

matter. Each one has a distinct indi- imately drawn from success already viduality, and is not in any way depend- achieved. ent on the others for its power of loco- At this time I wish to say nothing

more than that I am sure that I have motion. You can see them grow up seemingly produced living forms without the aid from nothing and fly into the air, where of antecedent life.

Resulting From the Processes of Inductive and Deductive Reasoning.

There is one entity which embraces in its part all that is

In order to identify it, let us call it divisions of any particle of matter. Matter It is all that ever was, is, or ever shall composed of something less than one

ending Matter embraçes both cause and effect. An effect is indisputable evidence of a cause. To assume anything independent of matter would be to assume

something material, which assumption would identify that something as mat-

The attribute identifying matter in any form is continual change. Anything that changes is matter.

There is nothing conceivable that ceases to change. It is impossible to chadow gone by, to-morrow. conceive of anything that does not A living or other being exi

The hardest diamond never has, does not, and never shall exist, but is eternally changing.

The most attenuated gas is continually changing—even when apparently confined it is changing just the same.

Motion is universal. Rest for any particle of matter is an impossibility. A body is said to be at rest when it is

not apparently changing position in relation to us, or things about us. Highly attenuated matter acting upon man.

grosser forme of matter is incorrectly ; termed force. To illustrate the various forms taken is self evident that the death

on by matter, let us take the state of, body no more ends all than did the be matter called iron, put it in the pres- ginning." ence of the vibration of matter called heat. This causes the iron to become times in his life, see, hear and other liquid, gaseous, and then if unconfined, wise become impressed with ideas (excepting air and other invisibles) we which are not due to any of his five may lose track of it, but, whether we senses, is indisputable evidence of an see it or not, it passes from so-called intelligence outside of the visible body gas' into more rarefied conditions, continuing indefinitely, even though appar. hear, feel, taste, smell and move about ently retarded. Thus, it may assume in an intelligent manner. Yet the visiforms no longer ordinarily recognized ble body is in a comatose state all the as matter, but permeating the grosser while. forms of itself, and acting upon these forms, is recognized under the mislead-

ing term, of force. I do not mean to intimate that this know a life apart from this life of bodform of matter termed force is some ily restrictions. thing separate or apart from other

matter. Infinite forms of matter permeate and which we recognize as visible mat-

our sensations. cannot sense it?

matter than ether, and, as there is no division of matter.

AXIOMS AND CONCLUSIONS able cannot reach the end of space, be cause there is no end. The fact that there is no beginning is positive evidence that there is no end. The microscope with the greatest

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Mill says of Socrates:

magnifying powers imaginable cannot reveal the ultimate division of matter pecause there is no end to the possible

Chemists speak of matter as being be. It is without beginning, present, or Lundred elements, because, by no means known to them can these apparently ultimate forms be resolved into

any simpler forms. There is but one element-namely,-Matter.

Various forms of this one element is all that is conceived of. In one, Matter constitutes both soul

and body of the universe. It cannot be proven that any living individual exists.

A child yesterday, a man to-day,

A living or other being exists only in appearance.

I mean to say that there is in the ma terial life of man a constant change of every part of his being. That at no pe riod of his solourn on this earth can it be said that any part of him ceases to change.

The fact that man is changing is conclusive evidence that he will continue to change.

The fact that he began to be a man is positive proof that he will cease to be a criminal."

Such is the oharacter of the man who Without any more evidence than is was guided by a voice . which he be within the comprehension of any man it lieved was "a divine sign, a propnetic or supernatural voice." of the

and Plato, who were intimate friends of Socrates, youch for what he said in re-The fact that a man can, and does a For instance, in a dream, we see than he possessed.

To say the images of a dream are not real would be to deny any images at all. To admit them as tangible is to

J. H. MARTIN.

The pope's legate no longer brings an mingle with infinite forms of matter. emperor to his knees, but the multitudes still wallow shamelessly at the

ter, is that matter capable of affecting feet of priests .- E. A. Stevens. In the pursuit of knowledge, follow it But shall we deny the existence of wherever it may be found; like fern, it judges, a wonderful thing. For that acthe attenuated gas ether, because we is the produce of all climates, and, like coin, its circulation is not restricted to

There are more attenuated states of any particular class.—Colton. natter than ether, and, as there is no We have to get truth as we can in beginning nor ending to the circumfer- this world; just as miners dig gold out ence of a circle, so there is no ultimate of the mine with all the guartz and dirt and dross, but it pays.-Harriet The most powerful telescope conceiv. Beecher Stowe

such cases to allege insanity but cerity of dom, far beyond her years or capacity of the instructions under which she what kind of insanity is that of which its only indication is that the person automatically, as it were, hears a voice acted. As a writer in the Quarterly Rewhich he comes to know by experience view says:

"There is not a trace of bodily disexpresses larger knowledge and a higher wisdom than he is conscious of posease or hysteria in the Maid, unless we call her premonitions a sign of disease

As to the sanity of these 'monitions' they were no less than the expression By such a monitory voice was Socrates, the wisest man of the ancient of military and political genius. They world, guided in all the affairs of life. revived and re-united France. Again they were not the manifestations of the He was a man of robust constitution, of physical health, of moral balance. In Maid's own conscious desires and discussing liberty of thought and sneech ideas; for, for four or five years, she re-sisted the voices, deeming their counsel impracticable, and herself an impossiin his work on "Liberty," John Stuart

"Born in an age and country aboundble instrument of so high a destiny. 'I am a girl,' she said, 'and have no skill ing in individual greatness, this man has been handed down to us by those to ride and fight. Rather would I have who best knew both him and the age been torn to pleces by wild horses than as the most virtuous man in it: while to have gone into France, but for the voices. • • For to fight is not mon we know him as the head and prototype of all subsequent teachers of virtue, the etat, but to sit and spin beside my poor source equally of the lofty inspiration of Plato and the judiclous utilitarianism of Aristotle • • • the two headsprings uother.' "

Even to the last, according to the priest who confessed her and stood by of ethical as of all other philosophy. her on the pyre. "She averred the di-The acknowledged master of all emi ine origin of her voices and denied nent thinkers who have since livedhat they had deceived her." whose fame, still growing after more

Was Jeanne D'Arc, in her remarkable than 2.000 years, all but outweighs the career guided by voices from some unwhole remainder of the names which known deptlis of her own being, or did make his native city illustrious-was invisible intelligences that belong to anput to death by his countrymen, after other order of existence, direct her life a judicial conviction, for implety and immortality. Implety in denying the and manifest those powers of sagacity and genius which were so far above the gods of the state; indeed his accuser normal capacities of the peasant girl whose highest ambition was to sit and asserted (see "Apologia") that he beleved in no gods at all. Immortality spin at home? in being, by his doctrines and instruct

Whatever theory be;adopted, here is Of these a class of facts under the name of word hearing, which our physiologies and charges the tribunal, there is every ground for believing, honestly found psychologies do not explain; and which guilty and condemned the man who belongs to a field of Study that neither probably of all then born, had descryed extreme skepticism-"on the one hand best of mankind, to be put to death as a nor unreasoning credulity on the other-

should prevent our exploring a field which promises rich results in contributions to knowledge of the human mind. B. F. UNDERWOOD. Both Xenophon

REFLECTED.

The sun, low sinking In the west, His eye fell on a golden creft, Or what to him seemed golden hue, With intermingled rives of blue, And fairest glints of Bainty Breen, fellow and opals in Metween; And the sun said soft as he passed by "Yon hill is bathed in beauty's dye;" And he never knew, is on he passed, That 'twas only a hill, with wrisp brown

grass That the light he cast on the earth below

Had bathed the hill in beauty's glow.

Anon, a cloud all leaden gray, Sailed slowly by the self-same way, And glancing downward as she passed, Espied the bill, with the erisp brown

grass, The crest looked black, in the shadow sne threw So, seemed buit a hill of somber hue, And she thought, what a dreary, dismal she threw

, place. customed divine intimation in time past

Without tinge of coker or beauty, to came to me very many times; and met grace. me on slight ocasion, if I am about to 19 11 1 1 1 1

act in some way not aright, but now this. Moral-Smile on others they will smile fate which ye behold has come; upon (On; you 12. me, this which a man might deem and But if you frown, they will give frowns, which is considered the very worst of ... too. e ills. Yet neither when I left my home | Rockford, Ill. ANNIE H. PIERCE.

ation takes place, hence Jesus' parable. MRS. LO'ITIE COLLEEN. Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. Colleen is quite correct in her exposition of the subject, as every wellpressions of a like character came to us informed Bible student will acknowl edge. Having read the Bible through by course some fourteen times, to-gether with learned commentaries thereon, I think I can say I am not enlife by the volcanic eruption in Martinique: of the fate of the school children out for tirely ignorant concerning wheat and darnel, etc." Our sister's really learned stance of the goodness and loving kind and scholarly article helps to brighten up the lore of the subject, and I thank lignant idol that was ever and is now her for it.

The parable is all right, rightly underworshiped? Hundreds of children out for an innocent holiday, and he of whom stood and applied. The trouble is in we are told that he so loved the beings the misapplication.

For instance in the wheat field of death his only son for their salvation spiritual mediumship there has been permits a thousand of them to die awful sown (by the Devil); or has sprung up indigenously, if you will, the darnel of fakism. This darnel has developed un and, men be honest for the sake of betil it has literally gone to seed, and should be eradicated-that is, when it ing honest? becomes plainly apparent that a so called medium has ripened or developed in the use of stock tests, fraud material izations, etc., it is time to separate such mediums from the genuine mediums and burn them up, root and branch, metaphorically speaking. personal God described to us in reputed The revelation as merciful and of exhausttime to eradicate them is the time less loving kindness? These are queswhen it becomes positively known that tions which have never been answered they are frauds, or darnel mediums. ** and they never will be answered, for The let-them-alone process never they are unanswerable by man. cradicates them-even after they are known to be fully developed. and and communities have often been atripened darnel, the cry is: Let them tributed to their wickedness and their

alone. Is this the true spirit and application of Jesus' parable? Thus understood and applied by this let-alone policy— Jesus never could have uttered the parable, or if he did, he was in error. the

had happened to a crowd of excursion ists of evil character and evil lives the But such is the practical interpreta comment of the religious on it might tion of the parable, given by those who ever stand ready to shield the frauds, have, and in many instances it would have, been that it was a judgment of by bringing them under the protection God on people so flagrant in their sinfulof the reputed parable of Jesus-their ness. But here was a party made up cry is, ever, Let them alone-Let them of men, women and children of a Sun alone. No matter how palpaple and evident their trickery, deception and fraudulent methods and practicesday-school, brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, profound 'Let them alone! Let them alone!" in their religious belief and assiduou in their religious practice, disciples of a Darnel, zizania, Canada thistles, chess, cockle, etc., etc., anything that pretends to mediumship; "Let them a church peculiarly strong in its adherence to the strict religious faith of the past. Was this a judgment of God? alone! Let them alone! The ways of God are past finding out

Why not, in consistency, carry, the same principle of action into all the affairs of society, and let the thieves, counterfeiters, burglars, alone?

and preventable. If a child ventures in I feel and write earnestly in this mat front of a locomotive it is crushed. If ter. Genuine mediumship demands this protection: Fake mediumship serves people live on the sides of a volcano they are liable to perish in its eruption to cast the dark shadow of doubt and whether believers or unelievers, signalsuspicion on all mediums. The true, ly righteous or flagrantly wicked. genuine, honest medium is made to sufhere man and man's prudence and scifer for the sins of'the dishonest. The ence can step in, wardeff and prevent the catastrophe. In our public schools vorst enemies of genuine mediums are the clan of fakes who palm off tricks crowded with chill has been perand frauds under the guise of mediumfected a system of fire drill by which ship. Their work inevitably serves to the children, from the littlest to the bring mediumship and Spiritualism into largest, are enabled to escape un-harmed, in a few moments, from a fire disrepute...

Spiritualists owe it to themselves, to in the building. If there was no such the cause, and especially to their, true mediums, to get rid of the whole acpossible human precaution great numcursed outfit of darnel medlums, so far destruction. -- -as may be possible.

Protect the genuine-let. no. darnel that thoroughly. We know that we must look out for ourselves, that every JAS. C. UNDERHILL Hammond, Ind. Tprecaution suggested by science and by

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the Editor of The New This is a bitter and a sacrilegious let

surprised at, receiving it. Many

"Editor Sun-Sir-: We read to-day

day of happiness. Is this then an in-

ness of God-the most cruel and ma-

"WILLIAM C. LANDGDON.

The mystery of human existence, Mr.

Langdon, is insolvable by man. Whence

Calamities which have befallen men

unbelief. The death of Tom Paine used

delity. If the calamity of Wednesday

we are told by St. Paul. They are in-

scrutable. But the ways of nature are

discoverable, determinable, foreseechle

pers of them would always be liable to

That is all we know, but we know

deaths for believing in him.

"Brooklyn, June 15."

ing in the dusk of the stairway. "For weeks after he died, whenever I ter, brought out by the frightful catas-trophe of Wednesday; but we are not

entered the .room I could see him in that chair with the sunlight on his hair. Whenever I went out and looked down the stairway. I could see the shine of his beautiful hair as he came up. You at the time of the awful destruction of may call it nervousness or the effect of my constant thought of him, but as for me, I believe the spirit of him was

there. "One proof, to my mind, is this story of an old manor house that belonged to an army officer who had rented it and gone to India. The house was in the suburbs of London. The officer had lost an arm.

"A girl whose father had rented the that he lead created that he gave up to manor house was stricken with the kodak fever. She took nictures of the house, one room after another, until she had taken them all. Then she took the "When will this terrible fraud end, films to a London photographer to be developed and printed. After a week or so she called for them.

'They are very good,' said the photographer, 'with the exception of one that is a little dim-the one of the onearmed man who is sitting in the library by the table.

comes evil and why did it come under "'What one-armed man?' she asked the government of the universe by a in amazement. 'There wasn't a single soul in any room when I took the pictures. Not a soul."

"'There was a man in the library.' reiterated the photographer, 'for here is the picture of him."

He brought out the picture of the library, and there was the one-armed man sitting sadly there by the table. Upon investigation it was found that the owner of the house, the one-armed to be described by religious writers as army officer, had died suddenly in India peculiarly horrible because of his infion the day on which she had photo-

graphed his home. "Was there anything more natural than that his soul should come back on a visit to his old home the moment it. was freed from his body? . Or that my friend's soul should come back and visit me?"-New York Sun.

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experience must be used to prevent panic and save life in a crowd. We know that all possible measures of safety should be provided and taken on a steamhoat loaded with passengers-discipline, constant watchfulness and proper construction-and we know that they can be made successful in their employment, except in those rare instances where the cause of disaster seems as unpreventable as it is undiscoverable.

Mr. Langdon puts on God the responsibility for the General Slocum disaster, but actually the responsibility was alto ether human: Is not God responsible for the laches of his creatures, and how can mercy and loving kindness in him be reconciled with their suffering and death if they violate nature's laws?

That is a mystery, Mr. Langdon, and the world of civilization is no nearer to its solution to-day than was the first savage in the form of man.

Self-reliance, self-restraint, self-control, self-discipline, these constitute an educated will .- James Freeman Clarke. A crank is somebody who insists on trying to convince me, instead of letting me convince him .- Anon.

gard to his daemon, whose voice was always one of warning and restraint. hose silence meant approval of . the philosopher's course. The voice gave proof of sagacity which Socrates always recognized as wise and good, and evine ing knowledge not dependent upon his observation and experience, greater During the series of events that result ed in the philosopher's death the moni-

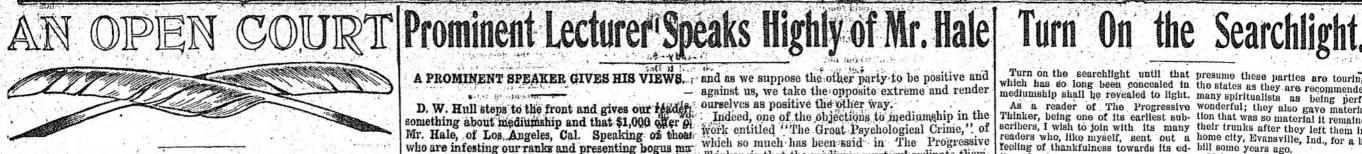
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tion was one of silence, except once when it interposed to check his design to prepare a speech in his defense. By sustaining silence the daemon approved

corruptor of youth."

those courageous acts and words, since admired and praised by millions, which brought upon him the extreme penalty. inflicted by the Dikastery-a penalty which, with but little temporizing, he

could easily have escaped.-In his last speech Socrates said: "There has happened to me. O' my nal Barracate Ma



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Mrs. Catharine McFarlin Gives Her Views.

Mrs. McFarlin is prominent as a lecturer and a medium in the West, and is highly respected for her many sterling qualities. She was present when Mrs. Griffen, the materializing medium, was exposed in Milwaukee, Wis. She (Mrs. Griffen) was found with a complete outfit of artificial toggery that she used to deceive the public. The exposure was complete, and the circle was so indignant that they raised the "cry of fraud!" Can the National Spiritualists Association, aided by all the state associations, prevent the "cry of fraud" under such most lamentable circumstances; or can they in any case suppress the "cry of fraud," where fraud really exists? To sup-press the "cry of fraud" where fraud really exists, would be like suppressing crime without arresting the criminal. Mrs. McFarlin gives an account of some wonderful spirit manifestations. The truth in all cases will prove triumphant.

Since there has been such an array of she then pressed the slate lying on the able argument, both pro et con, of late palm of her right hand up against the upon the question of fraud and the Blue under side of the bed of the table with Book and materialization, I feel it my her left hand always upon the top of duty to add my mite as a testimonial to the table in full view of the sitters; no the cause we so dearly love, and are striving to defend, and weed out, which tables raised very high and allowing difdome are so fearful that we will kill on ferent ones of the sitters to put their hand right over her hand that held the account of this cleansing process. The way we make our gardens grow slates. We were all, I believe, moved and develop their profits, is by tearing to tears when we heard the loud rap-out the weeds, and I say, let us not be pings as though made with a sledge, in afraid, but go on with the cleansing; dicating to remove the slates. She for, as to there being fraud in the name did so, and there were these words, in a of Spiritualism, it is too glaring a fact large legible hand: "Good morning to be denied. I have not only discov-iriends; we come to greet you," and this message was followed by a list of of the so-called test seances. For instance, when I attended the exnames covering the whole slate, names

pose of Mr. Griffen and his wife and and none of us were asked to write a saw the array of cheesecloth and turkey name of any friends at the beginning feathers, it was enough to convince me of the sitting. In the afternoon there of the fraudulent work of these people, were twenty-two sitters present. The large oak dining-room table was used yet, sad to say. I believe they are mediums; and can at times give genuine manifestations-and that the pity of it! stretched out to full length, and loud rappings came on one end of the table and a regular telegraph ticking came at Heavenly gifts are so often possessed by persons without any moral conthe other end. Two telegraph operators being present then, they took down the

science. It has also been, either my good or ill fortune, to once upon a time lecture upon the platform with a test medium following me with his messages, or tests as they were called, of whom I was certain he mixed fraudulent work in with his genuine, for where ther was a large crowd of strangers he would give the same old tests over and would give the same old tests over and from the curtain with a plain gold ring over again to the same persons, and con the third finger, and it was seen that they were Shritualists (or so-called) the medium wore a plain gold ring on who would say, "Good, good; that's her third finger. Mrs. Sleverson m-fine," etc., instead of taking him to one sisted that they all come the next even-fine," etc., instead of taking him to me sisted that they all come the strictest test conditions, which they did; these were suggested by herself. She took won't do. People have heard these same things too many times here." Of course, the strangers in the audience would say, "Isn't, that wonderful for him to call names in that way!"" And off her gold ring, one of the sitters wearing it. She then drew on a pair of black gloves, insisting the skeptics sew them firmly, overcasting them to the bottom of the sleeves, with double white I would sit and think, "Old chestnuts!" I have never seen a bound volume called the "Blue Book," but I have thread; then she would have her hands to it, and that was whole lists of leaf-chair, her ankles tied together and the lets with names to use for test-giving following my lectures. Perhaps I should not give this thing away, but I AM SO DISGUSTED WITH THIS DAMNABLE WORK. I was told by a medium who can windows. The circle of about twelve make hundreds of dollars to my one formed about the archway that led into cent, and many people know he mixes his work, yet they chase after him as the parlor close up to aperture which though he were a god. Good Spiritualwas round at the top, the curtains runists, too, they are, and he drinks and is ning straight across, that left a place for a good deal of light to shine over I was told if I did not accept the list of names to create a sensation the first be raised or lowered, but there evening I couldn't get an audience and I would never "get rich." Well, I had four gas burner chandeller in the sit a respectable audience, but to be sure ting room right where the circle was not as large as he can draw: but I am formed, and they were all lighted and one who prefers quality to quantity any- not even lowered. way. To be sure I am not rich, and Mr. Foster began playing softly upon have no gems to flash before the eyes his guitar, and a sound come from the of my audience, as many are attracted parlor of a heavy pair of clogs, dancing, keeping time with the music, and the

D. W. Hull steps to the front and gives our teadler, ourselves as positive the other way. something about mediumship and that \$1,000 offer of Mr. Hale, of Los, Angeles, Cal. Speaking of those him or herself off as a dear loved relative is entirely. devoid of conscience." The man or woman who will A THIEF; but the man or woman who will take one's. money, under the pretense of parading their loved one to go to sleep under such circumstances, unless money, under the pretense of parading their loved and by go the provided and by go the provided and the order of the pretense of parading their loved and by go the provided and the order of the provided and the the city."

We have had considerable discussion pro et, con does not provent fairness and candor on his part. concerning Brother Hale's offer of \$1,000 for a genu. The offer is made in good faith, and he would be ine materialization. It is an all-sided question, but in pleased to see some one become entitled to the one I was a materializing medium and acquainted with thousand dollars. If the offer is not accepted it Bro. Hale, I should accept it; but if I did not know leaves every materializing medium under suspicion; Bro. Hale, I should accept it; but if I did not know him, very likely I should turn it down, as mediums, for ordinary people will not stop to think of the em-seem to be doing. But I should not turn it down on barrassments mentioned above. But the moment a any such excuses as are being put up. any such excuses as are being put up.

We are unctiously told with an apparent tremor of fail to obtain the moncy he removes that suspicion. voice, and tear-dimmed eyes, that the cause is too satisfies and he will be cred-cred to be trifled with in any such manner; that mater is similarly has such manifestations, and he will be cred-rializing mediums never should make merchandise of his gifts. Bro Hale is not prejudiced; he will deal their gifts, etc. We all know that such excuses are fairly with any one who comes to try for the \$1,000, mere apologies. Materializing mediums are not use fairly with any one who comes to try for the \$1,000, ally so indifferent to the accumulation of a little lucic. Treat him as a gentleman, or her as a lady, impose no there may be, and no doubt there are, some who re-booxious conditions on him, nor humiliate him in fuse to receive compensation for their contributions, obnoxious conditions on him, nor humiliate him in toward the evidences of a continued life after so" any way. All he will require is that he shall elimi-called death, but the majority of them run the busi, nate the possibility of fraud. This may be done by ness for "what there is in it," and that they have lit. Putting the medium in a wire cage, or simply tacking conference, meetings, and their apparent contempt of alize that mediums think Brother Hale is only one conference meetings, and their apparent contempt of cauze that mediums think. Brother Hale is only one all but their own seances. They seldom give any evi-tean, and that it would be folly to go a long way to dence of being actuated by any but selfish interests. Satisfy him, and I also realize that it would not shut I say this with pain. Their lugubrious affectation of the mouth of eavilers if Brother Hale should be con-conscientiousness on a matter of receiving money for vinced and that prejudiced men who do not want to their business sounds strange in the face of the fact believe would continue to earp. But we should re-that were Spiritualism not their stock in trade, no one member that unless the offer is accepted, all the ma-could ever find out that they were Spiritualists. In terializing mediums of the country will lie under sus-But as I said, if I did not know Bro Hale and the date were believe their reputations some one ter, or at least a prize. To beat in any game or towin liever in all manifestations of that kind. What pur-any prize requires the putting forth of some energy, ported to be his friends, he learned in time was the and we all know that cannot be done in medium highlip, medium. His apples of Sodom, beautiful to the eye, without destroying its object. Many, of our fakes, turned to ashes on his lips. It was a very sad experihave considerable mediumship, but at times fortsome ence, and the person who will-play spirit and try to

reason the manifestations do not seem as good as these pass him or herself off as a dear loved relative is en-should be, and then they bring their efforts to the result is a bring as conscience. The man cue. Sometimes I hear a medium describing a spirit, or woman who will take one's money without givinggiving so much that it is easily recognized, when that a just equivalent IS A THIEF; but the man or, woman uery comes, just to see what the medium can do, who will take one's money, under the pretense of pa-'Can the spirit give his name?'' The great must rading their loved before them IS A GHOUL, and has tached simpletons ought to know that such a request no right to live in a civilized country. And this is would call forth an effort from the medium Which Just what has been done time and again here in Los would break the spirit away, so that it would be diff. Angeles; but it will not occur again until after Bro. cult to get as good results as if the mediums, were but Hale dies, or leaves the city. to themselves. There is no occasion for asking for a Hoping that this presentation of the subject may in-

name at any time as the name will be given if possible. duce some honest medium to accept Bro. Hale's offer, DANIEL W. HULL. In accepting a challenge, one finds it difficult to as- I close. sume a negative condition or render himself passive, Los Angeles, Cal.

end of the rope held outside by one of the skeptics, coins placed upon the toes of her shoes. The skeptics searched the parlor that was used as her cabinet, and sealed the doors and do nave an opportunity to work out the until she had fulfilled her other duty. suit or robe which may be furnished. desires of the soul in many ways, and I. So to all who are skeptical about mate-feel absolutely certain of It. I. have realization I will say. I have no doubt the medium and the chair in which he been in the spirit spheres beyond too of that any more than of my own exist- sits with mosquito-bar, nailing the sam many times to be deceived; had too ence since that time. many experiences as lessons given, of CATHARINI to the floor, so that they may know that CATHARINE M' FARLIN. it is impossible for him to leave the viewing scenes in the spirit life, to be mistaken, for I have had repeated soul chair in which he is sitting, or if they In Which Money Plays an Important Part. flights of which I may write sometime in the future. But I am running rampant. What be-

A PROMINENT SPEAKER GIVES HIS VIEWS. , and as we suppose the other party to be positive and against us, we take the opposite extreme and render

Indeed, one of the objections to mediumship in the work entitled "The Great Psychological Crime," of who are infesting our ranks and presenting bogus may which so much has been said in The Progressive terializations, he says: "It was a very sad experience, Elves to whatever influence may be introduced from and the person who will play spirit and try to nass the spirit world, and thus the individuality would be which so much has been said in The Progressive he spirit world, and thus the individuality would be ost. The medium would find it a very difficult task take one's money without giving a just equivalent is to remain passive while in a contest, or meeting what ippears to be a challenge. It would be difficult for

and any sow has no faith in it whatever. But this disbelief

He gives us reason to believe that he thinks he ocea-

Turn on the searchlight until that presume these parties are touring all which has so long been concealed in the states as they are recommended by mediumship shall he revealed to light. many spiritualists as being perfectly As a reader of The Progressive wonderful; they also gave materializa-Thinker, being one of its earliest sub-

scribers, I wish to join with its many their trunks after they left them in my readers who, like myself, sent out a home city, Evansville, Ind., for a board Yeeling of thankfulness towards its ed- bill some years ago. the hearing of all sides of a question, ing any ordinary pictures by tak-thus giving to his hearers food for or almanac. Frank Donovan used both, thought, which is the true propelling Outline these carefully with an indel-power that leads to investigation. ible pencil; then wet handkerchief of

No subject ought to be of greater im-muslin; put on solid surface; turn your port to Spiritualists; and none ought to be more openly discussed than medium-ship. Those just coming into the line of investigation are kept in ignorance or mother, etc. It was my lot to be or mother, etc. It was my lot to be as to its laws, etc., and are prone to acthus deceived as I kept under cover the as to its laws, etc., and are prone to ac-cept all that any individual cares to picture of what I felt was the picture of threat upon them, as coming from soul a deceased nephew. I, however, found its counterpart later in one of Jayne's excarnate.

almanacs, which, of course, broke the Demand proof as to the identity of charm. the spirit manifesting. If there can be Thus we see, friends, how necessary it is that we keep our eyes open in our investigations for truth. When we cease seeking the marvelous, these marno living proof established, at least do the departed spirit justice by showing to the world they have not deteriorated. In their intellectual development. vel-or wonder-workers will cease. One of these once said to me, when

Mrs. Laura M. Hyland of Sawtelle, has stirred up a hornet's nest through confronted by the writer for knowingly practicing deception: "They want it. I her giving away the secret of how to materialize "genuine material spooks," have to live. If I don't give it to them, such as Elsie Reynolds and many more they will go elsewhere. I can't stand the wear and tear of honest mediumproduce at so much per head.

Yet the result of her deception has ship, so I give them deception, and they been the means of ridding Los Angeles go home happy, not knowing they were been the means of ridding Los Angeles go home happy, not knowing they were at least of most of its fakes. Los An-decoived." geles' field is no worse nor better as to This person is endorsed by the very its mediums, false and true. Mrs. Hybest of Spiritualists, and has been in land makes a great sweeping statement the field many years.

by taking in the whole as being unable Spiritualism will never have the footto prove their claims. While it is an ing or recognition with the world it de-easy matter to cry fraud, my theory has serves until we think for ourselves, and ever been, prove the claim; if true, pro- not what some mediums or spirit may claim in defence of the medium; if dictate. Churches must have their false, likewise speak of it, so that oth- bishops, the Catholics their pope and false, likewise speak of it, so that our bishops, the outhouts then pope and ers may be guided aright. I never rec- many Spiritualists, either their "guide" ommend nor endorse any medium or that of some meaium, thus ceasing to whom I know to have once deceived. think or act, becoming the slave of an-I will conclude with a few eye-open-ers to those who have not as yet been teachings of true Spiritualism. initiated. Let us all speak of what we Yes, there has been a little blue book mow though the heavens fall.

Weigh all that purports to be from he spirit world. Don't think spirit all-wise.

the same once called at my home in Evansville, Ind. He made his business known by asking me if I did not desire Do all your own business or financial to improve my mediumship; then began ngineering. If you don't you may get telling about the book of tests, as also Do all your own business or financial advice satisfactory from spirits a few having all paraphernalia for physical times and finally be trapped. manifestations. I opened the door, and times and finally be trapped. Never think any spirit is going to put ordered him to leave, as I had no time you on to where to locate a gold mine, for such individuals. He went, saying, or find an oil well, through any medium. "Well, you are one out of 500 to refuse If this could be done the medium, rest this offer." assured, wouldn't be long in locating it for his or her own personal gain, for shut the door in his face. Some they are human. Never think any spirit is going to put ordered him to leave, as I had no time for such individuals. He went, saying, "Well, you are one out of 500 to refuse the called again next day. I simply for his or her own personal gain, for they are human. Never hellowe that any medium can the same business.

they are human. Never believe that any medium can Tenn., at the same business. develop you; the gift is not bought. If These are all facts, as all honest the gift is in you, sit at home. Their workers and Spiritualists know. We are purses will develop while yours will di- constantly told, "Don't speak of it." As minish; yet, if you need to have the for myself, I mean to speak of what I know of fraud in our ranks, if it turns experience, try it.

Beware of the person who would my best friend into an enemy. have all join hands, especially in a I pray for further enlightenment dark circle. It invariably results in the where I am yet in darkness as to medimedium loosing one hand and substitut umship. Let this be the incentive of ing that of the person sitting next, us every earnest soul, that in seeking for ing the hand for your spiritual demon- light, we close not our eyes and sit with stration. This is also done many times' folded hands in any scance-room, makwhere three sit before the caunet with hig of ourserves a deat taby have, like the spider, curiain stretched across, exposing their any fake, who may have, like the spider, heads. enticed us into his or her parlors. where three sit before the cabinet with ing of ourselves a dead easy mark for

Flowers and a dove materialized after We have sufficient proof to establish Flowers and a dove materialized after We have sufficient proof to establish the medium had been examined by a the claims of Spiritualism, without try-committee of ladies before entering the ing to find them in side shows. Let us cabinet and the medium wearing the hold up the dignity of our calling, and petiticat of one of the committee, while this Boat of Truth which has been so she, the lady, remains in hiding—de well equipped by our spirit friends will proof on it the dove and flowers thave sail out from under these lines of forout she, the facty, remains in inding-de well equipped by our spirit friends. Will pend on it the dove and flowers thave sail out from under these lines of ignore teen in the lady's skirt, she who was ance, and show to the world the beauty one of the committee; 'tis she who is and grandeur of truth that all are seek capable of throwing the rest complete ing, "proof of man's existence after ly off the track. Old stale flowers, and death. the same dove were produced nightly for a week in this city last winter. I

MRS M. EMILIE KRATZ. Los Angeles, Cal.

distributed in our ranks. An agent for

know of fraud in our ranks, if it turns



more by what they see than hear. BUT I HOPE I HAVE STRUNG A skeptical gentleman who held the rope FEW PEARLS ON THE GOLDEN was heard to say, "My God, this rope THREAD OF TRUTH, AND AS I PASS ALONG THE PATHWAY TO ETER. NITY I MAY GATHER SOME GEMS black coat sleeves and white cuffs sur-THAT MOTH AND RUST CAN NOT CORRUPT, NOR THIEVES BREAK IN tain, lifting it away up over the medi-AND STEAL: um so we could all see her, and re-

And now as to materialization. I mained long chough for us all to see know it is a fact, else I don't know any-well, and then dematerialized, and the thing, and the senses I have always re-lied upon since my consciousness took place are not to be depended upon in any matter of observation. About twelve years ago I was then a

as of a baby, and all sizes between, resident of Winona, Minn., and at that some white, delicate, dimpled hands; time there was a little lady by the name some coarse, red, large-boned and knotty hands. Next, to our surprise, came of Sieverson, who lived, or rather, boarded in Madison, Wis., who unexpectout the hand and bare arm to the shouledly blossomed out into the most wonedly blossomed out into the most won-der of the night before, with the plain derful versatile phenomenal medium I have ever seen. It was like this: She though to condemn us for doubting, proand her husband were boarding with a truded that finger away out from the who was a strong Spiritualist, and hand and wiggled it.

rounding the wrist, picked up the cur

curtain at once; one hand as though it

belonged to a giant: another tiny hand

had a niece who was a rapping medium. The niece visited her aunt while they Then came out a lady's hand and wrist, and a gentleman in the circle were there and they held seances, and cried out his departed wife's name, for were informed that Mrs. Sieverson was there was her hand, with two little jewthe most wonderful instrument they eled rings upon her finger, a fac-simile had ever found, and wanted, her to sit of the rings she was buried in.

with this lady. She did so, and they Who shall say that the ring-makers soon found she was possessed of the who have gone to the world beyond gift of rapping much stronger than the shall not be making rings and ornaniece, and had also the gifts of inde-ments there to adorn the lovers of orpendent slate and letter writing, inde- naments. I hope so, as 'I am not rich' pendent volces, the moving of furniture and physical objects without the touch brass jewels, and I may sometime flash of hands, and playing upon musical in-struments the same; and last, but not must proceed. diamonds and pearls over there; but I

The next on the scene was the ethe least materialization, and the little lady was so ignorant of Spiritualism that she realization of the busts of persons, the did not even know the definition of the head, arms and all being well formed, word, nor the word mediumship.

but the bust resting upon a misty cloud; the first was the form of a beau A gentleman friend of ours living in Winona, who was superintendent of the tiful blonde woman, her eyes were very frieght department of the L. & W. R. R., blue and gleamed with light; she learned of her through her husband and smiled at us, her hair was loose and other railroad men, as her husband was fluffy. The next was that of a cleara railroad agent in Madison, and he attype brunette; her hair done up at the tended a session and was so carried back with a Grecian coil. She was away he induced her to come to Wiclothed in a fleecy garment of almost nona, which she did, accompanied by pearl color. The next was the bust of her husband, coming in on Saturday a man, very black hair, mustache and evening, expecting to return Monday morning. So she brought with her only goatee. He was clothed in black coat, vest cut low, and immaculate shirt a small hand bag containing her night front, with black neck-tie. I mention apparel. I speak of this in detail so the this matter of their clothing, for it is much of any paraphernalia with her. have real clothes to wear in the spirit much of any paraphernalia with her:

On Sunday morning Mr. and Mrs. world, and won't be obliged to go about Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, and my with just one white fleecy robe on for husband and myself formed around the ever and ever.

dining-room table for a slate writing Think of the monotony of ftl No seance with her, she using a slate the new dress to hope for; nothing to long children had brought from school. Lay- for to give one even a change of counter ing on it a pencil about three inches long, nance; nothing to develop the artistic

came of this little medium?. She, stayed all-the next week at our importuning, and gave us other startling phe-

nomena. One evening we sat around the table the spirit requesting us, through the the last few weeks from various per-slates, to let them carry something un- sons, asking why some medium does not states, to let them carry something un-sons, asking why some medium does not der the table. This we did and placed take up the \$1,000 offer by Mr. Hale and one hand on the table, the other in our his associates of Los Angeles for the laps, the gas turned on full blaze. Mr. materialization of one spirit form. F. took his watch and it was carried from one end of that long table to the sons who have been urging some meother. Fearing they might drop it he dium to take up his offer I would state took a little silver stamp case and no that as yet I have failed to see any ar-

chair. She next laid the pencil on the slate, Progressive Thinker, it has been nothasking them for another message being but a wind proposition. Three parties under out who occupied fore closing. Soon she opened the I have known of a great many making seats in the circle, then they are to turn slates, the pencil was gone, so the chil- like propositions, but when it came to the \$1,000 over to us. dren found another piece of pencil. She putting up the money they always had If Mr. Hale will not

forget the direction also. He hated to, week, as max be agree. upon, and the I will agree in writing that if I win the but being determined to prove the truth circle is to consist of ten or twelve see money (which I surely will) I will do to his own satisfaction did so, asking lected and agreed upon by both parties, nate \$1,500 of it toward a building fund how much the man would charge him. and all must sit in the circle and com- for a home or place of meeting for Spir-The gentleman became interested in so strange a procedure and said, "Nothing, dium in holding the seances, which . Now if Mr. Hale really means busi-if you will take up the sod and replace rules will be the truth to require ness I should like to see the color of it." He did so, and found buried jew- all in the circle to remain quiet and to his money. els belonging to persons who, lived create no disturbance nor be under the Thanking you in advance for the inference in the influence of any intoricating lowar or courtesy of publishing this in your part there long before, who were then in influence of any intoxicating liquor or spirit life. spirit life. Mr. S. once found a valuable set fin- is in trance.

ger ring. They wrote upon the slates. Under the above conditions and the name of the owner, giving street others which are to follow in this article and number; he went to investigate and we will meet, Mr. Hale and his associ-found, sure enough, the ring from ates and agree to produce not only one which the set was lost. I could fill a form, but from three to twenty forms small volume of these remarkable phe under the following, conditions: The nomena, but must cease as I fear this, entire number of people who are to sit letter will be too long.

nomena, but must cease as I-fear this entire number of people who are to sit letter will be too long. In the circle of such a committee as But I must not close without felling, they may appoint are to lock and bar, what became of Mrs. S. Soon after we all windows and doors of the room or had those delightful scances, she was rooms in which the seance is held to called upon by nature to perform the dit their entire satisfaction, no that they vine and evalued mission of, mothers can feel assured seven a doabt and be hood, and as I-learned shout a rear are able to make sata that no person or per-was living in some place in Ohio, with sons could gain access to the room or war humband and little family of chil, rooms without the proved and the her husband and little family of chil- rooms without their knowledge. See-

form will be in plain view of all in the To the Editor:-- Fam a subscriber and 'circle room and the' medium at least reader of your paper, and as such I have been noticing the many articles therein recognized by every one.

We will further agree that should we fall to produce spirit forms as stated herein under these conditions, then in that case we will pay the expenses of Mr. Hale and his associates from Los. Angeles to Denver and return, and all For the benefit of these various perhotel bills while there, and upon an article of agreement being signed by both parties we will place in some bank here in escro which may be agreed upon the

one got it, yet it left his hand. We ticle wherein Mr. Hale or his associates thought they dropped it, and got down makes any stipulated proposition. It is money to defray these expenses and to be turned over to Mr. Hale, in case we under the table to find it, but to no customary as a rule where a person do not fulfill our part of the agreement, avail. Mrs. S. then held the slate to offers \$1,000 for a certain thing for and on the other hand we request and avail. Mis. S. then held the state to others a, so that the state that the ind on the other hand we request and know where it was. They said, "we them to set forth all of the conditions demand of Mr. Hale to place \$1,000 in have hid it in the parlor," which was and requirements, and to place their good and lawful money in some bank in the second room from us and we began \$1,000 in escro in some bank for a given escro with an agreement which both the search and found it tucked in a rib- period of 30 or 60 days, as the case may parties are to sign and said bank is to bon loop of a tidy on an upholstered be, for some medium to reply to. As hold said \$1,000, and upon our fulfilling the matter has appeared so far in The

our part of the contract and the bank having been so notified by at least three parties under oath who occupied

tried it again, and begged them to tell it so fortified with such about could above proposition, and is so confident us what they had done with it, and they tions that, no medium would pay any of his opinion being correct, that spirit said, "You will find it over to Mrs. Mil- attention to it."

cushion." Mrs. M. lived in the next dium of this city for whom he will make ing proposition, which must be accepted block, and on investigation we found it the following proposition, which, it within 20 days after the publication of

block, and on investigation we round it the rolowing proposition; which, it writin zo days after the publication of there. seems to me, oughtito satisfy any fair- this notice: I will bet him \$2,000 cash Mr. Sieverson's folks went to Minne minded persch. 4The medium and my that we will produce from \$ to 20 forms apolis or some other place after that. I self, with his associates at such a time as above; or if he prefers it, we will have happened now. But the spirits wrote may he mutually agreed upon in Den- the medium sitting in the circle room in upon the slates the number of a house ver, Colo., and upon meeting there both plain sight of every one in the circle, and name of a street hir. S. was not fat parties are to select a room or rooms instead of having him sit in the cabinet, miliar with; that he should go there which may be mutually agreed upon by and that we will have spirit forms de and ask the gentleman living there to both partles for the holding of the materialize in the circle room right bedig down about 18 inches, so many scances, which are to be three in num fore his own eyes, if he so desires, but inches on some side of a rose bush. I ber on different evenings of a stated this circle is to be held in Toledo, this fore his own eyes, if he so desires; but

torget the direction also. He hated to, week, as max, we agree, woon, and the I will agree in writing that if I win the

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To the Editor :- A very generous offer indeed. Many writers for your wideawake Progressive Thinker wonder why some one of the many mediums for the phase of materialization do not hop. skip and jump to get such easy money. However, this proposal is foreign to the charges made by gentlemen Hale and Cherry, Los Angeles, Cal., of fraudulent practices indulged in by Mrs. Elsie

Revnolds. The above question has two sides, as well as their tempting offer.

Some writers wonder why Mrs. Revolds does not write in self-defense; possibly she is walting until the various guns have been fired at the target. The modus-operandi resorted to by

the medium does not show an excess of cunning on her part, in the estimation of the thousands who have heretofore sat in her seances, these indorsements however do not insure her integrity at this time. We believe all who know her are competent to form their own opinions.

be from three to six seances, then to

to the medium.

to all.

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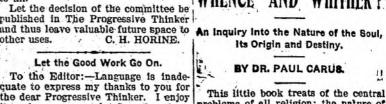
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The Great Question. What Shall We Do to Be Saved? Answered by W. H. Hutchinson, of Alzada, Montana.

What would we think of a person who simple entirely. The death penalty depended upon a life preserver of cork was deemed insufficient. In its stead to aid him in escaping from a burning a new law was enacted, and under it house? Or the man who would rush sentence was pronounced, not merely for a fire extinguisher when his home upon the criminals, but upon every inwas threatened, with a. flood. If we nocent unborn being. It would seem as wished to take an extra charitable view though rank injustice had here reached of their action we would at least say its ultimate, that a depth of vindictivethey but poorly understood the danger ness had been sounded sufficient to

which threatened them, would we not? Before we can intelligently cope with danger we should know something of Now the story carries us back to a the form that danger has assumed or period prior to the creation of the is assuming, its source, and the direc- world. In a far off region called heaven tion from which it approaches. Other- God dwelt, surrounded by angels, be wise one is as apt to run into it as away ings still higher, finer, more perfect from it; to magnify and intensify it as than man. Sad to say, even these su bescape from it. Is not this true? perpect creatures were a disappoint. Think of the countless millions of human to him, and his authority was disto escape from it. Is not this true?

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man beings who at some period of their puted. A rebellion broke out. It failed earth experience have earnestly or fear- to succeed. Its defeated reader, one ingly approached the question which we have selected for a topic, "What we have selected for a topic, "What shall I do to be saved?" Individuals among them may have treated the sub-ject jestingly or with indifference in the bub Deerle and the subearly part of their career, but the time bub, Devil, etc. His new realm was would come when earth seemed about one of fire and sulphurous, choking to fade from beneath them, and from gases, with gloom, misery, torture and out the dark and fearsome unknown despair everywhere. Over its entrance came the answering echo of this mo-mentous question as it fell from their trembling lips. Rightly or wrongly, very latest editions of the story leave ceneration after generation have had it out the fire and sulphur, but insist on pressed upon their notice and urged for the misery. What is the gain? So their consideration. Its dank, foul long as one is in misery and without hope, how could matters be worse? shadow has hung like a pall over every human joy, and as a dense cloud be-tween man and his rightful happiness: and Eve more complete God divides In its gloomy shade the miasma of su- His kingdom and voluntarily turns over perstition finds a congenial breeding to the Devil a-part of His dominion over ground, and the beautiful flower of the hearts of men. He deliberately sends them into the world without con-

some thing to be saved from. Thus comes naturally the inquiry: What is the danger which threatens were that is is one that threatens the race, you and lar, if they omit to smother every particu-is are as surely and as deeply interested pulse they are born with, the Devil fore-as are or have been the rest of the closes his mortgage and they are his world. And, really, if it is half as seri-ous as we are told, it is indeed a grave small loophole left for escape. If an indanger that confronts us. For centuries dividual here and there could by hook pulpits have whispered it, pleaded it, or crook perform all the well-nigh imthundered it. Preacher, priest, exhort- possible tasks set before him or her, violate every tendency of his own nature, er and evangelist have voiced it in tendor entreaty, or bellowed it with all the cringe and cower and fawn and beg, do force and confidence of God's own good because of promised reward, avoid evil merely to escape punishment, neg-lect and fail to make the most of the chosen vicegerents. Over the fears engendered by it men have climbed to the life he had and spend its precious hours shoulders of their fellows and ridden in in preparing for one he had merely sleek, rosy, fat-bellied security of power. heard about-if he could and would do Out of it have risen cathedral, mosque, temple, tower, spire, dome and minaret, all this he could go direct from here to heaven and be happy there forever. crystallized composites of human toil, Even the sight of the misery endured by his mother, wife, or child in hell be tears and treasure. Because of it were builded dungeon, scaffold, torture chamlow would only intensify his happiness ber and stake, where every stone gave back echo to a human agony, and from for would it not be an added proof of God's great mercy to him? whence the fumes of burning human Ninéteen hundred years or so ago the flesh arose as a sweet incense to the law was once more amended. The

nostrils of a demon whom men wors shiped as God, and before whose angry fiat they groveled in the very dust.

Dreadful, horribie!-but, no, we have, has had a chance to cool somewhat and no adjectives sufficiently strong to fitly He seeks an opportunity to modify the characterize such a danger as this decree without sacrificing his dignity. must be. And what is it? We laugh at His favorite son is sent here to suffer the child who fears to pass through a and die for the whole race. This done, dark hallway or to be put to bed in a room without a light. What parent lieve that this did happen, and that lieve that this did happen, and that does not remember times when a sudnothing else on our part is called for but to believe and be sorry, and presto, den scream rang out through the house with a force that shattered the stillness all our sins, whether of omission, commission, or inheritance, are miraculou of the night into fragments, as well as starting father and mother on a run to- ly washed away. Thus runs the story Thus is set forth the danger which ward the centre of disturbance. How threatens us. Thus is outlined our only the little one tairly leaped into your exmeans of warding it off. tended arms and shuddering, sobbing,

Why do we smile at the fears entercrying, clung to you in agony of terror To its untrained mind how real seemed tained by the child, by the believer in "hoodoo," or by him who thinks he has the danger from which it has just escaped. Yet you smiled the while you seen a ghost? Is it not because we soothed and comforted and gentiy led it know those fears to be groundless? strations of that same spirit power. back to the door of slumberland. We The impossibility of the existence of make merry over the descendant of such dangers renders ridiculous all at-The various records of the life of Ham and his mysterious, malignant tempts to escape or be saved from Christ may not be identical with each other, and even conflict on a few points. "Hoodoo." Let us not forget that its them. Before we do anymore running perils, present or impending, seem to ourselves would it not be wise in us to him as real as any that ever threatened examine more closely the dark shadow yet they all agree in the general life his him as real as any that ever threatened us, nor that his bodily suffering when from which we are fleeing? How true tory-on the exemplification of the grand old principle of being. under its "spell is as real as any we is the story as told to us. Is it consist-I cannot understand why these pub lic workers of to-day should be so radent with what we already know of God? Is it consistent with itself? Yet it amuses us.

through.

God of this story seems to have been a

truly whimsical creature. His ange

rious comment. Mild derision and guick oblivion would be its fate. Its utter lack of consistency would render it valueless even as a piece of fiction. It WHII F, IN TRA would be a child of tender years indeed who would not detect its manifest absurdity.

Take even the God of whom our orthodox brethren tell us. Let us supose him endowed with all the high qualities ascribed to him. Is it not a fact that the brighter these qualities stand out the more impossible becomes he story told of Him and His works, "God is Love" is one statement. On

the heels of it comes the assertion that He can hate, can be made angry and re-vengeful, aye, with a bitterness of revenge hard to conceive.² Can love do aught contrary to love?² Can love be angry? If this were possible it would no longer be love, it would be anger. Thus we find it impossible that God,

who is love, could be angry. By the same token we know that love, and God who is love, cannot possibly hate or be evengeful.

"God is omnipresent, everywhere," is also stated. Then if there is a hell anywhere it must be in Him, in love, for He is love. If hell is in love it cannot be such a frightful sort of a place, after all. There is no other place for it, for He, who is love, is everywhere. They tell us He is omnipotent, pos-

sessing all power. This being so, the only power the devil could wield would be a part of God's power, the power of Love. And if the devil ruled over the hearts of men with the power of love there would be little to fear from him either. Good! Really, our hair begins to lie down smoother. And another of His attributes is said to be wisdom, in finite wisdom, all wisdom, all knowl-edge. Then all of His actions must be wise actions. Yet the story tells how He made blunder after blunder, turned out one faulty piece of work after an

other, until finally He grew so out of patience with His highest earthly crea So, to make His revenge upon Adam tion, man, that He condemned him to everlasting torture unless be, the man would confess himself a miserable botch, and seek a cowardly shelter behind someone else willing to suffer for him

A truly wonderful story this. One well worthy of the terror which fathered it, the ignorance that mothered it. and the lust of power that has reared and kept it alive. Poor old ghost. It has been useful in its day. Nothing ever has occurred, nothing ever can or will occur, in vain.

But the race has outgrown its mental childhood and asks for something more and better than an idle nursery tale as a guide for life and conduct. Since "Love is the fulfillment of the law," man asks that it be made the law in his case. And, to do him justice, wherever we see him governed by the law of Love we find him responsive to it. He surely has earned the right to a further

(To be continued.) JESUS' TEACHINGS.

trial.

The Underlying Truth.of the Bible.

There has been much writing and talking among Spiritualists generally on the merits and demerits of the Bible story of Christ, and much valuable time spent in trying to prove that such character as Jesus Christ never existed-that the story of his life and teachings is all a myth. While I do not doubt but all persons so engaged are perfectly sincere in their convictions, yet I believe the time could be used to better advantage in our ranks. As has been said by Swami Vivekan anda, "All the different teachers of divine thought that the world has ever, known, while possibly expressing them selves in different ways, have been try ing to teach the same grand principle-the divinity in man." They have been telling us of God-the spirit "in whom we live and move and have our being." This same grand principle applies today as much as it ever did in the days of Christ, Buddha and all the other anclent teachers who gave living demon-

WHILE IN TRANCE. No Pope Can Honor a True Woman.

Medium Pictured Tragedy-Saw Sophie Kloeckler Choked to Death by a Man?V]

"Great God, but it's all so plain! He is choking her! Now he hurls her from him! Backward she falls into the lake! How horrible it all is!"

After discussing the tragic death of Sophic Kloeckler at "Lakewood, near Atlanta, for two hours with a representative of the Morning News, and talk-ing of things Spiritualistic, Mrs. R. P. Ward, an Augusta spirit medium with something of a national reputation, who is visiting in Savannah," went into a trance yesterday, and said she saw Miss Kloeckler murdered on the bank of the lake at Atlanta's suburb.

No claim is made by Mrs. Ward that she talked with the spirit of the dead girl. Indeed she says she did nothing of the sort. It was the medium's own "guiding spirit" that unfolded the vision she so plainly saw when she went into her trance. Miss Kloeckler's spirit was never in evidence, but Mrs. Ward is as certain that what she saw really happened as she is that the slayer of he Atlanta girl will be finally brought to justice. "He will be arrested and he will be

punished for his foul crime," she said dramatically after she had recovered from the trance.

Medium Well Known Here.

Mrs. Ward secured considerable notoiety by predicting the assassination of President McKinley. When two Atlanta mediums came forward with stories of the death of Miss Kloeckler a representative of the Morning News -called on Mrs. Ward at her boarding house. When shown the "revelations" from the Atlanta spirit mediums, bearing upon the Kloeckler case, Mrs. Ward said she had intended writing one of the Atlanta papers that she had received a com-

munication from her "guiding spirit," showing that the girl had been mur-dured, but that she had neglected to do so. Since, however, the matter had brought to her attention, she would willingly discuss it. She said she had no mercenary motive in talking about the case, as she was not acting as a public medium in Savannah, the license re-

quired by the city being prohibitory. Other Spirits at Work.

"Mr. Ledford, who is quoted as havng received a communication from the shade of Miss Kloeckler, is a medium in sweet accord with the spirit world." said Mrs. Ward. "I know him, and know that his revelations have often been unquestionable. I do not think, however, that he could have received this communication from the spirit of the murdered girl. She would yot have said that she committed suicide.

"I think that the spirits of some of the friends of the murderer must have spoken to Mr. Ledford, pretending to be he shade of the girl. In that case they could have made him believe that the girl's spirit was speaking. Their object would have been to induce the offi-cers of the law to abandon their quest and thus gain immunity for their friend, the murderer. The friends of the murderer in the spirit world may have been stronger than the dead girl, and she may have been prevented from holding communication with Mr. Ledford.

Medium Becomes "Logical."

"The statement of Mr. Morrow, the other Spiritualist, is manifestly incor-rect. If, as he states, the girl had been killed by the man she loved, and she desired to shield that man, she would not have communicated with Mr. Morrow at all. "She would not have come forward to

say that she had been murdered, when she knew that the theory was that she had committed suicide. She would have known that such an admission would serve only to put the officers

HUMAN THOUGHT. ONE OR TWO THINGS.

instance, there are certain general lines

that all of the scholars must follow to

be successful, but nevertheless each can

only view the subject to a certain ex

tent from the plane of their own mental

development; they certainly cannot

take their observations from any other.

So in the larger school of life individ uality cannot be entirely overshadowed

by the collective thought of the nation

or race, but both can move along the

lines of progressive development to-

To each individual soul the great in

finite must appear different, because

each individual is standing at a differ-

ent angle of sight, and no other one can

occupy exactly the same position. Even

ia our physical world taken as a whole

there is no such thing as a dead level,

This belief in the variations of human

the threshing and winnowing that is

needed to separate the tares from the

wheat, the false views of life from the

Agitation is a needed factor in the

work of human progress. We have not

be dispensed with, and do not think we

It is only error that fears the light. The

foundation upon which is built the

structure of true civilization cannot suf-

not

gether.

true.

Following the desperate determina tion of Roman Catholic clergy to break down America's admirable free school system, we have the startling statement of similar impending intent to go back

to the "dark ages," copied from the London (Eng.) Christian World: "A real monastery—in connection with the 'Protestant Episcopal Church

of America'-has been added to the list of notable mansions that line the banks of the Hudson. Some eighty miles up the river from New York such an edifice, erected at an expense of \$50,000 for the Order of the Holy Cross, was remost extensive dealing with their felcently dedicated, Bishop Whitehead, of low-beings make that assertion, and Pittsburg, officiating at the request of Dr. Potter, the diocesan bishop. Close we do not question the truth of the statement, but believe that such a conly connected with the Order is the Society of Oblates of Mount Calvary, comdition is among the possibilities. When there is such an immense va posed of fifteen priests pledged to cellrlety of phases of development, it

bacy, and doing-parish work in various places. Thus every feature of the Mother Church is gradually imitated by the daughter, whose growth and free development in a country of naturally alien spirit is an object lesson to those Anglicans who would, if they could. shake off the trammels of the Establishment.'

What is this for the unmistakable surpose of priestcraft to push progress back to the black pages of untram-melled bigotry, when mockery joined "hand and glove" with kingly despotism to hold the great mass of the people to the servile role of mere hewers of wood and drawers of water, for the enrich-ment of church and aristocratic idlers, rolling in luxury and honor at the ex pense of the half-famished tollers who earned every atom of the world's living for all, while barely supported on the scraps despotism and priestcraft permitted to fall from the rich man's

even the water must be disturbed or table? stagnation will follow. There are cer-What an object lesson for this era of tain general principles that human life advanced Christian civilization, in a naregardless of nation or race must recogtion of the highest grade educated intelnize and obey if advancement is made igence!

Obedience to the truth, love of virtue, In face of the awful disclosures of nonkish debauchery of young girls enpurity of character, kindness and hu man sympathy, these are not minor de trusted to their care to be educated, as tails but are necessities of the universal revealed in trials of several scoundrels of the monasteries in the chief cities of France, with condemnation to years of race. enal servitude, do we want that sort of thought is so well recognized that all constitutional governments could dark age mockery, rife all over Roman Catholic Europe eight hundred years exist under any other conditions, they are important phases in the program. ago? When the great body of the neo-We are not among the number who see ple were purposely kept in stolid ignornothing but conjusion in the multiplicaance-tortured, robbed and burned alive if they dared to so much as extion of religious sects and political parpress a doubt of the sacred edicts of the tics. There are conditions that some times exist that the more of them the church!

God help the world if it should come better. The tendency to fossilization to that accursed incubus of priestly inbecomes so, strong at times that a force s needed which can disintegrate, break tolerance, as it is to-day in priest-ridden Spain, where 58 per cent of the people up the old lines on which life had been moulded, and compel it to form new are unable to read, and, as authorita ones. There need be no fear that the tively stated, there is a non-producing truth will suffer; such political and remonk to every family. ligious upheavals when they come are Keep this monster octopus, no matter

what high-sounding name it under seeks its undermining purpose, out of the public schools, and out of the state. Scotch the slimy' serpent at every stealthy advance, under the irod-shod heel of public repression. Let us have no dark age monkery obtaining sway in our beloved America.

In large type it is announced in the public press: "Pope Plus Honors a Woever will. Individuals and nations will in time attain to that state of spiritual A mistake. Pope Plus can't culture where they can debate their difman." ferences with a desire to arrive to a honor a woman. In her simple womangreater knowledge of the truth, recoghood, as maiden, wife and mother, she nizing the fact that whether on questowers vastly beyond his power to contions of politics or religion no one party fer honor on her. or sect has a monopoly of all the truth

Even in his own manhood he has deliberately fallen greatly behind his right to place himself on the same plane with vomankind.

fer from an inspection and criticism of its condition but that criticism should It is set down in the sacred word on whose authority the church of which he poses as the head is builded, that be for the sole object of improvement, a when the great Jehovah created the strengthening of the foundation upon vast universe, with all the wonders it man society. contains, and crowned by man as a living soul, He said:"It is not good for man to be alone; I will make him an the political arena-the outs wish to get helpmeet for him.

This from the divine authority under in, and those who have the innings are determined if possible to remain rewhich Pope Plus assumes to rule as suof the

that there can be "in essentials unity, in nonessentials liberty;" proving that in the school of life the same arbitrary Variations Are Necessary for Progress. program is not adaptable to all individualities. Those variations must be recognized as perfectly normal states of The old aphorism that "variety is the the different individual lives, and that they can only have growth along those spice of life" is'a self-evident truth to nyone who studies the needs of human lines. The vision that appears on the life. To assert that among all of the horizon of an awakening world, of the members of a church or club there is no universal congress of nations, is a pos-sibility which the present trend of the two that have the same mental development would not seem beyond the nations of the world will finally accombounds of the impossible, but when we plish. The great conflict of the powers may yet have to come, to settle on the come to deal with over fifteen hundred nillion of human beings inhabiting this field of battle the question of the impoplanet and assert that among that imnense number there are no two of like development, such a statement would scem absurd, and such a condition impossible. But those who have had the

tency of the brute forces in human so clety to adjust the differences that arise among the different races and peoples that inhabit this planet. "The mills of God grind slow," the forces that are working to bring about the unification of the human family on all the lines where unity is desirable cannot be hurried, it is a movement that demands careful consideration so that it will not have to be undone and the structure is that is to be reared on those founda-tions will be a permanent one, though toolishness in the extreme to try to mold all of those various types accordadvancing to greater degrees of power' ing to one standard. In the school, for

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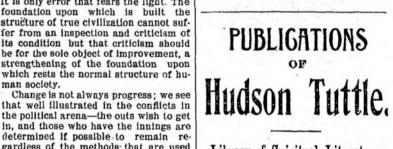
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ever endured.

We tease unmercifully our neighbor who dares to fint at having seen or encountered anything in the nature of a "ghost" or "spirit." ' But ere we assume these airs of superiority, how would it do to cultivate a closer acquaintance with our own particular bogy-man and determine for ourselves whether he is as monstrously monstrous as nas been represented; or whether our fears are not to the full as silly as those which have afforded us so much amusement?

Let us see! The story with which our ecclesiastical wet nurses regaled our infant ears ran something like this. Some five or six thousand years ago a majestic being called God, or the Creator, grown tired of being a king without a kingdom, a ruler with no one to rule, made unto himself a world. Out of darkness and nothing He created the land and the waters. The land He made to grow and nurture tree and plant and vine and flower, with all sorts of living creatures to feed upon them, while the waters were filled with fishes great and Over all He hung the sun to small. give light by day, and the moon and stars to give light by night.

Last of all He made a man and name him Adam. But, strange to say, a mistake had been made in the plan, and at this point became painfully apparent. (It seems incredible that an omniscient deity should thus err, but so the story runs). Adam waxed lonesome, and Eve appeared as an afterthought, an amendment to the scheme. These two were placed in charge of the whole affair and given dominion over every living and growing thing therein and thereon-except one. Alas, another flaw! Made to reflect His own image and likeness, which was Perfection, progress will bring him out of hey proved so far imperfect that in the case of this one tree and its fruit they vere deemed unworthy the freedom thereof. Instead, a stern injunction was laid upon them to let it severely alone, with the treat that they should die the very day they violated said command.

assured he is there because it is best Now comes the serpent, said to be (in for him in his present phase of development. But because I fail to walk exthe story) the most cunning of all creatures below man. And cunning he must actly in your path do not, I beg of you, have been, for he at once detected anjump to the conclusion that I am follow other weakness in the "perfect work of

ing his. To me the words God, Christ, and the the Creator," viz., the man and woman Bible have a meaning deeper, higher, holier, sweeter than ever before. I were so constituted that the mere forbiddance of a thing inspired a keen desire for that which was forbidden. Act yield to no man in my reverence for ing upon this knowledge, and playing the truths contained in that book of upon this weakness, he easily induced books. But I do protest with all the them to disobey the command and cat energy of my nature against the interof the forbidden fruit. pretation which has been placed upon

When the story reached this stage its language; against the base caricawe, in our childish innocence, expected ture of Deity which men have set. up and hid me fall down and worship lest to he told how they died that very day. as had been threatened. But no, that I perish; against the insult to my intelligence, and the foul, blasphemous lie involved in this story. Told otherwise would not have been so very dreadful of All that would have been necessary for those who came later would than in the name of religion, given out tions of poetry and music, embodying have been to avoid the transgression under any less authority than that of the highest moral sentiment, and free and thus escape the punishment. Too the church, it would not even evoke se-

ical in their denunciation of these records. They are the most positive proof Right here it may not be out of place to have a word with the good brother or he world has that this same life principle is a living principle now and has been ever since the origin of man. Why sister who may be this moment grieving over what seems to them great ir deny the existence of the teacher just reverence on my part, a trifling with sacred things, a disposition to dispute the truths of Holy Writ. Dear friends, because the several biographers in making up their stories after the passwhoever you are, I beg of you to susing of the events do not record them exactly alike? They all saw with differpend judgment until you have heard me ent eyes. I would ask any fairminded I have no affiliation whatever person, how much different would it be with the theophobiac. I mean the man to-day? Just for an example we may who angrily resents every mention of take the life work of Dr. Dowie or Dr. God and the Bible; the man who thinks that in order to be consistent Hanish, each teaching his own interprewith his newly acquired freedom of tation of this grand principle-each. believe, having seen and heard a part of thought he must bitterly attack that of the whole truth and have taken that everyone else. He deceives himself. part, without further investigation, and He is not vet free. He is not vet rid of is teaching it as the whole. Let the folhis old fear. If he were, those words lowers of these teachers attempt to would fail to excite him. In the victim write a history of their word and words of delirium tremens, the knowledge that those writhing forms before him . are after they have passed to the life he yond, with nothing but their memory to not real only adds to the terror he feels rely on, could you expect those records to coincide in anything but the one genat sight of them. So with this man. Reason tells him that the fear is groundless, yet in his heart the belief eral principle taught? I fear there n hell and the devil still lingers, and would be greater conflictions than found in that ancient record, the Bible. when he hears afresh the words that re-The old, old story of the blind men mind him of a future state, the erst going to see the elephant is a good il while smothered terror breaks out anew, and in his anger at his own weakness he becomes vindictive. Because the gold brick he bought turns out to be

lustration of why there are so many "cults" and "isms" to-day. The invest tigators instead of pushing on to feel the whole "elephant" before they stop, debrass, he vows there is no gold. Be scribe and teach the whole from their cause the God he used to worship proved a man-made idol, he pronounces first touch, and they have all ap proached it from different sides. God an impossibility. In reality, much Now again, my brothers, how can you of the difference between us all is due to the various constructions we place expect an enlightened people to believe or accept your present teaching if you upon words. He is passing through the reactionary phase of indiscriminate deare continually crying "fraud" at this ancient record of the same life philosnial, that is all. He does not realize it. ophy you are trying to impress then but in denying God he simply denies his own life, his own consciousness. The inexorable law of evolution and with now? It does not savor of con sistency.

Oh, ye agnostic Spiritualists, what do the you profit by your denunciation of this woods sooner or later. All roads lead to God and happiness in the end. The record of the identical principle-that joy of world to-day the same as it was one he is traveling takes him through 2,000 years ago-the principle, a knowl the dark forest of doubt and uncertainedge of which removes the sting of ty, where many a misstep and stumble death and makes life one round of pleasure and worth the ilving-the await him, where many a fall and grievous bruise are inevitable, yet rest principle that proves to us the immortality of man and our oneness with God Yea,, it is the only philosophy that can lift the soul out of darkness into eternal

light. Even if you cannot accept the Bible in detail, you cannot deny the underlying truth of the whole, for if you do you destroy the whole foundation of your own beautiful philosophy. This philosophy may be new to you, but it is old to the world-it has always lived; it can never die, for it is truth and is eter-

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more keenly upon the track

lover. "If she was murdered, she would not hesitate to state that such was the ionship? case, provided she did not wish to shield the murderer. Wishing to shield im, however, she would say nothing.

Therefore, I say that the statement of Mr. Morrow is untenable. "Truth is My Ideal."

"I am very sorry that two Spiritualists should take these divergent views of the case.

"Yes. I know that my communication is also at variance with theirs, but, then truth is my ideal, and in its interest l am pelled to tell what I know of the

'I am certain that the girl was murdered, and I am equally as certain that her murderer will be apprehended and brought to justice. This is as sure to happen as that the sun will rise to-mor row, as sure as there is a God in heav

"The girl was murdered." declared Mrs. Ward. "There is no doubt in my about that. The shade of the mind girl did not tell me: I have had no com munication with her. I was told by my guiding spirit, which sees things, pas present and future. Yes, she was murlered, and a man did the dark deed. a man who is now missing from Atlanta He is one of those who have disappeared since the discovery of the crime that came to light when the lake gave up its dead.

Pictures the Tragedy.

"This man was the lover of the girl, He had wronged her. She met him at Lakewood by appointment, and it was to plead with him to right the wrong that he had done her that she met him. He, however, would not do the girl justice and make the reparation he should.

"She pleaded with him; he was obdurate. Her tears and entreaties did not move him. He glanced furtively about There was none in sight to see the evil deed he was meditating. He saw his victim before him, helpless, and he saw the lake, whose waters might, he thought, forever hide the poor victim of his love. Then swiftly he acted, and the act was done." 19

Medium inta Trance.

Mrs. Ward had been discussing the Kloeckler case and Spiritualism for two hours before her head fell back, her body twitched, her hands sought her and she squirmed and twisted in her chair. For perhaps two minutes her eyelids fluttered, and ther teeth remained clinched.

With a start she sat upright, rubbed her brow and apologized for what had happened. "It came upon me without warning," she explained, "and it was all so true. It was just as I had pictured it a hundred times since the tragedy It was just the whispers of my guiding spirit told me. There can be no mis take new. That poor girl was mur-dered, but the man who killed her will uffer the penalty of his act.-Savannah (Ga.) Morning News.

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Then by what right has he set him-

self up to ignore the helpmeet God especially created for his earthly compan-

In this has he not thrown it in the teeth of his Creator, that it is good for a pope man to be alone? That he, and his swelling church compeers, have discovered that they are wiser than Jehovah in this crucial matter; that, in effect, when Jehovah said, it was "not good for the man to be alone," He did not know what He was talking about! If Pope Plus had completed the puroosed usefulness of his manhood, by joining himself to a good woman, whose felicacy of sentiment and superior refinement would have softened his own harder nature, he would have set an example of such wife and motherhood respecting, and home creating beguty, as would have been a priceless boon of example in right living beyond all the cross-decorating he can bestow on any woman, no matter how lavish may have been her money gifts to the church. There is nothing half so sacred in any

church, with no matter how many cros decorations and costly stained glass windows to adorn it, as the humblest home of wife and husband, where two oving hearts dwell together in harmony, each for the other and both in unison for all that is sweet and good. "Pope Pius honors a woman.

Let us see farther. Following the awful steamboat disaster off New York, scenes of such heroism in woman was seen as history has no parallel to offer for man. I cite one out of a dozen or more heart-rending incidents as set down by a newspaper correspondent:

"A mother clung to a burning post of the flame-swept ship, her legs in the water, and her three little children safe from the dre clinging to her skirts. she held on with desperation while the lames licked her face and charred her ands. When a small boat came alongside and picked up the babies, the woman was found to have been burned to death, her hand blistered fast to the post!"

What cross decoration, or any the highest possible church mark of commendation, could have honored this grand soul in her simple motherhood! She towers as high above all the tim selled pomp and triple-crowned grandeur of Popedom as the farthest star twinkles its far-off rays above the earth! W. WHITWORTH. Cleveland, Ohio.

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gardless of the methods that are used to accomplish that purpose The most advanced nations of the

world, those who give the greatest amount of normal liberty of thought

and action, they are yet only, comparatively speaking, in the kindergarten phase of their unfoldment, but what advancement they have made has come through the assertion of the right of criticism, and only despotisms have denied that right, and the changes that they have made have come not by the

normal process of growth but by revolutions that smashed the old systems and advanced them a step or two upward. The rise of mankind to the present plane of religious, civil and political liberty has come through terrible conflicts with the powers of darkness which once dominated to that extent that liberty of thought and action and right of the individual to develop on the lines best adapted to their special phase of men-

tality was suppressed with a strong hand; and at present a remnant of that malignant spirit still exists and at

times tries to manifest itself, but it is weakened that it is not an object to be feared, and will eventually be outgrown and the higher thought of the

world will take its place. The right of petition that the people of the advanced constitutional govern-

ments have won is one of the most important steps in the evolution of nations from the barbaric system to that which recognizes the fact that the thoughts of the nation cannot all be cast in one mold, that the variations which exist in regard to the problems of life are legit. imate and must be recognized. When we view the pathway over which human

life has traveled in attaining its present state, see the pit of savage darkness out of which it has so far climbed, sometimes marvel at the fact that it has attained unto the position that it has. Farther advancement will more per fectly prove that there can be unity in

diversity, and while the present politi cal and religious organizations of the world will undergo radical changes, there will always be different standards by which life is viewed but they will not be the means of discord among the different parties but recognized asv a means of growth to higher development The effort that is being made by the

different religious organizations to merge their differences and more per-fectly unite under one standard is a legitimate movement. Many of the division lines which separated them are being recognized as useless, and obstructions in the way of growth: but while many of the barriers that separated nations, sects and parties are being re-moved greatly to their benefit, that uniication does not imply that the right of each section and plane of human hought to work out its salvation on the line which it is called to develop shall be abridged. The old despotism sought to unify human thought and action by

arbitrary means, the new and higher system of unification is voluntary; the variations of thought that are seen to be absolutely necessary to the individual or class are left free and unimpeded to work in their own time and way, while those who do not need that special form are free to develop on other lines. As human life moves upward in the at this office.

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Four-and-a-Half Thousand Years Ago. What would this old world amount to

were it not for its fossils and ruins? The former carry back the records of Time unnumbered millions of years; and they have never been tampered with by forgers. Even priests could only meet their tell-tale facts by say ing:

"God created those fossils when he made the world to confuse the wise, and belittle science."

These priests were more content to make the mighty Ruler of the universe a deceiver, than to disparage their silly story that all was spoke into being less than 6,000 years ago.

Akin to fossils are ancient ruins, the products of human genius, whose relics are still preserved in favorable locations, and carry us back to ages long anterior to a written language, and tell us of things that were-

"Ere man learned To hew the shaft, and lay the archi-

trave, And spread the roof above them."

It is from these ruins the early history of humanity must be gleaned. Whatever discoveries are made linking us to primeval times possess a charm all their own. Here the thinker revels in imagination, peoples those remains of antiquity with rude man, only a little remove from Nature, and gazes on the work of his hands as stepping-stones to the development of modern art.

Such were our reflections as we read the following late telegram from Egypt

An Important Historical Inguiry. It is well known to scholars that the generally accepted chronology, which fixes the dates of all events since crea tion, down to the year 1660, came from the hands of the Irish prelate, Archbishop James Usher. Usher was born in Dublin, January 4, 1580, was graduated at Dublin College, and was ordained a priest in 1601. To near that date the Christian era, as now established, had not been adopted in general practice by christendom. Though Usher was the author of numerous ecclesiastical publications, collected and published in sixteen volumes, in 1841, yet Chamber's renders him the doubtful compliment of saying: "It cannot be shown that posterity is very deeply indebted to him for more than the example of a virtuous and studious life." His Chronological Sacra has confused,

rather than made more clear, scriptural dates, and the same is true of more modern dates. Without regard to who Josephus was, whether he wrote near the close of the

first century of our era, or the begin-ning of the 15th century as many able writers maintain, he asserted an unquestionable truth when he asserted in Sec. 16, Book II of his Reply to Apion, that:

"Those who have been admirers of good order * * * have endeavored to have everything they ordained believed to be very ancient, that they might not be thought to imitate others, but might appear to have delivered a regular way of living to others after them."

With this idea before us, the inquiry arises: When was the Council of Nicaea holden? The alleged date was A. D. 325; but, really, if there was such an assemblage of bishops, otherwise "overseers of temples," as the term primitively signified, was it not holden some three centuries later? 'Church historians say the Council was convened by the emperor Constantine, in his capacity of Pontifex Maximus, to put/down

the heresy of Arlus, who taught: "The Son of God has not always existed; that there was a time when he was not; that he was a creature of God: that he could have sinned, had he de sired; that God is but one, and there can be no other."

This position was controverted, and three hundred bishops declared that 'Arlus first sowed this heresy among the people; that he was overcome by diabolical art and influence." Arius was anathematized, and Constantine is said to have issued an edict condemning him and his writings, and that "Any book written by Arius shall be committed to the flames; and whoever shall be convicted of having concealed any book written by Arius shall suffer death."

All students of history have learned that Mahomet taught exactly what is ascribed to Arius: that "God is God. and there is no God but God." The hegira, or flight of Mahomet from Mecca to Medina, occurred in the year 622. Hon. Alexander Del Mar, the learned Christian scholar, in his great work,

"The Worship of Augustus Caesar," as shown by quotations in these editorial columns of April 16, established beyond the possibility of equivocation, that:

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ilar testimony.'

eral system of chronology was estab-

lished, and as false names were fre

quently substituted by interested par-

ies, may not that pretended assem-

blage at Nicaea, in Bithynia, have been

antedated, with the names of even all

the actors substituted by others, to ac

complish a purpose as regards later

ages? The frauds of history are of

such momentous magnitude we are

records of Catholicism, or those com-

ing through their hands. If human life

was not sacred to them: if tea millions

of human beings were sacrificed by in-

what infamy were they not guilty of to

If Hon. Del Mar's critical eye shall

fall on this, possibly he will aid us in

illuminating the subject. If he shall do

so he has our thanks in advance, as

that of all our many thousands of

cuisitorial tortures, and incident therein

establish their faith?

"Augustus Caesar, by act of the Roman senate, was recognized as the long predicted and expected Messiah, a fact that Augustus mentions in his will, which is carved on the temple of Ancyra [a locality some 70 miles southwest of Nicaea] still standing with the inscription upon it. 'The year of his Anotheosis was B. C. 15, when a tax was laid upon the Roman world. The name of one of the months. Sextilis. was changed to Augustus, an honor ac corded only to gods. At first Augustus only claimed to be the Son of God; afpoet was right: "Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise.'

terwards he accepted the title and

On page 23 of the work cited:

'Evidences that the Augustan chro-

nology was corrupted appear in every direction. The works of the earliest

Roman historians have all disappeared.

the names of many of them are men

tioned]. Not a vestige remains, beyond

the brief reference to these authors

which appear in the works of the Au-

gustan writers. Under the pretense of

plety Augustus ordered the collection

and destruction of numerous ancient

Dr. H. Y. Sweringen Nominsted for Senator. Dr. Sweringen, one of the ablest men

in the ranks of Spiritualism, has been nominated for State Senator at Fort Wayne, Ind. The following editorial from the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette of July 13, a Democratic paper, and of course, in opposition to the Republican

ticket on which Dr. Sweringen- was nominated, is a labored effort to cast reflections upon his Spiritualism: "Dr. Hiram Von Sweringen for joint senator from Allen and Adams countles! After trying for a month to work their political 'gold brick' off on some one the Republican convention placed it in the hands of Doctor Sweringen yesterday, Doctor, we never thought you were so easy. We have stood with you in your halluchations and seen things with you, but it isn't necessary to get under a cloud to show you that this is the most spiritless ghost walk we have over taken, the airiest nothing we have espoused. And you are not altogether to blame, because we know you believe all men are honest, like yourself. But the Republicans caught

you by correspondence and won you by the absent treatment. Even they did not have the nerve to look you in the face and tell you what they put into a typewritten note. We say these things ecause we like you. We have stood

for you in everything-things we couldn't see, but now we approach the parting of the ways. It makes us sad to say so, but there comes a time in evone's life when it is necessary to tell the truth to good friends, and for the time, perhaps, lose their liking. But, Doctor, when the votes are count ed you'll remember and forgive us, and if it isn't asking too much, send us a message from the happy land of the hasheens after the Democratic threshing this fall. Just a word of confession. so that we will know whether or not we are to be on speaking terms when we

get into space with you. Good bye." In striking contrast with the Journal-Gazette editorial is the following from the oldest Democratic paper in Northern Indiana, the Fort Wayne Daily Sentinel:

"The Republicans of Allen and Ad ams counties have made Dr. H. V. Sweringen, of this city, their nominee for joint senator. While the nomination, is almost beyond question .an empty honor, the party has done itself vast credit by nominating a man of such unqualified excellence both as gentleman and citizen. It is to be regretted his party has not a more substantial honor to bestow upon Dr. Sweringen. In ability and worth he may well claim much higher distinction than has already come to him from his party.

For many years Dr. Sweringen has been an eminent practitioner in Fort Wayne of the medical profession. His friends are legion and he is esteemed not less for his goodness of heart than for his lofty attainments in his calling Dr. Sweringen's candidacy is an honor to the party which nominated him."

Fiction Versus Fact.

The threats of the faithful to enter the Roman Catholic fold, if the "higher criticism" prevails, is decidedly amusing. Scholars reared in the church and educated for the ministry, their bread and butter contingent on those who give them employment; their every interest, social, religious and financial binding them to that church; yet their scholarly researches have convinced them that the books compiled into a volume, and known as the Bible, full of stood contradictions and impossibilities, first found in the hands of those they were wont to charge as "the mother of harlots." the mark of whose vile hands is everywhere visible; and yet there are other persons who prefer to re-embrace that church, covered all over with blood, rather than know the truth. The

SEEN AND NEARD.

Brief Notes on Topics of Interest, by Hudson Tuttle.

thing else the better.

"It only requires the cultivation of

ess the power, or have the control of

when leading writers seriously discuss The most peculiar literature of our the probability of the God of the unitime is the so-called "New Thought" litverse, standing around a whist party, to erature, and it is exceedingly abondant. strike one of them dumb as proof of his Of late it has received an impetus from existence! Ella Wheeler, Wilcox, who has contrib-uted to the Hears, newspapers on this

subject. It is claimed by the cult that H. Terry has published The Harbinger she has "annihilated" the sophistry of of Light. in Melbourne, Australia. Its objectors, and, demonstrated the printitle is well earned, for a more luminous ciples of the philosophy. Well, if she has, then there are no grounds for obournal would be difficult to find. He is a psychic of rare powers, gentle, unos jection, and the question being demon-strated, is removed from discussion. entatious, and has devoted all these years for unselfish love of the cause her advice to "clear your mind of ev-In a recent editorial he says: ery gloomy, selfish, angry, or revenge ful thought, allow no resentment or that interior vision to enable a large grudge toward man or fate to stay in percentage of humanity to see whilst your heart over night," is excellent. yet in the mortal body the beauties of That would make a man very near an that higher world, which they are desgelic. There is, however, nothing new tined to inhabit when they shuffle off about it. It is what the systems of re this mortal coil. But all are not suffiligion have taught since historic time ciently sensitive, and but few who are But there is a difference and a great so, are favorably positioned to apply difference in the methods to be em themselves to the cultivation of their ployed for the attainment of this desir interior powers. Harmonious surroundable spiritual state. It has been taught that constant effort in right doing and ings and the absence of business worries are essential to the individual culti right thinking, continued with undeviat vation of clear vision. The development ing aim toward righeousness, were es of clairvoyance and lucidity, however, sential. Now whatever influence this may be accelerated by mesmerism, but may have, Mrs. Wilcox quotes the this should not be attempted empiricalgreat apostle Brown, as laying down ly, it is too serious a matter; both op the law as the most "excellent rules for erator and subject should thoroughly assertions," and orders saying over and understand what they are entering over daily: upon and have perfect confidence in

"I am fearless. I dars do anything I desire. I am life. I cannot know sickness. I choose my life. I make itall goodness, usefulness, success. I am good will result. As in all scientific expeace, joy, prosperity, happiness." To the great majority of people, to

of people have to accept (and do ac would he assert this "over and over," cept) the evidence of experts: so in uterly false. There are things in the psychic science must the majority, who world any one but a fool should have are unable to give the time and condifear of. If a man should see the swirl tions for personal experiment, be coning clouds of a tornado coming and retent to take the evidence of those more mained facing it, shouting, "I am fearfavored, who, either in themselves posless," if he remained on earth after the passing of the whirlwind he would be instruments whose vision extends beset down as a fool or a lunatic. If he yond the normal range.' Few of those could speak, instead of crying grandi-osely, "I am life!" he would say meekly, who have not paid serious attention to the subject are aware of the immense

"I am dead as a herring." If a man could, would it be right for him to do "anything" he might "deamount of evidence that has been accumulated during the past half century. sire"? Fortunately his capabilities are limited, and his "desire" is hedged ample to convince any unbiased mind. around on every side.

felt in Geneva, Switzerland, the birth place of Calvinism. The "Tribune," For a man prostrated with fever, or in the last stages of consumption to say "over and over," "I cannot know sick-ness," would be to reiterate what he the most influential paper with a daily circulation of 35,000, which has been knows to be false. oitterly hostile has recently changed

As for choosing one's life, where is shows, is favorably inclined: the person in all the world who thus chooses or has chosen? We are all thrust into, through and out of this life, and the choice is conspicuous by its ab sence.

Such a belief is an inflatus to vanity, and a deluding will-o'-the-wisp.

The penniless pauper, might sit down "composedly," and "say over and over," "I am wealthy. I own all things. I am prosperity," and when night came glad-ly take his bowl of soup at the hands of harity.

The question may be correctly stated: How long would a donkey have to roiterate fover and over," "I have a fine voice! I am a prima donna!" before his bray would become sweet as "Oh!" it is said

it is said, "such criticism comes of misunderstanding." Such is a literal application of the "excellent rules." They admit no other meaning, as they stand. The apostles of a new movement should make their position joy of serious Spiritualists. so plain that they cannot be misunder-

T have read all the principal works of the N-rays. "Now, since a chemical plate permits on the "new thought." and I fail to find us to see the fluid which escapes from one thought that is new. There are old our bodies, the Spiritualist has a right thoughts-very old thoughts, clothed in such fantasite verbiage, they are scarcely recognizable, and labeled by to think that he may, by an analogous process, arrive at beholding the spirits and of at length achieving with new names. There are outre and stuntainty and at a defined moment, those ning assertions, against which reason experiments which the repudiators of at once rebels, which when attacked. the advocates explain in a terminology Spiritualism are waiting for before rallying to its side. ______ "To conclude, it would be puerile to deny that recent scientific discoveries leaving one in doubt as to the real meaning, or smooth over unt



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Resolved, That while we condemn -all of course labeled "Pure Spiritualfraud and dishonesty in mediumship, as ism.

well as in all other things, we believe that the continual "cry of fraud" from the above resolution by the New York our platform and in our press is detri- State Association of Spiritualists, in the mental to the best interests of Spiritual- following language, and we wish our ism. In that while it does not prevent readers to study it most carefully: frauds who are posing as mediums from First .- THE CLAIM THAT THE ONE practicing such impositions, but it in. WHO CRIES "FRAUD" OR DECEP. vites unprincipled persons to enter this TION WHEN IT ACTUALLY EXISTS, field to the detriment of Spiritualism IS INJURING SPIRITUALISM, IS ABand our genuine mediums,

The above is an impresive resolution PRACTICED. rostrum is very injurious to Spiritual statements carefully: ism, and that through "suggestion," Second.--WHEN T resolution condemns fraud, thus actualeach other, the magnetizer should have singleness of purpose and a high object in view, if selfishness intrudes little Spiritualism, according to its own estiperiments and discoveries the majority

the number of fakes, presenting an as-LICITY. In this is too tangled.

burdened its readers with the "cry of Spiritualist paper ever published). Houghton and wife in Philadelphia were OPEN COURT. He says: published, at least 5,000,000 read the "I do not wish it to appear that I am same, as the press dispatches flashed it excusing fraud, or condoning trickery,

Spiritualism is making its influence all over the country. When May French far be it from my desire. urated with phosphorus, etc., playing TO DEPEND ON OURSELVES, front and as the following editorial "In the course of the month of March will be celebrated the anniversary of spirits, were dressed in flimsy draper- AND FRAUD." the establishment of the Alliance Spires made especially for the occasion. His position may be considered in the ite, founded in 1903, by M. Albin Vala

bregue, for the purpose of making known Spiritualism, not such as it is in porters' lodges and in the seance rooms f fraudulent mediums, but in the la oors of savants; some of whom, like the Crookeses, the Hodgsons, the Hyslops, the Wallaces and the Lodges, have been experimentalizing with it for dozens of

"The phenomena of telepathy and subconsciousness, which are to-day being demonstrated, so far from being ing prejudicial to Spiritualism, serve to explain the stupidities, the errors, and the falsehoods for which thousands of spiritual communications have been justly reproached. Science separates the wheat from the tares, to the great "In the bygone year. Spiritualism has made a conquest pregnant with promises and with consequences. It is that

We fully and most cordially endorse SOLUTELY TRUE TO THE FULL MEASURE OF THE DECEPTION,

adopted by the New York State Associa-ing, as clearly expressing the actual tion of Spiritualists, intimating that the facts in the case. Read it, re-read it, We also fully agree with the follow 'cry of fraud" in the press and on the and then reflect and ponder over both

Second .--- WHEN THE DECEPTION others weak in moral strength would be HOWEVER, IN SPIRITUAL PHENOM apt to increase the ranks of fakes. The ENA IS ALLOWED TO CONTINUE, WITHOUT MAKING IT PUBLIC. IT "crying fraid" from the rostrum, and THEN TAKES FAR DEEPER, WIDER ly "crying fraud" from the resolution, and THEN TAKES FAR DEFFER, WELL, doing the very thing it condemns in oth- AND MORE INFLUENTIAL ROOTS, ers. It sends the resolution to various AND FINALLY TO A GREAT EX-papers for publication, thus carrying out TENT STRANGLES THE TRUTH, what it fully condemns the press for do- AND WEAKENS GREATLY . THE ing, and in both cases badly injuring CAUSE IT REPRESENTS, AND IN Spiritualism, according to its own casing THE END IS FAR MORE INJURIOUS mate, and by "suggestion" increasing THAN GIVING IT CONTINUAL PUB-THE END IS FAR MORE INJURIOUS

In this OPEN COURT (inaugurated not make it our business to unravel, it by the wise denizens of spirit life, those who have made The Progressive Think15

The Spiritualist press has never over- er the greatest financial success of any fraud;" it has been the secular press wish to introduce Theodore J. Mayer, that has done that. When Elsie Rey- one of the noblest of men, a philanthronolds' style of "making dear spirits" out pist in every fiber of his being, and who was exposed in Los Angeles, Cal., the ualism as all other Spiritualists of our was exposed in by at least 2,000,000. boasted 10,000,000 combined. When the materializing methods of statement can be considered in His the

KNOW and Neva Murivale Jenneau were ar THAT FRAUDS AND IMPOSTORS rested in Boston, (dressed in garbs sat ARE IN OUR RANKS. • • We HAVE the "dear spirit" to gullible mortals) AFTER HAVING BEEN TAKEN IN of the country read and commented on OUR EYE-TEETH CUT, AND ARE the same. We might enumerate many ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR. others who, when caught personating SELVES AGAINST EVERY FAKE

According to the New York resolution Open Court. The question naturally we ought to have at least 500 fakes now arises, What is the condition of a religin the course of preparation with bogus ion, a cult, a sect, or creed, in which, in tests for the rostrum and cheese cloth order to arrive at the exact truth, you and illuminated dresses for materializa- have got to run the gauntlet of fraud tion, making arrangements for confed- and deception at least six times, in orerates and test conditions such as will der to get at the golden grains? Mr. easily deceive the gullibles-all caused Mayer's position should be considered "suggestion," as intimated in the carefully in the OPEN COURT.

New York resolution. We thank the Spiritualism in its purity is grand and New York State Association of Spirit- beautiful; its true mediums are Angels ualists (composed of those who stand of Light, bringing nothing but the truth high in everything that pertains to true to mortals seeking for the higher knowlmanhood or womanhood) for passing edge. Their homes are heaven itself; that resolution, for it gives us an oppor- their presence is one continual blessing. tunity to Open Court according to law They comfort the mourning; they disand allow our readers in brief articles pel the darkness of error; they bring to talk about SUGGESTION; talk about sunshine into the life of the sorrowing; the CRY OF FRAUD; talk about they have words of cheer for those CHEESE CLOTH AND ILLUMINATED whose burdens of life are heavy. For DRESSES found on the exposed medi- them we have a reverential feeling; for ums and their confederates; talk about them we have nothing but praise. In: the BLUE BOOK and fake tests; talk their behalf—to separate the wheat; about materialized spirits that smell from the chaff-this OPEN COURT is sometimes of whiskey and onions, and inaugurated. None but rotten fakes found to be the medium or confederates will find fault with it.

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July 23, 1894.

which we copy:

Cairo, Egypt .- Discovery, through the excavations on behalf of the Egypt Exploration Fund of the most ancient shrine yet uncovered near Thebes. announced in a dispatch from that place. The new find is the mortuary chapel of King Mentuhotep Nebkherura of the eleventh dynasty, B. C. 2,500. It is in an unexpectedly good state of preservation. Much will be learned from it of the history and art of the eleventh dynasty.

Thebes is 300 miles south of Cairo. on the east bank of the Nile. The val ley of the tombs of the kings is across the river in the cliffs between the Nile and the Sahara desert. The Egyptians lived, as a rule, on the east bank of the Nile, the sunrise side, and buried their dead on the west bank, the sunset side. Sunrise meant life in the religion of the Pharaohs and sunset meant death.

A mortuary chapel-a place to which the dead were taken to receive burial rites, near four and a half thousand years age! The ritual used on such occasions are found wrapped around the mouldering dead, and when the in scriptions are deciphered, they fall little short in interest of those read from Christian pulpits to-day. They tell of their murdered and dismembered murdered and Osiris, their savior; of his resurrection and his ministering in the unseen world in behalf of mortality just as does our Savior in these later times. And Isis with her child in her arms, is pictured there, telling of maternal love, and filial affection the same as now. Verily, aside from names, we have the domi-nant religion of the present revealed on the pictured rocks along the valley of the Nile. Who is there that takes no interest in these revelations? Who partakes of the fallen fruit from the tree and does not stop to consider from whence it came?

Don't Do It.

We are constantly told of the perfec tion of Bible teaching, and the clergy claim, though falsely, that modern laws are built on precepts drawn from their sacred book. Those entertaining such opinion will open the New Testament to I. Cor., 7:86, and read. (We shall not quote, as we have no inclination to violate the postal laws.) The revised translation adds the word "daughter," in each place in this and the following verse after virgin, which rendering is necessary to make clear the Greek

Whoever is vile enough to carry out the idea there advanced in practice, un-der the Illinois laws, will subject himself, very justly, to a penalty of ten years imprisonment at hard labor for incest. And if "they marry," as Paul says "let them," the offending parties may be additionally guilty of bigamy. Don't do it, for it would be a shame. which modern civilization will not brook, and it should not.

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prayers due to the Creator, and, as the higher criticism. 1st. Cease to edsuch, was addressed in the temples ucate the clergy. Give the pulpit into which were dedicated to his worship. charge of the inspired Jaspers, and let He erected near the Tarpeian Rock in them blow forth, damning to the fabled Rome, a temple which was inscribed: hell all who do not adopt their ignorant 'To Augustus, the First Born of God.' See Worship of Augustus Caesar, p. 171,

imaginings. 2d, Employ men to fill these pulpits with much other important matter, whose chief amhition is to receive their which lack of space compels us to salary, and, like the shyster lawyer

cares nothing for the justice of his cause, but whose eye is ever open to a generous fee, and will defend the vilest wretch who lives if the compensation is sufficiently generous. Such persons are not competent to

detect the frauds and impostures of de signing sectaries, but, like the good Tonsy, they will not only swallow the apple story, but the tree as well.

Chaplains Before Christians. Objections are made in many quar-

and contemporary works. Of these, two thousand perished in a single auto ters against the employment of chapda fe. Of the few spared, all have lains for our legislative bodies, for con been mutilated. Quintus Ennius is known to us by little more than his gress, and the army and navy. It is urged that a secular government, in all name. Polybius is hacked to pieces. The historical works of Cicero have all countries where church and state are perished. Cornelius Nepos is in frag-ments without dates. Of 142 books in independent of each other, has no right to impose any feature of a hierarchy on Livy's History of Rome but 45 remain, the people and, in fact, if the principles and many of these are mutilated or corrupted. Of Ovid's Fasti, out of 12 books but six remain. Manlius has enunciated by the fathers of the Republic were observed, no one would attempt been largely tampered with. Many such a wrong on constituted rights. others have been divested of dates. Varro, the most voluminous of the Augustan writers, is known to us only by two detached and imperfect pieces. In all these works the chronology, when any chronology appears, is suspicious and bears the look of having been altered. Names, generations and dates fail to agree. The lives of men are thrown into one age, while their works furnish evidence they lived in another; and the archeological remains bear simtions, showing many of them came Now observe: This worship of Au-

gustus, enforced by regal authority, continued without abatement for more than 600 years, until a conflict arose be tween his worshipers and the Moslems. The latter were warring against idolstry, and soon became a giant power. arly or all the general councils prior opened with prayers and sacred rites." to that of Trent, from 1545 to 1563, are probably frauds. But if one was held He quotes as authority for his statein the early centuries, before any gen-

mortal by his history of the Roman empire." He lived, wrote, and died before the Christian era. This is proof positive that the custom prevailed long anterior to Christian churches. It was at time, too, when Julius Caesar was worshiped as God, before Augustus Caesar was enthroned by the Roman senate as the Son of God; and before Jes Chrishna's worship had become genprepared to believe anything but the

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godly game of whist with some friends. They talked religion while they played and Renfro-that is his

name strate himself to me in some way, as to In reading Hon. Del Mar's "Ancient strike me deaf and dumb, or blind, I Britain," p. 97, the other day, we would believe in him." learned for the first time, that chap-Presto! No sooner had he spoken than he fell to the floor. lains are not a Christian novelty, but, brought to, he was deaf as a post and like almost or quite everything else in less able to speak than Balaam's ass. its system, it is an inheritance from our That was May 31, and now having repagan ancestors. Del Mar wrote as a turned to Shrevesport, having spent the Christian: he does not conceal or garble time in reading the Bible, and regain facts in the interest of his church, and ing his lost hearing and speech, he says, "I hope to go forth as did Paul, for that we approbate him. He was tracing the origin of British institupreaching the wordnot God; for God promised he would be with me.

from Rome when it dominated the civllized world; and he was telling of the Centuriati, a limited assembly, with an aristocratic tendency, representing property, when he says: "The sessions of the Centuriati were

ment, Livy, 14:22. "The name of Livy," says Lemprier," is rendered imand Renfro challenged the Almighty! with him hotly-it is to be inferred the

eral throughout the Roman empire. Of this in the future.

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There are ways to stay this tide of no meaning at all. These sententious assertions which

come out of the clouds of "the new thought" like gleaming rockets, leave the formless fog-bank the more uncertain and obscure. A "new thought," captured on this coast-line, would be a priceless curiosity.

The Washington Times gives an ac-count of a "strenuous" family. The parents removed to Washington to give their children the advantages of the schools, two years ago. The eight older children have not missed a day at school during the past year, nor been tardy any morning or at recess. There are three more too young for attendance. Eleven in all, the shadow of the white house adding to the prolificacy The President ought to have stood god father to the last addition. When such families become "typical American," what a nation this will be!

evangelist who is now enjoying more

notoriety than any other colored per-

son in the state. He is represented as

a mulatto, who was. "just an ordinary

colored pusson," until he traveled to

Chicago, where he engaged in the un-

cards had been put away-when as a last refuge he made an append to God's

-said,

people,

prious.

"If God would demon-

ists affirm. They do not yet amount to that proof which would satisfy skeptics of the school of M. Flournoy, but it is an approach towards that proof, and really it is no longer ridiculous on the part of Spiritualists to hope for it." The editor's allusion to "fluids which escape from our bodies, refer to the ex-periments of M. d'Arsonval, who report-

ed to the Academy of Science at Paris that he had discovered by means of radium light rays emanating from the human body. These Charpentier and Blondoit called N-rays. They found these rays given off most distinctly from the nerves. . Beyond these rays were others indeterminable by any means at their command. These spirit forces bring the observer to the very portals of spirit being. One step more and spirit existence will be demonstrated by science, by purely scientific methods. HUDSON TUTTLE. At Shreveport, La., they have a negro

Mortal Fear and Agony.

When Jesus was stretched on the cross, as told by Matthew 27:46, suffering as we may suppose the agonies of death, he cried with a loud voice, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

Does not this fact of itself controver the claim of the ecclesiastics, that Jesus was the very God, co-equal with the Father, and co-eternal with him, in-When deed, that Father himself? Throw all the eloquence and rhetoric of which gonius is capable around the subject, and make claim for the godhead as strong as possible, and yet, when in extremis, sweating great drops of blood, as the statement says. with no motive to deceive, Jesus claims he was deserted by imself, if he and his father were one. Some ungodiyadoctors, South, say he is "self-hypnotized," and the whites, that Really, does not the church draw the he is a fraud. The negroes have faith when it sets up such an exlong bow in him and he is destined to awaken un eggerated claim? "Came to give his life for the ransom

heard of enthusiasm among his own of the world," the preachers tell us; Later reports by tway of embellishbut there are very few criminals-mur derers-who approach the gallows and make such an exhibition of fear, as the nent have it that Renfro had been read ing Ingersoll'so writings, and had be sacred historian has described, which accompanied the crucifixion of Jesus. come muddledoin his views, hitherto strictly Methodisticia: Theology is the clast subject one We hope there was a mistake in reciting the story; that the sacred historian, would suppose a set of whist players would bring uph It is a game proverbial not a witness of the affair, was greatly for its silence and upsociability, but the four negroes tackled its knottiest side misinformed; for we are loth to believe that even an innocent man, say nothing of a God, would make such an exhibi-His three friends had been arguing tion of mortal weakness as . Matthew has related.

Dr. I. K. Funk.

interference. He had been hypnotized and was a good subject, and it is in Dr. Funk, who is investigating Spiritcharity to be inferred that the positive ualism along scientific lines, was in the attitude of his companions hypnotized city a few days ago. He is a most esim. A fine advertising trick by which timable gentleman, is kindly sympathe sharp newspapers have all been thetic, is thoroughly well informed on taken in, and a cunning negro made noocoult subjects, and we have no doubt A clever trick to gain notoriety, and will reap a rich harvest in his investiga an object lesson showing boy religious lesson are made. That he will "stir up" the emotional colored people, there is no doubt, but questionable the good tion of Spiritualism. His book, "The Widow's Mite," will have a world-wide circulation.

itualist, a profound thinker, a leading are in the direction of what Spiritualjournalist for forty years, an officer in the Union army, four terms in Congress, with other honors too numerous

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After Him.

paper. to mention-this is what the Kansas City Journal says of him: "The board of education last night unanimously voted to assist in the fur-

ther perpetuation of Colonel R. T. Van Horn's name by naming after him one of the new schools to be erected in the South Troost avenue district. "When Colonel Van Horn's name was

mentioned last night it was a signal for each member of the board present to arise and pronounce a eulogy on this retired editor, publisher, statesman and good citizen, the general expression beng that the board considered it a favor to be allowed to honor such a man who library. has done so much for the upbuilding of Kansas City, and who has lived to enjoy the fruits of his labor and to witness the enjoyment by others of the many

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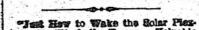
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knives? What will you believe? What will you' believe? Ah! then I'll bury in my breast

Deceit, and God that knoweth best, Shall judge me of my wrong. greater, no stronger, no clearer in his understanding, And if my voice shall tremble in some song, Unbidden tears shall glisten bright,

What mortal eye, can read aright? Who'll know what scenes this song re-

call; Who'll know it's but a dream, of all I've hoped for, longed to gain, Yet woke to find it all in vain? Who'll see the face so dear to me. With eyes I felt my soul did see. Who'll hear the voice with cadence

sweet, Whose gentle murmurings oft repeat? Who'll feel the touch of a vanished hand.

Yet know somewhere, in some land. Weaves in life's loom over and over again.

The broken threads must unite some where, Either here or over there.

Who'll know if I do them unfold Secrets of the heart, lips never told? Who'll care for all I prize or hold-Can they discern the dross from gold? They'd sip the nectar passing sweet, Then dash the cup beneath my feet. E'en the dregs to the world they'd

throw, And I, famished and starved, alone must go. Can they feed on the joys of my life?

Will they help me bear the pain and strife?

No! ah, no. Like a toy that is old, They'd cast all aside, dross and pure gold,

And I-I must go on with my heavy load,

And so to the world, I'll bury my joy, or

I'll smile though I meet with loss, or

swcet, "Twill fill their measure, returning full

mete;

never fear.

When life shall unfold, and memory clear,

In that beautiful land, I know they'll draw near. Won't they linger awhile at the beauti-

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Superstitions, present and past: Unby Their Influence on Us? Lecture by Mrs. 16. p. Russegue.

Sometimes it is well to consider upon what our su- ments were so blended in the formation of the great by superstitious awe, Thus, a great harm has been Make me strong, and I will believe; give me a test, perstitions are based, therefore I take for my subject whole, that it symbolized this sign. They drew a line done the human race, and it is high time that we re- and I will believe. this evening:

they so influence our lives, that they become a part of earth, and fire, and air, and water. These were the God may move in a mysterious way, His wonders to than he who stands beside the chemist, as he goes into relationships one with another.

the abandonment of superstition. They have always air it unfolded, and into the great force of the uni- self in the storm; His law that holds the mysteries know not what the relations are. You simply see the deplored that men should cherish with awe the vary- verse it expanded and developed, until the world was within His grasp, only until we shall solve them, and result, and you are settled in your opinion as to their that they could come nearer to the spirit of God, the doms of nature. higher they could climb to their altars of worship. The Pagan worshipers also instituted in their tem- truth that we cannot understand. Shall we stand and are composed; how to appropriate them to your ev-Therefore they builded their altars high in the air, ples these symbols of their belief, their altars, their speak with Channing, and confirm to the world, I ery-day necessities; how to make the best and highest and built the Senate chambers down beneath the sur- pictures. Their symbols of religious vessels which want no religion that will not demonstrate its own vir- use of them, then you have entered into a higher unface of the earth. Their temples were circular in symbolized their beliefs, were all marked with these tues. form, their altars were round, their offerings were al- signs, indicating their recognition of the Divine life, Shall we go with Pierpont, the veteran temperance ways placed upon them in that form which should symbolized through this one figure. In the Persian worker, who dared to say to an unbelieving congregaconstitute a circle. They watched the stars, believing faith grew the belief of the cross, the cross upon tion, and was thrown out of his pulpit for his utterthat their action dominated their lives. In the spring- which persecution might be carried forward. It be- ances, "I believe in temperance, and I believe in temtime they taught their children that the great cloud came the instrument of justice, it was the cross to perance in all things, because in temperance I find the in the north should be consulted, as to where it should which men were nailed, and this belief was carried highest type of religion." It is that which clears the point, to indicate what the coming seasons might be. down into Rome, and from them it became utilized by reason, which unfolds the mind, and which enthrones light.

the delicate instruments through which they observed the earth. in the church, by which the mariner might be directed consider the spiritual significance of these things. your principles. to a safe harbor, was builded as high as they dared, There is a spiritual interpretation. We are given to havens of security.

bodied the superstitious awe, regarding the spirits of and shining Godliness that illumines every human self; to reason for him and herself. Therefore it can- the believers. the air, the action of the heavenly bodies, the fear of soul, if its forces are allowed to burn on the altars of not become sectarian, it cannot be confined within a man that he might incur the anger of the Gods, and intelligence, would drive out these old opinions, and creed. No man can affirm I believe for another. No that he might propitiate that anger, and reconcile the establish the real interpretation by which we may sect can declare a belief that any other people must Gods to them, have resulted the great uses to-day of gain some benefit to ourselves, and our lives. It is a accept. The door is open, you are invited to its banhumanity. The cross, one of the religious altars upon which superstition has hung for centuries, is another that which makes life easier for himself. If he can stitious symbols, read them for what they mean, and emblem of the old beliefs, the old dogmas. It belonged to the Pagan world. Its origin was in the be- true, it is much easier than to think it out, to reason Thus religious symbols fade away into Divine reallief of the Pagans. They believed, and in ancient out from cause to effect, to study the law, to make ities, and spiritual life is the outgrowth of the forsak-Chaldea you will find evidences, in the churches, and that mathematics gives to you, as the communication. of computing or multiplication, indicated to them the condition of the world, or a unit to constitute the every concise belief, there has been the circumference world was composed of four elements. These ele- reason, and everywhere his reason has been throttled ment, it only means something I want now and here. how we love one another.

perpendicular, and then drew a line horizontal across sign these dogmatic superstitions, and take upon our-How are the superstitions of the present compared the other line for the whole, and this was the begin- selves the privilege to investigate every human law He or she who rests upon phenomena alone is no with those of the religions of the past, and why do ning of the belief in a cross. These elements were that pertains to the welfare of human society.

our thought, a part of our experience, a part of our four great kingdoms of life. Heat was the force that perform, He may plant his footsteps on the sea, and his laboratory to make an analysis, and brings to you germinated life. Religious men and women have always talked of In the water life seemed to spring into being; in the is God's law. It is His law that is manifesting him- know not what the performance may have been, you

ing superstitions incident to the growth of races, and able to behold the germs out of which the products of make those mysteries our own. Science has thus far merits. You know nothing of the causes; you know one scarcely comprehends how great the power is that ancient times came into form. Out of the earth, from accomplished this result. Shall we stand with Buck- nothing of the reasons why; you have never investithey hold over us. The superstitions of the Druids, the three great potencies surrounding and inhering it, ley, and believe with him, that every man has a right gated the principles involved in the formation of the early religionists of Normandy and England, were these forces combined, formed the four great king- to sift every truth to its foundation. Shall we stand these elements, therefore you are not capable of un-

The superstitions of the Pagans were alike directed to the Jews, Spain and Italy, and all Southern Europe the intellect," and for these assertions he was taken the planetary worlds. They saw a great power, a accepted this symbol. It became the religious symbol from his pulpit, and he became-what? Before the great might, a great influence for war, for success and of suffering. Look to-day, and see it is reverting to door opened, and he was ushered into the presence of prosperity, in Jupiter. He was the King of the heav- its original conditions, and why? Because to-day, it the angels, he became an investigator and believer in ens, he was the mighty Jove whose will dominated typifies the use to which it may be put, instead of the Modern Spiritualism. It came to him as a bright ilworlds, and won victories in warfare. They beheld religious superstition that it was the cross upon which lumination, and when his head was whitened by the the sun as the source of all heat, as the source of all you were to believe, and to hang your faith, to attach frosts of more than four score years, he declared, all

believe, because some one tells him that a thing is make their uses your own.

ride upon the storin, but even so, we may know that it the result. You know not the component parts, you with Spurgeon, and believe that there is no virtue in derstanding them. When you know how these things

yourself, and that you wer to persecute those who did my life have I been climbing this spiritual stairway, In ancient China, the worshipers have left the rec. not believe. Instead to-day it is one of the instru- and I have just found the open door, now I am ready ords of their beliefs upon the walls of China, and in ments that sustains the means of communication over to depart, call me when you will, I am ready;" and the call came when resting quietly in repose upon his

the motion of the planets. We find that their thought Ingersoll typified this, when he compared the cross pillow; the door opened, and his spirit fled from earth, was directed to heavenly bodies, to find there the of theology, to the cross of the telegraph pole. These trusting and knowing that the mansion of God was forces that operated upon them, that guided them to are evidences of the old and the new. The supersti- made ready for him. Thus Spiritualism, which tovictory, that preserved their life, that directed their tious fear which so long has hounded the human imag- day stands not for superstitions, but stands for invesefforts, that saved the country from inundations. All ination, compelling man to suffer, suffer the pangs tigation, the acquirement of knowledge, the proof of these things point to one condition of the human and agonies that his imagination could create, that he truth, the demonstration of theories, the solving of mind, and that is, the reaching out of our thought for must prostrate himself before a picture of a cross, and the problems of light, to-day stands before you for something extraordinary, to which we may attach there sign himself, either to the belief in that which your acceptance. Spiritualism presents many mysourselves, and thus the mind aspires to that which it his reason would not adopt, or to the torments of a teries, it is full of parables, but it is the parable that of death. conceives superior in strength. The ancient tower of hell, these alternatives were presented to him through appeals to your understanding, that appeals to your Hercules, which was looked upon as that great force his superstitions. It is well friends, that we stop to reason, that invites your investigation, and solicits

Spiritualism is the key to the door of everlasting and upon it a fire kindled, and a monk was appointed the perversion of ideas, when we no longer study their truth. It involves the world; it embraces humanity; to keep that fire burning, that he who might wander actual uses. Men dogmatized symbols, their dogma- it sheds its light over all races; it knows no north, no upon the sea, and disturbed spirits that were out on tism formulated their theories and presented them to south, no east, no west; no white man, no black man, it light-houses, this was the foundation upon which the never questioning their uses, never realizing their ap- it is the angel at the sepulcher of your own beliefs, necessities were able to appeal, that has resulted in propriation to themselves, and what their application pointing to a broader and brighter pathway, to a the establishment of lights, to guide the mariners to might imply. On the contrary, they have allowed the world of illuminating angels; it is a truth that brings interpretation of a priesthood to dominate their be) to you not only the mysteries of life, but it opens the Out of the religious superstition, out of the relig- liefs, and in this domination, they have allied them- door that makes those mysteries plain. It teaches fact that man is too ready to consign his beliefs to quet table, to partake of its viands. Take no super-

himself acquainted with his own necessities, to ap- ing of religious superstition. The Spiritualist may

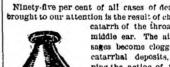
For instance, if man had been standing in the inventive world, where he has been standing in the religious world, you would light your houses with a tallow dip; you would ride your stage coach over the earth; you would warm yourselves with the old fireplace, you would prepare your food upon the cranes used in ancient days; you would cook everything with the old-time utensils; you would listen to the music produced on the corn fiddle; you would never know the great rhythm of the harmonies of nature, to which your souls have become attuned, and are uplifted to the appreciation of Divine highness; you would never know the uses of electricity and steam; you would never know the transit over the earth in palace cars, and the palaces upon the seas; you would never know of the wonderful advancement of science; you would look upon the earth as though it were flat and did not Clmbing the hill-o'er life's lonely road. move, and you would look upon the stars as the streams of glory that were peering down upon your heads at night, rather than the motion of numberless heads at night, rather than the motion of numberless gain; worlds traveling athwart the skies, each one with its To the hungry I'll give a morsel so journey marked out, and it cannot vary from its course. Science has made these lessons plain, and no longer you look.upon a comet with great awe, because To those who linger in memory, dear, it is the fore-runner of war. You do not look upon Choice garlands of thought I'll weave, the signs that come into your homes as the monitions The Roman Catholic church, whose old-time super-

derstanding of their merits.

stitions were formulated in Ireland, has gone forth, and we note much of the superstition by which its followers have been held in bondage up to the present time, still abides with them. He who is desirous of a sign, sees a light advancing, and a man will behold it with great _ ne, he will cell you that the devil is after him, and some great disaster will befall him. Some the briny deep, would find a haven to which they the world, and theology has labelled them "Thus is for all, for everyone. It is the emancipator from shadow is seen, and he is sure some evil is shown to might direct their course. This was the beginning of saith the Lord," and man has bowed low to them, superstitious fear; it is robbing death of its terrors; him. To-day, science tells us that an imagination creates images, that an imagination will picture signs, and we will trace them to their causes, and more frequently we will find their foundation in indigestion. Thus, in the mental indigestion of olden times do we find much of the superstition of long ago. They have ious beliefs, out of the religious formulas, that em- selves to theories and dogmas; but reason, that bright every man and every woman to think for him and her- befriended and shielded for the sake of terrorizing

Thus, let us hail with delight, with glad songs, the belief that has swelled like a great wave over the human race; that has asked for testimony; that has clamored for evidence; that has taught the world the reasons why of everything, and religion to-day has not become a symbol, but it has become a reality. It is not a superstition, but it is a living truth, that involves all life; that belongs not to a world that we cannot see, or hear, or feel, but it belongs to our world, our life, our earthly experiences and relations. upon the altars, of their beliefs. The great offering propriate truths to his own life, and make the best become superstitious, and very frequently we find him It is something that we live, not what we believe uses of them for his own advancement. Religion is so, and why? Because he is looking for the phenom- alone, but what we know, and prove from day to day. the least progressive of any condition of human ena supply. He rests simply on phenomena, without Its symbols are holy deeds, pure living, sweet charity, thought, it is the least progressive of any condition traversing the thoroughfares which lead to the exalt- and loving sympathy. Those are its symbols, those condition of the world, or a unit to constitute the whole universe. It was round and every form of be-lief that has ever pertained to the existence of a De-ific law, has always been eircular. Through every su-perstition, through every formulated faith, through perstition, through every formulated faith, through titled to the privilege of thinking for himself, think- ing. All the years of their life they are treading the goodness, love, wisdom, and God, and is not allied to that was typified in the offering of the circle, in the ing out upon the basis of reason, that is grounded in same narrow path, simply believing that some spirit sin. Look on the higher, to find there the great truths great ring that has indicated unity. Thus they looked intelligence, the theories that are adapted to his own will come to them and tell them how to get rich, and that guide our lives, and we will stand upon the only three weeks' use of Actina. Actina also upon this symbol as an indication of their belief in life, and to understand the causes which produced le- how to do something they want to do. It does not heights of time, upon the heights of truth, and love. the great whole of the universe. The ancient astrolo- gitimate results; but, in religion, he has had no right mean anything to them, it does not mean immortal The world will be richer, stronger, truer, nobler and gers, astronomers, and philosophers, believed that the to question, no right to sound the depths, no right to life, it does not mean eternal growth, eternal develop- holier for what we know, for what we live, and for

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middle ear. The air passages become clogged by catarrhal deposits, stop

ping the action of the vibratory bones. Until these deposits are removed a cure is impossible. The innerear cannot be reached by probing or spraying, nce the inability of au

Things Spiritual In St. Louis.

in St. Louis and at the Exposition.

LETTER NUMBER TWO.

That the Exposition is of "the earth parts of the city. earthy" no one can deny, and that such St. Louis, like all other places, has no is the manifest purpose of all exposi- one large and united society. It seems tions one must admit. Commerce, civil almost a pity that all the Spiritualists and military prowess, these must be the cannot unite in supporting the Temple. most in evidence at such a time.

Still there is a luminous infinite back- all the help financially it can get, for ground that tells of ideals of a better the building is only partly paid for. life and higher purpose for the human Still I suppose no one speaker or

The local Spiritualist societies are to dozen mediums can supply the varied continue their Sunday services and and diversifie, needs of Spiritualists. week-evening social gatherings during In October the N. S. A. is to hold its the entire summer and autumn (instead annual convention here, and many Spirof having their usual mid-summer vaca- itualists are waiting until that time. tion). At the Spiritual Temple in Pine Still there is a large sprinkling street, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond of Chi- them among the many who attend the

cago (Church of the Soul), officiated exposition daily. the last two Sundays in June, being There has been no attempt to hold most cordially introduced by the pastor, a camp-meeting or other large continu-Mr. T. Grimshaw, and by the congrega- ous meeting during the World's Fair. tion. Of course there were many visit- The N. S. A. thought it too expensive an ors from many parts of the country undertaking, and as the exposition is who were glad to be present on those not open on Sunday the bulk of the res-Sundays and at the Wednesday even- idents and visitors prefer the city meeting scance when Mrs. Richmond spoke ings. briefly, and two excellent mediums Dr. Green's Canvas Cottage City and

(Mrs. Hary and Mrs. Shaw) gave mes-Fraternal Auditorium, although die trustees of the church are for the pres-sages or "tests." This little church is serving (from the Doctor's earnest A "building of their own" is a good an ideal place for meetings, lyceums work and efforts) of great success, thing to have, but a mortrage and overand social reunions. seems a little out of the line of the

During the exposition it is kept open great throngs who go to the fair on every day, some of the ladies of the con-week-days and stay in the city Sundays. gregation being always in attendance to welcome strangers and give them pa-however, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond pers and books to read, and such infor-having opened and dedicated his tent mation as they may-require about the service last Sunday morning, to a se-bast provide the the tent service last sunday morning. best way to get to the exposition. lect and appreciative audience. Later,

Last Sunday Harrison D. Barrett Dr. Peebles and others have promised spoke for the Pine street church and to speak. The sleeping tents of the speakers and mediums to St. Louis, and Mrs. Richmond for Prof. Peck's society Canvas Cottage City are comfortable it is a wise move to keep all the meetin the Odeon. Here she was also most and sufficiently spacious, and the whole ings open, although for three or four cordially welcomed and she is to speak 'city" is but a few hundred yards from days including Sunday the weather was there again next Sunday, after which one of the entrances to the exposition. such as to drive all the people to the she goes to the eastern camps. Mr. Inside the grounds, of course, there is suburbs and beer gardens. So "moral" Peck goes to Clinton, Iowa, to preside and will be no attempt at presenting is the government of the United States over the camp-meeting there (of which Spritualism, but the N. S. A. holds its that the needed loan would not be he is chairman). Dr. J. M. Peebles fol- convention in St. Louis in the large granted unless the exposition were lows Mrs. Richmond at the Odeon. Thus far local mediums have supplied thorities for all such purposes. the messages and phenomical phases. The Unity League (continuation of go than to church or the beer gardens but I understand others are expected the World's Parliament of Religions) where vaudeville and other shows more

this city was last Sunday evening. She Spiritual and Liberal Thought Outlook Folsom are having large crowds in In St Louis and at the Exposition. Howard Hall. Mr. Stewart is a brillspoke on two subjects, taken from the audience, "Does Justice precede love, iant speaker, and Mrs. Folsom has good mediumistic gifts. Mrs. Harey, Mrs. or love precede justice in the true government?" and "The Future of Spirit-Price and others hold meetings in other palism." She had prevously answered

several questions in a most concise and satisfactory manner. Mrs. Richmond has been received with the greatest appreciation and consideration in both societies where she has spoken while It is such a beautiful place and needs here. Your correspondent understands she is now to go East to fill engagements at the camps and summer meet-

LETTER NUMBER THREE.

The close of Mrs. Cora L. V. Rich-

mond's engagement for the present in

class of speakers, no one one or half-Mr. W. F. Peck startled his congregation at the close of Mrs. Richmond's address by a word of good-bye-not only for the summer, but possibly for an in-definite time. He has been six years forming and building up the Church of Spiritual Unity, but it seems the future movements both of church and pastor are somewhat uncertain. A perceptible

sadness accompanied this announcement, and many thought the pastor would be summoned back to his flock in the autumn The little church in Pine street is

as a body, breathing freer as the installment due on the church debt has been paid, and both Mr. Grimshaw and the trustees of the church are for the presthing to have, but a mortgage and overhanging debt and interest are some-

times difficult. However, the bridge is crossed for this time. Harrison D. Barrett spoke to appreciative audiences in Pine street, while Mrs. Richmond was discoursing to equally interested people in the Odeon. The exposition is bringing many

convention hall set apart by the an closed on Sundays. This leaves the thousands of visitors no other places to-The Unity League (continuation of go than to church or the beer gardens was assigned a place on the regular pro- objectionable than anything on

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There are other meetings in the city, gram within the exposition grounds. Pike" are at full swing. But why net Prof. C. W. Stewart and Mrs. Josle K. In my next letter I will tell of its close "The Pike" and leave the vest cf

services, its aims and purposes. One ucational exposition open? Echo an- Bay, Wis., he has founded his earthly really needs to be ubiquitous at such a swers, "Why?" "The Unity League," of which I prom- tifled Prof. Chainey, or his ideal life ised to write in this lotter, held its which he thinks he has found; clad all time. While attending one very interesting meeting or something one is sure to miss half-a-dozen other things meetings according to the enclosed pro- in white, his snowy hair and beard gave that one wishes to attend. Y. O. C. gram. In its inception it was purely him the appearance of the true pro phet. spiritual, being the outgrowth of the Then there was Elbert Hubbard, sizeak-great Parliament of Religions held in ing for the Roycrofters-the apostle of

Chicago at the time of the Columbian the Usefully Beautiful-of Labor made exposition. Charles C. Bonney, the noble pro- and charming.

moter of these wonderful parliaments, The Unity League will be heard from and Mrs. Elizabeth Boynton Harbert of more and more—since it is not only for Evanston, Ill., were, at the conclusion a religious unity but for all useful and of the Parliament of Religions, made a progressive things that make for peace committee to carry forward the work. and enlightenment. The Orient meets Mr. Bonney had been aided in all his arduous duties by counsel and advice better interpretation (sometimes) of from the invisible hosts, who Rev. Dr. the "Prince of Peace" than that offered Barrows said, were hovering over the by so-called "Christian" nations. nation and city, aiding in that great international exposition. Mrs. Harbert the League was numerously attended, has been a student of Spiritualism for nearly all the speakers being present, has been a student of Spiritualism for years, and her own impressions and those of her friends have helped her to

carry forward the work since the passing on of Mr. Bonney to the higher life about a year ago.

The exposition authorities accorded the Unity League a place of meeting and a place on the official program; further than this concerning said place -Convention Hall, deponent saith not, except that had it been in Kamschatka form. or the Fiji Islands, it would have been just as accessible and just as easy to meeting could have been held in one find. But the writer, no doubt aided by unseen powers, succeeded in clamberchurches, where many hundreds-not.

ing up hills, over rough hand muddy walks (which do abound in the outermost districts of the exposition grounds and at last found athis assemexpense of going to the exposition grounds. blage of choice souls grouped together as might have been the "wise men of the East" when they were following the guiding star of the New Trith.

as are ready to receive it. Nothing could be limore interesting than what was said in those meetings-nothing could be farther from the crowd, and nothing dould better represent the relative "fewness" of those who follow after Truth, and the relative hugeness of the crowd that follows the show. The leaven that leavens the whole lump was there in Each note struck was true to the world's coming ideal, and a dominant spiritual note was always upon the lips of the chairman (Mrs. Harbert) who introduced Mrs. Richmond as "one whom Chicago and the nation were proud to honor for her - and find out what you really believe. great spiritual work." One of the secretaries of the Unity League said Mrs.

phony." Then there was Mr. Hickman, the Chautauqua organizer; Prof. Chainey, CHAS. H. KERR & CO., 54 5th Ave., Chicago who was "spirited" out of materialism The into Spiritualism, then into Theosophy, then into Occultism and 2 mild Theocracy of his own erection. At Williams' State?

FOREST HOME CAMP. Paradise, and certainly time has beau

A Northern Resort for Spiritualists.

In northern Michigan, half-way be tween 'Traverse City and Petoskey, or two miles south of the village of Cenideal. His words were simple, direct tral Lake, and five miles north of the village of Bellaire, is the camp-ground

of the Forest Home Spiritualist Association. It is named after the township of Forest Hone; and is situated on the west bank f long and beautiful Intermediate Lane. On the grounds are groves of evergreen trees; I was there the Occident to-day and comes with a two and three years ago and helped to trim them. The camp-ground is part of an evergreen nursery, where shade trees of a great variety were set out

and are still growing. Mr. J. W. Nixon and family of Bellaire helped to trim the locust and evergreen trees; now and many friends and strangers hasthey are growing into a second grove. tened to do them homage. Mrs. Rich-The camp-ground of eighteen acres is

mond was made much of by both the nearly paid for and it has a growing successful destiny. I lived in Bellaire members of the League and their guests and in all cases the spiritual imtwo and three years ago and my wife, pact and pervacing presence was never lost sight of. Mr. C. C. Bonney as a Mrs. Jennie Martin, was one of the speakers there. We can recommend the camp to all. When Spiritualists are spirit is as much (and more) in evidence with Mrs. Harbert and her friends as when he was here in bodily going to the northern resorts this summer, I suggest that they also visit Forest Home camp during a Sunday excur-One could not help wishing that such

sion. Yes, go there and build a cota meeting could have been held in one tage, for it is as beautiful a place as of the accessible down-bown halls or many others around Petoskey or Charlevoix. Yes, go where your own religion is and help to make it popular;

been present without the fatigue and My brother-in-law, Frank H. Lesher, of Mancelona, is its president; Mrs. Maud Eastman of Mancelona, is its secretary. Just write to them for programs

My father-in-law, Samuel Lesher, now almost eighty years, writes to me that he has bought the only log house there and will live in it instead of in a tent. He writes in a nice round hand, clear and steady; he works hard; in spirit he is just as young as any boy, full of jokes and talk. Every season, weeks before the camp opens, he has gone there, cut the hay and cleared the grounds; he has gathered the brush in piles, rolled logs together and burned them. Yes, he has done all that alone. Now, young folks, don't let that eighty-year-old boy beat you. Go there and do something; have an object in life and you will feel better; join the crowd and push things along; be some-H. EUGENE MARTIN. along.

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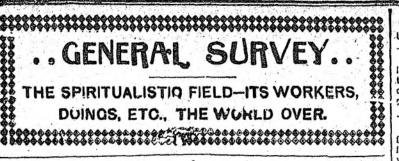
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KEEP COPIES of your poems sent to this office, for they will not be returned If we have not space to use them.

D. L. Haines of Franklin, Neb., wants the address of J. M. White.

Liberty, Me.-"If you are going to have any Fourth of July celebration this year," said James William Brown to his son, "you had better get it over by Saturday night, because I am going to die on the Fourth, and you will not wish to hear any firecrackers until after I am under ground." In the morning of July 4, Mr. Brown, who was 84 last May, milked his two cows and ate his breakfast. Then he read the morning paper. Soon after 9 o'clock he walked across the lawn and sat down in a summer pavilion, where he listened to the boys, who were making a loud noise in the village a mile away. When his daugh-ter came out to call him to dinner he was seated in his armchair with his elbow propped against the rail of the summer house. His eyes were closed and his face was very pale. The family physician said he had been dead two Mr. Brown is the fourth memhours. ber of his family who has died on

July, 4. Isa A. Cross writes: "Mrs Nora E. Hill, pastor of the Rising Sun Mission, lecture for the Hyde Park Occult will Society on July 24. We expect a treat, as she is one of the hard workers in that busy mission. Come out and get the different ideas of different speakers. On Sunday, July 10, Walter DeVoe gave us one of his bright and spiritual lectures, which we all enjoyed very much. He says things that make people think. On that same date we went to Beverly Hills on one of our outings, another delightful day in the

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Word comes from Port Huron, Mich., that supernatural causes-tins rattling noisily and unseen bodies walking across the floors with tramping feetare said to have reduced Mrs. Edward Glover in one week's time from a plump woman to a thin, nervous wreck. A week ago Mr. and Mrs. Glover moved from Bancroft street into the house wned by Frank McGraw, and since that time they and many of their friends have heard these uncanny noises. They assume they are caused by ghosts that haunt the place. The first day they were in the house the 7year-old daughter of her sister. Mrs. George Ryder, of Elmwood street, came toddling downstairs from the chambers with awful fright pictured on her face. Rushing into the arms of Mrs. Glover, she cried: "Don't let that man touch me, aunty." Mrs. Glover supposed the child was only frightened by babyish fancies and did her best to soothe her distress. Later Mrs. Glover heard a tin rattling upstairs and went to investigate. She found a tin which was used to cover a stove-pipe hole making the noise and, taking it down, placed it upon a bed. She returned downstairs and soon heard the tin rattling harder and louder than ever. She rushed upstairs again. Step, step, step, the floor was creaking as if under the feet of a moving body, but nobody was visible. The sound passed all around her and the tin rattled again. Her nerves were unstrung and she rushed to the lower floor. When her husband returned she told him of the affair and he was not convinced until he also heard the noise,

not in the same room, however, but all over the house. This occurred Monday. and that night she was too nervous to sleep in the house and they went to the neighbors. Tuesday night they decided to stick it out and went to bed. The light was left burning brightly, but the noises continued. This settled it and they did not sleep in the house again. The next day a number of their friends were called in, but the unnatural noises could not be located and the place was declared to be haunted. Mrs. Glover could not stand the strain and a house was rented two doors away. Their neighbors helped them to move their household goods and now for the first time in a week Mrs. Glover is resting comfortably.

C. Kirchner writes: "Rev. Thos S. Warner, assistant pastor of the Rising Sun Spiritualist Mission, will lecture on Sunday evening, July 24, at the Mis-sion's hall, 378 S. Western avenue. Subect, 'Know Thyself.' Brother Warner is blossoming out as one of our foremost speakers on the Spiritualist rostrum, and always conveys the right deas to his hearers. We will also have our usual good singing. All welcome; seats free.

The Journal of Columbus, Ohio, says: The experiments with the treatment of | five cents each for the members, whethalcoholism by hypnotism, begun by Rus- er they are present or not, and when we sian scientists in Moscow in 1896, have have visitors, which is nearly always been pronounced successful. It is as- we are not so ill-bred as to fail in givserted that this cure has reformed 70 per cent of the horrible examples upon whom it has been tried and the scientor it between the scientor it is a scient to pick up a neat little sum aside from tific gentlemen are quite jubilant. In the work we are doing. At present we spite of the optimistic reports sent are preparing for a bazaar to be held in abroad, we are inclined to doubt the permanency of the new remedy. So with the old saving, 'All work,' etc., we ong as the patients are kept under the have an entertaining committee aphypnotic influence, it is reasonable to pointed at each meeting for the ensuing believe that they will remain sober, as the traditional judge. Hypnotism made a great singer of Trilby, whose ability to carry a tune ceased the moment profit Svengali stopped waving his baton. So dent. Mrs. Gitchel. The supper being the mysterious power can make an served on a commodious back porch earnest temperance advocate of a lighted with Japanese lanterns, and if drunken old reprobate, while the hypnotist makes his own will that of his subject. But we should hesitate to eral pounds avoirdupois to its weight rust the latter in the corner saloon, alone with the barkeeper. If a hard irinker can hypnotize himself into the celief that he doesn't really like liquor or that the indulgence of his appetite is cially. uining him, he may effect a permanent cure. But no young man should con-tract the habit with the idea that the mesmeric eye of some hypnotic individual can rid him of it later. He would be taking a long chance."

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ing, hence communications intended for that current issue should reach this office not later than the previous Satur day morning. Bear this in mind.

Mrs. S. E. Mackley writes from Call fornia: "I am glad Spiritualists are do ing their part so nobly and fearlessly in veeding out the frauds. Farmer Riley and W. W. Aber seem to stand firm as yet, but I hope'to see some of them accept the \$1,000 offer, although, of course, it would not materially affect the standing of Spiritualism before the Onset, Mass, 31st, world. 'All a put-up job,' would be the verdict.'

N. A. Churcn, M. D., writes: "Spiritualism is prospering grandly in Los An-geles, Cal. We have many good workgeles, Cal. ers here in the way of lecturers and platform test mediums, besides other There are numerous places of talent. meeting, all of which seem to work harmoniously together. I never saw so much gratuitous healing of the sick, nor so much dispensing of charity to poor May the good work go on

members. May the good work go on until neither a body nor a soul hungers for food." Mrs. I. V. St. G. Williams writes from Vancouver, B, C.: "There are very few Spiritualists here and no society of any kind to help the spiritual cause. I have been giving trance readings at my home for the past month (two days a week), and expect to keep up the good work as I am permanently located here. I am sure my friends in Chicago and St. Louis, where I was known as Elizabeth Smith, will be pleased to learn that I am now married, and still working for the cause of Sniritualism." Mrs. Allie Buhland writes from 1224 N. Senate avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.: The workers of Indiananolis are not idle, and our industry has brought its reward. We have been throwing out life lines, and many have been drawn from the tumultuous sea of doubt into the harbor of realization through the efforts of your writer, assisted by F. V. Jackson and C. A. Buhland. On May 29, the anniversary of the spiritual birth of my first born, the little Bessie who is my sweet little test control, we organized a band of Spiritualists and investigators into the Progressive Spiritual Church, receiving our charter from the Indiana State Association last week. What we have done here we can accomplish elsewhere and would be pleased to hear from parties at any point who desire an enthusiastic, energetic worker to labor with them." Mrs. Anna L. Gillesple is now at No.

4312 Greenwood avenue, Chicago, Ill. She writes: "I finished work at Camp Brady, Ohio, Sunday, July 10; had a splendid audience and the meeting was a success. The engagement there was most pleasant in every respect. The camp bids fair to be one of the best this season. I will be located at above address until the last of this month. Any mail will reach me here. Will go to Clinton, Iowa, the last Sunday in the

month; from there to Chesterfield, Ind., for the month of August." Mrs. Emma Hess writes from Peoria, Ill.: "Our Rosebud Club has in it just nine mediums, and we will be called upon to operate on the eyes of one who has been in total blindness for five long years. The doctor who had his case in charge is now in spirit life and he will do the work through his medium, and if it is a success we will let the world

know through your valuable paper, which is appreciated for its honesty and truthfulness." Annie H. Pierce writes from Rock-

ford, Ill.: "The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Spiritual Science Society of Rockford. Ill., wishes to be placed on record once more, in your columns as a band of earnest women, working for the cause of Spiritualism. We have regular meetings every week at the homes of the la-

dies in alphabetical order, with a fee of author of "The Widow's Mite." ing them an opportunity to contribute if the fall, and as we are in full accord week, and so combine pleasure with ive book.' .We have also our regular monthly social: our last was a conundrum supper, at the home of our presi it be true that people 'laugh and grow fat," our society must have added that evening. We are planning an excursion on the river for this month and expect to have a glorious good time. trary are free and natural, each individ-We hope also to make something finan-Sarah J. Grubb writes from Colorado: I must say that The Progressive makes his points very forcible and Thinker is the best paper in the world for me. I will tell why I am a Spiritualist. Many years ago my hand was used to write automatically in the German language, and a name signed that was unknown to me. A question was Mrs. Pierce will sing, and Mr. Coates answered by the control to a person and others will give messages. Meet who was present, but who disputed the ings will be conducted all summer and reply. Both maintained they were cora large attendance is desired." rect until the control got angry and nded by holding my hand so firmly on the table that two stout men were un able to lift it. I became so frightened that I declared I never would try such a thing again. I have never been able to write since, but I must add that the control was correct and the person ask-

ALWAYS GIVE YOUR FULL NAME ND ADDRESS WHEN SENDING NO TCES AND COMMUNICATIONS FOP UBLICATION, OTHERWISE THEY WILL FIND THEIR WAY TO THE WASTE BASKET.

Mrs. Cora L. V, Richmond and Mr. Richmond have passed through Chicago on route to the Hastern camps. They had just time to take a little needed rest at their home in Rogers Park be fore going castward. Mrs. Richmond's work in St. Louis was most cordially received and heartily appreciated by both societies and by the Unity League. Dates for July: Corry, Pa., 17 and 22;

reading to brighten the days of many a weary traveler sojourning on the shady side of this mundane sphere, giving new hope and new joys that they still live to know these things. As there is much controversy regarding old mani-festations and their mediums the times temand the new to take their places, giving a new impetus and strength to light up the dark places and brush away the cobwebs gathered therein. The intelligence of the present demands investigation in the bright light of new developments as nature evolves them from her bosom for the benefit of her children. And it is our right to de mand the highest and best obtainable and not be satisfied with anything less, receiving it with due regard."

H. R. LaGrange, secretary, writes: "The Island Lake camp association opened its tenth annual camp session, July 10, with a goodly attendance, the speaker of the day being Mrs. Margaret LaGrange. Her eloquent discourses and astrological character readings were well received. From all indications it seems as if this is to be the ban ner year of the I. L. C. A. Cottages are nearly all occupied, and people pouring in every day. The association has spared neither time nor expense in giving to the public one of the best programs to be seen at any camp. Follow-ing order, starting Sunday, July 17, we offer to our patrons as platform workers. W. V. Nicum, B. F. Austin, Mrs. Amanda Coffman, D. A. Herrick, G. W. Kates and wife, Julia M. Walton, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. White. All phases of the phenomena will be represented. Farmer Riley, the world-renowned ma terializing medium, is under positive engagement first two weeks of camp. Mr. A. W. Kaiser, trumpet medium of Toledo, Ohio, gave a public seance to a large number, Sunday afternoon, and all who sat were well satisfied. He will be with us all this month and will be pleased 'to accept week-day engagements within' reasonable distance of camp grounds. Remember, the camp is open now. Board at our new modern 50-room fire-proof hotel, \$5 and \$5.50 per week. For programs and particu lars address H. R. LaGrange, secretary,

Island Lake Box, Brighton, Mich." J. M. White writes: "As I expect to start South soon; letters for engage ments between Lincoln, Neb., and Kansas City will reach me at Elmwood, Neb., F. R. D. No. 17, care of A. T. Hinshaw.'

D. W. Hull is at'the Escondido Camp. Cal. He goes from there to Wallington, stopping a few days at Stockton, and Dunsmutr.

Mrs. Maud K. Gates writes from Wintield, Kansas: "The Winfield (Kansas) Association find it impossible to hold its eleventh annual camp-meeting this year, on account of the recent floods leaving the park in a most dreadful condition.

Mrs. M. Lenry writes: "The Ladies Auxiliary connected with the Universal Occult Society will hold a lawn social on, the evening, of July 20, at, the resi defice of the president, Mrs. Marian Davenport, 3138 Rhodes avenue. Admission free; fifteen cents charged for ice cream and cake. A small fee charged for palm readings by Mrs. Wagstaff and Mrs. Henry, in gypsy cos-tumes. Music and other attractions."

Dr. Bland is in receipt of the followletter from Rev. I.

ant Park camp, Clinton, Iowa."

hat we drop in the basket. His ability o develop a hearty laugh is in itself a onic and the tests are so spontaneous ad indicative of such wonderful accu acy, entirely free from any supposition if fraud, deception, or phrenology, that ave me great satisfaction, not only nyself but many others received unmis-takable tests of our spirit friends last Sunday evening. There are many faces n his audience who are never seen else where in similar meetings, showing his mission of converting the skentic. The Spiritualists will lose a grand, faithful and able worker when he leaves us for

the Eastern states." Prof. O. H. Hoy, Osteopathist, has removed from Chicago to Marshalltown, lowa. He will answer calls to lecture on Osteopathy or Spiritualism.

Washington, D. C., July 17 .-- After resisting the skill of two experts connect ed with the treasury department, i small safe belonging to Col. J. Eldridge Smith, an inventor who died recently, has been opened, and now the only question is whether it was opened in inswer to Mrs. Smith's prayers or through information coming direct from Col. Smith to S. Clark Swett, a Spiritualistic medium. Mrs. Smith scouts the idea of Spiritualism, but Mr. Swett, un der whose manipulations the safe door swung open, says it was nothing else The little safe contained all the valu able papers belonging to Col. Smith and he was the only one who knew the com bination. Experts gave it up as a bad job. Then Mr. Swett said he would try Swett says he has been a Spiritualist for forty years and has about twenty five 'spirit guides.' One of the guides he says, is an Indian girl, and she is the one, he states, who saw Col. Smith in the other world and got from him the combination and transmitted it, thus enabling the safe to be opened.

The world does move! A few years ago neither man nor woman of out spoken Spiritualistic or freethinking proclivities were honored by the sover eign states to represent them, or given charge where rested great responsibil ity, while to-day, the lady in charge of Idaho's Art and Industries at the St. Louis World's Fair, Mrs. C. J. Johnson whose husband is an honored contrib utor to The Progressive Thinker), is an outspoken freethinker and an excellent nedium. Her picture appeared lately in the St. Louis Sunday Star. The ap-pointing power did not ask about her celief, but knew that she was a woman of energy, perseverance and ability. This may encourage the timid one among us to step to the front, and let the world know that they are alive.

Mrs. Walter Tooley writes from Findlay, Ohio: "Mrs. Nina Challen, of To-ledo, Ohio, has been with us this last week, giving lectures and test circles, bringing souls to the light. She is a diligent worker, not alone for the money, but for the good she can do."

That One Thousand Dollar Offer.

To the superficial and casual observer t looks reasonable and feasible.

But because it has not been accepted. and may not be accepted, Spiritualism will not fall into discredit and go into degeneracy therefor.

All Spiritual manifestations are as surely in accordance with conditions and the law governing spirit return as is the coming into this life of the new-born infant, which comes only in accordance with conditions and the law governing the same. So far as I am competent to measure and judge, the situation here being considered, the conditions and a knowledge of the law of mediumship comes not within the province of human understanding.

Suppose in mid-winter Mr. Hale shall offer \$1,000 for a peach to materialize on a branch of a peach tree, with color fragrance and flavor.

The offer of \$1,000 would not produce a single peach. He must wait for favorable conditions to mature, when under nature the beautiful peach with all its sweetness will surely materialize. A medium cannot work his or her me-

diumship at will. Mediumship is a gift, just as our fac-

ulties, or our hands or feet. All these have our hest care an

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Please join us on our next one woods. on July 24. Sunday evening service at S o'clock at 319 E. 55th street. Psychic manifestations by Mrs. Kline and other mediums." The New Thought Federation which

wes perfected by the executive committee elected by the convention held in Chicago last November, has made arrangements for holding the fourth New Thought Convention in St. Louis, Mo., October 25 to 28, inclusive. It will be international in scope and character, merging the work inaugurated by the International Metaphysical League and that of the Chicago New Thought Federation.

H. W. Henderson writes from Law rence, Kans., that the camp-meeting at Ottawa will not be held this year. Long continued rains and floods, destruction of furniture, racking of buildings, inundating grounds, etc., are the reasons given for not holding the camp as usual.

Mrs. L. J. Jaquet writes: "The Evangelical Spiritual meetings will close during the months of July and August. I will still continue my Wednesday afternoon and Saturday evening circles in my parlors."

H. F. Coates writes: "I wish to announce that I will be at home, 233 East Thirty-second street, during the summer, for work as usual. I will also con duct services at Kenwood Hall, 4308 Cottage Grove avenue, each Sunday at 8 p. m. Many halls are closed and many are seeking a Sunday service. We invite you to our hall where the best of mediums are to be heard."

Dr. P. T. Johnson writes from Bat-Mich., in reference to Creek. Farmer Riley's sickness: "I wish to say for the benefit of all, that Farmer Riley is at my house, confined to his bed, suffering with a severe attack of inflammatory fever, and has been for the last two weeks, and his recovery seems slow. I don't think he will be able this summer or fall to give any seances, or fill any of his engagements, though his guides think they will be able to get him out in a few days: My guides have done everything possible for him. All send your thoughts for his speedy re-We can't afford to let him pass covery. on vet."

A Friend writes from St. Louis, Mo.: "On last Sunday evening, notwith-standing the fact that President H. D. Barrett was lecturing at the Pine street Temple, and the renowned Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond was at the Odeon, How ard's hall was filled with an appreciative audience. After a short lecture by C. W. Stewart, Mrs. Folsom invited Miss Ella Preston to come forward and for a short time that excellent psychic entertained the people. Mrs. Folsom was then blindfolded and gave several readings from cards that were sent up, and then she removed the bandage from her eyes and under control of Spirit Carson she gave fifteen independent writings, all of which were recognized in the space of ten minutes. The written messages were all given under strict test conditions and the audience was carried away with enthusiasm Mrs. Folsom is a truly wonderful medium and the courage she displays in go ing on with her work despite her ter rible afflictions and ill health, is the o wonder and admiration of her hosts of friends in St. Louis."

Mrs. E. Whittier writes from N. Andover, Mass.:: "I do dearly love The Progressive Thinker; it is half my life. see other papers of this kind, but I bave never seen one yet that can begin with yours.'

Mrs. Florence Terry writes from Wellington, Ohio: "Our Methodist minister, Mr. Gross, is giving a series of sermons on 'Delusions.' The first of this series he delivered last evening on Spiritualism, and for his scripture lesson he read the first 16 verses of I. ing the question was the one mistaken Samuel, 28th chapter. You understand, Both could speak and write the Ger only the first 16 verses. He held Spiritualism up to ridicule. He used no logic, and what he told concerning the ism was only what he had heard or read. Our society of less than a dozen counts five from his flock. This shows very plainly why he felt called upon to make us a subject for his best efforts. The Spiritualists are adding to their number the intellectual middle-aged adult, while the churches in general must be content with recruits from the nursery. Does Mr. Gross think that by stepping upon Spiritualists he is mount-ing higher in the estimation of the or-

thodox people? A poor way indeed to climb, and very uncertain. We as American born citizens are endowed by our creator with certain unalienable rights, and in the pursuit of happiness we shall embrace whatsoever religion appeals most to our reason and common sense.

Dr. Beverly writes: "Our meetings are a success for the time of year. All the faithful have not left the city, and we are here to stay. We have a cool hall, being cooled by electric fans, and plenty of room, and a fine ventilation. Dr. Temple has rendered good service. Sarah Thomas has been with us two bundays and fine talent is on hand to entertain. Every Sunday evening Walter'DeVoe gives us some of the rich cream from the great ocean of truth. Mrs. Herrington will have charge of the Success Circle and Happy Health Club. These vibrations are sent daily to members in all parts of the world. Osme and join us."

man language, but I could not. This was a test for me of spirit knowledge and force. The grand philosophy of progression came to me later, and has been the means of making me a better and a happier woman than all my former experience in church life. I was brought up a Methodist. I still like the habit of calling each other sister and brother. I can take in the whole world, but I feel sick of the terms reverend and pastor, and the christening of infants, and I may as well say it all, invocations. I heard too much of that when I was in church bondage." Mrs. John Brown, Sr., writes from San Francisco, Cal.: "It will afford

great pleasure to the unseen if you will allow me a small space in your valuable paper to announce to your intellectual readers that they soon will be treated to a feast of good things through the mediumship of Miss Mae elor and friend." Hunt, who is now residing in San-Francisco, and whose work consists of vari-

ous phases, and some of which are unend the meetings at Scottish hall, cer known to the present generation. Miss Hunt has been before the public as a tainly miss hearing something that speaker and test medium more or less for several years, but for the past few months was withdrawn from the public work preparatory for a higher, grander and more specific work of which you will hear more anon as the work progresses. The work consists of readings mail and otherwise, meetings and circles of various kinds of which will be losophy of life and mediumship, written many descriptive and explana-tory letters affording much interesting.

He cred protection.

says: "I have read with great pleasure From an experience in observation (I your book, 'In the World Celestial.' It am not a medium) covering a period of s a charming book, whether it be a more than fifty years witnessing many phases of mediumship, my advice to mediums is to give the \$1,000 offer a dream or a reality. I can easily conceive how it could be a dream and more real than a great multitude of what we wide go-by. The chances are that some call objective realities. Your effort tends to place a rational foundation un-Your effort unfairness in producing conditions would be dominated, and a failure der our belief in an inner world, in immight follow, and this by the stupid mortality. It is, to me, a very suggestworld would go to the ends of the earth. This would cause a backset to Spiritual-T. W. Sherk writes: "Rev. Harry J. ism. It would entail grievous mortifica-Moore's second lecture at the Church of tion and much wasted time by Spiritu-Spirit Communion 4308 Cottage Grove

alists in submitting explanations. Again, suppose it be a success and venue, last Sunday evening, attracted full house. We wish he could have the medium receive the \$1,000. I would be glad for her or him. But that is all een with us longer, and hope to have im with us again when his camp-meet the good it would do. Mr. Hale himng engagements have come to an end. self would not believe it. The Jamie-It is one of the beauties of Spiritualism sons would not believe it. And why that its methods have not become forshould Spiritualists care whether they believe or not? mal and stereotyped, but on the con-

The joy and the sweet consolation which Spiritualism brings, fills the hearts of all who are conscious of the ual working and speaking in his own way as the spirit moves. Mr. Moore's methods are distinctly his own. He continuity of life.

The invitation goes out to all to come. The still small voice in each breast will guide and help to get some of his emphatic statements might he resented by some investigators were knowledge which will give more it not that he keeps his audiences in constant good humor. Next Sunday evening Dr. Randall will lecture and sweetness to life than all else beside. JOHN CADWALLADER. Anderson, Ind.

> THE PRAYER OF THE CHRISTIAN MILLIONAIRE.

Mrs. S. R. Pierson writes from Bow-en's Mills, Mich.: "Mrs. John Lindsey Jesus, lover of my soul." of Grand Rapids, Mich., has finished her Give me ninety-five per cent; work in Middleville, and is here at our home in Bowen's Mills. We had a very While the money in doth roll I'll be filled with sweet content. 'Hide me, Oh, my Savior, hide,' While I make the dollars fast, pleasant visit and held two home cir cles, at which the independent voices Safe into my safe they'll glide, came, and we were very much pleased to hear from our friends. The work of You'll receive thy poor at last.

the Spiritualists at this place is nearly 'Other refuge have I none." at a standstill at present, as it is draw Save my bonds and notes for me; ing near to camp-meeting time. Mrs While I skin each poor man's son, For support I'll look to thee. Lindsey starts home to Grand Rapids to-day to make ready for Mount Pleas All my trust on thee is stayed," To my usury I'll cling, For my scheme is neatly played, Mrs. J. E. Bower writes from Detroit

Mich.: "'By their fruits ye shall know them,' was truly verified as the friends 'Neath the shadow of thy wing. Plenteous grace with thee is found.' athered in the parlors of Mrs. Laura Let new victims now drop in; L. Crawford, the occasion being her last Let them each with cash abound Make, oh, make for me more tin. Thou of life the fountain art," Let me draw long life from thee. Plate with gold my marble heart, given by the several mediums assist Count my gains eternally.

JAS. H. YOUNG. ing, and were well received. We have some exceptionally dine local med'ums. Onset, Mass. As a fitting finale to the harmonious

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which cannot fall to entertain, instruct A remarkable book, of intense interand spiritually inspire them to renew the battle of life in this world as well as est to all, whether Spiritualists or Ma to revive their spiritual hopes. I have attended Mr. Perkins' meetings several terialists, investigators or believers. .The author has embodied in this book an account of his wonderful perimes and I can say, I, as well as the antire audience was interested and en sonal experience, and has culled from tertained from start to finish, in his re-freshing methods of presenting the phi other sources the experiences of others: including scientists of world-wide re oute, making a volume of great value; his singing alone is worth the paltry dime 538 octavo pages. Price, cloth. \$2.

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THE WIDOW'S MITE gathering a beautiful diamond ring was presented Mrs, Crayford as a token of the love they, bore their pastor, coun-AND OTHER PSYCHIC PHENOMENA. Dr. Eves writes to the Philosophical Journal, Cal.: "Those who do not at

public circle until the autumn months. Over one hundred partook of ice cream and cake she had so thoughtfully provided, after listening to a fine program, music and recitations. The tests were Wely 28, 1904.

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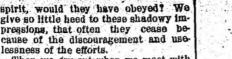
nue, "and who has paid his dues can go

vouldn't go without his blind granny.

"'No,' he said, 'I can't go out in the

But I want to tell you what the Sun-

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When we dry out when we meet with accidents, "Why, if there be guardian spirits, do they not warn us of our danger?" If we had a telephone in our louse, wo would not expect messages through it, unless we had the connec tions perfect. If the wires were de-

This department is under the man-Address him at Berlin Heights, Ohio. NOTE-The Questions and Answers have called forth such a host of respondents, that to give all equal hearsubjects, and then cry out because we were not protected, when we did not ing compels the answers to be made in most condensed form, and often

jected it had it been offered. alone, it never would do so. . It may

Were mankind under the tutelage of spirits, as this correspondent appears to think most desirable, namby-pamby infants instead of independent men and women would be the result. Evils, negligence, etc., dark ways of greed, grow, until by their own blind stupidity

nonymous 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 the name will not be published. The NOTICE .- No attention will be given

correspondence of this department has there are always instances of persons become excessively large, especially let who received warning. There has ters of inquiry requesting private an been published several such about the swers, and while I freely give what Iroquois horror, where by heeding, the ever information I am able, the ordi-nary courtesy of correspondents is ex-wreck, years ago, furnished several re-HUDSON TUTTLE. pected.

Dr. E. Limsford: Q. What are the facts in relation to the "miraculous" breaking out of a spring of water in Andersonville prison yard, in answer to prayer or otherwise?

There can be no doubt about the spring "breaking out." and at a most opportune time. The cause of its so doing, of course, depended on natural forces, for the explanation by "miracle" is not to be entertained at the present time. There has been as much need and far more a thousand times, of interference of divine power in the affairs of of all scientific investigation, and which men, to stay the hand of cruelty and wrong, and prayers have been offered ad infinitum, and the interference has world. That truth is, that Life is Eternot come. If the geological formation of that section is carefully studied, the bursting forth of a spring will not be considered miraculous. The only importance attaches to the time.

I have learned from a soldier confined in Andersonville at the time, that there was a terrific thunderstorm, with flood of rain, and immediately afterwards the spring broke out. The cause was entirely natural and only the superstitious would refer it to miracle.

Verona Miller: Q. I have heard a wrote: great deal of "angel guides," and have been inclind to believe in these invisible helpers; but the Slocum horror in which between five hundred and eight hundred innocent persons were pain-fully burned and drowned, either from the carelessness of a cook or the criminal stupidity of the captain, makes me lose all faith in so-called guides. It looks as though the spirits could tion, after the fitful fever of human life render humanity no greater service is over.

than to apprise it of such dangers. What can be the matter with the spir- written: Its who are presumably clairvoyant that

"This narrow isthmus twixt two bounddo not give warning to ward off less seas; these heart-rending disasters? The past, the future, two eternities That there are guardian angels is

This life truly is a narrow line be-

as certain as the existence of That they care for and in many ways That they care for and in many ways tween the boundless past and the boundless future beyond the grave; and direct the conduct of those they are drawn to by love and affection is not to death is the golden gate, through which doubted. The error lies in supposthe emancipated soul enters the realms ing that they should be absolute direct. ors of the conduct of those tney are of heaven! Here are two pictures. The one is

supposed to guard, and that they have that of a beautiful and accomplished omniscience power. It comes young lady, in the bloom of health and

tached, or the diaphragm covered with mud, we should show childishness of imbecility in berating the instrument because it was silent. Yet we cover the vibrating diaphragm of our minds with the thick crust of absorption in busi-ness or pleasure, and filled with the one thought or idea, like the hypnotized

ask for protection and would have re-Unless a child is encouraged to walk

fall, that is a part of the lesson.

club are not of a nature to break him. You can send a flower to a shut-in or give an automobile to our blind bables' ome at Bartow-on-the-Sound. Either and disregard of rights, they perish. Often, too often, the innocent are imentitles you to membership. "You see our cabinet," indicating a large glass cabinet filled with a jumble

of things. fresh air bables are received and given out here. them, another by giving little flannel sacks for the babies... markable cases. Yet from the constitu-Here two small boys came in to make tion of things such warnings must be arrangements for sending a third to the

country.

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rare, depending as they do on the sensitiveness of the receiver, his willing ness to obey the often scarcely distin guishable prompting, and the pre science and harmonious affection of the spirit friend.

Life is Eternal.

There is one great central truth, taught by all animate nature; a truth which is the foundation of the grand philosophy of Spiritualism, the support embraces all there is of any value in ator for an invalid woman. "You might swap the organ, for a rethe religious systems known to the frigerator," suggested the reporter. "We won't have to do that,", smiled Mrs. Alden. "We get whatever we ask nal. What we call death is, practically a meaningless term. At most it de Mrs. Alden. notes merely the absence of life. And for. I asked for a carriage for the blind when applied to mankind it denotes the bables last week and got it. "There are plenty of rich people perchange from incarnate life to the higher and broader existence hereafter. fectly able and willing to give, what is needed for these children, if they only know about it. We tell them. "We will ask for this refrigerator and get a doz-en. In all probability they will shower The poets of earth, who have occu-pied a kind of intermediate station between earthly and heavenly existences have always recognized the eternity of life, and the true meaning of death. No refrigerators on us until we shall have what else you have done th help some true poet ever doubted the glorious continuity of life. The gifted Addison to beg them to stop.

"Tis the divinity that stirs within us:

country to help others. "In Memphis the newsboys raised Tis heaven itself that points out an hereafter And intimates eternity to man.'

\$400 for a newsboy who had been run over and had lost both arms. You see, they give entertainments at which each Yes, heaven itself has breathed into boy does whatever he can do best to the soul of man the hope for immortal-ity, which is surely the anchor of the amuse the audience. Strange things they are, too, sometimes.' Playing they are, too, sometimes." Playing mumble-peg, for instance, whistling, or soul, and which will end in happy frui

dancing a clog. "But the most pitiful thing about Moore, another master of poetry, has this was that the boy couldn't' use his wooden arms after they had bought them for him. He wore them three days. When they gathered about him then, distressed at seeing him without

them, he said: "It's no use boys. They won't buy my papers when they see me with my two good arms."

"It was true. People bought papers from boys who could run to them and

HUMANITARIAN , WORK, ILLUS- 150 to the almshouse! We took her out | ful to be done by a child of 5? See the \$1; Sarah C. Allen, \$1; E. Reynolds, \$1 and sent her to the #bm@ for the aged, tiny little stitches. She is making a wm. G. Sayer, \$1; J. L. Rea, \$1; Addi and now she keeps duricalized in order patchwork guilt, this child. for us. TRATED BY CHILDREN.

"Now, I want you to look at that little delicate girl over there, sitting so upfor us. "You would be suffrised," returning to Consider-How Many Spiritualist to the subject nearest her heart, "how right in the chair: She is one of those many children are laying for scholar-ships for other children and taking care Societies Are There in the United States That Make a Specialty of As-States That Make a Specialty of As-sisting Those Who Are Sadiy Unfor-tunate, and Who Need More Sunshine bave races. They charge is cent admispounds. It should have weighed only sion. With these out is tiley send one three. 10: 119 boy to school.

The Sunshine Club.

The Sunshine Club, as set forth in "In Buffalo the childrent held a sale ally fading away in this prison-like memory of her mother, \$1; Alex, Her. or the support of a day hursery, so that thing. Her family sat by quietly wait inger, \$1; Mrs. Flavia Thrall, \$1; Mrs. the New York Sun, has opened a sum-mer home at Bridgeport, Conn, to for the support of a day hursery, so that which relays of New York children in the little mothers could go to school. need of fresh air will be sent from time You don't know who these little mothto time, some to stay, for two weeks, ers are! They are the older girls of others the entire heated term. "Any child who is a member of our

the families, girls of 8 and 10, who care for the babics, for very soon after the doctor. He took off the cast and the club in good standing," said its presi-dent, Mrs. Cynthia Westover, Alden, at out to work again, you know. horrible thing that held her head pin-"There are thousands of these little mothers in New York." The street car ever since. I am glad she is going to Bridgeport. We hope she will get quite conductors are well acquainted with them. They put a baby 'on the car, then wait and call for it when the car has made the round of the city. The Though she was no longer encased in the plaster cast, her position showed conductor knows the Sunshine baby

and watches after it. The trolley ride is often the only fresh air treat for the slum baby that "Articles needful for the can't go to the country. Our members. among the shopgirls; often call at the homes of these bables, take one out for "It is like the measure of the widow's a trolley ride, and bring it back again.

meal, never quite empty. You see the little pink sunbonnets? A downtown firm pays its annual dues by donating raised \$27 by dancing, picked out a baby and began paying its board at boring girl. Trumbull Mension, our home on the Sound."

"Mrs. Cynthia M. Trogear is the mat ron there. She is a professional nurse "It is wonderful how disinterested. If you are very sympathetic you would children are," said Mrs. Alden, as the boys left. "I have one child who things happen.

asked me what he must do to become a

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member of he Sunshine Club.

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Final Report of the N. S. A. Secretary.

we are ready to make our final report on the result of the collection of the sum required to, win the second thou sand dollars for the Medjums' Relief Fund that was promised by the gener-ous treasurer of this association Thanks to his extension of the allotted time to July, and to the helpful and vig brous endorsement of the appeal from the good editors of the spiritual papers we have secared a much. larger sum

that month the contributions came steadily in, and our hearts were made glad by the sympathetic words and financial donations that came from fau and near; as late as July 5, they came

helped across the street." used for the needy mediu I told him. "Aw, what yer givin" me?' he cried, '' ain't never seen a blind man on this crossin' before 1 got to be a member of ful to all for their timely help, we ask the public not to forget the Mediums Relief Fund, and to realize that it will always need aid if the aged and worn

Quire, Our last report-of \$602.82-included all donations to June 1. Since then the following sums have been received, making a total from the public at large of \$1,432.45-a goodly sum, which will live there until homes are found for cause every contributor to the same to rejoice in heart.

day lectures. Mrs. Gillespie ended her

tribution. \$3.50: collections at parlor

Passed to spirit life from his home in Wright, \$1; G. Posenhaus, \$1; Dr. R. L. Chase, \$1; "Truth Seeker" T. S. A., sec-ond contribution, \$1; Mrs. L. D. Bunker, Los Angeles, Cal., July 5, H. P. Dryden, in his 69th year. He was for many years an earnest worker in the Presby-\$1; "Lone One in Michigan," \$1; Geo terian church, but for the last fifteen Acres, \$1; Georgiana Staples Daws, \$1 A Friend-A. E., \$1; Will S. Bassett years has been a staunch Spiritualist.

11 Read This List of 1 son Wood, \$1; A. M. B., \$1; Alice M. Eaton, \$1; "A Reader of The Progress ive Thinker in Lapeer, Mich., \$1; Fred Bruner, Island of Luzon, \$1; "Arizona, \$1; Mrs. J. M. Tefft, \$1; J. S. Tull, \$1 PREMIUMS. "For two years she was in a plaster E. Whiting, \$1; Michael Hurley, \$1; cast. Her head had been placed as in Mrs. M. L. McMillen, \$1; Chas. W. Wil a vise. The plaster cast weighed 61/2 sens, \$1; J. A. Cash, \$1; Mrs. A. P. Os born, \$1: Mrs. T. Hoffman, \$1; Chas T. Fisher, \$1; Fritz Orbrock, \$1; H. Rom

bach, \$1; J. M. K., \$1; Mrs. Owings, in

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mond, \$1: Eliza J. Armitage \$1: Henri-

etta Straub, \$1; Mrs. M. E. Day, \$1; "Widow's Mite," from Long Beach

Cal., \$1; Jacob Nowak & Son, second

contribution, \$1; A. R. Cooper, \$1; A Friend in East Clarendon, Ohio, \$1; E.

. Sweet, \$1; Joseph Saunders, \$1; Phil-

Elsie Hornbeck, 10 cents; Spirit Lily

Total received from beginning of call,

including previous reports, \$1,432. 45, and the ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS

promised, which is now in the N. S. A.

treasury for the Medlums' Relief-mak-

Our sincere thanks and grateful ac-

Lake Brady Camp. Ohlo.

we feel she has walked up the ladder

The sentiments presented were in the

line of higher thought. She continued

the same idea in the afternoon, taking

as a subject, The Higher Education

She gave a number of messages at the

held in the auditorium on Friday even

ing. Messages were given by Mrs. Gil-

lespie and Rev. Cora Benton, Toledo, O.

fine thought was presented. Mrs. Ben ton followed the lecture with messages

that none could gainsay. The Ladies

Auxiliary met at the close of the lec-

ture. The minutes were read and off

cers were chosen for the coming year.

Cleveland excursion

afternoon on the Soul Forces.

Mr. Benton gave a lecture Saturday

Very

trains

close of her lecture. A seance was

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"Not long ago she told me she said something to a blind boy. He did not To the Editor :--- It is now July 8, and country and leave her at home. So, of answer. By and by she went up to him course, we will send blind granny along, and touched him on the shoulder. "Why didn't you answer me?" she she was again interrupted, this time asked, not in an unkind way, but very by a pretty young woman, who came with her husband to donate an, organ for the home of the blind bables. She ing to me? I didn't know that Nobody "'Oh!' said the child; 'wore you talk-ing to me? I didn't know that, Nobody

who are to go to Bridgeport.

death is often a relief.

"When we found her she was gradu-

ing for her to die, in that calm way

common to the very poor, to whom

"Then we' brought her here to our

ioned, and she has been getting well

well there out in the sunshine and air,"

The reporter looked at the child. She

was practically a living skeleton.

than we at first called for, as will be

knowledgements are also extended to the editors of the Spiritual papers for their unfailing help. With cordial greetings to all friends, scen below. In the early part of June we were some hundreds behind the 600 Pennsylvania Avenue S. E., Washthousand dollars asked for, but through

had hardly taken her departure, when another came in, asking for a rofriger blind children never complain-nobody ever talks to me. That is for these but the radiator.' When brightly, "But that pops awful fine 'sometimes,' he

"I think of all the afflicted, the blind are the most pitiful," she went on presently. "And there are so many of them. Recently a newsboy on the corner of Fourteenth street and Broadway

"There is an old it hind man,' I an-swered, 'Help him across the street. opened by the president, I. N. Rouse one of the largest contributions reach-Kent, Ohio. Mrs. H. S. Russell of Alli-Then, the next timed see you, tell me ing us on the third of this month. ance, sang two appropriate solos. Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie of San Francisco, To one and all contributors, the N. S. . sends its most grateful expression "It was a month before I saw him opened the lecture course for the sea of appreciation and its hearty thanks: son. Mrs. Gillespie spoke in her usual its medium pensioners will also add pleasing way. Since our last meeting

shine children are doing all 'over the again. He came running up to me, breathlessly, showing me a paper upon which were twenty seven black marks. ""All blind men, he papted, that I their silent thanks and blessings for all who have sped this good work along. Although the sum secured exceeds the amount asked for, every penny will be ms, and it will not be long before it will all be used as our pension bill averages over an hundred a month. Therefore while grate

> "Of course the members of the club are the limited to children of the chur children. Many rich women are inter-ested in this home in Briffgeport. On July 1' those will come of a "life" addono-biles to take the children out for an are to be cared for as their needs re "Our home at Hillcrest is given us by its owner. A certain number of boys

them elsewhere among families. "Rich children assist the poor ones. helped to swell the number at the Sun L. Andrews, in memory of Mrs. A. R. hold out their arms, begging them to hold out their arms, begging them to huy, but they passed by this boy with his two nerveless wooden arms, not, in-wand and turns them into Sunshiners. Mrs. Lucy Somers, \$20; collected by the mains from July 17 to July 24.

W., \$1; Mrs. A. Conrad, \$1; Mrs. S. S. Geer, \$1; M. D. F., \$1; Matilda T. Grumthe effect. The attenuated limbs were bold, \$1; John F. Handlon, \$1; W. G. rigid. The small head, with its face of Smith, \$1; Marie Bradley, \$1; A. Tam bling, \$1; Ella M. Gross, \$1; Alf. Fair the pallid yellowness of old marble, held itself firmly in the position it had been forced to assume, the dark eyes hurst, \$1; N. J. Hedeen, \$1; E. Severn, looking out dully. The reporter looked quickly away to-\$1: Chas. Holland, second contribution \$1; James E. Tyhurst, \$1; Susan Jones, \$1; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Place, \$1; Wash ward the cheerful little liar who was laughingly whispering-lies possibly, but, ob, such cheerful lles-to a neigh-

ington, Pa., Society, \$1; Elizabeth Schauss, \$1; Clara Walson, \$1; Karl Es kelsen, \$1; C. L. Eskelson, 50 cents; S. "I am glad, too," she sighed. E. Price, 50 cents; Minnie Gazeley, 50 cents; Friends, Hartford, Mich., 50 cts.; Ellen Howe, 50 cents; S. S. Hammatt, MEDIUMS RELIEF FUND. 50 cents: G. N., Glenville, Ohio, 50 cents; D. O. Carlson, 50 cents, Mrs. A. Walton, 25 cents; Nicholas Becker, 25 cents; Ernest Schellenberger, 25 cents; A Friend, Jamestown, N. Y., 25 cents

Belle, 10 cents.

ington, D. C.

from the old ideas of spirit, and not from the recent understanding of spirit-of heaven itself. Her soul is as pure as being as taught by Spiritualism.

There can be no more vigilant guard- warm and steadfast as heavenly love; angel than a loving mother. Just her mind as clear as a cloudless sky ar as it is possible for her knowl- Her laugh is the sweetest music; her and ability to allow she warns her conversation enchanting. She is more ren, and shields them. . She may fit for the companionship of angels than Clearly foresee danger for them, and that of the erring mortals of earth. Our they will not be warned. She may not whole nature revolts at the idea that with her limitations foresee. Should she can ever cease to be. We know iff the mother in the midst of the cares for our souls that she will live forever! r family leave this life for the next, Here is another picture. The finge she would become instead of a guardian of God has touched this beautiful being mother a guardian angel. She would and she sleeps. We look upon her not be greatly changed, nor become be wasted earthly form in the -cold em cause of her transition, prescient with brace of death. Her eyes have closed prophetic knowledge. She could not be always present with all her loved ones, again be heard upon earth. Her cold and would find insurmountable difficulhands rest upon her breast and she is ties in impressing them when there was clothed for the silent grave. For the need.

last time we gaze upon the wasted feat-Take the disaster of the Slocum as ures before us, and feel in our souls example of all others, and see how this that she who occupied the prostrate constantly repeated objection to the beform before us has entered a higher and lief in the care of spirit friends will apbetter life beyond this earth. We intuiply. It is true as has been said, that tively feel that she is not dead, nor can some spirit might have overlooked the she die.

equipments of the steamer and have in-We feel, as we look upon the face of formed all interested in the dangers of taking passage on a boat, where greed Pope, when, on the threshold of the had combined with official corruption. grave he said, "I am so certain of the To do this, the spirit must have had a goul being immortal, that I seem to knowledge of engineering and marine feel it within me as if it were by intuequipments, and having ascertained the lition. CARL C. POPE.

NEW BOOK.

facts would have been met with the great difficulty of finding a proper me-

dium through whom to communicate. The government has appointed officials to do this inspection, and it is their duty, not the angels'. There are their duty, not the angels. There are many people who would have their spir-it friends most abject slaves to their de-sires. They want them to be eyes and ears, and helping hand. Sentinels on duty day and night, and absolutely for love, and without thanks as reward! Suppose in the instance furnished by the Slocum, the spirit friends of those who were to attend the ill-fated outing, had foreseen, or been informed by some one who had by knowledge of causes and effects been enabled to perceive the coming disaster. These spirits, when would have found excitement and antic-written a book with this title: ation and the sensitiveness essential CHIC LIGHT-THE CONTINUITY OF r the reception of impressions over-LAW AND LIFE." It is a ponderous ipation and the sensitiveness essential shadowed. Had they succeeded in pro-ducing a sense of possible danger, the recipient would have put it aside, or if he had expressed it, would have been laughed at as timid or comparison

laughed at as timid or cowardly. The fact, the undeniable fact, is that \$1.50 postpaid.

all persons are sensitive more or less, and at times receive impressions, which as a rule they call vagaries of fancy and ing. One of Miss Whiting's most sugpay no heed to. Of all the thousand who went on that steamer, had any been impressed not to go by the still and scarcely recognizable influence of a Price \$1.

"How Shall | Become a Medium," Fully Answered

In 'Mediumship and Its Laws, Its Conditions' That is Emily Elwell," explained in the elashest of the second contribution, \$1; A. J. Goodrich and on the Garneid issue of \$5 bills. Twen-interview establishment. "They work through the day now and B. F. Randall, \$1; Elik. Wilson Marchant, \$1; D. Heke, \$1; Elik. Wilson Marchant, \$1; D. Heke, \$1; Elik. Wilson Marchant, \$1; D. Heke, \$1; Elik. Wilson Marchant, \$1; Mrs. Allen, as she resulted to us of eventhisters you would "We found her in the elashest of the discrete of a clubroom. Something 'they' sew and Cultivation," by Hudson Tuttle. Price 35 Cents. Send to Mr. Tuttle, Berlin Heights, O.

and the second second

derstanding that he was a cripple. the unfallen snow; her affections as

is by rummage sales. They go from house to house, begging for old cast off things, then they have a sale.³ "Then they make iron holders. You have no idea how well iron fielders sell.

"A football team has sent us 37 cents for ice water for the babies." That is, they paid 10 cents car fare for the president, who brought us the rest, 27 cents in all. That paid the dues of the entire club, however, besides which we got up a box of things out of our cabinet for them, with something in it for each

member of the team. "In Colorado the Sunshiners got up a picnic to go to Pike's Peak. They paid apiece and sent \$1.55 to the wo cent Blind Babies' Home. "In their enthusiasm these children

do some very beautiful things. In one country place they saw an old man dig-

ging a grave for a child. "'Let us line this little grave with flowers,' they said, and went about picking bluebells and buttercups and every flower they could find. When the mother and father saw the little grave so beautifully lined with flowers for their

baby, they sobbed aloud. "Down in Charleston there are thirty three Sunshiners who have planned to build a house of two small rooms for an old lady. Each child brings a brick or

a shingle, just as he can get it. A Sun-shiner who is a carpenter of the neighborhood has given enough timber to help in the work. In order to "raise funds for the house rummage sales are given every month at the home of the

"In the Brookign branch the girls are

that are worn by boys and girls at the summer home at Bridgeport. They gather around their president, Lawrence Allin of Borough Park, who is a cripple and sits all day long in a wheeled chair. They talk to him and amuse him while they sew.

our Sunshiners. He taught a crippled

while, the child was obliged to, move, ready to begin teaching them. too. The movement of the dog jerked

him up and about. ("In this way his limbs grew so strong that after a time he walked without difficulty. The dog is now a hero with difficulty. The dog is now a hero wi us and fully realizes his importance." An old woman very neatly, dressed in

The proceeds of these entertainments | First Association, New York City, sec-"Never mind,' the other boys said are given to the fund. New York has ond contribution, \$14.42; Ladies' Pro-him, you can wear your wooden the Golden Hour Home, from which gressive Aid Society, Ft. Wayne, Ind., "Never mind, the other boys said are given to the rund, New Fork the gressive Aid Society, Ft. Wayne, Ind., arms on Sundays, Billy." Wolden the Golden Hour Home, from which fourteen children will go next week to super the boys and super the home at Bridgeport. You must go meeting of Philadelphia Spiritualist So-

The Golden Hour Home, which is at contribution, \$12; seance by Loe F. Prior and her friends, \$11.50; collected 241 East Nineteenth street, was organ-"Boston," \$10; S. A. Burgess, \$10; H. M. ized two years ago. Its expenses are and contributed by Mrs. B. Mu paid by two New York women, mother The Rhode Islandl Sunshiners have put and daughter. The girls of the East Edmiston, second contribution, \$10; Elise Stumpfe and German Society of an old woman into the home by selling Side are invited to make this their Brooklyn, N. Y., \$10; H. L. Olden, \$10; Mrs. J. W. Wheeler, \$10; Members and home.

They come after school in the winter. when a bowl of hot soup and bread and friends of Eimira, N. Y., society, \$5.50; butter are ready for them. In the spring Dana, Ill., Association, \$5.91; meeting fruit, bread and tea take the place of by Profs, Bartlett and Manier, New the soup. In the summer they come at Haven, \$5.10; Mrs. E. W. Morse, \$5; S in the morning, and stay until their Agnes O. Wink, \$5: Mrs. Milton Rathmothers, who work out, come for them at night.

A pretty, bright little girl of 9 or 10 opened the door for the reporter and contribution, \$5; Susan Jack, \$5; F. H. found the matron, Mrs. Wicks, for her. Morrill, \$5; Henry Hanson, \$5; Mary

"That little girl," explained Mrs. R. Galloway, \$5; Laura Burdick, \$5; S. Wicks, "has been almost trained to S. Burdick, \$5; Alloe Cheesboro, \$5; truthfulness here. At first I thought we should never be able to do anything Evans, \$6; Juliana F. Hyde, \$5; Albert with her. We couldn't believe a word Bodman; \$5; Mary A. Thompson, \$5;

she said. Now, we cault wholly rely on Harmonial Philosophical German Soher, but she has improved so you'd be clety of Lawrence, Mass., \$5; T. L. Lamsurprised. "She comes early in the morning and Albert, \$5; circle by Mrs. J. W. Storrs, stays until 8 at night, Her mother works in a restaurant. Before we took works in a restaurant. Before we took Dorn and Newark, N. J., Society, \$5; C. her she ran the streets. Is that you B., a Friend, \$5; Mrs. S. Snyder and Freda? Run along, dear."

When the child way ouite gone: "She listens to every 'tort," Mrs. Wicks whispered, "and invariably, repeats what you don't say, T'am afraid we chall wears he she to the tort here the shall never be able to trust her,"

She showed the reporter through the house, which was very neat and well furnished. At the dining-room table sat a young woman dressed in black.

"That girl," said Mrs. Wicks, in the hall, "supports her motion and ten chil-dren. She works in "ohe of the large dry mode stores" """ el dry goods stores."

dry goods stores." "How can she?" asked the reporter, "On the salary she must ge??" "The poor live on tea and bread," ex-plained Mrs. Wicks, "which is not expensive. But her holfte is 'blean. That ''Augusta'' Wis., \$3; Nelson Adams, is more than you cal'say³ for most of them, and yet to looFat filese girls you wouldn't think it." di "nu" Geo. Bliger, \$2; Mrs. Whitehead, \$2;

Which was true, for at that moment our Sunshiners. He taught a crippied which was true, for at that moment baby to walk. The child had been left on the floor tied to a chair while its which the girls wired congregated mother worked out for such a length of time that its limbs became partly par-alyzed.

"We fastened a rope to the dog and bound for Bridgeport in They were another to the child. Then when the mainly girls of 13 to 16 aneatly, and dog jumped up and ran to bark at many of them rather sylfanly dressed. something, which it did every little A young music teacher sate at the piano

"We have helped these girls for two years," said Mrs. Wicks, from the vantage ground of the next room into which she had led the reporter. "First they came to us from the "streets running wild here on the East Side. "Welet them stay here. Then, after blue checked gingham and long white a time, we found them places in stores, apron arose from the table near the where they could earn s little money to. apron arose from the table mean she where they consider. That pretty girl door where she had been placing envel. help their families. That pretty girl opes in a drawer and put the drawer in with the red necktie is a clerk in a mil-

Mrs. Eliza McDonell. Mrs. Emma Rullman and Mrs. Ebertshauser are kocated on the Lake Brady grounds near the camp and register as clairvoyants and life readers.

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"No, they are not all white," persisted George, " ought to know, for I was there. They played and sang. I walked up the golden streets and saw the walks of jasper and other precious stones. Whenever the Lord came there was a big lot of bright light, but when Hc spoke to me the light was around his head at

ball, tag or marbles. He would rather read his beloved Bible. Such work is a passion for him. He

does not care to read secular books or newspapers and manifests little or no interest in such things as the Russo-Japanese war, the election of president and other leading topics of the day. It is a curious thing that together with this abnormal love for Bible study and interpretation, certainly extraordinary for one of,

his age, goes a marked lack of mathematical knowledge. He admitted himself that he could not tell the writer how many 3x4 are, saying it was 5. , He can count by fives, however, and by tens, his mind seeming to run on the decimal system. 100 - 100

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The little boy said he saw many persons there. He recognized Mary Magdalene in a white robe with red ribbons.

"She was a bad woman," he said, "but she won salvation by going to the Savior. Then I saw Noahno, he didn't have any animals with him; animals don't go to heaven (this with scornful glances at the writer). Noah, you know, was saved because he believed in the Lord, and all the other people were drowned. That's what was called the deluge-haven't you ever heard of it ?" (looking curiously at the writer.)

The latter answered that he had on several occasions. It was evident the diminutive Bible expoundand theological learning.

"Then I saw Samson-you've heard of him-how he took his bare hand and tore the lion to pieces," he ran on glibly. "He couldn't have done this unless the Lord had given him great strength. This strength was in his hair. Why, he could pull our house to pieces as easily as if it was paper.'

The boy preacher laid great stress on the fact that this strength was due to the Lord.

When asked how he knew he was "called" to the work of preaching the gospel, he said: "God just called me. When I was sick with typhoid - fever I heard a flutter of wings and looking up saw a host of angels coming down in a great stream of light. There were angels of all kinds and they wore long, white robes. Then while the wings were fluttering I heard a voice calling me to preach. I know it was God's. I have believed it ever since and intend to do it. -That is my work to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.'

Opposition From Parent.

The boy is a remarkable specimen of humanity. All his thoughts seem to be centered on the Bible and the Messiah. He reads the Great Book every morning and every night and prays for guidance in the seeking of truth from its pages. Despite his father's

studying it and to preaching it on the streets. As announced the other day he called at the office of the superintendent of police in Allegheny and asked for a permit to preach at the corner of Federal and Lacock streets. Assistant Superintendent of Police John Glenn was astounded at the story, as George ex-plained that the Lord had called him to preach. Upon Glenn telling him he ought to go to school first before attempting to preach, he replied:

"I can read the Bible and read it well. I never went to school and I have no education, but the Lord has provided for my shortcomings in that respect. He has opened the way for me and He preaches through mc. When I open my mouth His words come out.

Then to prove what he said he answered many questions relating to the Scriptures asked him by the police.

When asked if he preached for money, he indignantly answered : "No, sir, I do not preach for money I preach the gospel of the Lord for the people."

George's father, whose name is also George Wallace Edward, tried to dissuade the boy from getting a permit. When the latter asked his father to obtain the necessary license for him and the latter refused, the duced a system of cosmic philosophy that has since

"I have not a knowledge of the Roman notation, he remarked with a smile. Such language is certainly rare in a lad of 10 years. Of geography he cares

little and knows less. In fact, outside of the Bible he manifests little desire to learn. He uses words that one would scarcely look for from a boy of his years, but his grammar is sometimes at fault. This fall he will go to school. When he speaks on Scriptures he gradually warms to his subject and uses many gestures. laving down Biblical law with uplifted arm or pointed index-finger, or by movement of both hands and arms. Argument seems to bring out the force of his preaching. He has a habit of saying when an-

swered by a doubter, "Now let me tell you something," being not at all abashed that his hearer is er was not impressed at his hearer's fund of religious perhaps four or five times as old in this world's experience as he is. Numerous questions plied by the

writer convinced the latter that the boy has a wonderful store of Bible knowledge and in his talks draws on the parables, miracles, prophetic visions and revelations in such a manner as to astound the hearer. He follows orthodox lines as laid down by the follow-

ers of the great Wesley, and does not enunciate any new or unique religious ideas. One would say he is well trained if he were not told that the bulk of this

knowledge was gathered himself. Ever since a year ago, when he had the fever, he has been an unflagging student of the Bible.

He is not a robust lad. Prolonged study has made him delicate. He has a keen, sympathetic face, and his solemn, clerical appearance is enhanced by goldrimmed glasses. He does not wear clothes of clerical cut, as has been stated, but dons an ordinary boy's outfit, waist, knee breeches, cap and coat. He does not wear a clergyman's collar. Although serious and

apparently impressed with his mission to spread the gospel, he is not sanctimonious. Since preaching in Allegheny, George has become

known in the colored churches, and many inquiries

have been made concerning him. It is likely that he will be asked to preach in some of them, and possibly may conduct a service. It may be mentioned that this remarkable boy was born in Winchester, Va., but vigorous, persistent protests, he devotes himself to for some time past has been living in Allegheny City.

From a Psychological View Point.

The psychological phase of the colored lad's case appealed to the writer and he sought the opinion of Rev. J. Shane Nicholls, pastor of the Sixth Presbyterian church, Forbes and Murray avenues, who has made an exhaustive study of psychology and holds advanced views on spiritual affairs. Dr. Nicholls had not heard of the Edwards boy and was much inter-

ested in the Leader's recital of his sayings. "The case is very interesting," he said after some thought, "but it is not as remarkable as some well-authenticated cases of which I have read and heard. The condition of the boy's mind may be the result of

the disease he suffered a year ago or it may be one of those strange instances of subconsciousness of which we hear now and then. A vivid imagination would enable a lad to describe heaven as he has, but would hardly account for his use of unusual language for a child. Deep study and association with older folks would make him old-fashioned, as we call it, and would equip him for conversation with adults. But there are certain things which we cannot account for. "I have in mind the case of a young man who pro-

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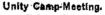
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"I wouldn't like to say that," he replied, "but some very strange things have occurred, notably the instance I have related of the man who was believed what you have told me of this little colored boy in Al- to have been dead and who upon returning to conlegheny. The psychologists declare that this is a case scionsness asserted that his soul had been separated of soul separation and the man himself is very posi- from his body and had actually been to other climes.

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mind. A certain man lay as if dead for a number of ly, but would make no comment. days ... The doctors pronounced him dead and every-days. The doctors pronounced him dead and every- ""Would you say," he was asked, "that a person body thought his soul had taken its flight. But he having a vision, or whatever you may call it, of heavcame back to life, as we say, and insisted that his soul came back to life, as we say, and insisted that his soul had actually taken a flight; that it had been wholly en, would you say that such a person actually has vis-ited the celestial land?" separated from his body and diad visited another world. The things he told were most remarkable and the circumstantial details with which he described the beyond make his case much more to marvel at than. tive in his belief that his experiences deserve to be. There are many things we do not understand."

classed in that category."