza come down to see how her mis-tress is." Mrs. Coppinger ran up stairs and found Eliza sleeping in the servants' room. She was very awe-struck. but calm, dressed and came down. Ev-ery room was searched, no one was and the letter was written by some serthere, and from that day to this no exvant or companion to inform her of his planation has ever been given of this appearance, except that it was old Aunt Ann come to call her sister, and she died at 6 n, m. that day. April 1888. EMMA

EMMA PEARSON. Note on Case J.

This is a very valuable case, because the apparition was seen by three per-SOUS. It is typical of a large class of cases where a deceased person appears when some one dear to him or her is about to die.

Peculiar Instance of "Death Compact." -Case K.

A girl in England sees a vision of man friend in New Zealand while he is unconscious and dangerously ill. This letter was written to Edmund Gurney, of the Psychical Research Society, who was compelled to withhold the names:

Years ago a friend and myself made the time-worn agreement, that whichever died first would endeavor to return to visit the other. Some years after 1 asked this man's sister to remember me I have them now.

to him and say, did he remember his promise, and having received for answer, "Perfectly, I hope I shall appear -, and not she to me," the whole matter passed out of my mind. My friend -as in New Zealand his sister. I don't know where. One night I awoke with a feeling some one was in the room. I must tell you that I always ave a

was to cheer up, but that if anything did happen to him he must let me know MOST WONDERFUL not being well, I said in answer that he by appearing to me in my room, where we had often, as boys, sat at night together and indulged in a surreptitious

pipe and chat. This letter (I found subsequently) he received as he was starting to receive the sacrament from a clergyman, who has since related the fact to me. Having done this, he went to the entrench ments and never returned, as in a few hours afterward the storming of the Redan commenced. He, on the captain of his company falling, took his place, and led his men bravely on. He had just led them within the walls, though although already wounded in several places, when a bullet struck him in the right temple and he fell among heaps of others, where he was found in a sort of kneeling posture (being propped up by other dead bodies) thirty six hours after-ward. His death took place, or rather he fell, though he may not have died immediately, on the eighth of September, 1855.

That night I awoke suddenly and saw facing the window of my room, by my bedside, surrounded by a light sort of phosphorescent mist, as it were, my brother kneeling. I tried to speak, but could not. I buried my head in the bed clothes, not at all afraid (because had all been brought up not to believe in ghosts or apparitions), but simply to collect my ideas, because I had not been thinking or dreaming of him, and, in-deed, had forgotten all about what I had written to him a fortnight before. I decided that it must be fancy, and the moonlight playing on a towel, or some-thing out of place. But on looking up, there he was again, looking lovingly again to speak, but found myself tongue-tied. I could not utter a sound. sprang out of bed, glanced through the window and saw that there was no moon, but it was very dark and raining hard, by the sound against the panes. turned, and still saw poor Oliver. I shut my eyes, walked through it and reached the door of the room. As I turned the handle before leaving the room, I looked once more back. The apparition turned round his head slow-

y, and again looked anxiously and lovingly at me, and I saw then for the first time a wound on the right temple with a red stream coming from it. His face was of a waxy, pale tint, but transparentlooking, and so was the reddish mark. But it is almost impossible to describe his appearance. I only know that I never shall forget it. I left the room and went into a friend's room and lay on the sofa the rest of the night. I told him why. I told others in the house, but when I told my father he ordered me not to repeat such nonsense, and espe-

cially not to let my mother know. On the Monday following he received note from Sir Alexander Milne to say that the Redan was stormed, but no par ticulars. I told my friend to let me know if he saw the name among the killed and wounded before me. About a fortnight later he came into my bed-room in his mother's house in Athole Crescent, in Edinburgh, with a very grave face. I said, "I suppose it is to tell me the sad news Ivexpect;" and he said, "Yes." Both the colonel of the regiment and one or two officers who saw the body confirmed the fact that the appearance was much according to my description, and the death wound was exactly where I had seen it. But none could say he had actually died at the moment. His appearance, if 80 must have been some hours after death as he appeared to me a few minutes after two in the morning. Months later a small prayer book and the letter I had written to him were returned to Inversek, found in the inner breast pocket of his tunic which he wore at his death.

Note on Case L.

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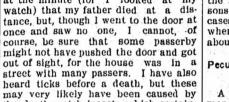
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may very likely have been caused by the death watch insect; which certainly was not the case with the ticks which come from the watch. The incident of the letter made a deep impression on

ANNA DAVIES. December 22, 1888. Note on Case G.

This indicates that a departed spirit may empower some inanimate object to call attention to itself or to make itself heard, as in this case by causing the letter to tick. Professor Myers refers to many cases of this character, which and was going to stay the night. When my husband and he were talking he said

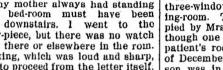
A Spirit seen by Nuns in Brazil .--Case H. From Senhor Ulysses J. C. Cabral,

death. The ticking, no doubt, made my brother and myself hand on the letter Note on Case E. Mr. Myers considers this a good exmore promptly than we might otherheard a strong push at the street door at the minute (for I looked at my

A Woman Sees Her Dead Lover.

a week of my marriage (June, 1878).

Time passed on. I had been married about two years, and had never seen Mr. Akhurst, when one day my husband told me that he (Mr. Akhurst) was in Newcastle and was coming to supper



medium was answering questions sent up by the audience. Among them was one from the "mother of ten children, asking, 'Will I have any more children?" A catchy reply was made to the effect that it was to be hoped not, for the sake of the questioner. The aforesaid visitor understood the answer was wholly inspired by unseen intelligences. He has only recently found that the same medium answered that identical question some weeks later at a camp in Indiana, and at another in Iowa. He now wants to know if the spirit controls stereotype al questions submitted to them and have their mortal instruments copyright their answers for them? Does this incident explain the source of some of the nonsensical questions often heard in our meetings?

The Wheaton society is agitating a Sunday grove meeting very shortly to which it will invite the Spiritualists of its Chicago suburb. The last one in beautiful Glen Ellyn was very enjoyable. Let all good cooks dust off the family lunch baskets, and then fill them. GEO. B. WARNE.

THE VOICES.

Down in the night I hear them: The voices unknown, unguessed, That whisper, and lisp and murmur, And will not lest me rest.

Voices that seem to question, In unknown words, of me, of fabulous ventures and hopes and dreams

Of this and the world to be.

Voices of mirth and music. As in sumptuous homes, and sounds Of mourning, as of gathering friends In country butial grounds.

Cadence of maidens' volces Their lovers' blent with these; And of little children singing, As under orchard trees.

And often, up from the chaos Of my deepest dreams, I hear Sounds of their phantom laughter, Filling the atmosphere.

They call to me from the darkness, They cry to me from the gloom. Till I start sometimes from my pillow And peer through the haunted room.

When the face of the moon at the win dow

Wears a pallor like my own; And seems to be listening with me To the low, mysterious tone,

The low, mysterious clamor Of voices, that seem to be Striving in vain to whisper Of secret things to me;

Of something dread to be warned of: Of a rapture yet withheld; Or hints of the marvelous beauty Of songs unsyllabled.

But ever and ever the meaning Falters and falls and dies, . And only the silence quavers. With the sorrow of my sighs. And I answer: O, volces, ye may not Make me to understand, Till my own volce, minging with you Laughs in the Shadow-land. James Whitcomb Riley,

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content. I mention this to show he After relating his first meeting in June, was still interested in me.

1866, with "Deolinda," a child whom he Three months passed and baby was had found in great poverty and taken orn. When she was about a week old, charge of, and her death from consumpvery carly one morning I was feeding tion shortly afterward, Senhor Cabral her, when I felt a cold waft of air continues: through the room and a feeling as Some mo Some months passed and my family,

though some one touched my shoulder: (which now included my wife's other my hair seemed to bristle all over my sister, Amelia) went to stay at a plantahead, and I shuddered. Raising my tion belonging to friends. I escorted eyes to the door (which faced me), I them thither, and returned to attend to saw Akhurst standing in his shirt and my obligations in the city. In order not trousers looking at me, when he seemed to be alone I accepted the invitation of o pass through the door. In the morn- my friend, Barboza de Andrade, and ing I mentioned it to my husband. I went to live with him in S. Christovam. did not hear of Mr. Akhurst's death for One month afterward a sister of Barsome weeks after, when I found it cor- boza's, who was ill, came into his house. responded with that of the apparition, She grew daily worse, and after the and though my father knew of it before, lapse of a few months had sunk so low he thought in my weak state of health that we had to sit up with her at nights.

One night when I had taken my turn at nursing I felt sleepy and went to lie down. Two sisters, Donnas Anna Ignez Dias Fortes and Feliciana Dias (now deceased), took my place. I had made their acquaintance but a few days before. After stretching myself on the bcd I was filled with a feeling of unbounded joy. I was happy, and could not imagine what was the cause of my happiness. I had a sensation as if some one were holding my head and

placing something around it. Astonished at my experience I called o the ladies who were watching in the next room, and Donna Feliciana, though from the place where she was seated she could not sce me, answered back: "I see at your bedside a spirit child clothed in white. She places on your head a crown of roscs. She says her name is Deolinda, and she comes to thank you for the kindness and charity

tion of a man amid peculiar surroundings, which she could have known nothwith which you behaved to her." I was amazed at such a declaration, for that ing about, as he died suddenly, unex-pectedly and accidentally. The de-ceased was attached to the percipient, very day was the anniversary of Deolinda's death, and neither I nor any but she had not been thinking of him at other person in the house had recollect ed this, besides, I had never spoken on the subject.

The two ladies were worthy of the A Letter Sounds a Death Warning .-highest respect. As for Donna Anna Case G. Fortes, who is still alive, our friendship A letter makes a ticking noise to give is now of long standing, and I render

varning of a death. From Mrs. Anna her all the homage which her virtue and goodness merit. ULYSSES CABRAL, Davies: About twenty years ago I was living

EMILY CLARK.

Director of the "Atheneu Brazileiro." with my mother and brothers at Islington. Near us lived a family whose name March 12, 1892. is not important to the narrative.

Note on Case H. One of their daughters married a Mr This is an extraordinary Case, where J. W., who went to India. Mrs. J. W. continued living at her father's house. Her father, however, changed his resi-dence, and as Mr. J. W.'s address in Inan apparition was seen by two persons

an appartue was been by the one in whom it was but only felt by the one in whom it was interested. The two witnesses were Sisters of Mercy, and their testimony is dia was not known at the time Mrs. J of the highest value. W. could not inform him of the change of address. The house where she was

A Sister Learns Her Brother's Death In Mid-Ocean .-- Case I. Miss E. K. Elliott, in mid-ocean, re-

ceives news of her brother's death. Extracts from diary written out in Atlantic, January 14, 1847:

One evening I paid a visit to Mrs. "Dreamt last night I received a letter from my uncle, H. E., dated January 3, Brown and she gave me an Indian letter which had arrived for Mrs. J. W. at the house now occupied by the Browns. in which the news of my dear brother's death was given. It greatly struck me. "My brother had been ill in Switzer-Mrs. Brown asked me to transmit this letter to Mrs. J. W. through my brother, letter to Mrs. J. W. through my brother of Mrs. J. who frequently saw a brother of Mrs. J. ind, but the last news I i leaving England was that he "The January 3" was very the letter sent on to Mrs. J. W. I prom-intended to catch my eye. land, but the last news I received on "The 'January 3' was very black, as if fied to give it to my brother, and took

right ligh not far from my bed. I looked about. and presently saw something behind the little table; felt myself grow perfectly cold; was not in the least fright-ened, rubbed my eyes to be sure that I

was quite awake, and looked at it steadfastly. Gradually a man's head and shoulders were perfectly formed. but in a sort of misty material, if I may use such a word. The head and features were distinct, but the whole appearance was not substantial and plain: in fact. it was like a cloud, formed as a man's head and shoulders. At first I gazed

and thought, who is it, some one must be there, but who? Then the formation of the head and shoulders (which are most marked in my friend) made me exclaim to myself, "Captain W-The appearance faded away.

I got up and put the date down, and waited until news from New Zealand To was possible. I made inquiries about my friend, never doubting that he was dcad. The answer always came, "No news." At last this also, "we are so anxious, it is so long since we have heard. We shall again wait another mail, and write to so and so." then came the news, a mere scran "Have had a severe fall off the coach can't write; head all wrong-still." That

was all and pretty much the exact words, as far as I can remember. In due time we heard more. He had fallen off the coach, and was insensible for some time, and then, as he had said, his head was not clear for a while. I have never had the slightest doubt that while insensible, his spirit came here The appearance to me was coincident with the time of his insensibility. I have never had but this one experience of an apparition. December 17, 1883. E. W. R.

Note on Case K.

This is recorded among the phenomena of "death compact," many instances of which Prof. Myers has examined. It s, indeed, cited as peculiarly significant ons through the intestines into the because the person who projected his phantasmal self on the mind, of the other was not dead. It reveals, there are dyspepsia, indigestion, catarrh of fore, the fact that actual bodily death is not necessary to free the spirit from the trouble, headaches, etc. The bowels fore, the fact that actual bodily death is body, but that unconsciousness or a near approach to death is sufficient to permit "the spirit to show itself disasso-

clated from the organism." A Soldler Sees His Dead Brother .-

977 Case L.

Captain G. F. Russell Colt, ⁴of Gart-sherrie, Coatbridge, Scotland, visited by his brother after the latter's death in battle.

I was home for my holidays, residing with my father and mother, not here, but at another old family place in Midlothian, built by an ancestor in Queen Mary of Scots' time, called the Inversels House, My bedroom was a curious old room, long and narrow, with a window

at one end of the room and a door at the other. My bed was on the right of the window, looking toward the door. I had a very dear brother (my eldest brother), Oliver, lieutenant in the Seventh Royal Fusileers. He was about nineted leaving England was that he was better. | years old, and had at that. time been some months before Sebastopol. I corresponded frequently with him, and Spiritualists. The volume is tastily "On my return to England I found, as once when he wrote me in low spirits printed and bound. Price \$1.

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were home, the old hearts still are true: And not an evening passes by they haven't the desire

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N. Y. ou're young and buoyant, and for you Hope beckons with her hands, And life spreads out a waveless sea that

laps but tropic strands: The world is all before your face, but

let your memories turn where fond hearts still cherish you

and loving bosoms yearn.

No matter what your duties are, nor what your place in life, 'here's never been a time they'd not as

sume your load of strife; l shrunken shoulders, trembling hands, and forms racked by disease,

Would bravely dare the grave to bring to you the pearl of peace.

So don't forget the old folks, boysthey've not forgotten you: hough years have passed since you

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And write them now and then to bring the light into their eyes,

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Packing Their Trunks for the United States.

That is what the priests and friars of the Congregation of the Holy Cross in I will not be strung up like a dog." France are doing. They have long been Catholics did not object to the government ordering their suppression. The Their wealth, except personal belong- good; no one will ever know." ings is confiscated, and they are not alhoped that our government will not al- tive. low of their engaging in the debauching

business in establishments here. be landed on the shores of this country.

Home time ago at Elemiliton, Cato, S nan names Alfred Enapp, conferred to the killing of four women and a child. He strangled his victims without mo tive or compunction, and when placed In fail he was a shuddering, cowering wretch, praying for mercy and haunted by visions of the punishment he knows

Spital Pusiekenss and Oberchille

must suffer. "I am guilty!" he cried in a half moan. "I have killed five women. God knows why I did it. I don't. But I have told all now. Tell me, don't you think they'll send me to state's prison? They won't-they won't-they wouldn't since I have confessed-they wouldn't send me to the-electric chair. Would they? I'll pray to God to save me from that!"

"As I hope for pardon," he said, "I. had no thought of killing the girl when Christian, hence narrow, bigoted, un-I first saw her. But as I came closer to civil and arrogant. Its editor, the notoher my finger nails sank into my palms within me cried, 'Kill! Kill Kill!' I tried to fight it down, but the reforms. His late editorial surpasses voice was stronger than I. I dug my hands into my pockets, and against my will they forced themselves out and stretched toward that innocent child's thoat. As I live, I couldn't resist the shyster. temptation. . I called her to me and told her, I would buy her candy, and when

she came close enough I jumped upon her, seized her by the throat and dug my nails into her flesh until the blood I thought it the happiest moment of my life. I cannot describe to you the pleasure that it gave me.

"And then, when I realized what had done, the horror overtook me. carried the body away and hid it where I knew it could never be found and all the time that damnable voice within me was saying: 'Good-good-no one will ever know. Why should you care?'

"It was always so. It was that same uncontrollable desire that came over me. I loved my wife, Annie Knapp. For months the impulse to murder had not come to me. One morning I awoke. A gray dawn was just breaking. My wife lay sleeping at my side. I turned and looked at her and in an instant my fingers twitched with that same murderous desire. And, in an ecstasy of goes. pleasure I caught her by the throat and strangled her as she slept. I did not murder because I wanted to, but because I couldn't help it. It was not my

fault "Now that I have confessed and told all I have done I don't think they should be hard on me. They won't send me to the death chair, will they?" Once again his voice quavered and his knees shook with fear. Death has tificate of later date than October, 1902. fearful terrors for this self-confessed murderer of wives and little girls.

"The people in this neighborhood are very excitable," he whined, like a pleading, querulous child. "They are in-censed against me. They don't understand how I came to do these things. I have thought that they might try to-to his lips and his face blanched as he

glanced up at his interrogator. "That would be a crime. The sheriff must protect me. He must. It is his duty. While there is a possibility of this a menace to the French Republic, and man being the result of an attempted had become so obnoxious that even the prenatal strangulation, or the maternal inclination or thought in that direction, it sounds like a real case of obsession. schools in which they have trained the It sounds greatly like the ravings of a youths in the strict law of the church, murderer swung off into eternity from and to obey the priest first and the gov- | the end of a rope, whispering into the ernment a long way after, are closed, clairaudient ear of a sensitive, "Good-

Such incidents ought, surely, to start lowed to wear the habit of the order. | people to thinking of the possibility of Their wealth was very great, for the the revengeful spirits of murderers who different establishments have engaged are murdered under sanction of the law in manufacturing especially of cordials, returning and wreaking the vengeance pleasant beverages for ladies, of which of their distorted souls upon anyone they had the monopoly. It is to be whom they may find sufficiently recep-

In nine hundred and ninety-nine The prospect is that several thou-sands of these priests and "sisters" will man's noose spans the neck of a person cases out of every thousand the hangwho knows nothing of the future state There could be no more undesirable. of existence and who has never given They are coming with very little wealth the possibility of consciousness beyond to live on the charity of religious cre-dulity. They are worse than drones for they instill on every convenient occa-plunged from the scaffold into darkness

The Christian Advocate and Spirit Spiritor Becher receives a sneer ualism.

If the so-called Christian papers are expected to give truthful representa-tions of Spiritualism, or to be even fair and honest, the expectation will be dis-appointing. The ordinary courtesies of refined society are not observed in the treatment of this subject, and misrepresentation and slanderous falsehoods are stock in trade with those who appear to think those who differ from them in opinion have no rights they are

IGLERIGAL ARROGANGE,

bound to respect. The Christian Advocate is intensely rious Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley, hates Spir itualism more intensely than all other his ordinary efforts, and his vindictive ness is so apparent that his friends must feel chagrined at his descending to the cheap pettifogging of a police

. So disgusting is the character of this editorial that it awakened the resent-ment of a Methodist minister who stands high in the opinion of his conference, and my attention was earnest ly called by him to the necessity of an

ing the clipping: "I doubt Dr. Buckley's publishing an answer, but such a hate ful article ought to be answered in some important paper....Dr. Buckley certainly knows he has penned things that are not true. All men are dupes who do not see things as he does. Some years ago when Joseph Cook was appointed to examine and report on Spiritualism, of the slate test he reported, "The pencil moved without control," No reply was made until after Cook's death, when the editor of the Western Christian Advocate had the littleness and unkindness to say (Cook was hypand unkindness to say (Cook was hyp-notized.' Cook was there-the editor several hundred miles away. So it

Perhaps it is because the church has so wonderfully absorbed Spiritualism, and ministers find they draw best when they speak on its living issues, that Dr. Buckley is so filled with hatred. Here are a few choice pickings:

"Spiritualism from time to time throws its moss-covered tentacles around minds weak by nature or made so by grief or age. "Nothing has ever yet been done by

professional spiritual mediums that could not be explained upon natural principles, or detected as jugglery classified under other things of the same nature that can be paralleled by the use of natural laws.

"The trance of honest spiritual mediums, whether spontaneous or the re--to lynch me." The word hesitated on sult of mental conditions artificially induced is a phenomenon that can be exwell as anything can be that plained as has to do with the brain and nervous system.

"It is curious that in most cases old men are liable to be entrapped by the agency of female mediums, but some by male mediums, though the latter succeed better with wealthy old women or with a class of women of any age in 'society' or among the illiterate .. Who are the "minds weak by nature,"

"old men" and "wealthy old women," caught by the "moss-covered tentacles' of Spiritualism? Of the thousands of names which might be mentioned of those eminent in science, statesman. ship, literature and art, write Prof. Al-fred R. Wallace, Prof. Varley, electri-cian of the Atlantic telegraph; Sir William Crookes, Flammarion, Prof James of Harvard, Prof. Hyslop, of Columbia,

Emperor Alexander of Russia, Queen Victoria, Abraham Lincoln, the poet Tennyson, Robert Chambers, Rev. Heber Newton, Rev. Minot J. Savage, Bishop Samuel Watson, and if these are not sufficient go on and fill columns

with names equally well known. In the beginning of Methodism, John Wesley and his family were subject to a sniritual visitation, and manifestations far more extraordinary than those of the Fox sisters. Had superstition

"If Henry Ward Beecher is in no bet ter business than attempting to prove immortality by revealing the place of

'a widow's mite -a small copper coin -that had been in his possession at one time; he is not worthy of attention." It is presumable that Beecher know what would be the most telling test of his identity, and he so well succeeded that he confounded Dr. Funk and called out editorials from Maine to the Gulf. Cannot this editor see that it is not the "small copper coin," but the intelligence back of it, that is in evidence?

Henry Ward Beecher as a spirit would be Beecher, and Identified himself as such. As a parallel, take the communi-cation of the "Lord," that is of Jehovah, the great god of the universe, to Moses, about the ark of the covenant, telling him of the kind of wood to use in making it, its size, the rings in the corners, the poles to carry it, etc. We ask, is the communication such as we would expect from its high-claimed source? I

God really communicated, why did he not give Moses something more than the way to make a box to carry suspended by poles from the shoulders of sweating priests as they journeyed There is nothing new in the follow-

ing, for it has been reiterated many "In all the literary and professedly

revealing stuff that has been attributed to spirits there is nothing which has contributed to the progress of natural science, to the forecasting of im portant or wide-reaching future events, to the unmistakable unearthing of plots of deep significance, or the revelation of hidden crimes."

If this objection holds good to Spiritualism, it is equally so to Christianity. What has ever been contributed to sci ence; to "forecasting" the future; or unearthing of plots and "hidden crimes" by the 100,000 ministers of the gospel in the United States? If their claims be

true, why do they not at once inform the police of the whereabouts of crimi-nals? Or better, by their gift of prophecy, give timely warning, that crime may be prevented? Why has not the Bible given the world the telephone, telegraph, trolley car and X-ray, contu-ries ago? "Oh," they cry, "don't you know the Bible and religion are not to reveal science?"

Yes, I know, and I also know that the Bible commences with, and Christianity is founded on, an account of the creation of the universe, which has been declared infallible, superseding all science, and has given rise to the scheme of Christian salvation; the fall of man, ion of a sacrificed God, hell and the warfare continuous against the power of the devil, waged by the priesthood. Yes, I know there is no scienceknowledge-in it; that the study of Genesis is a dream of the childhood of

man. But the devotees believe or pre end to believe that they have the infallible truth and the only means of solving the problem of life and death. Why not at once convince the unbelieving world of the truth of their high claims Will the editor of the Advocate or any minister, point to the least discovery he slightest attempt at prophecy, the criminal brought to justice, the crime prevented?

Yet we by no means admit that Spirit ualism has brought nothing new, or plead the delinquencies of the Christian religion as an excuse. Anyone who even passingly looks over the field of view, will at once discern that it has created a new science of spirit, and hat the old psychology is made obso lete. It has introduced law into the domain of spirit, and the mental realm. It has unitized the manifestations of all ages and races. It has reduced the outlying domain of mystery, miracle, the supernatural, occult and fortuitous, to law. It has made the realm of spirit

a realm of science. It has demonstrated immortality. It has promulgated a rule for the conduct of life a step superior to the golden rule: Do all for others. And its work of negation, of destroying sunot prevailed, the great spiritual advent perstition; of eradicating harmful dog-

Alfred Russel Wallace Writes in Explanation and Defense of His Views.

To the Editor:-An American friend has sent me Mr. H. Buddha and Christ, to Socrates, Newton and Darwin. As a Tuttle's article from your paper of March 28, and urges me Spiritualist I presume he believes that man is a spirit, and to write a few words in reply to it. I must say I have never will, after the death of his body, live a spiritual life of conbeen able to understand Mr. Tuttle's point of view. He ac tinuous progression. But as, during the process of evolucuses me of resorting to "miraculous interposition" to ac- | tion, there was nowhere a break, then, if man is a spirit so count for the spirit of man. He says that I "cut man off must all animals be spirits, and every ape and tiger, every from the line of evolution, and made him an exception, and fish and frog, every grub and bug and mosquito and worm, miraculous creation." And he thinks I injure the cause of must all alike survive death, and as spirit-bugs, spirit-fish, Spiritualism by thus applying its teachings.

BIGOTRRY, AND INGIVILITY. MINAN and the Universe.

But. I presume. Mr. Tuttle believes in a future life for man; and as he speaks of the "grand scheme of creation," that he also believes in a creator or creators: and as he speaks of the possibility of "other stellar systems," and "other planes of existence of which we can have no comprehension," that he believes in many-perhaps an infinite number of distinct creations. Why, then, does he seem so horrifled at more than one act of creative power in our material universe? Will he state his position clearly? Does he believe, with Haeckel, that matter and all its forces-or, perhaps more accurately, all the forces which constitute matter-existed from all eternity? But, if not, there must have been, at some epoch, a creation, or rather, perhaps, an influx, of the forces constituting matter-the material universe, from the universe of spirit. To my mind, it is unthinkable that forces such as gravitation, heat, electricity, and all the other radiations and forms of energy, can persist by themselves. They imply a constantly acting cause; an Origin necessarily in spirit as distinct from matter; a conscious effort of power, not a blind, dead, unthinkable, set of "laws."

But if the constant inflowing energies which constituty and maintain the material universe, are of a spiritual, ano therefore of a conscious nature, why should they not be modified at different epochs as needed to fulfill the purposes for which they are exerted? To my mind, as I have before stated, there are three such epochs, requiring the influx of other forces than those needed to maintain the inorganic world alone: (1) at the origin of the organizing force manifested in vegetable life, which seems to me absolutely dis. tinct from anything in inorganic matter; (2) at the influx of the faculty of sensation as the rudiment of mind, again unthinkable as a product of either inorganic matter or vegeta. tive organization; and (3) when the influx of the "living

soul" of man occurred, at the epoch when his physical organism had advanced to that degree of perfection to be fitted to receive and to develop it.

Mr. Tuttle's view, I presume, is that of the monist school, except that he supposes a creator at the back of the universe. But ever after the first production of primitive mat ter, nebula, fire-mist, or whatever it may be termed, the whole thing is supposed to have worked of itself, and there was an absolutely continuous, self-acting, evolution up to

etc., etc., persist in worlds or spheres of their own far more

extensive than the sphere needed for human spirits, because their numbers since the dawn of life have been myriads of millions of times greater than his.

But why stop here? If there has been no break of conth nuity between animals and plants, or between plants and minerals, then all plants that have ever existed, all trees and merbs, all weeds and living slimes, from the eozoic period downwards, must also have a continuous life-and if these then why not minerals and elements, and molecules and atoms, since, if there has been no break anywhere in the world-long series, there can be no difference in essential nau ture between the lowest and the highest. Haeckel and his school avoid this difficulty by maintaining that all are but ransitory forms of matter and force-that, as the mineral is disintegrated, as the worm and the plant die, so dies man, so also will die all worlds and suns and systems, perhaps to be replaced by others, perhaps, when their store of energy is exhausted to become cold and lifeless wanderers in infinite space. They are at least logical. But Mr. Tuttle is not log. ical unless he follows out his supposed law of absolutely com cinuous evolution in the thorough manner I have suggested? while, if he does so carry it out, I am inclined to think he will find himself in a minority of one-a solitary, perhaps

glorious, but rather chilly position.

It is not necessary for me to say anything about the rest of his criticism, because it would occupy too much space to point out the numerous places in which he has misunder stood and consequently misrepresented my view. I .will only state that my article is based throughout on the facts of modern science in the domains of astronomy, physics, and biology. I have nothing to do with speculations as to other universes, other planes of existence, which may (or may not) exist. These imaginary universes have been adduced by all my critics, just as if I had not carefully limited my argument to-"the stellar universe"-"the material universe"-"this universe"-"our universe," so that I thought nobody could have misunderstood me. I hold with Pope, that-"We cannot reason but from what we know"-and I therefore decline to be drawn into a controversy as to the number or na ture of imaginary universes in infinite space.

ALFRED R. WALLACE. Broadstone, Dorset, England, April 10, 1903.

supreme claim that God's hand wrote on the walls of the temple at Babylon when it may be readily explained by the cunning of Daniel?

Why believe in the appearance of Moses and Elias, when they were seen by only three disciples, chosen perhaps because they would tell any story Jesus suggested, or were readily hypnotized Why believe the story of the resur rection when the guard told exactly

how the body was removed? We are asking belief in existence after death of the mortal body, and the return to us of the spirit's immortal, while the Christian world contend for the incarnation of the supreme God, his birth by natural means, his growth to you know; I don't, BUT IT IS DIVINE." manhood, his crucifixion, death and resurrection into the mangled body, and ascension therewith into heaven! And while every part of this scheme may be explained by natural and most common causes, it applies without a moment's hesitation to the tremendous dogma of

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which this government rests, and which upon him.

unfortunately protects and shelters them in their treasonable designs. The ignorant classes of Southern Europe are undesirable immigrants, but they are workers and are important factors in the immense construction moving order of the see not works going forward. They are not plotting to gain control, and the only danger from their stolidity is when controlled by their superiors. The members of the Holy Cross, who are coming, are the opposite. They scorn labor. They have lived by their wits; by their influence over the credulous, and by their wits they will continue to live. Virtually every one comes as a pauper, to be supported by the people, who have been taught by these wolves, that giv with the grime of labor.

A Badge of Shame.

Ornaments of cruelty is not an unapt designation for some of the millinery finery which adorns the headgear of

many ladies who think themselves re-

fined as well as fashionable. As is well stated by a writer in the Chicago Record-Herald, too many summer hats are trimmed with "algrettes" than which no form of feather ornament is more cruel. These dainty, graceful plumes,

unlike the distorted skin of humming-

bird or warbler, carry with them no norant of the unspeakable wrong the and deliberation. taking of the feathers entails. Aigrette plumes are the wedding dress of the white heron or egret, and are worn by the female during the nesting season. The plume hunter, discovering a colony by watching the birds as they fly to and from their nests, shoots the mothers as they return with food, leaving the young to die of starvation. A Florida hunter once told the writer that with three or four assistants he had killed in one afternoon 800 egrets; another boasted that during one geason his party had killed 130,000 birds. This merciless slaughter, ranging from Florida as far south as Argentina, means the extermination in America of one of its most beautiful feathered inhabitants. It is impossible to believe that if women understood the facts they would not discard an ornament, which, worn wittingly, is for them a badge of shame.

It would almost seem that the ghosts of murdered birds, wantonly and cruelly slain, a sacrifice to gratify vanity or misdirected esthetic taste, would haunt the inconsiderate wearers of their plundered plumage, and fill unwilling ears with their dying cries of Dain.

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sion doctrines which have for their ob- to grope about conscious but ignorant ject the subversion of the principles on of the sudden change that has come ism. In Wesley's life as first published

> The present laws of our land are no doubt as good as the growth of the age demands as a general rule, but capital punishment is barbaric and belongs to the dark ages of superstition and ignor. ance, and as the world becomes unfolded the demand should not be to avenge a crime with a crime, but to enlighten the criminal regarding the inevitable consequence of murder and other violations of right, to the immortal soul, the long period of regret, the awful distortion and postponement of progress of the spirit. If a man is found dangerous to socie-

ty, a trespasser upon the rights of othing to the priest is giving to God. They will come and revel on the best in the land, and their hands will not be solled strain his evil passions and it is well to have workshops and schools combined, as prisons, where they can be made of use to their fellowman whom they would rob or slay, then educate them into an aspiring state. If they prove impossible of unfoldment it were better that they be held away from the lawabiding, peaceful citizens, men and women who would rise morally and spirit-

ually. Spiritualism does not approve of cap-spiritualismment, but on the contrary, ital punishment, but on the contrary, itaches that a legal murder is more shocking and demoralizing to humanity and to the spirit than when committed during the temporary insanity that extreme anger produces upon the brain nerves of man.

Justice frowns upon crime, whether suggestion of death, and many a wo-man on whose hat they are placed is ig-of ignorance and anger or of wisdom

How Much for Church Influence?

Prof. George A. Coe, of the chair of

Moral Philosophy, of the Northwestern University, in a recent lecture, made the following statement:

"The church has to a considerable extent ceased to be the recognized moral leader of society. We have the strange spectacle of a great many religious peo ple in the church who have no moral influence in society and of many men of moral influence who have nothing to do with the church."

The worst of this statement for the churches is that it is true. Only a few years ago, the ministers of a town could, through their churches, carry elections, have laws enacted, and dominate society. Now the most certain way to have a political measure defeat.

ed is to have the church engage in it. Of course when Prof. Coe speaks of the church, he means the Protestant Branches. The Catholic, has yet absolute sway over the minds of its memhers. There is nothing new in the statement but from its high source it | Watson, Savage or Newton may be as will call attention, and open the eyes of the people to the fact that as noble a moral life can be lived outside the church as within.

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would have been made then, and not remas and beliefs; the clearing of the strained, and converted into Methodground of the brambles and poisonous weeds, planted by ignorance and nour ished by bigotry, and credulity has been is a full acount of these events, but the no less remarkable in its world-wide re-

where is the gain?

tommy-rot: -

to find such a gem amidst the flood of

find it. The wise never believe any-

long as they can show that similar things have been done by natural

means, or can conceive a rational way by which such things could be done,

though they may not have the skill to do it."

Never anything said more true! Spir-

itualists hold to the scientific method of

phenomena of the present and all past

If the editor of the Advocate will

thing supernatural or preternatural

"Those who love delusion can always

next edition had all this portion sup-pressed? Why? Was it true, or did the sults he Dr. Buckley's decision will admirably apply to Christianity: "Common sense judges by the consequences of a claim or belief, and menliving on earth to-day would have been tally or orally says to the humbug or an uncompromising Spiritualist. Meth-fanatic, 'You seem to prove your point,

odism started with Spiritualism. but I don't believe it' As for mediums entrapping' "old Only we omit the "seem," for the con-tention of these ministers does not men" or "wealthy old women," allow me to refer to the entrapping of these 'seem" to common sense, or the impar-

classes by gospel ministers, and entic- tial judgment to be proven. They do ing them when weak and near death, to not even make that claim, but say: "Oh, make wills giving their property to the don't go on reasoning. It is the myschurch, and dispossessing their chil- tery of Godliness and you can't find it This has become such a crying out." that many states have enacted Spiritualism has not come to furnish dren.

evil, that many states have enacted laws, setting aside any bequest, wherea spirit police force, a night and day by property is given to the church, if watch, to assist the Sherlock Holmeses the will is executed less than a year be- in the wretched work. fore the death of the testator. This charge against ministers using their inisters when they found they could no'. fluence over the sick and dying is evimeet this requirement, blundered int. denced by laws. The charge against the righteous defense, that such fore

mediums is an assertion, quite unsup-Can trance be "explained?" Can the phenomena of Spiritualism be explained by Dr. Buckley? Then whatever expla-

nation he adopts, it applies with the same force to the leading manifestations recorded in the Bible. The Book thereby enabled to ruin many others, of Revelations was confessedly re-ceived by trance. Paul was entranced; Moses and Elias "materialized" to some of the apostles; a hand material-ized and wrote on the walls of the hall at Babylon, and angels (spirits) repeat-

edly appeared as messengers. What shall we believe, Dr. Buckley? Give your explanation of the phenomena of Spiritualism, be it humbug, devil, or "unknown law of mind," and your argu-

ment sweeps every. vestige of these from the Bible. We cannot pass this paragraph, conspicuous for its unsupported audacity; "When infidels are professedly con-verted to Christlanity by Spiritualism

the presumption is that they did not believe in their infidelity. "When professed Christians turn to

"When professed Christians turn to not going to higher sources for explana-Spiritualism as a means of establishing tion, when ordinary causes will apply. a bellef in the future life, the presump-It is because the lesser have been tion is that their Christianity did not found inadequate, and that only one have a very deep hold upon them, or cause unifizes and explains all the so-else their minds have weakened under called supernatural manifestations and the circumstances mentioned above." In a life-long experience we never ages it has been received. Because met or heard of anyone "converted to evil spirits, sub-consciousness, fraud, Christianity by Spiritualism." There electricity, hypnotism and countiess has been a great number of Christians converted to Spiritualism. Perhaps Christianity did not have a "very deep Christianity did not have a "very deep Christianity did not have a "very deep There are many who "love delusion." hold upon them." We presume it did If there were not, the Christian Advonot have the hold it has on such men as cate would lose its subscription list, Dr. Buckley, for then they would not and the churches would be more lonelisten, were the effort made to convert some places than they now are. On the them, and would misrepresent and ridi- other hand there are a great many who cule. The Christianity of Rev. John love the truth and are ready to make Plerpont, Theodore Parker, Bishop any sacrifice for its sake.

may rely on the residuum and feel that our feet rest on the firm foundation of attested facts.

6. We close the case by requesting Dr. Buckley to apply this method to his own religion and honestly report the re-

Spiritualism furnishes the unknown term in the equation the world has been looking for through all the ages, and thus allows of its solution.

HUDSON TUTTLE, Editor-at-Large National Spiritualist Association, Washington, D. C.

ZURILDA WELLINGTON.

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The above is the title of a message from the spirit side of life through the mediumship of Mrs. M. Pasquier Curran, of St. Louis, Mo. Emanating, as it does, from the spirit side of life, it will prove especially interesting. Ey As for foretelling the future, the minervbody should read it.

Ohio State Association.

To the Editor:-Kindly allow me casting was undesirable. As giving through the columns of your paper to one person advantage over another, it is essentially opposed to moral rectiaddress the Spiritualists of Ohio retude. Suppose an operator on the Stock Exchange or the Board of Trade is informed by spirit agency of the garding the annual state convention. It will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 29, 30 and 31, in G. A. R. future price of stocks or grain, and is Memorial Hall in Toledo. This is one of the nicest halls in Toledo, and has a seating capacity of 800. Let it be understood that Spiritual-

Our programme as far as completed will consist of the following individ-uals: Harrison D. Barrett, of Boston, president N. S. Harrison F. Con ism has come to spiritualize, not as purveyor of the gutter. We find near the close a passage with which we agree, and it is pleasant

Ban on Faith Healing. president N. S. A.; Mrs. Marion E. Car-penter, of Detroit; Mayor S. M. Jones, of Toledo; Albert W. Wadsworth, of Cleveland, president O. S. A.; F. D. Dunakin of Cecil, first vice-president O. S. A.; Mrs. Hattle G. Webster of Co-was finally denied by the Supreme nature they may be such as to endanger S. A.; Mrs. Hattie G. Webster of Co-lumbus, second vice-president O. S. A.; Mrs. Carrie Firth Curran, of Toledo, treasurer O. S. A.; F. W. Martin, of Elyria; Mrs. Dr. Wyant, Henry Dowd and Mr. Knowkon, all of Toledo, and Master G. Eddy, is injurious to the company of the law. Master G. Eddy, is injurious to the company of the law. Master G. Eddy, is injurious to the company of the law.

Master Jason Hemmeter, of Cleveland. munity and is opposed to the general The musical programme is not yet policy of the law relative to the existcompleted, but will consist of piano, ence and treatment of disease.

summer:

cornet, violin and vocal selections. The case came before the Supreme An earnest appeal and very cordial invitation is hereby extended to every Court on appeal from the decision of have been given us for the healing of individual Spiritualist, every society the late Judge Arnold of the Common sickness and the cure of disease. There whether under charter or not, and to all Pleas Court, who refused a charter to is ample room for the office of prayer, interested in the cause of Spiritualism the First Christian Church of Scient even when we have faithfully and con-scientiously used all the means known in Ohio, to come and meet with us. All tists of Philadelphia. Judge Arnold, to the science and art of medicine.

ited delegates, and direct members who will send their names in advance to Mrs. Carrie Firth Curran, 123 Indiana from Mother Eddy. In addition, Judge the society do receive compensation for avenue, Toledo, who has the matter of Arnold wrote a long supplemental opin- their services, but this seems to be a entertainment in charge. The time is ion regarding the danger to the com- personal recompense with which the sonear at hand and we desire every friend munity that would result from inexpert clety has nothing to do."

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"We are inclined to think that the evwno died last week, held that while the tend. An effort is being made to provide Scientist Church was a religious body, free entertainment for all duly accred-it was conducted for profit, the church finding that the corporation itself was to be one for profit. There was proof being obliged to buy certain books to be one for profit. There was proof that the individual healers sent out by

HECHER BROWSKI THINKER

The Rationale of Mesmerism. = El Lecture Delivered in Chicago, by C. W. Leadbeater, London, Eng.

TY-STRIKING EFFECTS-NERVE AURA AND VITAL tution of man, and his relation to the world around him. take on the beautiful rose-color already described, and are impressions have always hitherto come. It is as though we FLUID-MESMERIC TRANCE-DANGERS AND CAU. TIONS-MESMERIC CLAIRVOYANCE.

This subject of mesmerism will be, I think, one of consid- explanation of the different planes of nature and the corre- body in all directions, so that he is in truth shedding it would not occur to them that the signals which had always erable interest to every one who understands at all what it sponding bodies possessed by man; for since the fluid strength and vitality on those around him, even though quite hitherto come from the other station were now caused at an poured out in mesmerism is subtle and invisible to ordinary unconsciously. On the other hand, a man who from weak- intermediate point. includes. There is a great deal of misconception as to the signification of the word, so it is well to commence with some sort of definition. In these days we hear very little of mes merism, but much of hypnotism, and the question at once arises, are these two things the same? I believe myself that we may usefully make a distinction between them, though many people use them practically as synonyms. Hypnotism is derived from the Greek word "upnos," sleep; so that bypnotism is the study of the art of putting to sleep. The word, his life.

however, has rather unfortunate associations, and a history behind it which is not very creditable. There is no question how exceedingly partial any merely physical view of man able weakness and languor. that originally the name of mesmerism was applied to all must be, and how easily we may miscalculate actions and the phenomena which are now covered by the other, because Mesmer was, as far as Europe is concerned, the discoverer of the power which has been called after him. He was ridicompares our position in that respect to that of a fish which culed and persecuted by the ignorant and prejudiced scientific men of hand and the medical profession would have nothing to his experiments. They simply denied the facts ist as many people now think it intelligent to deny to the keel, its deflection from a perfectly straight course by is precisely analogous to what is often done in the case of te dets of Spiritualism.

Fifty years later a certain Mr. Braid, a surgeon of Manchester, published a little book approaching these facts from a new standpoint, and stating that they were all due to the given to the hull of the vessel by the setting of the sails this The remedy adopted in that case is to present to the stomach fatigue of certain muscles in the eyelid. He called his book "Neuryphology," and there are still many who suppose to be the first man to treat these subjects scient This, however, by no means represents the facts hypotters leaves most of the phenomena unaccounted for; and both of the air and the sea, and so would come much nearer | ready specialized by another, and so gains strength to make der the control of the Colonel's will. Our president asked it seems to have won official acceptance only because it of, to a correct theory; and in this respect the clairvoyant stu- an effort to resume the normal action of the etheric organs. (in English) what illusion should be produced, and some one fered a line of retreat from an untenable position. The phe dent is like the flying fish-he is able to transcend his ele. In many cases of weakness that is all that is needed. nomena which the profession had decided to ridicule and ment to some extent, and so to enter a wider world, in which deny were constantly occurring; here was a method by he learns many lessons. The thoughts and passions of the kind has taken place, the vital fluid has not circulated prop- tion indicated, thereby creating a vigorous thought form; which they could at least partially be admitted without hav- man are seen on the physical plane only by their effects, yet erly, and the nerve-aura is sluggish and unhealthy. Then and then the servant was called up and told to walk around ing to make the humiliating confession that Mesmer had they are the motive power, and must be taken into account the obvious course of proceeding is to replace it by healthy the room. He moved quite naturally until he reached the after all been right, and orthodox science wrong. So the if we wish to understand, just as our suppositious fish nerve-aura from without; but there are several ways in imaginary line, when he manifested symptoms of great surtheory was set up that this was in reality an entirely new dis | would have to know something about sails before he could covery. and must be called by a distinct name. Along this know why his ship moved as it did.

line followed Charcot, Binet and Fere, and a number of re-We may approach this subject of mesmerism along one of cent writers-all taking a very partial view of the subject, all two lines, just as was the case with those other subjects of ignoring any facts which did not square with this partial which I have spoken to you. We may either commence to though with the expenditure of a good deal more force than not being present. The servant was then called by his masview.

Mesmer himself, the real pioneer of this line of discovery, the study of the experiments of others through the books came much nearer to the facts in the opinions which he expressed. He held the existence of a subtle fluid which passed books, I should recommend Dr. Esdaile's as the best of all to aura, thus gradually stimulating the sluggish current into something held his feet, so that he could not move. And from the operator to the subject, and in this perfectly corbegin with; for his subjects were all Orientals, and they are rect assumption he was followed by the earlier French exon the average more sensitive to mesmeric influence than perimenters, the Marquis de Puysegur, Deleuze, Baron du white men are. That does not mean that they are necessa-Potet and Baron von Reichenbach. The last-mentioned parily of weaker will; it is a question of the side of the man tiently tried and recorded a long series of experiments with which is developed.

sensitives, and his works deserve careful study. His first You may remember how I have explained in previous lecdiscovery was that certain young people among his patients tures that the evolution of man is cyclical in its charactercould, in a dark room, see flames issuing from the poles of how it consists in a descent into matter and then a rising a magnet; then a little later he found that similar flames out of it again, bearing the results of the immersion in expel human will. The mesmerist may make passes, but they are the hands of an unscrupulous man. This servant appeared were seen flowing from the tips of his fingers while he was rience gained and quality developed. There comes in the engaged in making mesmeric passes. It was because of this course of this cycle a lowest point, at which the man similarity that he bestowed upon the fluid which is trans- is most deeply buried in matter, and consequently least produces the result, the fluid being the shot sent out, A lusion, and therefore could easily have been led into foolish ferred from the operator to the patient in mesmerism the name of "animal magnetism." He suspected its connection with the vital force poured from the sun, and confirmed his idea by a very ingenious experiment. He arranged a copper wire so that one end should be exposed to the sunlight out of doors, and the other led into his dark room. He then found that if the outer end of the wire was kept in the shade, the sensitive in the room saw nothing; but if the wire was exposed to the sunlight, the patient was at once able to point likely to be worth while to make, and so we should call him a an effort of will, though in this case also he may very often strong a word, for no impulse is really that; but this thought out the end of the wire in the dark room, because a faint light began to issue from it. When a copper plate was atpsychic side of him could be much more readily reached, and tached to the outer end of the wire, so as to collect more of again later in his evolution it would reappear, though at this the sun's power, quite a brilliant light was discernible by second stage it would hardly be possible to control him mes- out the unhealthy magnetism from the brain. That he is weigh and govern them. If the act ordered were an imthe sensitive. Through all his earlier experiments he was merically except with his own consent, for this is the truer actually producing the result of which he thinks, he will moral one, a good and pure subject would be much horrifled,

MESMERISM AND HYPNOTISM-FOOLISH INCREDUL- accordance with the facts which are known about the consti-) into the human body and thereby specialized, its particles | impression which it receives to the source from which such

sight, it will obviously affect the subtler part of the body, and press or other causes is unable to specialize for his own use upon several of these planes of nature, and consciously or no doubt, but often to the serious injury of his victim. Prob-

Now you will begin to see what it is that the mesmerizer happenings on this plane, if we are ignorant of their causes pours into his subject. It may be either the nerve ether or be able to comprehend the resistance offered by the water and so produce an exceedingly rapid recovery. The process oned and therefore undiscerning ego.

currents, and so on; but there must frequently appear mo. food. When a person reaches a certain stage of weakness tions as the reason of which he can have no conception, be- the stomach loses the power to digest, and so the body is not way or that would be to him a mysterious and unaccountable food already partially digested by means of pepsin or other ceivably learn to understand something of the conditions to specialize for himself may still absorb what has been al-

There are other instances in which congestion of some brute force, and steadily pour in resistless floods of their and that he could not pass. In another case the Colonel

away.

How is this to be managed? Just in the same way as the outpouring of strength is managed-by an exercise of the will. We must not forget that these finer subdivisions of

MESMERIC TRANCE.

Taken in that way, it at once becomes comprehensible, and carried in a constant stream over and through the whole should tap a telegraph wire at an intermediate point, and no difficulty is found in classifying and accounting for its va- body along the nerves! The man in perfect health has plenty send a message thence; the operator at each end would suprious manifestations. We must remember the Theosophical of this fluid to spare, and it is constantly radiating from his pose that the message came from the operator at the other;

We now begin to glimpse the method in which mesmeric consequently it is to our study of that part that we must turn a sufficient amount of the world's life force, sometimes phenomena are produced. This nerve aura or nerve ether is for a rational theory of its effects. It is well always to re- equally unconsciously acts as a sponge, and absorbs the the intermediary on the one hand between will and physical member that man is a being living simultaneously in two already specialized vitality of any sensitive person with action, and on the other between the impressions received worlds-the seen and the unseen; existing simultaneously whom he comes into contact, to his own temporary benefit, upon the physical plane and the mind which accepts and analyses them. So when the meamerist substitutes his own unconsciously receiving impressions from them all through ably most persons have experienced this in a minor degree, nerve aura for that of the subject he can control both the and have found that there is some one among their acquaint- actions and sensations of his patient. The nerves which When we fully realize this we are prepared to understand ances after whose visits they always feel a quite unaccount. | normally bear messages from the man's own brain now bring them from an entirely different brain; but the muscles,

receiving their message through the accustomed channel, obey it unhesitatingly, and so the man can be made to do all on higher levels. Mr. Sinnett, in this book just mentioned, the vitality, or both, Supposing a patient to be seriously kinds of foolish and incongruous actions. On the other hand, weakened or exhausted, so that he has lost power to special since the reception and translation of all impressions from swimming in the water, tries to understand the motions of lize the life-fluid for himself, the mesmerizer may renew his without depends upon this nerve-aura, when it is under forthe keel of a ship as it moves beside him. He will no doubt stock by pouring some of his own upon the quivering nerves, eign control any illusion may be conveyed to the undevel-

MESMERIC EXPERIMENTS.

I remember seeing a very good instance of that in Burmah. cause it belongs to another and a higher world. The slope properly nourished, and the weakness is thereby increased. Our president-founder, Colonel H. S. Olcott, is a very good mesmerist, and I have seen him try many interesting experiments. I recollect that in one case he threw into the mesmovement, and he would probably suppose it to be due to a similar preparations; this can probably be assimilated, and meric condition a native servant who could not speak Engliving will residing in the creature. A flying fish might con thus strength is gained. Just so, a man who is quite unable lish. The man looked as usual, and was not in any obvious

kind of trance, yet as to impressions he was absolutely unsuggested that a line of fire should be seen in a certain part of the room. The Colonel made one strong pass in the direcwhich this may be done. Some magnetizers simply employ prise and terror, and cried out that there was fire in the way,

own force in the hope of washing away that which needs re- drew an imaginary line on the ground and willed that the moval. Of course success may be attained along these lines, servant should be unable to pass over it-the man of course make practical experiments for ourselves, or we may take up is at all necessary. A more scientific method is that which ter, and came briskly as usual; but when he reached the goes to work more quietly, and first withdraws the congested imaginary line he stumbled and almost fell, and as he recovwhich they have written. To any man who decides for the or diseased matter, and then replaces it by healthier nerve- ered himself he declared that he must be bewitched, since activity. If the man has a headache, for example, there will though he made several efforts, he was evidently quite unalmost certainly be a congestion of unhealthy aura about able to cross that imaginary line, though he was much puzsome parts of his brain, and the first step is to draw that zled and frightened to find himself in such an incomprehensible dilemma.

DANGERS AND CAUTIONS.

I have seen many such instances as that, and I think they matter are readily moulded or affected by the action of the at once show us how dangerous this power might become in at most nothing but the pointing of his gun in a certain direc- absolutely normal, and no one could have supposed him to be tion, while his will is the powder that moves the ball and in any unusual condition, and yet he was entirely under deopen to any influences from subtler forces and this point of mesmerizer who understands his business can manage just or even criminal action under the influence of an imposed extreme materiality is often coincident with strong intellect- as well without passes if he wishes; I have known one who delusion. Experiments have shown that in such cases action ual development. In this way we have the combination of a never employed them, but simply looked at his subject. The may be delayed—that a person may be impressed to do a grossly material nature with a specially materialistic mental only use of the hand is to concentrate the fluid, and perhaps certain thing, say, at three o'clock to-morrow, and then attitude; and just at that period the man would certainly not to help the imagination of the operator; for to will strongly awakened from the mesmeric influence. But at three o'clock be a good subject mesmerically. I do not say that his re- he must believe, and the action no doubt makes it easier for to-morrow a sudden uncontrollable impulse will come over sistance might not be overcome by a sufficiently strong will, him to realize what he is doing. Just as a man may pour out him to do that thing, and in the vast majority of cases he but it would require more effort than it would be in the least magnetism by an effort of will, so may he draw it away by will at once proceed to do it. Uncontrollable is perhaps too bad subject. Before that there would be a period when the use a gesture of the hands to help him. In dealing with the which will arise within the man is in no way distinguishable headache, he would probably lay his hands upon the forehead from a thought or impulse of his own, and most men do not of the patient, and think of them as sponges steadily drawing greatly reason about their impulses, or make much effort to An Interesting Story of Two probably very soon discover; for unless he takes precautions and a struggle would arise, which might end in submission

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always a symptom of ill-health, and it seems to have been a great surprise to him when he found that one of his paat the intermediate point it is not the amount of intellect tients retained her power after her recovery. Further investigation led him to understand that its possession was as he often proudly thinks, but simply the materialism of his performed. He is absolutely drawing into himself diseased and unjustifiable. Their results have shown that there are not a question of health but of psychic faculty; and he conconceptions. It is because he is tied down to the merely jectures, rightly enough, that all in reality have the power to physical plane that he resists any effort to impress him in a greater or less degree, but that in some it is only able to that way from without.

come to the surface when the ordinary physical faculties are weakened by sickness. It will at once be seen that these earlier writers were much nearer the truth about such matters than many of their successors have been.

Even at the present day there are probably no better records of cases of surgical operations under mesmerism, and extent, but physical results may be produced, such as anaes-

who was working in North London. At about that period- of all, that the physical body contains a great deal of matter in 1842, I think it was—considerable attention was attracted that is invisible to ordinary sight. Not only has it its solid by an operation performed at St. Bartholomew's Hospital in and liquid constituents, but there is also much that is gasleg of a patient who had been put into the mesmeric trance ent plays a great part in the man's well-being, for the whole -as good a case as the most skeptical enquirer could desire. of his body is permeated by it, so that if it were possible to Yet when a report of this case was laid before the Royal withdraw from him all the solid, liquid and gaseous particles, Medical and Chirurgical Society of London, they utterly de- the form of his body would still be quite clearly marked out clined to listen to the testimony, on the ground that it was in etheric matter. This part of his body, which has some pain was intended to be part of a surgical operation! It arteries, we have a system of nerves running all through the presumably scientific men could be so idiotic, but there is ab- whose center is the heart, so have the nerves their circulasolutely no doubt that this resolution was passed and still tion, whose center is the brain. But it is a circulation not of stands on record.

FOOLISH INCREDULITY.

Things have improved since then, but there is still a good deal of foolish incredulity with regard to this subject-and, but along a coating of ether surrounding the wire; and if worse still, a great deal of utterly unfounded assertion on that be so, the phenomenon is exactly duplicated by this the part of the ignorant, to which it is difficult for the stu- flowing of the vital force. dent to listen with patience. On this point Mr. Sinnett, our vice-president has well written: "No one deserves blame for leaving altogether unstudied any subject that does not attract him. But in most cases people who are conscious of nected with this system of nervous circulation. First, there limited intellectual resources entertain a decent respect for is the nerve-aura which flows regularly and steadily round others who are better furnished. A man may be nothing from the brain as a center; and secondly, there is this vital but a sportsman himself, and yet refrain from asserting that fluid, which is absorbed from without, and carried round chemists and electricians must be impostors, and a chemist by the nerve-aura in the form of rose-colored particles, which may know nothing of Italian art, and yet may refrain from are easily visible to clairvoyant sight. Let us consider the declaring that Raphael never existed. But all through the nerve aura first. It has been observed that upon the prescommonplace world people who are ignorant of psychic sci- ence of this fluid depends the proper working of the nerveence encourage one another in the brainless and absurd de a fact which can be demonstrated by applous experiments. nial of facts, whenever any of its phenomena come up for We know that it is possible by mesmeric passes to make a treatment. The average country grocer, the average news- person's arm quite insensible to pain; this is done simply by paper reporter, the average student of physical science, are driving back this nerve-aura, so that over that part of the all steeped in the same dense incapacity to understand the body the flow is no longer kept up, and consequently the any statement relating to the work of those who are engaged | mally surrounds it, the nerve is not able to communicate in any branch of psychic enquiry. From the occult point of with the brain, and so it is precisely as though the nerve view, indeed, one can understand why this should be so, for were not there for the time-or in other words, there is no the incredulity of unspiritual mankind is Nature's own pro- feeling. tection against those unfit as yet to use her higher spiritual The vital fluid is also specialized, and in the healthy man gifts."

The book from which that quotation is made is called "The nally from the sun, which is the source of life in this inner Rationale of Mesmerism," and it is one which no student of sense as well as by means of its light and heat in the outer is impossible to understand measurerism unless we take it as it clothes itself in millions of tiny particles which are color-

under the impression that this magnetic sensitiveness was psychism in which the man possesses his powers in full coneither himself feel the headache or begin to suffer from a matter, and it is necessary for his comfort and well-being that he should dispose of it before it obtains a permanent lodgment in his body.

STRIKING EFFECTS.

When, however, an impression can be made, the effects are often of the most striking character. Not only may one per-

son subjugate the will of another to almost any conceivable ical, and can be dealt with by physical means. It is therefore very necessary that he should not neglect these precauof curative mesmerism generally, than those contained in thesia or rigidity, and many diseases may be readily cured. tions, and that he should not forget to wash his hands carethe books of Dr. Esdaile of Calcutta, and of Dr. Elliotson, How is all this to be explained? We must remember, first fully after curing a headache or any malady of that nature. Then, after he has removed the cause of the evil, he proceeds to pour in good, strong, healthy magnetism to take its place, and to protect-the patient against the return of the disease. London, by a Mr. Ward, who amputated above the knee the eous, and a great deal that is etheric. This latter constitu- One can see that in the case of any nervous affection this method would have manifold advantages. In most of such cases what is wrong is an irregularity of the fluids which course along the nerves; either they are congested, or they are sluggish in their flow, or on the other hand they may be too rapid: they may be deficient in quantity, or poor in qualmanifestly incredible and absurd, and that even if it were times been called the etheric double, is the vehicle of vitality ity. Now if we administer drugs of any sort, at the best we true it would be contfary to the will of Providence, since in the man. We know that besides the system of veins and can only act upon the physical nerve, and through it to some limited extent upon the fluids surrounding it; whereas meswould seem impossible that any assemblage of educated and body; and just as arteries and veins have their circulation, merism acts directly upon the fluids themselves, and so goes sult in explosions than profit. And if you feel disposed to go straight to the root of the evil.

> blood but of the life-fluid, and it flows not so much along the nerves themselves as along a sort of coating of ether which surrounds each nerve. Many electricians have thought it probable that electricity does not flow along a wire at all.

NERVE AURA AND VITAL FLUID.

Normally in the healthy man two types of fluid are con-I have seen instances in which, while the subject was entranced, the operator stood with his hands behind him a few yards away; and if some third person pricked the hand of propriety of respecting the knowledge of others, even if they nerve is unable to report to the brain what touches it the feeling that she would have otherwise associated with a for themselves, it is only when some external repression is do not share it themselves, whenever they brush up against as it usually does. Without the specialized ether which nor prick in her hand, she supposed it to come from its usual applied that their inner senses have any opportunity of ac. source, and acted accordingly.

it is present in great abundance. It is poured upon us origithis subject should neglect to read, for it puts the Theosoph world. The earth's atmosphere is full of this force at all periment is made in optical study; it is possible to produce true, and his intellect, that he may be balanced by common-Ical theory of the matter much more ably than I can, the au- times, though it is in much greater activity and abundance in a slight electrical discharge inside a person's head, thus af- sense and reason; so shall he be ready for psychic faculty thor being a practical mesmerist of considerable power and brilliant sunshine; and it is only by absorbing it that our feeting the optic nerve at an intermediate point, instead of and mesmeric power when they come to him, and they shall experience. All that I can do is to give you an outline physical bodies are able to live. It is naturally invisible, like through the retina of the eye. When this is done, the bratu be to him a blessing and not a curso; for now, as of old, it sketch: for the filling in I must refer you to Mr. Sinnett. It all ether forces; but as it exists around us in the atmosphere registers the flash as though it had come through the ordi-still remains true "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and part of an orderly scheme of the universe, and explain it in less though intensely active. After it has been absorbed finish external to himself. The brain instinctively refers the unito you."

sciousness, and can use them voluntarily and efficiently. But to cast off the bad magnetism which he is absorbing, he will to the impulse or in victory over it. I am sorry to say that

some very unscrupulous experiments of that sort have been that he possesses which saves him from mesmeric influence, pain in the arm and hand with which the operation is being tried in Paris-experiments which I should consider immoral cases in which innate virtue is strong enough to triumph over even the most determined attempt to compel it to vlolate its conscience; but in the majority of instances the He should therefore adopt some definite plan to get rid of temptation prevailed. You see therefore how absolutely

it and the simplest is just to throw it away, to shake it from necessary it is that every mesmerist should be good and the hands as one would shake water. Although he does not pure, as he might very readily be tempted to misuse so terrisee it, the matter which he has withdrawn is perfectly physble a power.

> For this reason among others it is not well to dabble in mesmerism or to play with it. All psychic forces are distinctly edged tools for the inexperienced person, and all who take up the investigation of any of them will do well to prepare themselves by an exhaustive study of the results attained by their predecessors, for it is only when armed with knowledge and shielded by absolute purity that the neophyto

can be certain of safety. All these things-mesmerism. Spiritualism, telepathy, et id genus omne-should be taken up seriously and scientifically if they are taken up at all. As Mr. Stead remarks with regard to similar studies: "If you cannot or will not examine the subject seriously, you had a thousand times better leave it alone. It is unwise for a boy to go fooling round a buzz saw. Anybody with a smattering of chemistry can manufacture dynamite, but the promiscuous experimenting with high explosives is more likely to re-

in "for the fun of the thing," every serious investigator has

only one word to say, and that is-don'tl"

There is no need, however, for the peaceable member of In those other cases where trance is produced, or where the general public to go about in fear of having gruesome the rigidity of certain muscles is one of the results, the will and uncanny currents of mesmeric influence poured upon of the operator is also concerned, and force of some sort is him from unexpected directions. it is quite easy for any oralways poured in. But the will is somewhat differently di- dinary person to resist any effort on the part of another to rected; instead of thinking of curing, or of withdrawing evil act upon him in this way, and in all the terrible cases of magnetism, the mesmerizer is thinking of dominating the which we hear, where some weak-willed victim is used as a will of the subject, or of replacing the man's nerve-aura tool in the hands of an unscrupulous villain, we may be sure either partially or entirely by his own. When this latter is that there has been a long series of previous experiments, to the case, the subject's nerves no longer report to his brain, which the victim willingly lent himself, before that baneful but an exceedingly close sympathy is created between the control was so firmly established. It is only in novels that two persons concerned. This may be made to work in two one glance from the eye of the bold, bad man reduces the unways-so that the operator feels instead of the subject, or fortunate heroine to abject submission. In real life those that the subject feels, everything that touches the operator. who are pure and determined need have no fear.

MESMERIC CLAIRVOYANCE.

In close connection with mesmerism is the study of the va the operator (hidden behind his back, so that the sensitive rious types of clairvoyance which may be developed under could by no possibility see it in the ordinary way) the sub- its influence; but I have devoted several lectures recently ject would immediately rub the corresponding hand, as to clairvoyance, so I am purposely omitting special reference though she had left the prick, instead of the mesmerizer, to that subject now. The connection is simply that before Presumably his nervedura was in connection with her brain the higher faculties can be employed the lower must be coninstead of her own, and when she received from this aura trolled, and as many persons have not yet learnt to do this

tion. But in all cases it is infinitely better for the man to This is after all only a phenomenon of precisely the same manage his own affairs, and wait for psychic powers until he nature as that which we observe when a man has had his can obtain them naturally in the course of his evolution, arm removed by an operation; sometimes something will without needing the application of force from without to aid cause irritation to one of the nerves which were originally him in conquering his own lower nature. Steady natural deconnected with the fingers, and his brain will refer this sen- velopment is always the safest and the best; and the characsation to its accustomed cause, and the man will assert that | ter is in all cases the first point to which training should be he feels pain in the amputated limb. Another analogous ex applied. Let him educate his heart, that it shall be pure and

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psalms. The majority of the psalms belong to the Maccabean period. It WRITE PLAINLY .- We would like must be admitted that David was not to impress upon the minds of our correthe slayer of Goliath, but David may spondents that The Progressive Thinker have been Saul's minstrel, and also is set up on a Linotype machine that may have been rewarded with the hand must make speed equal to about four of Saul's daughter. Nor is there any compositors. That means rapid work reason to doubt his covenant of broth-and it is essential that all copy, to insure insertion in the paper, all other re. Hebrew poetry that has been preserved quirements being favorable, should be is of a religious type, but we have also with ink on white some poems of purely secular charac written plainly paper, or with a typewriter, and only on | ter. The so-called Songs of Solomon is one side of the paper. a collection of popular love ditties com-

ITEMS .- Bear in mind that items for piled in the neighborhood of Damascus,' the General Survey will in all cases be There should be comfort for the poets adjusted to the space we have to occu- in what Dr. Haupt says. If David could py, and, in order to do that they will py, and, in order to do that they will generally have to be abridged more or less; otherwise many items would be crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line litem is cut down to ten lines, and ten lines to two lines, as occasion may re-world, who may guess what honors fu-tow conversions they work who may guess what honors fu-tow conversions they work they are the solutions the conversions and the solutions the solutions fu-tow conversions may re-work who may guess that honors fu-tow conversions may the solutions fu-tow conversions fu-conversions quire. ture generations may thrust upon the

Take due notice, that all items for industrious poets of to-day? But perthis page must be accompanied by the haps Dr. Haupt is mistaken about the full name and address of the writer. It Goliath matter. If he has found eviwill not do to say that Secretary or Cor-respondent writes so and so, without giving the full name and address of the writer. The items of those who do not comply with this request will be cast or two at him," into the waste basket.

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this office, for they will not be returned if we have not space to use them. The messages given through Carlyle Petersilea and now appearing in The Atterbery, farmer and cattleman of At-Progressive Thinker, were written about two years ago, hence are in harmony with events referred to in them.

Ralph, was driving a herd across the Dr. W. O. Knowles passed through track at Atlanta, when a through Chicago last week on his way to his freight train was seen rapidly aphome in Grand Rapids, Mich. He has proaching. The headlight on the locojust closed a successful engagement at motive was burning although it was Springfield, Mo. 8:30 in the morning. A few of the cat-

William Bowers and Clela B. Fuller, tle got across, but three were caught by of Pontlac, Mich., were united in marri-age, April 17, by Mrs. Marian Carpen, young Atterberry testified that one of ter. The happy couple left on a wed-the cows stood in the middle of the ding tour with best wishes of their track gazing with fascinated interest at the cows stood in the middle of the friends for a long-life of joy and the glowing headlight and that she paid no atention to the rocks he threw usefulness. at her to make her get off the track.

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Dr. P. S. George writes: "It may be of some interest to the many readers of your paper to know something about Montana. I am at Red Lodge. As 1 write I can look about five miles to the southwest and see the snow-capped mountains from which the snow never disappears. Red Lodge has a population of about 1,700, and 'is located in Rock Creek valley, and about 8,000 feet of an elevation, making it a most delightful climate from about June 1 to Sovember 1. I spent about two months

here last summer and am now here ton, Iowa: "The Philosophical Spiritagain to spend the summer. I have ualist Society of this city has just been singing class for the children on Thurs-

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possible. Mrs. Wheeler was no stranger in Portage, this being her third visit and a crowd of pleased and eager faces always greets lier. Mr. Geo. Acers, the UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THIS OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON SATvice-president of the society, and an all around good worker, both as test medium and speaker, put his shoulder to the Take due notice that items for this wheel, and being of rather good size, both physically and mentally, makes things usually move, and he surely did writer. Otherwise they may be cast that day. The proceeds of the meet-ing after deducting local expense were given to the Morris Pratt Institute, Mrs. Wheeler generously donating her

the cuneiform hymns and penitential services. May we read in the columns of your progressive paper accounts of many societies contributing to this, our college, of which we should all feel so proud and do all we can to sustain

Mrs. Lily LeSieur writes: "The Band of Harmony held at Mrs. C. L. V. Richmond's home in Rogers Park, May 7, was a most enjoyable affair. The an-nual election of officers took place, and the officers of the past year were reelected: Mrs. Richmond, president; Mrs. H. C. Goodrich, vice-president Mrs. A. W. Austin, sccretary; Mrs. S. J. Ashton, treasurer; Mrs. L. LeSleur, corresponding secretary. The questions asked by those in the audience, and answered by Ouina, were of more than usual interest. Mrs. Turbett Stocking and Mrs. Ril. y gave messages from spirit friends. We voted to dis-band for the summer months. This will be our last Band until next September. The Church of the Soul and Band of Harmony will join in giving a

supper, at what time and place notice will be given later through The Progressive Thinker; probably the last week in May." The Spiritualists of Cedar Rapids,

would like to correspond with some good speaker and platform test medium for engagements at this place. Address Jno. Q. Adams, 521 Fourth avenue

C. T. Schneider writes from Wheeling, W. Va.: "I arrived in this city and took part in the First Spiritualist' Proressive Temple services on Sunday night. Rev. Way did nicely, and things are in good shape. I expect to make a tour of the east, west, north and south, for the upliftment of humanity and the growth of the N. S. A. and the cause of Spiritualism."

very successful meetings. Mr. H. A. Parvis, of Barbadoes, was with us one Sunday, assisted by Mrs. Dr. Caird, test medium, April 8, Miss Susie Clark, the noted spiritual science teacher, gave us two good lectures' and on the 19th and 26th, Dr. George A Fuller delivered, as usual, very able discourses. For the month of May, Miss Elizabeth Harlow is serving us. Miss Harlow is a prime favorite in Lynn. The Social Union connected with the society is doing a good work. Mrs. Dr. Caird, as president, is always at her post, willing to do more than her share towards carrying on the work. We are very fortunate in having a large number of firstclass mediums connected with us that can always be relied upon to give their services. The children's lyceum, under the management of W. A. Estes, is very wide awake and constantly progressing. With whist parties Monday evenings, flower circles at Mrs. Caird's, Tuesdays,

Social Union, Wednesdays and a free

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handle to it, proving Spiritualism out of the Bible. Much good has been done to our society by these faithful workers, and in particular to those beginning to develop mediumship."

Geo. Acers waites from Portage, Wis .: "The Progressive Thinker gives us more spiritual news than any other paper of its kind published. The stand in regard to exposing fraud is in accord with my idea; as there is enough truth in Spiritualism without any resort to fraud ondeception as many are doing. Those kind of mediums should be exposed and published far and wide That is one reason that has kept us in the background so long."

W. A. Willing writes from North wood, Iowa: "Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kates, N. S. A. missionaries, finished a two weeks' engagement at Northwood, Iowa, the 8th of May, with splendid re sults. They organized the First Spiritualist Society of Northwood with 12 charter members and the prospects are

bright for several additional members in the near future.' We believe that Mr. and Mrs. Kates have few equals, but no superiors in their field. We feel that we owe them a debt of gratitude that we can never repay, for through also the name of the secretary who can them the beautiful knowledge of spirit be addressed for programmes and full particulars. The notices that do not communion was presented to us and with it the philosophy of Spiritualism which so nicely appeals to one's reason and with it comes that 'peace of mind that passeth all understanding.' Our hest wishes go with them and we sin cerely trust that their health may be such that they may for several years continue to carry the glad tidings to others."

Will J. Erwood writes from LaCrosse, Wis.: "At the recent convention of the Wisconsin State Spiritualist Association, it was decided to again hold a camp at Waukesha, and with that end in view the executive board are working strenuously. We wish all who are interested in camps to remember, that e will have a first-class programme at the Waukesha meeting, which is to be held from July 17 to August 17, a month earlier than last year. Many of the leading speakers and mediums of the country will be in attendance, and no pains will be spared in making this a most successful camp in every respect. Ample accommodations will be prepared for all comers, and the manage ment feels justified in assuring all who will attend the camp a first-class time. A most important feature of the camp

will be the inauguration and mainte nance of a progressive lyceum. The lyceum work is THE important work Mrs. Hull's ability in this, as in all lines of work, is too well known to need further mention here. Suffice it to say that you will do well to come to Waukesha. and bring the young Spiritualists that may be started aright. Send for particulars, etc., to Will J. Erwood, secre-

Crosse, Wis., or Clara L. Stewart, president, Whitewater, Wis." Nellie S. Baade writes from No. 110 Masten street, Dallas, Texas: "Dallas Texas, is still in the front ranks of Spiritualism. During my stay in this city I have organized one of the finest lyceums, which is well attended, and

in. The regular society is well attended, prospering as never before. My methods are somewhat new to the Southern people' but ¹⁴the progressive classes are falling into line, and success has crowned my efforts. Upon my part it has meant an earnest, self-sac rificing life, which has been appreciated by the earnest workers of the so found but few Spiritualists here, but al-most every one I meet wants to know something about Spiritualism. Many of the people here are like the Jews were with Jesus, they want you to basis. Attorney Julius Pingel is our something about Spiritualism. Many of the people here are like the Jews were with Jesus, they want you to basis. Attorney Julius Pingel is our something about Spiritualism. Many of the people here are like the Jews were with Jesus, they want you to let me return to the North, as they are



Send in Your Dates and Name of Secre-

tary at Once. will be continued through the month of August. Inquirles are already coming to this office in reference to the various camps. Will the officers of each camp please Briggs Park Camp, Grand Rapids, send at once the correct dates, etc., and Mich., opens July 6 and closes August 3.

contain the names of the secretary or president are incomplete.

Island Lake, Mich. Island Lake, Mich. The Island Lake Camp Association desires to announce that the season of 1903 opene July 23, extending through the month of August the month of August. Correspondence solicited with a few more good phenomenal mediums. H. R. LaGrange, secre-

tary, 350 Grand River avenue, Detroit, Mich. Lake Brady, Ohio. Lake Brady camp opens July 5 and

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Los Angeles, Cal.

Camp-meeting Association, of Los An-

geles, Cal., will open August 17, and

Summerland, Cal.

Spiritualists at Summerland, Cal., will

Commence July 26, and close August 3,

Sunapee Lake, N. H.

Jenison Park, Mich.

This camp will open June 29. and

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Grand Ledge, Mich.

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September 1.

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The Southern California Spiritualist

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grow. I find my subscription for th

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its weekly visit. From the General

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take your paper because I admire your

bold and fearless declaration of the

WHICH ONE?

The hypnotic effect of a locomotive headlight is one of the singular phases

East, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. lanta, is suing the Wabash railroad for killing stock. Mr. Atterberry's boy,

The Secretary writes: "The Lynn, Mass., Spiritualist Association, Dr. Alex Caird, president, have been having Mr. H. A headlight, improperly burning in the davtime, is one of the salient features of proof by which the plaintiff hopes to The Second Church of the Soul will

show them a sign; they seem to be ture under the efforts of President cager to know, as all have heard about Pingel."

a very rare thing in this locality. I have never been able to find anyone here that ever saw a copy of The Pro-gressive Thinker or any other Spiritual-ist publication. This is a splendid locality for people afflicted with ailments

Alfred Farlow, of Boston, Mass., of the 11th, Dr. C. E. Watkins admits for camp engagements."

that Christian Scientists can cure imaginary diseases, but claims that it.canthe gentleman has based his statement upon his pecliar belief as to what is needed to effect a cure rather than upon what Christian Science has accomplished. Many cases of the cure of

ence have been recorded. Furthermore, it is not correct to say that disease is imaginary though we will ad-mit that there is such a thing as imagination. That term is not strong enough as applied to disease in Christian Science. This Science teaches that the disease of the body is the result of an abnormal mental condition and that when the mental condition is corrected the body responds accordingly. I anticipate that the doctor will find it somewhat difficult to draw the line between what he terms imaginary

and real diseases. The uniform success of Christian Scientist practitioners would indicate that a very large per cent of diseases are 'imaginary,' if in-deed any of them are imaginary." A very beautiful wedding service occurred Wednesday afternoon, May 6, at

645 W. 63d street, when Mr. Phillip Heller and Miss Dorothy Crumbo were united in marriage by Harry J. Moore. wood Spiritual Union last spring during the time Mr. Moore had charge of that society, so it was their request that he send them on life's journey together rejoicing. All mail addressed to Harry J. Moore, at Rochester, Ind., will be forwarded to him wherever he may be. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will serve the society at Alexandria, Ind., the last three Sundays of May.

There will not be any camp at Bank- cellent lectures of Mr. Leadbeater. -I son Lake, Mich. The grounds have been sold to the brothers of Notre Dame, of South Bend. Mrs. Coffman had been engaged for there. Now she will lecture at Lawton Town Hall the first Sunday in June.

Paul Haupt made the statement that

my gift of mediumship. Mediums are J. M. White writes from Glenlock, J. M. White writes from Grenocky Kansas: "In this place I find several people very much interested in Spirit-ualism. I arrived here May 1, and I have been holding seances every night, This is a splendid lo- and I am preparing for a lecture later in the week. Recently the place was where a dry, cool climate is necessary. visited by workers who are in Garnett I will be glad to answer any inquiries in this respect."

recover .-- New York Journal.

messages at 8 p. m.

for the summer.

hold Sunday service in Hygela Hall, Ogden avenue and Robey street. Con-

ference meeting at 3 p. m. Lecture and

The National Sunlight Center Club

will hold its monthly meeting and social

Tuesday evening, May 12, at 33101/2

Rhodes avenue, closing for the vacation

and encampment at St. Joseph, Mich.,

Dr. J. C. Phillips writes from Clin-

twice a week. Several mediums have writes: "In an article on the subject of been here in the past. I go from here healing, which appeared in your issue to Lawrence, where I may be reached

Miss E. R. Fielding writes from washington D G. "The Educational Washington, D. C.: "The Educational Spiritual Society holds meetings every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Compton is the speaker. A. K. Mason, Mr. W. P. Williams and Mrs. Julia Goldings assist. The First Spiritualist Society has discontinued its meetings organic diseases through Christian Sci- at the Masonic Temple until next October. The Ladies' Aid of this society holds a meeting at Mr. P. L. O A. Keeler's Thursday evening. Many of the Washington Spiritualists will go to

Lily Dale camp. This is the right idea. Turn the little This is the right loca. This the inter-rancels into useful servants. Instead of trying to kill bacteria, in future years, who knows but we may be rais-ing them for profit? The Scientific American says: "News has been reprized." ceived from abroad that Prof. Hans

Molisch, of Prague, has discussed a new use for bacteria. In a communication to the Vienna Academy of Sciences, he described the specifications of a mining lamp, the light of which is supplied by luminous bacteria. The lamp consists of a glass jar lined with a compound of

saltpeter and gelatine previously inoculated with bacteria. In the culture thus constituted, bacteria developed prodigiously, in two days causing the jar to be illuminated with a bluish green Mr. and Mrs. Heller joined the Engle- light which lasted for several days and gradually disappeared in about a fortnight. The light is cold and harmless. Faces can be recognized, it is said, for a distance of two yards and large type can be read by it."

can be read by it." The following is from Dr. W. M. Forster, of San Francisco, Cal.: "I can-not help saying that I think you are doing a vast amount of good, in giving such wide circulation to the most ex-

fair."

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The Record-Herald says: "At the an-nual meeting of the American Oriental dirst anniversary of the founding of the Society in Baltimore the other days up hide which has enclosed narrow creeds for so long. Please wake up, Society in Baltimore the other day, Dr. First Spiritualist Church of Portage, friends; cast out fear, and aid this glo-Wis., was held Sunday, May 3: This rlous work of Spiritualism. We may be raui Haupt made the statement that wis, was held Sunday, May 3. The state than our brethren the Book of Ecclesiastes was not writ-the Book of Ecclesiastes was not writ-church has made good progress during in the east, but on the other hand, we good financial condition, having not a growing membership, which consists of few of his sentences for the purpose of the best element of the city. Its first the discussions of commentators these remembered, both for the good it did it of the cause and the instruction and pleasure given. Mrs. Frances Wheeler of LaCrosse, Wis, ably. assisted the structure of LaCrosse, Wis, ably. assisted the the structure of the stru

desirous of knowing something of our philosophy. The Progressive Lyceum, published by John W. Ring, of Galvesspeakers will be present every Sunday, Miss Harlow having promised to be with us the first two Sundays, followed by Miss Susie Clark on the 21st, and Mrs. May S. Pepper on the 28th of June. ton, for the benefit of the Sunday schools, is well worthy the patronage of July 5, Thomas Acers; 12th, Mrs. Cunevery society. It is an up-to-date proningham; 26th, Mrs. Pepper and others duction and is of benefit to both old to be announced later."

Miss Lizzie Beals writes from Wor- ceum Guide by Mrs. Tuttle. The songs cester, Mass., of the Association of are beautiful and the lessens elevating Spiritualists, G. A. R. Hall, 35 Pearl With this combination the school is a street: "For the months of March and decided success. The officers and April. Miss Elizabeth Harlow, of Hayteachers are all 'earnest, efficient denville, has occupied our platform. She has given a course of philosophical workers, and the cause is bound to lectures, ably and eloquently presented, that have attracted large audiences. We all deeply regret her departure. Friday evening, April 24, the W. A. of pired, and I hasten to renew as I would not hardly know how to exist without Survey I keep in touch with all of the S. gave a reception to Miss Harlow at the home of President. Woodbury C. earnest workers everywhere, and al-Smith, Mrs. Harriet W. Hildreth made though I do not expect to visit any of smith, Mrs. Harrier w. Huster whether the camps this season, I hope they will of the friends assembled, presented her all prove a grand success. I shall do with a gold watch as a slight token of all in my power to disseminate our philtheir love and their earnest apprecia-tion of her services. Mr. L. W. Sibley, one of our oldest members, presented her with a beautiful bouquet of pinks osophy wherever duty calls, and as I love the sunny South and the Southern people I hope to spend a very pleasant season here. From my window I see the beautiful roses in bloom and the and roses, and Mrs. Hildreth also presinging of the birds reminds me that sented her with the unpublished poems of Fred L. Hildreth. Miss Harlow resummer is here in all of its beauty,

sponded, thanking the friends for the gift in an impressive manner, also very pleasingly alluded to the gift of owers and poems which she greatly

Lyman C. Howe writes from Fredonia, N. Y.: "I got home from Buffalo yesterday, and found Mrs. Howe still

George A. Kiehl writes from Lancas

ous state a stretching progress would

commence to loosen the old shriveled

truth as you receive it." improving very slowly, but is up and moves about some. Last Monday Dr. Hubbell performed another operation on my eyes for 'secondary cataract.' I One of us, dearsee better now, and hope this ends all

But onesurgery of my eyes. I heard Carrie E. Will sit by a bed with-marvelous fear, S. Twing Sunday evening in Buffalo, on And clasp a hand Growing cold as it feels for the spirit Suicide. She made many varieties of suicide, some of which she thought ju landtifiable. She had a fair audience, but Darling, which one? She ought to have had twice as many is popular with all classes. I shall be One of us, dearcurious to know if Dr. Buckley permits

But one-But one B! E: Dr. Sweringer to answer him in his own And look and weep, While those marble lips strange silence paper, where his attack was made. If he doesn't he is a coward, as well as un-

glory and grandeur."

keep-Darling, which one?

ter, Pa.: "In the summer of 1901 at the One of us, dear ali ... h camp-meeting held at Onset, Mass., a But one- que o ... high official of the N. S. A., in a sneer-By an open grave will drop a tear, ing manner referred to our great commonwealth as 'the hide-bound state of

And homeward go, The anguish of an unshared grief to Pennsylvania;' in regard to Spiritualknowism. My Dutch rose up, also an earn-Darling, which one?,?

One of us, darling, it must be,

It may be you will slip from me, Or perhaps my lifeomay, first be done-Darling, whicheonen

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loses September 2. Church and State. The Bible in the Public Schools: the New "American" Party. By "Jefferson." Third edition; 29 pages. Price. 10 cents. Cassadaga, N. Y. ANTIQUITY UNVEILED.

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August 30:

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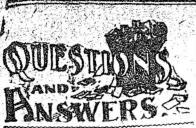
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the most condensed form, and often clearness is perhaps sacrificed to this forced brevity. Proofs have to be omitted, and the style becomes thereby as-sertive, which of all things is to be deprecated. Correspondents often weary with waiting for the appearance of their questions and write letters of in-quiry. The supply of matter is always several weeks ahead of the space given, and hence there is unavoidable delay. Every one has to walt his time and place, and all are treated with equal LAVOF.

NOTIOD .- No attention will be given Anonymous letters. Full name and ad-dress must be given, or the letters will not be read. If the request be made, the name will not be published. The correspondence of this department has become excessively large, especially let-ters of inquiry requesting private an-syers, and while I freely give what-ever information I am able, the ordi-nary courtesy of correspondents is ex-pected. HUDSON TUTTLE.

that he looked back after passing from this life, and saw his friends and his bwn body. Another says that spirits can only see the spiritual, and not the physical part: How can these statements be reconciled?

A. All'material bodies are pervaded A. An interfar boutes are perfaced by a spiritual essence. Even the dead body retains a portion, which makes them visible to spirit vision. That vis-ton takes cognizance of the spirit form, or permeation, and unless instructed would have no knowledge of the material through which this was manifested.

Enquirer: Q. What is Universology? and is it a system that is received by scientific men?

Andrews, it is a universal science, cov- field, both employes of the Underwood ering all knowledge—all sciences, phil-anthropy, religion and morality. Its at the Wethersfield cemetery. The anthropy, religion and morality. Its founders supposed they had discovered principles which permeated all systems and sciences, and thereby unitized them. While it is admitted that nature as a whole is a unit, and all sciences must harmonize and blend together, the three fundamental principles of universology, "Unism, duism, trinism," have never been accepted by scientific men as other than speculative, and as resultless in demonstration as a dream.

The pretentious volume of Andrews on this subject for the moment awakened considerable interest, and skull. was regarded as of sufficient consequence to be attacked by leading critics. This was short-lived and it is now the library's shelf to gather dust. Growing thought will not tolerate the narrowness of one-sided views.

John K. Visscher: The works of Ingersoll have not been translated into world. German or Dutcli.

Reader: Q. The Ram's Horn an-of the strange tale connected with it. subject will likewise discharge a loaded will not do to say or think that such an pistol if instructed to do so, and chal- expression from such a source can do

Now comes the final overthrow by the Ram's Horn! It's a fraud and the yery man who originated it has made his death-bed confession! It would save the churches a world of trouble and anxiety if Spiritualism would quiet. ly give up the ghost! And all these exnoses and explanations interluded beween the constant relteration, that it as utterly collapsed and is dead! What wonderful vitality it has! What power to be thus hated and feared!

Mrs. Rockhill: There is a crematory in Cleveland, Ohio.

A SNAP SHOT.

WAS IT A SPIRIT PICTURE?

Snap Shot in Graveyard-It Causes Excitement in Quiet Town of Wethersfield-Mysterious Appearance of a Man's Form.

To the Editor:-The illustrated article enclosed was published by the Hartford Times of April 30. The figure of the man is much more distinct in the photograph than in the newspaper cut. The boy who took the picture declares that no visible man was there on the tombstone, nor in the vicinity. The fig-

ure appeared when the negative was developed. It was said the boy was much frightened when he saw it. Weth-ersfield is one of Connecticut's oldest wns, seven miles from Hartford, and cowing seven inner the training to the seven interesting to hear h_{0} . It would be interesting to hear h_{0} . Leadbeater's opinion on this particular picture. The family say that this man was never known to wear ruffles of the period in which he lived, but always the cuffs with a soft white stock or folded neckerchief, which may account for the

modern appearance of the dress. Hold John Thompson: Q. A spirit says the picture sideways in order to see it. In the photograph you can see directly through the hand.

A SUBSCRIBER. Hartford, Ct.

The Hartford Times has the following:

A- curious photograph taken by young "camera fiend" has stirred the quiet and peaceful town of Wethersfield into a state of excitement, while many persons in various neighboring places who are susceptible to spiritual influences, have had their interest aroused to no small degree. A half-tone repro-

duction accompanies this article. The photograph was "snapped" by Charles E. Paul of Hudson street, this A. As advocated by Stephen Pearl Grogan of Railroad avenue, Wethersat the Wethersfield cemetery. The large slab lying on the ground marks the grave of Thomas Chester, or to be more exact the stone bears his name. The dates have been worn away. A close examination of the picture will reveal the figure of a rather intelligentlooking man, attired in modern clothing, lying, as it were, at the end of the slab on the right hand side. On still closer scrutiny, about the monument, with the mongram inscribed on its face,

in the upper left hand corner of the ploture, one may detect the outlines of a The picture is certainly a unique piece of photography. To be lievers in Spiritualism it is not a curios ity, but is significant. Some hold a firm placed with the Positivism of Comte on opinion that the figure shown in the foreground is the spirit of a man who was buried alive in 1879, and who has was puried anye in 1019, and who has been endeavoring since that time to materialize long enough to communicate this unpleasant message to the

A Times reporter learned of the ex-

distinctly lives on Hartford avenue,

have made frequent requests for copies

of the picture, and they all tell me that

the man is a medium. I try to believe

t was accidental, but as I said before,

photograph was taken, the medium, it

is alleged, announced that he had had

istence of the peculiar picture and also

any trick, but it is argued that perhaps the plate, after exposure and before do velopment, had been packed and sold. If this is tree, it is certainly curious bet the base tree word before the sponsible for the section of the hyp. hat the plate should have been used for a snap of a large snake in a gravepletely abandoned its use during the last years of hisl lifepi At present it Yard. Again, the exposure of the man seen, if at a former time, was an upseems destined thibe regarded more as right, while the cemetery scene was medical curiosity than as a usefu form of treatment. orm of treatment; whe Bernheim, a medical man with an lengthwise. The Times gives the picture and the story for what it is worth. . A Hartford gentleman has a strange enormous experioncolwith hypnotism, looking photograph secured by a double once had the misfortune to lose a pa tient whom he had put under hypnotic exposure of a film. While on an outing at Old Point Comfort he "snapped" one influence. The man he was treating of the battleships at anchor in Hampwas suffering from pain caused by ton Roads, and shortly after used his some inflamed veins of one leg, and he camera for a picture of the lawn and buildings of the Soldiers' Home. When was put to sleep to nelieve the distress which this trouble caused him. The the films were developed, on his return man died in two hours. home, he was surprised to find a photo-

Lombroso reported the case of an ofgraph, showing the white battleship apicer who had been hypnotized at a pub tic scance and who later on was accus tomed to fall into the hypnotic condi-tion at the sight of a shining object parently at anchor on the lawn of the Soldiers' Home. It was easily explained-the amateur photographer had One night on approaching an advancing failed to turn the film ahead on the roll carriage which carried a lamp the offiafter the first exposure, and so he had a cer became unconscious and would have fallen and been crushed to death had combination picture.

THE OCCULT FORCE.

Hyphotism as a Defense of Crime.

As set forth in the Chicago Tribune, arrested on a charge of shoplifting, a woman being tried in one of the New York City courts, offers in defense the plea that she was impelled to the act of theft by a person who had hypnotized This remarkable excuse presents . a

difficult question for the jury to decide, as it is one about which even scientists who have studied the phenomena of hypnotism are not agreed. Few cases are on record in which this

plea of irresponsibility was used successfully in defense of a prisoner charged with committing a criminal act. in one instance the celebrated nerve specialist, Kraft-Ebbing, gave testimony which secured the release of a prisoner who claimed to have acted

under the influence of hypnotism, but subsequently this woman, who was a professional shoplifter, admitted that

she had deceived the learned medical man In another similar case a woman was actual perpedischarged and the three trators of the crime were punished.

Several years ago a committee was appointed by the French government to determine whether it is possible for one person to cause another, who is hypno-tized, to sign receipts for money not re-ceived, and whether a hypnotized person could be induced to execute a will in favor of any person determined by the party making the experiment, Both questions were answered in the affirmative. But these conclusions, it appears, were largely based on analogy and on work which was done in the laboratory. No case is on record in which either of the above acts was committed in actual practice. A number of trials have resulted in the conviction of men who have been accused of taking advantage of women

whom they had hypnotized. Experimentally, there is not much ey-

dence that hypnotism is of practical use in the commission of crime. Those who take this view say that while it is possible, without the least difficulty, to induce a hypnotized person to do what is asked, the subject will still retain a certain power of control over his actions and will stop short of doing anything illegal or harmful to andoing anything measured person will at other. The hypnotized person will at once fire an unloaded pistol at his dear-est friend, if the suggestion is given

him. Some investigators insist that the

PUNISHMENT OF CRIMINALS The Right to Punish is Morally Indenotic form of treatment, almost com

> fensible. It is a moral axiom that if a saue per

son commits a erime he deserves pun ishment, and the safety of the public demands that he be separted from society. Thus all people desire to have the criminal caught and confined. Some want the crimo avenged, and others are not satisfied without having vengeance wreaked upon him.

When a murderer is executed physicians generally dissect the brain in a search for the incentive to commit crime, and this search has always re-

sulted in failure. To force a man to live upon bread and water, to hose him down with cold water, to compel him to perform hard manual labor, or crowd him into a straight jacket until his hands and feet are deformed, does not change the results of his crime, nor does it change the attitude of his mind. The hardened not a comrade rescued him. A young woman who had been hypnocriminal is made harder by the brutal treatment upheld by state laws. To do a man harm, to take his life because he has, in an insane moment, taken a tized by the aid of a gong subsequently developed a tendency to go into sponta neous trance when she heard any regulife or committed a crime, is anything lar or monotonous sound. One day but noble; furthermore it is morally in crossing a crowded street as the church defensible. Neither man nor state has a moral right to punish. To prove this statement to be a fact, it is necessary to plainly understand the complicated nature of a human being. Man has a spiritual nature, a mental nature and a physical or animal nature. In plainer language man is spirit, brain and body. To illustrate this argument take an electric dynamo with its machinery attached. The electricity drives the dynamo and this operates the machinery. The electricity, dynamo and machinery combined make a manufacturing plant. If a dynamo fails to perform its proper work the manufacturer does not

tive it a hammering, tear it to pieces or throw it away. He sends for an elec-trician, one who is skilled in knowledge of electrical machinery. The first thing the electrician will do will be to turn on the electric current, note the cause of failure, then repair or readjust the mechanism so that it again operates the machinery.

Now compare the electricity to the spirit of man, the dynamo to the brain and the machinery of the body. The three combined make a human being. The correct moral view, then, of a crim-inal, is that he is an untrained spirit controlling an unbalanced mind to cause the body-to perform unlawful into human acts. Here is a mechanical mechanism and a natural mechanism very much alike. To the mechanical one we apply scientific knowledge and to the natural mechanism we apply

brute force, use torture or the hammering process, trying, no doubt, to beat some sense into his head. Then he is compelled to perform hard labor, perhaps break rocks for a period of years, and finally discharged still a mental-dwarfed, weak-willed, one-sided human

being. Hardened by punishment he goes out into-the world to commit a darker crime. He is again apprehended, tried and sentenced to a longer service at the rock-pile. Over and over, again has this happened, yet no concern is manifested by people or states.

Не ваув:

Punishment does not reform a man. because it does not change his mind or motive. To do this, states prisons ought to be places for mental and moral development, as well as for a simple occupation at hard labor.

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simpler remedies may be employed, it would seem as if hypnotism as a means of cure has a restricted field in which it must be used by medical men; and as its manifestations are pathological rather than physiological, there is every reason to demand that a law should be enacted to prevent its indiscrimi

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pate use by the laity. F. EDWARD'HERMAN, M. D.

WANTS FACTS

In Reference to Thomas Paine and the President.

To the Editor :- May I ask you and through you all of your readers a few questions which recent events seem to make very important to Spiritualists and all Liberals everywhere. 1. Did or not Theodore Roosevelt

call Thomas Paine, (whose name no true lover of human race ought ever to mention without benediction forever on his head) "a dirty, little Atheist"

2. If Theodore Roosevelt did call Thomas Paine this vile thing, that is dirty, where can the expression be found?

3. If Theodore Roosevelt did not use the false, scandalous and infamous language attributed to him, will not some one familiar with his books clear up the matter as a justice to-well, to Theodore Roosevelt? 4. Has not the time come when all

Spiritualists and all Liberals ought to resent all flippant and, false speeches and writings concerning, them and their heroes, the heroes of humanity, though it come from statesman, politicians or war lord or whomsoever?

5. I know of a good many Spiritual-ists and Liberals who would like to know the truth about the alleged use of the above-quoted foul and feculent lan-guage of and concerning him whom many esteem as the first American and many more esteern as quite the fore-most man of all the world. 6. Let us have the truth, the whole

truth and nothing but the truth; as it no harm. . I have seen it denied that he said this "dirty" thing; but others per-sist in alleging that he did say it and call attention to the allegation to that effect some time ago in your columns and say there is no denial that is au-

crossing a crowded street as the church bells were ringing she staggered and fell under the wheels of a passing ve-hicle and was killed. As hypnotism is beneficial only in those functional diseases which rarely endanger life, and for which many other well known and less dangerous and

but the abl his claims?

A. The matter referred to appears in an advertising prospectus of that pa-

churches that bushwhackers and guerillas do to a regular army. It is as follows:

"As for Spiritualism we have been most fortunate in locating the man (now ninety-five years of age) who was the unconscious and, unwilling originator of the whole movement. Spiritism as it is now practiced, he detests grave. He was a nasty looking one, and repudiates. He has given us infor-mation regarding its beginning and its bad ending in charlatanry and fraud." All this the readers of the delectable Ram's Horn will soon have served up to them!

We are not in telepathic connection with the reverend gentleman who edits snake crawled about a foot and I was the Ram's Horn, and hence cannot fore- just about to kill it when it stopped know the revelation he is bursting to and I stepped back. Charlie snapped make. We, however, know too well the picture and we thought no more the history of Spiritualism to give the about it. We took several other picleast credence to this story of the non-tures, one of which was of myself. "Charlie did not develop the plate of rave, has concluded to confess through the snake picture until several days afterward. No, sir, no one went near it, the Chicago Ram's Horn.

No especial one can be said to have and all the plates were new, having No especial one can be said to have "originated" the spiritual manifesta-tions. They were almost simultaneous-ly given in thousands of homes. The phenomena occurring in the family of John Wesley, founder of Methodism, been recently purchased. "On the first print Paul called my attention to something which resembled the figure of a hand, the wrist being en-circled by a cuff. We made another circled by a cuff. We made another and clearer print and were dumfounded were in some respects more remark-able than the rappings of the Fox famat seeing the form of a man slowly but conspicuously appear. We were baffly one hundred years later. Had not bigotry and superstition ... prevailed, fled and could not account for it. We Spiritualism instead of Methodism kept quiet about it at first, but soon it might then have prevailed. leaked out and before long there was a

Of course any one with imagination great demand for copies of the picture. not hampered with a lingering regard We cannot account for it. I do not be to the truth, to common honesty and lieve in Spiritualism, but this thing is Spiritualism. started may be so nimble-footed from various places, one I remember it will go round the world before don't various places, one I remember decency, can concoct a story, and a lie that it will go round the world, before truth can gainsay it.

We anticipate what this "revelation" will be, but will not waste argument until it appears. Truly we are sure to have Spiritual

we can't trace the accident; further ism explained away! It's the devil, and more I am sure we never saw that any minister of the gospel who says he has communed with another minister of the gospel (as a spirit) is a liar," says the gospel (as a spirit) is a liar," says Two well known and respectable cit-izens told the reporter that at a seance held in this city several days after the

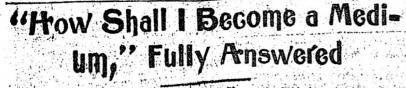
pulpit. 's "subconscious self," says & scientist(?)

is shifted, announced that he had had communication with a spirit who told him that he was buried alive in the Wethersfield cemetery in 1879, and for years has been endeavoring to material-It's telepathy, we guess—if not, what is it? say the Psychical Researchers. It's animism, say the Germans. They

have a new name. It's a joke played on poor mortals by the "astral shells" of the departed, say rible experience. He was unsuccessful the Theosophists. I have yet to learn until the young men appeared with a what an "astral shell" is or by what law camera, and then, according to the meit remains to befool its friends in this dium, he materialized sufficiently to belife, while the real spirit is lost in the come recognizable upon the plate in the infinite tide of reincarnation, and vir- camera. It is stated that the medium

tually washed out of identified existence.

plate was developed; plate was developed; There are many trick photographs in existence, clever work in double ex-posures bringing about the result. It is not suspected that the boys ware in It's all a fraud! cry the saplent editors of the press. This has been the standard explanation for fifty years, and has been handy when everything else failed.



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story of the man who originated Spirit- one of the photographs. He then lolenge the doubters to try the experiualism. Is there any truth in its cated the young men who took it, one ment if they are so certain that no of whom told the following story: harm would result. "One Sunday afternoon, not long ago The following experiments have been

Paul and I decided to go to the Weth performed: per. which occupies the position to the ersfield cemetery to take some pictures. A young woman who was hypnotized When we reached it we proceeded to a was told to pour the contents of an ink-stand over her elegant light dress. She spot where a number of old graves are ocated. As we approached the stone did not obey.

you see in the picture we saw a large A subject who carried out the insnake basking in the sun on it. It was struction of assuming the character of a strange sight, considering the melanan officer or a sailor was conscientious choly feeling one experiences in restrained from acting the part of a gravevard, to see a serpent lying on a priest. A woman was told to stab a man too. At any rate we were impressed by it and Paul whispered to me that he which she at once did, with a card which had been placed in her hand. A was going to snap it. Fearing the knife was then given to her and the insnake would move I picked up a stick struction again given. She raised her hand, but did not attempt to strike. A Jewess was hypnotized on a Saturwith which to kill the reptile, if it -attempted to crawl away. We were de-termined to get that picture. The

lay, when it is forbidden an orthodox Jew to accept money, and offered a gold oin. She refused to take it. Why more advantage is not taken of hypnotizable people to carry out criminal acis when such would seem to be a

convenient method of violating the law is easily answered. In the first place it is generally believed that only a person with evil tenlencies can be used as a tool. It would

be safer to make a confederate of such person than trust to the complicated and clumsy method of hypnotism. The many people cannot be hypno ized, and of those whom it is possible to get under influence some may, and many often do, awake when the experimenter leasts expects it. Beside complete loss of memory of what takes place during hypnosis is not universal. A still further drawback is the fact that he hypnotized person would act like a machine without regard to surrounding conditions and would take no precau-tions to avoid detection. He would

blindly follow the instruction given, but his actions would surely attract the attention of people who would see him. To avoid the mechanical movements of he hypnotized person, it would be nec essary to give suggestions to him cover ng every possible combination of con ingencies, and this would present diffi-

culties so great as to hardly warrant the risky attempt. A recent writer on the subject says that he considers the danger of detection so great that a less practical method could be selected. In most European countries only medical men are permitted to practice

hypnotize a patient unless there are ize in order to tell the world of his terother medical men present. And even then it is first necessary to notify the local administrative authorities of the exact day and hour on which the proposed seance will take place and the names of the witnesses must be given. knew nothing of the photograph, in fact Publications on hypnotism which may It is said the seance was held before the

must be submitted to a censorship. No public exhibitions may be given outside of clinics or hospitals. That hypnotism has an injurious effect, both physical and moral, is now

generally conceded by all well qualified men who have seriously considered the matter. Medical authorities all over the world have pointed out its dangers.

One writer on the subject, whose experience qualifies him to express an opinion, states that the risk of mental deterioration from the frequent induction of the hypnotic 'state, especially for those of a nervous temperament, is distinctly dangerous. For this reason alone there is a good cause why there ought to be passed a law in the United States to retwict the practice of hyp-nofism to the medical profession. In France its use is forbidden even

thentic. 7. Worst of all. I have heard the expression very recently as a thing en-titled to great weight as coming from a president.

True, we may quote the wise words of Walt Whitman addressed to a presi-

"All you are doing and saying is to America dangled mirages; "You have not learned of nature. of

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the politics of nature, you have not learned the great amplitude, rectitude, mpartiality:

"You have not seen that only such as they are for these states, "And that what is less than they must sooner or later lift off from these

states.' But all ought to feel reluctant to have

to say such a thing as the noet said of another president a foretime, But who will give us the book, the page and the very place where these words were written, if they were writ

ten? however, I am deter-Of one thing, however, I am deter-mined as a life-long Spiritualist, and that is this. I will resent any and every such false and SCandalous language from whatever, source it may come, and we Spiritualists and Liber als, will never be respected or entitled to respect until we all resent such in-famous language though it come from angels. Hitherto the use of foul and false language towards us has not cost enough. E. E. CHESNEY.

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The penal institutions of our country should be great fields for the achieve ment of mental and moral development They represent a whole world of undiscovered country for the scientific research of phrenologists and psycholo-

gists. The duty of the state is not to punish criminals but to make well-balanced human beings of them, as far as possible, by employing these scientists to kindly teach them how to readjust their faculties so as to produce a normal balance of mind.

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kind of training could not fail to im-prove all of them. Great possibilities for scientific achievement lie in these undeveloped human beings. Beginning with the worst type, it is possible that the re-search will end in a discovery of a method of molding the plastic minds of

children so as to eliminate a large percentage of criminals before the crop reaches maturity. When we have only to read the daily press to find children committing both murder and suicide,

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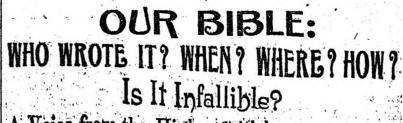
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power, The harmony of hue in flower, The comet's flight across the sky; The planetary laws on high; That which wraps the world in flame,

"The Great, the Everlasting Name! " What is Love?

Though worlds may come and worlds may go,

And things may wander to and fro: The heavens may together roll Into a yellow, sun-scorch'd scroll-There is far up, beyond, above, The Immortal, Everlasting Love!

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shine: And upon the world's earth-flowers Love pours down its cool star-showers!

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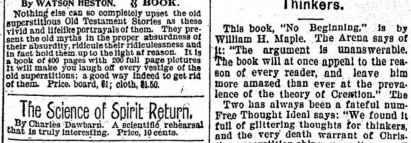
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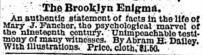
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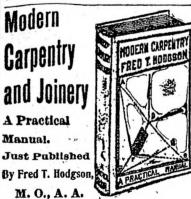
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