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case. Take, for instance, the case of Wi-

nans, whose exposure at Hot Springs seems so thorough and complete.

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self by certain careful tests that

dium in some of his phases, his "mate-

rializations" were all-so far as my

experience went-merely impersona-tions by himself. On being taxed with

deception he assured me in all apparent

candor that as he was always entranced during the cabinet seance he knew

nothing as to how the phenomena were

produced. (No wigs, beards and masks

Last summer he spent a couple of

week's at the Clinton Camp. Some of his sitters pronounced him a fraud;

that they had received the most con-

vincing tests of his mediumship. Here

the usual dilemma was presented. Who

was to be the judge between the con-tender's? Mindful of its responsibility, the management had resolved to call him to account when he evidently sus-

pected that something was afoot and

suddenly left the camp.

as Winans' is, the different effect upon

such estimable, intelligent and earnest

investigators as Mr. and Mrs. Boving,

But to return to the question. How

shall we-to quote the editor of The

Progressive Thinker-"eliminate trick-

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FRAUDS AND CAMP-MEETINGS.

THE JUDGMENT DAY.

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Shall We Separate the Sheep Thoughts Suggested by a Funeral Dis-From the Goats?

Thoughts suggested by remarks made Much has been said lately, regarding the alleged encouragement of frauds at over the remains of a dear Aunt, at the funeral services by one looked upon as the camp-meetings. One writer, more an educated minister of the Gospel of noted for forcefulness than accuracy, went so far as to charge that at one time the board of managers of the Clin-God.

"She lies asleep, the sleep of the dead, until God sounds the trumpet ton, lowa, Camp made a practice of inwhich awaketh the dead, and the dead viting known frauds to their grounds shall arise from their sleep upon the for the sake of revenue. The only reply that need he made to that charge Judgment Day." is to name some of those who were Did he understand the great far-off members of the board at the time spe-cified. When I name Alonzo Thomp-

meaning of the words which he spoke to those who mourned the departure of son, Hiram Eddy, Stella A. Flsk, N. G. Omstead and Geo. B. Warne, no one who is acquainted with either will rea dear one from their midst, and the result of his words upon those in the earthly hody, if what he said was true? quire any further evidence of the ab-Let us reason on these thoughts, and ee if they are true, what is really the Few of those who criticise the offieffect of this reasoning, that they sleep until the Judgment Day.

cials for not excluding all tricksters from the camp grounds realize the per-plexities and difficulties which beset If this condition really does exist, there are no inhabitants in heaven, or them in the effort to render exact jus-tice to all, or the amount of time and what is called hell, because God has not yet judged man according to his nerve-racking labor spent by the mandeeds, for as yet He has not sounded agement in the quiet investigation of charges and complaints in order to exthe trumpet which is to awaken them upon the Judgment Day. Heaven is barren of human life, if clude as far as possible, improper char-acters, while giving the fullest protec-

this condition really exists. Hell is not filled with the suffering

tion to those who deserve it. No Spiritualist needs be told that ones of error. The devil is left alone in the bottom every medium has his partisans as ess pit, the fires of hell are burning well as his enemies, and as no careful official regards his argument as infallionly to be endured by him. ble he must needs proceed with the ut-most caution in deciding the genuine-

There are as yet no persons to sing praises, or play on golden harps to their God, for He alone is in heaven, waiting for the right time to come or the right condition on this little earth (which is only one of the numberless worlds which have been created) before He awakens them (the so-called dead) from their sleep.

There are no angel friends to help us carry our earthly burdens.

There are no guardian angels, o which so much is sung and written, and which sustains so many bereaved ones, if these conditions really exist. Those who passed the change called death, one thousand years ago, and those who passed from the material body yesterday, are both in the same spiritual condition, if the trumpe should sound on the morrow.

I thank God there is a religion which teaches us differently from that. There are no dead. Those dear ones

who pass away from our mortal vision do NOT sleep the sleep of the dead, but they live in the spiritual world and are all the time gathering wisdom and un derstanding of the spirit and earnestly secking in every possible way to bene-fit those dear ones they have left for a brief season on earth. I say they have left us, but I mean they are not visible to the masses, for their vision

is not developed spiritually. They do come back to their own, and teach of the things of the spirit, if they can find the right condition which will enable them to do so.

people who would be a real power for good in our ranks. I earnestly, I may say, prayerfully, trust that those good Truly, we are like those over whose earthly vision cataracts have formed people have already realized in their we are unable to behold things clearly own being too much of this glorious if at all, but death gently lifts the vell truth to be set back a single step by their late disheartening experience. we can behold all things in the then clear light of the spiritual sight. I thank God that the Aunt who has

left us, may return to her devoted and noble son. who now walks alone upon the journey of life. ums" at our camp-meetings? There is

She will help him over the rugged pathway, for I cannot believe she sleeps until the Judgment Day, when her fond mother's heart still yearns to be with him during the dark and lonely hours that are before him. Through the laws of mediumship and the revelation of the spirit, the stone has been rolled away from the door of the sepulchre; we behold the garments which have been lain aside, but the spirit has departed and goeth before us, but the angel of the Lord hath spoken unto us and commanded us that, we go and tell the disciples that Christ has risen

bad.'

erwise.'

of public opinion."

The earth is the thought of God embodied. . The castle, the cathedral, the picture, the statue, is the thought of man given form. There is nothing strange about this principle,-the expressions are common; but when we come to speak of the embodiment of a feeling, a desire, and an intense emotion, so that it takes form and can be seen, we hesitate, deny; and cannot understand and yet some day this may be the settled belief of science and philosophy. It is claimed that thought can mold the form, beautify the face, and tint a flower. The desire to see developed the eye, and the necessity for hearing developed the ear.

Every thought, belief or act on the moral side of ife, however erroneous and false, that expresses a man's true convictions and comes from the best impulses of his heart must be to his advantage and growth. There is no other way of arriving at truth except through following the guidance of the soul, From what source does the mind of man draw its knowledge? Somewhere there must be an unfailing supply, for out of it cometh his wisdom.

Truth gushes forth spontaneously like water from a fountain. It is not manufactured; laws are not made; all that man does is to discover these principles for he finds them ready for use at his hand. "The thought is sensed from the unlimited, primitive substance of intelligence. In the eternal thought substance all future happenings are known now. Telepathy, prophecy, clairvoyance, psychometry and other soul-powers unfold without will, purpose or effort." What is right morally, what is true scientifically must in the end triumph, else humanity is a lie and all reasoning is naught. Truth has been beheaded, burned at the stake, tortured upon the rack, hung upon the gallows, made to bear false testimony, but never killed. When a great moral question comes before the people it takes years of discussion and argument before a final agreement, but when the public mind becomes crystallized and firmly fixed it

s all dominant and powerful. The smallest obstruction changes the current of the stream. There are points in the lives of men and nations, and in the course of a great political, social and moral movement, when the most trivial circumstance or a mere incident, or some startling event tips the scales for or against, and hopes are blasted or fruition won, a cause is gained or a battle lost.

The writing of a letter prevented Henry Clay from eing elected president of the United States, and some think the same was true of General Hancock.

The words, "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion," unvittingly uttered by a clergyman at a gathering in New York City defeated James G. Blaine in the presidential race of 1884 and placed Grover Cleveland in the executive chair instead.

A moment of time, sometimes, calls into activities

not so easily moved by excitement or swayed by passion. But the power that mind has over mind, and

mind over matter is something wonderful to contemplate. None so strong as not to be influenced. The judgment and action of great and deliberative bodies of

men are often shaped and controlled by influences entirely outside of themselves. Mr. Blaine in his "Twenty Years in Congress," speaking of the nomination of Mr. Lincoln for the presidency at Chicago in 1860 says: "In a final analysis of the causes and forces which nominated Mr. Lincoln, great weight must be given to the influence which came from the place where the convention was held, and from the sympathy and pressure of the surrounding growd. Illinois Republicans, from Cairo to the Wisconsin line, were present in uncounted thousands. 'The power of the mob in controlling public opinion is immeasurable. In monarchical governments it has dethroned kings, and in republics it dictates candidates. Had the conditions been changed and the national convention of the Republicans assembled at Albany, it is scarcely to be doubted that Mr. Seward would have been nominated. It is quite

certain that Mr. Lincoln would not have been nominated." No one event ever had more meaning to the people of the United States than the nomination of Abraham Lincoln. He was a divinely appointed instrument in the hand of God for leading us triumphantly through the bloody war of the Rebellion and striking the shackles off of four million of people.

Henry Watterson in a lecture once said, "Where did Shakspeare get his genius? Where did Mozart get his music? Whose hand smote the lyre of the Scottish ploughman and stayed the life of the German priest? God, God and God alone, and as surely as these men were raised up by God, inspired by God, so was Abraham Lincoln, and a thousand years hence no story, no tragedy, no epic poem will be filled with greater, wonder, or be followed by mankind with deeper feeling than that which tells of his life and death."

Yet so trifling a matter as a change of place where the convention was held would have defeated him. Some one has said of Garfield that he once claimed that a roof of a certain house was so absolutely a water shed that the flutter of a bird's wing would be sufficient to decide whether a particular rain drop should make its way into the Gulf of St. Lawrence or into the Gulf of Mexico."

On what slender threads hang the destinies of individuals and nations. So unstable are the moods of men, so changeable and uncertain are the courses of states and nations that to the casual observer the whole world appears to be run by chance, but the eye of the scholar, whose search for knowledge has broadened his vision, sees in all this apparent chaos of matters, one, grand concert of action, and agencies. According to his vision there has been from the earliest dawn of time one goal to which all things have been

Mrs. Lois Waisbroker Trying to Place the World on the Right Track.

"AN ENTIRELY NEW VIEW."

Just received The Progressive Think-er of April 22, and there are so many things in it of which I would like to say a word. I hardly know where to com mence, but finally conclude to take the

Thinker.

article with the above heading. Friend Doane is right as to the obsession of ideas, and to my mind there is no greater obsession than that of the idea that Christlanity is to possess and

rule the world, or as expressed through one hypnotized medium: "Jesus Christ is the legitimate ruler of this planet.

I wish Spiritualists were wholly free from this obsession, but I never read one of our papers but I find evidence that they are not. Even my old friend, C. W. Stewart,

says Spiritualism was "The foundation of Christianity." Brother Stewart ought to know that the fact of communication between the two worlds of ex-istence is the "foundation of every reigion, but Spiritualism proper, Spiritualism as developed today was not the "foundation of primitive Christianity,"

and why belittle it by saying so? When I say Spiritualism I do mean Spiritualists, for they, we, are the result of an existing system which rests largely upon the obsessing power of the Christian idea.

The following incident occurring at a camp-meeting in Washington, will alp to illustrate what I mean:

During the noon recess a lady had gathered around her quite a number of beople who were listening to her radical remarks. During a pause an old gentleman said: "If Jesus was here

believe he would sanction every word you say.' "I do not care whether he would or not; I am one person and he another,"

was her quick reply. That woman had become free from every phase or Christian obsession. Christianity is the aggressive religion.

"Jesus shall reign wherever the sun Doth his successive journeys run,'

is the language of its every movement. The war between Russia and Japan is due to that claim. The Czar in connection with the spirits of his obsessed ancestors is working to get control of all of Eastern Asia-this as the representative of Jesus; but it is said of those on the other shore who desired the suppression of chattel slavery, that they wanted a leader and the Southerners sent them John Brown.

There are other leaders who have been over, both from this country and Europe, leaders who are educating the crushed millions on the other shore, crushed out of this life to prevent the unseating of Czars, Emperors, etc.; all these are being educated above the plane of revenge, but their purpose is to overturn all institutions, all systems hat make the people victims; all such will throw their influence against Russia's Christian assumption.

have not heard from him since.

Your word of warning, friend Francis.

about Catholics colonizing the United States, is timely if it would only be

needed, but the obsessing idea of the

masses that we are all right, that there

is no danger, prevents proper protec-

tion from the worst of foes. But in your note headed "Two Soul-savers Equal to One Man," I felt when I read

it, like asking, are our "Rev." Spiritual-

ist speakers who travel on half-fare

I never see that title applied to one

of our we ers but I feel humbled and

ashamed that Spiritulist speakers

should so dishonor Spiritualism as to

place themselves on a level with Chris-

ian ministers. I am as poor as a

'church mouse," but no amount of mon-

woman must have better conditions

than man has yet furnished, and that

is why I demanded unqualified freedom

reason out to facts. This is sometimes

cause. This is called the inductive

The first taken alone leads to super

stitions, to religious bigotry; the other depended upon alone leads to material-

Some of my Theosophical friends wou

der that I cannot accept Theosophy, but I have said to them: "I am looking for

a higher truth than has yet been born

upon this planet, and the mingling of the magnetisms of the Orient and the

the same in substance. Overcometh what? In the little booklet 1 call "The

application. The bible declares:

Occident will bring it."

ey would tempt me to that.

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ism.

Obsessed, yes, and the Greek and Catholic hierarchies on the spirit side of life, particularly the Catholic; and such spirits obsess mediums to practice fraud. All things are double, have two phases. In obsessions we have that of vidual. A poor soul who had committed an awful crime sent me word through a medium that he was ob-sessed and I had been impressed with the

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Do you think because of riches, in the great eternal. plan, That you'll be much more resp than the "Rags-Old-Iron-Man?" respected

Do you think to hoodwink Nature and old Justice where you go? Do you think the dear St. Peter will

not send you down below?

Do you think the gates will open when your visage there appears? And your presence up in heaven will a

signal be for cheers? Do you think the loving angels will be

glad to meet you there, With your greed still clinging to you, in those "Mansions bright and fair?"

Do you think that God will vacate that old crumbling golden throne.

and lay down His crown and scepter at your feet, to be your own?

Do you think that you can purchase all those twinkling little stars, And control the silver moonlight just

the way you can the cars?

Do you think the power of motion in the universe will pause,

When you take your place in heaven with your heel upon the laws? Do you think all things will kowtow to

your spirit when you die, When you stand before your record with your dollars all laid by?

Do you think because you have it, that

your wealth will pull you through, And no matter how you get it, it will bring all things to you?

Do you think that gold in heaven is the medium of exchange?

Do you think that that old heaven you will buy and rearrange?

There's a voice within the silence, there's an echo from the deep,

And it plainly tells the story: sow, so shall ye reap." There's a whisper in the breezes;

there's a murmur in the sea 'All thy virtues and thy vices, will sometime return to thee.

DR. T. WILKINS.

Notes for Reflection.

Peter the Great has been quoted as saying: "It was well to learn the art. This saying from the enemy." should be well pondered by the powers involved in war at the present time. Then, again, Napoleon became great. He had tact, art and ambition to spare. He was vain and his visions of military glory were almost boundless.

History is made for those coming after to learn from and profit by, but alas! the most important lessons are not heeded. Napoleon adroitly assailed Alexandria and with his tact and policy informed the Arab population that he had come to protect religion, restore their rights and punish the usurpers, etc., but his dream of Oriental conquest was somewhat dispelled by contact with a British warship. Still he pressed on, grew more cruel in his despoliation and plunder, but ended his first war period pretty much to his de-sire. The second period; though opened with Great Britain, involved many nations. Nanoleon covered his name with glory. He became not only Emperor of France, the Pope crowning the new sovereign, but he was later the idea on which powerful organiza-tions are built, and that of the indi-lialy. The iron crown of Charlemagne which had quietly reposed a thousand years, was brought forward and Napoleon placed it upon his own head with ware of touching it." But, his power waned, his glory vanished, he reached his Waterloo and had a sad ending of his proud career, as an exile. Now it seems there is a repetition of each thing in progress now, somewhat changed as to forms and nursuits but still the same spirit is manifested in ambitious advances to despoil, etc. MRS. M. KLEIN.

The Power of Thought. Flashing Scintillations From the Philosophic Pen of Henry Morrison Tefft. "Everything is infectious in this world good and | bringing hundreds into the church in a very brief

space of time,—are every year becoming of less fre-"Society exists by chemical affinity, and not oth." quent occurrence. Men of culture and refinement are wise."

"We do not live under a government of law, but

encourage fraud; to intimate such a thing is a gross insult—a reckless libel. They recognize the importance of protecting their guests from imposition and trickery; but they also realize their duty to protect mediums, without whom there would be no camp-meetings.

The question, and the whole question, is how to determine who are honest and who are not. Is there any infallible rule to govern all cases? Can a reliable list of honest and dishonest mediums be made out by any one? A list that will meet the approbation of even a majority of Spiritualists and investigators? Will The Progressive Thinker or the president of the Illinois State Association make out and publish a list of honest mediums for the guidance and protection of investigators? Or, on the other hand, will they publish a list of the frauds, and thus inferentially endorse all others as genu-

Mark, I am not criticising in the slightest degree the words of The Progressive Thinker, in trying to rid our ranks of these pernicious tricksters The necessity for such work seems to me of paramount importance, and deserves the support of all true Spiritual ists. As the chief officer of one of the leading camps I am simply trying to make clear the difficulties that beset us in the effort to keep our gatherings free from the taint of fraud.

If it were possible to prepare and publish a list of absolutely reliable meliums the matter would be greatly simplified. That there are mediums whe are as true as truth, we all know, but who would be brave enough to publish such a list and thus inferentially designate all others frauds? If the editor of a Spiritualist paper, with his great facilities for obtaining information, is unable to make such a catalogue, why should those with far less opportunity be expected to draw the line with perfect exactness?

Mediums are human beings with the same faults and frailties that beset other people, and should be dealt with -except with more consideration exactly as we deal with other classes. few people are absolutely and strictly honest in all their dealings. A large number are honest or dishonest according to the degree of incentives and temptations which confront them. while a few, again, are devoted almost entirely to fraudulent pursuits and practices. It is precisely so with those who profess mediumship. A few would die rather than be guilty of deception, Many give the genuine when they can supplement with make-believe when they want to make out a case. A Yew are out-and-out frauds with no genuine mediumship whatever.

In business we would all prefer to trade entirely with the strictly honest but; perforce, must deal more or less with those less conscientious, keeping a sharp watch on them meanwhile The out-and-out frauds we avoid eltogether, and sometimes imprison them. It seems to me that it is precisely thus we should deal with mediums, Cherish as beyond rubies, those who are strictly genuine. Watch closely and encourage to better things the weak and waver-ing, and banish completely the unmitirated fraud.

It has always been the policy of the M. V. S. A. to extend the utmost hositality for mediums for all phases of henomesa: And that will continue to henomesa: That its hearitality has

If he lives we shall live and will appear to them as He did on their way to Jerusalem. He did not sleep until the Judgment

Day. We, too, shall not sleep, but enter at once upon the duties for which we

are best fitted. 'Sweep up the debris of decaying

faiths; Sweep down the cobwebs of worn-out bellefs.

And throw your soul wide open to the light Of reason and knowledge. Tune your

ear. To all the worldless music of the stars. And to the voice of Nature, and your

heart Shall turn to truth and goodness as the

plant Turns to the sun. A thousand unseen hands

Reach down to help you to their peace crowned heights,

And all the forces of the firmament Shall fortify your strength. Be no afraid

To thrust aside half-truths and grasp the whole.' L. M. COBB. Norwich, Conn.

A GENEROUS BEQUEST.

It Was Made by the Late J. T. Crum baugh, of LeRoy, Ill.

The will of the late J.-T. Crumbaugh of LeRoy, Ill., was probated on the 6th inst. It bequeaths property valued at \$150,000, the income from which is to be used in founding and maintaining a public library, and also a Spiritual church in LeRoy, Ill. The property consists of productive farm lands, the net income from which will easily reach 5,000 per annum.

But this bequest is not available dur-the life of the widow who is seventy years old, unless she so desires.

The will of Mr. Crumbaugh was made some four years ago under the inspiraion and direction of his-friends on the other shore, just as the Leland Stanford, Jr., University was founded under the direction of the spirit of the only child of Senator Stanford, These magdificent bequests are some of the fruits of Spiritualism that will increase in benefits to the human race as the ages go by. S. H. WEST. LeRoy, Ill.

been violated in the past is doubtless true. That tricksters may attempt to do so in the future is quite likely, but the public may rest assured that the management will use every reasonable precaution to insure only genuine ph nomena upon our camp grounds. W. F. PECK, President M. V. H. A

all the pent-up feelings, the smothered indignation, tending. That each generation of men, each period the outraged moral sentiment of a community, state of time has paved the way for the one that succeeded or nation that has been long slumbering in the hearts it.

of the people. A single spark is sufficient to put a whole city in conflagration.se The firing upon Fort Sumter sounded the death knell of slavery. The blowing up of the Maine precipitated the Spanish-American war, and wrested from Spain, Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and opened them up to wider possibilities and greater progress.

There are times when error seems to triumph, when wickedness is in the ascendant, -but this is an illusion,-falsehood is always on the road to detection. A meteor sweeping across the heavens, lights up for a moment the whole firmament, but its brilliancy soon disappears. In the crucible of time all questions, principles and characters at length become clarified. John Huss was excommunicated by the Roman Catholic church and then burned at the stake. Now t is said that a petition: has been made to the Holy Synod of the Greek church asking that he be canonized. It is the people that canonize men and

not the church, cardinals or popes. They only add the seal to the verdict of public opinion. The public is made up of single individuals. Pub-

lic sentiment is the aggregate of individual sentiment It is like putting together infinitesimal particles of matter until you have a large body. What one man thinks or believes is not of much account but what a million of men believe becomes an important matter. One man alone is weak, but ten thousand men together, bent on one common object, become an uncontrollable force. A man standing alone and in a crowd is entirely a different creature. The same ha rangue that would not move a person in the least alone, in a crowd might excite him to the most desperate deeds as well as to the most benevolent acts. When great objects are to be obtained people are gathered together in large asemblages. It matters

not whether it is for a political, moral or religious purpose. - whether for peace or war. The dedication of churches is often made the occasion of gathering large congregations, for the purpose of raising money to pay off the church debt, when, under the excitement of the hour and the fervid eloquence of some pulpit orator-the most miserly of men give freely of their substance.

In heated politcal campaigns, brass bands, torch ight processions, and all the ingenious methods poliicians possess are brought into operation, to move and excite the multitude, knowing that the party who makes the most noise, not the party who makes the best arguments, will be most likely to succeed.

During the war of the Rebellion, war meetings were held all over the country, when thousands of men became so wrought up under the patriotic appeals of el- even the uneducated know by subtle instinct what oquent speakers as to risk their lives in the service of their betters are thinking; * * * Rulers, ecclesiastics, their country who if approached einely and along of their betters are thinking; * * * Rulers, ecclesiastics, their country, who, if approached singly and alone at captains of industry, and political economists will their homes could not have been induced to take the step.

The more ignorant and superstitious people are the more easily they-can be moved. It matters not on what lines you desire them to be led! The same power

that would arouse them to works of revenge, robbery. and murder, would, when differently applied, direct them in the ways of charity, benevolence and religion. The more cultivated and educated people become

the less liable they are to be moved by any sudden im-pulse or emotion. This accounts for the fact that those large religious revivals that in the early history of the country used to away over whole communities, they day does lockefoucauld.

ame ba. Which wondering why this spirit, of same whom I had known nothing in the earth

The centuries are all lineal children of one anlife, should come to me, I found Dred Scott standing beside me. "I brought other." But as yet there is nothing permanent in sight. The world is in a state of great unrest, sohim," he says. "I remembered what you had done for me, and we gather up cially, politically and religiously. There is no settled condition of thought. We have no form of governhose we can reach and educate them. I had not heard from Dred for ten years' and I asked why he had stayed away so ment, no system of philosophy, science or religion long. "Oh, I have been busy and you did not need me," was his reply.

that dan be called stable. Henry George says, "Though we may not speak it penty the general faith in republican institutions is, when they have reached their fullest development, narrowing and weakening." 'In the presence of the infinite problem of life." says David Starr Jordan, "science is dumb, * * The poet sings of what he feels, but Science speaks only of what we know. *** Science knows no ultimate rules. *-** All that man mows must be stated in terms of his experience." From whatever point we view man's existence here. the lights and shades in the picture quite balance each other. Every known force, power or principle has its antagonist. The war of contrarieties is continually going on. The visible and invisible forces around us are always at work building up and tearing down. Society, like nature never stands still. To control and utilize the forces of nature and to harmonize the conflicting elements that enter in and make up the political and social life of a people is what the world has ever been trying to do.

"Every institution of human society," says one writer, 'is on the defensive, changing or resisting tendencies to change. * * Property also, the earth and its treasures once admitted to be the inheritance of the fortunate ones * * * was first modified, then challenged, then claimed as being the inheritance of the people, * * * Socialism, communism, nihilism, anarchism are only specific and unusual forms of a new feeling which has spread throughout the world, * * Commerce, the greatest of civilizers, * * * To pagan nations it carries benefits tempered with vices, Civilization is no doubt to the race a blessing; to the individual it may be a calamity. To whole classes and nations it may be a calamity. No progress is possible that does not involve destruction. * * * We are entering, upon an epoch in the development of free intitutions which is inevitable, but full of peril to evry interest of mankind. Darwin and Spencer, Car-

yle and Ruskin, Emerson and Wendell Phillips, Turgenieff and Tolstoi have not been talking about progress, struggle, human rights, the power of the people, the oppression of the few and the wrongs of the many. without having an audience larger than they knew.

As servints know what is going on behind closed doors and read the secrets of every household, so do mistake the facts if they omit to notice the operation of ceptain impulses of sentiment now working with strange power in the minds of the majority.

Whether, it be a disease or a sign of vigorous life, there is a world fever of democracy new in history. Ndrwich, N. Y. HENRY MORRISON TEFFT.

Slander is the revenge of a coward and dissimilation his Lefense. - Johnson.

Secret of Life," is the explanation-one that fully warrants the premise, and makes re-generation as natural as gen-

eration Now, friends, do not write and ask me i died.-Shakepeare.

Van Wert, Ohio.

MOST REMARKABLE.

Spirit Return Without a Particle of Doubt.

While in Oklahoma on business lact March, I learned from responsible parles that one Mr. Parrott, on his death bed requested to be buried in a certain cemetery near the road; but he was. contrary to his expressed wish, placed back in a woods. Several months after this a Mr. Star, a neighbor of Mr. Parrott, while plowing in a field, saw some coming across the same. one He looked so much like Mr. Parrott, that he waited for him to come up. form proved to be Mr. Parrott, and Mr. Star asked, "What do you want, Mr. Parrott?"

When "Observer" says "The world's Mr. Parrott replied, "I want you to reformers are making unsatisfactory progress, because, their efforts are dihave my body moved to that cemetery. This so dumfounded Mr. Star. that he rected largely against effects instead of causes," he tells what is lamentably aropped his head for an answer, and when he looked up, Mr. Parrott was true, but in order to a better heredity, gone.

When Mr. Star went to the house, his wife asked him who the man was that came to him in the field. So there was for woman as woman, and that all the no imagination on the part of Mr. Star institutions of society be adjusted to n that deal.

Several weeks later Mr. Parrott Hudson Tuttle's reply to the question came to Mr. Star again, and insisted that he have his body moved to that cemetery. Mr. Star asked him why he as to the reliability of spirit communcation is quite right, in that it throws us back upon our own responsibility and thus aids our reasoning powers. had come to him to have that done, instead of going to his own folks, and ho have said that all things are double; answered that he knew Mr. Star to be in the human these two inseparable an honest man and if he could get his and eternal factors or forces are called promise, he knew it would be done. So male and female, and in the Universal Mr. Star promised, and did the work. Life the two factors have been called My brother gave me this story while Father-Mother-God. They are ceron the road to the railroad station. Ite tainly that "in which we live and move pointed out the cemetery and grave and have our being." In the mental world we have two where Mr. Star placed Mr. Parrott's body.

methods of reasoning, the deductive in which we take our stand by truth and I am not positive about having the names correct in the above, but I can find out; also give the address, and any called intuition. The other method is taking facts and following up to their one doubting the story can write Mr. Star and get particulars.

W. P. BRITTAIN. Martinsburg, Va. (Investigator.)

for an explanation, unless you send at least \$1.00, and then I will send that and "Woman's Source of Power;" these will be worth more than many dollars when the conditions for the realization of what they teach can be had.

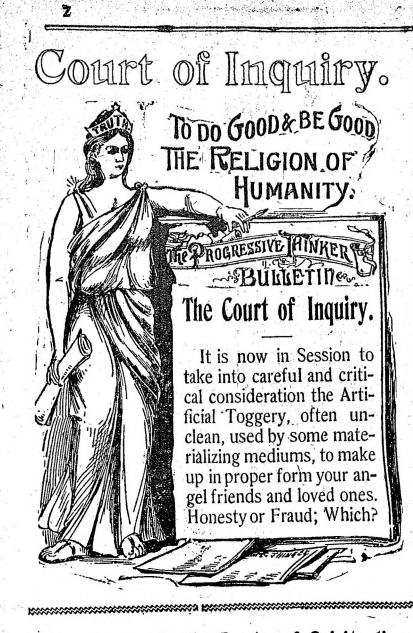
LOIS WAISBROOKER. Home, Washington.

I believe I have found it; not so much The temple of fame stands upon the perhaps, as to the fact stated as to their grave; the flame upon its altars it indled from the ashes of the dead.-"He that overcometh shall inherit all Hazlitt. things," and the other religions give

Faith is letting down our nets into he transparent deeps, at the diving command, not knowing what we shall ake .-- Faber.

Care is no cure, but rather a corro ive for things that are not to be remain

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Crisis Pending in the Ranks of Spiritualism.

THERE HAS AT LAST COME A SPIRITUALISTS, DRIVEN AND VERY SERIOUS CRISIS IN THE THEM INTO THE VARIOUS LIB-RANKS OF SPIRITUALISM. ERAL CULTS AND CREEDS THAT MANY MATERIALIZING MEDIUMS, HAVE ASSUMED GREAT PROMI-EMBOLDENED BY THEIR SUCCESS NENCE IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE

IN THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL TOG COUNTRY. GERY IN THEIR SEANCES, HAVE COMMENCING WITH THE EXPOS RANKS OF SPIRITUALISM.

AT LAST FORCED AN UNPLEASANT URE OF MRS. GRIFFEN, IN MILWAU CONDITION OF AFFAIRS INTO THE KEE, WIS., OVER TWO YEARS AGO. DRESSED IN A HOME-MADE INDIAN EVER SINCE THE DAVENPORT COSTUME, WITH A HEADGEAR OR-BROTHERS TRAVELED THROUGH NAMENTED WITH FEATHERS. TO THE UNITED STATES WITH THEIR REPRESENT AN INDIAN CHIEF-CABINET FEATS, TAIN, THERE HAS BEEN A DOZEN

MYSTIFYING THE PEOPLE, LEGER- OR MORE EXPOSURES, AND IN EV-DEMAIN, CONFEDERATES, ARTIFI- ERY CASE THE "SPIRIT" PROVED CIAL TOGGERY, DRESSES ILLUMIN- TO BE THE MEDIUM DRESSED IN ATED WITH PHOSPHORUS, FALSE GROSS MATERIAL, OFTEN DIRTY, WHISKERS, WIGS, CHEESE CLOTH, AND ESPECIALLY PREPARED FOR FEATHERS, AND EVEN KNIVES THE OCCASION BY MORTAL HANDS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO REQUI- INTENT ON DECEIVING.

SITION TO HELP THE MEDIUM OR EVEN ELSIE REYNOLDS, THE SPIRIT IN WHAT IS EVIDENTLY A GREAT LEADER OF A CERTAIN WORK OF DECEPTION OF THE GANG WHO USE ARTIFICIAL TOG-GERY IN DECEIVING THE PEOPLE. DARKEST KIND.

THIS ARTIFICIAL TOGGERY IS WHEN EXPOSED IN LOS ANGELES. UNCLEAN, AND REVEALS CAL., HAD ON A MASK AND GOG-THE MICROSCOPE, MI- GLES, WITH HER SKIRT ROLLED CROBES WHOSE ONLY PLACE IN UP, REPRESENTING HERSELF AS THE ECONOMY OF NATURE IS IN THE SPIRIT OF "AUNT BETSEY." THE FILTH OUTSIDE OF THE SUCH BEING THE CASE MR. DUNN HAS SOME FOUNDATION FOR HIS RANKS OF PURE SPIRITUALISM. THESE ROTTEN TRICK. STATEMENT THAT ALL MATERIAL STERS HAVE GOTTEN IN THEIR IZING MEDIUMS ARE GUILTY OF PESTIFEROUS WORK UNTIL EM. PRACTICING THE SAME DECEP. BOLDENED BY THEIR SUCCESS IN TION, HENCE THIS COURT OF IN-THEIR DECEPTIVE METHODS, QUIRY HAS BEEN CALLED, WITH VE ACTUALLY NAUSE- THE OBJECT IN VIEW TO ARRIVE

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

Verily, the "way of the transgressor I have no desire to enter into any prolonged discussion of the extremely kind manner in which this poor sick man was treated; and the extremely large amount of spiritual fellowship displayed by these good Samaritans, Bov-ing and Eastman, in dealing with the situation, but a perusal of the articles by them, as well as the comments by Dr. Warne, and also the caustle edi-torial, would seem to show that each and all of them ring true and clear in the chime of protherly love and spirituality, and we humble searchers after light and truth may well take courage and keep on in our course and search; being assured thereby that our cause is a living one and its beacons are

brightly burning and exemplifying our creedal corner stone, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ve even so unto them.' But as an investigator for over ten years, and one who will always be an

investigator, who never expects to be aught else, who will never claim to know it all, much less to be able to measure, determine and define the lim-its and the power of the Spirit forces, I am in search earnestly of knowledge, and after carefully reading and digest ing as well as I am able to this series of condemnatory articles, I am con-strained to ask loudly, "What consti-tuted this so-called FRAUD? In what manner was any fraud disclosed? How was any Traud or deceit perpetrated? I am at a loss to discover the fraud from the facts stated, EVEN ADMITTING THEM ALL to be true, and I challenge the right of any one to pass judgment of fraudulent practice upon the evi-

dence found in the statement of facts by these good Samaritans, Boving and Eastman. IT MAY BE THAT I AM WRITING

MYSELF DOWN AS A FOOL OR AS A DEFENDER OF FRAUDS AND FAKES, but at the risk of losing caste in that regard I will say: Come now and let us reason together a bit. I will speak from personal experiwit-

the testimony of other credible nesses, and from the printed pages of scientific researchers as well. 1st.' As to the medium; Winans him-self, all Spiritualists who have encountered the demonstrators of physical phenomena, especially the phase called

materialization, within the last ten years, have at some time been found sitting in the seance room where this medium has been used as the instrument of Spirit forces to demonstrate

the continuity of life and the possibility of spirit communion, and to all such I appeal for confirmation when I assert that he never yet onened a seance with out in the first instance insisting that all skeptics as well as believers who had not attended his seances should make a careful and minute examination of his cabinet for the purpose of guarding against confederacy; should place himself in such test conditions as seemed to be sufficient to guard against conscious impersonation, and finally informed the sitters that in seances pre sided over by his spiritual guides there were three forms of manifestation

usually presented, to-wit: Materialization proper, transfigura tion, and impersonation. In the last two, where the forces being unable owng to conditions not understood to form a spirit body or counterpart of human form through which the spirit could manifest, they would use the personal organism of the medium, take him from the cabinet and dress him as they chose, or use his form without extra habiliments and manifest through that organism without his being at all con-scious thereof.

Now, the first form of manifestation above spoken of is of course the one most desirable, for in it there really should be nothing of an earthy nature. and in that form only could the spirit be able to demonstrate its integrity by the process of dematerialization in presence of the sitters, and which by the way is to my mind the only true method of distinguishing the transfiguration or impersonation from the ma-

was not aware that his organism and raiment were being used to deceive and defraud the silters, or was being used at all for the dirpose of spirit mani-festation, then, according to all rules governing the commission of offences, the medium can not rightfully be pro-nounced guilty of perpetration of a fraud or deceit, and our friends, including Dr. Warnenthe commentator and Bro. Frannis, the editor, have apparent ly done alwrong; to this old-time me dium, Winans. ... The medium kimself, and all materi

alizing midlums, claim, and it would seem to he welb founded, that they are never conscious of any manifestations that occurater they enter the cabinet being fully, entranced and therefore up able to sense the things that occur How that is, of course I am not able to fully determine, but will rely upon their word as honest people, and as all in vestigators are compelled to do unti the contrary fully appears.

To some investigators, as to the writer, the manifestation by the transformation; or use of the physical or ganism of the medium in an UNCON-SCIOUS CONDITION, is one of the most sure and satisfactory evidences of spirit control and spirit power, and when accompanied by intelligent communication affords the best evidence of spirit presence. But right here is where it is difficult

for a new investigator to discover the seemingly real from the sham, and is the place where the cry of fraud is often improperiy and apparently in the present case raised.

TO ILLUSTRATE.

Some years ago this same medium was giving demonstrations of spirit power through his instrumentality in the city of St. Paul, Minn., at the home of a private citizen and apparent friend, when THE SAME SORT OF PARA PHERNALIA WAS FOUND IN HIS POSSESSION by some of the family upon making search through his un locked trunk. At once the same effect was produced, though not in so strong degree as was evidenced at Hot Springs The medium was invited to vacate, and with the same threats of arrest, but with the alternative of acknowledging himself a fraud. He declined the alternative and quietly departed, but did not cease his work.

ARTIFICIAL TOGGERY A GREAT AID TO THE MEDIUM. /

In talking some years afterwards with a gifted Psychic whose mediumship has always been unquestioned, she related the circumstance and informed me that she was one of the sitters who liscovered the fraud, and she then assured me that since that occurrence she having become further spiritually unfolded and developed in her clairau dience and clairvoyant powers as well as her inspirational and trance states. she had become convinced that a great wrong was at that time ignorantly done to the medium "Winans, for, as she asserted, sligt had found from experience and contact with the spirit hrough her own mediumship that FUR-NISHING CERTAIN EARTHLY MADE ACCESSORIESA SUCH AS ROBES, WIGS, etc., etc., for use by the spirit forces in the transformation and im-personation of the medium, was a GREAT AID TO THEM, and prevented the unnecessary use of spirit power and force in materializing the same class of matters and things so necessary in this class of demonstration, and in fact ANY demonstration in a materializing ance; and I was then informed by her. and it seemed then to me, as it does how, to be reasonable, that where such accessories are fused by the manifesting power UNCONSCIOUSEY by the medium while his organism was being used or otherwise, that there was and could be no legitimate ground for a charge of fraud.

I have personally attended many se ances for materializing given through the instrumentalities of some of the best known media in the work, some of whom are now on the brighter side of life, and I am certain that in no seance

The Court of Inquiry.

The Court of Inquiry will convene only in case of a Crisis in the Ranks of Spiritualism. There seems to be a Crisis now prevailing in our ranks, and the Court of Inquiry is instituted for the purpose of arriving at Facts involved in that Crisis, arising from the use of artificial paraphernalia, in which your spirit friends are supposed to appear. Andrew C. Dunn, a prominent Law-yer, leads off in the discussion.

theory; and I must confess the theory | given heed to the cry of some few peoseems to me to be more plausible than ple who, not understanding the laws the claimed facts, and is another evidence that in these matters one must, been led to denounce what they did no as did the Doubting Thomas, see and feel for himself.

Lam not able to decide between these here to-wit, the unconsciousness of the thinkers and investigators except so far as to say for myself, that if, this hair medium, been set aside, and has it not always been assumed that the medium was conscious of the surroundings and cut by the professor was real, natural hair and not materialized for the octherefore guilty of wilful deceit? casion by spirit power, as the professor Is there not danger that in the desire thinks it was and declares, it must have been provided in some manner otner to weed out fraud and deceit from the midst of us, we run into the other exby a process then employed, and treme and evince too little of calm judgthan. unless the medium was unconscious of ment, and too much of the quick action its use at the time, she was liable to a charge of fraud and simulation, as well which generally, as does all ill-digested matter, work injury to some one? as Mr. Winans; and yet no one would Our cause is too sacred to be tampered with, but until we can say we POSITIVELY KNOW the laws that he so wanting in confidence in the

young medium, Miss Cook, or the pro-fessor, as to charge that she was CON-SCIOUS of the use of false material in govern the spirit world in manifesting its presence physically and psychically, the manifestation, even if it could be shown (as is claimed in the case under ought we not to be very careful in pass-ing judgment? I find myself in position consideration), that she had such propfrequently, when witnessing phenomena of the physical character, of one who is erties in possession during her normal willing to say: I don't understand that, sort of manifestation; it may be all ondition,

Myself and many others to my know edge have sat in seances operated by the guides of the late Mrs. Buchanan, and have witnessed the presentation of right, but it is new to me. And I feel better towards myself in that position than if I rushed along with a hue and and have witnessed the presentation of the most beautiful flowers brought into the room without the aid of human hands, apparently through the solid the room without the aid of human hands, apparently through the solid the room without the solid human the solid human the solid human the room without the solid human the solid huma vere earthly material entirely.

to stop them by force. With many others I have witnessed I personally am well satisfied from the presentation of most beautiful picmy own observation that the mediums who have been denounced the most in ures, perfect likenesses of our arisen friends, painted through the powers of the Spiritual press as frauds, to-wit the gifted Bangs sisters, without the aid of human hands other than to fur-Reynolds, and now Mr. C. E. Winans, are endowed with rare psychic powers, nish the canvass stretcher upon which and are capable of the highest and most

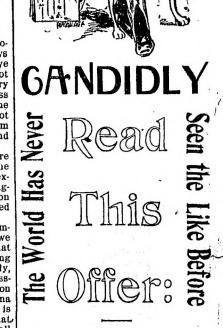
the nicture was impressed. I and many others have sat at the scances of Mrs. Isa Wilson Kaynor and turn and presence, and yet I am fearful have received messages written, print-GREAT RISK of losing caste with many of my friends in public and pried, impressed, and carved, upon slates, by spirit power, without the aid of human hands, except to furnish the material slates and sometimes the pencils. Myself and many others have sat in scances presided over by the guide of the medium now under fire, Mr. Win-ans, in various states of the Union, and and yet their well wishers and sponsors have seen beautiful flowers plucked are legion in our ranks. from the very atmosphere above us by pure spirit power and presented to the sitters, myself among the number, and they were material, not materialized on testimony, and if we find what is susthe spot, but were evidently brought there from outlying gardens and hot if we can not harmonize it with what houses, of which the medium was entirely and absolutely apparently unconscious.

The same scenes have been wit-publicly to our individual thought, fear-nessed thousands of times by all who ing we may do an irreparable wrong to The same scenes have been withave endeavored to make full investi- some sensitive who is but an instrugations fairly and honestly of the ment in the hands of the spirit world. These in ower of the spirit forces. stances are given to show that the spirit world does not hesitate to make use of earthly materials when neces-

sary for proper demonstrations, some times by the knowledge and consent of the medium, and sometimes without such knowledge.

Now Mr. Winans has been before the public as a medium demonstrating the

Peoria, Ih., May 10.—Rosetti, a French harpist, a modorn Svengali, truths of Spiritualism for, I am inrs. cert rmed over twenty-five year to my own personal knowledge nearbeen convicted of the commission of (conscious) fraud or deceit.



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ATED THOUSANDS OF HONEST AT THE REAL FACTS IN THE CASE.



In the issue of The Progressive was sufficiently recovered in his bodily Thinker of March 25, 1905, large prom- health to permit of an attempt at deminence is given to a detailed statement cnstrations from the spirit side of life. of alleged irregularities in the demon-stration of the materializing phase of at the home of this good Samaritan spirit power, indulged in, as is claimed, Boving, at which was present a few by one of the oldest, most trusted and friends, including the good Dr. Eastman best accredited mediums in the ranks and the colored nurse. of the workers and demonstrators of During this seance it was discovered, physical phenomena of Modern Spiritualism, Mr. C. E. Winans of Edinburg,

and. The articles consist of statement made by Mr. F. C. Boving and Dr. E. H. Eastman. concerning the alleged facts, comments thereon by the President of the Illinois State Spiritual Association and Vice-President of the N. S. A., Dr. Geo. B. Warne, and concluded by rather caustic editorial matter ostensibly by the editor of The Progressive Thinker.

Of course, the significance of the editorial matter and comments of Dr. Warne must depend largely upon the force of the alleged facts, for their standing. I nave no desire to enter the arena of polemics, or to measure a lance with any one, but in the interest openly accused of being a fraud and a of candid inquiry, fair-play and a fake, and ordered to produce the bor square deal, and at the risk of being olassed with defenders of fakes and frauds, I am impelled to continue my inquiries and search after more light and fuller knowledge of the wonderful and fuller knowledge of the wonderful incarceration (but under what charge is phenomena that have come into our not told). Then we are told, without life, so to speak, in these later days.

It seems from the alleged facts, that ast summer Mr. Winans was at the ast clinton lows, where he has last summer Mr. Winans was at the camp at Clinton, Iowa, where he has been for many years, and was engaged in demonstrating the alleged fact of spirit return to the campers through his development as a materializing me-

Hot Springs, Ark.

That so well pleased and so thor-dughly convinced of the truth and genuineness of the demonstrations there witnessed was this Boving, that he exacted a solemn promise from Mr. Winans to visit him at his home in Hot Springs, in the near future, for the purpose of demonstration of spirit power to the people of the vicinage.

It seems then that in the month of December last, Mr. Winans, in fulfillment of that promise, visited Hot Springs and was met with open arms Mr. Boving and taken to his hosby Mr. Boving and taken to his hos-pitable home, but unfortunately Mr. Winans was there stricken with severe illness and lay close to the spirit side of life for some months, during which time Mr. Boving and Dr. Eastman and others were most kind and aided and assisted him financially by advancing him funds and sending stated amounts home to his wife, furnishing him med-ical and other attendance, doing what any well-intentioned - good Samaritan would do under like circumstances, of course being disappointed in not heing able to exhibit the phenomena to the people all this time.

But after much delay Mr. Winans bargain sale price, so said,

as is stated, that the manifesting spirit was arrayed in borrowed plumage; that is, in materials of the earth earthy; not all recently materialized, but apparently shop goods, such as the vulgar multitude might purchase at any second-hand

store in Hot Springs-wigs, false hair, whiskers, masks, etc.--and that when this discovery was silently made, the medium and nis guides seemed to sense the dissatisfaction occasioned thereby in the sensitive souls of Boving et al. and the manifestations ceased, the se-ance coming to a rather abrupt ending

on account of claimed bad conditions. The next day Mr. Winans was called rowed plumage in which he had been endeavoring to represent spirits from the beyond, which he accordingly did under a threat of immediate arrest and further investigation or endeavor to as

door of this good Samaritan Boying into the inhospitable streets of Hot Springs, penniless, forlorn and dis-graced; his trunks and belongings sent post haste to the railroad station, and dium. That at that camp and as a witness the hands, and probably feet, of these good, kindly Spiritualists, Boving and Eastman, were washed clean of this gi-

gantic fraud, fake and false medium, Winans. But the poor colored nurse who had

cared for him during his illness was touched by his infirmity and necessities, and kindly harbored him and gave his weary stricken body a resting place for the night in her humble home, and she, too, had witnessed the great fraud, but was not convinced of its reality, or

if she was, it failed to make such an im-pression as to obliterate those feelings of kindness for a fellow being in distress, that seemed so easily blotted out in the Boving and Eastman sort of Spiritualists.

The next move was that Mr. Winans was forced to come out of his place of hiding, so said, in order that he might be identified by his good friend Boving at the bank, so that he might obtain the needed funds upon a draft sent him for transportation home; but we are told his trunks and belongings were still kept attached to secure the payment of the moneys so kindly (?) advanced, as well as for medical services so kindly bestowed during his illness, and which we are told will be released

upon payment of the sum of \$100-a

It is the two last named forms of manifestation which give rise to the ap-parent committal of fraud and deceit by the medium, and this form is seemingly the one upon which our good Hot Springs Samaritan friends base their charge of fraud. They rest it entirely upon the fact that the manifesting spirit was arraved in some articles of

apparel which were not materialized for the occasion, but were ready-made and hand-me-downs, so to speak, wigs, whiskers, etc., and perhaps robes, and also upon the further corroboratory fact that certain like articles were afterwards found to be in possession of the medium, and were concealed from easy search, but which under pressure

of threatened arrest the medium dis-covered to them, which articles they claimed had been used in disguises and simulations of departed friends, by the co-called manifesting spirits. It would seem that ... they entirely

overlooked the announcement made by the guide of medium Winans at the out-set of the seance that they might expect just such a show as they found, in certain contingencies, which doubtless arose and made it necessary.

AN EXTRAORDINARY STATEMENT.

NOW TO MY MIND THERE IS NO SORT OF DOUBT THAT ALL OF THE MATERIAL THINGS WERE FOUND UST AS STATED, AND THAT THEY WERE CONCEALED FROM THE EYES OF ANY PAUL PRY WHO MIGHT BE FOUND WANDERING IN FORBIDDEN PASTURES AND EX-AMINING NOOKS AND CORNERS WHERE HE HAD NO BUSINESS.

AND THERE IS NO DOUBT, EITHER, THAT THESE SAME SO-CALLED OR SIMILAR EARTHLY PARAPHERNALIA WERE USED BY THÉ GUIDES AND CONTROLS OF MEDIUM WINANS' AT THAT SE-ANCE, AND HAVE BEEN USED IN EVERY SEANCE WHERE HE HAS BEEN MADE USE OF AS THE IN-STRUMENT OF SPIRIT FORCE, AND ALSO THAT SIMILAR PARAPHER NALIA IS USED BY OTHER MEDI UMS DEMONSTRATING SPIRIT FORCE THROUGH THIS PHASE CALLED MATERIALIZATION; at least my experience leads me to that conclusion, and 1 think the experience of every other investigator will upon a

thoughtful consideration of what was seen lead to the same conclusion. But the critcial question which deter-

mines the true from the false demonstration is:

WAS WINANS CONSCIOUS?

Was the medium at the time of the manifestation of so-called spirit pres-ence, in possession of his normal fac-ulties so as to be conscious of the fact hat his own person and this borrowed plumage or accessories was being used, azd also used for the purpose of DE-**CEIVING** the sitters?

If this question shall be answered in the affirmative, then the charge of fraud and simulation is well founded and there can be no punishment too severe to visit upon the head of the offender.

But if the medium was at the time deprived of his normal faculties in any manner whatever, jeither by being en-tranced, controlled, insane or other-wise, so that he did not have a con-scious knowledge of the situation and

I have attended was there EVER LACKING THE USE OF PURELY PURELY EARTHLY MATERIALS in demonstrating spirit power and spirit presence, and at the same time the evidence was seemingly conclusive that the medium was entirely unconscious of the means used in demonstration. To understand the difficulties lying in

the path of the investigator and how possibly we may be deceived, take the case related by, Professor Crookes, the inventor of the Crookes Tube, whereby the ray called the Roentgen Ray is made useful, and to whom all Spiritualists point with pride as one who has brought to bear the true scientific method of investigation in things spiritual, and who after such investigation became and is thoroughly convinced of spirit communion and the persistence of life after the shock called death. He investigated the phase known as materialization, having the young child medium, Miss Florence Cook, as a member of his own family for some months, thereby being able to thoroughly study as became a true scientist this phase in all its various ramifications. He is on record in the little book called Researches in Spiritualism, London edition, at page 110, as follows:

"I have the most absolute certainty that Miss Cook (the médium) and Katie (the manifesting spirit) are two separate individuals, so far as their bodies are concerned, several little marks on Miss Cook's face are absent on Katie'ş. ' Miss Cook's hair is so dark a brown as almost to appear black; a lock of Katie's hair, which is now before me, and which she allowed me to cut off from her luxuriant tresses, having first traced it up to the scalp and satisfied myself that it actually grew satisfied myself, that it actually grew there, is a rich golden auburn. One evening. T finged Katle's pulse. It beat steadily at 75, whilst Miss Cook's pulse a little time after was going at its usual rate of 90. On applying my ear to Katle's chest I Could hear a heart beat-ing rhythmically inside and pulsating even more steadily than did Miss Cook's heat when she allowed me to try a siddlar appendent after the be-Cook's near when she allowed me to try a similar experiment after the se-ance. Tested if the same way, Katle's lungs well found to be sounder than the median's, for at the time I tried the experiment states Cook was under medical treatment for a severe cold."

medical treatment for a severe cold." One would shippose after reading this account, as well as the others found in this little book, that the scientific world would nave accepted the scientific world would nave accepted the scientific world in the by the chinnent professor, but not so; tills fellows of the Academy laughed him out of court, so to speak; and in signe instances refused to re-ceive and file his reports, on the ground that they were of no value whatever. He, however, persisted in claiming their verity, and does so to this day. But now we find some of the best

But now we find some of the best informed people upon this subject among them, if I mistake not, is in cluded our editor at large, Mr. Hudson Tuttle, doubting the integrity and genu ineness of this scance so graphically described by Professor Crookes, upon the ground that'if the hair cut'from the manifesting spirit's head was really materialized fisit, if would not have re mained INTACT but would have dematerialized, traturned to its original elements when the spirit body of the Spirit-Katle was so resolved, as it was at close of seauce.

at close of seance. But Professor Crookes relates facts, of our oldest mediums not been a triffe and any cloud friends proceed upon hasty in their actions? Eave they set

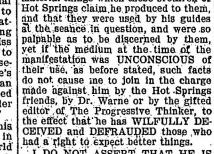
He has been persecuted and maligned by people who have not been able to fell from his finger tips so deftly that account for the manifestations that oc- it fairly entranced his hearers. cur at his seances on natural or nonspiritual grounds, yet he hesitates not to appear before the uneducated, skep tical, hostile public and permit his said he had traveled in a wonderful guides to make use of his organism to country of music and flowers. His subgive such exhibitions of the power of the spirit world as seems best to them, he being at all times apparently unconsclous of the occurrence. He enters his cabinet and goes to sleep, as it were, under the control of his guides, and what takes place is without his conscious volition.

So far as I have been able to observe at his later seances attended by my-

self it has seemed to me that his guides did most of the manifestations, and that his organism was used in transformation and impersonation to a greator degree than in my earlier experiences with him: this perhaps may be due to the fact that his bodily powers which form the magnetic force, humany speaking, so apparently necessary to blend with the spirit force in produc-ing the manifestations, may be by reason of age or infirmity, waning; so that sometimes the material necessary is

not forthcoming for true materialization, and accessories are used. It is very probable that owing to his illness such was the case at Hot Springs.

So it would seem to me, after con-sideration of the whole matter, that, ad-mitting that Mr. Winans actually had Ozonized Lung Developer. I saved my-self from a lingering death. I am savin his conscious possession all of the material things which these brethren of Vou are in danger let me help you



ened, the appetite increased. The result is truly marvelous. I DO NOT ASSERT THAT HE IS If you have the hacking cough, or any of the throat or lung weaknesses GUILTLESS, but merely that, under-standing as I do the philosophy of the that are the sure signs of Tuberculosis, materializing phase of spirit force, the evidence submitted falls far short of don't delay. Send your name at once to Dr. J. Lawrence Hill; X020 Majestic convincing proof as should be forth; coming before our old friend should be Bldg., Jackson, Mich., He will send you. immediately his new Ozonized Lung Debranded to the world as fakir, and veloper, together with his New Ra-tional System of treatment, which, fraud.

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times to meet such charges, and think they can be refuted with all case. Have not our public men been too ready to condemn our mediums upon too Httle proofs . Have those who have

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ing, in which seven local Germans ly to my own personal knowledge deal ing, in which seven local Gramans, ly ten years; he has been arrested and threatened with arrest; been hauled be-patural sleep by his wonderful playing ore courts; neen thrown into jails; but of his instrument. Herman Sanders if I am rightfully informed has never tenor, and Herman Bauer, zitherist crominent residents, were among those who fell under Rosetti's spell. He

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on a Harp.

satisfactory demonstration of spirit re-

played an Italian opera and the music

Finally the old man left his instru jects awakened at the same time and marveled over the strange circumstance. To-day Rosetti returned Sanders for his harp and said he had almost forgotten where he had been Sun day night. Rosetti is 68 years old. He has been in America fifteen years and

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THE COURT OF INQUIRY. Shall We Cultivate Honesty In Mediumship?

The above question is before the Spiritualists of this country. A large and growing class wants Spiritualism undefiled with artificial toggery, illuminated dresses, and subtle trickery and legerdemain. Another class objects to having mediums exposed who dress themselves in dirty cheese-cloth and other paraphernalia for the purpose of representing themselves as spirits. The breach between the two class-es is widening. The Progressive Thinker represents the former class, which will only accept a pure, an-when the trumpet was blackened, the former class, which will only accept a pure, angelic and undefiled Spiritualism, always insisting on absolute honesty. The necessity of cleaning house the good believers said the black color was "transmitted from the spirit," and comes from all parts of the United States. Moses was rather proof that the spirits used Hull, now in the extreme West, writes of Portland, Ore.: "The Spiritualists are, or have been nearly breath tainted with onions or whisky, the believers said the spirit tainted with onions or whisky, faked out of existence. Some who were the best the medium or attendants. Spiritualists in Portland when I was here a dozen brought in explanation of what to most years ago never go near the meetings now, simply Andrew C. Dunn is the most ingenious because of frauds. Spiritualists have sustained frauds TION LIKE A BLANKET, AND SIfor fear that in driving them out they might 'root up the wheat also.""

THE PRESIDENT OF THE N. S. A. ever swim, Brother Dunn? Will any-one claim that Winans was unconscious

when he purchased his wigs, cheer Acting in That Responsible Capacity Ever Since the inception of the Or- ance? Of course, Winans left a loop ganization, and Having Had a Long hole for his escape if caught in his and Varied Experience in Connection irickery. "It might be materialization, With the Phenomena and Philosophy etherealization, transfiguration, or im-of Spiritualism, Being One of the personation!" Such was the broad Ablest Lecturers, His Opinions Will ground he assumed at the outset, and if caught he was merely being used by the "dear spirits" to impersonate Be Read With Great Interest in the the COURT OF INQUIRY. Even in my palmy, "dead-easy" days this quadruplet of possibilities became

was with great surprise, keen retained this quadruplet of possibilities became rather nauseating, and every sensible person finds it a thousand times more that I read Judge Dunn's elaborate de fense of Winans and others of like ilk so to-day.

in respect to the mooted question of materialization. Surprise that such phernalia in a materializing seance, is to ask man to stultify his own intelli /sophistry and nonsense should be advanced by such an erudite man as gence. To argue that the presence of Judge Dunn; regret that this able jurist such stuff is asked for by the spirits in should lend himself voluntarily to the order to husband their forces is to pre defense of wrong and outrage unspeak-able; humiliation that our cause must needs be defended and apologized for a large slice of that monstrous green by such poor logic as the old infamous cheese, the moon. No such material by atch point light the end justifies was allowed by Prof. Crookes in his the means." No lover of truth and no seances with Miss Cook. No honest inperson anxious to demonstrate the vestigator, could feel that any evidence truth can ever accept that horrible of honest fact were being given him, if dogma. If it is right for Winans, and he knew of their presence in the medi-(as Judge Dunn declares), all other ma- um's cabinet. No intelligent spirit seeking to establish a great truth or terializing media to take their toggery into their cabinets with them, then it is right for lawyers to hire witnesses to go into court to swear to the innocence a seance room or laboratory. It is of their clients, even though said cliest excarnate spirit really stands, and his brother on earth ought to be equally ents be red-handed murderers.

Judge Dunn errs in his very first paragraph in saying that Winans is one of as honest to find truth here. Crookes' work is the one hope of the our most trusted and best accredited media.". If the people who know what Spiritualists of the world in respect to Winans' work really is, would tell the materialization. It was open, honest, truth as it is, my good friend, Judge above board, scientific. It stands alone Dunn, would find to his surprise, that in its class until substantiated by evivery few intelligent Spiritualists trust | dence equally clear, or overthrown by him or give him credit for even a modi- demonstration of absolute fact. No doubt artificial toggery is a great cum of honesty.

In truth Judge Dunn's own words In truth Judge Dunn's own words convict Winans of having been a fraud through all of the years he has been be-fore the public. He was caught in Hot Springs and obliged to exhibit his para-phernalia to the parties who detected him. He was caught in St. Paul years of its wonderful prowess. Legerde-FOR FRAUD. IF THE SEANCE IS

IS THERE ANY EXCUSE! Hudson Tuttle, the Well-Known Author and Lecturer, and Editor-at-Large of the N. S. A., Presents His Views for the COURT OF INQUIRY in a Manner That Will Attract Great Atten

During the time Spiritualism has been before the world, there has been a swarm of mountebanks who have pushed themselves to the front by brazen advertising, and by sleight-ofhand produced "manifestations." which have been impossible for the genuine medium. The result has been a succession of exposures which have disgraced the cause and driven away in lisgust many who were otherwise at

tracted to it. Yet in all these years there has never been a fakir exposed, even when the

and the paint was found on the medium's hands and lips, an unequivocal evi-dence of his part in the performance,

the believers said the spirit drew from

LENCES CRITICISM.

Mr. Dunn is a lawyer, reported as of more than usual ability, and surely has a remarkable gift to present his side with plausible address. He does not doubt that Winans had in his posses slon ALL THE PARAPHERNALIA claimed to have been found. He has to doubt Winans used them, or that they were used to impersonate spirits. Winans confessed that he carried this loggery for this purpose and used it. Mr. Dunn further thinks all material izing mediums exactly follow Winans method. They have three methods: "materialization," "impersonation," and "transfiguration." When they fail to have spirits materialize, they put on the toggery, or the spirits put it on them, and they parade as THE SPIR-ITS. Transfiguration is a phase few undertake, for it is impossible to imi-

tate, or deceive in this high sphere of influence. Mr. Dunn says: "What constitutes this so-called fraud? In what manner was this fraud disclosed? How was

any deceit perpetrated? These questions reveal the peculiar mental condition which has made possi-

ble such frauds. If Mr. Dunn was pleading the case of a burglar, who was caught not only with a housebreaker's kit in his possession, but in the act of using them, and afterwards he confessed that he used them for burglarous purpose, would he consider it sound argument that his client was innocent because he could not break into the house without his tools What constitutes the fraud? How can this question be asked?

If pretending to have spirits materialize, to come before their friends in ma terial form, while it is a sham, a mas querade, in toggery prepared for the purpose, is not fraud, what is fraud? How was it "disclosed?" If confession is not sufficient, what is more?

Prof

It is not satisfactory to say that the spirits take this way to assist themselves in "materializing." and the me dium is not responsible because "uncon-

scious." The medium is conscious while gathering his wigs, robes and help to such a medium. It helps him to tarletan raiment. He knows for what

UNINTERRUPTED BY ADVERSE OB-SERVATION, IT IS "WONDERFUL MATERIALIZATION!" IF THE SHAM IS EXPOSED, THE MEDIUM IS "PER-SONATING!'

THE PREBIDENT OF THE I. S. S. A. Leaves From the Diary

an Eloquent Advocate of the Phenom-ena and Philosophy, and Ever Watchful for the Interests of Puse and Undefiled Spiritualism, oHe Adds Much Interest to the COURT OF THQUIRY, by his Comprehensive Vlewe

Our genial prother, Judge Dann, is so oyal to his self-styled certainties about physical phenomena asylo invite the ap lication to himself of the ancient prophet's words: "Ephinim is joined to idols; let him alone?' Bighty-nine ears have passed since Commodore Degatur uttered at Novfolk that famous loast to our country: "May she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong." Our Winnebago City sage

seems to almost paraphrase that sentiment into, May materialization always be honest; but materialization, honest or false.

Not so very many months ago Bro. Dunn favored The Progressive Thinkr's readers with a glowing eulogy of a Chicago medium whose materializing seance he attended at the Clinton camp. Last August Bro. W. E. Kellogg. of New Boston, Ill., who shared with Winans' attorney by volunteer assign-ment, the honor of being mortal escort for the spirit which in its peregrina-

tions from the cabinet on that occasion so enraptured our astute judge, privately gave the other side of the story of that evening, and more recent developments about that identical medium at the same center afford ample ground for believing that it was not Bro. Kellogg who was fooled at the se-ance, which filled Bro. Dunn with an overflowing faith in both medium and

manifestation. We hear at times much from press and stump about the "Iowa idea" upon political and economical question. On two different occasions, to our personal knowledge, there has been ex-pression of what might be called a Minnesota idea" of materialization. dozen years ago a Spiritualist who had just moved to Chicago from Minnesota, gravely explained the presence of robes, wigs, dummies and masks in a cabinet, during or after a seance, by saying the spirits produced them independently of mortal sources-that on each occasion this assortment of misfit toggery came fresh from spirit looms factories-that spirits never wore one another's garments. Now another inspired Minnesota brain finds that "ready-made" clothing supplied by mortals greatly conserves spirit power by enabling it to be wholly devoted to pro-duction of the forms, which can instantly slide into their waiting wardrobes.

I am grateful for this information. Recently in a Michigan, will case a rasping attorney called upon me to explain whence the clothing worn by spirits

came. On second thought I am glad I did not then know, for the figment of fanciful explanation endorsed by our excellent Brother Dunn would not have strengthened the side of Spiritualism with the Presbyterian judge, or hostile

jury, in whose keeping the issues of that case lay. EVERY MEDIUM CAUGHT WITH PARAPHERNALIA OR IMPLEMENTS OF TRICKERY. IN HIS POSSESSION IS NO MORE ENTITLED TO CONFI-DENCE THAN THE BURGLAR WITH HIS SKELETON KEYS, JIMMY AND

DARK LANTERN; THE THUG WITH HIS BLUDGEON, OR THE COUNTER-FEITER WITH HIS SPURIOUS COIN OR FRUITFUL MOLDS. HEWINANS WAS NOT ONLY CAUGHT WITH AR-TICLES IN HIS POSSESSION WHICH NO MEDIUM NEEDS FOR GENUINE MANIFESTATIONS, BUT WAS DE TECTED IN WEARING SOME OF THEM.

Judge Dunn, with the habit of his proession, multiplies words to create the impression that Winans was unconscious when he made conscienceless use of his deceptive outfit and therefore wholly blameless, hacts do not bear out that baseless assumption. In The Progressive Thinker of April 22, appears a "Defense of Winans," Among its signers was "Prof. Leith Old,

of a Spiritualist Medium

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

Continued From No. 807.)

"Sensible people will say nothing," I replied, "and those who are not sensinot worth noticing. If you are

ever to find peace and happiness you must do what you know to be right and pay no attention to the idle talk of idle people. If you will give your mother a ew words of praise every time you can find a chance you will find it will work wonders. Remember what the Bible tells you, and don't give grudgingly, but cheerfully, and do it heartily as unto the Lord. You have never got anything out of the Bible yet that was really worth having, and now is a good time to begin. I have no idea that any course of treatment will transform your mother-in-law into an angel during this incarnation, but you will find that she will be a much more comfortable woman to live with if you follow my ad-

"I will follow it and begin at once,"

was the reply. Having disposed of the mother-in-law according to the best light given me, I went into the deserted sitting-room and sat down to think out the young man's case. I am not accustomed to dealing with young men; and I was at an entire loss to know what to do. I felt my ignorance and inability painfully, and it was plain to me that I would have to rely upon spirit guidance. After some minutes occupied in intense thought noticed a slight tapping upon the book shelves, and looking, I saw a woman's hand resting upon one of the books a if to remove it. I arose to go to the shelves and the hand vanished. The book was a well-worn manual of botany and the fly leaf told me that it belonged to Mrs. Blind. A light broke in upon my mental durkness and I went in search of Mrs. Blind. I found her engaged in altering a frock for Miss Vivian, and as I approached I heard that young lady say, "You have not half ironed my lace and I hate the dress anyway. I always have the meanest-looking old things to wear-" Here she caught sight of me and left the room abruptly

Mrs. Blind looked tearful and harassed.

"You can see for yourself what an ungrateful child I have got," she ex-claimed impetuously, "that girl just ears the life out of me with her faultfinding, and here I am making a slave of myself every day for her."

"Mrs I drew a long, deep breath. Blind," I said gently, "lay down your work, lean back in your chair, fold your hands quietly and let the light of truth illumine your soul and mind. Now lis ten to me. You have a God-given right to freedom and it is yours of you will claim it, but if you will make a slave of yourself you have no cause to complain. if others accept of your slavedom and insist upon adding to your bondage You are doing for your daughter what she ought to do for herself. If she does not know how, it is high time that she was taught. No superior power is go ing to do for you what you can do for ourself if you will."

"Next time your daughter finds fault with a piece of work you have done for her just say to her kindly but firmly: 'If I have not done it to please you hereafter you must do it for yourself'; and then see that she does it and does it well. This is a duty you owe your

which we most desire. It is only through the cultivation of the spiritual nature and perception that, we can hope to see clearly what is best for ourselves and others.

On my way to Blindville I stopped at the office and got my mail and in one of my letters I found some pressed flowers from the far South, and as soon as supper was, over I produced them for Max Blind's benefit and soon had him engaged in animated conversation. The family soon left us to ourselves and for two hours we talked botany and kindred subjects, or rather he did, for I only made remarks to draw him out and listened attentively. During this conversation I learned that it was a hard blow to the young man when his mother refused to have his "litter," as she termed it, about the house any more.

"It's no use," he said gloomily, "I can't have anything I want here at home. I can't even ask one of the boys to come and see me without there's fuss. If one of them happens to call. it's always, 'Be careful, Max, and don't step on my pansy rug with your dirty feet! O, look out! you'll jamb my silk pillow!' I am always getting tangled up in some blamed thing or other."

I laughed. "You have my sympathy," I said. "I love the beautiful, but I do not propose to bé its slave."

Just then Mrs. Glum bounced into the room, and with her habitual straightforwardness, said to me: "Be you a Spiritualist medium?"

"I am," I said, wondering what next. "Wall, the Widder Riley, she that yas Becky Jane Harvey, that lives vas Becky Jane Harvey, down here in the yeller house, has jist been in and she told me you was, but I wouldn't believe it. I guess Abigail don't know it, but if ye can call up dead folks and hear 'em and see 'em as the Widder Riley says you can, I want you to call up some for-me."

I hesitated for a moment and then I said: "I cannot call up the dead, but if any of your friends you call dead are here with you to-night it is quite probable that I may be able to give you some message from them, provided we

can make the conditions right." "We'll make 'em right," she ex-aimed excitedly. "Here, Max, you claimed excitedly. clear that truck an' dicker offen that table so that it can tip if it wants to and I'll put out the lights.

I put out a detaining hand and said "It is entirely unnecessary to do either. Before I proceed any farther I must consult Mrs. Blind, for I do not want to

overstep my privileges." Max who had regarded me with great interest during the conversation with his grandmother, now left the room but soon returned with his mother and sis ters. Mrs. Blind seemed pleased with

the turn affairs had taken. "Run out, Vivian," she said, "and close the shutters and put out the light

noble if you will. The grandmother

who loved you so well loves you better

"What do you want to do that for?" said her son. "Haven't you a right to have a circle in your own house? You are not going to commit a crime, are

"No," said Mrs. Glum, slyly, "she's only goin' to take a bath." At this they all laughed, and harmony was restored We had our little circle and I know by the conversation I heard afterward

Religion and Science. The "Reconthat I must have done extrawell. Whatiliation Mania" of Dr. Paul Carus of

ladics came that evening and asked Mrs. Blind's permission to join our cirbrought a motherless cle, and Max youth home with him.

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Right here I will note the fact that the last night I was there, twelve be-sides the Blind family attended our circle, and several urged me to go to thein homes and hold circles.

The next day Mrs. Blind asked me to go with her and look at the chambers occupied by her daughters. Miss Vivian was in her room and as we entered she hastily concealed a paper-covered book in the folds of her dress, but she was not quick enough to escape her mother's observation.

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before and obliged to do the same main can, and does, account for many thing there. He has been caught in of the bogus manifestations of materiother places and has always had his alizing fraud. Trickery is easy when full supply of wigs, beards, masks, confidence is once gained, and there are cheese cloth, etc., to exhibit to those thousands who really enjoy heing who caught him. If he was to use fooled. It makes them feel so good, these things while in the unconscious don't you know? trance, was he unconscious when he Judge Dunn, however, has rendered Spiritualism a good service in one rebought them, concealed them about him, and had them always so convenspect in his article. He has torn the iently at hand? Out upon such rank masks from the faces of those harples whom he so innocently defends, by adnonsense! "If the dear spirits" want to use wigs and cheese cloth in "making mitting that they all use artificial means in producing their phenomena. up" (?) they should call upon the more cabinet chemist," This will open the eyes of many honest "omnipotent" who would materialize them out of dupes and give them a chance to free themselves from all such influences nothing, of course, in about one-quadrillionth of one second! His argument that mediums have a per-

Brother Dunn's argument in favor of fect right to use artificial help, is no Winans' honesty, because of his willing- new one. I have heard it advanced ness to have his cabinet examined and for many years by people of low mental his own person searched, is simply callbre and small spirituality, but never amusing. Of course, he is willing to be before by a man of culture who has worn the judicial ermine and is mensearched, once, twice, thrice, or even a half-dozen times. His paraphernalia tally equipped to know better. For the is never on his own person, but he others there was the excuse of ignoralways knows just where it is. Search- ance; for him-what excuse is there? ing never avails anything, for the com-The writer does not claim to "know mittee invariably seatches the wrong it all," neither does he assert that one person. If the one who has the tog-gery concealed about him were to be of fraud. A dozen counterfeits only ound, great would be the surprise of prove that there is a genuine article those present. It would not be the somewhere. Therefore, I am a truthubiquitous manager-it would not be the seeker-not a fraud-hunter.- When organist-nor anyone directly associ- managers of seances go into seance ated with the medium. It would be the rooms, armed with revolvers, man who posed as a skeptic, "present knives, sling-shots and brass knuckles, for the first time in his life at a place I feel that such paraphernalia is there I feel that such paraphernalia is there like this," or the modest, hollow-eyed for a purpose.

On the 5th day of the present month little woman, who wants to see if she a gentleman, told the writer that he once had a Colts' 45 navy revolver can get a message from her loved ones. too easy for anything, to do these things, to say nothing of the paid condrawn on him at a certain materializfederates, who attend the average se-ing seance. He was "from Missouri, ance to help the "poor, sick medium and wanted to know," hence the mana-Confidence of the honest sitters ger tried to shoot him. The party men out is gained by the searching process, and thoused chanced to be a man of both by the courteous request of the medium courage and musclé. He caught the to examine his cabinet. Then he is at rascal's wrist and invited him to step liberty to fleece his victims without outside of the house where both of them mercy.

could have a chance to shoot! This case does not stand alone. There are As for Brothers Boving and Eastman. of Hot Springs, I have this to say-they hundreds like it, yet, according certainly did what was right by Winans Brother Dunn, the media and their when he was ill, and if they had per-mitted him to defraud and deceive these weapons into their seances in orthem, Judge Dunn would have found no der that the spirits might do quicker fault with them. Because they had and better work-that there was no common sense and honor and the cour- harm in their use, provided the media use them, they are made the tar- were unconscious of having -shot, age to 1 get of Judge Dunn's bitterest satire. Stabbed, slugged, or killed one of more of their patrons! For shame that such an argument.

trying to deceive them in the name of could be, or has been, advanced! If their precious dead a much greater wigs, cheese-cloth, coats, hats, ladies' one? Was it not really the blackest of wear, etc., are necessary for the spircrimes? It hardly seems possible that its' use, no one can reasonably coma negro woman could or would be ad plain when revolvers, bowie-knives, North or South. If such was the case them company. The implements of in this instance, she was probably murder are as "spiritual," "refined "uplifting,"- "wholesome," and as justi there at Winnus' request, and was evidently the one whom he had hired to fiable as are the implements of deceit. help him with his paraphernalia. The spiritual dishonor and soul assassing "poor, colored nurse" would be found to tion! God help Spiritualism when it be after the cash, could the facts he de- is reduced to this low level, and ange termined as they really- are. If our protect us when it comes to this-that we must accept fraud and rascality with as much complacency as we do brothers in Hot Springs wish to clinch this matter they could do so by securing this woman's statement under oath, truth and honesty!

s to her true part in this conspiracy. I honor these men, as I do Brother Hale in Los Angeles, for their manly courage in exposing a wicked crime. Was Winans conscious?" Do ducks Yours for Spiritual Spiritualism. HARRISON D. BARRETT. "Love-Sex-Immortality." By Dr.

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To affirm, in order to shield Winans; that all materializing mediums pursue his methods, we do not believe can be supported, but it undoubtedly is of the great class who advertise their shows and have a set programme. THERE IS NO NECESSITY OF A

"CABINET" OR OF DARKNESS. The great medium, D. D. Home, had the nost astonishing manifestations in the light and in parlors without any fix tures. Investigators should demand a light sufficient to see plainly, and let those who prefer the conditions imposed by deception revel in the "dark

circie. IT IS ALL WELL TO SAY. "LET US HAVE PEACE IN OUR RANKS," BUT IF PEACE IS TO BE GAINED BY UPHOLDING SUCH RANK CEPTIONS, BY CONSTANTLY APOL OGIZING WITH BLUSHES OF SHAME FOR THE EXPOSURES OF SHAMS AND FRAUDS, BY ALLOW ING THE MOST SACRED FEELINGS OF THE HEART TO BE TRIFLED WITH BY CONSCIENCELESS RAS CALS. BETTER BE A CONFLICT UN TIL THESE VAMPIRES ARE CUT OFF. It is such as these that have been a bowie

curse to the cause, and constantly brought it into disrepute. If you search the reason for the decline in interest. it is readily found in the obloquy these shows have cast on the cause

Such an exposure accompanied with confession, should once and forever carry the criminal out of the ranks of Spiritualism, and to condone and excuse, is to sacrifice the cause to assist those-whose place is behind prison bars. Spiritualists have one course, and

only one, and that to demand TRUTH-FULNESS AND INTEGRITY. If they do not, if they excuse and palliate the mountebanks they must expect to be indged by the world by these vampires who represent them.

If they do not cut them off, they must expect the disgrace of having it done for them by the police, and to be identi-fied by the outside world with the frauds. As long as these fakirs are supported

by professed spiritual journals, who give space to correspondents who write in their interest, extolling their "wonderful" performances, and disparaging all attempts to enlighten the public as to their real character. they will flour ish, and be representative. Let the line between the true and the false be sharply drawn, and maintained and things be called by their right name. HUDSON TUTTLE.

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Lecturer New Thought Society." After he left Hot Springs, I with a few friends met Prof. Old at a private home in Chicago and he there said that Winans admitted that he did practice trickery upon Dr. Eastman and Mr. Boving and

gave as his reason therefore that he was called upon to work before his strength was sufficiently regained which has been fully refuted 'by, the above gentleman. Consciously, deliberately, wilfully he played the game, as the cold facts show, but specious plead-

ings deny. Let me suggest that no one but materializing mediums themselves will be moved to apply the epithet of "fool" to Judge Dunn for his defense will prove a veritable bomb for their phase, among thinking people. The rest of us concede his sincerity and think too highly

of him personally, to indulge in any individual abuse. The most radical reformer in our

ranks has never gone to the limit of charging that all phenomenal mediums carry and use paraphernalia. Truly they should join in prayer for deliverance from such friends as this valiant defender. Spiritualists from ocean to ocean will carefully note whether the physical workers endorse his statement by remaining silent under its imputation, or rise in indignation to an emphatic refutation of the charge. It is only one additional step to the endorse ment of the use of professional cabinet confederates, for mortals should relieve spirit intelligences of all need for exer ion. We will then have "ready-made" clothing and implements together with 'ready-made" and inhabited bodies and the celestial denizons can loll in perfect laziness and mortals be the entire "push." DO NOT ASK US TO BE-

LIEVE THERE ARE NO MATERIAL IZING MEDIUMS WHOSE WORK IS ABSOLUTELY GENUINE! BUT LET US HAVE THE TRUTH AT ALL HAZ ARDS. We stand ready to donate our cast-off trousers for use of the angels. Let us all study Sir, Wm, Crookes testimony upon materialization—the phase sadly needs the preside of his endorsement and the support of equally careful methods. He concluded about it that it was an error to hold darkness

essential to its phenomena, and his best results, with few exceptions, were in the light; they were given in his own house, at times appointed by himself, and under circumstances, which, abso-lutely precluded the employment of the very simplest instrumental aids instead of boly in the property of the theory. of only in the rooms of or, at hours named by the medium in advance; the sitters did not need to be selected by the medium, or be believers in the doc-trine the latter taught, and he chose his own circle of friends, introduced any hard-headed unbeliever he chose and generally imposed his, own terms to prevent fraud.

Presumably he or his friends had relatives in spirit life, but he does not tell of any of them appearing. With Home as medium, a dark, shad

owy, semi-transparent form like that of a man, seen by all present, stood near the window, waved the curtain and faded away, or a phantom form visible to all present for many minutes came H. Dailey. Demonstrate: fullily and from the corner and glided about the inadequacy of Hudson's explanations of room playing an accordion picked up therein. Not a word, spoken by the

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daughter as well as yourself. You have no moral right to encourage her in her ignorance and selfishness. But it is of your son I wish to speak. Is he interested in botany?"

"He used to be, but he filled the house so full cf weeds and litter that I thought the world of me, and if she had couldn't stand for it, so I just put a stop lived-0, Mrs. Drury, I- I-' to it," was the careless reply. I knew just what he wanted to say

I went to my room thinking how and I land my hand upon his arm and much easier it is to make a mistake said gently, "Yes, I think I understand; take than it is to rectify it, and how you have made some mistakes but you often we fail to recognize the way leadwill never make the same ones again. ing to the attainment of those things Your life lies before you bright and beautiful if you will make it so.' You

spirit forms and no record of their rec-

ognition by the sitters. In Florence Cook's manifestations no

now and watches over you fondly. You one but her guide. Katie King, appeared, walked, talked and was em will not grieve her again. I know, but strive with all your power to make the braced. Minimize the probability of noble man she wants you to make, that one's own lost ones materializing to mourners and overweening devotion to you yourself want to make, and make. From this hour you will find the phase will be checked and it will be you have begun a new life. Give good studied in the light of sober reason Prof. Crookes omits all mention of his and seek for good and good will come spirit visitors requiring human-made to you.' The next day I talked with Mrs.

garments, wigs and bowie knives. What force they must have wasted in Blind and spcke very plainly to her, and in conclusion I said: "Your son will roviding their own clothing!

All phases of phenomena must be make a man you may well be proud of spontaneous in their manifestations to if you will do your duty by him. Scold be genuine. Etherealization undoubt-edly occurs at infrequent intervals and yet. They only serve to strengthen the habits you wish to destroy. The one under the operation of forces not understood on the mortal plane. It can not remedy for evil is good, therefore apply it and attend to it faithfully and let the be commanded by the will of the medium, the wish of the sitter, or by the evil entirely alone, Encourage your financial necessities of either or both. children to invite into their home those who ought to be their associates. Your I am not prepared to say that it may son knows far better than you do what ot so vary in density, or degree of solidification, as to reach the stage called young men are fit to associate with his by many materialization, but in that sisters, and you can trust him to choose case its occurrence is still far less than wisely. Let them have their games the number of times it is offered and their music and throw your troubles for sale as a certainty. The same conto the wind and join in with them and ditions apply to impersonation and renew your youth in the society of transfiguration, the former occurring youth; then if you see a tendency to more frequently. I imagine Bro. Dunn anything you consider evil you will be is just a little too ready to accept so-the better fitted to suggest the good called phenomena, and many of us have passed through the same stage whose gather here feel that they are welcome, and if you have anything in your rooms completion required double, or more, that you consider to be too good to use, the years he has given to investigation. Daniel Dunglass Home, the great put it away. What are a few fancy ar, scotch medium under oath said: "I ticles, however beautiful, to the welfare Scotch medium under oath said: have no control over them (physical of your children? Let your son pursue phenomena) whatever-they occur irhis studies in botany, and be very thankful he has the desire to do so. egularly, and even when I am asleen. Take an interest in his work-you can Sometimes I am many months, and if you will-and help him all you can. I once I have been a year without them. would suggest that you give your son a room to fit up and use just as he They will not happen when I wish, and my will has nothing to do with them." pleases and place no restrictions upon We will all join with Judge Dunn in a

him." search for "solid testimony." but may Mrs. Blind loves her children dediffer from him in the use to be made of it when discovered. We have tried votedly-there is no doubt about that -and some of my enthusiasm seemed to fire her and she at once began to the plan of reIraining from "giving cry publicly to our individual thought" for one-half the lifetime of Modern Ameri. plan, and when her son came home to can Spiritualism. As a result the most ainner she told him what she had decertain thing about the character of our phenomena is their uncertainty. Moses of gratitude I shall never forget, and Hull described . the widespread condi- went and kissed his mother. I left the tion of our cause when he wrote from two alone together. What passed be Ashland, Oregon: "Spiritualists are, or tween them I do not know, but I am have been nearly faked or frauded out sure there is a bond of sympathy estabof existence." The day of their deliv-erance approaches. Wrong, will not always be upon the throne. Our individ- grow ever stronger and more precious ual differences of opinion are but the as the years roll on. travail of enduring truth into hirth travail of enduring truth into birth. That afternoon Mrs. Glum went out GEORGE B. WARNE. making calls and the result was four

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Truth and Error Should Not Combine.

In the "National Review," London, of a late date, from under the head of "Agnosticism and National Decay," we extract the following:

"Religion, for a very large number, and those in stations of influence, is no longer on its trial: it has ceased to ex-Doubt, positive and paralyzing, has taken hold of so many that a protest in the shape of revivals, accompanied by intense excitement, is spreading among the less educated, who feel that the clergy themselves have too often opened the gates which they were sworn to defend and are letting in The future of England, as the enemy. of other countries at a like degree of culture depends on its attitude toward the secularist or agnostic view of life and action."

All who read know agnosticism has taken a powerful hold on the educated classes. The age in which we live is based on knowledge. Faith. on which popular religions were built, had its

A New Kind of Revival. Wm. T. Stead, the able editor of the London Review of Reviews, says: "A revival is a veritable moral epidemic. It spreads like the plague. Its coming is as mysterious as an outbreak of in fluenza. Its departure is as inexplica ble. While it lasts there is no doubt about its infectiousness. It spreads like cholera by contact. To those who have long since divested their minds of all belief in anything supernatural, who have outlived their religion as they

have survived their measles, the revival must present a fascinating subject for study." We have greatly abridged Mr. Stead's

article, but have carefully preserved his words and ideas. They were introductory to his mention of the recent great revival in Wales. The victims of that revival, he informs his readers, are the ordinary sensual kind of an animal. "They were as illegitimate in their birth-rate as the worst of their neighbors, and were at least as much addicted as other men to the grosser forms of intemperance and the crimes which drunkenness engenders."

Then Mr. S. said, "The apparently extinct volcano is in full eruption, and South Wales is in the throes of a re-ligious revival." But note: "It is a revival of a new kind. Heretofore a great outburst of religious en-thusiasm has usually been due to a similar cause to that which produces eruptions of Krakatoa and the like, But in South Wales there has been no application of heil-fire to the explosive imagination of mankind. The note of the revival is love. These rude miners, not less than the smooth townsmen, have rediscovered love as the supreme law of life. For them conversion means the ly a case where all these conditions acceptance of a Divine Love hitherto pressed upon them in vain; and the reigious life to which they publicly ledged themselves means but the daily application of the same law of love in ill the relations of life. Forgiveness of all injuries is the watchword of the revival. If you forgive not your brother neither will the good God forgive you. It must be admitted this is a new kind of a revival, and if fully carried out in practice it will not be a bad epidemic to be afflicted with. We con mend it to Rev. Billy Sunday, to the Rev. Sam Jones, and to all others of that ilk. Instead of love as the inspirng influence in revivals, fear has been the agent employed, and hate has been the outgrowth. Fortunately the ailment has another resemblance to small pox. It rarely or never attacks the same person twice. Once afflicted, followed by recovery, and the patient is immune from a repetition of the conta-

The Right Triumphed.

gion.

The late pending bill in the French House of Deputies, providing for the separation of church and state, has been adopted and become a law, so far as to proclaim: "The Republic neither recognizes, provides stipends for, nor subsidizes any religion.' The vote stood on its final passage, 337 for, to 233 against, a handsome working majority of over 100 in favor of the measure.

All the ancient governments, back as far as we have history, claimed to hold authority from the god they worshiped. The kings were the heads of the church, the supreme pontiffs, as is still the czar of Russia, and as is the Protestant king of Great Britain, with the amended title of Defender of the Faith. The kings of Austria, Spain, and until the late revolution. Italy, and most of the other nationalities outside of Germany and Switzerland, are subordinate to the pope, the supreme pontiff at Rome, all pledged to do him homage,

he being the liege lord of all. It was rise in an age of ignorance, when the an inheritance to that functionary from his pagan predecessors. Great Britain has been laboring for many years trying to divorce its civil and ecclesiastical departments; but thus far without success. The United States, under the masterly direction of the fathers of the American revolution. were the first to lead in this great reform With the spread of intelligence all nations must necessarily fall into line, and leave the churches outside of civil governments, allowing them to manage their own institutions in their own way, so long as they keep hands off from the secular government, and do not trespass on the rights of individuals. This, however, seems almost an impossible thing for them to do.

THE LIBERTY OF PROTESTANTISM By an Orthodox Minister.

The following article was first published in Scribner's Monthly, July, 1873: Protestantism arose not only to protest against the papal corruptions, but also against the papal tyranny over the minds and consciences of men. But in this last respect there is also, need of Protestantism; for protest against there is neither liberty of thought nor of conscience allowed to those within the pale of orthodox Protestantism.

If left to adult years to choose for themselves, they have the liberty to adont one of many different creeds. But, having once done so, their liberty of private judgment ceases; for henceforth the judgment of their creed framer becomes the limit and measure of their own. They may not transcend the limits of thought fixed by their creed, except at risks which few will The conscience, too, is dare to take. bound, for it demands an utterance for

profound convictions which they dare not give. The liberty of Protestantism is, therefore, simply the privilege of choosing a sect. It is said, the communicant has the liberty of leaving the church. But that is not liberty, for he is compelled to do so if he differs from its creed. It is said, also, that he joins the church on confession of faith, thereby agreeing to adhere to its sreed while he remains in it. Is not that a fair compact? And what infringement of his liberty is there in requiring him to take himself off when he can no longer adhere to it? If he was capable when he espoused the creed of examining it and understanding it; if he knew the nature of the compact he was entering; and if, in dismissing him, the church imposed no disabilities, then there is no wrong done him. But there is rare are fulfilled. If the point in which he differs from the chosen sect be one merely of difference between orthodox sects, he may be dismissed from one to the other without serious disadvan tage to himself. But if his doubts con-

cern a point in which all orthodox sects agree, then he must leave orthodoxy entirely, and incur the odium of heter odoxy, which involves always the sus-picion of moral delinquency. Doubt is considered a sign of depravity; and or thodoxy treats the doubter as though he were immoral, not only by the with drawal of confidence but by visiting upon him the same penalties as are executed against gross immorality, viz. arraignment and expulsion if he does not recant. If this mode of treatment is unjust

towards those who have entered the church intelligently and responsibly, it becomes a gross abuse of liberty in the case of a large majority of doubters who join the church in early youth, before they are canable either of investigating or understanding its creed. Probably ninety-nine out of every hundred doubters are of this class. While too young to doubt they accept, and profess honestly to believe the creed of heir fathers, because they have been taught to do so from their infancy. They grow up in the church and learn to love it as the mother that has watched over and reared them. They are loyal to it and make sacrifices for its maintenance. More than that, they

are loyal to Christ, devout and faithful Christians. But with growth and culture they come to the ability to think and investigate for themselves, and so to doubt the creed they accepted unquestioningly and blindly at first. For them there two courses possible One is to give an outward adherence to doctrines they disbelieve, and the other to separate from the church they love, and around which are entwined he fondest memories of their childhood and youth. It is not strange that the majority prefer the former course, and as the human race advances. consent to suppress their convictions, and maintain an outward allegiance to

diate, rather than leave the church.

liberty more than preferment. This is precisely as it, ought not to be. It is of the old Adam as distinctly, not to say as disgradefully, as possible, and

not at alleof Chilist. If brethren cannot dwell togethermin unity, hoping all things, and bearing all things, it is because they are not yet fairly converted to Christ, and deed the lesson which was given to 3the disciples about be coming the least of all and the servant of all. When shall we hear the leaders of a sect say to each, "Go not away from us to find freedom for your conscience, But let us serve even you in forbearance and charity, until we all come into seeing no more darkly."-Lord Salisbury, But as things commonly stand, if a

brother is providentially betraved into stepping heavenward ahead of his sect he is compelled to take himself off.directly, lest his divergence stir up an spirit of difference, and make evil trouble to the communion. The Bampton lecture for 1871 says truly of a lead ing demonstration: "Any serious deviation from the common faith, on the part of any one of these thousands (of

ministers), is sure to lead to his separation from the teaching ministry. And the editor of an official paper of this denomination says: "We are not a free thinking church, and if ministers will persist in putting on their thinking caps, they must be deprived of the ministerial office."

Thus the genius of orthodoxy and the interests of its adherents conspire to hold it in an attitude of opposition to liberty of thought and conscience. The result is a narrowness of the average theologic mind which makes orthodoxy the gibe of scientists and all other pro gressive thinkers.

In other departments of thought the freest discussion is allowed. Agitation is considered the surest method of exoosing error and arriving at the truth Political reformers are permitted lib erty of thought and of the press. In science he is hailed as a benefactor who explodes old error and discovers new truth. But in theology, the broadest and most progressive of all sci ences, he who denies the infallibility of the creed, or advances a new doctrine receives only objurgation and anathemas for his vains.

In all this orthodoxy assumes that its creeds are perfect, entirely free from error, and containing the whole of theological truth, and therefore that there can be no such thing as progress in the science of theology. But wherefore? Has wisdom died with the creed-framers? Were men wiser five hundred and a thousand years ago, when the creeds were built, than they are now, or than they ever will be? Is age in a creed any conclusive evidence of accuracy Must science and all other departments of thought go on progressing, and the ology remain forever in its swaddling garments? Shall the Protestant con science and thought be forever limited and bound by the dicta of Augustine and Calvin, while the opinions of their contemporaries in other departments of thought have been long discarded and forgotten^{ty} And yet each sect thinks its creed contains the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. But how many such creeds can there be? It is very unfortunate for this assumption of or thodoxy, that there are so many different creeds directly opposed in many

points. The fact is, that while orthodoxy contains much truth, it also contains much error. Most of its creeds are very old, and contain many articles of belief which are, the bequests of the ages of ignorance that God winked at. There is room therefore for progress and improvement in the orthodox theology There is also great need of change in the creeds in order that the essence o truth may be preserved. And theologic science cannot be perfected by one change nor by many; but will need fre quent renewals of its creed-statements

But believing its creeds to be infallible, and that everything contrary there diate, rather than leave the church. to is dangerous error, orthodoxy con-ceives it to be its high calling to guard There can be no doubt that there are its creeds with a flaming sword, and thousands in the Protestant churches suppress every other form of doctrine,

THE MORRIS PRATT INSTITUTE.

Words of Gratitude and Sincere Appreciation.

To the Officers, Professors, Teacher and Students of the Morris Pratt Insti-tute, Whitewater, Wis.-Dearly Beloved Friends:-Your very appreciative and fraternal article published in the current numbers of the Spiritualistic press has been read by me with a joyful and grateful heart: Joyful that have during my recent visits to deliver lessons in Higher Psychology to the students and teachers in the Morris Pratt Institute manifested, more and more, your appreciation of my work as an instrument of the unseen ones, and have, personally, made me feel the true friendship and fraternity, the cordial greetings and kindest hospitality and earnest enthusiasm ever accorded to co-workers in a great cause; grateful that my busy life has been spared these many years to bear forward the work assigned me when a child, and that I have been privileged to be thus chosen to do such work as has been recently performed through me in your midst and which is so warmly appreciated by you. When I consider the scope and grand

eur of our beautiful philosophy and its sublime mastery over every depart-ment of the mind, as dominated by the spirit-the soul-I rejoice in a school that enables students, teachers, and professors to meet on a higher plane of education than that usually offered in the academies and universities of our land. For not only is true psychology (knowledge of the Soul and Spirit) not taught in other schools, but that which passes as "psychology" -recently introduced-is but physical, or at best mental philosophy.

The introduction into the class room-and I trust into the curriculumof the Morris Pratt Institute, of every phase of training in higher thought and Psychological truth is a step in the right direction and an example to other institutions.

I wish it were in my power to ex press how much I value the work of the president, the principal and all the workers in the Institute for the work already done there, and for the untiring and unselfish zeal with which all connected with the school, whom I met in my recent five visits, have borne forward their work.

I bespeak, for the future sessions of the school an over-increasing interest on the part of the Spiritualistic public in sustaining with pupils, subscrip tions, and endowments, a school so ad mirably conducted and so well founded in the principles of a correct and liberal education.

Hoping to be with you again in form, as I am ever one in the spirit of your work,I remain, ever sincerely and fraternally yours

CORA L. V. RICHMOND,

Annual Convention of the Morris Praft Institute Association.

The third annual convention of the Morris Pratt Institute Association will meet June 3, 1905, in the institute building, in Whitewater, Wis., at 2

o'clock, p. m. Members of the association and friends who are interested in its wel-fare, should, if possible, be present. There is much to be done in this convention. By-laws are to be adopted. the constitution to be amended to allow the convention to be called at a more convenient time and earlier in the week. Other important matters relative to the work, the workers in and out of the house, the best methods to be pursued, etc., must be consideredall of which should be a matter of personal interest to the members of the association.

After three years of experience, the officers are in a position to suggest such changes as they deem advisable for the good of the school.

It is sincerely hoped there will be a good attendance. Remember the date, June 3, at 2 p. m.

ARA L. STEWART

A PLEA FOR THE AFFLICTED, Insanity or Obsession, and its Remedy Whatever the Difficulty or Disease Human Treatment Is Regulred. One of the great, if not the greatest

problem of the age, is the constant in crease in the number of victim's to the malady termed insanity and the al nost utter failure to restore them, and yet we know the day is past to say. "Ye ire all physicians of no value," because the records prove at least some facts and that the different ireatments in vogue have not always been in vain: there are too many cases of in sanity under protracted treatment which baille the skill and efforts of the most expert, and why? Is it not be hans, because the diagnose failed to reveal the cause, and so the patient in subjected to the wrong treatment? Physical ailments may readily yield to physical treatment: mental ailments to mental treatment, and so may spir

itual ailments vield to spiritual treat ment, and while the materialist may be very successful in treating his pa-tient for physical ailment, he may be of little or no help to the mental sufferer

and worse than useless for the spirit ual one. On the other hand, mental and spir itual treatment may utterly fail to restore a patient from a physical ailment. while the mental or spiritual suffere may be speedily and most thoroughly relieved by mental or spiritual treat

ment. The astonishing results and undisput able facts of numerous healings of insanity is partly revealed in the experi ence of obsessions by Dr. Karl Wickland and brought out in an interview with Dr. Funk, of New York, should be looked into, and set the minds of men hinking especially in those of authority over Insane Asylums throughout the

world. It should be borne in mind that Dr Wickland is not a novice in this noble work, nor stands he isolated in the same; foremost of all in the field is Dr J. M. Peebles, of Battle Creek, Mich.; then Dr. Lester Lane, of Boston. Mass Dr. Kimball of Maine.; Mrs. M. Bergen Brown of Morgan Hill, Cal.; Dr. W. Yates, now of Madison, Wis.; and many other spiritually gifted, and who know and are ready to prove that insanity, so-called, is in most cases simply ob

session by spirit influences which lie beyond the grasp and comprehension of the mere materialist. The over-crowded condition of asy-

lums, poorhouses and penitentiaries is alarming in the extreme, and should incite the proper authorities to study its real causes, not alone from a mate rial point of view, which is well enough to furnish data and statistics on econ omy, sociology and criminology, but fails to find the root of the evil, or its remedy, unless its spiritual base, the foundation of all material, is reached, which, by the way, is the most dum He gave the moon the nights to lighten, founding conundrum to the materialist the belated scientist, the premature critic, and to the many misfits in theology. Only such men and women as mentioned previously, endowed rare gifts mental, physical and spiritual, whose integrity of heart is only excelled by their love and devotion for a suffering humanity, have found and

are fit to apply the remedy. But what about the Apostles, the first or last, and all the rest of the disciples! Has the Man of Nazareth died in vain? Did He not teach them to heal the sich and to cast out demons? Have they all forsaken Him and worship Mammon's Even Dr. Dowie, who had boasted of having more healings in his Zion than were at Jesus' time done in all Palestine, refused a poor but obsessed wo man in his presence!-The venerable Dr. Peebles has been instrumental in restoring many hundreds of such afflicted, yet lays no claim to any pre

sumptive titles nor masquerades about in gaudy gown like a circus clown in an educated bonnet. Multimilionaire philanthropists, like

"Hear me," she said, "I plead for you; Listen: All this gold, and blood, and Mr. Rockefeller, Carnegie and others, have done much, especially for the edu-

darkness Will be changed to life ancw. cation of many, yet the ever-increasing And e'en cold doubt-man's ruling pas-

stream of unfortunates into public sion— Doubting his God and fellow-men Will be no more, for wealth and labor Will be written: 'Brotherhood,' with mighty pen."

May 20, 1905. ->

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Heard I not an angel sighing? Or perhaps, she lightly wept. And a silver star was gleaming, Strangely in my room it crept.

On the east and western pendants Hung two scales of measured size; Two words shone in the darkness-"Brotherhood," and "Equalize."

> Angel, thou didst come from heaven. What mean these words and balanced scales?"

Answer came, as opening flowers: "Minus these, all justice fails." Slow her snowy wings she lifted, Transformed the air to lustrous gold.

she said, "the yellow metal? For this, our human lives are sold." "This," she said, "you've made your

idol, You're worshiping a golden god; But work and wealth will be united, Both must pass beneath the rod. White slaves no more shall kneel

masters. Poverty's bell no more shall ring; Dark age of mammon's reign will van-

ish, And none will crouch before that,

king." The golden light solftly faded, Flames ascended of blood-red hue. Hark, you people, living mortals, Would

ould you Christ's great work undo?" Fell the scales from trembling star

beams, "Conditions broken here,-behold! Symbols of sacrificial blood-streams Flowing over beds of gold."

Came the words with holy sadness From the lips of the angel fair.

Then the blood-streams turned to darkness. The bitter darkness of Despair.

She pressed her hand on her bosom, Showed a heart of broken light; Piece by piece she joined the fragments,

Saying: "Thus shall all unite."

'Beauteous angel, why these symbols, Why these words of mystic worth? hast thou from heaven descended, Why Back again to dismal earth?"

She said, with accents firm yet tender "There is so much for me to do; The poor must have a strong defender, The rich must hear the message, toq

God has waited long and loving, Walted for some potent sign For the heart of man to open,

And receive his word difficult. Wondrous powers he gave his people, in trust. forsooth; The world Ho gave to all created.

For protherhood, and right, and truth. 'He gave to man, progressive wisdom,

And breathed on all living mortals

The stars he gave, and kept not one;

"Twas not enough," said the angel,

Then He gave all in all He cherished-

The son of man-the Nazarene. But man is selfish and coldly thankless,

Oblivious to the strength of giving.

God taught life's most essential Law-

Equality, to each one living.

The strength of all is Unity,

'Justice and peace to all mankind

Can be achieved without dismay;

Soul of freedom-faith of lover.

Not heaps of gold for pampered pride,

But true wealth-sharing with each

Fell these words from the lips of the

Love's sweet embrace circling all, With Reason's torch to light the way.

Not life to burden, but to brighten,

Man asked still more of God

He gave the wondrous, central sum

His own, eternal, holy name.

Universal love to claim;

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statement of a priest was the voice of God. Confidence in priestly clamor having failed, and the mind free to reason, doubt comes to the front, and is succeeded by denial.

Spiritualism furnishes the only proof of an immortal life. It supplies the evidence agnostics demand. This evidence came to the church; but it was repudiated by them, and this the cause Christianity is in decay.

But it is well. The popular religions were loaded down with the errors of paganism. To engraft the truth on it. a hybrid would be the product, and that product would not be worthy of preservation.

They who are striving to imitate the

errors of Christianity, to unite the knowledge of the one with the faith of the other, are only hastening to destruction the creedless truth the immortals have taught us.

Truth and Error cannot dwell together in unity. Creeds are made to erpetuate ancient thought, and contract knowledge, not to expand it.

The mind, disenthralled from creeds, can roam through a boundless universe at will, gathering wisdom at every ad vance; but tied down and back to a narrow church creed and progress is ended.

Probable Origin of the Deluge Story.

They who wish to bolster up the idea of a universal flood, covering all the earth, and destroying all life, save such as was preserved in the ark, so as to strengthen belief in Bible narration, quote the universality of such belief hy widely separated nations, as proof of its genuineness, forgetting, or never knowing, that all the great Western civilizations had a common origin in Central Asia, and in their emigrations carried with them traditionary accounts of such flood.

Geology gives evidence that there was a time when a great deluge did inundate both the valleys of the Euphrates and Tigris, and even covered the high land between those rivers, known to the Greeks as Mesopotamia. These rivers have their rise in the Taurus and Armenian mountains. With many tributaries they flow south-east, the last five hundred miles nearly parallel to each other, finally uniting and entering the Persian Gulf through a delta

common to both rivers. Probably nearly if not all the emigration which subsequently ... entered . Europe, bringing, their religion, a multi-tude of traditions, and some portions of the Sanskrit language with them, by which scholars are able to trace their migrations, passed through those valleys, and there learned of the great flood. The account was magnified by each narrator, until it was finally rendered stable by the sensational histo rian whose account is now received by many as divine inspiration.

Let us all weep if that is the way our pldest histories were written.

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The Kalser on the Japanese.

A peculiar man is the German kaiser, and his speeches and actions are many times of a rather startling character. An instance is thus reported, of a recent date:

Berlin, May_ 8 .- The Evangelische Kirchen Zeitung to-day prints a de-tailed report of Emperor William's remarks when swearing in the naval cruits at Wilhelmshaven on March 9, in which, according to the very brief retion.

port published at the time, he cited the Japanese as a luminous example of pariotism and soldierly fidelity. The Kirchen Zeitung's resume of the speech as follows:

"The emperor referred to the heroic deeds of the Japanese and added that hese are born of Japanese patriotism and love for children, which in turn re-sulted in splendid discipline in the rmy and navy. One must not, however, draw the conclusion from Japavictories-victories of a heathen over a Christian people-that Buddha is superior to our Lord Christ. The Rus sian defeat, in his opinion, was due to the fact that Russian Christianity was in a deplorable condition. The Japa-nese, on the other hand, could show many Christian virtues. A good Chris tian makes a good soldier. Among the German people, too, Christianity is in a sad condition, and he doubted wheth-er we Germans, in case of war, would have the right to pray God for victory -to force it from him like Jacob wrestling with the angel. The Japanese are the scourge of God, like Attila and Napoleon. It devolves upon us to take

care that God does' not chastise us some day with such a scourge." "The Molecular Hypothesis of Na-ure." By Prof. Wm. M. Lockwood, ture.

Prof. Lockwood is recognized an one of the ablest lecturers on the spiritual ros trum. In this little volume he presents in succinct form the substance of his lectures on the Molecular Hypothesia of Nature; and presents his views as demonstrating a scientific basis of Spiritualism. The book is commanded to who love to study, and, think, Price 25 cents

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to day who, if required publicly to renlest the truth committed to its keeping der the same confession of faith which they made when they first entered the church, could not do it conscientiously. But the church accepts their external adherence, though cognizant of their heart-defection, and thus becomes a particeps criminis to a system of deceit which effectually undermines all

integrity of character, sacrificing that for which alone the church was established, for the sake of an appearance of doctrinal soundness; preserving the shell, but destroying the kernel; debauching the conscience for the sake of preserving the creed intact. But if the doubter will not suppress his convictions, and maintain an outward adherence to the creed he blindly accepted when he was too young,

to investigate it, he meets the same fate as if he had been a knowing, responsible party to the compact; that is he is excluded from the communion he has loved and supported from his childhood. Surely that is not liberty which hedges the thinker about with disabilities, which though not so malignantly cruel, are yet just as effectual in re-

pressing liberty of thought and conscience as were the fagot, the thumb screw and other tortures of the Inquisi-Orthodox Protestantism is avowedly opposed to all theologic thought that does not harmonize with the creeds. says to its adherents, "You may think,

but within the limits prescribed by the You may investigate, but you creed. must always come to the same conclu-

sion.' This is not liberty, but bondage. And this bondage is felt more or less

y every private member who thinks: but to the ministry it becomes a grievous burden and hindrance to efficiency. For while they are held to a stricter account for their opinions, they also suffer greater loss in case their orthodoxy is impugned. A slight suspicion of heterodoxy is usually sufficient to hedge up the way of a minister in any of the orthodox churches.

Any serious divergence from the prescribed and beaten track of theologic thought is sure to provoke grave discussion and threats of dismission on the part of the church, or his confer hastens to test his soundness, and ence if he is found to hold any obnoxious opinion he must renounce it, or he is declared a dangerous innovator: the pulpit and "official organs" of his church are closed against him, and he relegated to silence and obscurity.

Few ministers are willing to incur such penalties, even for the precious boon of liberty. Hence the majority suppress their best convictions, trim down their sermons and other productions to a rigid conformity with the creed.

The hope of preferment is also a powarful motive to conformity. In all orthodox churches, soundness in the faith is a sine qua non to preferment. The great temptation of every minister s to barter his liberty for success. Many do this, and having paid price, get the leading positions. These, with the always large number seeking preferment and anxious to prove their

fitness for it by a cheap zeal for orthodoxy, are able to greatly embarrass or wholly repress the few who prize their

should suffer thereby. Accordingly its constant effort is to prevent freedom o thought, of investigation, and of discus sion among its adherents. It prescribes for them all, young and old, what they shall read, what they shall think and believe, and proscribes everything else

The aims of all its theological teaching is to indoctrinate the pupil, and fortify him in a peculiar mode of belief; rather than to make him a student and lover of the truth wherever it exists. What would be thought of a school o medicine in which the professors simed o convince the student that the existing modes of treatment admitted of no improvement, or of a school of natural in its proper nature the noblest and universal of the sciences, the child of lib erty, the lover of all truth, the leader of the human race-"theology has been manacled and guarded, and the first and ast injunction to its votaries has been to stand aside."

One reason for the opposition of orcuted. thodoxy to liberty is the danger of its abuse. This danger equally besets all iberty. The right use of personal freeiom is probably the most difficult of all things to learn. It is not merely that crime. men are liable to abuse it, but that mul-

itudes are certain to do so. But we do not therefore oppose civil liberty and advocate despotism, as the only means of preventing abuse. We believe it is better to have liberty notwithstanding the great perils attending it. So in religious matters, there is great

langer of an extreme use of the right of ing when attired in those garments, private judgment. But it does not fol-low that men should be deprived of reigious liberty for fear they will abuse it. They must rather be taught that it theirs of right, as a gift of God; that they are accountable to him for the use they make of it, and may not therefore abuse it with impunity. Admitted that many will min themselves by abusing their liberty, yet, there can be no doubt

that more would be ruined by an intol-erance that drives them out of the church into a hatred of all religious truth.

Unit. Orthodoxy cannot keep men from thinking, nor can it keep the thinker within the prescribed limits. Mind is inherently free. It cannot be chained, nor kept in ignorance of its liberty. sooner or later men will find out that they have an ingligenable right to free-dom. The guestion is, shall orthodoxy recognize their freedom and encourage it by making them feel that Christian-ity, the great liberator of mankind, is not the enemy but the friend and for not the enemy, but the friend and fos-ter-mother of freedom, and thereby hold them under its influence, where it can teach them how to use their liberty temperately, reverently, in the fear and service of God?

Or shall orthodoxy continue to teach men that free thought and investigation are wicked and lead to hell, and that i they persist in the exercise of their liberty they must be turned out of the church, and deprived of its sympathy and help; and thus force them into opposition to Christianity, and a hatred of the very name of orthodoxy as a synonym for bondage? If so, the result will be impious defiance instead of reverence, contempt instead of investigation, license instead of liberty, and ut-

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Secretary. GUILTY AS CHARGED.

That is the Opinion of Dr. Eastman

In reviewing the Winans case, Mr. Dunn has presented a masterly article. and given it the view one would natu rally expect from a legal man. He has presented the case, as it were, in the form of a brief, in defense of his client and in considering the same, it would only be fair to do so on the same lines. First of all. Mr. Dunn admits that Wians uses paraphernalia, but the ques tion at stake is: Was he conscious when the same was used? If he was conscious, Mr. Dunn admits that he is guilty, and that there is no punishment too great for him, whereas if he was un conscious, which he believes to have been the condition, he was not guilty of fraud, and is being innocently perse

The case then hinges on whether Wi nans was or was not conscious of what he was doing, and comes under the le gal head of involuntary commitment of

The involuntary commitment of an il legal act, does not make the defendant any the less amenable to the law. Le gal libraries are full of reports of such cases-some instances where the punishment has been severe. However let us grant that Winans may have been unconscious of what was transpir

whether conscious or unconscious, he knew the paraphernalia was there, had it ready to use and VOLUNTARILY gave himself up for their use, and is therefore guilty as charged.

DR. E. H. EASTMAN. Hot Springs, Ark. 🝝

ter recklessness instead of the fruits of holy life. The church has no right to drive men

from its altars by intolerance, for in so doing it loses its power to benefit them The church was not established to de prive men of their liberty, but to teach them how to use it. But in order that men may know how to use it rightly they must have it. It is only by the possession and exercise of liberty that men can learn its proper use. It is therefore the duty of Protestantism to win men to its altars and keep them there, by guaranteeing perfect freedom of thought and conscience, that it may be able to benefit them, and guide them out of their doubts into a higher faith beyond.



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places of refuge, correction and re-straint is unabated, and will eventually swell into a tidal wave destined to swamp with destructive force its feeble banks.

Yet there is hope when no delay What is at present immensely more needed than Libraries, is Sanitariums in all principal cities, with men and women at the helm who are blessed

with the necessary gifts of the spirit and able not only to deliver the obsessed from the torments of undevel oped, earth-bound and unfortunate spir its, but to bring them to a better un derstanding of their destiny, and to induce them to work out their own sal vation as missionaries among their own on both sides of the divide, which is often most cheerfully done in a sense of profound gratitude. Vice. crime. poverty and insanity would soon cease its abnormal proportions and dwindle down to its proper minimum and final extinction

Chicago, Ill. G. A. WOLTER.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The Ohio State Spiritualists Association convention will be held May 26, 27 and 28, at Ashtabula, Ohio. We are certain to have one of the best convenbody? tions ever held in Ohio. We shall have our programs completed next week. Among the talent already engaged and those yet to hear from, are Mr. George B. Warne, president of the Illinois State Spiritualists Association, and Laura G. Fixen, vice-president of the same; Lizzie Harlow, F. D. Dunakin, Anna E.

Baird and Elizabeth Schauss. We wish to extend to all mediums and Speakers of Ohio and our sister states a most cordial invitation to at-

tend the convention. The Ashtabula society and citizens know just how to entertain the convention. Their society is one of the banner societies of the state, constantly adding to its membership. All dele-gates will be entertained during the convention by the Ashtabula Society members, urging that all societies send their delegates.

To all members of the O. S. A. Board I wish to give notice; that there will be a board meeting, Thursday evening, May 25, at Ashtabula, Ohio.

MRS. CARRIE FIRTH CURRAN, President O. S. A

FOURTH ANNUAL MEEETING.

The State Spiritualist Association of Kansas will hold its fourth annual convention in Topeka, June 1, 2, 3 and 4, 1905, at Security Hall Seventh and Kansas ave.; meetings each day at 3 and 8 o'clock p. m. All local societies are urged to have delegates at this convention. Good speakers and mediums will be in attendance. All out of town

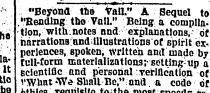
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will be chiseled: "Equality is Justice, Peace and Love."

LAURA M. HYLAND. Ocean Park, Cal.

Woman Suffrage in the Philippines. The census of the Philippines has now been concluded, and it is to be the hasis for the establishment of a legislature in the islands which shall convene two years hence. Who are to vote for the members of that legislature, and who are to be entitled to seats in that

During the spring of 1902 the United States Senate Philippine commission summoned before it a number of persons competent to give expert testimony as to conditions existing in those islands. Among them was Judge William H. Taft, at that time Governor of the Philippines, and he spoke with higher authority than was possible for any other person. Governor Taft said to this committee:

"The fact is that, not only among the Tagalogs, but also among the Christian Filipinos, the woman is the active manager of the family, so if you expect to confer political power on the Filipinos, it ought to be given to the women."

Another witness summoned was Archbishop Nozaleda, who had been actively connected with the Catholic church in the islands for twenty-six years and archbishop since 1889. He

testified as follows: "The woman is better than the man in every way-in intelligence, in virtue, in labor-and a great deal more economical. She is very much given to trade and to trafficking. If any rights and privileges are to be given to the natives, do not give them to the men, but to the women."

There has been a great deal of similar testimony from correspondents and. others who have studied personally the conditions existing in the Philippines, all uniting in the opinion that the women in general are superior to the menin general. The census which has just been taken shows the proportion of women engaged in gainful occupations to be double that in the United States. It will be an outrage if these women are denied all representation in their government and arbitrarily relegated to a position inferior to any they have ever before occupied, but 'it is an outrage which the Congress of the United States is quite capable of committing-

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

Inspiration Elucidated.

Walter P. Williams.

Mr. F. A. Wood, president of the society, said : ing spirits and teachers to come to mortals; now, if it of the man will manifest on the spiritual plane. wishes to use the medium tell us something of what on planes of sympathy where the relativities of psyscious of them as a factor in the world's progress?

The entranced medium responded as follows:

elucidation, just an intelligent voice.

ence to certain abnormal manifestations of intelligent alities can have with man and his states. of nature.

these faculties.

soul. It is a personal consciousness, this conscious- inspiring the human race. and philosophical activities of men.

co-ordination, any new principle of relativity. In feet than any personal correlation you can make even untold ages of conscious personal evolution to make and I, as a soul, stand related to that Infinite Intellito man. There was no organic change in the consti- personalities of the soul on the spiritual plane in a have been kind. It is suffering which develops kind- lowest manifestation of intelligent life on earth is

al relativity to mankind or to the general phenomena can come under the potency of this inspiration. roll in the expression and necessity of the human dare I try to bound my god when I cannot Now, in all ages of the world, and since man came race.

To elucidate the true relationship between the ac- there has been what you call a poetic power. What For ages the spiritual power struggled for the man-tivities of mortal life and the mental and spiritual ca- is a "poetic power"? Poetry, with the expression umission of man. The slave born into heaven sends press the infinite. I want to be infinite, not because pabilities of consciousness in the spiritual world will of the ideal in feeling, in passion, in perception of ex- back unto man the love of freedom. The singing bird of a mission, not for power, but that I may know. necessarily lead me into the field of definition. The ternal nature, in the perception of historical se- at the gate of glory stirs the notes of the bird in slav- I have the thirst to know, and the thirst to be is eterpersonality that survives death is certainly a persist- quence or time, for the concept of time is a great field ery. The heaven of emancipated mentality sends ent and a great personality, and has been surviving for poetic inspiration, for the deductive capabilities back its power to stir the emotions of intelligence and ive life. death from the very period when life began to mani- in the attributes of the ideal of poetry come in so that of liberty. Dear and consecrated affections of family fest in cosmic energy, for, however elemental the we may summarize the poetic power as the faculty of send back the force of pride and ideality on family

der the conditions and expression then existing. The manifest. To make any review at this time would be Revolution will make an aristocracy of mentality in spiritual world in its elemental relationship direct impossible, but take the literature of India. The America if that power alone could be dominant; but with man is an inspirational relationship, and the ex- field of philosophical and religions inspiration has in the broad inspirations of your day such retrospectpression is confined to those faculties of the mind been very large, and, philosophically, the inspiration ive folly will be swept away under a grander ideal. which are the most powerful, whether those facul- has tried to reach the genesis of causation. In the The ideal of the inspiration of America will be and to tics which are the most powerful are closely related to Hebrew cult, some of the finest inspiration that ever a limited degree is that governments exist amongst the generative or to the vegetable side of soul activ- came to the human brain, you have the sublime ideal- men for the convenience of the men, women and chil-Ity, for I would call those faculties of the mind which ity of some of the writers of the Psalms; philosophic- dren for whose special existence and protection they lie below the floor of consciousness the vegetable or ally imperfect but poetically beautiful; the grasp of are, and collaterally for the development of the highgenerative forces of the mind. Inspiration can touch ideality in the inspiration of Isaiah; the tragic and est instincts of emotion and moral ideality for all na-

sublime sensibility of Jeremiah almost makes you feel tions. Inspiration can touch another set of faculties which that Thomas Moore, the Irish poet, stood in harmoni- If I were-or, rather, if I could be-an American are sentimental in character, not thought-creating ous relativity with the plaintive patriotism of Jere- statesman-if I could dominantly and effectually infaculties, but impulses in consciousness. There can miah. The inspiration of Homer, majestically gath- spire an American states man, I would make his moral be an inspiration of this plane of feeling. The per- ering the phenomena of the dramatic ardor of his ideal humanity, I would make it educational, I would becomes the source of a new pleasure, and so I rise to ceptive powers can be intensified and quickened into ideality from time relativity rises to the grasping of make it a force to carry to every man, woman and delight as it marks the area the enceh and the time great energy by co-relation with spiritual force. The nature and presents the operations and forces of na- child on earth the truths of nature and of life. I

tive faculties are those faculties which lie nearer to nificent didactic poem of Job. You see in the person- and love the education, for I would educate the love invention and development of conscious mind as well the consciousness of the soul than the inductive and ality of Job the creative ideality-force represented nature of man and woment; I would educate the moral as cosmic form, the majesty of the infinite, the power deductive powers of the mind, for the soul has a con- in the operations of nature-at a time when the state nature; I would educate the avarice, I would educate of the infinite, the thought of the infinite, have been sciousness larger in its field of action, in its phenome- of mental honor in man met in causation the moral at the imagination of man and woman, and I would nal reach and in its clairvoyant concepts, than rea- tributes that passed judgment in good and evil. The make the study and ideality of nature supreme that written on cloud, on mind and heart. So then let me is a wonderful book, being the personal

This inspiration is closely related to all those mental will be Thor as divinity for a while yet; the force of the fabric, the character and the law of a new civil- somewhere in the heart of this universe is a father phenomena which lie in the general social, intellectual nature will be military because the attributes of the ization. soul's personalities are manifesting in time when the Can you measure the influence of the moral men- changes of endless time.

ests; the animal propensities gather on the soul plane and its effect on the civilization of the Augustinian of expression and will represent themselves in the age? Can you measure today the effect of the revived ington, D. C., Sunday Morning, April 23, 1905-Re- ers and mothers, children, all men in their ratio of and with the realizations of this there will come the force of the artistic inspiration that came from the ported Expressly for The Progressive Thinker, by in the organization. Consciousness itself is a per- of Christianity when perce and love shall sit in the renzo de Medicif Is it possible at this time of the sonal function manifesting in the organization, and sanctuary of human consciousness, when the low ani- day to measure the effect of the wars of the crusades? sometimes the soul's consciousness will carry the mal propensities of conflict and destruction shall be Going farther back, can you measure the force of in-'A little more than half a century ago the door be- characteristics of the physical personality on to the lessened in the instinctive constitution of the person- spiration that was at the back of Charles Martel when tween the seen and the unseen world began to be subjective side and the outward mind in man will not ality of man. These instincts; he rolled back the Mohammedan invasion of Europe? opened more widely, making it possible for minister- be conscious of the manifestation, and the personality they are in man because the soul brought them from A sword-blade saved you-almost an accident in hisprior experiences in itseicontact with nature, in its tory. But for the sword blade of Charles Martel you be practicable this morning, will the Intelligence who The soul has the power to manifest its personalities power of expression; so that instinct is that power un- would have been a Mohammedan; Christianity would der the threshold of consciousness which is not en- have been abliterated from the face of Europe. How was the work of these ministers and teachers and chical and etheric forces balance, so that you raise larged by experience nor diminished by inactivity. different would it have been in the history of the what their methods before we were able to be con- your conception of man personal to the plane that the Instinct is not progressive, it is the product of person- United States of America if the brilliant Lee had been 'power of the soul-a great master workman-can ality and hence in the touch of the soul on material victorious at Gettysburg; how different would have handle its personalities and inspire according to the states of expression it must bring with it its personal- been the history of the United States of America if Venturing again on the silent pathway of inspira- development of psychical states in the organization. ities. Oh, what a time it took to make mother love as Lloyd Garrison had not been born and the generous tion, I will strive to detain you while elucidating the Now, the poets of all ages are inspired by the soul an instinct of consciousness! Generation after gener- genius of Abraham Lincoln not seen on earth? The problem presented by your worthy representative. It and the spiritual sphere. By the "spiritual sphere" ation it caused the soul to make the highest pleasure mighty co-ordinating inspirations of the spiritual is impossible for any mind in the mortal confinement I mean souls independent of actual physical represen- in animal existence the function of procreation before world in generation sent these men, for verily heaven of capability to have the slightest conception of the tation. There is a world of consciousness not ex- it could attain to the beautiful instinct of mother can make a man when man needs that man. The nature of the relationship existing between myself as pressing in matter states directly by personation; that love, and even to-day the struggle goes on. Mother epoch man is sent, and through the inspirations of a conscious entity and the medium articulating for is, there are souls in the spiritual world that are not love is still personal. The mother loves her child— instinctive generation the life appears to do its work, me. I wish I might be to you, for the purpose of this now related to any bodily organization, and they on her child, not necessarily her neighbor's child.

manifestation of life may be, it is a spiritual manifes- inspired and realized ideality. descent. Aristocracies are based on the sentiment of fation, a co-ordinating manifestation with matter un- In all ages of the world this inspiration has been family veneration and pride. The Daughters of the

intellectual powers pure and simple can be intensified ture in the carnal personalities of gods and heroes. would make it easy to be good and difficult to do In all ages the spiritual world has expressed in a under the influence of spiritual power and the intui- A Babylenian poet gave to you the tragic and mag- wrong. I would make the power of intellect moral, man. In all of the flight of time, in all the struggle,

soul could only express in animal monsters preying tality-of the Pagan-so-called-Seneca? Can you on each other in sgallow seas and dense tropical for- measure in your day the brilliance of the inspiration A ".ecture by the Guides of Mr. J. Clegg Wright, The poets are inspired, inventors, historians, ora- grand light and glory of the evolution of soul con- of classical and artistic art and learning in the mid-Before the First Association of Spiritualists, Wash- tors, generals of armies, mechanics, adventurers, fath- sciousness in experience and in its general expression, dle ages? Can apy man measure the magnitude and

ucidation, just an intelligent voice. There never does begin, in the processes of natural correlate. The correlation in this state is more per-1848 no new spiritual law came into existence and no in the trance consciousness. The development of the that altruistic emotion. It was born in pain, in suf-new stratum of intellectual power and activity came elemental power of clairvoyant consciousness puts the fering. If man had never suffered he never would lation to the conic souls of the spiritual world. The tution of man. For the convenience of historic refer- closer relationship than that soul through its person- ness. Siberia in Russia is rebuilding the altruism of touched by the fire of divinity in its own order as you the Russian peasant. The birthplace of Liberty is are touched by the fire of the infinite-life in the Infiforce, you speak of 1848 as the epoch year of Modern So in the development of inspiration from the soul Tyranny, Oppression and Wrong. The birthplace of nite, life one eternal uncaused power. I am lost. Spiritualism, but in truth it was not the beginning of incarnate, expressing in the body, a large field of in-. virtue is the blackness of vice, revulsion from satiety. How can I speak of that which lies in inspiration? any new process, of any new manifestation in spirit- spiration can be touched and details of life and work And so the moral emotions, -moral adhesiveness-un- How can I delineate the operations of divinity? How express my ideal? Why should I? I should ever be nally unfolded in the dreamy sphere of my progress

> I want to leave you with the idea that inspiration from the soul sphere began when the first cell of life appeared and filtering through the gyrations of phenomena, historical in time and physical in sphere, came on and on, and the Sphinx of civilization is opening to yonder central light, and as those dreamy eyes of the Sphinx look out on the wilderness of sand impassive, dreamy Sphinx eyes, so I look and behold only what I can realize; but distant, in the unexpressed, the Sphinx's eyes are luring me to the chambers of a consciousness I have not reached, and traveling in the weary wilderness I am, in the evolution of my consciousness, where sand and stones cut my feet, but I am rising to the light of my higher power. Where tears were falling and sadness abode I look and flowers from tears have sprung, and joys from broken dreams arise, the misery of one experience becomes the source of a new pleasure, and so I rise to delight as it marks the age, the epoch and the time.

son. I have no terms to describe a consciousness that ethics of the abstract had two forms, and so in that in- the people of the earth might dwell together as one say that in a day like this, dedicated to immortality, is above reason. The soul has a consciousness above spiration the philosophical thought is carried, but the people. I would seek to abolish sectionalism; I after a few more days have fled, you will take your reason and the mind expressed in brain organization ideal is an inspirational epic, and so down the ages, would seek to bring genius to the expression, I would flight to gardens fair, there to meet your loved ones, is but a limited expression of the consciousness of the the spiritual world correlating with the soul has been make genius the power, but as democracy cannot the darlings you have known before. Your tears will make genius I would make genius the elevator of dem- then be but sprinkling showers to raise new flowers ness of the brain life, and that is then the first field of Up till this stage, and for a little while yet, the god ocracy. It will always be that the man who stands at night, and in that greater state where wisdom inspiration when the soul is the inspirer of the mind. of Mars will be the God of advancing civilization; it on the frontier of inspiration and of thought will mold blooms in conscious mind you will rise to realize that who loves you and who will care for you in all the



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The Boy Medium's Methods Exposed.

to our columns this exposure of the

methods of this young man Baker. Gifted in many ways, it is too bad, that he should resort to deception. An exposure of the boy at Smithville, Texas, came to this office, but we refused to publish it then, desiring to wait for further evidence, which has now come From Los Angeles, Cal., and seems to be complete in all respects. We have published many favorable reports of this boy, and it was with feelings of deep regret that we have heard of the decep-

tion he practiced in Texas and Cali-Jornia.

BOY MEDIUM EXPOSED.

It is Accomplished Before a Large Audience-He Is Driven From the Stage by a Well-Known Man Who Detects and Traps the Youth.

"Prof." M. Baker, the "boy medium,' who has been electrifying a trusting public from one end of the country to the other with his alleged wonderful psychic powers, came to grief last night, falling an easy victim to a party of fraud hunters that had been lying in wait to show up his methods.

This young man is not yet 17 years of age, but has been before the public for some time, claiming to do marvels in the way of "independent slate writ-ing." He assumes power to receive messages from beyond the grave, bringing back departed relatives at so much per head for anybody willing to pay the price.

The youthful "professor" reached Los Angeles a short time ago and was carple before him. rying on his mysterious slate-writing apparently without opposition from any source, while the gullibles were voting him a marvel. He had spoken before the Truthseekers' Society at Burbank there again hall, and was to appear purpose.

When the time arrived for Baker to

The lights were turned low and the the precaution to keep a type-written audience was requested to examine the copy of what he had giveh out. This copy Mr. Hale proceeded to slates, which were held in the hands other man mounted the rostrum and He also read for the edification of his Robert T. Hale and other members atom each holding onto one end of the hearers an agreement which Baker had heard him remark that he had fooled heard into medium ouaked, signed, saying that he would not exgroaned, wheed a bit of imaginary per- | change with non-members of the "S. E. appriation from the mape of his neck. A. P. F." any of the tests. received. and the business was done. "You can This "S. E. A. P. F." it should be ex-all see," he remarked, "under what a plained, was supposed to be a California terrible strain I have been." Then the association which the boy medium had plates were opened, and bchold, the not known before, but which he recog-

plates were opened, and benoid, the not known before, but which he recog-writing. Names were signed to the messages, in the letters, set down kind. In the by medium encouraged his for merminent by the fake functers is and for merminent by the fake function in the reading medium. The fake function in the reading medium fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in the reading for merminent by the fake function in th

It is with great sorrow that we admit sponse. Nobody claimed the tests. Exposure of Fraud.

When Baker had finished, Robert T. ure. Hale, well known as a business man in Los Angeles, advanced and took the boy's breath quite away with one of the most sensational exposes that ever have been made in the interest of driving frauds from Los Angeles.

"Little boy," said Mr. Hale, "hold up your hand here before this audience: confess that you are an unmitigated fake, then turn over a new leaf, be a good child and grow up to be an honest

Baker was non-plussed and paced back and forth while Mr. Hale continued to unfold the carefully-laid plan by which the youth had been trapped. In

the first place, he stated that he had been able to overhear a conversation in which Baker had acknowledged the methods used by him for deceiving the

people, and being convinced from the

a detective. This is not Mr. Hale's first experience with the fakers which abound in Los Angeles and other parts of the country, and he has learned many of their secret signs. One of these, the sign of recognition, exchanged between strangers, he had given to the detec-tives, and with it the officer trapped 1905.

Baker. Passing the sign, the detective drew the boy into conversation and offered to give him a list of stock tests, such as are exchanged among the fakers, and bestowed for cash considerence ation upon a visiting "medium," who intends to show his powers in a community where it is understood that he

has no acquaintances and therefore cannot know the life stories of the peo-Bogus "Tests" Sold.

The boy medium was looking for these same stock tests; in fact, he tive work by members of the society could not do business without them, who suspected the genuineness of the and he caught eagerly at the bait, going night. A large audience turned out to with the detective to a neighboring hot to a most sensational expose at a sesse his slate-writing, and the fraud tel and receiving the information which sion Sunday evening of the Truthseek hunters were there, although the boy he desired about the gullibles who medium was blissfully ignorant of their would, no doubt, be at last night's quent repudiation by the society, as pub nurnose. meetings. The "tests," however, were all ficti-

Typear everybody was on tiptoe of ex-tious and not in any case near the dentials from the National Spiritualists' truth. Besides this, the detective took Association and was immediately hired

operator, but must not be read, showing that in substance it doubtless have left town with that Then the medium and an was the same as the tests on the slates. reputation only that he is boastful, and National Association leading clergymen all over the country and even newspaper men. In fact, he

when Mr. Hale had finished, and every-body wanted the method of the slatewriting shown up. This was under-taken and explained to the satisfaction friends and relatives which are made use of in slate writing. Baker was given the "fakirs'" grip, which is three pinches on the left arm of many, although the boy and his mother, who was with him, sought franat the elbow; also a secondary sign to tically to prevent the complete expos-

ext meeting of the Truthseekers.

one by name of Jane; second wife

"Robert T. Hale-Mother died in an

sends word that the future will be a

addressed to a prominent Spiritual-

front of the stage and made him ad-

How Trick Is Done.

When the slates were laid upon the table they were placed on a black cloth and as one after another was raised the cloth was folded up gradually and finally removed entirely. The actual process, as seen by persons near the table who were on the alert, was this: The slates were covered with slica slabs, which is thin and slate colored and cannot easily be detected in a dim-

thirty years ago: has two wives in spir ly lighted room. Under the silica was the writing already prepared, and after died in Cleveland June 1899. the audience had made its examination, the slate being held up by the medium. insane asylum in England twenty-two for that purpose, they were laid upon years ago: sister died in Boston five years ago and her husband got \$5,000 the cloth, the silica dropped down and

the cloth folded over it. "The satchel, the satchel! We want to see its contents!" came from every the borber in spirit named if its content is spirit daugh-to see its contents!" came from every to see its contents!" came from every the borber in spirit named if its content is spirit daugh-to see its contents!" came from every the borber in spirit named if its content is spirit daugh-to see its content is spirit daugh-Mr. Hale had employed the services of made a direction, but the boy medium in New York harbor; has spirit daughstood over it like a tiger. Finally he ter by second wife, who always sends

escaped with it, a detective shadowing him as he passed down the street. It love to papa and mamma; she was only 16 when she passed away from typhoid is believed he will leave town at once fever and had much long hair down her If he does not he will be further purback. sued by Mr. Hale and his friends. Los Angeles (Cal.) Express, April 24, who was killed at Gettysburg and who

Reads Messages Furnished in Advance, From Dead Persons Who Never Ex. ways with Frank and help him in every isted-Confessed to Fraud to Audi-

undertaking." The above messages, each of which Spirit messages to prominent Los ist, Mr, Dye being president, of the Angeles Spiritualists from departed rel-Truthseekers, appeared on the boy won-Spirk messages to prominent Los der's slate last Sunday, evening. They created a sensation, which, however, was mild when compared will the sen-sation when R. T. Hale de Barer to the atives who never lived were the downfall of Milton Baker, boy medium from Texas, whose psychic powers, manifested in slate writings have been the feature of meetings of the Truthseek-

ers' Society the past fortnight. Detec-

who suspected the genuineness of the youth's manifestations also contributed

Baker came to town armed with crecere. by the Truthseekers to give exhibitions

at their meetings. He made good as a the National Association of Spiritualists "boy wonder" from the first and would by both factions.—Los Angeles Examiner, April 25, 1905.

of Spiritualists, Boy Medium.

There was almost a panic in the hall | ganization with secret signs and grips. | ualists in particular: They co-operate in securing from the unsuspecting facts about deceased of Los Angeles, respectfully submit this

apology to the public. "For the last two Sundays we have found in the pocket. introduced to the public Milton Baker,

the so-called boy medium, as a slate writing medium. Being satisfied from what occurred at our meeting this evenshow he is "on"-three slaps on the left shoulder-and he responded. Mr. Hale then had the boy sign an agreement ing that said slate writing was fraudunever to use professionally any fake lent, we hereby apologize to the public in general and Spiritualists in partictests he might receive; also never reyeal to anyone where he got them. ular for having vouched for said mewas then given the following tests dium by introducing him to the public. written on a typewriter and which he agreed to reproduce on slates at the "S. D. Dye, president; F. S. McPherson, secretary; Nettie Howell, treasurer; D. E. Lyons, M. T. Mann, Mrs. M. "John McLane-Mother, hamed Mar-T. Mann, D. L. Newcomb, trustees." garet, died in Glasgow of heart failure

Exposure of Baker-Dr. Curham Follows the "Materialist" to a Complete Expose-Last Night's Work Showed the Red Hand-The Carmine Did the Work.

ham was invited. Baker and two mem-The Spiritualist society of Smithville was organized here a little more than bers of the society took seats in front of a year ago, and the organization has the cabinet. A curtain was drawn in been controlled every week by memfront of the three to cover their bodies bers whose names were placed on the charter, with the aid of new members, to the shoulders. Baker and the gentleman placed their two hands on, each, The membership is made up from an arm of the lady. The mandolin some of the best people of the town came into view above their heads.

and the society embraces good reliable Curham had previously handled the mandolin as if to examine it, but durcitizens. For Tuesday night of this week it ing the formation of the "battery" and "F. A. Stowe-Has brother in spirit was announced that Milton Baker, a the progress of the performance he sat 16-year old Spiritualist, of Dallas, among the collection of members in would appear at the opera house and front, watching every movement of great deal brighter than the past has been; this brother-Charles will be algive spiritual manifestations from the Baker. Curham stepped forward and stage. The night was a dark one and said to Baker: "Give me your hand."

the ground was covered with mud, but He held the hand and turned to the the audience was a big one and filled members and said: "Ladies and gentlethe seats back to the two last rows. men, I did not come here to denounce A cabinet covered with cloth, had been Spiritualism, but to denounce fraud." erected on the stage, and a committee Raising the palm of the hand up to the of reliable citizens was selected to see view of the people, he said: "You will that the work was fairly done. Young observe that it is stained with the same Baker addressed the audience at some carmine that is contained in the bottle which I pull from my pocket, and you length on the doctrine of Spiritualism. after which he was bound with a strong will find carmine from the bottle on rope by the committee and placed in the handle of the mandolin." The lady the cabinet. Dr. Curham, one of the assisting in the "battery" said to assisting in the "battery" said to committee, stated that he opened the Baker: "I am a Spiritualist, but I know you are a fraud." Baker replied: "Did I take my hand from your arm?" and corner of the cabinet and saw Baker you are a fraud." loosen his right hand from the rope

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she answered, "Yes, you did!" take up the bell and rang it, dropped Every person that handled the manthe bell, stooped and picked it up again dolin was stained .- The Times, Smithwith his right hand, dropped it the sec ond time and could not reach it from ville, Texas, March 10, 1905.

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his tied position, but took the mandolin from the table, reached with it for the bell under a chair, where it had rolled, and failed to get it; his hands supposed

front of the stage and made him ad-mit be was a fakir, and that he had re-ceived the "messages" from a typewri-ter and not from spirit tands. Baker's exposure is more than likely to cause a spilt in the Truthseekers' Society. Those who hired the Texan and who profited by the towas he drew are angry, those who conspired against the boy declars he was fur-nished with stock tests and dollar a test by members supposed for be sin-cere. A report of the affair will be made to to have been tied all this tim says he showed Baker's free hand to Prof. Bond, Mr. Maney, Mr. Gresham 11.

and Mr. Tom Dougherty. In the second act, in which he was The Truthseekers' Club of Los Angeles, supposed to produce the voice of the spirit, to prove that he did not do the Cal., Issues Resolutions Apologizing talking Baker took a mouthful of wafor introducing Milton Baker, the ter, which he was supposed to hold in his mouth to prevent talking; that he

Owing to the discovery on the part of swallowed the water and did the talkdeclared he could fool anybody if he the spectators at the meeting of the ing himself; that Baker placed his right could only get his subject alone in a Truth Seekers' club yesterday after hand in the inside pocket of his coat dark room. dark room. It then occurred to the Los Angeles to Baker, was using tricks to write the from which he refilled his mouth with Laws of Physiological Psychology and Spiritualists that the young Texan was spirit messages on the slates used in water, then he replaced his hand back Mental Suggestion." By Newton N. Dr. Curham says he searched Brker

"To the public in general and Spirit and found the 4-ounce bottle in the great. Price 65 cents.

pocket and notified Dr. Hickman and

"We the undersigned, trustees and officers of the Truthseekers' society other members of the committee; that Messrs Chase, Dougherty, Hudnall and he asked them to search and said he would give \$20 if the bottle was not

Second Meeting.

death to the sunlit clime of the world celestial.' There has been much interest mani-Rev. M. J. Savage says: "It is infested to find what success was had in tensely interesting, and gives a picture of the future life that one cannot help subsequent attempts by the young man o give manifestations. wishing may be true."

Wednesday night, at a seance held at private residence Mr. Chase and Mr. foore used tape and tied Baker so firmly that he was powerless in the use of his hands. One of the members of the society, a gentleman who has strong faith in the doctrine of Spiritualism, in answer to a query, said that there was nothing accomplished; that the work was not satisfactory.

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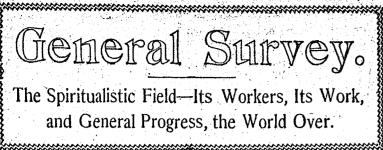
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A seance will be held on Friday even WRITE PLAINLY .-- We would like ing, May 19, at the residence of Mrs. to impress upon the minds of our corre-Geo. Lincoln, 626 East 63rd street, This well-known medium has volunteered spondents that The Progressive Thinker is set up on a Linotype machine that her services, and desires other medimust make speed equal to about four ums to join in making the occasion a delightful and instructive one. Private compositors. That means rapid work, readings will be given to those wishing and it is essential that all cony, to insure insertion in the paper, all other rethe same. A small admission fee will quirements being favorable, should be he charged, and the proceeds of the enwritten plainly with ink on white tire affair will go to the Sunflower paper, or with a typewriter, and only on Club, Auxiliary to the Illinois State one side of the paper. Please bear this Spiritualist Association. Come one and paper, or with a typewriter, and only on all and enjoy this rare treat.

in mind. Mrs. O. S. Crane writes: "The Pro-gressive Spiritual Church of Indianapo-ITEMS .- Bear in mind that items for the General Survey will in all cases be adjusted to the space we have to occulis, Ind., met May 3 for its first annual py, and in order to do that they will election of officers. The following were elected: President, C. A. Allen; generally have to be abridged more or lice-president, Mrs. O. S. Crane; secreless: otherwise many items would be crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line tary, Mrs. Eudora Compton; treasurer item is cut down to ten lines, and ten Mrs. Chris Hartman; trustees, one lines to two lines, as occasion may re-year, O. S. Crane, J. A. Humphrey; year, O. S. Crane, J. A. Humphrey trustees, three years, S. A. Zeigler, Mrs quire

TAKE DUE NOTICE, that all items J. E. Rehme and J. C. Barnes." for this page must be accompanied by Mrs. B. Scherer writes from Louisville, the full name and address of the writer. Ky .: "The Ladies' Aid of Mrs. Anna It will not do to say that Secretary or Throndsen's Spiritual Church, gave her Correspondent writes so and so, witha surprise on April 4, she having been out giving the full name and address of absent for five weeks, serving the the writer. The items of those who do friends in Indiana. It was a complete not comply with this request will be surprise to her. Refreshments were cast into the waste basket. About forty ladies were presserved. ent and all went away delighted. KEEP COPIES of your poems sent to Our this office, for they will not be returned Aid is progressing nicely, and we hope

if we have not space to use them.

ing the five years Mrs. Throndsen hac been in Louisville, she has endeared herself to the many people, bringing THIS GENERAL SURVEY DEPARTcomfort to many homes. On Sunday

to do better in the near future. Dur

MENT IS ONLY INTENDED TO night we will begin our usual Sunday CHRONICLE THE ENGAGEMENTS services. We held services in the pas AND WORK OF SPEAKERS AND ME- tor's home during her absence." DIUMS. A REPORT OF WHAT THE Fred D. Dunakin writes: "The La-VARIOUS SPEAKERS SAY WILL dies' Society, auxiliary to the Spiritual-

NOT BE PUBLISHED, AS WE HAVE ist Society of Elyria, Ohio, held a me-NOT SPACE SUFFICIENT FOR THAT | morial meeting at its hall on last Sunday evening, May 7, in memory of Aunt Lydia Steel (as she was familiarly PURPOSE.

called by all), of North Amherst, Ohio. ALL THE HONEST MEDIUMS IN The little hall was well filled, for Aunt CHICAGO RECEIVE THE CORDIAL Lydia was a friend to everybody, and ENDORSEMENT OF THE ILLINOIS everyone loved and respected her, and sought by word and deed to show their STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIArespects to her whom they loved. The WHETHER ORDAINED OR ladies had their room beautifully deco-AS THERE ARE NUMEROUS reted with lovely flowers for the occa-FRAUDS IN THE CITY, IT WOULD sion, emblematical of the pure swee BE WELL FOR ALL CAMP OFFIlife of the one they held so dear in their memory, and whose transition to the CIALS TO BE EXCEEDINGLY CAREspirit world was like the breaking away FUL AND WRITE TO DR. GEO. B. WARNE, 4203 EVANS AVENUE, FOR of a dove-like spirit from its prison house of clay, and passing out to a more INFORMATION, IF THEY DESIRE perfect condition, where all things are PARTICULARS. SUMMER lovely like herself. The writer, assist ANY CAMP-MEETINGS, WHEN PURE IN ed by Mrs. Carrie Firth Curran of To SOCIAL CONDITIONS, ELEVATED IN ledo, and Mrs. Anna E. Baird, of Elyria, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL TONE Ohio, delivered the memorial addresses.

AND CONDUCTED ON STRICTLY Flora Hardin Millspaugh writes: BUSINESS METHODS ARE POWER-"The committee appointed by the La-FUL AIDS IN SPREADING THE dies' Bazaar Society, auxiliary to the TRUTHS OF SPIRITUALISM. IT Camp Chesterfield, Ind., and organized MUST NOT BE FORGOTTEN THAT by Amelia Colby Luther, desire to close THEY ARE ALSO THE HARVEST up their business pertaining to the TIME FOR THE FAKIRS, BECAUSE Luther monument or marker for her TIME FOR THE FAKIRS, BECAUSE THEY COME TO THE RALLYING CENTERS FOR NUMBERS OF PEO-PLE, MANY OF WHOM ARE HUN-PLE, MANY OF WHOM ARE HUN-

use a pen or typewriter. We go to press early Monday morn-ing, hence communications intended for that current issue should reach this office not later than the previous Saturday morning. Bear this in mind.

H. Smith writes: "The Society Stu dents of Nature holds meetings with varying success every Sunday evening, at 1565 Milwaukee avenue, corner Western avenue. Last Sunday, the was unusually interesting: meeting Brother H. Koeller, M. D., assisted the worthy pastor, Mrs. M. Schumacher. Sister McIntire gave us remarkable tests. Do not fail to attend the last Sunday evening service, May 28, the closing of the season until September. Prof. W. Lynn, the Hindoo, Prof. Hunt and his string orchestra of twenty juve nile musicians, will be present, which will be light of the evening to all. We

predict a large gathering: All will be made welcome.' Mrs. C. Kerchner writes: "The services on Sunday afternoon, May 7, at the Rising Sun Mission, was fraught with pleasant surprises. The absence of our president necessitated Brother Mont gomery taking charge of the meeting, which he did to the satisfaction of all. He delivered a forceful lecture upon spirit return, making the comparisons of demonstrations during bible times, which are recorded in the bible, and the present time. A great many Christians were in the audience, and it had a tendency to convince them that our Spiritualism is true, if they believe what their bible teaches. Demonstratiosns of the phenomena were given by our Sister Weaver and Mrs. Hamilton Gill, and a beautiful in spirational poem was rendered by Mrs. Virginia Bryan, a very talented spiritual worker from Ohio, No commendation is necessary on the messages given, as they brought consoling thoughts to all who received them. In the evening our hall was well filled by an eager throng of anxious strangers who were seeking after the philosophy and phenomena of our belief. I glad to say they were not disappointed, for our speaker, that grand orator, Bro. Dr. J. McFarland, formerly a Presbyterian, now an ardent Spiritualist, en lightened them all. He took for his subject, "The Witch of Endor." He showed plainly that in her time there were demonstrations of spirit return, and if it were true then, the laws of the Great Spirit have not changed, so it must be true now, and all the creeds and dogmas of religions cannot contradict it if they place their faith on the bible, or on the phenomena as it is presented at this time. At the conclusion of his lecture he was heartily applauded. Spirit messages were, given by Brother Burgess, Sister Weaver, and Brother Thompson, all of which bore

out our speaker as to the truth of spirit return. Our choir rendered some beautiful selections which added materially to the services of the evening. We welcome strangers and investigators to our services every Sunday afternoon at 3; evening at 8, at Mission Hall, People's Institute, Van Buren and Leavitt streets. Our Second Annual May Hop will take place at our Pleasure Hall, People's Institute, on Saturday May 20, and our lectures on Social Economy will take place the same evening in Mission Hall."

Professor Ernst Haeckel, scholar and exponent of Darwin, has delivered a most interesting lecture on the subject of evolution and the church. He had been induced, he said, to revoke his decision, made several years ago, never to lecture in public again by the appear ance of a book which he claims marks an era in the history of evolution. It is the work of Erich Wasmann, a Jesuit

father residing at Luxemburg, who has made a special study of ants. Wasmann acknowledges his conversion to Darwinism, except as regards the genesis of man, who, as he says, differs from the entire animal world in that he possesses a soul or the spirit of God. In

Reporter writes: "The Church of the Soul, Mrs. Cora D. V. Richmond, pas-When writing for this paper. tor, held its annual meeting last Sun-

day morning. The treasurer, on making his report, said it was the best financial report ever made by the church. The following officers were elected for the ensuing ver: President. Mr. Waldo Dennis vice-president, Mrs. S. J. Ashton; secrétary, Mr. A. W. Aus-tin; treasurer, Mr. J. Gleselman. Mr.

Janse was the only new member elect ed on the board of trustees. The Sun-day services will be held in the same hall, 309 Masonici/Temple, the coming year. The Sunday services will be continued during the month of May, begin ning again the third Sunday in Septemher. 15 6 01

Mrs. Virginia Bryan, one of our most eloquent trance mediums, will lecture at Star Lodge Hall, 378 South Western avenue, each Sunday evening.

Mrs. Laura G. Fixen, the vice-presi dent of the I. S. S. A., has received the following from Mrs. Lizzie Moore, of Wellington, N. Z., speaking of Mrs. Loie Prior, as follows: "Mrs. Prior is

without exception the best medium we have had. She is drawing crowded audiences, and hundreds have to be turned away, though our hall has been considerably enlarged."

Maggie Henry writes: "On Sunday, May 7, at the Universal Occult Society, Evangelist F. M. Stoller read for the scripture lesson a portion of the 12th of I. Corinthians. Then in chapter place of the usual lecture he answered philosophical questions. Some very in teresting questions were asked and answered. We have fine meetings, per fect harmony, and good music, Madam Lucile DeLoux presiding at the piano She always favors us with spirit mes sages. Then Prof. Stoller is a fine psy chometric reader and many get mes sages or readings. So all are blessed by attending our meetings. A cordial invitation is extended to strangers to attend our meetings. On May 24, Wednesday evening, Madame DeLoux will hold a test social in her parlors at 2952 Cottage Grove avenue; an invitation is extended to all. Refreshments served."

L. N. Walling writes from Lawrence Kansas: "The First Spiritualist So clety has recently had the pleasure of entertaining the public with has a feast of good things by way of lectures from the gifted speakers, Mr. A. Scott Bledsoe and wife, of Topeka, Kan-They spoke to appreciative audi-Sas. ences on Friday and Saturday evenings. and Sunday afternoon, the 5th, 6th and 7th.'

Mrs Johanne Rennau writes: "The North Side Spiritualist Society will give an entertainment and May party, May 20. A good time is expected. All are invited. Come and see for yourselves. There will be a short program, after which there will be music and dancing. Admission 15 cents.

Dr. Beverly whites: "Free meetings continue at Arlington Hall, 81st street and Indiana givenite, and large crowds are coming to investigate this new truth. Sunday, May 21, the president of the society willigive a lecture on Vibration, using the blackboard and two megaphones, j_E ing illustrating. He teaches telepathy and is demonstrating some very useful truths that all should know. We have secured a new musician, and with Florence Daniels' lovely solos, our program cannot be excelled. All_workers in the truth are welcome to come and help. We stand for honest demonstrations fiand the highest truths."

Emil T. Vins writes: "The German English society, Bund der Wahrheit No. 18, will have a' May Festival on Sunday, May 21, to be held at Heuser's Hall, 576 Larrabee street, near Wisconsin, beginning at 3 p. m! sharp. In the afternoon a very elaborate program will be carried out, consisting of songs, instrumental music, recitations, etc., as well as a lecture by E. T. Vaas on the subject of 'Obsession,' and tests and mes sages by Frank Joseph and other me diums. Supper will then be served, 25 cents per person, and the evening spent in dancing and general good time to evspite of this reservation, Professor erybody. Admittance 15 cents at the door. Come everybody, and enjoy the day with us, and remember the place, Heuser's Hall 576 Larrabee street. Come and help crown the most win some lassie as May Queen for 1905." D. G. Hill writes: "The Golden Rule Spiritualist Society's services for Sunday, May 7, were greeted by a large at tendance, both afternoon and evening The speaker for the afternoon, Mrs. Al ice Sexsmith, delivered a most pleasing address, her subject being 'Spirituality which she handled in a very instructive manner. Your correspondent foretells for her a most promising future as a teacher of the truth of Spiritualism She was followed by messages by those well-known mediums, Mrs. Nellie Kus -C. serow and Mrs. Mary McIntyre. The evening lecture was by Mrs. Nora E. Hill, who always holds the close atten tion of her audience. The message bearers were Mrs. Alice Sexsmith and Mrs. Nora E. Hill. The speakers for Sunday, May 21, will be for afternoon Mrs. Martha Price of Boston, Mass.; for the evening, Mrs. Isa Wilson Kay ner, missionary for the State Spiritual ist Association of Texas. All seekers after truth are condially invited to at tend these meetings each Sunday at 2 and 8 p. m., O'Donnell College Hall, So. Paulina street, between Washington Boulevard and Park avenue. The reception and dance given by this society Saturday evening, May 6, was a finan-cial success and was heartily enjoyed by all. On Saturday, June 17, this soclety will give an entertainment at its hall, at which time a prize drawing of a complete set of books, the writings of John L. Stoddard, which was donated to the society, will take place. An enjoy able time promised on that occasion Joseph Challand writes from Topeka Kansas: "I am pleased to be able to say that the First Spiritualist Society of To highly satisfactory as well as the tests given after each lecture. I have never scen a Spiritualist meeting conducted in a more becoming manner. I have had the pleasure of listening to many eloquent platform speakers but have never heard any, in any way, superior to Mrs. Bledsoe, and as to Mrs. Inez Wagner's pelfet reading which is con-ducted under absolute, test conditions, will say, they are parfectly satisfactory to all who are not influenced by prejudice or envy. of Simon Empey writes from Maine: ". was very much interested in an article Julia H. Johnsom in The Progressive Thinker of April 29, in relation to the great influx of spirit communication among the Shakers. I lived with them in Alfred, Maine. At that time I was quite young, not over 15 or 16 years old. but remember many of the communicalions, predictions and beautiful heavenly songs through their mediums. It only seems a little while since, and l am now past my 80th year. I have lived to see many of those predictions fulfilled to the letter. I remember when the spirits told them they were going to leave them for a while commence on the outer wheel, and in a shore time the tiny raps were heard at Hydesville, which have since gone to nations. Nearly every family and

spirit manifestations."

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Sunday, May 21, 1905, S. E. 58: "Story of the Letter O.

Gem of Thought:---O tells of morning, of glory and power, Of oft open doors .-

Opportunities that crowd to the hour. For information concerning The Progressive Lyceum, authorized lessor heet of the National Spiritualists Asso ciation, address John W. Ring, Spirit ualist Temple, Galveston, Texas,

A paper published at Hutchinson Chicago Spiritualists' League and its Kansas, says: "The Psychic Research May meeting particularly, published in Society held a very interesting service The Progressive Thinker of May 13 Sunday afternoon, the subject of the calls for a word of explanation. The settled policy of the body has lecture being 'Spiritualism, a Moral and Ethical Teacher,' which was handled been to limit the main address of each with skill and care by the Rev. E. E. public programme to thirty minutes in its time of delivery, from a conviction McCarthy, whose natural powers of explanation is unsurpassed. She lifts that the average audience feels that it is generally willing to dispense with all one out of his environment to dwell for a time at least among the blessed. She a speaker cannot compress into that pe goes to Sterling with best wishes and riod and from a desire to do justice to hopes of her return." all participants who have a part in the

Mrs. C. J. Dixon, secretary, writes evening's entertainment. Dr. Wick-land was granted ten minutes in excess 'The secretary of the Spiritual Association of Springfield, Mo., would be pleased to communicate with some of that limit, and without doubt could not have exhausted his experiences and good speaker bearing proper creden conclusions had the entire evening been tials, who may contemplate a trip through the Southwest. Under satisat his disposal. His work in all psychic factory terms, arrangements may be made for a short, engagement. Address painstaking studiousness. me at No. 529 West Linn street."

Maurgerite Mac writes: "In her par lors at 2019 Vernon avenue on Thurs day evening, May 25, Mrs. Jeffery Bur land will hold her regular monthly so-cial. If you want to have a good time and get a good cup of coffee, just attend one of her socials. After you have been to one, you will not forget to invite your friends to the next one You are sure of a message or a palm reading, as Mrs. Maggie Henry is al-ways with us to read the lines in your hands, and other psychics are always present.'

the audiences and use the knowledge Dr. Dobson-Barker writes from Sar thus acquired. Each meeting adds to Jose, Cal.: "The First Spiritual Union its fund of experience. It has already was greatly favored Sunday, at their so nearly abolished the unpleasant ad morning and evening meeting, by hav vertising feature by private notification and platform protests that criticism ing with them Prof. Geo. Perkins of Oakland. A large and intelligent audiupon that point is too belated for pres ence gathered to hear him, the deepest ent consideration. Three message me interest being manifested at both sesdiums are enough for any one evening GEO B. WARNE, sions. Prof. Perkins' specialities are speaking and singing, and giving read-ings from a scientific standpoint, bringing prominently to the front ques tions pertaining to the domostic economy, the sacredness of home and the re sponsibilities resting upon father, mother and child. His lecture before Spiritual Church, Baltimore, Md., lec tured on "Evolution," Sunday, April 30. our society was, 'See Thou Character,' analyzing Shakspeare's delineations, tion, once so unpopular with religious and pointing out the absence of people, is now the dominant philosophy home teachings. Mr. Perkins emphaof the scientific world, and is rapidly sizes the necessity of having phrenolo invading the theological colleges. If gy, astrology and psychometry taught in our public schools. The president has been defined as a "continuous pro The president gressive change, according to definite calling for a rising vote of thanks, a laws and by means of resident forces. Three great steps upward in human manimous vote was given by the enfire audience rising to their feet, in rethought have been taken in the past eponse to their appreciation of the in-The recognition that the sun is the censtructive lesson taught. We hope to tre of our system; the law of gravitahave the Professor with us again in the tion and the evolution theory. near future. Sunday, May 14, we are nicus, Newton, Huxley and Wallace are to have an address by Mrs. N. P. Fox, followed by Mrs. R. Cowell, of Oakland, names "not born to die." It is said that evolution is not logically proven: who will give tests, and during the evening session, will christen the in-fant grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. J. the assumed fact that the sun will rise rise to-morrow. It is said that evolution does away with God; not so. It does destroy those Hambly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theall, aving recently returned to San Jose from New York City." In a letter received from Dr. Peebles Great First Cause, those anthropomor-

phic ideas of God which men formed in in London a few days since, we learn that he is lecturing every Sunday upon the childhood of the race. Whence came the "resident forces," and whence Spiritualism in Nottingham, Birmingham, Leeds. Sheffield, Manchester Glasgow, Merthyr in Wales, and so the "definite laws," if not from God? Manchester, In place of an "absentee God" who toiled six days and then rested, evoluforth. He desires us to state that he cancels all his engagements with the tion shows us the living and present God at work in all nature's operations. camp-meetings to which he had been invited, except the Chesterfield, Indiana, camp-meeting, and one in Michi-gan, near Battle Creek. His outlined revelation, making it world-wide and age-long, and showing us that nature is literary work prevents his spending full of divine truth and every "burning bush" ablaze with God. Evolution, time at these camp-meetings. He refully understood, is not antagonistic to turns from England some time in June.

my thoughts together and am what weak.

"Charlotte wanted me to come and give my first communication through little Puss. I will come again and hope There, I have blown a long blast on to do better next time." it my own horn, and I suppose you are Dr. Meyer asked the spirit if he tired. Sorry I could not be with you at found it over there as he had antici-pated. He said, "Not quite. In some May board meeting-hope you have ac complished great things and that the triumphant march of the cause is asrespects it is not exactly as it had been represented or as mediums had de-scribed it to me, but it is all right.

will soon be straightened out.' The spirit ceased talking and apparently left. Presently he returned and said: "I nearly forgot to say good-Dr. G. B. Warne's Reply to Jane Steffen night. Remember me to Puss. I will

come again." Owing to his diminutive form, Justin Jane Steffenson's criticism of the was by his theatrical friends `alled Puss; that nickname was applic him while he remained upon the :

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GERING FOR PHENOMENA ALL ing of the committee, I was authorized THE REST OF THE YEAR AND to again announce through the Spirit-READY THERE TO PART WITH uslist press the purpose of this commit-tee and to ask the friends and acquaint-THEIR MONEY WITHOUT PRU- tee and to ask the friends and acquires and to ask the friends and acquires and ances of Mrs. Luther who desire to ask DENCE. SPIRITUALISTS AND THE sist in this duty to her memory, to send PUBLIC AT LARGE LOOK TO EVERY at once their remittances to Mrs. Susan ONE OF OUR CAMP OFFICIAL S. Mong, 325 West Adams street, Mun-BOARDS TO PROMOTE DECENCY, ELIMINATE TRICKERY AND RECOG-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. Carrie Firth Curran writes: " wish to announce that I am not a candidate for the presidency of the O.S.A.; neither can I accept that office for another year. I take this way in answer friends' request, thanking them for the support they have given me in the past two years. I regret that I was harmony for many years to come." unable to do more for the state in the past year, but owing to ill health was compelled to leave the state work and go South where the sunshine and the rest has been a great benefit to me."

Harry J. Moore serves the Montana State Spiritualists Association during May and June. He delivers fifteen lec tures for the New Era camp, near Portland, Oregon, during July. It may be that he will decide to remain and lec ture in the West during August and September, but he will again work in during October and probably return to St. Joseph, Mo., for November, His present address is Cottage Inn Billings, Mont.

Our correspondent at Sandusky.Ohio writes: "Mrs. Marian Carpenter, of De troit, addressed the Psychic Research Society, Sunday and Monday evenings, May 7 and 8. Mrs. Carpenter is one of May 7 and 8. Mis. Carpenter a one of Hall, Mis. Hunte, Ato a day evening; the most brilliant and entertaining E.; Mrs. Price every Sunday evening; speakers who has visited our city, and and the Educational Association at has a large number of admirers here. Smith's Hall, through the month Following her lectures, she delivered many messages from spirit friends of the audience, nearly all of which were acknowledged correct."

Professor-Doctor Uhlenhuth. of Germany, an eminent army doctor, definite Glens Falls. We feel a pleasure to ly claims to have discovered the "miss ing link" by a long series of investiga-tions, having established the similarity in every respect of the blood of the high apes and human beings. "If the blood powers. She is a conscientious and in-serum of one animal be mixed with defatigable worker. This month there that of any other, the mixture remains seems to have been a change in the from an ane and injected into the veins well as scientific work. The Ladies of a rabbit the blood subsequently Aid gave a social in honor of Mrs. Reytaken from this rabbit becomes nolds, and it was a perfect success. I troubled when mixed with more ape's she has as many friends elsewhere as blood. A similar result is obtained if human blood be injected into the veins growing in a substantial manner of a rabbit, and this simple experiment is often relied upon to prove it if a spot truth. The president, Mr. M. B. Little, of blood found on the clothes of a suspected murderer is human. The phenomenon is observed only when the blood of some living animal is used and the higher the ape. in the scale of development the more pronounced is the reaction.

cie. Ind. The committee have not yet enough funds to meet the expense. They desire to have the memorial serv ice at her grave in the Muncie ceme tery; also at Chesterfield as early during the session of camp-meeting as pos-

sible." Mrs. H. L. Bigelow writes: "Married in San Jose, Cal., April 25, 1905, L. W. Dexter and H. Anna Travis, Mrs. Hendee Rogers officiating. The writer of this and husband, also Mr. Rogers, witnessing the ceremony. The contract-ing parties have been Spiritualists for many years. Brother Dexter has filled the office of treasurer of the First Spiritual Union satisfactorily for several vears. We congratulate them on their new relation most heartily, trusting they may walk together in peace and

E. R. Fielding writes from Washington, D. C.: "The First Spiritualist Asso ciation has discontinued its meetings until October. The lyceum, under th supervision of Mrs. M. J. Stephens and Mrs. W. Miller and Mrs. Price, will give a nicnic, which will be held at River View, down the Potomac River. The Temple League will hold meetings all through the summer, at Mrs. Farrows', 216 I street, N. W. A very interesting meeting was held on Sunday, May 7. After a musical selection by Miss Farrow, Mrs. Congdon addressed the meeting, assisted by Walter P. Williams Mrs. Farrow, J. Potts, Mrs. Angel and others. The auxiliary of the First Association meets as usual at Mr. F. A. Wood's, 402 A street, S. E., every Thursday evening. Mrs. Stephens holds classes Thursday afternoons; Mrs. Emil Nabbe, as usual, at Woon's Hall: Mrs. Hinkle, No 11 4th street, S of May.'

Emma A. Newton writes from Glens Falls, N. Y .: "Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds has just finished a five weeks engage

ment with the first Psychical Society of She has speak regarding her work. been coming to Glens Falls every No-vember and April for twelve years, and ood of the high every year we realize a growth in her "If the blood powers. She is a conscientious and inhowever, blood be taken guides to do a much more positive lound gives fine lectures when no out-of-town speaker is here, and he holds the standard high and demands the best knowing that there is none too good for Spiritualism. We will look forward eagerly to November that will bring our sister to us again."

Haeckel sees in Wasmann's statements an admission on the part of the Catho lic church that the Darwinian theory is correct, and he regards the present position as a compromise as important as that made by the church with Copernicus. The consequence will be, adds the savant, that church teaching will now gradually adapt itself to the Darwinian theory .- Special dispatch to the Chicago Inter Ocean, from Berlin, Germany.

Mr. Hassman, president, writes: "The attendance of the regular Sunday meeting of the North Star Spiritua Union was satisfactory. The opening prayer and lecture was delivered by Dr. M. Esser, after which Dr. L Koehler followed with a short address on the Spiritual Philosophy. Tests were given by Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Rennau. The last mentioned medium has just opened a new society, "Light, more Light," at 1802 Ashland avenue. The sick were treated and flowers given to them, donated by the society. Any Spiritualist desiring to become a mem-

per of the society will get true instructions in the philosophy from Dr. P. M. Esser at his residence, 82 Willow street. The Progressive Thinker, a gem of thought, is at hand every meet ing.

H I Schellhous writes: "On May a Arlington Hall, Kansas City, Mo., a large audience assembled to witness some very interesting spirit manifesta tions. Mrs. Margaret Vestal of Indi ana, gave an exhibition of her mediumship in a full clear light. She holds the large end of her trumpet with her arm extended at full length, while the small end was held to the ear of the listener, and voices varying from a small child to that of a man, were distinctly heard by the whole audience, greatly to the satisfaction of the listener and interesting to the audience. This continued for an hour, and many went to the trumpet. Then W. W. Aber, the well known materializing medium, gave a light seance consisting of the ringing of bells and throwing them out from an improved cabinet while the medium sat in front of it in full view, so confined that he could not move. Then hand

kerchiefs taken from the audience were put in the cabinet one by one, and soon thrown out with a message on it dressed to the owner of it. About twee ty messages were thus delivered. Then a blank tablet was put in the cabinet, and the leaves containing messages written thereon, addressed to persons in the audience to the number of over twenty were thrown out; all were rec ognized. A knife was then put into the medium's mouth and the spirits cut him loose. The trumpet medium received a

of hearty applause, and Mr. Aber's manifestations gave universal satisfaction." Mrs. A. Turbett writes: "The Band of Harmony held its annual meeting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Richmond, Rogers Park, May 4, this being the 21st anniversary of the Band of Harmony. The officers for the ensuing year are the following: Mrs. Cora Rich mond, president; Mrs. Louise Goodrich vice-president; Mrs. Mary Hill, secre tary; Mrs. S. Ashton, treasurer; Mrs. A. Turbett, corresponding secretary The afternoon and evening was spent In a pleasant manner."

Eva McCoy, the excellent test medi um, writes from Sheridan, Wyoming: 'I am engaged for the month of May and June at this place, and through Montana, to serve the state association serve the New Era camp at Portland, Oregon, for July and through lowa in September."

Moses and Mattie E. Hull will be at home not later than the 23rd of May and ready for work in the Spiritualis Mrs. Clara L. Stewart is going to field. the Pacific Coast to work in the interest of the Morris Pratt Institute. She begins her work in Seattle, on Sunday, June 18, and in Portland, on Sunday, July 3. She can be addressed after June 16, Hotel Vendome, Seattle, Wash. and after June 26, at 3111/2 Stark street Portland, Oregon. Mr. Hull writes: am now holding a great debate with Elder Steers, a great Adventist Minister of Vancouver, B. C.'

THOMAS GRIMSHAW

A Letter From His Home in England.

Dr. Geo. B. Warne says: Brother Thomas Grimshaw's many friends, both East and West, will read with interest the following lines from him and knowing his innate modesty will not mistake bis freedom of expression in private correspondence for seeming egotism. He wrote from Burnley Lane on May 1:

Here I am in the land of the free and the home of brave, at least that is what Englishmen say, and of course it must be true.

Well, we arrived safely after a most delightful voyage. The sea was almos as calm as the scriptural sea of glass No sea sickness. I managed to dispose of four good square meals each day and-tell it not in Gath-I gained eight pounds of flesh in eight days. Since our arrival the weather has

been beastly, raining nearly all the time. Speaking socially and spiritually I have had a delightful time. After a brief visit to my old home where the Spiritualists gave me a grand recep tion, we journeyed to London and spen a week in seeing the sights, and the friends I met were very agreeable. met good old Dr. Peebles, who is paying one of his flying visits. Easter saw me in Manchester, where we had a splen did time. Good Friday they celebrated the Anniversary. In the afternoon we were entertained with a choir contest: several choirs connected with societies in different parts of the country participated. In the evening we had a tea party, about a thousand people partool of the feast of good things, after which we adjourned to a large hall and had the pleasure of meeting and hearing many of the leading workers of the movement. Your humble servant was the honored guest, and I met with a magnificent reception.

Sunday I lectured in Manchester before the central Society, the hall was literally packed, many being turned away. Easter Monday found me pres ent-at a demonstration -of Yorkshire Spiritualists in Dewsbury, Yesterday, Sunday, April 30, found me back in my tome town, Burnley. Although it rained all day, we had an audience of over six lect has become honeycombed by these

true religion, whatever its relations with and effects upon theology. It as serts the great antiquity of the earth and many of its expounders tell us man has been an inhabitant of this globe full quarter of a million years. It declares that there has been no disas trous fall, but a constant rise in human life and character. It is supported by a vast array of corroborative facts in geology, astronomy and kindred natural sciences.

In place of degrading man by giving him a lowly origin, it represents nature as at work for millions of years in mak ing preparations for his coming through that gradual organization and sublimation of matter in vegetable and animal forms, which rendered the hu-man body and brain a possibility. Man embodies in his form the results of all lower forms of life; in him the whole animal world is represented. This truth is taught in Markham's noem "The Making of Lincoln," in Boyesen

Tennyson and other great poet philoso

phers. Evolution makes man's future

JOSEPH JEFFERSON.

The Noted Actor Visits a Former Actor

Friend.

Last evening Dr. F. D. C. Meyer,

observed to be under some influence

that was endeavoring to obtain contro

of his organism. He arose and walked

about the room in an unsteady manner,

finally approaching an open door, stag-

gered and fell against the door casing.

Dr. Meyer and E. W. Hulburd sprang to

his assistance and led him to an arm-

After a few minutes the snirit ex

ours in a cordial manner, saying, "Goo

evening, gentlemen. Well, well, well,

He is nearly as broad as he is long.

What has become of those beautifu

curly locks and that petite form?

am rather weak on my pins. I thought

I would walk around until you stopped

reading, but I staggered and come near

falling. You have a nice, comfortable

home here in the mouuntains. Every

"I suppose you would like to know

who I am. My name is Joseph Jeffer-

son. I passed into spirit life a few days

ago. / You may think it remarkable that

I have come so quick, but I have known

"I said. 'Yes,' and she brought me

"I knew I was going to leave the

body-at one time I thought I might get up again, but it was not so ordered. I

thing looks beautiful outside.

through his organs of speech.'

the change.

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Where is his pride now? All gone.

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J. K. Wilson, and conversing upon its contents. About 9 o'clock Justin was

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of this for many years. I am a thor-There is no trait, no characteristic. no inherited tendency, that is not marked on the palm of the hand and can be ough Spiritualist and knew all about "How do you suppose I got here so irraced with unerring accuracy by fol-towing the principles enforced by the presented in this. Price, paper, 25 quick? I met Charlotte Cushman, She said, 'Joseph, don't you want to go and see Puss? (the nickname of the medium cents; cloth, \$1. when on the stage) You can talk

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arger audience that went to hear and see Mr. and Mrs. Howland. We have better test mediums than Mr. Howland, but none at present to equal the mani-festations through Mrs. Howland after and under the closest examinations,

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test conditions. I had with me associ fact, a truth-the only evidence of im the expose into the ranks of inspired writers and public speakers, etc., etc. am writing for honest and just treatment of all mediums in Boston, and all who will visit us. AURIN F. HILL.

We publish the above views of Mr. Hill in compliance with the request of Mr. Howland, who claims there are

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HUDSON TUTTLE Address him at Berlin Heights, Ohio.

NOTE-The Questions and Answers have called forth such a host of respondents, that to give all equal hearing compels the answers to be made in the most condensed form, and often clearness is perhaps sacrificed to this forced brevity. Proofs have to be omitted, and the style becomes thereby assertive, which of all things is to be dep-Correspondents often weary recated. with waiting for the appearance of their questions and write letters of in-The supply of matter is ilways ouiry. several weeks ahead of the space given. and hence there is unavoidable delay. Every one has to wait his time and place, and all are treated with equal

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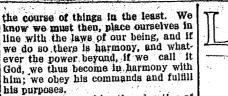
The Bible by designating the fixing Α. the animal world subservient to man, and thereby made him lordly, unjust and cruel to the animals with which he comes in contact. It was believed that they had no feeling, or reason, and no antil science came and declared that on Spiritualism? man was only one remove from the anfmals beneath him, and instinct a less developed reason; that all the various species of animals were united by their plan of organization, alike in all, that all had nerves that felt the thrill of all ministers of the gospel, such as halfpleasure or of pain, was humane senti-

This correspondent puts his question that God "created" animals or man for any purpose. There has been no crea-The tion! there has been evolution.

The matter of "sinfulness" would in a religious sense. for sin means acting contrary to the will of God exlover of smoking flesh on the reeking altar. He commanded his chosen people to sacrifice (kill) the best for Him. the question of right and wrong.

It is "right," that is in accord with their organization, for the carnivora to eat flesh, as it is for the frugiverous to eat fruit, or the herbiverous to live on vegetation. It would be wrong if either attempted the diet of the other.

Hence the answer depends on the class to which man belongs. If his teeth and digestive tract show that he her how beautiful she looked, and I told was evolved from the carnivora, then diesh being his natural diet, he like all fiesh eaters must obtain it by the slaughter of animals. The carnivora



knowledge. If we pray, intelligently, it is not that the laws of the world be changed, but that we understand and conform to the laws physical as well as

Can deeper reverence come to the human soul than is felt when, under the tome of stars, it sees in each gem-like light a sun and stretching into infini tude of space continuous suns and systems, all held in mazy orbits by the hand of law? When it contemplates the universe thus presented as looking off into space from the headland of this carth, feeling as an atom in immensity, yet it is conscious that it is superior, as heing comprehending the forces on which this complex immensity depends. It does not worship by a confession of weakness, of incapacity, and imbecility, but by admiration and the ennobling consciousness of being the one product of this evolution having the possibilities of comprehending the universe.

Peter Valentine: Q. What is the difference between magnetism and

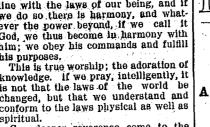
A. Magnetism, in the sense given become excessively large, especially let physical magnetism. There is no alf-ters of inquiry requesting private an swers, and while I freely give what ever information I am able, the ordi-able than magnetism, but both convey mary courtesy of correspondents is ex-pressive of the but of the second practitioners of mesmerism found that

term is misleading.

ment possible.

from the standpoint of theology. In anold story of God creating the world, is now a meaningless term,-however

turn on the point of whether it was God's will that man should kill-that is pressed in religious dogmas. Accord-ing to the Bible, God was an insatiate But this has nothing to do in deciding



tion. hypnotism?

the word by this correspondent is "ani-mal magnetism" as distinguished from physical magnetism. There is no difference in the meaning of the two words. Hypnotism is less objectionpressive of the phenomena. The early

when they held their hands near the Roy Barcal: Q. If God created all foreheads of subjects, there was apparlife, is it not sinful to take the life of ently an attraction exerted by the animals ever for food? Are there any hands, drawing the forehead as a magparticular passages in the Bible on this net attracts iron. They changed the name of mesmerism to magnetism, pre-

"animal." to distinguish it. kinds which may and may not be eaten, Later investigators saw in the phenomgives the religious law, which is sup-posed to give the right to man to use a cape the odium which had been cast portion at least as he pleases. The on these names, invented a new desigportion at least as he pleases. The Bible further is understood as placing nation, hypnotism. But as this state is sleep only in faint resemblance, the

M. S. B. Greenwald: Q. Is it necessary to have "Rev." prefixed to a perrights man was bound to respect. Not son's name, when engaged in speaking

A. Unless ordained, really you have no right to affix "Rey." to your name, although many do. It is a false pre-Ordination by the N. S. A. contense. fers advantages, such as the law gives fare on railroads, power to perform the marriage ceremony, and makes the meeting which they address unquestionably protected by the laws in com swering it, we must dispose of the idea mon with all religious gatherings. But if ordained, no one is required to write Rev." before his name. That is entirely a matter of taste. As used it is

a child's dream, and is like the other much it meant to a past generation. tales of the childhood of the world. Rev. with the name of Savage, or A. M. S., F. L. S., F. H. S., Ph. D., and a dozen other abbreviations to the name of Thomas Edison. It is a streak of vanity which exhibits such appendages, and the really great man is belittled

thereby. Prominent Spiritualist Passed On

Our arisen sister, Mrs. Mary Schwenker, 98 N. Front street, Colum-bus, Ohio, crossed the border line, just as the sun went down at 6 o'clock, Wednesday evening, April 26 in her forty-seventh year. A true, noble woman, unselfish, and an ardent worker for Spiritualism. The writer visited her often during her last illness, and her face was most beautiful and radiant

the remaining notes,

were grand in the extreme.

MRS. HATTIE G. WEBSTER.

How Some of Our Readers Can

Make Money.



IDE HE I messes to sour and mecofie putrid; in Letter Number Eleven-Continued, this case life appears at once and the Now, I wrote the foregoing that it messes are a mass of living creatures might be somewhat of a test, and to hut the germs were within the air or let you all know that we know your the ether, and were attracted to the thoughts and also what is written about us. This afternoon, since the forego-ing was written, my wife has received messes on account of this condition. And so, when I, Abby A. Judson, wrote to you of that which has taken The Progressive Thinker, dated April place with me, some of you scout it. I must talk and write exactly the same 8, wherein a lady refers to Abby Judson, and that the idea of her being united to the other half of herself must as before, not having gained a particle of knowledge or experience. I do not be very erroneous-that she thought of

know how any will progress at that little else but her brother Elnathan, and rate. that her greatest happiness would be Now I am doing this writing, and not to make him happy. My wife has a letter in her possession Mrs. Petersilea, I am now within her aura and able to write that which that Miss Judson wrote to us previous to her departure to the spirit world, in wish to write, and we are now, this moment, talking together.¹ Her spirit is which she says: "I have read your talking with my spirit, but I am doing books with great delight and satisfac-

with great delight and satisfac-They make clear to my mind the writing. She says: "Abby, if I thought I should She says: "Abby, if I thought I should many things that I have long desired to know. Two points, especially, have never be again united to my husband, would much rather be annihilated." come home to me as great truths-eternal verities. One is the spiritual But one would think to hear some of you talk in earth life that true margerm theory, the other, the great quesriage was rather disgraceful than othertion of soul counterparts. I am con vinced that what you wrote on those subjects is true. I never could believe wise. Such people ought to turn Caththat animals ceased to exist at the they

death of the body, nor that angels were sexless. The spiritual germ theory explains everything, and clears up the mist. Your showing up of the eternal counterpart seems as true to me as it is delightful. I, myself, have an inkling of how it will be with me who have never been married. I also feel certain who my true other self may be; but he passed into spirit. life many years ago. No doubt that is the reason why I never married." The above is the gist of what Abby Judson wrote, and the letter, as pre-viously stated, is in my wife's possess-ion; and now I shall allow Abby her-

self to take the control. CARLYLE PETERSILEA.

My dear friend and all other friends who may read this message. Is there one of you who can suppose that sim-

My brother's joy belongs to him, and my joy belongs to me. I may be de-lighted and sympathize with my brother in his joy, but I cannot sink my own er's, or either one of my brothers, for Einathan is not my only brother. Elnathan suffered much while in the earthly form, but he was not entirely into two forms later on! already been instrumental in restoring as to our mode of life here! my brother, for at first he was little had been buried so long in a crazed brain and found him an inmate of my father's house, once more taking up his life where he left it in early youth, for his spirit had really made very little progress after his brain became so useless

to him. He visits me now often for great lengths of time, and is interested him self in my work and that of my dearly beloved husband.

The love of a brother does not in any way interfere with that of a husband, neither will either one of us remain within the home of our parents through-

olics and become priests and nuns. The great eternal perfect law is: "And twain shall become one flesh; or, rather, spirit, as it-really was rendered in the olden language. Would my old-time friend desire that should remain an imperfect half throughout eternity? If she so desires and thinks, nature does not; and the perfect law must be fulfilled. Because I remained unmarried in the earth life is no reason why I should remain thus forever. I had a good reason for re

maining single when on earth, and well knew that my life there was only a half life, but maiden-like concealed my real feelings from curious and unsympathetic eyes; but now need no longer blush, for a true union has changed me from a shrinking, sensitive female to a courageous and wholesouled woman, for the other half has

been added to my life, consequently do not expect to find me exactly the same ply to witness my brother's joy would as I was in my undeveloped, single, be joy enough for me throughout eterearthly state. We are trying to give through this medium as well as through many others, but we do not expect that all will accept it.

All nature is male and female or positive and negative, and even when in individuality within that of my broth- the lowest forms of life it appears as though there were bit one principle, it is only in seeming, the two principles reside within one form to be evolved If my cap conscious of his sufferings. One of the tious friend will send to³¹Mrs. Peter-first to meet and greet me when I arrived here was Einathan, together with my father and mother. My father had she may become somewhat enlightened

Mrs. Petersilea says that she would more than a child in spirit, his real self rather be annihilated than not to rejoin her beloved husband here, and I weak, impotent body. I now say that I wouldorather be annihi lated than to be separated from my own. But this can neveribe, for if one half were to be annihilated the other surely would be, for one half cannot die and the other live, Whien in earth life I said but littlegon the marriage question, fearing that L might be mis

understood, and being maiden lady i could not fully understandy not having ived it, what true marriage really signified: but after reading the Petersiles

books my eyes were opened, and where before I saw through a glass darkly now all that appertained to true marout eternity. No, nor for any great riage became clear, and I now know by length of time. Each soul has its own experience that the principles therein length of time. Each soul has its own experience that the principles there is no wise responsible for the people, and that he is in no wise responsible for the latter's conduct, and that he and his wife were never driven from any place as set forth in the Banner article, and from thence fill and sustain the spirit realms.

Many earthly marriages are fleeting

I am an agnostic about spirit manifestations. I have walked and talked with materialized ghosts under careful ates to discover tricks of spirits in human material bodies, and of spirits from dead human bodies. I accept the facts I found and concede Spiritism is a mortality or a continued intelligent individual existence of a soul after its leaving a dead human body-Spiritual ism. Spirits love to deceive and love to please. Expose the Howlands in an honest and just way. Expose the man who closes his eyes and advertises to speak entranced or in a trance. Push

Boston, Mass.

other Howlands before the people, and

mortals. God and the angels pity Spiritualism, if those who say they "are not mediums or Spiritualists-God for-bid!" are to be sustained by cullible

ized, especially before a large audience,

ualizing teachings of Mr. Morse.

triven out of a city or Exposed in our

ives. If you were a little smarter & wiser (and surly you are old enough) you might know that! The notorious

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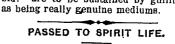
of ten lines will be charged at the rate of fifteen cents per line. About seven words constitute one line.] At her home, in Jacksonville, May 1

Mrs. Betsie A. St. John, widow of David E., was born into spirit life. She was a consistent Spiritualist for fifty-five years. Music by the members of the Zuleika Society. The writer conducted the services at the house and the grave. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. AMY BUCHANAN.

' are to be sustained by gullibles

Clarence. C, Howland,

Mr. Hill's defense of the Howlands as



simply obey the impulses of their organization.

If man has partially evolved out of the carnivorous state, and become omniverous, then his flesh food must be obtained by killing lower animals.

There is, however, a radical disagreement as to man's early estate. The anthropoids immediately below him are frugiverous. The orang outang, chimpanzee, etc., live on fruits and nuts, with now and then birds' eggs. Or young birds. Man came from frugiverus ancestors and not carniverous. His history proves this, and it is confirmed by his anatomy. At some time in his advance, either by failure of his natural food, or the perversion of his appetite he became a flesh and fish eater.

Among savage peoples, the struggle for food is the dominant incentive, and starvation is an ever-present menace Whatever will appease hunger is seized -insect, reptile, or animal. Especially is this the case with tribes, driver away from the more fruitful regions. While those living in the tropics may have a continuous supply of fruits, nuts and vegetables, those pushed into the temperate regions, would find it impos-sible to sustain life, without taking other life. In the dire visitations of famine cannibalism had its origin, to continue after its necessity had passed

Few there are who would relish flesh, if they came fresh from slaughter house, having witnessed the cruelty and pain, and disgusting operations.

Man has a right to protect himself against venomous and destructive animals, but he has no right to cause un necessary pain, even to the lowest creature

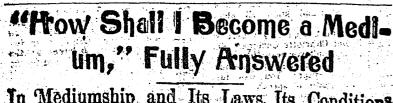
We believe that the growth of hu mane sentiment, will eventually lead man to prefer the diet which his organization clearly indicates.

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be false. There may be supreme wor-ship in a "scientific sense," though not rents." Mrs. Elizabeth Towne takes that worship which comes from cring- the position that in many cases it is the ing fear; the begging prayer of the parents that need the training more slave who regards God as a tyrant mas-than the children, and advises parents ter to be appeased and turned from his to look to themselves. Twenty-five purpose. Consecration to knowledge cents could not be better spent than to know the principles of nature, and the sublime capabilities of the spirit, is the highest form of worship. We know

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angels come for me. Every wish is realms we might enjoy ourselves. gratified; there is nothing in this world

My friend says she doesn't think it that I want but what I can have for the like me to slip off and marry an old eternal, unchangeable laws in nature, asking. I know I must go soon, and I Well, to say the least, such a and all that the soul has missed on am ready." Mrs. Schwenker is the belover. way of putting it is very undignified. | earth is restored and equalized here. loved wife of Mr. Chas Schwenker, one I surely did not slip off, but my husof Columbus' most influential business hand was brought to me by my own, pamen. He is also a true Spiritualist rents, and Einathan's joy was greater than all the others, apparently, for he world; but yet, you all say, or at least and had her funeral conducted under was the most child-like in the manifest-ation of it. Elnathan himself, when material body changes, nothing-that spiritual rites, Miss Elizabeth Harlow of Boston, officiating. Miss Harlow was assisted at the home by H. E. the proper time arrives, when he is the spirit takes up its life precisely fitted for the true union, will be united where it was when it left the body—and Boerstler, president of the West Sido this is true, and sex really belongs to church, and at the cemetery by the as I have been. This, he already writer. Miss Harlow was fully inspired the soul and spirit and not to the mate knows, and the event no doubt will and delivered an eloquent and beautiful soon take place. If his spirit had been fully developed in earth life it would rial body, for that body was but the address that was soothing and com covering of the soul and spirit. Then forting to those who were near and how can one say there is no sex in the taken place some time ago, and when it does happen, his work, together with his own other self, may be far wrong, for the male is the male forever, dear to our arisen sister before passing to higher life. Mrs. Schwenker made a wrong, for the male is the male forever, and the female is the female forever gift of three hundred dollars and more away from me. It is just as erroneous to the West Side church, having her to suppose that families come together and they twain make one. lawyer pay off the mortgage and cancel here, and remain thus throughout eternleaving our ity, as the old idea of heaven, God sit-I know, because they are not founded church free from all indebtedness, saying on a throne, and the angels singing on the right bases; and that is one

ing, "Now, Sister Webster, I have paid nsalms and playing harps forever and ever. Earth is a type of heaven, and while there, for I would not enter into all you have there we have here on a an ill-assorted marriage, preferring to grander scale, one grand remove higher wait until I should find the one great, off the debt; now those of you who bave worked so hard can raise money and beautify the inside for the angels. grander scale, one grand remove higher She had been interested in the church and all that we have missed or lacked eternal and true union, on earth the great law of recompense I am led to think that nothing ever since its organization. She, was very energetic, and helped us to decorate on earth the great law of recompense

and strict justice restores to us here. the board of trade auditorium for the I became very weary of my brother state association last May, and spared Elnathan's obscene and abusive ravings neither time nor money to have it a success. She was a good, true woman, albefore he left his body, and felt that un ess he were greatly changed I should ways trying to do something for the upnot care to see him; and, can any senliftment of humanity. Her funeral was largely attended and the floral tributes

sible person think that I should be for ever tied to my brother's side? I love my brother as dearly as any sister even loved a brother, but a brother is but a brother and not a busband. My spirit is so far ahead of Elnathan's that

he is almost like a child to me, and we are extremely far apart-that is our souls are. Where would be my own joy and recompense if I were to remain by him forever, Moreover, he would be the first to shake me off. Spiritual beings sometimes feel al-

most discouraged at the obtuseness of the lower world about these things, and if after great endeavor we write to them, they will not believe us if we do not continue to say the same old things we used to say, without being one step in advance, then in their estimation it

cannot be ourselves. O, how strange it seems to me now! Ingersoll must still believe and write the same things he did when in the

earth life or it cannot be the redoubt able Colonel, forgetting that Ingersoll now knows what he before did not not know, and consequently is changed. Charles Darwin must still continue to

that his eyes and spiritual knowledge truth is involution, together with evo-hution, and you will not accept them and that which they have learned. Still you all preach progression-eter-

nal progression—but if they may not be allowed to tell of the things that they have learned since coming here, where, in is the progression?

Spiritualists, God forbid."

Justice and equilibrium are two great We take pleasure in correcting the misstatements, and hope that future investigations now being carried on in Philadelphia, and various other places, If sex simply belongs to the matein the West, will lead to more fully rial body, then, indeed, one might say sustaining the statement of Mr. How that there was no sex in the spirit land, and establish his innocence in all respects.

> Now read the following letters, exacty as written, one to the Banner of Light, and the other to The Progressive Thinker, and then you can more properly estimate the real character and literary ability of Mr. Howland:

Threatens the Editor.

Buffalo N Y April 17 05 To the Editor of the Banner of Light: The Article Published in your paper i reference to my wife and self and our work is made out of whole Cloth and is a Lie from beginning to end. your Ed-itorial is worse than the Article itself great reason why I remained single To think you as an Editor would guilty of such an ungentlemanly attack

on Innocent people is proof enough to all fairminded people. That you are not fit to hold such a position my wife & self are not Spiritualists (neve takes place in vain, for I am now very glad that I wrote that letter to the claimed to be) But we are Spiritual Scientists, if you will get your dictionary Petersileas, as it proves what I really and look up the Words perhaps you will did think on the subject; and, also, is another or added proof of my identity. See your mistake, But you havent a medium in your ranks who can (claiming But what I said, or may have thought, does not change eternal law one lota, to be materializing and flower mediums) duplicate our seances under the same test conditions, nor can any magifor natural laws are unchangeable. Hoping to give nothing but fruth to cian legerdemain or sleight of a hungering and suffering world, I reman do it either You will hear from our manager on this subject. Such main as ever, yours for humanity and men as you have been horsephipped by ABBY A. JUDSON. Ladies for such unjust attacks I as Mr Howland wish to deny the statements made by The woman styling herself Madame Hubbard she as you is a fabri ator & a coward ashamed to publish her name. The titles of "Dr. & Rev were conferred on me as "honor" by leading Spiritualists, I never your CURED asked for them and care nothing for them, your statement that we refused WITHOUT MEDICINE to give a seance is false. The Seanc New Remedy Discovered Which Absorbs Acid Impurities Through was declared off By the Parties them selves who telephoned to our Manager, Now then Mr. Editor if there is any law the Large Foot Parce. A DOLLAR HAIR FREE in Mass. to reach, you I'll make you do justice to my wife. I'm a new England-er myself of "The Green Mountain Boys On Approval-Write To-day. Don't take medicine for Rheumatism stock (The Allens & Howlands) who out send your name to the makers of made history & helped to make the Republic, you know what fighters they were, If you had a spark of sense you Magic Foot Drafts, the great Michigan discovery which is cusing svery kind of wouldent listen to A "Clairvoyants" and

yours as a Spiritualist Scientist

Clarence C Howland

J. R. Francis

In your paper of April 29th you publish article from ("Banner of Lies) not Light) and also dare to head it "The Notorious Howlands" you are aware of the fact no doubt that you have layed yourself liable to a damage suit, your statements like the Banners are false

the ripe old age of 79 years. Services were held at the residence on Sunday. Prof. L. M. Lydy, a noted Spiritualist of Columbus, Ohio., delivered the dis course. A large concourse of people attended the funeral. COR.

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On April 4, William Thomas Graham passed to the higher life-a soldier serving through the entire war, and at its close receiving an honorable discharge under the title of Major. A Spiritualist of twenty years' standing, he goes joyfully to meet his beautiful spirit daughter Pearl, and serenely looks forward to a reunion with a wife and daughter left behind. His soul has gone to answer the last bugle call while

his body lies beside his old comrades in its last camping ground. Esther Thomas Bosley officiating minister.

The removal by death of Brothe Allen of Lansing, Mich., takes another veteran of our cause from among un His funeral took place April 16, at the Universalist church of the above-named city. Mrs. A. E. Sheets, assisted by Rev. Bard, conducted the services.

cents. Brother O. H. Soules passed to spirit life, May 3, at his home in Ionia, Mich. He and his companion who survive him were among the early Spiritualists,

and have been well known by attendants at camp where they were accustomed to go each year. The services were conducted by Mrs. A. E. Sheets, of Grand Ledge, Mich. His long and painful illness was borne by patient for titude, and his aged wife was given strength to minister to him to the last. He leaves also two daughters, who are

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Trenchant Criticism, by Guy A. Cherry.



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lar profit would go to the cause of Spiritualism. Those who have will regret their credulity, The whole business scheme is a concoction of the medium who has directed the details of the business of the paper, and now uses her in-fluence by "spirit advice" (?) to friends to invest in mining stock. Her record ought to be spread before the Spirit-ualists of America. If this were done

it would shake the confidence of the r-credulous in the honesty and ability of this tribunal to test Spiritualists. WAS THERE EVER CONCOCTED A MORE CUNNING, A MORE CRUEL SCHEME TO GET MONEY IN THE NAME OF RELIGION? TO MAKE ITS NAME OF RELIGIONT TO MARE ITS DUPES BELIEVE THEY WERE AS-SISTING. THE SPIRIT WORLD WHILE HELPING THEMSELVES? Spiritualists, how. do, you like the scheme of being "tested" by such a tribunal (Townsend, Willard J. Hull and (Losenblue, C. Stowall)? IT HAS and Josephine C. Stowell)? IT HAS BEEN APPLIED AND YOU ARE rough diamond!

rough diamond! Why are you called "shoddy"? Why have you proved a failure? Because you have not given your belief over to the keeping of the promoter

Townsend and his submissive servant, Willard J. Hull. That is one reason. Another one more potent is that you

dependent. Of course the raght of fruit depends on these "kohinoors" for not only "courage," but the cash by which to meet its increasing deficit. Its pub-lisher, need not, worry about its sub-scription list as long as King Solomon Mine investors are dropping money into his pocket.

If to be "shoddy" areins to have suf-ficient common sense to keep out of the clutches of the get plat utfok specula-tors, we are glad there is plenty or

I desire here to say that I am a fullfledged Spiritualist and have been for many years, one of the too credulous kind until my eyes were opened by the pernicious practices of Elsie Reynolds and others. There are times when silence is golden, when even in the presence of a great wickedness it is better, to wait in patience. There are other times when to be silent and inactive is a crime. If a wolf comes into the fold concealed as a sheep, it should be de stroyed, and the shepherd who did not do this would regret his folly. If a viper coiled itself on the hearth, it would be unwise parents who allowed it to re main. We believe in charity. We pity the most degraded criminals. We pity yet more their victims.

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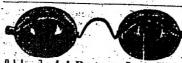
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Richard F. Adams, president; Frank E. Luce, vice-president; Elizabeth M, Fish, secretary; William R. McGlenn, treasurer; Julia R. Locke, correspond ing secretary; and by virtue of their respective offices, they are also Direc-tors, and to work in conjunction with hem, as such, the following were also elected: Thomas M. Locke, Frank H. Morrill, William A. Grossick, Helen F. Adams, Ida V. McGlenn and Augusta Volk, all of Philadelphia. Pa., except the secretary, whose summer and win, ter home is at Parkland.

Last summer grove meetings were held during July and August, with two services each Sunday, with good attendance. The high spiritual thought which permeated these meetings was inspiring, and we feel they augur well for the success of our project; that the name of Parkland shall yet resound with honor and glory through the whole of this broad land,

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Guy A. Cherry of Los Angeles, Cal., criticises dium." Those who have fallen into the dium." Those who have fallen into the trap are the "diamonds," the "kohlthe above editorial in Light of Truth, which calls

the Great Mass of Spiritualists "Shoddy." It will be read with deep interest, and Spiritualists generally will agree with Mr. Cherry, who says: "For rank imbecility, it excels anything I have ever seen in what claims to be Spiritual literature."

It is well known to the readers of ever rise again. Not alone with mask The Progressive Thinker that my com-munication in defense of Mr. Hale was as the spirit—"Old Aunt Betsy"—which published in this paper several weeks was witnessed to by eight reliable per-Some time previous to this he sons under oath and many others whose was attacked for several weeks by the oaths were not taken, all testifying that Light of Truth in a most shameful and they saw her in a clear light as above manner, abusing and misrep- described masquerading as a spirit. resenting him in every conceivable way, This she could have overcome with most of her following by beating the devil around the bush, as she has many in the use of the most scurrilous invectives, without offering any reason or mentioning any cause for such dastardtimes done during her wild career, ly treatment, for they, as we know, had when caught; but the letters she wrote and signed with her own hand in con-

Mr. Hale was personally unknown to fidence to one who had learned of her, the owner and editor of the Light of will forever stand as a sure record on earth, a living witness, CONDEMNING ALL HER WONDERFUL MATERIAL Truth, and had done nothing ungentledishonorable, unkind, or unjust. Notwithstanding all of this, Mr. Hale was selected as a target for J. B. Townsend and Hull to unmerci-IZATION OF SPIRITS TO BE ALL FRAUD. This is one "package of truth" in testing Spiritualists found by this infallible court called the Light fully and libelously slander through the columns of their paper, thus inviting of Truth. This is what they call a the just criticism we feel it our duty to "kohinoor" of things Spiritualistic. Oh, God and Angels! There may be others hurt before we are through with the criticism

The only one thing that Mr. Hale did wife was exposed in Los Angeles and do, was to incidentally hurt the finance taken to jail, where they confessed mercy, pity and charity, jus

have failed to respond to the lurid advertisement of "King Solomon's Mines," nd have not invested your hard earned dollars in support of the promo noors" who have given their all-not to the Lord, but into the pocket of the promoter. Of course the Light of Truth-

shoddy among Spirituslists, with good, plain knowledge which enables one to spot a trickster at sight, and not be caught in his net, however: artfully pread.

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of the Light of Truth in exposing the their guilt; and upon promise of leavfraud mediums that infest the ranks of ing the city were dismissed by the au-Spiritualism, by offering, unsolicited, in thorities.

der a test condition, so simple that no reasonable intelligence in all the world sists of Willard J. Hull, editor of Light This startled all the of Truth, who refused to lecture on the could object to. fakirs in this line of work, who, not ac-, rostrum with the venerable Moses Hull cepting this proposition, have acknowl- (no. relation to Willard), who is his edged that it is all trickery in which superior in all respects that pertain to nothing they claim is genuine, and sterling character, genuine manhood, therefore dare not expose themselves and ability. All such "packages" have to a man who is aware of their tricks. been tested by the Light of Truth and Whereupon the cohorts of this sacrilegious profession of the materializa- binding cord" and "contain big values tionists rose up in one accord in its defense; among whom, the most promnoor, while Moses is inent are these who are responsible for the existence of this pretended Spirit- men of the deference paid to such ualist paper inappropriately called the "packages of truth" is that of eulogizing: In the columns of this Elsie Reynolds as a refined, courteous naper is published glowing accounts of "lady."

this pernicious work of darkness, laud-With his definition of a lady, a genuine ing its heartless, cruel, and dark per- lady, Mr. Hull had better secure her petrators by representing them as me- attendance at the coming camp meeting diums of Spiritualism of the highest in Los Angeles, with her mask and type, thus defrauding the people of goggles used when posing as Spirit their time and money, and blinding Aunt Betsy. These two dainty "pack-them to the light of truth by deceiving ages of truth," walking arm in arm to with their tricks, into the belief of a a seat on the rostrum would add grace and beauty to the other "packages of lie. truth" of which this camp will be com-

CHAMPION OF FRAUD MEDIUMS.

It is very palpable that this paper, called the Light of Truth, is the cham-pion of all fraud mediums that will yield financial returns to its proprietors. It is the organ patronized by the fraudulent element found in the ranks

of Spiritualism and then comes out the editorial which stands prominently at the head of this communication. It was printed in caps and therefore specially prominent, and FOR RANK IMBECILITY excels anything I have ever seen in what claims to be Spiritualist literature: Notice what it "The Light of Truth is testing the Spiritualists of North America specifically, and the Spiritualists of the world generally." We do not suppose that a single Spiritualist has felt the vibrations of this "testing."

WHO ARE THESE TESTERS?

By what right and authority do they to help promote.

undertake the task? Who has request Too shameful to tell; but if the proed them to do so, and what are they go-ing to do about it if they find the stuff has already reached conclusions from shoddy"? There is not a true Spirhis tests, is it not well to apply itualist who, when he reads the above "test" to him, and determine if he is quotation, but will feel indignation for what he pretends to be? The promoter the arrogance and assumption of this Townsend is not all. He only stands mysterious clique that has set about in the front, for behind him in the testing Spiritualists; not testing Spir-itualism, but the great body of Spiritu-lady," through whose pretended mediumship the whole scheme is given. alists. The test has found them a very "shoddy" lot, but a few "tied with or-dinary binding cord," "are the kohi-bastard altruism, appealing to the most

noors among the diamond fields of spiritual aspirations, but really to pro-things Spiritualistic." mole a mining scheme by which DOLEFUL PACKAGES OF TRUTH.

every dollar that comes back to the stockholder, ten will probably go into Who are these "kohinoors" that have the pocket of the promoter, as "ex-been found by this wonderful testing? on his part. What the first Why, Elsie Reynolds is one, whom the stockholders get as dividends, the later Light of Truth has lauded to the skies | buyers pay in. Possibly (?) the great Light of Truth has lauded to the skies buyers pay in. Possibly (7) the great as an angel upon the earth when King Solomon Mines may be worked. clothed in her roles of white, DAZ. The poor deluded victims have en-ZLING IN THE LIGHT OF PHOS. trusted their savings with this promo-EHORESCENT paint in a dark seance. ter because of his Christ-like represen-But, alas! Poor Elsie, who has been tations, viz., that he did not want the xposed many-times, has fallen too low millions that would flow from the mines in her last exposure in Los Angeles to for his personal use, but that every dol-

outwrought and the right come uppermost. We do not think that the Spiritualists of "North America" or "The World" will consider an apology neces

all honesty, as a lover of the truth, the generous contribution of one thousand dollars to be paid to any person who sary for what we have said about th above paragraph. If they have read the would come to Los Angeles and pro-duce one single materialized spirit un-tion.

posed. It would be well, however, for

Harry Crindle (Elsie's son) to be there

with his wife as another "package"

tested and found to be kohinoors

These would advertise the camp and

The questions here naturally arise

Who is this Light of Truth? Have all

the leaders in the Spiritual movement

formed an association in that name?

Is that the one and the only source of

truth? The paper from which we copy

the editorial that stands at the head

give it a boost.

flood of similar matter which has been labeled Light of Truth, they will won der why we have not come to the rea cue of the Cause before. Now that judgment has been passed, what is this court of three, the promoter, servant and woman going to do with the Spiritualists? They have the "kohinoors" hooked fast by investments, but the "shoddy" (?) mass, why they will remain as unconscious of the found to be genuine, "tied with ordinary sentence of this delectable trio as they were of the investigation. Willard in his own opinion is a kohi-A gnat once alighted on the back of shoddy!

an elephant. "I fear my weight is a What presumption! What idiocy! A spectgreat burden,", it said. "Had you not spoken I should not have known you were there," replied be elephant. "Hohinoof" nor a "dia-

mond," or perchance with others you will contribute to the sham altruistic movement by making a necklace for that woman's neck. GUY A. CHERRY.

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A BROAD-MINDED CRITICISM

Of the Scurrilous Attack on Spiritual ists, Designating the Great Mass of -Them as Being Shoddy.

To test is to judge; and one judges others by himself. A rascal naturally thinks all men are rascals. For any one to set himself up as the UNIVER. SAL CENSOR OF SPIRITUALISTS THE WORLD OVER, and in North America specifically, is for that one to arrogate to himself all the Spiritualistic virtue there is: "I AM IT, AND BY MY CRITERION, OR FOOT RULE, I MEASURE ALL THINGS Egotism undoubtedly has a place in

of this article, called the Light of Truth, is under the direct management of one man, J. B. Townsend. He is a promoter, and promotes this paper as the mental make-up of men; but when it runs riot and becomes the dominant he does other schemes. It has another man who is a tool of the promoter. This tool, Willard J. Hull, when picked motive, it makes of the man A BRAG-GART OR AN INSUFFERABLE MED. up by the promoter was one of the most rabid of radical lecturers, who left all, DLER.

Spiritualists are such by virtue of their knowledge of spirit return; a rec-ognition of this fact makes them Spir-Itualists. Per se, they are made neither better nor worse by such knowledge;

yet they stand to become far broader more charitable and perfect in their views of, and conduct in, life, by reason thereof.

Such knowledge naturally tends to quicken the conscience and to set the udgment more nearly right on many of he perplexing problems of life. This is desirable and commendable, and naturally must bear fruit, and he who can not discern it must either be purblind, spiritually, or have some material axe to grind at the expense of the large majority who in some way have disay-

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