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WHITHER ARE WE DRIFTING? MAY PROVE RESURRECTION. AN INTERESTING SUBJECT. --SPIRITUALISM AND SCIENCE. SPIRITS-THEIR JOURNEYS "Puss, I have just received a letter AN IMPORTANT QUESTION. rom Mr. Hart, in which he says he Hiding the Truth for Fear of Financial Can New-Born Spirits Manifest or Con-Rev. S. Edward Young Touches on Pos-A Proposition From G. Major Taber, a can't get here until next Sunday Does the Ascended Spirit Ever Possess Even While Connected With the Phys evening. He will leaveJersey City Sat-Prominent Member of the Southern sible New Evidences of Future Any of the Animal Passions of Earth Life?—Evidence That They Do Pretrol Media? ical Body, They Traverse the urday night for Chicago. Loss. California Academy of Sciences. Existence. Celestial Regions. The following morning when Justin sented by a Prominent Medium. This is an important question and In his Easter sermon at the Second

In some of the spiritual papers and publications I have occasionally no-ticed articles expressive of different writers' ideas relative to spirits journeying away, leaving the physical body in a state of repose. Recently when reading Hudson Tuttle's grand work, "Psychic Science," the article on "Hallucinations" brought to mind several instances of which I was cognizant in the mediumship of Justin Hulburd that were in that line. Some years ago his pirit leaving his physical body was of equent occurrence. Thinking it may ssibly be interesting to some of your fiders I will relate some of which I ve personal knowledge. Of course ingere will always be skeptics, no matter the positive the evidence doubting

aghomas must express himself. In February, 1848, I made my home In Morris, Ill. I soon made the acquaintance of a congenial spirit who in later years became known throughout the state as Hon Perry A. Armstrong. We became warm friends and have continued such to the present time. Disa-bility contracted during the civil war compelled a change of climate. I never returned to make my home in Morris. but the friendship which had been cemented between Mr. Armstrong and myself was to endure for all time.

Scarcely a night passes that spirits do not come and converse with Justin. sometimes preventing sleep until near

In May of last year a spirit appeared to him who gave the name of Arm-strong, who said he knew me very well. was sleeping in an adjoining room. He conversed with Justin for some time. In the morning Justin told me of the visitation, and described the spirit. I went to the library, got a book of which my friend Armstrong was the author, containing his portrait. I showed it to Justin who immediately exclaimed, 'That is the man."

l immediately wrote to a mutual friend for particulars of his death. That friend replied under date of June 10, 1904: "Perry Armstrong is still alive. He has suffered from a cancer for several years. His friends would rot be surprised if he passed away suddenly.'

i immodiately wrote friend Arm-strong and received two letters from him during the summer. He came and materialized to Justin four times while still in the physical. His spirit passed away in December and has called to see us twice. Last night he came to Justin and said he had learned since going to spirit life that his spirit made those journeyings while in the body to pre-pare it for the life "over there."

While here last night, he made the request that I prepare this article for publication in The Progressive Thinker. He said: "In spirit life there is great interest felt in Dr. Peebles' book, Obssion, or Demonism of the Ages. It was going to revolutionize the Spiritual philosophy, and it was about time those fakers were broken up calling them-selves Materializing Mediums. Where there is one genuine materializing medium, there are fifty frauds."

He did not believe any of those public materializing mediums were genuine. In company with other spirits he has visited a large number of them and them to be frauds of the worst king. He said: "It is about time they and shut his eyes. In about ten min-were broken up and sent to jail for real utes he spoke and goid. "Your cluter

appeared at rehearsal on his way into the Theatre, he stopped at the box of-fice where he found Mr. Hooley and the treasurer. He said: "Uncle Dick. last night I boarded a train, entered a sleeping car, and about the middle of the car I threw back a curtain, looked into the berth, and I saw Mr. and Mrs. Hart lying there. They will get here this evening." Mr. Hooley said, "I don't see how that

can be. Mr. Hart's letter says they won't get here until Sunday night." Justin replied, "Uncle Dick, they are on their way now. You will see they will get here this evening.

Just then a messenger boy tapped on the window, Mr. Hooley opened it, when the boy said "Here is a telegram for Richard M. Hooley." Mr. Hooley read thus: "Friend Dick, I will be Chicago to-night 'Your friend, J. Hart." Mr. Hooley turned around and said: "Puss, if you had lived a hundred years ago you would have been burned for a witch."

Mr. and Mrs. Hart arrived that evening sound and well. Rehearsal was called next morning

for Hart's new comedy. Mr. Hart said

that evening to Mr. Hooley, "A strange thing happened last night in the sleep-ing car. While my wife and I were lying in the berth the curtain was thrown back, there stood little Justin who laughed at us. I said without thinking, "Tell Dick Hooley I'll be there

morning

tomorrow evening.' It all seemed as to me then, Dick, as it does now smoke it," said Mr. B.

that I am talking to you." Mr. Hooley laughed and said: "The little witch told me all about it this Mr. Hart said: That little creature is do so in order to convince you, or prove

a strange being, and don't you forget Mr. Hooley said: "He has played for me off and on for over twelve years,

and I have seen and heard a gread deal vile of his antics. Mr. White, the stage manager, says, "He's an uncanny being." They fuss

and quarrel sometimes at rehearsal; at the same time, Mr. White holds a great love for little Justin. Mr. Hart told Mr. Hooley he had can-

Theatre on Broadway, N. Y., and that was why he was here to attend rehearsal. A question came up between him and the manager on which they did not agree; he cancelled his engagement and

I will now relate two instances which strongly corroborate the claim that spirit can leave the physical body and journey wherever they will. As I could not vouch for their accuracy, I

will let Dr. F. D. C. Meyer, who was most particularly interested and who verified them, state them in his own style: ."One evening in the year 1886, we

that night started for Chicago.

were sitting chatting on various subjects, when the conversation turned on Spiritualism. I asked Justin Hulburd, medium, if his spirit could leave the body at will, or if he could send the spirit to any place, at any time, wher-ever he willed it? In reply he said he did not know, but he had known his spirit to leave the body and go visiting at different times. I then asked Justin if he would try to go to DesMoines 19. where I had a sister living at that time? He said he would. He became quiet

In The Progressive Thinker, No. 788, our Bro. Lyman C. Howe says that the animal passions and physical appetites do not pass the death line: hence, spir its never desire tobacco or whisky, etc At a circle held at the home of Mr. A. (as related to me by other members of the circle) I, while under unconscious control, told Mr. B. that he was smoking for a spirit man more than for himself, and though the spirit absorbed the aroma or strength of the tobacco, yet he was injuring himself and doing

the spirit man no good. I then described the spirit as almost skeleton, and called him "Bones," saying that he was with Mr. B. on a coast yessel as a sailor, and was an inveterate user of tobacco, borrowing or beg-ging it from everyone on board, Mr. B. himself, more than others, supplying his want. Having passed to spirit life his he had attached himself to old friend, and through him sought to satisly his craving for tobacco.

Mr. B. recognized the spirit and promised to curtail the smoking, and thereby reform himself and spirit friend. "But," said he, "you was a

sailor. Did you not use tobacco?" "Yes," said the control; "all sailors do, but I as a spirit have outgrown the desire and would advise all users of the weed to break off while yet in the

body." "Could you not enjoy a good cigar now? I see that you, a spirit, could not

> "Yes, I could cause my medium to smoke, the same as you are smoking for Mr, Bones, and though my medium has not used tobacco for many years, will

> > my statements" They had agreed to say nothing to me until after another circle. In the mean-time, Mr. B. got a friend to make a cigar. He also bought a commo

> > one, and a very nice one, and brought them to the next circle. Putting the vile one in front, he offered the control his choice. He, however, took all three, chose the best, put the others in my vest pocket and

smoked the fine one (or I smoked it for celled his engagement at the Olympic him) to the stub. They all thought it would make me sick, but I knew nothing about it until the next morning. when, finding two cigars in my pocket, I asked who put them there and was told all about it.

While visiting friends in Evansville, Ind., I was asked to go to a seance held in a room over a saloon on the levee. I replied that we were not expected there, and as it was late we had better not go. As Mr. W. was acquainted, I yielded and passing through the saloon we went upstairs and found a number (mostly Germans) present, but waiting. As we entered the room a lady said: There. I told you to wait, and here Being a stranger to all presthey are ent. I did not understand, but the seance was at once opened with a song, and before the singing ceased I was under control. Personating a sailor l went to the chairman and complained that the steward had stopped my grog. I did not know the reason. Would the captain order him to issue it to me. He sent down stairs for a bottle of whisky and a glass. A common tumbler was brought which I held until it was full, and then drank it off and held the tum-bler for more, which they refused to

During the third-week of; October last, the week of the National Associ- should be understood by all Spiritual-ation meeting in St. Louis, there was lists. a traveling theatrical company stopped What is the condition of a spirit jus born into the spirit world? We are told in the city of Winchester, Va., during the entire week. Two of the actors were a Mr. Wm. H. Vano and Minerva, by teachers of the highest standing in his wife, whose part it was on the stage

to be securely handcuffed with several pairs of handcuffs on hands, or wrists, and two pairs of 'hobbles' securely and two pairs of hobbles locked on his feet, also, by the police and other authorities, He then had a sheet thrown over him and in four min-utes he came out from under the sheet perfectly free, with the handcuffs and hobbles in his hands.

it perfectly secure, by the police and such case, the most favorable birth pos-other authorities, and after a sheet be sible, the spirit is infantile, and reing thrown over them, in three minutes quires quict and time to gather she was out of the trunk and he, Mr. strength from spiritual food before it ing thrown over them, in three minutes Vano, was fastened secure in the trunk. | can exercise its faculties of body or vano, was tastened secure in the trunk, can exercise its incuities of body of A full account of this was in the two daily papers published here in Winches-ter, the Item and the Star. Seeing this publication in the papers, hood, it requires more time for the spir-

it to be born, and to organize itself on the spiritual plane, and to regain conwent to see Mr. Vano, at his hotel, having a long talk with him. He as-sured me that they both were not only. sciousness and strength to exercise its firm believers in Spiritualism, but were both highly developed mediums also, faculties as a spirit. I remember an incident that occurred

when Maria was writing the first vol-ume of "Principles of Nature" at Napa naving the phases of automatic and independent writing, as well as that ex-hibited on the stage. And that they had no power at all within themselves hibited on the stage. And that, they City, Cal. A murderer was executed had no power at all within themselves at the jail near by who was in the to remove the hobbles, handcuffs and prime of life, and immediately after the other things, but the entire perform-ance was done by his powerful Indian cemetery for burial. The road to the cemetery for burial. The road to the cemetery was in plain view from our controls. I then asked him why it was that they

the wagon with the body on its way to could go into any bank in this city in the night time, and by means of his the burlai _ ground. The teacher powerful Indian controls push back the stopped dictating for our writing, and bolts and throw open the doors to the talked to us about the conditions of the aults. I then asked him why it was that they that time. He said, the nucleus of the vaults.

opposed to Spiritualism, would not at strung along the road behind following tend the performances, while the clergy the nucleus in a very chaotic and dis-would fight against it, advising the peo-turbed condition; and that while the would fight against it, advising the peo-turbed condition; and that while the ple not to attend and the house would spirit nucleus would attract to itself not be half full, while as it was, the Auditorium was completely packed and it would take considerable time to gathjammed to witness the performances. Now, if such performances as these place, and that the movement of the were done in the name of Spiritual Sci-body and immediate burial would delay

ence they would have more influence in opening the eyes of the people to many hours and perhaps days. That it spiritual knowledge and truths than all sometimes takes, in cases of violent the speakers now engaged in the work, deaths of those in the vigor of health for what the people want is something and life, twenty-four hours and more tangible to demonstrate spiritual truths for the spirit to be fully born. The atdence in speakers without any evidence

want, for as it is, spiritual knowledge is only published in spiritual papers, and they are only read by Spiritualists. Throw off the cloak of religion and advocate the philosophy as a science, pure and simple, which it is, and nothing else.

Presbyterian Church, Pastor S. Edward oung touched upon a new world of evi-

dences for future existence, saying: "Concerning possible new proofs of he science of Spiritualism that the con- the resurrection, I know I venture upon dition of new-born spirits varies ac | dangerous ground; but I am held by the cording to their condition at the time of conviction that investigators are on the spirit birth. If it is one who has lived vorge of demonstrating the existence of in the flesh till old age has thoroughly the soul after death by the scientific matured the spirit, and whose physical study of psychic phenomena. The power has gradually lost its attractive word Spiritualism needs fumigation

Another of his performances was to place his wife in a trunk and after hav-ing the trunk securely locked and fifty feet of rope tied around at thus making freshed and with new life. But in year more and more cool-headed people such case, the most favorable birth posapprove of Gladstone's assertion that this line of investigation is the most important work that is being done in the world-by far the most important. Alas that so many unsteady minds have over-believed Spiritualism and, being disappointed, have turned rank infidels. Nevertheless, the reports of the Society for Psychical Research, the incidents almost any group of friends can recall and the vast array of authenticated cases leave the old sneer of revisits from the dead less and less to

say for itself. The scientific investigations now pubished are my chief reason for expecting that some Easter morning the pulpits will thunder with fresh proofs cor-

oborating the New Testament declarations concerning life after death. Communication between the spirits of the departed and the living has been accepted as a fact by at least one hun-

dred of the foremost intellects of the past two or three generations, including Bulwer Lytton, Alfred Tennyson, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Queen Victoria Napoleon Bonaparte, Abraham Lincoln, Victor Hugo, Thackeray, Bayard Tay lor, Camille Flammarion, Whittier and

scores more in every field of thought .-Pittsburg Leader.

Herbert Spencer on Rights of Women. Herbert Spencer, one of the greatest, if not the greatest of modern philosophers. says:

"The rights of women must stand or fall with those of men. They are de rived from the same authority, involved in the same axiom, demonstrated by the the completion of the spirit form for same argument. The law of equal freedom applies alike to both sexes. The idea that the rights of women are deaths of those in the vigor of health not equal to chose of men is akin to the eastern dogma that women have no and power, they not having the confi- attraction, in such case, between the souls. Subordination of females to soul and body is so great. In such cases, he said, the spirit was males reveals its descent from barban

of facts. But the most important fact of all, unconscious sometimes for days, and such spiritual demonstrations as these over matter would be this taking of them up and publishing by the semiler them up and publishing by the secilar come emaciated and weakened by abuse male activity are just the proper lim-papers, as this was done; and would be and debauchery it may take months its. Let us hear why, on this one republished all over the country and to acquire strength to do anything. point of our social policy, we are exactrepublished all over the country and to acquire strength to do anything, point of our social policy, we are exact-rut people to thinking and intestigating The time required for a new-born spirit. In right, whilst we are wrong on so in every direction, and this is what we to move about in its new world, to many others.

to move about in its new world, to many others. think and act depends wholly upon its condition when born into that life; and in no case can it manifest itself to or through a medium in the flesh for many 'You must not do as cant of brutality. eeks.

auvocate, the philosophy as a science, weeks. pure and simple, which it is, and noth-ing else. There is a great deal of humbug-gry in this world? No end to it, but the new-born spirit must first acquire strength, which, it is reasonable to be-lice will take days, at least. Second, the weeks. It must hot do day one, that you will, but as I will,' is the basis of every mandate, whether used by a planter to his negro, or by a husband to his wife."

To the Editor:-To progress, we must think, and there is more in the above caption than the majority realize. I have a proposition to make to the

thinking readers of your progressive paper, and as I make no pretension to be a philanthropist, yet it is my desire to help spread the glad tidings of a positive hope for those who are asking, "After Death, What," and to aid those who have never investigated the facts of Spiritualism.

I ask, "whither are we drifting?" and after stating my position, I want The Progressive Thinker to reach a class of people who are non-subscribers, in the hope that they may become interested in the philosophy of its teachings. My proposition is this: We are drifting on our earth at the rate of 25,000 miles in 24 hours, and are whirling through space around the Sun at the rate of 68,-000 miles per hour, and our whole sys tem, including the Sun and all of the planets are traveling through space at the rate of 45,000 miles per hour, no one knows whither, and I will give the number of miles I have traveled on Earth's Celestial Railway, and the one who gives a correct answer first, I will pay for one copy of The Progressive Thinker, upon the following conditions:

The paper must be given to any one who will promise to read it through carefully, and then pass it on to another person under the same pledge, and so on until the paper is worn out.

It ought to reach at least 10 non-subscribers, and during the year this one copy will fall into the hands of at least persons.

Each week the paper should be started on a new route, and if 100 of its readers would go and do likewise, in one year the paper would reach 50,000 non-subscribers, and out of that number several thousand new subscribers might be obtained. My proposition is as follows:

On the earth I have traveled 658,520,-833 1-3 miles; in going around the sun, 42,988,240,000 miles; in passing 42,988,240,000 miles; in passing through space, 28,448,100,000 miles; Total number of miles, 72,094,860,-833 1-3. 833 1-3.

How old am I in years and months? The editor will have my age, and my subscription will be paid as soon as I am notified.

Who will nely to make up 100 of such subscriptions?

Send in your questions and make it instructive as well as interesting, as here is a chance to increase the number of subscribers at slight expense. Who will join my club?

Come, friends, get down to business and give Brother Francis a chance to ride in a \$2,500 automobile, and spend a few months in the winter in the "Land of Sunshine and Flowers," in order to increase his years of usefulness from 10 to 20 more years more, and which will enable him to give his readers the benefit of his long and valuable experience. A word to the wise ought to be suffi-ient. G. MAJOR TABER. Los Angeles Cal. cient.

IMMORTALITY.

The following beautiful poem was vritten by Joseph Jefferson while on a fishing trip with Grover Cleveland. It was read at the memorial services at the Players' Club:

house for a half mile or so; and we saw did not do these things in the name of spirit was moving along above the Spiritual Science; when he assured me body and the spiritual and soul matter that by doing so people, being so much was coming out of the body and was

every particle of soul and spirit, yet,

were broken up and sent to jail for re ceiving money under false pretenses."

At the nome of W. W. Judson, Kan sas City, Mo., one afternoon in the month of June, 1883, while the family was sitting on the front porch, Maggie, the servant maid, came to consult Mrs. Judson on some kitchen affair. Justin, who was present, saw a spirit follow and stand alongside of her while talking to Mrs. Judson. Justin described the spirit to her as being a man about sixty years of age, and had a peculiar way of holding his head.

She turned pale and placed her hand over her heart saving: "That is my father you have described. I hope he is not dead."

After lunch she went to her room. wrote to her sister asking if her father was well. In two days she received an answer to her letter in which her sister said: "Father is well as usual" Not long after that he passed from his phys-

ical body. A merchant tailor in Kansas City, Mo., named C. B. Grabe, one day made a visit to our home. While sitting in an easy chair, he laid his head back and said: "I am tired." Just then Justin saw a beautiful female spirit standing by him, which he described. Mr. Grabe said: "I have a letter in my pocket now from that lady. She was one of my dearest friends in Philadelphia." He wrote to her asking if her health was as good as usual? He received an answer saying she was well as ever. Two weeks from that day she passed from her body, after which she appeared to him as a spirit.

In the summer of 1885, E. H. Davis, from, Williamsburg, Long Island, was in a question he said: 'Wait a minute. sojourning with us at our home in the 1 am attracted to another place.' In mountains of Southern California. One day Justin was resting on his bed. He lay very quiet for some time and then seemed to awake. He said he had been to a place which seemed to be a good sized town and visited a house which he described. The plan of the house its furniture and ornaments (of which one was a large portrait of a young lady, which hung in the back parlor). Mr. Davis sald it was an exact description of his father's home. The portrait was that of his sister, but Justin was mistaken in one thing: There never was a bed in the back parlor. He immediately, wrole home. His mother re-plied they had received an unexpected visit from a relative and had been obliged to put a bed in the back parlor.

During a visit from Mr. Davis last he told us this circumstance. summer and so interested his people that they investigated, and became Spiritualists. Mr. E. H. Davis is now a prominent resident of Mesa Grande, San Diego Co.,

Dr. Thomas Jennings, of New York, would frequently place his hand upon Justin's head and will him to go to any place he wished. Justin would go, soon creturn, and report what he had seen, which was invariably identified. On one occasion he sent him to Philadelto the home of Dr. VanAme when he returned he described a lady whom he called Mrs. Chase. The name Chase Dr. Jennings did not remember. He wrote Dr. VanAme for a list of the guests present on that after on. In-stead of Mrs. Chase the name of that ady was Case, the wife of Col. Case of Philadelphia.

While Justin was playing at R. M. Hooley's Comedy Theatre, Chicago, one morning al rehearsal, Mr. Hooley said:

is packing her trunk: there is a lady there helping her whom I do not know. Your sister is going to move tomorrow. Your sister saw me and started to sneak to me, when the other lady commenced talking and broke the conditions so I could not answer her.' He described the varrious things in the room. Next morning I wrote to my sister, telling her what Justin had told

"Four days from that evening I received a letter from my sister saying that she had moved to other rooms. She stated that on the evening before moving, while packing her trunk, a lady friend being present to help her, she saw the spirit of Justin Hulburd, and recognized it at once. She started to speak to him, when the lady friend asked her what she was talking about? With that the spirit vanished. She wished me to ask Justin if he rememhered having been there. Our letters passed one another on the way. hoth were astonished and delighted to know that the spirit of Justin had really visited my sister on that occasion. When Justin had related to me his visit to my sister, I requested him to try and go to Germany to my old home. where I was born. He said he would try. He became quiet as if asleep. In about fifteen minutes he spoke and said: 'I see a house:' and described my birth-place inside and outside better than I could have dono it. He de-scribed the people who were living in the house at that time, whom I did not know By writing I found the descrip-tic to be true. While I was asking m a question he said: 'Wait a minute.

a minute or two he described a house in her mouth. which I recognized at once. Then he de scribed the rooms and a man who was sitting by a desk writing a letter. 'Well'he said, 'That letter is for you. said: It is in regard to some property. He has charge of your property; he is your guardian.' I told him it was true. He described that man so perfectly I recognized him at once. That letter turned out to be the final settlement than half an hour). He then turned to of some property we had in Germany. Mr. W. and said (while still eating): I would cite many more cases of Jus tin's spirit leaving his body, not only to go to places on the earth, but to the spirit spheres, but it would make the

communication too long. E. W. HULBURD.

Descanso, California. The smiles of infants are said to be he first fruits of human reason.-H. N. Hudson. Virtue itself offends when coupled with forbidding manners .- Bishop Middieton.

In such a world as ours the idle man is not so much a biped as a bivalve.-

with great qualities is to be born without envy .- Rochefoucauld. I never think he is quite ready for an-

other world who is altogether weary of his -H: A. Hamilton.

Reason must be our last guide and of what had happened. judge in everything .- John Locke. In such a world as ours the idle man not so much a biped as a bivalve .- | well, but she did not know why she had Horace Mann."

Genius always gives its best at first; prudence at last.-Lavater.

After thanking the captain, the con-trol changed and delivered a short lecture, stating that the whisky and the tobacco appetite adhered to the spirit. and it could be satisfied only through a medium on earth. To me the full tumbler of whisky had

no more-effect than a glass of water. though Mr. W. thought it would make me very sick. One evening as we sat down to sup-

per in Mr. W.'s home, a lady medium present jumped up from the table and ran into an adjoining room in which was an alcove containing a bed. Mrs. W. asked me to see what was the mat-ter. I found her on the bed doubled up as if with cramps. I asked if she would not have some hot drink. In reply a man's voice said: "O, hell, give a fel-ler some whisky." There being no liquor in the house, I sent for a pint of good rye, and poured two fingers in a common tumbler, asking if he would not have some sugar and hot water in it. "Damn it. I always took my whisky straight," said he, "but give a feller a drink." I poured another finger, refusing more. He drank it and then rolled off the bed, went in the other room and seated himself at the table, grabbed a piece of cold meat with one hand and a slice of bread with the other and commenced eating as though he had been starved. Mrs. W. asked if he would have some butter.

"Don't want any of your grease on mine." 'You'll have a cup of tea, I suppose?'

"Don't want any of your damned slop, but you might make a feller a cup of strong coffee," helping himself to more meat and bread, and stuffing it

The coffee was soon prepared and a cup placed beside her. He looked up at me (I was standing by her chair) and "I always put a little brandy in my coffee at home; put in some whisky." I got the bottle and poured in a very little, when quick as a flash he grabbed the bottle from my hand and irank every drop (a full pint in less

"Will you ought to know me and know that I starved to death; but I've had a damned good square meal to-night and I'll pay your bill when you come where Asked where his home was, he said:

"Part of the time in the big new church. You know I put lots of money in there to help build it, and now I want to get It out. He drank his coffee, got up from the

table and went to the back door. 1 stepped to the door and told him that he could not take the medium out doors. He said: "I used to trot her on my knee when she was a girl and would not

. His face was the doubtful kind that wins the eye and not the mind.—Scott. The most certain sign of being born had supper!" Mrs. W. replied, "All but hurt her for the world," and left. you and Mr. Young. There's a cup of tea on the range for you.", She got the ten and we sat down to supper, she eating her supper the same as if nothing strange had occurred. I had requested that no one should say anything to her The evening passed as usual. In the morning she said that she had slept-

not taken supper with the rest of us. At the table she was told all that had occurred, but it took the united evi- Emerson.

there is more humbuggery about re-lit must learn how to use its powers in ligion than all other humbugs put to the new world it has entered, which gether, and Gibbon, the celebrated his-torian, who had more opportunities of ity. It has to learn how to travel and

knowing than any other man living, how to exert its powers to accomplish never made a truer statement than that all religions were to the people equally earth till it has learned these things true, to the philosopher equally lake, and to the statesman equally useful. To influence one in the flesh requires and to the statesman equally useful. That is, that not only each one of the 137 Christian sects, but each one also of spiritual laws to influence and con-

followers of Confucius, Buddha, Abra-ham, Mohammed and others believes Mediums often are told of the presence of newly-born spirits and what his or her particular religion to be per-fectly true. While the statesman makes use of them to collect money taught, that they were represented by into the treasury of the state, and to others, and what they said was like fight for the state, making them believe the mother talking for the child that that all of those who died true to the could not talk itself. This often gives consolation to friends and mourners faith and the state, either Christ, Budoha or Mohammed, as the case might and justifies its practice.

In the discussion of the "Open Court," be, will receive them into their bosom and carry them into everlasting bliss, while the unfaithful, disloyal and cowa lady (I forget the name and I am unable to find the article), claimed she ardly will be burned by the Devil and was obsessed and therefore she knew it his angels everiastingly in fires of brim- was true. This is the substance of her experience, viz: She was sick near stone. Religion is certainly the great draw- Boston and a murderer was executed

not far from her home, and at the very back to the development, of progress and acceptance by the people of this lime of his execution she was attacked grand and wonderful science. If it had by his spirit. He pressed his knees not been for religion, it is would have have she was black in the face and nearly spread over the entire civilized world killed, when three friendly spirits came as rapidly as the sciences of telegraph to her rescue and tore him away from ing and telephoning, especially the lat- her and took him off with them.- He threatened to kill her and would have er, which approaches nearest to it. done so had she not been rescued by

any one.

Our spiritual friends should know those friendly spirits. that this is not the age of preaching, which is a relic of a dark age fast pass ing away; but the age of printing and reading, and of every one judging for himself, and the power of the mind of man over matter.

J. I. HOLLINGSWORTH. Winchester, Va.

lence of all present to make her begels coming to her rescue. Her guard lieva it.

ian was able to impress that vision on her mind and that took away the dis-Nothing belongs to the body. The passions, the appetites and desires all belong to the spirit, and all go with the spirit across "the death line," "Thereeased conception of the evil spirit and fore spirits (must) control mediums to structed in the science of Spiritualism gratify their own appetites and passions by proxy, because the means for such gratification "do not exist in the spiritual .world."

whisky and tobacco are not to be procured over there, and I think that the tobacco habit has a deeper Hold on the spirit than any other, and is harder. o outgrow for many a drunkard commenced his downward course with a cigarette.

JAS. H. YOUNG. Onset, Mass.

Education begins the gentleman, but the result.

reading, good company and reflection must finish him.-Locke. Love that has nothing but beauty to keep it in good health, is short-lived and apt to have ague fits.-Frasmus. The smiles of infants are said to be the first fruits of human reason .- H. N. Hudson. Great results can not be achieved at

once, and we must be satisfied, to ad-vance in life as we walk-seen by step.

Give a boy address and accomplish. The custom and fashion of to-day will will anyone for one day apply his ments and you give him the partery of be the awkwardness and outrage of to strength to virtue, I have not seen the for it assumes the permanence and uni-palaces and fortunes where as goes -- morrow. So arbitrary are these tran-J slent laws .- Dumas.

Herbert Spencer, have never been, and never can be, upset.

THE SUNSET GATES.

have sen thought when sunset Burn'd on the mountain crest, And its strange, unearthly glory Kindled along the west in a vision of wonderful splendor.

That the gates of heaven were ajar, And thro' them I caught faint glimpses Of the land where our loved ones are.

Behold! but is it but fancy? The sunset gates swing wide. And I see through their parted portals The hills of the heaven side-The hills that are crowned with sun

shine Of a day that never ends, In a country where no grave is

And no one mourns lost friends fancy I catch through the gateway

A glimpse of the golden street, and an echo of wonderful music, Mystic, low and sweet. Comes on the winds of twilight.

From the country far away. Where the dear remembered voices Sing in God's choir to-day. And see!-but a shadow hides it!

I thought that I saw a hand That beckoned me to come over To the beautiful summer land. Oh, loved of mine, whom I miss so, Are you there at the sunset gate.

What a statement! What powerful To watch for me down the pathway That leads home, soon or late? evidence in view of the law just stated, of obsession! The woman was sick, and The angels of dusk are closing her heart probably stopped for a few The gates to my longing eyes, beats and she felt suffocated and a con-And no longer I see the city traction of the muscles in the chest On the hills of Paradise, and her belief in evil spirits did the But love, like the soul, is deathless, rest. It is a terrible thing to frighten And some day-God knows when! sensitive people with such bugbears. There is but one redeeming feature in shall pass through the sunset gateway And find my own again. the whole story; that is, the good an-

-Eben E. Rexford. IMPORTANT QUESTION.

W. O. PURVIS.

is the Catholic Church Sending Out Meshe was relieved. Had she been indiums to Bring Odium Upon Spiritualshe would have known that no new-born Ism by Deception and Trickery?

spirit was capable of doing harm to . To the Editor:-An article in a re cent number of The Progressive Think-Teachers of Spiritualism, if you er in reference to the Bambams at Lily would eradicate the vagaries from the Dale, reminds the writer that two summinds of Spiritualists, and produce con-

mers ago while there he got into consistence and harmony in our ranks, teach the fundamental laws of the sysversation with a certain Irish said to be a medium for trumpet work, he tem, so that all phenomena may who is, or was, a Catholic.

squared with these. These laws are little to be doubted. Without under-The speaker was handing out some plain talk about the Roman Catholic standing these laws, much phenomena church, when this lady said: "Oh, she doesn't know what she is talking are misunderstood and inharmony in our ranks and injury to the cause are Then she proceeded to relate about! now a certain priest in a Catholic insti-Societies should not employ teachers tution at Dayton, Ohio, had a class of

who indulge in transcendentalism, in-comprehensible and high-sounding nontwenty young people whom he was instructing or developing along mediumsense. Employ only those who teach plain understandable common sense istic lines. I have often wondered if this were principles of Spiritualism, and then you will become educated in the science of true, and if so what was the object? And if these Bambams or others may Spiritualism and be benefited, and grow be some of the graduates of his class

into a people respected, and be a power sent forth to cast odium upon Spiritfor good in the world. A. J. KING. ualism. Hammonton, N. J.

These statements, and this logic of Two caterpillars crawling on a leaf, By some strange accident in contact came;

Their conversation, passing all belief. Was the came argument, the very same That has been "proed and conned" from man to man.

Yca, ever since this wondrous world began.

The ugly creatures, Deaf and Dumb and Blind.

Devoid of features that adorn mankind, Were vain enough, in dull and wordy strife.

To speculate upon a future life The first was optimistic, full of hope: The second, quite dyspeptic, seemed to

mope. Said Number One, "I'm sure of our sal-

vation." Said Number Two, "I'm sure of our

damnation: Our ugly forms alone would scal our

fates And bar our entrance through the gold-

en gates. Suppose that death should take us un-

awares, How could we climb the golden stairs? If maidens shun us as they pass us by, Would angels bid us welcome in the

sky? wonder what great crimes we have

committed.

That leave us so forlorn and so unpitied?

Perhaps we've been ungrateful, unforgiving?

'Tis plain to me that life's not worth

the living." "Come, come, cheer up," the jovial worm replied,

"Let's take a look upon the other side; Suppose we cannot fly like moths and millers.

we to blame for being caterpillars? Will that same God that doomed us

crawl the earth A prey to every bird that's given birth. Forgive our captor as he eats and sings,

And damn poor us because we have no wings?

If we can't skim the air like owl or bat. A worm will turn for a' that."

They argued through the summer, Autumn nigh.

The ugly things composed themselves to die.

And Bo, to make their funeral quite complete, Each wrapped him in his little winding

shoot

The tangled web encompassed them full soon, P Each for his coffin made him a cocoon. soon, lady,

All through the chilling blast they lay Dead to the world, aye, dead as human

clay. Lo, Spring comes forth with all her warmth and love;

She brings sweet justice from the realm above:

She breaks the chrysalis, she resurrects the dead:

Two butterflies ascend encircling her head.

And so this emblem shall forever be A sign of immortallty. —Chicago Examiner.

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He who always complains of the clouds receives little of life's sunshine and deserves less .--- Anon.

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Spiritualism In the Religions of Japan.

ENCE. IT IS NO MORE SACRED THAN THE and drank but water. LAW OF PLANETARY ATTRACTION; NO MORE SACRED THAN THE LAW OF SPECTROSCOPIC ANALYSIS; NO MORE SACRED THAN THE LAW practice evocation. Various ceremonies are gone larity," a phrase which is itself extremely vague. OF GROWTH AND DECAY; IN FACT IT IS ONLY through, and the priest repeats "I have come" fre-IN THE SENSE THAT ALL TRUTH IN THE MANI. time to stay!" And he remarks that to call back the wand. FESTATION OF NATURE'S MATERIAL OR SPIR-ITUAL FORCES IS SACRED. THE FOLLOWING under world; hence the practice is forbidden by law, WILL BE READ WITH GREAT INTEREST.

Japan has leapt forth to take part [as set forth in tained the knowledge of his mother's impending How much farther back these practices extend is un- ter of the honored one when his time comes for anthe Harbinger of Light, Australia] in international death, and was rewarded for his prayer to die in her known, but it is clear that they were followed long be- other term of earth-life. Mr. Hearn thus expresses strife with surprising suddenness, and the result as stead by the privilege being granted. She became a fore Buddhism was introduced to Japan, and with, his view: yet has been creditable to the intellect of its people, holy nun, in special favor with several generations of them were sociated the trials or ordeals by boiling "To Japanese thought, the dead are not less real The attempt by her so-called Christian antagonist to children, and his personal knowledge was that, after water, by walking on fire, and ascending ladders of than the living. They take part in the daily life of treat Japan as a barbarous and pagan country must her funeral, a deputation of children asked for sub- sword blades, all of which were in full operation until the people, sharing the humblest sorrow and the humfail when we compare results. It is true that Japan scriptions for a small childish tombstone in addition recently. is not a Christian country, but side by side in a news- to one then set up. He subscribed, and remarked This is all absolutely foreign to the original Budd- over the well-being of the household, assist and repaper appeared announcements of the despatch of that they would now have nowhere to play. To hism, but the priests of that form of faith insist upon joice in the prosperity of their descendants. They New Testaments to the Japanese army, and the send- which the nine-year-old girl replied: "We shall still their prior claim of proprietorship in the practice, are present at the public pageants, at all the sacred ing of holy ikons to the Russians. The balance of ev- play in the court of the temple. She is buried there, though it is clearly borrowed by them from the prime festivals of Shinto, at the military games, and at all idence is in favor of the Japanese being on a moral She will hear our playing, and be glad," plane equal to any European country, despite their

so-called Paganism. The forms of religion which have obtained a hold of Japanese for many centuries Pilgrimages to holy shrines and temples are much are Shintoism and Buddhism. Confucianism is in vogue in Japan, and many clubs exist among sometimes referred to, but may be passed over, as it tradesmen and workmen, the subscriptions being deis really a moral philosophy and not a form of re- voted to the necessary expenses of a portion of the ligion.

from China and Korea, and was accepted as the state Mount Ontake, where the highest possible class of religion. though both forms existed together and reacted on is the possession by the gods which was achieved in each other. There have been, and still are, various the case of the three abstemious pilgrims already desects in both forms, and Ryobu is one which arose scribed. A few members of each club are periodwhen the primitive Shintoism was in obscuration, ap- ically developed into the equivalent of our mediums. parently to utilize the Buddhist organization for the and the whole business is carried on with earnestness purpose of spirit evocation. Shinto is stated to and practically in combination. Many of these peo-be, in the simplest form of description, "the belief ple, both at home and on pilgrimage, practice austerithat the world of the living is directly governed by ties to subdue the body so as to facilitate the develop-that the world of the living is directly governed by ties to subdue the body so as to facilitate the developthe world of the dead." Mitford gives some sermons ment of sensitiveness, and various ceremonies are per-lowed to introduce another foreigner, his own purity in the heroism of the soldier or the deliberate ending preached by a priest of the Shingaku sect, which pro- formed to induce susceptibility to the spirit influ-being only just sufficient to admit him. My own of their life by the 47 Ronins after avenging their tesses to amalgamate the three forms. For instance: ences. "By blending together the principles of the Shinto,

Buddhist, and other schools, we shall arrive at something near the true principle of things.'

Spirits Communicate With the Japanese.

nese spoke to him thus: "PERHAPS BY WESTERN the screwing up of one's courage to rise at 2 or 3 a. PEOPLE IT IS THOUGHT THE DEAD NEVER RE- m., for a mid-sleep cold shower. The latter is sup-ARE NO JAPANESE DEAD WHO DO NOT RE- of a sensitive. This is combined with a spare and TURN. THERE ARE NONE WHO DO NOT KNOW strictly vegetarian diet by the more ardent devotees. THE WAY. THEY ARE WITH US NOW." And tobacco, saki, and even tea being strictly tabooed. he gives an episode in his experience as teacher of Lowell met a man who had practiced these austerities English: "I remember one day attempting to explain for 43 years, and his reward came to him in the shape why we ought not to speak as if they were living pa- of a constantly increasing power to predict future rents. Perhaps my pupils suspected me of trying to events. It is noticeable that he had some difficulty in meddle with their beliefs; for the Japanese never conveying to his American friend any description of think of an ancestor as having become 'only a mem- "sensations experienced, a difficulty which can be ap-

parents and ancestors so often referred to as a Chinese characteristic, but which had its god-making nese characteristic, but which had its god-making side also among the Greeks and Romans. In fact, all the millions of gods so flippantly spoken of by some as worshiped in Japan, amount in the last analysis to an-field, if not kept permanently pure as in temples, is set acces having an element of what Lowell calls "pious" worshiped in Japan, amount in the last analysis to ancestor worship practiced for many centuries, and kept up a shrine of which the leading feature is the gohei, in full vigor by the constant communication with which occupies a position akin to that of the crucifix those who had passed on. Mr. Hearn is a sympathetic observer, and he thus paper cut to a shape suggestive of a flash of lightning, rphrases the fact alluded to: "The august house of the and is supported on a wand. Various other articles Kami is not so much a temple as a ghost chamber or a are presented, including saucers of rice and salt and a haunted room; many of the lesser divinities being cup of sake. The chamber is purified by charms and ghosts of great warriors, heroes, rulers, teachers, who exorcisms, and all the participants retire to bathe, lived thousands of years ago."

KALEIDOSCOPIC IN ITS CHARACTERISTICS that were informed by transformed by transfo IT INTO A RELIGION, A SECT OR A CREED. their pilgrimage, but Mr. Lowell saw them again know nothing) as a test. SPIRIT RETURN IS SIMPLY THE OUTGROWTH twice the next day indulging in communion. He At another sitting, when the eight participants tentions of young women, and who protected his way. OF NATURAL LAWS PERTAINING TO THE MA. states that during the two days of their ascent and were all shop-keepers or tradesmen belonging to ering virtue by death. To Mr. Hearn's suggestion

A Young Mother and Her Spirit Child.

Mr Hearn states that Buddhist and Shinto priests quently his voice changing gradually to that of the people for the purpose of receiving thereby a name dead is not good, as it makes their condition worse,

Pilgrimages to Holy Shrines.

members while on pilgrimages. Foremost among the

About the seventh century, Buddhism was brought places to which these travelers make their way is the Thus Shintoism was for a time obscured, spirit communion is considered to take place. This

Baths, Diet and the Development of Mediumship.

Among other devices for inducing sensitiveness is the cold baths, preferably a shower under a waterfall.

. Four or five baths a day are reckoned as producing Mr. Lafcadio Hearn says that an educated Japa- good results, and a still better effect may follow from BUT WE CANNOT THINK SO; THERE posed to have a wonderful effect on the development preciated by any one who has endeavored to speak on the manifested almost exclusively through to the possessory spirits. Nothing could well testify ory'-their dead are alive." preciated by any one who has endeavored to sp We will here see a parallel with the reverence for psychical subjects to a smart skeptical person.

Description of a Sitting.

For some time after, the medium has to be treated ceremonial had disappeared. Hearn gives copies of for recovery, what we may call massage being used several official documents which were drawn up to to counteract the unnatural rigidity of the body, the certify to the fact that a little boy who died at the golfei-whad being so tightly held that it takes some age of six was re-born three years later in a family mightes, to loose the grasp. On one occasion, in Mr. residing at no great distance. At the age of nine he SPIRIT RETURN EXISTS THE WORLD OVER. the evocator, whose activity was later on transferred Lowell's presence, a medium whose pulse stood at stated facts of his previous life, which were verified IT IS COSMOPOLITAN IN ITS MAKE-UP, AND SO to the one intended to be entranced. Violent contor- 84 steg. at commencement had it raised to 120 deg. at by his being taken to the place where he had lived, KALEIDOSCOPIC IN ITS CHARACTERISTICS tions were followed by trance, when the evocator be- end of stating. This one was much disappointed when he identified houses and people, and pointed out

TERIAL AND SPIRITUAL SIDES OF. EXIST. descent of the advertision they are nothing clubs, all ceremonies were duly performed, including that he sought death to escape sinning, an old priest tha "illustration by fire of nearly everything. When replied: "Then he will have to face like temptations possession was reached, the leader put questions ar- again and again, and all the sorrow of it, and all the ranged for by Mr. Lowell as to friends in America, pain of it, even for a thousand times a thousand times, which he says were answered "with Delphic oracu- until he shall have learned to master himself."

A sitting is generally arranged by the more devout stance in some other quarters. ON A PAR WITH OTHER LAWS THAT PERMIT departed one. Then questions quickly asked will be for a child, while the majority are satisfied with a THE ACCOMPLISHING OF CERTAIN RESULTS answered, but the cry will be, "Hasten, hasten! for priest fishing in a bowl wherein a number of names FOR THE GOOD OF MANKIND. IT IS SACRED this my coming back is painful, and I have but a little are put, the fishing-rod being the aforesaid gohei-

Trance Communications or Sittings,

IN REFERENCE TO SPIRIT RETURN IN JAPAN but evaded on various pretexts. He gives a pathetic contain narratives of trance communications or pos- connection with this plane of existence to be connarrative of a young mother summoning the spirit of sessions at the instance of Emperors and Empresses seious of the act of gratitude for his labors, and the her child, and being informed that the child had ob- in which no trace of Buddhist names are to be found. whole transaction will give its coloring to the charac-

> itive faith of Shinto. A curious phase is presented the entertainments specially provided for them. And in the Nichiren sect of Buddhism, a sect which arose they are universally thought of as finding pleasure in in Japan about six centuries ago, and in which only the offerings made to them or the honors conferred women or children are possessed or entranced. The upon them." priest conducts the proceedings with an infinite As far as it is possible to disentangle the original amount of ceremonies, and the woman or girl becomes Shinto belief from the vast amount of later growth inentranced'in a quieter manner than is the case where duced by the Buddhist and other Chinese teaching, it

men are god-possessed. This use of an intermediary in the production of world and rule it, by influencing the thoughts and acthe trance state leads Mr. Lowell to discuss the ap- tions of men and by directing the forces of nature. parent likeness to the operator and subject in hypno- Spirit communion follows as one of the most desirable tism. But he finds clear difference between the two, episodes for those in this life, as a means for obtaining to these twelve remarkable Premium though he is utterly against the spiritualistic view of guidance in various matters and as a form of worship. the matter.

Curious Practices Among the Japanese

ences which he narrates is his visit to what he flip- to others by her husband, or the woman who commits oning of his being thus privileged is that it was due master's death. to his own stupendous impudence acting hypnotic- Though thoroughly Shinto in character, these rites ally on the priests. The idea appears to be to develop of spiritism are not practiced in all the sects; in fact, sensitives, while young, and is almost exclusively by it is more a popular than a priestly institution at the the practice of dancing and gymnastics in the way of present tme. There are shrines at Ise, whose sacredsomersaults and traveling about the room while hang- ness in the eyes of the people is shown by the fact that ing to the cornice. All these are stated to be symbol- when a skeptical Minister of the Crown intruded on a ical. The dance imitates the dance of a certain god- certain specially consecrated portion of the temple, he dess, the somersaults represent the revolution of was assassinated by a pious government officer. The things, and standing on one's head in the corner sym- murderer was executed, but the mass of the people bolizes possession by the spirit of a climbing plant. treated him as a martyr to the faith, and decorated But it is matter for discussion whether calisthenics his grave with flowers. One of these temples is stated have not developed into the very pronounced gym- to be dedicated not to the spirit of the Sun Goddess, nastics I have described, and the symbolism thereaf- but to her possessory spirit. The priests do not unter invented to give a psychological drill.

phenomena recorded to those which occurred at Mora is: "So completely was possession once an integral in Sweden, in the early part of the last century, and the mediumship of young boys and girls.

Good Effects of Spirit Communion.

It is to be noted that this practice of spirit communages having an element of what Lowell calls "pious peripatetic picnic parties," with the higher commun-ion obtainable at the shrines as a reward for their tism, suggestion, the lack of individuality in Japatravel. Even the flippant Lowell is compelled to ad- nese, and psychology in general, is concluded by these mit that this firm belief in spirit communion has a words: "This lands us at an unexpected conclusion, good effect on the daily lives and general conduct of to wit, that these gods really are what they claim to the people, impressing upon the adults the need for be. In Shinto god-possession we are viewing the actthe people, impressing upon the adults the need for us incarnation of the ancestral spirit of the race *** kindness and love to the young, and upon the young If these his ancestors were gods in the past, gods they the necessity for reverence and affection for their elders. There is a narrative of one Hamaguchi, a are that descend to embodiment to-day. rich farmer. All the people of his locality were away It may be regarded as a debatable point whether whom we will call the medium and the leader, four on the seashore, leaving him with his grandson. From the word "gods" quite expresses the conception of whose office is to word "gods" quite expresses the conception of the seashore, leaving him with his grandson. From the word "gods" quite expresses the conception of worshiped while living and after.

young Buddhist priest who was pestered by the at-Which is a very hard saying, but it is repeated in sub

Dead Are Not Less Real Than the Living.

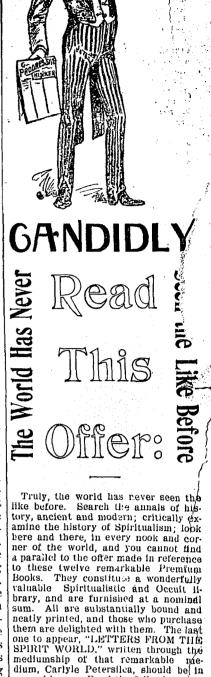
The phase of ancestor worship which comes into notice in the spirit communion so largely practiced is interwoven with the belief in pre-existence or re-birth to a very large extent. The bestowal of the Order of the Rising Sun on a deceased general, has its reasons The old records of Japan, dating back 12 centuries, in all these. The deceased soldier is sufficiently in

blest joys. They attend the family repasts, watch

would appear to be that the departed still dwell in the To this interblending of those in the seen and in the

unseen may be attributed the readiness to part with life so often displayed, as well in the wife who cere-Not the least interesting of the personal experi- monially despatches herself to atone for wrong done

derstand the fact, as they belong to a sect which does There is a very suggestive similarity in the physical not practice evocation, but Mr. Lowell's conclusion part of the Shinto faith that it erected these temples more deeply to belief in their existence, and nothing seems to bring them home more closely to their devotees than this fashioning of an earthly pavilion for



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Pilgrims Who Were Entranced.

Mr. Percival Lowell gives some facts of personal whose office is to ward off evil influences from the height he saw signs of a tidal wave, and proceed. the Japanese as to the position of all the spiritual beobservation. He is a good witness, and he thus shows four quarters, a deputy leader and a recorder. The the height he saw signs of a tidal wave, and proceed in output whom they hold converse. In many cases, ed to set fire to his stacks in order to recall them, his ings with whom they hold converse. In many cases, his position as a skeptic: "But as some good souls will latter two are often dispensed with, and even on ocstill persist in believing in spooks, in spite of the fail- casions the four warders, but, the ceremony is of his grandfather had gone mad. The people hurried up that the advanced entities to whom the term "gods" ure of the not over-incredulous Society for Psychical course far less impressive. After various rites, de- to assist in quenching the fire, and were saved; Hama- would justly apply are only to be evoked by the Research to find a single really trustworthy specimen, termined by the number taking part, the gohei-wand it may be well to lay this ghost by a funeral logical is placed in the center, and the sitters change from turned, a temple was erected in his honor, and he was bit is evident that the center of detroy the helief of

in a Roman Catholic church. The gohei is a piece of and return in special robes.

A full sitting is composed of eight persons, whom

rite or two." One interesting episode was his meet- sitting on their heels to the cross-legged attitude of ing with three pilgrims to Ontake, who by the side of the images of Buddha. Then the medium takes the the mountain path took turns in being entranced, and gohei-wand, which, begins to quiver as does the me-

having what he terms communion with the gods. dium, and soon a sudden three announces possession. The three successively were the entranced one, the The leader reverently asks the name of the god who with the belief in re-birth which is prevalent in Japan, devotedly patriotic people of the world, which apevocator, and the reverent bystander, each in his is in possession or control, and petitions are presented except among those educated in Western science and pears to be largely attributable to their firm assurturn. All the preliminary activity was displayed by and questions are asked as occasion arises.

tion; one good old Spiritualist, 83 years

Reincarnation-A Peculiar Case.

This communion with the departed has connections remain one of the bravest, most intelligent, and most philosophy, with most of whom all religion other than ance that the seen are guided by the unseen.

A lengthy discussion of the philosophy of hypno-

grandson obediently assisting, though thinking that it is friends who have passed on, and it is probable state religion have not sufficed to destroy the belief of earlier centuries in the naturalness of the communion

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port of money secured for the Mediums' Relief Fund of this Association, to the close of April. We have now but one month in which to raise the balance of the thousand collars asked for from the includes the sum of \$(1.00 sent by out -\$1; Sarah Scott, \$1, G. Gunnbon, \$1, Strate Scott, \$1, Mr. 10:30.! Subject for discussion, "Spirit- cis would be present and address the spound still wanting is about three still to raise the balance by the first of Hemsley, \$1; Mr. Barber, \$1; Mr. Dex-amount still wanting is about three still to raise the balance by the first of Hemsley, \$1; Mr. Barber, \$1; Mr. Dex-light and Its Relation to Spiritualism. the thousand collars asked for from the amount still wanting is about three still to laise the balance of the hist of fremsley, \$1, hist Balber, \$4, hist balance, \$5, hist balanc not to let this work fall for lack of means to carry it on. Could Spiritualists from everywhere be in this office dies' Aid of the chartered society of one month and read the many letters of appeal for help from and for worthy mediums who are destitute and deserving of aid, they would hasten to pour what money they could spare into our Divine Truth, Louisville, Ky., \$5; se-ance by G. W. Way, \$5; Carl E. Shultz, treasury for the continuance of this most worthy benefaction. It is pitiful that any well-authenticated case of \$5; C. B. I., \$5; Jacob Hey, \$5; Friend. need has to be denied, but it is impos-sible to aid all who deserve assistance Brunhaus, \$3.85; J. W. Emsley, \$3; Dr. from our fund. Not only regular pen-sioners should be added to the list but E. Paige, \$3; Mrs. H. Brunhaus, \$2.50; People's Church, Louisville, collected temporary aid is greatly needed by \$2; Titusville, Pa., society collected \$2; some of our mediums who are in finan- H. A. Kellogg, \$2; James Lynch, \$2; cial straits sometime-we do all we Mrs. A. M. Lewis, \$2; G. H. Clark, \$1; Lily M. Thiebaud, \$1; Chas. Holland, but it is only by receiving financan, cial aid from friends of the cause that \$1; Wm. Laplain, \$1; Mrs. B. T. Ollin-the noble work can be carried on. On- ger, \$1; Friend in McKeesport, \$1; Mrs. E. R. Beck, \$1; Mary ly last week an aged couple was placed, on the list, worthy Spiritualists and me-\$1: N. Freeman, \$1; J. O. McGrath, \$1; dlums, who in times past had sacri-Mrs. A. Conrad, \$1; J. H. Morris, \$1 ficed much for the cause, now helpless, and but for the timely aid of the N. S. Mrs. Alice A. R. Kibbe, \$1; Mr. Humphrey, \$1; A. Friend at Hoosic Falls, \$1; Mary A. Koch, \$1; inmemory A. would have had to go to the public almshouse the first of May.

of Eliza D. Hale-Mrs. Z. A. M. Allen, The sincers and heartfelt thanks of The sincers and heartfelt thanks of \$1; Mrs. E. Baker, \$1; Philip Lanneck, all connected with this work are ex \$1; Eliza Gill, \$1; H. Hubbard, \$1; J. all connected with this work are the executive first a strike of the result, and the beautiful letters that come A. B. Cox, \$1; Lizzle A. Whittle, \$1; fund; the beautiful letters that come A. B. Cox, \$1; Lizzle A. Whittle, \$1; with many of the contributions are in John Lynch, \$1; Cash. Wheeling, W. themselves a blessing and an inspira- Va., 25 cents.

of age, himself an inmate of a benevo-lent Home, sends one dollar from his pension, with words of love and bene-diction: an aread how also \$2 and an Diskie \$5; Mrs. Paul, \$2; Mrs. U. diction; an aged lady, also 83, and an Pindle, \$2; Mr. Luke Lane, \$2; Sarah J. inmate of "An Old Ladies' Home", Stark, \$2; Collection at "San Diego, sends all she has, a dollar, with a ten- \$17.55; special collection, \$1.55; Helen diums. The amount previously reported on abeth Lowe Watson, \$1; Mrs. B. Grant the thousand, was \$431.55-since our Taylor, \$1; E. W. Briggs, \$1; Unknown, last we have collected \$213.66-which includes the sum of \$71.60 sent by our

\$1: Mr. Sexton, \$1: Buttercup-Gillispe

The following sums have been re- Little, 50 cents; Mrs. Howell, 25 cents; ceived since last statement: From La- H. A. Starks, 25 cents. As before stated our grateful appre-

The \$70.60 sent by Missionary

Wheeling, W. Va., benefit social, \$20.49; clation is extended to all donors and back from the time of the rappings at A Friend, Hamburg, Iowa, \$10; Edward we earnestly ask all who have not as the home of the Fox family. Mr. Chas. Bremer, \$10; Mrs. Hanson, benefit se yet contributed to the Relief Fund, to Morrow and Mrs. Mary Hatton, of Eng. ance, \$8; Ladies' Ald, Springfield, send their donatio Mass., \$5; J. L. Taylor, \$5; Society of this office at once.

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At 2:60 theservice was again opened Brother Francis delivered a touching by the Binging "Nearer, My God, to discourse, and made many friends for Thee,'isTheiRev. Day spoke upon himself as well as for the cause of Your Neighbor to Subscribe for The "SpiritualismVand its worth," dating truth.

the home of the Fox family. Mr. Chas. tor followed with spirit messages and Morrowand Mrs. Mary Hatton, of Eng- the reading of articles, all of send their donations and blessings to land followed with spirit messages, was again recognized. It was then an will contain Occult and Spiritualistic this office at once. MARY T. LONGLEY, gave much confort to those receiving the audience from Washington, D. C. familiar. No other paper published on gave much comfort to those receiving the messages? '

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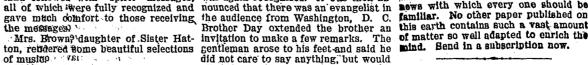
The druch wiwas nicely decorated offer the pastor a proposition, as fol-with cuil flowers, potted plants, and lows: "I have noticed your reading of palms.33 The president of the society, articles and the recognition given Brother Fetzer, seemed to be inspired each of the readings. Now the proposiand didn't leave a stone unturned in tion I have to offer is this? If you will making the Fifty-Seventh Anniversary read the watch I have in my pocket and one of the greatest ever held in our give me the details connected with the church. watch I will think more favorably of

Sister Brockmore, the president of Spiritualism, and will render a solo en-'The Ladies' Aid, and Brother Fry, were titled 'My Mother in Heaven.' Babbitt, LL. D., M. D. This comprises early at their posts and promptly ar-the last part of Human Culture and ranged the decorations. At 6:30, a your challenge. Come forward to the Cure. Paper cover, 15 cents. For sais circle was held, Sister Pratt, treasurer platform and give us your solo and the of the church, having charge of the circle swill read your watch with every of the church, having charge of the circle swill read your watch with every of the church, having charge of the circle swill read your watch with every of the church, having charge of the circle swill read your watch with every of the church, having charge of the circle swill read your watch with every ele, assisted by other mediums. Bister dotail." Brother Day's guides read the By J. K. Wilson, of the Pennsylvania Pratt's invocation in the opening of the watch without a hitch, giving every de-ume, of decided value. A narrative of hearts of all present. At 7:46, Rev. ence. Dr. Day is doing much good the last and opened the evening service by the wife is also developing into fine medi-the store expansion. 1:25. early at their posts and promptly ar- Mr. Day said at once, "I will accept Teach reading of a scripture lesson and offer umship. At their home circle they have lives. Price, by mail, \$1.

ing an invocation. The choir then ren- received at three different times a ban dered a selection, and the subjects for tism of flowers. The last sitting, April the evening lecture was taken from the 22, they received sweet peas, when audience. Each subject was handled there was not a flower of that kind in to the entire satisfaction of the audi- the house. Their circle is private, only ence. Brother Day followed his lec- the three sitting together, Mr. and Mrs. We desire to call your attention to ture with spirit messages of the most Day and Sister Pratt, treasurer of the derly written blessing for all good me A. Stark, \$1; Mrs. Egan, \$1; Thos Fitz- the good work that is being carried on convincing character, and all went church of which Brother Day is the pas-diums. The amount projection of the first Spiritualist Church of Alle- away satisfied. In all it was a great tor. God great that the angel world

of Modern Spiritualism, with an all-day ices would be continued on Easter Sun- be spared to feed many of the hungry -\$1; Sarah Scott, \$1; G. Gunnison, \$1; service, topening with a conference at day, April 23, at which time Rev. Fran- and starving from the store-house of Mr. 10:30. Subject for discussion, "Spirit- cis would be present and address the knowledge. F. W. PRICHARD.

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gheny. On Sunday, April 2, we cele-brated the Fifty-Seventh Anniversary The pastor announced that the serv- upon our dear pastor, and that he may

MORTAL LIMITATIONS.

BY CHARLES DAWBARN.

The scientist turns all his energies to | And as the sun is perpetually distribut- unit outreach, attract, and blend more the discovery and classification of facts. ing his property among his children, or less intimately with other like mind-But when he has done his utmost he they each catch a grain or two of ed units. It is thus the molecule is only gets hold of a piece of a fact. No helium-radium as it is being hurled out matter what may be his genius and into space. But the sun is a poor Ekili, he can deal with no more of a fact marksman. It is true some of his than he can himself sense. He may evolved energies do hit his planets, and invent wondrous instruments by which become for them light, heat, magnet-to see, hear and feel more than his ism, electricity, etc., but for the most grandfather, but, all the same, he can part they are squandered in space, and not escape the limitations of his sense. I do no good to anyone we can perceive And, sooner or later, he is compelled to But in this fact lies embedded a whole admit that he himself, and everything philosophy which is the object of this in the universe he can see, hear or article. touch, is a great deal broader and deep-Take a mass of red-hot iron and you discern, as you walk around it, that it er than his sense or his instrument can

is scattering its heat (energy) in every It is an everyday phrase to call man direction. And Prof. Langley's Bolo-

at the rate of a few thousand jolts in a a very small portion of this energy can second, a lot of other particles inside him take part in the dance, and pres-planet or sun. ently the man tells you he hears, and what he thinks about it. What started peep into what might be called Cosmic those particles of atmosphere, and Geography. Let us remember again keeps them going is quite another ques- and again that a speck, or a unit, is tion to be studied later. But, as a mat-ter of fact, we note that man is listen-telligence and substance. Necessarily ing and thinking as the result of certain movements that make him say he ever may be contact of one speck with hears.

few millions of times in a second out is equally proclaiming the truth of a in the other make the same man say universal intelligence. he sees, and once again as the result he says he thinks. In passing we just note the interesting fact that a man can weither see nor hear without thinking. Thus thought is itself as much the effect of this motion as any part of the process, and is limited to the vibrations he can sense.

Though man is thus limited in his perception of the cosmic vibrations of the universe, these vibrations are themselves necessarily continuous, and do their own mighty work, although silent to the consciousness of man the mortal. So the all important fact in mortal life s not its fulness and scope, but its lim-/Itations.

Intellectual development and culture are all within the few vibrations man, the mortal, can sense, and if he tries to go outside he soon gets into trouble. Energy, that is to say "motion," is cos-Every speck in the universe is. mic. necessarily in continuous movement, though man, the mortal, can neither perceive nor sense it. And if he even tries to sense it he gets into trouble and danger. For instance, it happens that one day he discovered a vibratory movement just outside his normal limit, and like a child with a new toy, he proceeds to play with it. He calls it the X-Ray, and finds he can use it to see right through certain kinds of solid matter. He proceeds to harness it, and roundings, and specially including his put it to work, if only to cure his diseases. But he presently discovers that such energy is destructive to his body. At burns him into malignant sores that pound universal three, the intelligence won't heal, but does it so guietly that he does not know he has been injured long been taught only by the present for weeks after his experiments have writer, so far as he knows, in many been almost forgotten. To-day the expublished articles. perienced physician like Edison, and every trained physician, has acknowlthat X-Ray is too dangerous to absolute limit in the rate of vibration edged meddle with. It proves the reality of of these units. We now recognize it vibrations he cannot sense, save to his from what we call its beginning or zero, deadly injury. He can make instru-ments that will prove the fact itself, "radium" is probably exhibiting the put the operator will presently lose his

the PRESENCE the form would change a cosmic speck, but, in solemn truth ne meter, that measures the heat of a can-is only a very small piece of a speck, dle at a hundred yards, tells you the its shape to our enlarged sense concep tion. so far at least as the man we know who same tale. Every unit in existence is Our direct present object is to watch wing himself scratching the sur-the planet. Every student is aware of his own limitations, hit-or-miss process, for everything is the effect of this law of "outreaching presence" upon the molecular unit form we call man. It is obvious that to spirit Mally declines to learn the les- bit, and everything is missed in this sense more of PRESENCE will be per He knows, if you ask him, that eternal output. A speck gives out the rything of which he can conceive energy of a speck, and a sun gives out ceived, and by so much what mortals call the human form will be enlarged to in motion;—that no atom, or ion, the energy of a sun. relectron is so small that it goes to There are just two points to be spethem. or electron is so small that it goes to sleep in a baby incubator, and then keeps still while it grows a little bigger. Here. The first is, that since every stretching presence, but more of it would be visible to them as what we call human form. The shape of man-form will always He knows that when he senses any speck is in motion, its energy is thrown thing it is because he and it are rush-out in every direction around it, ing about, and never getting tired. And whether it be embodied in a giant sun, thus when particles of atmosphere joit or remain a mere microscopic speck. be a matter of sense limitations Enlarge the scope of the perception and you change the form as a matter of against the particles of his ear drum The other fact to be noted is that only course. This is a most interesting and

important truth, but, all the same, it is not the truth we are seeking, but only approaching it. So much is clear, but it gives us a Let us note that the law of attraction of forms necessarily includes attraction of the entire PRESENCE of each and every unit, of whose ultimate shape we can have no present conception. A child is born into earth life. Let us now study that child. He has a form which intelligence is the prime factor in what we call human. He has also, as we another, so we see that when the sci have seen, an outstretching PRES-Similar movements, if increased to a entist talks of an ether-filled space he

ENCE. His form to our eye limitation is fixed, but to the less limited eye of a spirit, especially an advanced spirit, So much is the wondrous truth emthat form will be very different, as it phasized by the present peep into space beyond our sense limits, which we call will include much more of the PRES-ENCE, into which that child is really X-Ray, radium, and several other built up. That is the first factor in our We see that everything exhibnames. attempted study of the new-born man its intelligence to its own limit of exchild. He has human form, but is realhalation, and to the limit of reception ly much more, which we call PRES-

by another speck. But we see also that ENCE, and can only conceive as limitit is death, or organic destruction, for less. So much of this "presence" as we mortal form to come into contact with can grasp has become "form" to us, but vibrations above or below the outreach the rest is all there, notwithstanding our limitations. of man's normal sense.

But if it be a universal truth that the Scientists who weigh and measure sun is perpetually hurling these higher and analyze forms know nothing of this vibrations, as well as the lower, out outreaching presence, so their estimate into the great ethereal space---if nis of that babe is founded only upon so and the great entriced space-it in the much of his form as their senses can bombarding infinity, it is natural for grasp. They will tell you, first, that bombarding infinity, it is natural for the student to inquire how his own his form is human in the general. Next form, and every other, escapes injury they will show you resemblances they by these deadly vibrations. call "racial," manifested to them as We must here note that there is no special colors and shapes. But that change of raw material in the universe, racial form includes also certain "fam-The only variation is in its rate of moily" limitations, distinct from that of other families. Yet further, it usually tion. Radium will have, like everything else, a compound unit. Just intellibears a more or less striking resemgence, energy, substance, for the stublance to the individual form from dent will perceive the three comprise which it was an apparent outburst in everything he can conceive in God or outline and color. So much is obvious. man, or microbe. So a slight change but when we realize how little of the of proportion, or of rate of motion gives "presence" is congealed into form by its variety to the universe. Man has already noted and applied this fact in our senso limitations we perceive that (a) spirit eye, by seeing more, or at studying his own form, and its sur least a different portion of the presence. will discern a form which will be sense

own sense organs. The truth may be limited into a shape very different from said to be scientifically appreciated tothe form we mortals sense. (b) They day, except that the fact of the comwill also be dealing with a different portion of the entire "presence," and therefore with a different manifestation of energy and substance in every unit has selfhood. Hence the advanced spirit must have a personality very different from that of the mortal, since it is built Keeping this in mind, we are ready up out of a different portion of the

for another thought. There can be no presence. Since conception is the outburst of an entire presence, a life history com-mences which includes far more than the form we sense. When we speak of heredity we mean much more than similarity of fingers, and toes, and other

It rests

We can conceive of Cosmos as a vast "whole presence" which could only be fully represented by another Cosmic presence." That is, of course, all im-possibility for the presence of suffer ossibility, for there can be only one Cosmos. Cosmos cannot be expressed in form, for it includes the formless, universal "presence." So from no form born. But that molecule is composed can we get more than a conception of not only of all the forms of its units. the Cosmic whole. It takes the whole but also of all their emanations. That to express the whole. But we now see molecule has our sense limitations out-line, by which we measure, test and that if the whole child cannot be ex-pressed by its fragment "form" then everything we call "heredfty as" exanalyze it, but it also unites and blends the several outreaching unit Presences pressed in form, is just anlimperfect representation of the whole shid "presinto a new molecular PRESENCE. The sun is thus composed of unit forms and ence." And, alas! we all, know that form is shaped and misshaped until it presences, outreaching into molecular forms and presences. The form of the s usually but a miserable expression sun, as of everything else, is just so

"presence" fulness.

much of its PRESENCE as our senses

can grasp., If we could grasp more of

There would still be left an out-

Since no two "presences" will be alike, any more than any two forms are alike, one "presence" may be musical or mathematical to a much greater exression than another. We think of that as imperfection, but we should remember that only the Cosmic whole can be perfect. So the form or fragment of any one "presence" will have more or less music or mathematics than its apparent proportion should demand. Less music and more mathematics might easily seem to us as dis cord, or more music and less mathematics might to us imply a weakened mentality. But, nevertheless, if we could see or realize the whole of any one "presence" it would bear a true resem-blance in music, mathematics and every other quality to its forbear. Yet every 'presence" is imperfect in its relation to the Cosmic whole, and every form is imperfect in its relation to the entire resence" of which it is a part.

full.

Here we face a great truth in nature. Cosmos is a whole, but has myriad form expressions, A "presence," although it is but a fragment of Cosmos, is yet a whole "presence," and can, like Cosmos, have several, perhaps many form expressions. In other words, the child form we have been watching may more or less resemble its ancestor. It will, at best, present only a distorted resemblance to our sense, for its form is but a very limited portion of its whole. If there be "form sense" with its limitations, there is, and must be "presence sense" with its fulness. "Form' s a certain portion of "presence" perceptible to other like portions of "presence." Outside our mortal form there may be-we may from analogy say ARE-other forms, which are part of

the same "presence," but with sense limitations that can only realize forms like themselves. The whole "presence" s composed of intelligence, energy and evil." substance in eternal vibration, from zero to the inconceivable. The little portion we know and sense is limited to the dimension of our sense. Probably the next, and nearest fragment of our entire "presence" is, in its turn, just as limited. Its music and mathematics will be as limited as ours, but also very different expressions, and perhaps not include our mortal sense limitations. So we now see heredity is an expression of certain qualities through a form, which to our limitations, expresses a resemblance to ancestral qualities. It may run only to fingers. toes and features-it may have organic resemblance. so far as we can traceor it may exhibit mental similarity in, say, music or mathematics. When there is any such expression we talk of "heredity." but more often we cannot trace it all because the form is itself too imperfect an expression of the whole "presence." Heredity will thus tell the tale to our sense limitations of certain form resemblances which at best are very partial emanations from our whole "presence." This stupendous fact of the limitation

of form presents full explanation of the various cases of multiplex personality which have recently so perplexed the student of human nature. Just a little more or less of the whole "pres-ence" added to, or taken from form, and we perceive what is now called a new personality. There thus appears two, or nerhans

An Interesting and Instructive Narrative from the Pen of that Talented Lady and Excellent Medlum, Mrs. I. L. Lewis, of Bethel, Vermont.

Leaves From the Diary

February 24.—When I came up to my room last night I did not sit down to write in my diary as I usually do, for I could not free myself from the impres-sion I had had all the afternoon that sion I had had all the afternoon that ever had unless it was Job.'

"The reason why it seems so is besomeone was coming, but the idea seemed absurd, for it was quite late in cause you know your own troubles so the evening and the roads were drifted much better than anyone's else. There can nothing befall you in the nature of Just as Aunt Sue was putting the cat down cellar, and Uncle lke was winding the clock, there came a rap at family." the door and Uncle lke admitted a man

"Perhaps so," she said doubtfully who was much muffled with scarfs, and "but not every mother has prayed for good deal out of breath from the exertion of walking over, around and her children and sacrificed herself as I through snowdrifts, not to mention have for mine. I am sure I have talked to them enough so they ought to know climbing a steep hill. A little later Uncle lke presented himself at my door how to conduct themselves. I have done everything for my girls, but they and with the rather vague remark, "You'll find him in the settin' room," he handed me a folded paper and departed. Lenore goes about looking and acting handed me a folded paper and departed. opened the paper and read, "Saul de-ires a private interview with the Witch fuses to go anywhere or see anyone if opened the paper and read. "Saul deshe can help it, and does not take any of Endor," and it was signed, "Saul, alias H. Cameron Parson"-the minisinterest in anything but religion. Sh ter who is soon to vacate his pulpit in is very religious and lately has hardly the brick church! I could hardly be spoken except to quote Bible or poetry. "What sort of poetry does she lieve my senses, I was so surprised. It was only a year ago this very man quote?" I asked. "Oh, something pathetic, something preached a rousing sermon against

about heaven and dying. I am dread-Spiritualism. fully worried about her, but she does "You are not offended with me for not try me as her sister does. Vivian calling you the Witch of Endor, are wants to be going somewhere all the you?" inquired Mr. Parson, as soon as time. I don't believe that girl would we had exchanged greetings.

stay at home five minutes if she did not "Certainly not," I said. "I consider have to. She is just like her grandthat you paid me quite a compliment, mother and nothing ever pleases her. The Woman of Endor, according to the They say she is real agreeable away only account we have of her, was a fine from home, and I am sure I am glad medium. She gave Saul a truthful message from the spirit he wanted to for she is a terror here. Why that girl will throw herself about and scream hear from, and then she obeyed the law and rave until I actually think of the laid down by Christ a long time after- devils Christ cast out, and fear lest ward and gave her enemy food and there may be such a thing as a person drink and rendered to him good for being controlled by evil spirits now. One day I told her this and the idea seemed to strike her fancy, and she has acted

"I never thought of that before," said worse ever since. Mr. Parson, with some surprise.

"Begging your pardon, sir, I think I sat in silent thought for some time there are many things in the Bible that and then I said, "Mrs. Blind, there is a you have failed to get the true signifideep-seated cause for all these troubles, and if we can discover the cause and cance from."

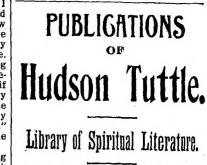
"Very likely," he said gloomily, "but I am not as much interested in the It is natural for everyone to be happy -your religion to the contrary. Bible to-night as I am in myself. I am all out of fix with the Bible, myself, my have a legitimate right to happiness, church, my religion-everything. A and young persons usually recognize it year ago I was perfectly satisfied with and are happy, and if your children are the world. Yes, a year ago I was per-fectly satisfied with my religion and ment somewhere. I do not see my way clearly at the present moment but hought it all anyone need ask for, but know I shall. You have many spirit it failed me utterly in my hour of trial. I thought I knew God, but now I hope friends about you who understand the situation here and are anxious to help that the God I have talked so flippantly about is only a morbid conception of you, and I know they can and will give me all the information I need. I do not some old heataqn's brain, for if the Ruler of this universe is the terrible promise that you shall jump from the hell you are in into the joys of heaven, being I once so complacently thought him to be, then-" Mr. Parson paused but I do promise you that you will gain it step by step if you will follow the and laughed bitterly, then he exclaimed, guiding light." "Mrs. Drury, if you can do anything to "I will follow at any cost to myself," help me, in the name of all you hold dear and sacred, do it!" said Mrs. Blind, firmly.

"Then," said I, "put from you all anx-As I looked upon the boyish face beiety and know that you have this mofore me, so sad and troubled, I became conscious of the presence of a sweetment entered the path leading to peace and strength and happiness realized. I faced elderly woman and it seemed to have one request to make of you. Do me as if the young man was my son. not mention your trials in the presence and my soul went out to him in mothof your children, or betray any anxiety side him and saw a young girl come and lay a white hand upon his shoulder, a young girl with brown curls thrown their shortcomings; let them do what erly love and pity. I took a chair be-



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And beyond the radium we presently enter another realm where Nature knows the tale how Madam Curie proceeded to uncover the secret lying enseems to begin all over again, but a celestial octave or two higher. We thus have the fact of the emission of all cysted in pitch blend. From tons of that mineral she stripped the outside covering, itself as harmless as any playrays by our sun, from .01 to radium as thing of childhood. The process was slow and costly, but at last she capa demonstrated fact. The planet and the man catch what they can absorb of tured a few grains of Cosmic Essence, this mighty output. The rest goes out and out, possibly returning in one vast which she called "radium."

divine orbit. But if the sun is thus casting out its own life forces, it is still Every thinker in the world was startled as never before, for he learned that composed of units, and each unit isthe universe is based upon an energy which knows no exhaustion. But when to the extent of its own power-doing precisely the same as the whole molehe wanted to examine this wonderful substance he found that to even handle cular mass. And this is the life history it was destruction to his mortal form. of every unit, whether in sun, in man, there cannot be in our limited form exor in microbe. A thousandth part of a grain would

scorch him, and burn unhealing sores, Man is a microcosm of the universal let him handle it carefully as he would. simply because it was embodied energy at work outside his sense limits. There may be, perhaps, but a pound or two of this "radium" existing as primal es-sence of this little planet home of man, but every speck scatters its forces with destruction of form. a result now known as "radio activity."

in which diluted form man can at least face his own limitations.

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the universe.

man is thus emitting these finer rays, pression of what the whole "presence casting them out into his own sphere, would be, if we could but sense it. This

Radium is teaching a tremendous les-son to the mortal, for if there be in exprecisely as the sun does. Photos are seems as obvious truth, but in reality taken, we are told, by the use of these earth life tells a very different tale. If materialized energy which emanations from the human form. Yet the unlovely characters everywhere needs no fuel, he is facing the eternal fact of immortality. If the present writer's claim that every unit of Cosfurther, French scientists are claiming around us each represent a whole "presto have discovered, and to be using ence" then indeed there must be both what they call N-Rays. They are even greater devils as well as greater angels mos must be a compound of intellitelling us of the special rays of passion, in the individual "presence" gence, substance and energy, apply also such as hate, love, etc., and even de-picting their colors. It is thus demon-mands most careful examination. to this Cosmic essence—as it must— then he is face to face with all the Distrated that man, like the sun, is perpetually sending forth the essences of on the law of attraction. The unit that vinity he can sense or imagine. And

his very first kindergarten lesson teachhis own personality. es him that to approach too closely to this Great First Cause is destruction to for we find that everything, large or "presence" from which it springs forth. his mortal form. But all the same it small, is a "form" only to our sense limthis Great First Cause is destruction to stands to-day as the foundation fact of

itations. It is a PRESENCE, far be- cules like itself, or as nearly so as posyond its apparent form limitations or sible. In fact, no two units in the uni-

This is not an essay on radium or any boundaries. The speck of lodestone is verse are exactly alike, therefore no other of the hidden forces of Cosmos, a speck only to our senses. But it out two molecular blendings will be exact-This is not an essay on radium or any but an attempt to discern the meaning reaches to other specks and influences ly alike. The blendings of substance, but an attempt to discern the meaning reaches to other species and innumeres if and. The bindings of substances, and lesson of this proved fact to man, them at distances far beyond its form energy and intelligence seem capable the mortal. From the physical side in-vestigation seems barred. Ask the stu-proved, that limitations are the effect exactly alike neither will any two moledent of matter to investigate the propof our sense limits, but we see that Na- cular forms exhibit the same characerties of radium and he will reply""too ture knows nothing of any such divid-dangerous. The student is certain to be crippled or burned." Manhood is thus Man is perpetually fuffuencing and be expression. facing vibrations of units which, being ing influenced by what we may call his

facing vibrations of units which being ing innuenced of what we may can his in we conceive of a perfect whole it outside his sense limit, are destructive outer manhood or PRESENCE. Herein could not he broken up into perfect to his form. But, all the same, it can lies the mystery of heredity. he handled mentally so far as our pres-Let us now apply this law of "uni-blee And if no two molecular aggrega-

ent brain development will permit. The scientist had figured out the probable life limit of the sun, and his planets. It was a more matter of the exhaustion of his energy. Some day his unit had its form center, but in reality words, whereas in the whole there may had the sun and his blending to our sense limitation. The characteristic of the whole. In other exhaustion of his energy. Some day his unit had its form center, but in reality words, whereas in the whole there may supply would be all used up, and then that unit was a PRESENCE outreach be a supposed perfection, yet in each there would be another Cosmic funeral. ing into infinity, but with no definite part there would be a positive imperfect-

But as radium is capable of transmuta- boundary of which we can conceive. Uon. Nothing but the whole can repre-tion into helium, and as helium is We have a right to assume that the sun sent the whole. When we apply this in the sun, as sworn to by the PRESENCE would be far more out truth to the study of heredity we perspectroscope, its energy may, for all we reaching than man PRESENCE, or unit ceive as a truth the fact that "parent spectroscope, its energy may, for an we reaching than man resource, or that presence" is writing itself on that inadequacy of Hudson's explanations of lations of the scientist, are all upset, ligence, energy and substance in that "child presence" as a whole, with a re-

physical features of the new form. Follow out that form a little further into its "presence" and it begins to exhibit qualities that appertain to a larger and myriad other such human phe-nomena, come, we now see, under the form center. There may be sight, hearing, touch, but they become clairvoylaw that limits our sense perception of ance, clairaudience, intutition, etc., be-cause working further into "presence" form to just a very small portion of the "presence" that belongs to every eter-nal unit, and therefore to every molecthan our mortal limitations. Consciouswhole realm between the vibrations of ness itself is always an output of far ular collection of such units, which we more of "presence" than is contained then call "form ' within our sense limit, and is therefore If the reader has now made careful always cramped and confined in exstudy of "presence" and its relation to form he will recognize that it expression by the dense mortal form. Heredity implies the resemblance of an plains far more than multiple person-"presence" to the entire "pres entire ality. It gives us the key to the mysence" of its creator. But what mortals eries of heredity, which are mysteries perceive and study as heredity is only only because of our sense limitation of so much of the "presence" as resemble 'form." When we have once grasped the limited personality of the selfhood the truth and actual existence of the from which it sprang. Suppose the im-mediate ancestor of the child we are vast "presence," of which form is but a wee fragment, we see that heredity, as watching to have had a form expresseen in form, is only a very imperfect sion, physical and mental, that we manifestation of the relation of every sense as music. That really pertains molecular group to its primal unit, which to his entire presence, and we catch at some remote period, commenced to only so much of it as his and our sense attract and gather other units like limitations permit. It is obvious that minded to itself. Such seems to the present writer to be the great lesson pression more than a portion of what which he has tried to express and the whole "presence" would express leach under the heading of "Mortal whole. He, too, is a blending of inde- but it would be of the same quality. For pendent units, each perpetually radiat- instance, the whole could not express Limitations.' Yet further it seems possible that the ing its own individuality, yet remaining love, and a mere portion of the "presfact that this vast "presence" of which form is only a small part, may give a "personal" because either of radium, or ence" express hate. There would sim

some radio-active substance, that can ply be more love in the whole, and less apparently give out indefinitely without love in the part. So in every phase of real scientific basis to what is known as pre-existence, by the student of thecharacter which is manifested in morosophy. We have seen that We are receiving proofs to-day that tal life we have but an imperfect exence" outstretching as it were in front of form may give us new form appear ances according to our sense limits. But if that be so, there may be, perhaps

must be "presence" just as much be-hind form, as in front of it, with the than is the observer, and no further. We have seen that an advanced intelligence It is obvious that heredity is founded

sees a form as our personality, that is bursts into molecular expression is unfounded on more of the "presence" than We can go a step further than this, der impulse and energy from the parent well as in front of it. Deathedestroys

nothing. It only manifests another expression of "presence." hIt inca great kaleidoscope, with the same material exhibiting ever changing(forms) So I repeat this study of "mortal limitations" may not prove, but I it certainly suggests that the experience of the eternal unit may have commenced long before what we now sense as mortal form. Every form is really mortal form, for it changes or disappears just as sense limits change. And every

If we conceive of a perfect whole it

to that extent seem to support-almost But that is so suggestive a theme that it demands a separate study.

San Leandro, Cal. Spiritism and Mrs. Leonora E. Piper, and Dr. Thomson J. Hudson's Theories in Regard to It. By Ex-Judge Abram H. Dailey. Demonstrate: futility and

they will. back from a white forehead, her cheeks of the same mortal we have long Later in the day I was left alone with were rosy and dimpled, her lips red known and studied. Our Mollie Fan-chers, Miss Beauchamps, Rev. Hannas, Mrs. Glum and listened to a pathetic reand smiling, and her brown eyes looked cital of her trials. with unuiterable tenderness upon the and last, but not least, Mary Barnes, "Abigail is so fussin' and particular bowed figure of the young minister.

that I never could do anything to suit Her lips framed but one word, "Bertie." her," said Mrs. Glum. "I was brought At the mention of that name Mr. Parup to work, and I want to work and do son caught my hand in a vise-like grip, something besides makin' blue cats and and exclaimed, "My God, it is-it isdogs on pieces of yeller silk," and she "It is Alice and she calls you Bertie," poked contemptuously at some silk I said.

patchwork on a chair beside her. He broke into passionate sobbing. looks to me like a wicked waste of time What I said to him I cannot recall, but and I don't think much on't. This setlater he said to me, "God bless you, tin around all fixed up, tryin' to look Mrs. Drury, for what you have done for fashionable is what I despise. Abigail me to-night. You have brought me said the other day she wished I'd mind hope and comfort, you have given me positive proof that my beloved Alice. can't mind my own business, but I hat I haint got. If she'd let me wash my betrothed wife, is not lost to me if dishes an' mend clothes and sort perta she did die without confessing Christ ters, I'd mind my business, for I'd have and was unbapilzed. You have brought the business an' the mind to 'tend it.' to me the knowledge that my mother I found Mrs. Blind and told her such still loves me and is near me in my portions of the conversation as loneliness, and it does not seem to me thought best. that I ever can be quite as wretched

"Give your mother-in-law suitable again. No one but my mother and clothing and let her go into the kitchen Alice ever called me Bertie, and I am and do the work she is longing to do," sure no one in this state knows what said. "When a person who is inclined the letter H in my name stands for. I to meddle and criticise has nothing thought I would tell you this to encourelse to do you may be sure she will age you in your work. Whatever comes into my life later, I know now I shall make it her business and attend to it faithfully. The remedy is hard work." "But if I do as you tell me," said not be bound by church creeds. What ever light comes to me I shall give oth-Mrs. Blind, my neighbors over here will ers the benefit of and do the best a worm of the dust like myself can do to tell all over the village that I am making my poor old mother do my drudgery get all the knowledge of the hereafter for me, and what will people say?" possible." (To be continued.)

"You are not a worm of the dust," cald; "you are a son of God. Stop in-sulting your Father and throw away

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same quality of manifesting form only

according to the sense limitation of the

observer. For the one great element

of "presence" is that it always mani

fests form to the utmost sense limit of

mortals grasp. But that same ad-

vanced intelligence may, thus sense

form behind our present form life, as

"presence" is, so far as we can sense, unlimited. Therefore "form" as a par-

-(The End.)

tial manifestation of "presence"

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"You don't know anything about it," case. It costs you nothing and you said Mrs. Blind, tearfully. "I try to be patient, but that woman is enough to should surely try it.

try the patience of an angel, but I can stand her nagging better than some other things I have to bear." -the doctrine of pre- existence.

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A Misunderstanding of the Text.

The Christian world has misunderstood Genesis, according to the Dean, quite as a negro preacher did the text on "Evil doers."

A great many good hits have been made because of absolute ignorance of the matter in hand. The pith of most sermons comes from an amusing unconsciousness of the true meaning of the Bible texts. Talmage, the great, made his name by the open mouthed credulity with which he received, and volubility with which he expounded the Bible, and DeWitt, the little, followsfar behind-the footsteps of his sire.

The following sermon by a negro preacher in Texas, in manner and style resembles Talmage's best efforts, the all-believing misunderstanding of the text being redcemed by the shrewdness of application. It reads like a Talmagean sermon transposed into negro dialect:

"My tex' dis ebening' am from Jeri-iah or Keziriah, I disremember which, but anyhow hit says, 'Beware ob

The clergy seem greatly hungered at this time for a uniform divorce law. They want Congress to usurp the pre rogatives belonging exclusively to the tates, and pass an act making only adultery the cause for divorce. It mat ters not how grave the wrong inflicted on a marital partner; if the opposite has not been unfaithful in his or her marriage vow, there is no redress, if the ideals of these malcontents can be carried into practice. They so loathe adultery they would minister to it more

That Terrible Divorce Question.

faithfully, by prohibiting the party guilty of the offense from marrying again.

And why do the Christian clergy take this position? "Because," say they, "the Master, the dear Jesus, made that offense the only cause for separation." Jesus said no such thing. He did not suggest a divorce for adultery. Matt 5:32, he is reported to have said:

"Whoever shall put away his wife, save for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery; and whoever marrieth her that is divorced committeth adultery," Fornication and adultery are different offenses. The man putting away his wife for committing the first offense, causes her to commit the second.

In Mark 10:3. Jesus is represented as inquiring what provision Moses had made for putting away a wife. The Pharisees informed him that Moses per mitted a man to write a bill of divorce ment. Then Jesus, verse 9. "What God for five cents, and then you are per hath joined together, let no man put asunder."

Where the proof that God has joined the inebriate, the assassin, the rene-gade, the low, vile and vulgar, with the noble, the true, refined and worthy, or

who have become such? Bring the evidence of such joining in God's own hand-write, and then we will consider the matter.

Modern law, laws not founded on the barbarism of 5,000 years ago, nor de-vised by monks in their cloisters during the Middle Ages, have provided very good codes on the subject of divorce The state of New York has made adultery the only cause for separation, so that offense is encouraged by law, and parties gladly avail themselves of the statutory offense to bring themselves within its provisions. It should have been entitled, an act to encourage adul ery," as should any act, even if passed by Congress, restricting divorce to that cause alone.

We read in a fashionable journal the other day, the statement made by a lady, that her husband was in the habit of using his knife in passing food to his She claimed she had done her nouth. best to break up the uncouth habit; but he insisted he thought it as gross to pitch his food into his month as to shovel it. and he persisted in vulgarly shoveling it in. She wanted to know of the lady editor what she could do in the premises. To which the fair edi-tress replied: "Get a divorce by all Psychic Circle. neans. I would not live for a minute

with such a barbarian." That is what a fashionable editor of popular journal would make a cause for divorce. Another would compe parties to take liquids from the side of a spoon, and preak up the home if that recent habit is not strictly observed. The Progressive Thinker does not trouble itself to know what Moses thought on the divorce question, and cares as little for the opinions of fash-

ton editors. It is content to leave the subject where modern legislation has placed it. Give the priesthood control and one tenth of our incomes would be given to the church, for the benefit of the clergy, Every saint's day would be a sacred day, when labor would not be tolerated. Every person would be compelled by

law to attend church on Sunday; no must be productive of spiritual good. marriage could be solemnized unless by a priest; and the whole government would be run in the interest of secta-rianism, to the prejudice of those who paniala latabaaaa

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That Will Agitate Spiritualism From Center to Circumference.

SPIRITUALISM IS MOVING ON THE WORLD LY TO BE KEPT SMOULDERING, TO BREAK OVER. IN JAPAN IT IS IN THE ASCENDENCY OUT AGAIN WITH THE BOGUS MANIFESTA-UNDER VARIOUS NAMES. IN CHINA, EVEN, IT TIONS OF THE BAMBAMS LAST SEASON.

IS EXERTING ITS INFLUENCE. IN THIS COUN. AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE IS A CRISIS TRY, PRESENTED IN VARIOUS COLORS, AND PENDING, AND A DISCUSSION IS TO BE IN-CONSIDERED UNDER DIFFERENT NAMES, IT AUGURATED AGAIN FOR A BRIEF SEASON TO IS MAKING PROGRESS AS NEVER BEFORE. NOTWITHSTANDING FRAUD HERE AND SPIRITUALISM FROM CENTER TO CIRCUMFER-THERE BESETS THE PATHWAY OF MANY IN- ENCE.

VESTIGATORS, YET IN THE END THE TRUTH THE TIME HAS COME FOR ACTION, RESO. TRIUMPHS.

LUTE ACTION, AND IT MAY BE WELL TO TAKE QUESTIONS ONCE IN A MEASURE TABOOED AN INVENTORY OF THE STOCK OF ARTIFI-ABE NOW OPENLY CONSIDERED, AND TO BE CIAL "SPIRIT" TOGGERY ON HAND, TOGGERY A CANDID, CONSCIENTIOUS GENTLE FRAUD. THAT SOMETIMES SENDS FORTH A DISAGREE. HUNTER AMONG THE VARIOUS TRICKSTERS ABLE ODOR FROM LONG USE IN THE PRESEN-AND ROTTEN ADVENTURERS THAT INFLICT TATION OF SO-CALLED MATERIALIZATIONS. OUR RANKS IS CONSIDERED MERITORIOUS, SPIRITUALISM CAN ONLY ADVANCE ALONG AND THE FAKES EVERYWHERE ARE TREMB. THE LINES OF EXACT TRUTH. WHEN ON THE LLING IN THE ANTICIPATION OF EXPOSURE. LINES OF ERROR, FALSEHOOD AND TRICK. A FEW YEARS AGO, WHEN A FEW MISERA- ERY, THEN IT RETROGRADES, THEN IT DARK-BLE, ROTTEN FAKES WERE EXPOSED AT LILY ENS, THEN IT LOSES ITS SPIRITUALITY. SO DALE, AND DRIVEN FROM THE GROUNDS, LOOK OUT NEXT WEEK FOR A SPECIAL DIS-MANY SPIRITUALISTS PROTESTED, AND FOR CUSSION OF GREAT AND VITAL IMPORTANCE A TIME THE "FRAUD CRY" WAS HUSHED, ON- BETWEEN MASTER MINDS OF OUR CAUSE.



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> guides to draw near and assist you in the development of your highest soul powers and your medium-

ers, mediums and workers; and to the press, that the

and wife. Many letters have been received asking While we wish it distinctly understood that admission to this circle is absolutely free of cost to all, for particulars, to which we respond in this manner. THE SUGGESTIONS AND DIRECTIONS' FOR there is quite a little expense incurred in the pur-THIS CIRCLE CAME FROM WISE AND CLEAR-SIGHTED MINDS ON THE SPIRIT SIDE OF LIFE. joining should consider that matter. It also seems THE GREAT POSSIBILITIES OF A CIRCLE IN desirable to occasionally send notices and explana-WHICH THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE AT THE SAME tions to those desiring to join. Brother Francis has TIME, CONCENTRATE THEIR MINDS 'ON' THE very generously offered the columns of The Progressive Thinker for that purpose. He realizes the great If we believe in the potency of thought, we can but possibilities of such a circle, properly conducted, and believe that such a thought wave permeating the psy- lie will open a psychic column in his paper in which chic lives of so many in different parts of the world will be published the time, objects, rules, any changes that may occur, growth of the circle, corre-The object of this movement is not for the advance- spondence concerning it, AND IN RETURN FOR to his mother he attempted to describe ment of the cause in any one place, or with any par- THIS KINDNESS IT IS CONFIDENTLY EXPECTticular people, nor solely for the good of the mem- ED THAT ALL MEMBERS WILL BECOME SUB- difficulties almost insurmountable. He

Let the Heathen Alone. No doubt the sympathetic feeling that animates many who give of their

Wise or Silly, Which? Rev. John Daniels, pastor of the sion Tabernacle, at Galesburg, recently means to carry "the gospel to the discoursed on Spiritualism, and beathen" is commendable, although we clared that 99 per cent of it is humblig,

may regard it as induced by a false the and the rest is of the devil. ology labeled orthodox. That is a grand diescovery by the These sympathetic adherents of ordoubtless learned and worthy Christian thodox dogmas concerning human bepreacher. He must know whereof he ings and their destiny, will be shocked speaks else he would not be so positive in his assertion. All the millions of arwhen they read the words of Professor Starr, of the University of Chicago, who dent believers in the truths of Spiritualis thus reported in the Record-Herald: ism the wide world over, are victims of Does John D. Rockefeller, in giving humbugery, his statement true! It is oney to foreign missions, send wonderful what a mass of knowledge and trouble to the heathen? A profess-or of the University of Chicago, so that brain of Rev. Daniels possesses, And it is astonishing how many victims richly benefitted by the master of oil, offers an unqualified "yes." there are to the great delusion.

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failing to bring back the cash.

aries to foreign shores.

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force the products of our so-called civ-

An Objection Answered.

Recently the writer attended a lec-

our meddling."

Philanthropists who give their money to mission boards for the purpose of Rev. Daniels fortified his position and made points, when he declared: converting heathen nations mal "Spiritualists have no common doccious meddlers, according to Professor rine; they do not recognize the Bible, Frederick Starr, the celebrated anthro ooking upon it as any other book. pologist, and every dollar of their mis mediums are purely hypnotists, and do placed cash sinks the barbarians lowe much harm to weak people." and lower because of the contact with so-called Anglo-Saxon civilization.

The dear cleric should weep when he casts his eye about him and sees how Disregarding the sentiment of Mr. this humbug faith has entered all the Rockefeller and the university divinity school which trains the missionaries. Professor Starr declared in a lecture churches, and is weekly preached in some form in probably 50,000 Christian to students yesterday that foreign repulpits. ligious work was a huge mistake, and

1, 100.

And worse than all, these Spiritualthat even cannibals would be far betists find their teachings inculcated Professor Starr told the students that throughout that book labeled Bible, the religious rites of the heathen were more tolerant than the Christian rethough many do not feel that fact adds any value to the knowledge they have ligion, which he termed too "intolerderived direct from spirit communion. ant." thereby working injury to the If proved that Spiritualism is a humnormal state of primitive peoples. Fan-cy drinks, rum, shoes, stiff shirts and alarm clocks he named as the only benbug; that mediums are imposters; that there is no communion between the mortal and the immortal then we venefits Anglo-Saxon interference had give ture the assertion, there is no proof of en to heathen nations and those he dean immortal life. The assertion, howclared "the ridiculous monuments of ever strongly made, or numerously believed, that the Bible is a revelation-from heaven, has not been and cannot be proved. It came to us through Cath-"There is not a barbarous race in the world that we have not tried to enlighten and convert," said the profess olic hands, and it was the bloody Inqui-"There is hardly to be found a non-

sition with its torture chamber that compelled its reception as the Word of ulation so small that we have not car God. It was kept out of the hands of ried the torch of learning to it-never the people so long as possible, that the priests might tell of the revelation, "We wish to convert these barbarwhile others were reconstructing it to ous peoples. Therefore our religion. which is an intolerant religion, holding make it sustain their church creed.

that there is nothing but everlasting And as to the hypnotism of mediums damnation for those who do not happen we insist most earnestly the victims of church creeds give the strongest evito have heard of it, sends its missiondence possible that they are under hyp-"It is all a mistake. An African liv notic influence from the strongly mag ing in Africa, after an African fashnetic and chicken-fed priests. ion is likely to be a better man than he

APPRECIATIVE WORDS.

Letter From the Veteran Rolla Stubbs "We think we are the chosen of God.

It is my belief that the real worth of To the Editor :-- I consider The Prothe different races is one and the same. But because we think we are in the lead gressive Thinker the best Spiritualist we teach the heathen a great number paper printed. It is full of instructive of new drinks, for which they probably reading and thought from the best vriters. "We are the most meddlesome race

The cause of Spiritualism here is progressing nicely. We hold meetings ev-ery Sunday at 2:30 p. m., in our tem-

For a number of years before The Progressive Thinker started, we read the Religio-Philosophical Journal and the Banner of Light, both \$3 a year; "We send our merchants and literally when The Progressive Thinker came out at \$1 a year, all said that a Spiritlization on nations that do not want ualist paper could not live at those prices, but it has lived, and instead of being four pages like the first year, it has gained in size to an eight-page journal, brimful of good reading matter. One who fails to read The Pro-gressive Thinker is missing the good things of this life, and can not keep posted in the progress of Spiritualism. In the last forty years I have seen Spiritualism rise and fall. At two or three different periods, it would seem ture by a Syrian, on his country. He to rise and go to the front as a religion for a time, and then die out; but at present it is coming before the world as had been educated at Harvard and sent t never did before. The secular papers esting account of his sensations and throughout the land give us an account

> forty years ago. Modern Spiritualism has come to stay. It has been the false teachings and trickery under the cloak of Spirit, ualism that have kept it back. It has church-going people as a free-love religion, before the people properly under-stood its work and philosophy. When the church or any religious society discards Spiritualism out of its Bible or religion, it has nothing to build on, as spirit is the life principle beautiful There is no religion more than the one which teaches that our loved ones in spirit life come back to earth and manifest and make themselves known to their friends. It is a blessed knowledge to know such is true. ROLLA STUBBS. Long Lake, Minn.

of the meetings and the work, without

so much ridicule as they gave thirty or

Thinker. The Doctor is an exception- The hour of the circle is from 9 to 10, every Friday ally careful, critical, conscientious work- evening. Rules for Circle. er in the ranks of Spiritualism, and is an

alyzing with painstaking care and skill ev- unable to sit alone concentrate your mind and ery phase of this modern movement. thoughts on the objects and work of the circle.

his side, and the combined forces of the Second. Search your souls to learn if you have

chase of books, printing circulars, etc., and each one

that ever existed. We meddle at home, we meddle abroad and we meddle everywhere, and it is the almighty dollar that is the reason for our meddling. That is the watchword of the Anglo-Saxons. Our missionary work is simply meddling.

Third. Ask your spirit friends and the circle

istic gifts.

We pretend to be so sorry that the nations of the world are so barbarous, so we send merchants to introduce wares-for the good of the heathen, of course.' out as a missionary. He gave an interthoughts the first winter he stayed in this country, when ice began to form and snow to fall. He had never seen anything like it before, and in a letter it. But at the beginning he met with

tion and his rum. were pining.

Fourth. Send out a helpful thought to all speakthem, and do not need them. The real reason for this is our everlasting greed.

Mass., under the direction of Dr. Alexander Caird divine plan may be more generally applied.

ebii dores.' Now what do de 'snired writer mean by ebil dores? What am an ebil dore? Why, an ebil dore am de side dore dat leads into the saloon on Sunday, when de front dore am locked an' the blin's pulled down. Dat's what an ebil dore am, an' dat's what de Salmist declars you mus' all beware ob. So you see my bredderen de sacred writer, he knowed all 'bout it.

"It is de ebil dore dat no p'liceman neber kin see, but dar's one above dat do see hit, kase he kin see both sides ob ebery dore, both in de dark an' in de light, an' he's keepin' tally on all dat enters derein. De ebil dore opens to let in a sober man airly in de mornin'. but when the comes out he brings a smell ob whisky wid him strong 'nuff to knock down a meetin' house. De man may be tol'bly decent when he enters. but when de ebil dore opens to let him out, what is he fit for den? He can't see straight, he can't walk straight, an' he can't stan' straight. No, he can't; he's only fit for treason, statagems, boils, measles an' murder. De good in him hab all gone fast to sleep, an' de world flesh an' de debil had taken him prisoner, an' dev hab full control oh him. When he 'rives home an' enters his own dore, lie plays de debil full swing. He kicks ober de table, smashes de dishes, breaks his wife's swing. He nose an' neart too, at one blow, an' when he's run all de chil'en out, he runs de nouse to suit hisself.

"But my belubbed bredderen, de ebil dores won't hurt ye if you obey de tex' an' beware ob dem; don't neber go near dem, but try an' get all de ebil dores shet up, neber agin to open.

"If thar be chil dores so thar be good, though my tex' speaks not ob dem. De church dore am a good dore. Git inside, my belubbed and shet dat dore an' shet de debil out in de col'. God am dis side of dat dore: he am, belubbed. an' you am safe by de blood ob Jesus, right hear behind this dore.'

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creed.

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again. This subtle influence, operated in an earlier age, the law relating to it not being understood, was the junior member in the firm of Father. Son & Holy Ghost. It was he who produced that great excitement on the day of Penteost, narrated in the Acts, chapter 2. That the apostles practiced the art we ave positive proof, see Acts 3:4: Peter, fastening his eyes on him And with John, said, 'Look on us.' Then congenital cripple, by suggestion only, was cured, who stood up and walked.

Here were the successful hypnotists, who had just been practicing their arts as narrated in the preceding chapter, and the doings were credited to Holy Ghost, as was this cure by the postles

This is a point telling us who was the Holy Ghost we do not remember to have seen before.

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bers alone, but for the workers, the press, the spirit SCRIBERS TO THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER. friends, and the upbuilding of the cause in general. The paper is worth many times the price of subscrip-We believe that much good will be accomplished; tion, for the many readable and instructive articles it that those possessing the gift of mediumship will re- contains each week and it being the official organ of ceive help and spiritual strength by placing them- the circle, members will be brought into closer touch selves in the psychic wave engendered by this means. with each other by perusing its pages. We hope every reader of this paper will send their Send name and address for membership in circle to name and become a member of this circle; no matter

PSYCHIC CIRCLE.

In a recent issue of The Progressive Thinker, refer-

ence was made to a psychic circle formed in Lynn,

SAME OBJECTS, MUST BE OBVIOUS TO ALL.

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A NATIONAL SPIRITUALIST TEMPLE:

warrant the attention of the advancing thinker rators have undertaken the task of introducing the throughout the country.

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y-laws drawn up and accepted; charter members, forty-two.

Something of these facts have come to the notice of the readers of The Progressive Thinker, but of its to the purposes for which they are devised. The orreal importance little has been said. The project is a large one, but out of the fullness it will be carried into effect. The design has not been diagrammed, but as it has come inspirationally to view, the Temple will be arranged with large and small auditoriums, six seance rooms, parlor, dining-room and kitchen, also committee and cloak rooms, with all appliances and fittings necessary for a complete and commodious the importance of, a center of the highest type of that which is called religion.

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ready for the stupendous work the temple will be Out of the nebulae of the thought of years at last built. it is a part of the movement already in its initihas come into being a star of such magnitude as to ative and will be a demonstration of it, so its incorpoearly features by forming the nucleus of a fund which shall come into being for the great work.

The organization is tied to no other, to no society or association; it stands dignifiedly alone, to be cona zeal qualified by integrity and prudence. Whether Incorporation papers are filed and constitution and the membership be large or 'small, its annotations must be correctly made. The interest of the fund will be safe-guarded in every possible way so that all bequests and all contributions will be held sacred ganization is provided with a legal adviser whose place will always be filled and who, like all other of the officers, gives services free, no provision being thought necessary for compensation, as the whole work is a labor of love and gladly given to so great

a cause. Through the Spiritualist papers we shall keep in touch with the friends all over the country, and over building, adapted to the uses of, and in keeping with the world, too, for the matter is really an international one, and we shall be ready at any time to accept and invest funds, receive and care for legacies, and intend to do everything in our power to increase When we shall grasp the fact that it is sirely need- interest in the work and to add to the fund from

The Temple is to be built; the earth is to yield of within a practical radius the funds necessary for its its fullness for it, and the powers of the air will bring substance to it; it is a feature of the new era and will The halcyon days of a higher Spiritualism are ap- stamp the era as nothing else has done, so come with proaching. In the spirit realms of this planet vast us to the furtherance of the grand plan and you will preparations are being made for a fuller, stronger and ever be glad when from your ether homes you behold more complete demonstration of the relation and what you have helped to build for the good of humanpowers of the different states of being which will ne. ity and the upbuilding of Truth, for the interest cessitate more correct methods among the dwetters of the sum and substance of all sciences and the demhere, and better appliances for such demonstration; onstration of that to which we all look with so much a fact which co-ordinates the work on both sides and anticipation or anxiety, the life that lies in the future. requires preparation for. As a center the capital of Any information will be gladly given by the under-

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could think of no words in the Syrian language for ice and snow, or to give an idea of the intense cold.

In a round-about way he told his mother that the water became at certain seasons of the year, hard as stone, vet remained clear as glass. One could walk all over the surface, and people nut irons on their sandals and went flying over the rivers and lakes. When the water was thus hard men sawed it into blocks and stored it away in houses for the next summer, when it was used to cool the heat of the too warm days. When it was doing this it became water

just as at first. Rain sometimes be came hard in the clouds and fell in halls that broke the windows or again it fell in white flakes like feathers, cov ering the ground and glittering like diamonds on the trees.

Before the water became hard, most of the trees dronned their leaves and remained bare as though dead, until spring. When his mother read this letter, he

said her grief was great, and she imme-diately wrote him: "My dear son, come home at once. Your letter shows that your mind is affected, and if you stay you will become a hopeless lunatic and rrepressible liar."

Inadvertently, what a fine answe this is to the objection so frequently made against spirit communications be cause they do not accurately describe the world in which they live. Had this missionary returned as a spirit from some portion of the spirit world, and attempted to describe its supernal beau ties, he would have been met with similar yet far greater difficulties. For the spiritual things he would attempt to de-scribe have no earthly name and only by symbols and comparisons could he tope to convey partial and distorted

Attention Spiritualists of Ohio! The last Convention of the Ohio Spiritualists Association, held at Columbus May 1904, selected Dayton, O., to hold next meeting, but owing to the inability of the society there to entertain the Convention, the Official Board of the Association was compelled to make a change and accepted the offer of the Ashtabula Society, therefore the next Ohio Spiritualists Association Convention will convene at Ashtabula, Ohio, May 26, 27 and 28, 1905. All Societies have been notified by the Secretary, and are earnestly requested to send their delegates and assist in the trans action of the business of the Associa-

deas.

tion, and make this meeting a grand success to our glorious cause. Good speakers and message-bearers will be in attendance. Do not forget the dates May 26, 27 and 28. All Spiritualists of

Ohio come to Ashtabula. C. A. SOLLINGER. Creveland, O. Secretary O. S. A.

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WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Some Reasons Why It Should Be Conferred.

Woman suffrage is going to be one of the great issues of the day and must be met and settled right. The women are capable in every respect to exercise the right of suffrage, more so in fact, than many of the men to the manor born, or the foreigners who come here and are entitled to vote in five years after taking out their naturalization papers at the call and behest of the polit-

ical boss of his election district. With women voting it would tend to make cleaner politics; it would tend to minimize the influence of the ward heelers and hangers on of the party in power; it would cause politicians to bring out men for office with cleaner and better records in order to appeal to the votes of the women, who would be sure to look into their capabilities and inquire into their antecedents in a more thorough and effective way than most men do. This, of itself, is alone worth conferring the right of suffrage to wo-

Indeed, anything which will tend to make our politics and candidates abler, cleaner, better, cannot be instituted any too soon; and one of the best measures to help it along will be woman suffrage. -Dover (N. J.) Index.

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JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

Is It True That the War Is Due to Planetary Influences

A Discourse Through Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond.

largely by the Northern Mythology.

the Orient arise, then shall it be redeemed."

years because of these mignty northern powers. the Earth, there will not be the discredit given to ation of the great new Orient. In the very should the solution of the northern planets in the Orient. The Magians, when only three or the solution of the solution of the solution of the northern of the northern of the northern of the solution of the solution of the northern of the n stars in the constellation of Ursa Major were visible, held that the Earth was in the shadow, and afterward. when others became visible the light came forth.

In Japan it was believed that the mouth of the "Dragon" held in its thrall not only the Chinese empire, but India, and that when Japan should be released a new country would appear.

traditions of spiritual value.

nied by great spiritual perception.

tions of that which will transpire; just as the Messi- of Egypt, veiled in the mystery of Isis. punishn anic cycle in the Hebraic and Egyptian records signi- Horus is born; it is named Japan, and with that Russia. and ten and five (the twenty-five thousand years) of nation of the cycle. the larger cycle.

in their unfoldment to those cycles or periods.

The nations of the Orient, for many hundred years, a word for freedom; it is formed in the Orient of all power that threatens destruction, greater destruction, of all despotism, of all the hoarded wealth tion to the Orient, and Japan must check it. We hope it will not mean war. If all the ministers of learning that China has buried for thousands of thousands of the Good Book once about of all the churches would refuse to take the tribute gives any knowledge, have been isolated from all the years; it is formed by the flowering out, distinctively, the Boanerges, the "Sons of Thunder." No one that Mammon pays as the price of salvation, then gives any knowledge, have been isolated from all the years; it is formed by the flowering out, distinctively, the Boanerges, the " onward march of civilization, are now, astrologically, of this new child-nation that is to set up the new na- knows exactly the origin or application of the word. there would not need to be any war, the Prince of in the ascending scale, in the awakening time. The tion of the East, as a lily, with its live, wonderful new But it means a certain number of people on the earth Peace would have already come, and you would sit great re-birth, of which Horus in India and the Bud- government. So this Star and the Lily, which is the that are always ready : ready to take up the standard down in your temples of worship knowing that the dhistic reaction in China and Japan was the symbol, symbol of the new life, will also be the symbol of the of right, ready to bear the cross, ready to bear what- starving children upon the streets, that the men and is due to-day. Formerly the believers in the gods in new nation. Japan is a flowery kingdom, it is a king- ever is necessary to defend a principle or a law. To women who toil for their daily bread are not op-Japan held that out of the mouth of Dragon this small dom of blossoms. The lilies or lotus flowers are the those to whom Jesus addressed it, he meant that they pressed by that which you are doing in receiving the kingdom would be set free; that it would be held in symbols of its new life. It upsprings as does the lo- belonged to that order of men, to that class of people bribe-money from the professed Christians who folabeyance for the thousand year cycle, which really tus. Its existence, as is the lotus, is by the great that are ever ready and alert; that are not to be low after Mammon. meant the larger number of 2,500 years. After this mystery of the Primal Mother, by the over-brooding eaught napping; that when the emergency comes are The time will come when out of the shadow of this release this "Flower of all Lands," this fair "Lily of of the Primal Father, symboled by the sun, which in there. You have them in the life-saving stations; Eastern war will spring two new nations: The new rethe East" would rise in her might, and would minis- the Orient is worshiped everywhere. ter unto the "Mother Celestial," the Chinese empire, The symbol of the Dog Star, which is the symbol flames. They do not make the storm, they do not ideals of Count Tolstoi; a new Japan that will realize and would set her feet again upon a solid basis of life of the rising and the setting of its life's tide, and sym- create the fire, but when it is there they are ready. many of the old ideals that you have missed. Then a

mythology holds, usually in the form of symbolism, for a long time gausidered dead reveals itself as hav- the glacial period mean the same thing.

In this sense the Great Dragon refers to the north-ern constellations, including Ursa Major, and it is supposed by the believers in this legend that the Dog Star has been held in abeyance for a "thousand years" because of these mighty northern powers. ental nations. These traditions that have come out salvation of the rest of the world from China. This But the truth is, "like causes produce like effects." of the North, the more northern mythology, form the is what we see in the Oriental stars; this is what we You have given a tardy self-government to Cuba, northern nations to meet the southern nations.

The Chinese for many hundred years have held this was a greater piece of iniquity than the formation of was ripe for the Orient to come forth. ent system of astronomy long before Copernicus re-vealed it to the western and more barbarous nations. the meaning of the astrological signs as read by the All important movements or changes in the world Japanese and Chinese astrologers. It means: For a like "strikes," we do not like "lock-outs," we do not of a nemesis according to our interpretation, for

fies the larger performance in the heavens, and this name, and the impetus that is behind it, is included

Meanwhile, the spiritual forces of the universe are the nations.

also has its inspiration, which is impelling the west- becomes a readiness, an impetus for moral endeavor, ern nations to fulfillments that are old in the Orient, these Angel forces that are abroad in the world be-While they are entering upon a new cycle, which is come the leaders, the Teachers of Truth, become those the cycle next beyond yours. Commerce, this who are willing to suffer martyrdom, those who are struggle for material power, this infantile aggressive- ready to take their places in any phase of the conflict.

ness, all this is past in the Orient. We think as equation there is not in the world, or suppression of slavery, but as he said, "I see that is in the conception of man a more peaceable people God's way," he had to consent to his son going to the than the Japanese. A people peaceable in their war. He was a non-resistant, but God is not always homes, in their communities, in their societies, in their a non-resistant.

The subject this morning, "Is the War Between of the Great Dragon, her planetary influences are now dealings with our another and with strangers. There Jesus and Buddha, and the lives that have illustration is no more peaceable between the world than the lion, ed the divine victory, have given the possibility of suggested by two things: That the Japanese as a peo-Bussia. But when the Boanerges are called to the ple are believers in astrology, and that the Russias Many people are not impressed with these tradi-as a people, while adopting a Christian form of relig- tions, but, as said before, there is always a founda-tion of the East is always a founda-tion of the East is always a not the blows his strength. The it means that this is a stage of the earth's history. ton, are, nevertheless, personally pervaded very tion of truth in every myth or tradition, because Lion of the EasEls aioused, and that which has been Just as the volcano, as the earthquake, the deluge and

There is a legend, that "when out of the mouth of the inspiration and truths of a nation. Everything is ing been only slumbering. Not only is China being We are going to have peace; there is coming a bap-the Great Dragon the Dog Star is released, then shall "mythological," and therefore, a "superstition," of aroused, but China has been the great slumbering bar- tism of peace after awhile in the Orient. Great Britcourse, that is not in accordance with your particular rier between the West and the Orient. When China ain will be driven out, Russia will be driven out, all belief. The time will come when the knowledge and has heard this Oriental awakening, who shall protect Europe will be driven out, and there will be, as said

basis, the undercurrent of the spiritual impulse of this understand by the great struggle. Meanwhile, she you have muddled things a great deal in Santo Do-Anglo-Saxon race. Thor, Odin and Friega age but is the Nemesis of Russia. There is no other nation mingo. What you are doing in the Philippine Islands symbols of the powers that have borne forward these that has been so aggressive, so encroaching, so deter- no one is thinking about, because all thought is cen-northern nations to meet the southern nations. The mined, so cruel. What Great Britain did in India, tered upon this war in the Orient; but whatever you The resurrection of the Orient is two-fold; it is not Russia hoped to do in her outlet to the Orient. But have sown, that shall ye reap, every nation does, and only by the astrological signs that lead to western Russia will not do it, and that is because her despot- every people and every human being. Nothing is Whether this tradition is historical or mythological Europe and the western continent and the mingling ism is more infamous, and her retribution is more im- surer than that Russia is reaping the harvest of her you may judge. But it is certain, astrological or of southern Europe with the North, but it has a minent, more certain. Great Britain has responded despotism. Indicated by her stars, indicated by her mythological scenes are not falsehoods, but are sym- deeper significance; it comes to you to-day when you to the call for wider freedom, for broader laws. Ev- own moral condition, indicated by the feebleness of hols of truth. Usually traditions that have their are living—you do not know the privilege of it—, you er since the Magna Charta of King John there has her rulers: It is the reaction, and, of course, it comes foundations in the hearts and beliefs of a nation are are living exactly in the great turning point of the been a studying and heeding of the demands for bet- to all nations the same as it once came to Greece, cycles, when the Orient is to be redeemed. It was not ter laws. Just as soon as there is a riot, Parliament Rome and Egypt.

Astrology, of course, is to day not an exact science. the redemption of the Orient when Great Britain con- knows something must be done. But riots in Russia If anything proves that successive embodiments There has been a time when astrology and inspiration quered India. It was not the redemption of the East produce added cruelties, and a Sabbath desceration must be true, it is because nations will not learn from went hand in hand, and the astronomy of the ancients when, for the purpose of acquisition and the benefit by the murder of hundreds of peaceable citizens the history of any other nation. No more than men bore an astrological significance, and was accompa- of her exchequer, she has held India in thrall for brings its own swift retribution. And the Orient is learn from the downfall of those who speculate on the more than a hundred years. There probably never the instrument for that retribution because the time boards of trade and stock exchanges. Ninety-nine in every hundred fail; only one in a hundred approxi-

We'do not like war, but we dislike more than war mates success, only one in a thousand succeeds any Oriental knowledge in close keeping and like the an- the Great East India Company. India has been ruled We do not like war, but we dislike more than war mates success, only one in a thousand succeeds any cient Egyptians have held the tables of the astro- by that company for nearly a hundred years. Now the despotism that produces it. We did not like the better, and only one in several millions becomes a cient Egyptians have held the tables of the astro- by that company for nearly a hundred years. Now the despotism that produces it. We did not like the better, and only one in several millions becomes a convocation. nomes in their sacred archives; when fully revealed the cycle is changing. You are in the midst of it. war that was caused by the southern slave-holders, Rockefeller, to be scorned at last by a convocation these will show that the Chinese understood the pres- The Orient is rising to vindicate Japan, to release but we disliked slavery more. We do not like the of Congregational ministers! That is scorn enough

are in cycles, and these cycles are indicated by the time the "Celestial Mother," as China is called, must like any of the things that show that somewhere the along with each pathway of the planets is the accomconditions of nations. Nations do not owe their con- hold her peace, must listen to the "Child." It is the oppressor's hand is strong and cruel. Japan is the panying other light. Now planets do have physical ditions fully to the cycles, but the cycles are indica- coming forth again of the child-life. Like the Horus retribution for Siberia, for all the surveillance, the influence very greatly over this Earth. You are held punishments and the slaughter of the innocent by in your mutual places physically by action and reac-

tion upon each other. The disturbing of the tides The Star of the North will shine upon, redeem and and various things may occur because of this or that solar system passing around the great central light this great other change that is going on among the release Russia such time as its feeble monarch is freed or the other position of the different planets, but the which, of course, was a larger cycle. But the Mes- planets. The great perihelion of the planets a few from the influence of his military dukes and advisers. worlds are peopled as well as the interstellar spaces; sianic cycle of a "thousand years" in Oriental phrase- years ago was one of indications of that which is oc- Great Britain had no release until she was free from it is that law of intelligence that moves the universe, ology is simply a symbol, it does not mean ten hun- curring to-day, and that which has suddenly changed her dukes, until the Upper House of Parliament was not merely the law of things. When Mars flashes his dred years, but it means the largest number conceiv- the actual position of the magnetic poles several de- made powerless by the great Lower House, until Cob- light upon the earth, or Jupiter is seeking to woo in able, consisting of ten and two of the smaller cycles, grees indicates the approaching cataclysm, or culmi- den, Bright, Gladstonel and a half dozen men of the the heavens the beautiful planet Venus, it is not the people made her understand her true position among stars that are influencing human lives, but their mes-

has emerged from the mouth of the Dragon, for the and nations that have been ruling with arbitrary that is the most peaceably inclined that arbitrary from the arbitrary from the bragon, for the and nations that have been ruling with arbitrary that is the most peaceably inclined that arbitrary from the arbitrary from the bragon, for the bragon, for the and nations that have been ruling with arbitrary that is the most peaceably inclined that arbitrary from the restoration of the exact power are receding. The decadence of the suprem-But the great recurrent cycle of Oriental rebirth was the retribution that comes because of these conditions magnetic pole, time for the reaction to begin that was acy of Great Britain is but a question of a little time, the time for the new India, and the new China, and of corruption and injustice is in the hands of these expected to take place in the Orient. This has been indeed is already here. Russia as an empire will the new Japan to be born. This is the time for Japan mighty messengers who do the work assigned them, predicted by us in our prophecies concerning the cease, and the great new Republic of the North will to illustrate her power. When this history is read and that the intermediate spiritual intelligences, those "Glacial Period" which will soon be precipited come forth to join hands with the great sister Repub- in the distant future it will read as a romance and who have passed from earth, and that the mighty messenger that have approach be there are the bards of there approach be bard who have passed from earth, and that the mighty messenger that have been might bards of the source of the source of patient that arouse of patients that have approach be approach be barded of the distant future it will read as a romance and who have passed from earth, and that the mighty messenger the bards of the source of patients the bards of the source of patients that have approach be apprecipited.

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It is time now for the great fulfillment (according at work. The nations that have been slumbering are Russia is receiving her lesson at the hands of the Mars is the nemesis of the Earth. How do you to the Northern and Eastern Mythologies), as Sirius coming to life. Peoples that have been dominant smallest nation almost in the world, and the nation know but what the leader of the Japanese armies is a has emerged from the mouth of the Dragon, for the and nations that have been ruling with arbitrary that is the most peaceably inclined until aroused. messenger from Mars? How do you know but what upon the earth; in fact you are in the midst of the lie of the Orient. Across the "Bridge of Sighs," seem quite impossible, that this small nation should congress of nations that bends above might have sent heraldings of that glacial period now. The storms, which is Siberia, across the terrible crucifixion and rise out of the East and go forth to make war upon word, or possibly have decreed that injustice must deluges, volcances, earthquakes and wars are indica- persecution of patriots, across the sleepy Mongolian one of the strongest empires of the world; should cease before peace can exist? tions of the commencement of the glacial period. The Empire, across all those outlying districts that have have set aside and conquered the ancient Mother Chigreat belt of ice that prevents the approach to the been held as partially neutral, held by the Chinese, na, and should set up the great light of the new Orient pincly waiting for peace, are not singing songs along North pole and the great eap of ice that holds the across that which is the battle-ground now of the two in such a wonderful manner. Albeit, Japan does not the banks of paradise waiting for this little quarrel South pole in its keeping will find release upon either nations, this wonderful bridge is being formed; it is seek for war-like prowess, has no wish, like the Yan- or that little quarrel to be over; but with mighty powside of the earth and produce the glacial cataclysm. formed in Russia by the tears and groans and prayers kee nation, to seize the whole world just to show that er and great urgency are uplifting the hands of those Meanwhile the nations keep pace with and correspond of patriot exiles; it is formed by the imprisonment she can. Nothing of that, there is none of that spirit. who seek for liberty and the justice of the people. and murder of thousands of those who dared to speak It is simply inevitable, it is simply that there is a And the day and the hour is almost here when this

and advancement. All the immured treasures of hol of all those southern constellations that form the So this great, wonderful torrent that sweeps over the new Australasia that will not only set the example knowledge which would come forth is to be found in Great Dragon, all are symbols of that which now is earth, that today has its focal point in the far East, of being the best governed colony in the world, but appearing.

Japan is more alive to the prophecies of the Ma- If you only knew, if the Western mind could fully The Russians are not ready, they must be forced, con- Republic. The time will come when America, swept gians. She holds as sacred knowledge the traditions understand, if you could appreciate the lore and scription must take place, they must be compelled to through and through by this great reaction that is to that at the very beginning of her war with China was learning of the kabalistic and magian literature and be ready to go forward. The Japanese are ready, come, will refuse to take the tribute money that Cesar the beginning of her "release." This is why she symbolism that is held in those wonderful Oriental one life, a hundred, a hundred thousand, a million if offers, that Mammon offers, but will protect the humwent to battle. This is why she was certain of suc- minds, in the wonderful treasures of Chinese learning, there is need, theirs is to win the victory. cess. This is why, having emerged from the mouth you would marvel at your own crudity, a crudity that Now when this is applied to moral force, when it of the earth.

you have them in those who rescue people from the public of Russia, which will practicalize many of the is that which calls upon the people who are ready. will set the fashion to Great Britain of being the best blest of these lives, and the humblest of these nations

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Frank Constant Constant

I have been greatly interested in and thing, so far as we know, in the uni- in evil intellectual, financial, social and edified by the discussion of this prob- verse Haeckel, Spencer, Darwin, and moral-sin, if you please, against man other scientific expounders of the great and God. tem of the ages, in The Progressive Thinker. And while much light has law of evolution have abundantly prov-been thrown upon the subject, it seems on this. been thrown upon the subject, it seems en this. to me some of the basic principles underiving this dictum of England's great tion as anything else in nature is, cre- of nature, or, to speak in terms of the poet-philosopher have not been made ationism to the contrary noth withstand- theory of evolution, it is a course of prominent.

In our emancipation from the dualism is not a unique phenomenon character which tends to throw the individual of the past we should be careful lest listic of the human race alone. In out of balance with his environment, our mental pendulum swing off to the some form ar other it is a great fact and thus to detract from his physical extreme of monistic materialism. Ideal- running through all nature, all life and or moral completeness of life." An istic or spiritualistic monism, it seems all time. Indeed, it is a part of the thropomorphism says, "Sin is an ofto me furnished the golden mean plat- very condition of nature itself. form on which we can stand and suc- Instead of evil, however, it should be ing in a disobedient transgression of

cassfully solve the problem. We should remember that, strictly lation, as of the microcosm with the calling for punishment either in the speaking, there is nothing either super- macrocosm, or lack of harmony be present or in the future life, unless rep-natural or infranatural. John Stuart tween a life entity and its environment, aration be made by repentance or sac-

canable of happening."

Mill says: "Nature means the sum of Such definitions as these are certainly rifice. all phenomena, together with the caus- more in harmony with the generally A careful study of these definitions, es which produce them; including not cepted results of modern science. the first in the light of the well-estabthat happens, but all that is This lack of harmony resulting in a lished laws of scientific evolution, and Looking at the subject from this Mo- in the birth, growth, death and re-birth dualistic theology of the churches, reno-psycho-cosmical standpoint, we of worlds. We see it in the earth- veals the great superiority of the formust not lorget that man is a most in- quakes, volcances and tornadces of so- mer over the latter in point of tegral part of nature. Dr. Bushnell in called inanimate nature about us. And ness and conformity to known facts.

his great work, "Nature and the Super- all these activities do but adumbrate in all kingdoms of nature a constant natural," proved to the satisfaction of the constant struggle for life ever no- or periodic clash of forces, resulting in himself and many others that only man, ticeable througaout both the vegetable a struggle, is the necessary condition decarnate intelligences and God, were and animal kingdoms. Struggle with to evolution from the lower to the high-supernatural. But exact science has a seemingly mimical environment re- er, from the homogeneous to the hetercarried all progressive thinkers beyond sulting in the survival of the strongest ogeneous, from the simple to the com-

this position or the fleetest, or the fittest, is every- plex, from the grosser, more material-istic to the higher and more refined securately be called Spiritualism as Ma-regulation." Prof. Metchinkopf, in his work, "The manifestations of spiritualistic phenom-Natural of Man," has fully elaborated ena. Without this struggle there could Man is a part of nature in precisely and illustrated this law by a wealth of he no advancement. Without it man the same sense that a molecule or a facts drawn both from the lower hing- would never have emerged from ani-The same sense that a molecule of a lacts drawn both from the lower king would never have energies from an spiritualistic meaning, was a detrimine after a same sense, in an analy in an atom or an angel, a plant; done of animate nature and from man mality to humanity. By means of it ing factor. Judge Braley ruled that as time. After the first ones were seen, if ... or a planet, an electron or an elephant. Himself. Mat's inability, through lack the higher forms of psychical power a matter of law a belief in Spiritualism she began freiting, which she would is though occupying a different plane of knowledge, to perfectly adjust his are now being evolved, such as clair, did not vitiate the testator's capacity, generally do when the letters were be-from these or any other entities or man- physical system to its complete physe voyance, psychometry, telepathy, mag- and he did not find evidence of a con- ing made (although she would never ng a different plane of knowledge, to perfectly adjust his are now being evolved, such as clair-other entities or man-physical system to its complete phys-voyance, psychometry, telepathy, mag-Being a part of na-feal environment, results in bodily suf- nette healing, levitation, prophecy, etc. trolling influence of this kind.—Boston cry out as though it was hurting, her heapful; Spiritually uplifting. Cloth

fure he is subject to the same laws, foring, disease and generally premature Knowledge is the universal key to prog. (Mass.) Heraid.

mutations, changes, evolutions, devolu- death-in short, physical evil-to use ress. This is obtained through struggle. It costs us struggle. And the environment against which we struggle seems to us evil. But it is not. It is There is a "periodic decay and re-fectly adjust his mental activities to the absolutely necessary condition to our progress.

birth" of all cosmic bodies and of every- the mental world about him results All so-called sin is therefore incidental to our development. Philosophically it is the temporary domination of the higher by the lower, as a necessary prerequisite to the permanent domina-tion of the lower by the higher. Every-Man is as nuch a product of evolu- view, sin is a wilful violation of a law place, each under each, serving the ing. This being true, what we call evil thought or action, wilfully pursued, piness but complete, continuous harmo-nization with cur physical and mental environments. Life in fis fullness and Anhappiness necessarily but incidentally, face, which were plainly seen at times; fence against a personal Deity, consist- will be the natural result in proportion at other times more dimity, ing in a disobedient transgression of as we obtain this end. Pope was right As some of the statement some one of his revealed edicts, and scientifically, and philosophically, ticle by E. W. Hull are inco calling for puttishment either in the though one hundred and fifty years give you what I know to be called maladjustment, imperfect corre- some one of his revealed edicts, and ahead of his day. " 310

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Does Not Vitiate Capacity of Joseph Hamblett of Lowell. m .. Lowell, April 21, 1905 .-- Justice Bra-

the will of the late Joseph Hamblett of said when they quit making the letters Lowell, in favor of his wife, Susan L that they would begin again, in eight Hamblett, carried up on appeal from the Probate Court by relatives of the have. deceased. The will was contested prin- The

cipally on the ground of undue influ- structions how to bathe and care for ence, and testimory, was introduced the child's skin, but the letters did not tending to show that the influence of a Spiritualistic medium, was a dtermine after a bath, but would come at any ing factor. Judge Braley ruled that as time. After the first ones were seen, if.

PHENOMENAL.

Remarkable Manifestations on the thing. As they lived close to our home until Body of a Little Girl. the child was seven months old. I saw a number of the things that were made Mrs. L. M. Garber-Dear Sister and Once I saw a uame given, one letter at a time, until the whole name of an Co-Worker:-I received my Progressive Thinker to-day and find a short article aunt of the child, who was dead, was in it entitled, "Wanted Information." spelled out. Another time I was dresswill say in regard to the same that I ing the babe and saw on one of her think the parties referred to are rela-shoulders a place that was unusually thing in the universe is good in its tives of my husband; his father was a red, and while I was looking at it there place, each under each, serving the Primitive Baptist minister, Anson came out in white a large printed B. It higher and being served by the lower. Richardson, and he had a grand-daugh- did not fade out gradually, but looked Our supreme aim should be, not hap- ter who from the time she was six as if it was removed as one would wipe months old until she was three, had the figures off a slate, it went so

flowers, figures, printed and written letquickly, and in a few seconds I saw a ters, and names on her body, arms and written D in the place where the B had been. Although I saw a number of the letters and figures, my husband never As some of the statements in the arwas fortunate in getting an opportunity ticle by E. W. Hull are incorrect, I will to see a single thing. After she grew old enough to talk, give you what I know to be the facts in

the case, and I think some one else will she told us the spirits scratched awful write Mr. Hull, who made the inquiry. hard when they made the letters. She My father-in-law came to Keokuk was also a natural clairvoyant up to county, Iowa, in 1844, which you see is five or six years of age, but at the prestwice the number of years given in Mr. Hull's article. He had a family of fifent time doesn't seem to have any mediumistic gifts, nor would she sit to deteen children, eight of which grew to manhood and womanhood; six are still

refused to accept pay for his services. Another incorrect statement is in regard to the age of the young lady, for anch she is now, being past 21 years of

ley of the Supreme Court to-day allowed age. I do not know that the the will of the late Joseph Hamblett of said when they quit making the years, but I do know that they never

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Mrs. Aila McHenry is now located in Excelsior Springs, Mo., at the Saratoga hotel and will be pleased to meet all who are interested in occult science. Demonstrations of spirit power, test cir-cles and inspirational lectures on any CONTRIBUTORS .- Each contributor | Take due notice that items for this subject given at hotel parlors or private homes by appointment. Instruction in is alone responsible for any assertions page in order to insure insertion must contain the full name and address of the psychology and all lines of spiritual science. Special instruction as to how to writer. Otherwise they may be cast

be beautiful, healthy and happy. E. W. Sprague and wife, the N. S. A. missionaries may be addressed during ALWAYS GIVE YOUR FULL NAME the month of May, at Rochester, Ind.; AND ADDRESS WHEN SENDING NO-FICES AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR after that mail will reach them at their home, 618 Newland avenue, Jamestown, PUBLICATION, OTHERWISE THEY WILL FIND THEIR WAY. TO THE N. Y. Mail will be forwarded to them

from Rochester, Ind. Geo. B. Ferris writes from Grand Rapids, Mich.; "Mrs. Marian Carpenter of Detroit, has just closed a successful An item from A. W. Bracken, of San Francisco, Cal., was through some mis-take of the type made to appear as if engagement with the New Thought Spiritual Society of this city. Her leccoming from Los Angeles, thus conveytures were well received and her messages all recognized. She comes to us Oscar F. Evertz writes from St. Louis, again next Autumn, probably during Mo.: "The Carondelet Progressive Spir-

October.' itualist Society is now holding regular J. D Williamson writes from Kansas public meetings at Judd's Hall, 7801 S. City, Mo.: "Mrs. Williamson and my-Broadway, every Sunday at 8 p m. self have just returned from a twelve weeks' tour of Kansas, stopping at Osers, among them being Mrs. Elizabeth awatomie, Ottawa, Hutchinson, Wich ta and again at Ottawa. We made a ecturer, assisted by Mrs. J. M. Pierce very successful trip, and convinced a number of skeptics. We arrived here and Mrs. C. W. Judd, a well known Sunday, April 30, and are being enter tained by Mrs. Carrie L. Bean (Mrs. Williamson's mother) who is one of the eading mental mediums and lecturers of Kansas City, Mo .- having been in the Spiritualistic work in this city for more than five years, and formerly served the Spiritual Society of Lincoln Neb. She is the leading teacher of Occult Science, and has brought many skeptics into the truth of Spiritualism Your valuable paper has been read by me for some time and is one of the best published. May it live long and continue to do good work."

The Oklahoman says: "The members of the organization meet every Sunday evening at the Ripy hall, corner Sec-ond and Broadway, for the purpose of teaching their philosophy and religion, and the investigation of psychic phe-nomena and kindred subjects. Spiritualism demonstrates to you the fact of a life beyond the grave (through the various phases of mediumship), and that actual communication with the spirit plane of life has been established. After our services you will receive accurate descriptions of your loved ones in spirit life, with messages and names, as they are given to our mediums who

are honorable and highly respected residents of the city. Investigate this; it is of the utmost importance to you." D. G. Hill writes: "A large and appreciative audience greeted the Golden Rule Spiritualist Society at its hall, Sunday, April 30. The afternoon service was conducted in the usual way by short talks and messages by different mediums, and for the evening the tal

by the way, was his first lecture from Spiritualist rostrum, and merited and received the hearty applause of his listeners. He was followed by Sister p. m., at O'Donnell College hall, So. Paulina street, between Washington

"Boys," said Chapman a few hours before the fatality, "L believe I ought not to go to work today. All the morning it has seemed to me something was go-ing to happen and was going to be hurt or constitue."

something." Before the next morning Chapman was slying at Nichols' hospi tal. Mrs. Chanmani who is here from

Marshall to claimothe body, says her husband has had an presentiment of death for the past week, and the last words he said to her were: "Little woman, I am going to try and get another job without so much danger, and where can be at home with you more." Singular as it may seem, there were no evidences of oserious injury at first. There were no bones broken and no flesh mutilated. When found, Chapman stood a few feet from his car. lan tern in hand and told a workman, "I slipped while making that coupling and guess I am done for." At Nichols hospital he became unconscious and died within a few hours.

Geo. C. Dunbar writes from New Hampshire: "as the old year has almost expired for which my subscription was paid to, I am now sending you one dollar for a renewal. It is the only paper that I take that comes regularly. I wish to thank you for it. I do not know as there is any particular part in the paper I like any more than others, unless it is Brother Tuttle's answers o questions. The paper from start to finish is brim full of good things, and I do not see how you can do it for any You are doing a noble

Georgia Gladys Cooley will lecture for the Psychical Research Society of Rockford, Ill., May 7, 9, 12, 14; also at Genoa, Ill., Wednesday evening, May 10. Maggie Henry writes: "On Sunday, April 30, at the Universal Occult Society, as usual we had a very interesting meeting. In place of the lecture, guides, answered philosophical quesons asked by those in the audience seeking light and knowledge pertaining to Spiritualism and spirit return and w to unfold the powers that are within each and every one of us. Many in-teresting questions were asked and very instructive answers were given Our audience through not very large, was intellectual. Strangers are espe-

were given by the Professor at the close of speaking."

rich banker of Leroy, Ill., provides for an endowment of \$200,000 for a church for Spiritualism in that village. It also makes provision for a free library for the village, with an endowment of \$50,-000. The will was, probated May 6. Mr. Crumbaugh died at the age of 87. eaving no children. Five brothers and sisters are given \$1,000 each and his wife is left a nominal sum, but the Dean seems to ignore, and evades by befogging the subject. The Bible has great bulk of the estate, which may ag-gregate \$300,000, will go to Spiritualism been claimed to be an infallible guide, and to carry on a school in the interest given by God to mankind, because man of this belief, Chicago Record-Herald. is a fallen being and by his own powers

Mrs. Dr. Caird, the well known mecannot arrive at moral truth. If it is dium, is visiting friends in Akron and not such a guide, it is valueless. If for Foledo, Ohio, during this month. She its understanding, two thousand years will visit Chicago about June 1, and will had to pass, and man by other means advanced to its interpretation, and be pleased to meet old friends there.

Spiritualist Mass-Meeting.

A union meeting of the Spiritualists of Massachusetts was held in Cadet Iall, Friday, May 5, under the auspices of the Lynn 'Spiritualists Association. Large delegations were present from hearly every brganized society in the state, and wer entertained by the Lynn society.

tion? This was built on these "allego-ries." The fall of man taught by The afternoon meeting was opened with an invocation by Mrs. Dr. Chase, Christians made the salvation through after which President Alex Caird, who was in charge of the exercises through-out the day, stated the object of the Christ necessary. Had the allegories not been received at literal, meeting to be to try to devise some plan whereby the societies of this state lemanded. may be formed into some kind of an or ganization, under which more and better work for the cause may be accomplished than under the existing conditions.

It seemed to be the unanimous opinion of the delegates present, that it was desirable to form an organization composed of the chartered societies of this state, to work under the same rules as prevail in some of the western states at the present time, its business being the fireman at the new coal shaft, but conducted by delegates from the socie since they have been working at the old ties connected with it. Dr. Caird was shaft he has to go down there three or four times a night to look after the fire five to formulate and put into operation under the boilers, and to see that things some plan towards bringing about the are all right around the works. Sun-day night between 12 and 1 o'clock he mart in the discussion following Presipart in the discussion following Presiwent down to the old shaft. Everydent Caird's address, were Mr. I. F. Sything was still as death as Mr. Rhodemonds and Mrs. Minnie M. Soule of the Banner of Light, Mrs. C. Fannie Allyn, Mrs. Byrnes, Mr. Fuller, Mrs. Pye, Mrs. Belcher, Mr. Wells, Dr. Hale, Mrs. Pettenglll, Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Scott and others. About 200 were served with supper, which was followed by a concert with Miss Alison Low, Miss Eva Manning, Miss Gertrude Chesley, Mr. James Singer, Master Joseph Cuffe and Master Charles Popp, vocal solothe citizens are unable to explain his ists; H. C. Chase, pianist; W. H. Atherly, cornetist, A. E. Meader, dramatic reader. Mrs. Soule opened the evening principal features of the meetings of tervice with an invocation, followed by messages. Address by Mrs. A. J. Pettengill, and messages by Mrs. S. C. Cunningham. At nine o'clock, which is Psychic Circle hour, a short time was devoted to silent thought concentration, thus bringing to a close the most successful meeting of its kind ever held in nassachusetts. A. A. AVERILL. Lynn, Mass.

TOPIC FOR THE PROGRESSIVE A Prominent Medium Passed to Spirit LYCEUM. Life.

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REVIEW OF PASSING EVENTS.

The Dean of Westminster Tells How The Bible Was Written.

The Dean gave a sermon, for the purpose, he says, "of suggesting some thoughts in regard to the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, which may poscibly be helpful to two classes of minds, which are alike perplexed by the con-flict between modern knowledge and traditional views of the Bible." One of these classes is the scientists, the other those who have unquestionably received the book as infallible inspiration. "It is no ordinary task," he says, "the preacher has before him to recon cile the apparent conflictions," in which statement no cne will disagree with him. He says: "The Book has not changed. We have changed. Much new light has been given to us by God in regard to our own constitution and the constitution of the world in which we live; and in this new light, which is shining all around us, and which comes to all of us at least in scattered rays here and there, we read the Bible differently. Our whole conception of the method of its inspiration has been altered. A great deal which our fore-fathers took literally we can not take literally to-day. The first chanter of Genesis no longer means to us that the world was made in six days. The second chapter of Genesis no longer means to us that God molded clay into a human figure and breathed upon it, or that he took a rib from Adam and made Eve. These are allegories or parables to us, but they still proclaim their original spiritual lessons. All this is untouched by modern discovery; it is the underlying spiritual truth, taught in the form of what was at first literally believed, but for us, is a parable. And so, again, we believe that God made man out of dust, not by molding clay, but through a long process of development which followed a course which he had marked out, and in every step of which he was working his will."

Here is the vital issue which the

thereby prove that all those who read

because afterwards found in

Mrs. Emily Coverdale entered into rest at 4312 Langley avenue in the early morning of Wednesday, May 3, 1905 after many months of illness for whose outcome only a fatal termination was possible. She was born in Quebec, Canada, October 15, 1830, the daughter

and only child of Mr. and Mrs. Reed. After her marriage to Reuben Cover dale their home was Milwaukee, Wis. for twenty years; then Clinton, Ill., for seventeen years, whence they removed to Chicago in 1882. Her husband preceded her to the land of souls in 1893. and with six of the children of their union awaited her coming. Albert L. Coverdale and Mrs. Lily Vance of Chicago, and Harry Coverdale of Los An-geles, together with eight grandchildren, are the surviving members of her immediate family. Her personal interest in Spiritualism

centered in the mental and inspirational manifestations rather than in the physical phases, but she was tolerant of all she believed to be genuine. During thirty-five years of her life she gave private readings in an unpretentious way, having a large circle of personal admirers, and through her organism counsel and comfort was divinely sent to unnumbered human hearts. She gave generously for one of her means to strangers and friends, while she car ried to great degree the sorrows, mis-fortunes and financial burdens of her own flesh and blood. Her life was a daily sacrifice for others. Her going adds another one to the list of Chicago's faithful mediums who have been mustered out from mortal duties serves to recall to local workers the names of Mrs. Pirnie, Mrs. Warne, Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. Cutter and other translated ones. The funeral address was given by Dr. Warne, president of the Illinois State Spiritualist Association, on Thursday afternoon. The music was directed by Mrs. Isa Cleveland and Miss Goldie McCoy. Mrs. Rush-more contributed original and fitting lines to the memory of her friend of

thirty years' acquaintance, while the peaceful sleeper rested amid a wealth of floral offerings truly typical of the beauty of the life just ended on the mortal plane. Burial followed at Oakwoods Cemetery just as nature was mingling with the dew of human eyes the tear drops of a passing shower. We have lost a mother in Israel from the ranks of Spiritualism.

A Friendly Criticism of the Spiritualist

League. To the Editor :--- When the Chicago Spiritualist League was organized last year the inference was given out that the league was to be a sort of bureau or clearing house, as it were; a place or gathering where discussion and exchange of ideas for the best further ance of the cause of Spiritualism, and elimination of tricksters and frauds from the ranks. This program was at first, in a measure at least, carried out or adherred to, and did, I believe, do a great deal of good, especially in frightening the fraudulent and immora tricksters pretending to be Spiritual ists, as a cloak for fraud. I am an earnest inevestigator, and

have attended the league meetings it previously were in error, of what greater value is truth thus discovered, quite regularly, and found them very interesting when debating was allowed the Bible? If the story of the creation and but now the meetings have settled down to an ordinary test meeting, with fall, "are allegories and parables," and as revealed by science—not by the Bible—"God made man * * through a so many mediums on the programme that no one is allowed time enough to do justice to themselves and the long process of development," what becomes of the Christian scheme of salvacause At the last league meeting there

were so many mediums (6) on the program that the speaker for the evening was so limited in time that he was not permitted to give the full discourse, be ing obliged, as he said, to leave out

would have been no Christian plan of many of her personal experiences along redemption, for it would not have been the line of obsession, Dr. Wickland and wife, having, as he stated, devoted The Dean does not see the dilemma many years of study and research to which he places himself, and to this work. As I followed with much inmake his meaning plain returns near terest the discussions in the Open the close of his sermon to reaffirm his position even more positively: Court on Obsession. I was very disan-

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"For example, what man of sense will pointed that the speaker could not be allowed sufficient time to give his interthink that there was a first and second and third day, evening and morning, esting experiences.

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Sarah Thomas, the very capable worker who spoke from the subject of the Doctor's lecture in an entertaining way. The message bearers, Sisters Nora E. Hill and Sister Bloom, gave very convincing proof of the return of spirits, which was well received. The speaker for Sunday evening. May 14, will be the Hon. Ex-Judge W. L. Snell, who holds a warm place in the hearts of the peo-ple who know him. Services each Sunday afternoon and evening at 3 and 8

blvd. and Park avenue. All cordially invited." The Minonk, Ill., News says that John

Rhodewald, a highly respected citizen of that place, had an experience Sur

clairvoyant and test medium. The offi-cers of the society are as follows: G. M. Nunemacher, president; Mrs. Sarah Green and C. Umberhein, vice-presidents; J. M. Pierce, secretary and treas urer. Public circles are held every Monday at 8 p. m., at the residence of J. M. Pierce, 8302 Van Buren street, to which the public and members of the society are admitted without charge. Mrs. Burger holds developing and test circles at her home, 8309 Water street. Tuesday afternoons at 2:30. The offi-

It will not do to say that Secretary or cers and members of this society are Correspondent writes so and so, with working hard against great odds and out giving the full name and address of should receive the support and co-operthe writer ... The items of those who do ation of local Spiritualists and the gennot comply with this request will be eral public as well." Dr. A. B. Spinney has opened his new KEEP COPIES of your poems sent to sanitarium at Belding, Mich., and al-ready the institution has a number of

this office, for they will not be returned If we have not space to use them.

or statements he may make. The editor

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sentiments uttered in an article may be

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The Spiritualistic Field-Its Workers, Its Work,

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THIS GENERAL SURVEY DEPART. MENT IS ONLY INTENDED TO CHRONICLE THE ENGAGEMENTS AND WORK OF SPEAKERS AND ME-DIUMS. A REPORT OF WHAT THE VARIOUS SPEAKERS SAY WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED, AS WE HAVE NOT SPACE SUFFICIENT FOR THAT PURPOSE.

ALL THE HONEST MEDIUMS IN CHICAGO RECEIVE THE CORDIAL ENDORSEMENT OF THE ILLINOIS STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIA-WHETHER ORDAINED OR TION. AS THERE ARE NUMEROUS NOT. FRAUDS IN THE CITY, IT WOULD BE WELL FOR ALL CAMP OFFI CIALS TO BE EXCEEDINGLY CARE-FUL AND WRITE TO DR. GEO. B. WARNE, 4203 EVANS AVENUE, FOR INFORMATION, IF THEY DESIRE PARTICULARS. SUMMER CAMP-MEETINGS, WHEN PURE IN SOCIAL CONDITIONS, ELEVATED IN MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL TONE AND CONDUCTED ON STRICTLY BUSINESS METHODS ARE POWER-FUL AIDS IN SPREADING THE PRUTHS OF SPIRITUALISM. IT MUST NOT BE FORGOTTEN THAT THEY ARE ALSO THE HARVEST TIME FOR THE FAKIRS, BECAUSE THEY COME TO THE RALLYING CENTERS FOR NUMBERS OF PEO-PLE, MANY OF WHOM ARE HUN-GERING FOR PHENOMENA ALL THE REST OF THE YEAR AND the evening in dancing

patients. In an interview with the Doctor this week, he stated that he expected to keep his sanitarium open at Reed City for a time at least, where he has an able corps of experienced nurses caring for a number of paients. The Belding sanitarium is in the suburbs of the city and "quiet reigns supreme"— a feature very essenand cared for.

ial where the sick are to be treated Mrs. M. Miller writes from Rochester, Indiana: "The meetings held in our city by Will V. Nicum of Dayton, Ohio, were well attended, and very profitable Had Spiritualism more exponents of the Nicum stamp it would rapidly increase

adherents. His lectures are a direct appeal to the spirit within to ascend loftier heights, and no one can listen to the message he has for the world with-out having felt a spiritual blessing. So completely did he win his Rochester audiences, that it was the expression of each any every one, 'Let us have him again. N. H. Eddy writes: "Prof. W. M.

Lockwood has been serving the First Spiritual Society in Buffalo, N. Y., at the Temple, Prospect and Jersey street, during April, and has done most excellent and efficient work. He had good audiences. His private class was very interesting and well attended. He has given good satisfaction in his labors for our society." Forty members of the Spiritualist so-

lety at Decatur, Ill., spent a very pleasant evening in the S. of V. hall on South Water street at the social given by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Spirit-ualist Scientists Society. The affair was preceded with a supper. A short program followed and later in the evening the younger members present spent

such price. work, and God bless you."

our speaker, F. M. Stoller, or rather his cially invited to attend our meetings.

Many psychometric readings The will of the late J. T. Crumbaugh.

READY THERE TO PART WITH THEIR MONEY WITHOUT PRU-DENCE. SPIRITUALISTS AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE LOOK TO EVERY ONE OF OUR CAMP OFFICIAL BOARDS TO PROMOTE DECENCY, NIZE ONLY HONEST . MEDIUMS. THEY SHOULD PROTECT THE NOV-ICE AND THE GULLIBLE FROM IM-POSITION AND ROBBERY. THEY ARE LARGELY EDUCATORS OF THE PUBLIC. CAUTION, CANDOR, COUR-AGE AND DISCERNMENT ARE RE-QUIRED BY THESE OFFICERS.

Mrs. Throndsen of Louisville, Ky., was ordained as a minister by the State Association of Indiana.

President Hassman writes: "The entertainment of the North Star Spiritual Union was held Saturday, April 29, in Perl's hall, 1546 Milwaukee avenue, with a large attendance. The opening address was ably delivered by Dr. P. M. Esser, after which the musical program started, which was fine. Recitations were given by Hassman, Jr., Edy, Jr., Long, Jr., and Mr. Long gave a fine sketch, 'The Tramp With His Little Girl.' Mr. Bauman gave a 'Song of the Sea,' after which all went to the grand supper given by the society. Fish pond and donkey games were also there. The well-known test medium. Mrs. Rennau, spoke a few words upon Spiritualism; so did President Hassman, endhand. The Sunday, meeting was well attended; lecture by Dr. P. M. Esser and tests by Mrs. Renau. The Progressive Thinker was not forgotten, and was bought largely."

L. Agnese Moulton, president of the dressed an appreciative audience. Af-Leadville (Col.) society, writes: "We ter congregational singing, the meeting have just had a spiritual feast here at was dismissed with henediction by Mrs. this spiritual altitude of ten thousand Fox."

feet above sea level. E. W. Sprague and wife, missionaries for the N. S. A., Merle L. Munts of San Jose, Cal., at the 57th anniversary meeting there, gave a detailed account of how she bestopped off enroute East, and gave us four lectures, followed with tests by came a Spiritualist. In concluding she Mrs. Sprague. Through Mr. Sprague's said: "I do not like to speak of fraud at eloquent appeal and the prestige of bethis church where only grand and beau-tiful things should be said; neverthelonging to the N. S.-A., our 'Occult Society,' which is chartered under the less, I will try to quote a few lines: laws of our state, decided to charter 'There is no iraud in Spiritualism, as also with the N. S. A. The meetings many say, for Spiritualism is the truth and nothing else. There is no fraud in netted \$38.55 for the N. S. A., and \$8.25 contributed for the Mediums' .Fund. Spiritualism, it is the fraud done to Brother and Sister Sprague expressed Spiritualism.' As a proof to those skepthemselves as well pleased with their tics who may be present, I will relate short stay in this 'city of the clouds, what happened at a circle in which I and left an impression with our people sat, so as to show or make known that that they were the right parties for a higher power does exist. We were their work. We trust that other worknine in number and we all sat around a ers that are endorsed by the N. S. A. small table, each putting one hand on going through Colorado, will corre-spond with the president of the Leadit. We at once heard distinct raps, and when one of the ladies present asked if the spirits would rap when we had our ville Occult Society, and arrange to stop off here." hands off, we heard three distinct raps.

The Peoria (III.) Star says: "A be- We removed our hands, and we heard liever in Spiritualism discovered at a the raps distnctly. We then moved ecent seance that the Japanese and back our chairs and the table com-Russian soldiers and sailors who have menced to move around, and bowed to passed over are still fighting their bat-ties. However, if the Russians don't did not have our hands on the table. make a better showing in the spirit Does this not prove that a higher power land than they have on earth, it won't does exist? Thus by slow degrees I be take the Japs very long to settle the came a Spiritualist, till now I love this grand and beautiful truth. question,"

The Spiritual Alliance Society, which neets every Sunday at 3 and 8 p. m., at lives to be a hundred years old. He is meets every Sunday at 3 and 8 p. m., at' Vincennes Hall, 3514 Vincennes avenue. corner Cottage Grove avenue and 35th street, is gaining ground, and has a splendid new home. Mr. Fraser will assist Mrs. May Elmo, and a good meet-ELIMINATE TRICKERY AND RECOG- ing can be expected. The next social and dance will be held Saturday May 13. You are invited. The First Spiritualist Association of

Wheeling, W. Va., met at Odd Fellows' Hall, Sunday, April 23, Rev. G. W. Way, pastor and medium, under spirit control, lectured and gave spiritual messages from those who have passed through so-called death to their relatives and friends in the audience.

Mrs. Dobson-Barker writes from San Jose, Cal.: "The First Spiritual Union met at Eagle's Hall, 40 N. First street,

Sunday, 11 a. m., April, 23, conference being well attended. After a few remarks by the president, Mr. Joseph Murry, short addresses were given by Tillie Gunderson, Merle Munts, Prof. Cotton and J. Harker, the last calling the attention of the Spiritualists to the observance of Easter Sunday, saying it meant more to Spiritualism than to any other religion, as the arising of Christ is the first spiritual demonstration of which we have any knowledge; also that the word tomb typifies the spiritual birth. General inquiring after the sick, and sending them good thoughts, the meeting closed with singing. A special meeting of the board met at 6:30 p. m. to arrange for speakers and ing with a little hop. Best thanks to test mediums for the coming month. In hose who gave the society a helping the evening at 7:30, meeting opened with piano selection by Madam Ferbos. Mrs. H. L. Bigelow gave the beautiful poem, 'Roll the Stone of Self Away,' which furnished the subject of dis-

course by Mrs. N. P. Fox, who adwas dismissed with benediction by Mrs.

wald approached and he was nearly startled out of his wits by seeing a shadowy form enter the engine room and start the engine to going. This was kept up for some time and Mr. Rhodewald savs his hair raised on end and the cold sweat stood out ophis forehead. He says the man was the exact image of the old engineer, William Jackson, who died a year or two ago. Mr. Rhodewald is a truthful man and vision.'

Mrs. C. Kirchner writes: "One of the the Rising Sun Mission on the last Sunday of each month, is the conference. Everyone present takes a deep interest and the services are always enjoyable, from the fact that each one has the privilege of giving his or her experience, as was done on Sunday afternoon, April 30. The remarks by Brother Dr. Hagar were very interesting, as were the remarks and tests of Brother Thompson and Sister Weaver and Sister Coombs. Quite a few strangers added their mite in the way of experiences. In the evening we had the pleasure of hearing our Sister Martha Price, formerly of Boston. Her subject was the Lord's Prayer. Prior to her lecture, our president read the one hundred and forty-third Psalm, which led up to the discussion, she handling

her subject in a very able manner and to the edification of all. She awoke in the hearts of her hearers the necessity of prayer, and the proper understanding and interpretation of the Lord's Prayer. Our choir rendered some very fine selections during the services, which was appreciated by all. We cordially welcome strangers to our services which are held every Sunday afternoon at 3 and evening at 8, at Misand Leavitt streets. Our speaker for Sunday evening, May 14, will be Dr. ness to face danger to protect what is J. H. Randall." sion Hall, Peoples' Institute, Van Buren and Leavitt streets. Our speaker for

ceeds in the M. L. Stewart & Co. bank. Now Seidler had long known Charles D. Stewart, the head of the bank, and believed him perfectly safe and sound. On the night of Friday, April 14, Seidler dreamed that the Stewart hank had 'busted," and on Saturday morning he told about his dream at the breakfast table. He laughed about it at first, but within an hour he had become thoughtful over his dream.' About 9 o'clock he drove up to the bank and drew his total deposits and about two hours later no

tice of the bank's suspension was posted up. Mr. Seidler believes in dreams now.

MOTHER.

Some Beautiful Words of That Sacred name.

The word mother is the most sacred of all names, and motherhood is the closest of all human ties. Oh, Mother! when you nestle your little one to your loving breast and look into the eves that reflect the mother-love shining from your own, do you not sometimes think with anninvoluntary shudder of the sorrow and grief it would be were the child to he taken from you? Or. still worse, if your tender care were removed from the helpless infant? While this thought is still with you, extend it to the bird-mother, for she surely has for her offspring the same tender love that you have for yours; she has

J. H. Randal. Owosso—Charles Seidler is a retired farmer who recently sold a piece of property for \$1,400 and placed the pro-ceeds in the M. L. Stewart & Co. bank. In the dead body of a bird-moth-er, the plume that is the emblem of her married life as the golden circlet is of your own, the plume that was taken faith. We move fearlessly forward," as from her bleeding body because her motherhood was so strong that she was willing to give up life itself rather than abandon her shelpless infants! Whenever you are tempted in the future to wear a Heron's plume, think for a moment of your own motherhood, and spare the bird-mother and her little ones.-The Character Builder.

"The Present Age and Inner Life: Ancient and Modern Mysteries Classi-fied and explained." By Andrew Jacknow. A. J. Chapman, who was killed in Battle Creek, while coupling cars, had a presentiment of his coming death. Battle Creek, while coupling cars, had a presentiment of his coming death.

without any sun, moon or stars? And who would be so silly as to imagine that God, after the fashion of a human gardener, had planted a garden in Eden toward the East, and set in it a tree of life, that could be seen and felt, so that one who ate of its fruit with his bodily teeth should acquire life; and again that one should partake of good and evil by eating what he took from a tree of such a character?"

True, no "man of sense," will believe this childish cosmogony, yet this same chapter of "allegories," forms the foundation of the Dean's theology. Take this away-prove that man never fell and what is the need of the Dean and the host of preachers, laboring to save souls-never lost?

According to him, the progress of mankind has been by means outside of the Bible. Man could not understand the Bible until "developed" by knowl-Thus "developed," he finds that edge. Thus "developed," he finds that the Bible has been misunderstood. On its "allegories" and "parables," a system of religion has been reared, and for 2,000 years, preferment and honors in this life, and happiness in the next, made to depend on its acceptance. What countless martyrs have died in vain torture, by those who have made this world a hell, to gain God's favor in

the next! After thus giving a knock-out blow in the solar-plexus of his faith, the childish innocence of his conclusion is a charming example of his bewilderwe have not lost our faith.

We move fearlessly forward toward the growing light of a larger day; confi-dent that the Bible will always prove

its own inherent power; that its further study will reveal its deeper truths: that as the human element in its comrosition is more clearly ascertained its civine element will be more intelligibly recognized; remembering always that it claims an authority over the human spirit such as no other book can claim, and that by our use of it, or our neg lect of it, we shall be judged in the day when God calls us to our account.

Of what authority is the Bible over the human spirit, if that spirit must first gain knowledge elsewhere for its understanding, and has the granted right to throw out whole chapters, and interpret it at its pleasure?

The highest authority in the Anglican church has attempted to hedge against the issue which has already come, and unconscious that he has surrendered the citadel to the enemy, he bravely declares-"We have not lost our a boy whistles on a long road to keep his courage up, and prevent himself yielding to the goblins of panic and starting on a break-neck run

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being done by Dr. Wickland and his wife in advancing the truth and philosophy of Spiritualism, I believe that if we had more of such workers the time would soon arrive when we would no longer need to blush at being called Spiritualists, as, sad to say, is now often the case. It seems a pity that there is no place where free discussion and debating is

encouraged, where we could bring our friends for instruction, and where we all could come together to learn, each from the others' experience. We cer tainly all feel the need of more knowledge regarding our duties and responsibilities as truth seekers. Tests we

can get at any Sunday meeting. As the league is now run, it appeals to a stranger more as an advertising bu reau for mediums, the way they are pestered with card peddlers on leaving the hall. I have had many so-called tests at various meetings but few that

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A NOBLE NAME.

Through the years of toil and change, Through sunshine, joys and tears, My path has reached God's open range That leads to brighter spheres.

The struggle for wealth and fame, For sordid greed and gold, With a worldly aim to win a name, For the toilsome days of old.

I've come at last to truly see There is a wiser, better way; To feel my heart-throbs once more free Under love's gentle sway.

will gather up the threads of Truth, And weave them a golden strand, Like my rosy youth, so full of ruth, The morning breezes fanned.

Stainless and pure are the roses fair, Empearled in the morning's dew, Like children's faces free from care, Reflecting God's heavenly blue.

O heautiful days of the long ago. O summer days that gleam and shine, How fondly dear, but we loved them so Now held in memory's shrine.

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nearest point they approach within 35,-000,000 miles to nearly twice that num-A. Perhaps no one theme suggested ber, but when on opposite sides of the by the Bible has been more wrangled sun they may be more than 240,000,000 over than the "Word," the "Logos," and miles distant. It takes this planet nearthis has been understood to mean the word of God, or the Bible. This inter-sun, and to do this it has to move at an pretation came from a want of knowlaverage velocity of over 550,000 miles a rdge of the antecedents of the term and day. Suppose a company of "spiritual its meaning. When language began to scientists" should mount a car after he written, first by signs, pictures, and breakfast, intending to lunch at noon in monograms, and afterwards brief sena Marsian cafe, would they steer direct tences, because the priests, who alone for the planet, or where it will be six held the secret, could read them, the hours later. As the speed of Mars is

masses thought these scripts had life, a variable, this would be a fine mathesoul of their own, and as potent for matical problem. Imagination is an entertaining facul-ty, but we should accept its dreams for good or evil, as the beings they repre-sented. The name and the being were confounded, and the knowledge which what they are, and not for reality. enabled a person to write or speak the must be remembered that spiritual bename was believed to confer power to ings do not leave this quality of the invoke the God it represented, and to mind with the body, but rather it is in-plictate what he should or should not do. tensified, and they can romance with as Among almost all savage people, it is startling headlines, as earthly writers.

for they fear an evil influence will be thereby gained. For if man can control the gods by knowing their names, the evil gods could make endless trouble if they knew the names of men. in some tribes this belief is so dominant, that when a chief dies, not only is his name mever spoken, but every word suggest-ive in the language is also dropped, and

sence such deaths produce a radical change in the dialect. The Jews were devout believers in the "incommunicable name of God." The Christians had their Christogram, I. H. S., letters with divine meaning. Older yet, the Egyptian Book of the Dead, is filled with brief sentences used in incantation to evoke the gods and compel them to serve the master who held the key-word. All the necromancy,

magic, etc., is founded on this belief that by a combination of words pronounced with certain tone and inflec-tion the gods may be controlled. The lingering remnant is seen in the pass rds and secret societies. Having the word the door of the lodge room opens , as having the greater word opens the gate of power and of heaven. The gods are obedient to him who has

the word, for the word is stronger than they. The name of Christ, a text or whole Bible exorcised the devil. A text from the Koran, as a word written on naper or engraved on a gem, is a in whose existence the neighbors are and everything seemed dark and cold on paper or engraved on a gem, is a in whose existence the neighbors are and everyt alisman, driving away evil influences firmly convinced, is said to have com- and crude. Starting from this misconception of legs of a number of fowls at different ignorance the myths of the "word," the "Logos," grew until the beginning was "Logos," grew until the beginning was lost sight of, completely covered over with speculations. The "Divine Word" became the second person of the trin-became the second person of the trin-This was differently interpreted as ity. This was differently interpreted as the divine Reason remaining in the bosom of the father, and as the same sent forth to the world. The latter the bosom of the father, and the same sent forth to the world. The latter ily. was platonic, the former theological. The discussion of the subject is not clear, and the matter remained in a tacle. fog, for no mind unravel its profound mysteries, for no one traced the idea backward to its origin. Philo, a Jewish philosopher of Alexendria (A. D. 40) with the attenuation contained paint and others oil. In the of thought which covers its imbecility dairy three strings of home-made sauwith distinctions, made two forms of sages were hung on a line, but refused the Logos, that which was inherent in to remain there and after being hung God, and that which emanates from for the third time they fell and broke God. St. John states the doctrine that in small pieces. A dozen large dinner this Logos was personified in Jesus plates moved from a high shelf and Christ through whom the father as were deposited in a large earthenware sumed human form, and gave salvation dish. A dish of milk set for cream to the world. As the written word re-veris thought, so Christ the embodied ready for the churn performed a similar word revealed the Father. There has been endless discussion on tea, water poured into the kitchen this subject, and a great number of vol-umes written, which are among the the floor was completely flooded. Inleast read and most befogged of theo- vestigation showed that a large flat-botlogical literature. As interpreted by theologians, the "lay the witch" have been received cryptogram which Lord Bacon is sup-posed to have inwrought into Shak-White has accepted that of John Dunn speare's writings, is a transparency in of Grimsby .- Chicago Inter Ocean. comparison. From the sacredness attached to a talismanc word, or the initial letters cut on an amulet, it was easy to take all that was supposed to have been written by God, as holy and sacred, and call it the Word of God. To this volume the old belief was trans-ferred, of its inviolable honor. It was the revelation of the Divine Logos to Man, and as such must be infallible. It is thus seen how the seeds planted by ignorance grew, and when some degree of learning was brought to the discussion it was subsidized by prevailing ideas and not allowed to go back to the time when the word was regarded as a personality with an active spirit. Hence the more these theologians leve me when I tell you how frequently my mother's face appears before me

The connection has been compared to A GLIMPSE OF SPIRIT LIFE. a "Silver Cord,' which when severed, is death, and there can be, under no cir-cumstances a return of the spirit. I And a Breath of Spirit Atmosphere. have not understood Mr. Davis as abso-When I was very young I found my-self wondering about life, death and The lutely holding to this statement. slightest knowledge of spiritual laws will show that a spirit cannot revive a this questions constantly recurring to my dead body. The independence of the spirit in clairvoyance or trance leads to mind: "What are we here for?" and 'After we die, What?" the inference that it has escaped phys-I went to Sunday-school and heard ical fetters, just as it readily accepts about Heaven and Hell, but it all

purcly subjective impressions for objective realities, and believes when the images of localities are impressed that it has visited them.

shall he live again?" Lowell says, "Many loved Truth and lavished life's best oil, amid the dust of books to find her." And that is what I did. I read all the books that I could find that I thought would help me-As for the "journey to Mars," it will not bear criticism. The "spiritual sci-entists" saw that some sensational asronomers have dreamed, and a greater share of what it is said they saw, would the works of eminent philosophers and scientists, and the standard works on by living beings quite different from Spirijualism. But after all I seemed ded, and the style becomes thereby as those on this earth. The length of gertive, which of all things is to be dep seasons, the extreme vicissitudes, the recated. Correspondents often weary difference in gravity, the tenuity of the below the to lack something to fully satisfy me, for I was indeed a skeptic. And I said, "I wish God would give me a special revelation," and, dear readers, it came. One day my hand was controlled by an invisible power, and I involuntarily

became a writing medium. My mother took my hand and wrote that she had never left me, but that she had always been near, guiding and helping me. She told me about the spirit world and her beautiful home. I said, "Mother, tell me, have you

ever seen Jesus?" She replied, "No. He is far above

me, but He sends his love down to me and to you. My father also came and wrote beautiful words of love and cheer to my sister and me. He told us of his life and work in that beautiful land. He said he was more alive than when on earth in his old physical body; and that his spiritual body was just as real and tangible to him there as his material form was during his life on earth. He said he was studying the lessons of

life with a great spiritual teacher, who lived in Texas when on earth. He said there were great colleges and institutions of learning in spirit life, and that all spirits were busy. I said, "Pa, have you ever found any

Hell, any lake of fire and brimstone? He answered, "No, I have been in spirit life a long time but have never seen nor heard of any such place. God loves his children and would not hurt a hair of their heads, but He does punish for sin." He said it was true that, 'Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man, what God hath in store for us."

I was very sensitive to spirit influence and my mediumship developed rapidly, and in many different phases, and for a time I almost walked and talked with my dear friends. I could sense their conditions and feelings. When they spoke of love and their great happiness, a perfect flood of light and love would pour over me.

One day, I sat alone in my sittingroom, conscious of my friends around me, and then a strange sensation came over me, my physical senses seemed and at my left stood my dear old father, and I looked at them all and then down

She smiled, and I said, "Mother, I know it is God's love."

Oh, if I could only describe it, but no, I never can. St. Pierre says, "The terms for describing nature sare

not yet invented," and so it is with this wonderful life to which we are all hurrying. Human language is inadequate,

THE SOUL OF THINGS.

An Analysis of an Important Question.

Benig Here we find ourselves with an earthy body; within it is appractive force. great universe. Those old,old These bodies wearbout and eventually moulder in the ground, and its material goes back to mingle with the material from which it sprung. Let us leave it there to see what becomes of the force that actuated intelligent omotion while seemed vague to me, and I longed to earth-life lasted. Experience and sufknow the truth, to solve for myself the ficient proof have gatablished the fact that an indwelling on surgounding spirit problem of life, "If a man die or etherealized spinit bady has been the instrument through which the above mentioned force syas carried. which actuated the physical body. Call this spirit body the spirit, if you please,

ought we not to have a name for that intelligent force that actuated said spirit? We may call it soul life force, eternal actinism, or any other name, to distinguish it from the ethercalized spirit body (or spirit). The spirit body is but matter, and the intelligent force that actuates it must of necessity be of a still higher material.

Modern Spiritualism may not have taught us all of the wanderings of the ego of man, in one half century; and the spirit body may have to pass away similarly to our earth bodies, while the indwelling force passes on, clothed in still more etherealized form. Experience and proof have also es-

tablished the fact that as the spirit advances, its habiliments and general ap-pearance changes in a similar manner, as either education or degradation changes the form and features of man on earth; but with all these minor changes the earthly form in time is laid aside, and so undoubtedly our spirit bodies will be; or, in other words, that death of the spirit body, analogous to the physical body, is but a parallel action of everything in the universe, with the exception of the soul of things. In the childhood of the world, and in our own childhood, all earthly things and beings were the only tangible things known; all beyond that was mystery. The philosophy and knowledge of certain ancient schools was either buried or confounded, and the word "witchery" marked on all things not taught within the pale of the schools and sanctuaries.

Intuition and the spirit of progress urged man into fields beyond prescribed forms. He stumbled often and was overtaken by disappointments, while at every stage the teachings instilled in the child's plastic brain of the "mys-teries of godliness" would haunt like a ghost of the past, and bar further investigation for awhile. Eventually the spirit world that had linked hand with man, unknowingly to him, for ages, re-newed its efforts, and the spirits were made manifest, their faces and forms seen, and their words' sounded in many tongues, till the experience of thou-sands were related, and a literal understanding about the spirit and the spirit world was arrived at. The philosophies of old were brought to light and compared with the tesult of modern investigations. The world looked up toward the spiritualy which gave the spirit world the opportunity anxiously

waited for ages. We find also a confiterpart of soul exstence in the vegetable, matter. Its soul, essence, actinism, or whatever name it may bear, is never lost, though often manifested in different forms, ac-cording to its indwelling forces, climatic conditions and environments. Now if man as an individual ego has ever priorly existed, as he naturally must

have, will our philosophers insist that have, will our philosophers insist that he had exactly the same of form, the same opportunities, and his aspirations and earlier environments admitted of present possibilities? , The clothing or form is not the man! the spirit body is not an acting principle, but an instrument or vehicle like our own, through which to manifest. Now what will we name this central force? Will we name it spirit within spirit, or will we call it Thus far only force has been mentioned, but behind every force there is a power that impels and compels all things into action. Dormancy to a considerable degree is the prevail-

THINKS FOR HIMSELF.

A Letter From an Old Spiritualist.

It did my soul good to see the article in The Progressive Thinker of Decem-ber 17, contributed by that advanced thinker, A. H. Nicholas. I need not say it is a "stunner," and meets my appro bation. I have made the same state ments-when arguing with my Chris tian friends,-about the teachings of their bible, and their God, and when the paper came to hand I could not refrain from reading the article to them, to show that I was not the only fool or lunatic—from their standpoint—in the world. As long as I have the power of speech I will use it to the best of my ability to counterbalance the evil ef-fects of the pernicious teachings of the Christian churches and Christian bible. It will take five hundred years by the most advanced and liberal minds of the imes to destroy the baneful influences that eighteen centuries of Christian rule have fastened upon the human intellect. The whole number of The Progress

ive Thinker containing this article is bristling with diamond points of truth from advanced minds of the galaxy of your contributors, which cannot fail of finding lodgment in all students of the occult, who have been freed from the superstition and bigotry of old theology. This one number is worth more than a year's subscription of the paper, and so all along through the year, every month there is one number or more that flashes out diamond thoughts from the pens of advanced minds from all over the civilized world. You deserve and no doubt have, the best wishes and assistance from the advanced spirits over the divide, as well as the spirits in the mortal. How any one that pretends to be a Spiritualist can afford to he without The Progressive Thinker passes my comprehension. The amount of reading matter you spread before your readers each week cannot be digested in the short space of seven days (always enough left over for a lunch) Mrs. Clara Watson's contributions are very fine, and I hope she may be induced to "put in her oar" very often. She speaks to the point and is not afraid to call things by their right

names. No hypocrisy there. Many Spiritualists want to affix or prefix some of the obsolete Christian docrrines, sayings or beliefs to Spiritualism, in order to make it more palata-ble to the taste of a few "milk-and water" Spiritualists, and curry favor with the bigots in the church.

I, for one, believe in asserting what we absolutely know to be a truth beyond the possibility of a doubt, in regard to spiritual communion. Others can satisfy themselves of the truth of it, if they will take the time and trouble to investigate.

I have been a Spiritualist for more than forty years. I never lose a chance to investigate or learn all I can in regard to spirit communion. I am near-ing the seventy-fourth mile-post, and consequently have but a short time to stay on this side the divide-and I want to say right here, as long as I do stay, want every number of The Progressve Thinker.

It seems Dr. Lyman Abbott stirred up a big hornet's nest in his criticism of the bible. What a bad fix to be in, to be declared outside the "pale of Chris-tianity." But this is nothing to be compared to what our good pious Christian puritan forefathers inflicted on who did not worship their God at Plymouth Rock, in 1625, and Boston, 1640 -a free dance at the end of a rone, on thin air-a very effectual quietus to the culprits.

May, you long be spared to batter the citadel of bigotry and superstition, is' the wish of your friends on both sides of the divide. Yours for progression, humanity and Spiritualism. O. M. AMBLER.

Stowe, Vermont.

M. F. Hammond Going to Mexico.

Brother Will J. Erwood, president of the Wisconsin State Spiritualist Asso-ciation, took my place for the Progress-ive Spiritualist Church the last Sunday

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house comes from Binbrook, a village on the Lincolnshire wolds, England. Stood my baby, my little Herbert lock on the Lincolnshire wolds, The house, which is known as the Walk farm, is tenanted by a famous Lincolnshire ram breeder, William Drakes, and is occupied by his foreman, a man at myself, for I was indeed myself, in named White. The foreman and his a real body, but not my physical one; named White. The foreman and his a real body, but not my physical one; wife, according to a correspondent of and then I breathed in the glorious love again; of planis in pots on the window sill which mysteriously tilt on one side and then resume their former position.

and of brooms which came dancing family were at dinner.

No Fire: She Burns.

Then one day the clothes of the set-vant started to burn, although she pos-itively affirmed that she was nowhere near a fire at the time. The girl was so severely injured that she had to near a fire at the time. The girl was so severely injured that she had to near a fire at the time. The girl was so severely injured that she had to near a fire at the time. The girl was so severely injured that she had to near a fire at the time. The girl was so severely injured that she had to near a fire at the time. The "witch," and then my senses returned and I was once more in my little home on earth, ond everything seemed dark and cold

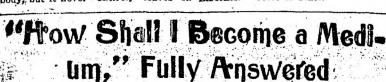
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across the middle of the floor while the terms

truth. J. C. N. A.: Q. Paul, A. J. Davis, Swedenborg, and others talk of leaving their bodies and visiting distant locali-There,' it broke me all up, and 1 yielded ties. We have a story of a party of spiritual scientists visiting Mars, ac-complishing the journey in a few hours. Is it possible for a spirit to leave the ing Express, Cardiff, Wales.

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times. Mr. White has given correspondents an account of the most rece: * extraor-tionett compared with my dear ones, and those soul-thrilling glimpses of spirit life have taught me more than all the books I ever read. and servants. When Mrs. White saw father I said, "Have you ever seen God?" and he replied, "No, He is only felt in Nature;" and when I stood there in that beautiful place, breathing that servants, and they also watched the glorious atmosphere, my father's meancompletion of the astonishing specing was all very clear to me; I did not

Shove Bottles Off Shelves.

he said: Two dozen bottles leisurely went to "O, death, where is thy sting? O, grave, destruction in this way. Some of them where is thy victory? If everyone could know God's great love he would never more sin, and then When the perfect man is come Earth and Heaven shall be his home In alternate periods he In them both shall seem and be. Heaven by night and earth by day Shall behold his wonder-way

tomed tub had emptied itself. Offers to

HIS MOTHER'S FACE.

It Frequently Appeared Before Him.

thought I was going astray. I called his attention to the passages referred A convert at one of Dr. Torreyie meetings was a young American who is o-rend them to him in fact-and he disputed they were in there. I handed him the book and he asked me where a ship's steward, and has been a sailor for fourteen years. He had been attending the meetings for fully ten days, and worker after worker had got it? I told him it was one I had had ever since I was a school-girl. He dealt with him, but to no avail. Finally told me he believed I had had one on Saturday night, as they were singing printed to order and would not accept he facts until he took down his own Tell Mother I'll Be There," he broke down and confessed Christ. When speaking of his decision the following bible and found the passage referred to. Perhaps when I say the bible was a great help to me in discovering the motive for the phenomena, 1 should my mother's face appears before me while at sea, although I only rememexplain.

I had experimented with phenomena enough to know that the knowledge and power possessed by those who have once been in mortal life were unlimited, so when I took up my bible again which I had lain aside as being of no more

use to me—by the advice of a spirit relative—I soon had the key to all its mysteries and all its inconsistencies were easily accounted for. But as I have touched upon the subject in a previous article to The Progressive Thinker, perhaps it is not nec-essary to refer further to the subject

now, lest I make repetitions, though to accomplish the desired end one must account for the discrepancies in the bible on logical reasoning. When people learn that what they

suppose is inspiration from God is pro-duced by our spirit friends, and that they are often giving us our own be-liefs, and that it is ngf their purpose to tell us how much they know nor how

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O, I don't need to read any more to ing tendency of the lower strata, or of Truth. Those sweet moments uncivilized man, but as intellect grows, his aspiration grows in an increasing ratio, until man becomes what the world terms wise; then, and not till then, does he actually see how much In one of my conversations with my there is yet to learn.

It must be the very essence or soul within man which forces this aspiraion, for the spirit body, which is but ethercalized matter, is but like the cosmic dust of our planet, which diffuses and reflects the sun's rays and makes see God, but I felt His Infinite Preshis light possible and bearable ence, and I can understand Paul when

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A SPIRIT APPEARS.

Subordinate Notified of Death by Ghostly Visitation.

Chester, Pa .- That there are more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of in his philosophy is the experience of Charles K. Melville, man-aging editor of the Morning Republican. until recently he filled the chair of city editor of the morning paper, but during the illness of Victor H. Klett,

he managing editor, he performed the duties of that desk. After sending the last edition to

press a morning or two ago he left for his home on Madison street, which he reached at 4 o'clock in the morning. Just as he was removing his clothes, preparatory to going to bed, a shadowy figure came before his 'eyes. Thinking it but the vague creation of

rendition of the bible, and of course, weary brain he was about to turn out the gas light, when the figure of Mr. Klett appeared at the foot of the bed, "Klett is dead," said Mr. Melville,

as the specter disappeared. When he reached the office at noon the next day Mr. Melville was not at all surprised to find a balletin, announcing the death of the late chief, with the further fact that he had gassed away

at 4 o'clock. A few days before this incident William Moore, a young man did at the Croser hospital. Just before he died he rose upon his bedri. His face lighted with a smile, and, exclaiming, "Why, there's mother," he passed away. His mother died thirteen years ago. - Chica-go Inter-Ocean. go Inter-Ocean.

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Sunday, and will start on May 15 for Jalisco, State of Chiapas, Mexico, where all are Spiritualists, even to the Governor of the State, and President Diaz, he world-renowned president of the Mexican Republic. With the permis-sion of the editor of The Progressive

Thinker, I will send a letter occasion-ally to tell the state of our cause in that land where one can have all the fruits of the temperate and semi-temperate zones every day of the year.

My stay in Indianapolls has been very pleasing, and the Progressive Spiritualist Church is true to its name; its members are most hospitable, and I bespeak for the speaker who follows me, a home that will be such as is not found with all societies. I leave them without a speaker engaged, and would say that any speaker with open dates could most likely make engagements if they opened correspondence immediate ly, if they write to their most affable secretary, Mrs. O. S. Crane, 232 Sheldon street. But any speaker coming here must be progressive, and up-todate, as the Spiritualists here have heard the best and can not listen to any other.

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alism, the bible was a great help to me In discovering the motive for the manifestation, and I marked many of its passages, among which being I. Cor., 7:36 to 39. Afterward I was visiting my father, who, while not a church member, was a believer in the orthodox

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Letter Number Eleven.

Now, I want to be very confidential with the readers of The Progressive Thinker, and tell them every little thing just as it happens; and then they may judge for themselves whether there is any truth in my mediumship or not. was sitting, sewing very busily, and no at the time thinking of spirits at all. In fact, I was thinking deeply of a person in the mortal form who was causing me a great deal of unhappiness, when, all at once, my darling husband's spirit came to me and said: "Put down your sewing, dear, I want to write."

immediately laid my sewing aside. "Will you write," I asked sorrowfully, about the one who is causing me so much unhappiness?" "No, no;" he replied. "Not about, that; but I want to answer a question that a lady has asked through The Progressive Thinker."

"I would much rather you should an swer my question," I said. "No," he replied, "It will be better

that I answer the lady's question." I did not know what lady he referred to, so he compelled me to get a back number of The Progressive Thinker and look it up; and he said it was Mrs. Hildreth's question about cremation. She would like to know how cremation affects the spirit of the one who is cremated; also, if a spirit can gain any-thing from the material body it has

Abby Judson is not here at this present time, and it is Carlyle Petersilea who is now controlling his wife. Mrs. Hildreth: My dear lady, my

earthly body was cremated, as was also that of Abby A. Judson. After my spirit was out of my body, my material body was no more to me than a decayed tooth would be to you after it had been extracted. A badly smelling, decayed tooth, is rather a disgusting object, and should be either thrown away with oth-er garbage, burned or burled; otherwise me without her. diseased germs from it are liable to find their way to the sound teeth of others or the one from whom it has extracted.

The material body is constantly throwing off effete matter while the from my wife; in fact, it was one thing spirit still inhales it, and the farther we that cemented our union. You must all can get away from such matter the better. Nothing can be more abhorrent do not take the same positions, neither or disgusting. Filth and garbage of all kinds should be utterly destroyed by fire, and the human body, after the spirfire, and the numan body, action and the spirit world if we it will be here in the spirit world if we caying filth. The spirit who has left still desire to go on as before. At any it; after looking upon it once turns rate. I shall still go on with my teachaway in disgust, and never desires to look upon it again. When once the home with my wife until she lays a cord is broken that holds the spirit to her material form, then we may the body, the spirit has no further use for that body.

To bury human bodies is very uncleanly, and most unhealthy to those who are still living within material bodies. All such bodies should be burned—that is, cremated—utterly destroyed by fire, and nothing is more delightful to the spirit than to know that such filth as it may have left be hind in the form of a body is utterly purified and scattered by fire.

O, if we could but make you all un-O, if we could but make you all understand that no one should ever cling to or feel the slightest affection for a dead body. Cremate it as soon as postible Do not hurr if as soon as postible Do not hurr if a soon as postible details of the slightest affection for a dead body. sible. Do not bury it.

other bereaved ones. She says: "Dear Carlyle, if I have to remain on earth ten, fifteen, or even perhaps, twenty years longer, how shall I ever be able to overtake you and be joined to you as formerly? I fear, my dear, that you will get so far ahead of me that I can never overtake you." Now, my reply is this: "My dear wife, if I could thus selfishly leave you,

and go on into glorious fields of happi-ness without you, I should not be worthy of your love. When those who truly love each other, and promise to be true to each other through time and cternity, marry and join themselves to-gether for time and eternity, nothing can separate them; the union is of the spirit and soul, and the death of the time. material body cannot affect the spirit and soul union. No soul union can ever be severed. When those on the earthly plane marry simply for material con ideration, not taking the spirit nor the soul into consideration at all, such an union may, and nearly always does, fall apart when one or the other departs the earth life. Perhaps the one left be-

hind, on the earthly plane, in the course of a year or two marries again. Now if one could do so it is positive evidence that the first union was not of the soul, for if it had been, to marry an-other would be equivalent to polygamy. And now permit me to tell the world that there can be but one true union and that union must be of the soul; and if such a union is not consummated on the earthly plane, it surely will be here in the realm of the soul. My own dear wife and I are soul-

mated-we are counterparts of each other. Neither she nor, I can possibly unite ourselves to others, no matter who may say to the contrary; and when I say this of ourselves, I say it to all others. Hand in hand we went while on the earthly plane; hand in hand we go together now. Soul responds to coul and spirit to spirit. I have not the slightest desire to leave my wife and go on into glory without her. Never, no never! It would be utterly impossible. The cord, or soul union between us, can never be broken. The heights of heaven would be the depths of hell to

But some of you may say: "How is it, professor, that you are running a spiritual conservatory of music?" Well, I run an earthly conservatory of

music; but that did not separate me from my wife; in fact, it was one thing understand that the husband and wife here nor on the earthly plane. While I managed a conservatory of music, she managed the home; and that is the way it will be here in the spirit world if we ing, as I formerly did, and make my home with my wife until she lays aside clude to travel among the celestial worlds for awhile.

Now it is not my wife who is writing this message, but myself, and I know whereof I write.

Before I left my material body my wife and I talked of taking a trip around the world, and I was exceeding-ly pleased with the idea and fully intended to carry out our plan. Now, all I have to gay is this, and I tell you truly;-I will carry out that plan with

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MY EXPERIENCES.

Interest in the various Spiritualist My baby Ralph was born the 27th of May, 1894, and died at 6 p. m. He lived only 13 hours. On Tuesday, June 5, camp-meetings has commenced, and secretaries of the same should report at 1894, just after dinner he appeared to once to this office, so that proper anme.

nouncement as to dates can be made. On Thursday, July 11, 1895, at night about 8 o'clock, he came again, but this MT. PLEASANT PARK, CLINTON, IA. About 8 o'clock, he came again, but this time he was in his coffin, and there was a light about him and the coffin at the side of the bed where I was lying down. Two days later I got word that one of my nicces had died. The first time Beluk expected to me, two months The twenty-third annual camp-meeting at Mt. Pleasant Park, opens July 30 and closes August 27. The very best talent has been secured for the season, Ralph appeared to me, two months later, I was taken so sick that my husand Opening Day promises to be a red letter day in the history of the camp. Programs and information given to all who write to Mrs. M. B. Anderson, secband had to be sent for; he was away at work.

May 11, 1895, a very close friend of mine died. I have seen her three or four times since, in the same year that she died, but she always appeared in her coffin, just as she was when I last looked at her.

ninth annual meeting, July 23, and closes August 27. Onset is one of the In May, 1902, it was a cloudy day and was raining. I was out doors wringing some clothes out of the water they had most heautiful seashore resorts in the world, and is in close proximity to other noted summer resorts. It is connected by a bridge with Point Independence, been soaking in. I was just a little way from the well box, when there ap-peared a bright light between the well and close at hand lies Monument Beach, and beyond Gray Gables, forbox and me, and I raised my head to merly the summer home of Ex-Presi-dent Cleveland, and at the head of the see whether the sun had come out or not, but no, it was just as cloudy as bay is located "Crow's Nest," owned by ever and raining, too. On November 22, 1903, I went out to

The water supply, introduced by the my father's to attend a prayer-meeting, and after it was over, I was standing Orset Water Company from Sandy Lake, could not be purer or better. just about a foot or two in the house, No summer resort is better supplied with well-regulated hotels, with rooms from the door, when there appeared nothing but the blue sky over my head, and board at reasonable rates. Also rooms can be obtained at cottages, and and I felt like I was lifted off of the meals at either hotels or restaurants in

On October 4, 1904 my baby Guy was born, and when he was three days old I heard a voice at the foot of my bed, where I was lying, telling me to name him Guy, and I so named him. That was on Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock. I wasn't afraid, but I had a happy feeling at the time.

On October 10, 1904, when Guy was six days old, on the ceiling there appeared a square hole with a light shining through it, and there appeared some red roses in the hole in the east side. I was awake. It was in the morning just after the children had gone to school, and the other two were outdoor playing. It was just west of my bed, and you must remember the ginning July 15 and ending August 27. The grounds are in fine condition and we want to make this the best camp ceiling is all lathed and there is no hole of any kind in the ceiling. My bed is ever held here. We have secured the very best talent and will have them well advertised. The programmes will set in the northeast corner of the front room, with the head to the north When I saw the light and roses, I felt like I was lifted off of the bed, but I could feel and see my body lying on the bed. MRS. WM. T. LAMBERT. be ready for distribution in a month. Mrs. Lydia Jessup, secretary, Anderson,

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Passed to the higher life, April 16, Mr. C. Nelson Wood of Stoneham, Mass. He was a patriot who sacrificed his health for his country in 1861-65. During his years of patient suffering, his wife has been his constant companion and nurse, having been separated but a few days for over twenty years. Mrs. M. S. Wood was one of our carliest speakers, and is remembered for her brilllant, earnest work. Both being conscientious Spiritualists, his preparations for transition were written in 1900. In compliance with his request, the services were simple, and his form was cremated, while his soul, still grows in knowledge, and aids in thought the loving and loved ones, who travel on to join him. C. FANNIE ALLYN.

Passed to higher life, on Wednesday, April 19, Samuel W. Marx, president of the Bible Spiritual Society of Portland, Oregon. While walking along the street, he suddenly fell to the sidewalk,

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fornia have engaged Mineral Park, the camp grounds in the Arroyo Seco, just below Garvanza, for their annual campmeeting, from June 25 to July 25. Many. improvements, are to be made at the park, and fourteen cottages will be erected. Mrs. Nettle Howell is the head of the executive committee. Address her for programmes.

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NEW ERA CAMP-MEETING.

kow I shah whee to you on the very we can still work together as one, such as the second as we always did. Hand in hand we could have loved a husband more than go. Since coming here I have learned she loved me, and as I hope still loves that there is a great purpose to be sub-

She says to herself, and it is a great ly plane a while longer that I may concomfort to me also-"I do not have to tinue my work through her; and, presthink of my darling as being away off. ently, the soul sun shall burst forth in Euried up in the cold, damp ground, ently, the soul No; all there is left of his material

body is here, sealed up in an urn. It very small, not weighing over two or three pounds; and oh, how glad I am that all that is left of me materially has become pure and clean, and nothing left which can infect or poison any who are still inhabiting material bodies.

This is my answer to Mrs. Hildreth's question; and Abby Judson's would be question; and Abby Judson's would be the same. All spiritual beings who laid it down when on earth, and this is love purity and cleanliness would make the same reply.

so, but it is one grand remove higher. Of course, all must see that this is so. Then, again, if all were cremated, A conservatory of music in the spheres no one would be buried alive as is must be one remove higher than one on sometimes the case. It would be far earth, and so of all other things. I took better for one who was in a trance to up my life just where I laid it down on earth. I had a large concervatory of he burned alive than buried alive; but great precaution should always be takmusic, elocution, languages and art, and en that none could meet with either as soon as I regained my spiritual fate. Be sure that the spirits of your strength, after the dissolution from the loved ones have really departed from material- I cok up my life here just the body before they are either buried at that point. I joined my forces with my old partner, Dr. Eben Tourgee, and or cremated.

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started in again, one remove higher-There are some things that seem a that is our conservatory is larger, little odd to me since coming to this grander, higher, more beautiful and life. All broken threads, or what apperfect, and our energies, together with our music, the same. We are attract peared to be broken, are taken up here -as though in order to make a beau- ing thousands of our old friends to us as well as the old masters who love to tiful pattern some threads had to be dropped for awhile and then taken up visit us.

(To be continued.)

A SUGGESTION

Col. Robert G. Ingersoll in

Public Places.

To the Editor:-Would it not be fit

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once more to perfect the pattern. have renewed, or taken up all my former acquaintances that were once upor the earthly plane. All our hopes and aims that were relinquished, as To Place Statues of Thomas Palne and thought, forever, are once more carried forward, now, with the certain knowledge that we shall bring them to pass On earth we all looked forward to old age and leath, and one by one our aspirations and hopes dropped away from us. Here, old age and death are left forever behind and fright us no more. All that is required now is patience and perseverance.

How many on earth start out with each of them at the capital of every high hopes and ambitions. One may state in the Union? meet them a few years afterward and find them dejected and unhappy. If one were to ask them why they were so, they would say that their hopes had all been blasted and their ambitions were dead. Mothers will weepingly were dead. Mothers will weepingly number of statues can be cast at a very tell of the death of their little ones. reasonable expense, not much more Fathers will dejectedly say their sons are no more on whom their hopes rested. .. Disconsolate widows stretch forth their arms and cry out for their de man being is entitled to perfect free parted husbands: "O, my husband! dom and equal rights, with every other Where are you?—Oh, where?" And human being, free to read and think for husbands sit lonely and dejected mourning for their wives.

Peace, be still! The threads will man or woman at the capital of every all be taken up again, even to the most state in the Unior, to solicit fund to Peace, be still! The threads will casual acquaintance.

It seems strangely odd to me some to the capital of that state. No doubt a times, and when we meet we talk of large number of these statues could be the old times on earth-and how we sold to societies for public parks, and straighten out all our former misunder (to adorn other public places, in all standings. My poor wife now sits sorrowfully, could be carried out, I am sure it would

asking me some questions; and as all be a wonderful inspiration to present who have lost near and dear ones ask and future generations to read the the same questions, I think it will not writings of those grand men. be dmiss to arswer her questions, for

answering hers at the same time, Mendota, Mo.

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