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They Sometimes Remain Long After Entering Spirit Life.

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themselves of those incumbrances.

ew instances sustaining his views.

hen on a boat going down the Miss

sippi from St. Louis, Mo., to Memphis,

nn., Mr. Forrest was sitting on the

is teaching him to spell. He discov-

gaid, "Mr. Forrest, won't you allow your

have a great desire to hear nlm." Just then Justin was controlled by a

spirit who said to the captain, whose

shivering all over for want of a drink.'

happy spirit or whatever it may be."

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ered in time that was a failure.

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Some Practical Inferences From Its Results.

In The Progressive Thinker, No 807, The results of this war were predicted by mediums, and have already been fulfilled in some points-another proof James H. Young replies to Lyman C. Howe's statement in No. 788, that "animal passions and physical appetites of the truth of Spiritualism. When

At the beginning of the conflict the reading the article of Mr. Howe I was czar stated that Japan had acted very badly in their manner of opening the greatly surprised that a person of his probable great experience in spirit man-ifestations and knowledge of the Spirwar at Port Arthur, and, notwithstanding Japan is a little nation and Russia itual Philosophy should still cling to that nearly obsolete "twinkling of an eye" doctrine which some years ago was a great and powerful nation, Japan must be punished severely.

Russia has not yet arrived at the point of administering that punishment, and the plot thickens. They called on so generally taught in orthodox Chris-Although my parents were fanatical Christians, thanks to the good angels, their god constantly and relied on him to give them the victory over the foe; was saved from the blight of such yet he heeded not their cry, but de serted them in time of greatest need-another proof that the Christian God is After thirty years study of Spiritualism and twenty-four years daily life with one of the spirits' chosen media fabrication and religion a fraud. This god appears to be on the side of the ums, and communion with hundreds of highly advanced spirits, I have never best fighters, and now Russians have a justifiable cause to repudiate Jehovah. heard one make the statements attrib-uted to Mr. Howe. On the contrary, every spirit who has made expression The czar's proposition to the European nations, a few years ago, for dis-armament has been carried into praction that point has invariably stated that cal effect by the Russians, though not when spirits left the physical body they according to the original plan. The litwithout exception carry with them all the attributes of the earth life, and it tle Japs did it for them on land and sea and now the world rejoices.

Togo had the best thoughts and wishes of the world at large (including native Russians) which aided him as much as anything else, and he did what sometimes takes a long time to divest I long ago supposed all highly cultured Spiritualists, such as Brother Howe, had advanced beyond the old the world expected of him A. H. NICHOLAS. Summerland, Cal. church teachings and been released from the swaddling bands of Chris-

I fully endorse Brother Young's arti-c le, and in corroboration will state a sire left him and he prayed to the good angels to keep it away. His prayer was answered and now he has no desire My cousin, Justin Hulburd, when fi tteen years of age was a member of E dwin Forrest's Dramatic Company. for liquor. Those present said, "Thank the good

angels for that ministration in life. Such was told me by Mrs. Harriet Hosmer Chamberlain.

detck and Justin stood alongside of him, In the winter of 1883 and 1884, Doct holding a spelling book. Mr. Forrest F. D. C. Meyer, Justin Hulburd and the writer were one evening at the home of Prof. Kimmel, in Kansas City, - Mo. As they were in process of a little Mrs. .Kimmel, the accomplished wife of quarrel about the spelling lesson, the the Professor, was a medium. On this occasion she was controlled by an In-Captain came to where they were. He boy to sing for the passengers? They dian spirit who demanded pipe and to bacco. Upon being refused the spirit attempted to take her to the stree where those things could be procured. name was Horace Maybrook, "Hod, for Christ's sake give me a drink! I'm It was only by a strong effort the Professor prevented her leaving the house. In the year 1882 we were holding circles twice a week in Justin's home. Justin's little body was shaking like an aspen leaf. Mr. Forrest said to the Captain, "Bring some whiskey in a The circle was composed of Mrs. H. H. Chamberlain, Joseph Fleming, F. D. C Meyer, E. W. Hulburd and the medium glass and let Puss smell it; perhaps the Justin. At one of the circles Justin odor of the liquor will satisfy the unwas controlled by an Irish influence. The first words were, "Sure, now, and The Captain left, and soon returned who be yez? Is it heretics ye are? Arrah, now, and what would Father Brady say if he saw me here? Sure with a glass of brandy. Mr. Forrest said, "Now, Puss, or whoever is talking, and the girl told me I would find the

No sooner had little Puss sat on Ed-Virgin Mary here." Then she commenced bemoaning her sad mishap in having been enticed into /win, Forrest's legs, when he grabbed th/.glass out of the Captain's hund and a place where there were heretics. Finally she said her name was Bridget drank the contents before they could stop him, then threw the glass into the river and said: "Brother Hod, that was Kelly, that she was a washerwoman in New York City. She told of Dennis. od, now I can talk to you. James her husband, and her daughter Norah Livingston was my murderer; he shot me through the heart as we were riding Of the many times the priest called for money to save her soul. After talking through a piece of timber near Jefferfor some time she turned to Mrs. Cham berlain-a very dignified old lady of The Captain admitted to Edwin For-

2-saying, "Give me a sup." Mrs. rest that was the spirit of his brother Chamberlain said she did not use liqwho was a gambler and outlaw. They knew he was killed, but by whom they uor and had none.

over them? Is not death the end of them ?-

Jerome K. Jerome thus expresses a common attitude of men in relation to the dog who will stick to his master whatever misfortune overtakes him, and defend him even with his life, if that is required :

measurably your intellectual superior? Do you know that every littleminded, selfish scoundrel, who never did a gentle deed or said a kind Jewish procedure. word, who never had a thought that was not mean and low or a desire that was not mean and base, whose every action is a fraud and whose much superior to you as the sun is superior to rush light, you honorvast, eternal universe. Any man will tell you that,"

Yet many of the wisest of mankind in all ages have believed that the lower animals as well as man exist after death, that all living creatures have minds, in however small a degree, and that mind is as indestructible as matter.

. If animals had the power of logical thought and of speech they might log or horse, we will suppose they might say :

We have, fundamentally, the same natures that you have, We feel pleasures and pain, and are subject to moods; we have affection, jealousy, vanity and pride; we enjoy the smile of approval from our superiors, and dread their displeasure; we are not devoid of imitation and trial civilization, involved a refinement of manners; because a fastid-

power of reasoning. We are not entirely destitute of reverence. We tare capable of improvement by education and inheritance. Your philosophers teach that mind is imperishable. Cortainly, we have minds, distinct individual minds. Mental as well as bodily characteristics are subject to the law of heredity with us, precisely as they are among human beings. If your minds are immortal, why are not cur minds also immortal? Your philosophers refer, in proof of man's immortality, to the fact that his consciousness persists, while the atoms of his brain and body are constantly changing, that memory and identity extend through years, although the body has changed many times, showing that the impressions must be made on something 'that is not like the brain, subject to change. This is just as true of us. (The atoms come and go; but our identity, as shown in memory reaching: back a dozen years or more, persists amid all material fluctuations

Your Darwins and your Hacckels and Wallaces have shown what your own observation should have taught you, that you are derived from the lower animals-the lower animals, we say, because you yourselves are animals. Go far enough back, and your ancestors and ours were the same creatures. Since our origin is the same, mustinot our nature and destiny be the same? Your bodies have been developed from animal bodies, your minds from animal minds. If, then, your minds are immortal, ours must be; for how could a being who is indetructible and immortal have been evolved from a perishphie being? structible and immortal have been evolved from a perishuble being? Add not claim to be a medium nor, be-To say that the capacity for immortality was somehow acquired during lifeve in spirit communication. He said the process of evolution from apchood to mathood is to make use of he had given scances in his shop on an unsupported assumption, opposed to continuity, the primary fact of Seventh street several times, evolution, in order to enable you to deny our immortality and assert our own.

There is another consideration we may mention in our behalf. Your at a subsequent meeting, the seance how, by a process of inoculation, the theologians say that a future life is necessary to prevent the ultimate was appointed and arranged. I and my nitrogen, so necessary to fruitful land, theologians say that a future life is necessary to prevent the ultimate defeat of justice, since it often fails here. Think of the millions of ani-mals that have been hunted for sport, beaten, tortured, and wantonly killed—often, too, by men they are serving with all their strength and kelled to be the searce at Mr. and wanton the searce at Mr. and the searce at killed-often, too, by men they are serving with all their strength and Keeler's not fan away. We found him the best they knew. Where is the justice of a God who would confer sitting on the steps with a friend. It

Many people speak of animals and treat them as though they had no souls of men after death appear again in animals, and the same doerights. They are mere brutes to be used for man's convenience or trine in India, where metempsychosis was most extensively and ingenipleasure; to be kicked, beaten, tortured, whenever anger or ill-nature cusly developed, undoubtedly contributed to respect for the rights of wants some object on which to gratify itself by the infliction of pain. animals. Unfortunately, justice to animals had no place in the ethics wants some object on which to gratify itself by the infliction of pain. animals. Unfortunately, justice to animals had no place in the ethics 31, 1899. He enjoys the great distinc-They are irrational creatures without souls, without sensibility, with-of the Christian church, which has shown less regard for the brutes than those writings those we but the provent cut any sense of right or wrong, and why treat them with any consid- was shown by the pagan teachers of Greece and Rome, whose writings eration! Were they not made for man? Was he not given dominion abound in passages inculeating kindness to animals as do the writings of the Old Testament, which commands: "Thou shalt not muzzle the was not properly applied to him, either ox that treadcth out the corn." "Thou shalt not see the a kid in his as one who denied the existence of God, mother's milk,"-passages which, among others, show a tenderness to- or in its truer meaning, as one who is ward the brutes we do not find in the early teachings of the Christian

church. The Jews are entitled to credit for their humane method of "Ah! old stanch friend, with your deep, clear eyes and bright, quick church. The sews are church to create to create the stand fact that severing was a gospel of negation, a system of glances that take in all one has to say before one has time to speak it, the main artories and allowing the animal to bleed to death is far less doubt and skepticism; whereas Ingerdo you know you are only an animal and have no mind? Do you know the main arteries and allowing the animal to bleed to death is far less that dull-eyed, gin-sodden lout leaning against the post out there is im- painful than the Persian and Babylonian method of crushing the head with a sledge-hammer, not to speak of the superior dietary effect of the

Thinker.

"The fatal vice of the theologian," says Mr. Lecky, in his History of European Morals, "who have always looked upon others solely through every utterance is a lic; do you know that these crawling skulks are as the medium of their own special dogmatic views, has been an obstacle to all advance in this direction. The animal world, being altogether able, brave-hearted, unselfish brute? They are men, you know, and external to the scheme of redemption, was regarded as beyond the range men are the greatest, noblest and wisest and best beings in the whole of duty; and the notion of our having any kind of obligation to them has never been inculcated, has never, I believe, been admitted by Catholic theologians. In the popular legends and in the recorded traits of individual amiability, it is curious to observe how constantly those who have sought to inculcate kindness to animals have done so by endeavoring to associate them with something distinctively Christian. That class of amusements, of which the ancient combats of wild beasts form class of amusements, of which the ancient compate of white beasts for in might copy with advantage. ingersoil the type, have, no doubt, nearly disappeared from Christendom, and it did not deny, though he did doubt and argue very ingeniously, if not conclusively, in favor of their own im-mortality. Addressing man through one of their representatives, the is possible that the softening power of Christian teaching may have had some indirect influence in abolishing them, but a candid judgment will confess that it has been very little. During the periods and in the I know somewhere in the unknown countries in which theological influence was supreme, they were unchallenged. They disappeared at last, because a luxurious and indus-

curiosity. We have some sense of beauty, some imagination, and some ious taste, recoiled with a sensation of disgust from pleasure that an un-We | cultivated taste would keenly relish; because the drama, at once reflecting and accelerating the change, gave a new form of popular amusement; and because, in consequence of this revolution, the old practices being left to the dregs of society, they became the occasion of scandalous disorders."

Mr. Lecky states with truth that the inculcation of kindness to ani mals on a wide scale is "mainly the work of a recent and secular age." Societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals are supported in the Protestant and free-thinking portions of Christendom. But in every community there need to be cultivated sensitiveness to the sufferings of animals, and a public sentiment that will not permit them to be abused. Cruelty to dumb sentient creatures by man who has them in his power B. F. UNDERWOOD.

IS A MEDIUM?	VACCINATING THE GROUND.
an Expert in Legerdemain?	Barren Land Can Be Made as Rich as Garden at Cost of 4 Cents an Acre

The subject of Spiritualism being un-der discussion at the "People's Forum," Washington, D. C., May 14, one speaker declared that he could do all that Plerre sult that attends the vaccination of the Keeler does at his light circles, and he human body to cure certain ills would appear preposterous to the casual mind, but this is exactly what is done, according to an intensely interesting article would like to give another to which he would invite as many present as his

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entitled "Inoculating the Ground," by Gilbert H. Grosvenor, in the October number of the Century Magazine. In shop could accommodate. Accordingly the most simple language he describes

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DR. B. F. AUSTIN.

Extract From a Lecture Delivered in Baltimore, Md.

"Robert Green Ingersoll, the question ing agnostic, the fearless iconoclastic and wizard word-weaver of our age, was born August 11, 1833, and died July those who never heard his voice or made a thorough study of his writings. He was called an 'infidel,' but this term unfaithful to his own convictions of right and truth. He is frequently spoken of as though his entire message soll taught a most comprehensive sys-tem of positive duties, a gospel of life, and liberty and love. He sang the praises of honest industry, championed the cause of the oppressed, exalted and glorified the pure home life and love, taught men self-respect, and urged men to make the most and best selves, help their brothers in affliction and serve their country with fidelity. He was the great apostle of liberty and freedom, and preached a gospel of truth and kindness, and justice and equality among men. He lived a pure and char-

itable life, spending with royal munificence his large income on the poor and on humanitarian objects, and leaving an example in his home life and relations which multitudes of his detractors question the existence of a personal God. He said: "There may be for aught shoreless vast, some being whose dreams are constellations and within dreams are constellations and whose thought the Infinite exists.' Of Jerus he said, 'For the man Christ I The place have an infinite respect. where man has died for man is holy ground. To that great and serene man I gladly pay the tribute of my admiration and my tears. He was a reformer in his day. He was an infidel in his ime. He was regarded as a blas-

phemer, and his life was destroyed by hypocrites. Had I lived at that time I would have been his friend."

"Like all other great men he had limitations and his lack of faith in, or knowledge of, the future life was one of his greatest. He constantly declared that his effort was not to blot out any hope men might entertain of heav-en, but to put out the fires of hell. He ridiculed some of the old dogmas and interpretations, but never religion itself. He said some bitter things about the church and the clergy, but most of his attacks on the church were attacks on abuses, and most of his bitter statements about clergymen were reprisal.

"It is too early to estimate the effect of his lectures and writings. In 100 years from now his work will appear far greater and more beneficent than it could possibly appear to us. It is not too much to say that he has influenced largely the religious teachings of our age, has contributed largely to the moreliberal thoughts of our times, and has cleared the ground by his iconoclasm for the new theology now the new thought of the day.

D. FEAST.

God's Mills Grind Slow But Sure.

In our experiences in this inner school of a kindly Providence under ancelic tutors, w hear, and

"Cosmic commerce implies the use of

nature's forces and substances of hith-erto unused kinds and in ways new to

men of this age. Electricity, the queen

of nature's forces, drawn from the earth

should be deemed criminal. mannan an

son, Mo.

over learned until then. The Captain said: "Why, that child has drank enough brandy to make him drunk."

Edwin Forrest said: "Those influences that surround him have a way of destroying the effects; how I cannot

The above incident ocurred before the Fox Sisters were heard of.

The Captain told it to a reporter of the New Orleans Picayune, and it was published at the time.

In 1875 Justin was sojourning in attended circles and was many times controlled by a spirit who gave the name of Tim. The circle was usually composed of Col. Morse and wife. Mrs. Thompson, the wife of a Chicago lawyer, a Mrs. Robinson who was a mem-ber of the society for which Mrs. Richmond lectured, a bass singer of Mrs. Richmond's choir, name forgotten, F. D. C. Meyer, and a sister-in-law of Col. Morse, name forgotten.

The spirit Tim gave many fine tests, but never until they would give him a drink of whiskey. Justin never drinks liquor of any kind, but the sitters would give his spirit what he desired in order to get tests. He wanted only the commonest whiskey. If they gave him a good article he would refuse to give tests.

On one occasion, in 1878, I with two others was spending an evening in a social way at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pirnie, in Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Pirnie was a grand medium. Mr. Pirnie was also a medium, but owing to ill health was rarely controlled, but this evening were having a friendly chat he

denly controlled by a negro spirit he had known in Michigan. The spirit said he was drowned in Saginaw Bay. He had procured a bottle of rum. gone out in a small boat fishing, was caught by a squall of wind, the boat was upset and he was drowned. I asked the spirit how he felt when he went to spirit life. He said: "I'll tell you, boss, I felt mighty bad to think I had lost all that good rum. I'd only drank part of the bottle, and I was so

sorry I hadn't drank the rest of it." It was very evident death had not taken from this poor spirit his love for

rum. In 1882, at Kansas City, Mo., <u>Mrs.</u> Harriet Hosmer Cham<u>berlain</u> accom-panied by Prof. Haus, of Topeka, Kan., called at Justin's home. Besides the bove named there were present Mrs. See, a daughter-in-law of Bishop See, of Davenport, Iowa; Doctor J. W. Charles, of McPherson, Kan., and Doct. F. D. C. Mever.

After sitting a short time Justin was controlled by Edgar Allan Poe, who gave Prof. Haus his past life in rhyme, telling him of the peculiar minds he had to deal with amongst the students. The-Professor told Mrs. Chamberlain every word was true. The Professor asked Spirit Poe if he had any desire now for liquor. He said: "Not any more; it took me a long time to get

over that desire." Then Professor Haus asked him what the feeling was when he came in rapport with a physical medium? He said when he came close to the medium's atmosphere, then came a

strong desire for liquor; when he did not receive it, he could not give a good communication. After a time that de-

The spirit said, "Sure now, take that bottle out of your pocket and give me drink." Mrs. C. reiterated the assertion that

she had none. The spirit indulged in some characteristic remarks and left Justin's Indian guide Rosa came aughing heartily and said she found the spirit wandering around looking for the Virgin Mary. She told her the Virgin was in there. When the spirit left the medium, she again met Rosa and upbraided her for deceiving her Rosa then told her she was the Virgin Chicago, taking a rest. He frequently analy The spirit wanted to know attended circles and was many times what made her so dark. Rosa said she got sunburned going about to so many countries.

Bridget afterwards came several times. She said we were her saviors. She became a member of Justin's band, and the guides say she is doing a grand work, bringing ignorant Catholic spirits from "Darkness to Light," She is very bitter in animosity towards the priests, and says, "Sure, they are the ones that took all our hard earnings. After we came to our present home in the mountains of Southern Califor

nia, for a time we had great difficulty in procuring the family washing done. Had to depend entirely on Indian wo men, who at first were very unreliable. At one time we were for several weeks unable to procure a washerwoman. Finally Justin said if I would bring the

water he would do some washing. brought the water and he commenced He had been at work but a short time when I perceived it was not Justin who was washing. Bridget had come and she remained until the work was completed. After she had been working for some time she said to me that Mr.

Franklin said she might have a drink, and she asked for whiskey. Benj. Franklin was at that time the leader of that band.

After the passing of twenty-three years, Bridget is still working with the band and frequently makes her pres-ence known. Justin's guides say she has become a beautiful spirit and is a grand missionary among those still in darkness.

It was evident Bridget did not leave behind her desire for liquor when she left the physical body. It is many years now since she has expressed a

wish for liquor. When we came to this mountain home we frequently employed an Indian named Jose Duro, who was Cap-tain of the Canajoes. He was fond of whiskey and would drink whenever he could get it. In time he passed to the "Happy Hunting Ground.". Several

time he came and controlled Justin. The st time he controlled was about ears ago. He said he knew of a ledge of gold-bearing rock and tw, rie would lead us to it if we would give him some whiskey. We told him we did not keep whiskey in the house. He persisted for some time, urging us to get him whiskey. When he realized that he couldn't get it he left without revealing his secret. This Indian had been in spirit life

about, twelve years and still craved whiskey. E. W. HULBURD. Descanso, Cal.

Every man is a volume if you know how to read him.—Channing. There can be no civility without. deep morality.-Emerson.

and destroying animals, and give the animals no recompense for their sufferings, extending through long dreary centuries, in the aggregate beyond the power of computation, and in horribleness beyond the power of bogoth is non-the power of computation, and in horribleness beyond the power of bogoth is non-the power of computation in the castern part of this country re-claimed and fruitful. Probably the most pleasing thing about the whole of Hogarth's pencil to describe?

Justice requires that we have a future life. Moreover, from the first, man has been surrounded by animals; they have been his companions, and they are indispensable to his happiness. 'He keeps then now, even when they are of no utility to him; and in the city parks are kept deer, swan and birds of song for the pleasure of the people. In the past men were generous enough to believe that we would share with them the the back of a guitar to the music of a lology of the department, who discovfuture; and, even now, the Indian of the plains

"thinks, admitted to that equal sky, His faithful dog shall bear him company."

One of your own poets, while speaking our praises, bears testimony to the indispensableness of our presence and our companionship to come from the guide, George Collins, a certain plants, like the clovers, bean man's happiness—an indication that, if man is immortal, we, too, are a deceased minstrel. A lady was first and pea, did not impoverish the soil to the indispensableness of our presence and our companionship to immortal:

'I think I could turn and live with animals, they are so placid and selfcontained: stand and look at them sometimes for an hour at a stretch:

They do not sweat and whine about their condition; They do not lay awake in the dark and weep for their sins;

They do not make me sick discussing their duty to God

Not one is dissatisfied-not one is demented with the mania of owning things;

Not one kneels to another, nor to his kind that lived thousands of years ago." 1 .-.

We are not degraded by vices. We have never been guilty of drunkenness, gambling, swindling or lying; most of us are not open to the charge of holding slaves or of beating our wives and children.

Thus might the animals make a plea to the rational world, not simply for their own immortality, but for better treatment than they now receive. Abstract morality would treat with justice all beings, without does Mr. Fuss pretend to be a trickster. well fed by the professor, says Mr. shall flash from the east to the west any inquiry as to their origin or destiny; but the highest ground on this shop before, and he says that on working for themselves. In the soil also wholly learn himself; learn what which Christendom has theoretically recognized the rights of all races one occasion the twenty-one persons of men is that they have a common origin and destiny, and constitute a present all voted that it was spiritual. universal brotherhood.

This implies a great advance beyond the condition of the little tribe or community which recognizes no rights to be respected beyond its demurred and passed out to the side own jurisdiction and the relations of its own members The progress walk. But the collection was taken. is due to a multitude of causes; and the belief that all men have a com- Mr. Keeler and two other men put in 50 with it, as it certainly affords no ultimate reason for the practice of jus pay, not having a license, but Mr. tice to all men, which we believe has its true reason and pasis in the in- Keeler assured him there was no law terest and well-being of mankind.

If the great majority of mankind who believe in future state for themselves could see that the claim of the animal to a future life is splite of the man's assertions to the con-trary, HE IS A MEDIUM, and that the nearly, if not indeed quite, as well founded as their own, the result performances we witnessed were splittmight be a treatment of the poor brutes somewhat better than they now ual. receive. Perhaps the fashionable ladies and gentlemen who join in fox hunts, and the brutal drivers who club their horses until they fall from the weight of the load and the force of the blows, might be restrained. if they could realize that the wronged brutes would appear in ghostly N. Y .: "The police, June 6, called on all form to reproach them after death.

Our knowledge, however, of the hardships and barbarilies to which, and warned them to quit work or take slaves have been subjected, when there has been no question among prisonment. When I asked if the order their masters as to their immortality, of the treatment which the infe-all are classed under that head of forrior races have received from the powerful nations of Christendom; and of the persecutions that have destroyed millions of lives where the that way.', The writer was one that brotherhood of man and the immortality of the soul have been accepted | was warned." by all, and of the wars, which every new and then drench with blood the fairest spots in Christian lands, make one doubt whether the accept ance of the theory that animals are immortal would greatly modify the lity to what may be addressed to us; all Thackeray. common treatment of them.

The belief among the mild and contemplative Reputians that the alfability.-Socrates.

things which, owing to insufficient men-Even a skeptic reading Mr. Grosvétal unfoldment, we cannot understand, the best they knew. Where is the justice of a God who would confer was time to begin, but so few were nor's article must be impressed by it, tal unfoldment, we cannot understand, immortality upon all who have found their chief sport in formenting there that he declined to hold a seance, and at the end of the story see visions and often have St. Paul's scruples, when he said that being caught up into the third heaven he saw and heard things but said he would go with us to the of vast tracts of now barren fruit lands which were not lawful to tell.

Such experiences have often been my whe and his friend. Though the matter is that the nitrogen germs so mine. One lesson given me by a spirit performance had begun we were all let necessary to the soli's productiveness in 1874 in writing, and which, although in. There were about sixteen persons are furnished free by the Agricultural I saw nothing in it, was preserved gathered in the small upholstery shop. Department, the letters patent having among others, and reads as follows:

The battery had been formed by the up-holsterer, Fuss. The ringing of a bell, been presented to the government by Professor Dr. George T. Moore, in "Many new features of universal knowledge will soon appear in different beating a tambourine and drumming on charge of the laboratory of plant physways and become the knowledge, and through knowledge, the wealth of hu-manity. At present if electricians or mouth organ were heard. The man's ered how to practically utilize nitrogen coat came off while he clasped with germs. any scientists were asked concerning both hands the left arm of the lady sit-But Mr. Moore was not the discovuniversal wireless telegraphy from mind to mind, city to city, continent to

thig next to him in the battery. She erer of the germs. It has been known declared that she felt the pressure of for many years that the air we breathe continent, immortal realms and beings his hands all the time. Another bat-tery was chosen by raps purporting to sary to the soil, and it was known that included, they would not think it feasible, and to ask even the brightest concerning cosmic titles and cosmic commerce, they would think it an absurdity, chosen; then each man in turn asked as some of the grains did. It remained or at least unintelligible speech. But it "Do you want me?" The answer from for Professor Nobbe, a German scient-the cabinet was one rap, no, until the ist to discover, as Mr. Grosvenor deis divinely purposed that these things shall be introduced to man and become last man, Mr. Keeler, was chosen. clares, that the bean especially takes known and established facts and prac-The second battery being formed, its nitrogen from the air and that it tices, yea; in time to be taught in the pads and pencils were handed over to absorbs more than it needs, and actucommon schools and colleges.

the guide in the cabinet. About twen- ally enriches the soil with the surplus ty messages in writing came over which supply.

were recognized and received by differ-ent persons present. Three came for bad bulbs, or round tubercles, or nod-Then he found that all of these plants me; one signed Thomas Paine, saying. ules, attached to the roots, as if an in-"I am glad to see you here"; another seet had bitten them. He dissected and supplemented by that of the ele-signed R. G. Ingersoll, saying, "I do not one of these bulbs and found it filled ments, will revolutionize many things know"; a third signed Herbert Spencer, with bacteria that worked incessantly, and pave the way for man the student

saying, "You are doing good work." aving, "You are doing good work.", the plant, Next came writing on a large pad, by the plant, Next came writing on a large pad, by Then the professor successfully culabsorbing nitrogen from the air to teed to receive the truth concerning creation a visible hand. Several persons were

and all evolutionary processes. He will Then the professor successfully cul-learn to verify the prophecies of the tivated these bacteria, and a German Bible in scientific demonstrations called up by the hand pointing to them, and holding the plot on the shoulders of company was actually formed to supply the sitters in the battery, got writing. them to farmers in bottled form. They through the wireless system of mental and general telegraphy, the establishing No sign of trickery was apparent, nor did not live because they had been too of light towers from which the light

they died. The company stopped man- is or constitutes life; how these fluids ufacturing. electricity, magnetism and ether are There, was no charge for admission. Professor Moore cultivated a self- reinteractive and pass through the silver

moved that a collection be taken. It liant disposition in his nitrogen baccord to the golden bowl or soul seat, to nourish the life or spirit in man. was seconded by Mr. Keeler. Mr. Fuss teria, He did not overfeed them, and they began to seek their nitrogen food "They will learn to keep up the rethemselves. Having obtained perma uired ratios of these substances by nent bacteria, he found a bit of cotton thought, proper foods and proper con-duct, to thus prolong life on in a strong mon origin and a common destiny has probably had but little to do was raised. Mr. Fuss feared to take he dried it, and in this form it is sent and healthy condition to a much greater to the farmer, who is directed to soal age, and garner wisdom for eternal enthe cotton in a solution of water, granoyment."

against accepting contributions. We all went away satisfied that in ulated sugar, potassium phosphate magnesium sulphate and phosphate. The solution is then mixed spite of the man's assertions to the conwith earth, so that every particle of the earth is moistened. It is then mixed

WM. HENRY BURR. The Law at Work.

Wm. D. Noyes writes from Rochester clairvoyants; palmists . and . mediums and warned them to quit work or take

The church still talks about "evilence," about "reason," about "freedom tune tellers, and would be dealt with in

We should avoid whatever may dis-

Construction of the second

Now we read in our daily papers the ammonis efforts and accomplishments of such men as Tesla, Edison, Marconi, and others in electrical science. Many other noble minds are delving into these studwith five times the quantity of earth ies and the establishing of the referred-to light towers to be lighted by electricand scattered over the barren field, vaccinating it with nitrogen germs that ity drawn from the earth and supplemultiply and cause bountiful crops mented by that of the elements, will some of these days be a realized thing. One small package, it is said, will inoculate one to four acres .- Chicago Many grand demonstrations will then esult, which are not yet thought of

even by those capable of bringing the results of their arduous studies into

I am sure these things will so be, be-cause all that I have ever beheld clairroyantly has come and does come to pass, but some things are slow, verifying the saying that, "God's mills grind slow but sure.

Think of the egotism of a man who believes that an infinite being wants his praise.-Ingersoll.

uses of different kinds.

MRS. M. KLEIN. Van Wert, Ohio.

of conscience," and the "liberty of speech." and yet denounces those who appeal to reason, and who honestly ex-

press their thoughts-Ingersoll. The acknowledgment of weakness which we make in imploring to be relieved from hunger and temptation is

American.

of greatness.-Anon.





were.

MATERIALIZING TOGGERY.

A Trenchant Article From the Pen of C. W. Stewart.

In the name of all that is sacred, what is Modern Spiritualism coming to?

Is it possible that the claim made by the alienist materialists that belief in Spiritualism is evidence of mental degeneracy is to be verified and sustained by such special pleading as that of Judge Dunn in a recent issue of The Progressive Thinker?

The whole article is a plea in extenuspirits and mortals. For admitting for influence, and it was afterward used upon his person by spirits, it only shifts

the rascality from the mortal to the Yes, but Winans always tells spirit. the circle that there are "etherealizations, materializations, and persona-tions." Yes, I know that he does, and once in a circle held by him with moshim, a tall figure wrapped in a sheet appeared before me and some one sug-

er had very fine black hair, combed low BRING THE WHOLE SUBJECT on her forchead in her earth life. I at THE LEVEL OF THE VAUDEVILLE once stated that this was not my STAGE!

kind that were given under conditions where fraud was impossible, and have talked with my own spirit wife, and bave seen her dematerialize right before, not only my own eyes, but a'com pany of ladies and gentlemen saw all that I saw and heard all that I heard

the principles of mediumship, and

would know what true test conditions

I have seen manifestations of this

and this with a medium who would scorn the idea of sitting under any other than test conditions, as well as the idea of accepting remuneration for thus sitting. And when there is suggestion that any kind of parapher-

ation of rascality on the part of both nalia is necessary to facilitate the manifostations, right then and there is the the sake of the argument that Winans time and place to drop all such medi-procured the paraphernalia under spirit ums and their apologists, and repudiate both.

Nature manages to arrange for the advent of human beings into this sphere of existence with a body suitable for general purposes, and no paraphernalia of any kind are necessary to facilitate the process. And if the claim that the spirit realm is a perfectly natquito netting tacked to the floor around | ural world is worth anything, then the coming back into visible form of one who has entered the next expression of gested that it was my mother. I asked life ought to be as natural a process as If it was, and the figure bowed assent. the first. DIRTY CHEESE-CLOTH spoon, and found that the hair (?) re NO PART OF THE MID-WIFE'S OR sembled grey Spanish moss, and in 'THE ACCOUCHEUR'S OUTFI', AND quantity almost sufficient to stuff a TO CLAIM THAT A SPIRIT CANNON chair, while the fact was that quantity almost sufficient to stuff a TO CLAIM THAT A SPIRIT CANNOT chair, while the fact was that my moth- MANIFEST WITHOUT THEM IS TO

mother, and in so doing I incurred the lasting hatred of Winans and his adher the 'bottom of all this rascality, and ents. At the close of the seance a few when Spiritualists will organize for busof us concluded to investigate the iness purposes, and see to it that when conditions a little, and we found a medium is proven t they shall that while the netting was tacked to be not only protected, but the organiza-the floor, it was tied to a hook overhead tion see to it that they are freed from a convenient draw-string in it the struggle for a living, then there will and had which enabled the "nersonating" snirit be no incentive to such reprehensible to simply unbook the net, open the work. Truth loves the light of day. I drawstring, and step out! saw a medium in this city over a year It was the air of mystery assumed by ago agree to go under test conditions Mesmer that caused the French Acade | to give materialization, and atter all my to sit down on him so hard, and it | the arrangements for the tests were a pretty safe rule to go by to coreful- made, the woman's husband slipped in Iv watch all alleged media who clothe to the cabinet, thus ruining the test, themselves with an air of great mys- and the spirits came out with teriousness TRUTH DOES NOT pretty, shining stars and cres-WEAR A MASK, even if "personating" cents all over their "spirit robes," amid spirits do and any cause that excuses the Ohs! and Ahs! of the residents of such trumped-up nonsense will fail, Easy street who, as Barnum said, will and ought to fail. pay more to be gulled than they There seems to be a continual con-ict waged in the ranks of the Spiritual-And this very medium (?) has admitted flict waged in the ranks of the Spiritualists growing out of their failure to that she was party to a precious bit of catch the significance of the trend of fraud that was recently exposed. the present time. I crew! Out upon the whole ignorant What is it that causes the constant, gullible crowd that follow in the wake universal harmony that characterizes of these charlatans to get a test from the Royal Society of England? li is to their great-grandmother, and have no be found in the fact that each and ev- use for the philosophy, which, if they ery member is a devotee of natural had sense enough to comprehend it. truth, and is willing to sacrifice might save them both dollars and everything on the Altar of Truth. A shame! number of active workers in the cause All "John and Mary" mediums who of Spiritualism. including myself, be have had a cold chill down their backs lieve that so-called spiritual phenomeand have started out to get a quarter na are natural phenomena, and al-though they are the highest class of er," should be sat upon at once. Betnatural phenomena, they are no more ter, far better that the world should gremarkable, per se, than the blooming wait another thousand years for proof toof a flower. As Prof. Hyslop said to of future life than that this glorious me over a year ago. "in the light of truth should be smirched and slimed modern scientific investigation the with the filthy elements of falsehood words natural and supernatural have and fraud. viboth lost their meaning. Another abomination of desolation in Another reason for this harmony is Another reason for this harmony is our ranks is the would be leaders and in the fact that the Royal Society does managers who want to be the whole not deal in gods and religions, except-ing as ethnological subjects. One of serve even as the tail of one! Here, the greatest causes of discord in our for instance, comes the Light of Truth, ranks at present is the effort to church that like Atles, has the whole world on fallize Spiritualism, and this makes it its back, and is "TESTING THE SPIR-much easier for the practice of rascal-ITUALISTS OF NORTH AMERICA When anything is cloaked with a SPECIFICALLY AND THE SPIRITUity. halo of false reverence, that moment ALISTS OF THE WORLD GENERALthe road is opened for the entrance of LY. "What meat has this our Caesar "pious fraud." The history of theolo- fed upon that he has grown so great?" gy is but a record of this fact. A me- And worse than all, the editor informs dium, like everybody else, is sacred only us for the most part, the stuff so far when he is the embodiment of truth. tested is exceedingly "shoddy." Well, A spirit is no more an object of reverwell! Have we a right to ask the L. of ence than is a mortal in earth life, and T. what is the nature of its test condiwhen this truth is fully comprehended, tions? Do the proprietors of King people- will cease sitting in open-mouthed wonder listening to the most Solomon's Mines employ the same asmouthed wonder listening to the most buy to the same chemicals with which they locate fridiculous twaddle, purporting to come same chemicals with which they locate from the prophet Isalah, or some of the great gobs of wealth in "Country rocks?" Are they like the old fellow rocks?" Are they like the old fellow CUT OUT THE RELIGIOUS ELE. in Nevada that told of a mine that he MENT, PLACE SPIRITUALISM had located that was "tuil or pirates WHERE IT BELONGS IN THE CATE- and chloroform?". We are all growing GORY OF SCIENCE, AND YOU WILL anxious to learn whether we belong to NOT ONLY PUT A STOP TO THE the class called shoddy, or those who NOT ONLY PUT A STOP TO THE the class called shoddy, or those who WRANGLE OVER THE UNKNOWA are all wool and a yard wide! And BLE, BUT WILL, TO A GREAT DE-when this party gets the sheep and the GREE STOP THE DEPREDATIONS goats separated, will be take the sheep OF THE FAKIRS. that have been sheared to sit at the I undertake to say here and now, af- right hand of "our Father which is in ter thirty-four years of investigation of heaven?" And will the goats that are "shoddy" be driven into outer darkness this subject, that no require, mediums i for materialization will have in their where there will be weeping and wall-possession, or allow in the seance room, ing and gnashing of teeth? If so, 1 any such paraphernalia as is said to shall brook no delay; but will employ a have been found in the possession of dentist at once that I may have some Charlie Winans. More than that, I say thing to gnash! O, for a few E. V. bere and now, that no genuine medium. Wilsons in the flesh to satirize, this chic science. Demonstrator of the mo-for materialization will refuse to sub-mit to reasonable test conditions, pro- and assurance! mit to reasonable test conditions, pro- and assurance! Spiritualism is in this-world just as | Price 25 cents. wided by a committee that understands

MUSIC CURES INSANITY. Lyman C. Howe Visits Buffalo and Collins, New York.

Buffalo is the first city I ever visited as a spiritual itinerant. It was in 1858.9. Then Mrs. F. O. Hyzer, Thomas Gales Foster and Corg L. V. Scott were

the ideal standards of the spiritual platform and its thrilling inspirations. Few, if any, have ever surpassed them, and rarely are they equaled. Platform tests were unknown; but the largest. halls were packed with intelligent, eager listeners to the startling utterances and brilliant oratory of the heaven inspired speakers. As it was my "first love," Buffalo has

ever been a ravorite center to me. Many months-aggregating yearshave ministered to the faithful, through the varying changes that have marked the footsteps of progress in Buffalo. Last Sunday, June 4, I again made my bow to a Buffalo audience, at the Tem ple (Church), corner of Jersey and Prospect streets. The day was dark, and rain respected not our . feelings; and the chill was trying to the faith of Christian Science. But there was a lively sprinkling of children and youngsters, and the tried and true of the oldsters, made a respectable audience. Mrs. Dillon was full of life to inspire

the lyceum and lead it into the spirit-ual arcana in search of truth. The evening brought out a fine audi-ence, including Mrs. Dr. Matteson, fresh from Syracuse, where she had been to share the annual meeting of the State Association, of which she is an active and valuable member, and now elected to serve on the official board.

The strong personality of Prof. Wm M. Lockwood and wife surprised me as intellectual illuminators, and he is to give some scientific lectures at the church on week evenings, taking a door fee to meet expenseses. I regret that I am not to be one of his pupils for this week and next, on Wednesday evenings. There are some superficial Spiritualists who affect to discredit Prof. Lockwood as a Spiritualist, calling him a materialist, and even denouncing him as a "dangerous element" for spiritual Camp meetings! How any intelligent person, after hearing his lectures, reading his books and letters to the spiritual press, can see any ground for

such charges, surpasses my understanding. He is a materialist, and does not deny it; but his materialism is of that scientific order that demonstrates the continuity of human life, and the communication of excarnate men and wo-men with the denizens of this world, and the frank and free expression of a belief in immortality. If this does not constitute a man a Spiritualist, what does? He has no apology for bogus mediumship, and strikes hard against frauds and shams of all kinds. If this is cause for a church trial and excommunication from the spiritual fraternity it might improve the condition of Spirtualism to ostracise the fraternity. Save the cause by expelling the church. We may differ as to method, but no sensible Spiritualist, who loves the truth, can desire to coddle and protect any imposition, whether it be practiced by a medium to supplement the genuine cr by a conscienceless pretender who

is in no sense a medium, and abuses public confidence by systematic lying and preconcerted deception. Brother Atcheson presided over our meeting, good music entertained and sweetened the hour, old friends met, and new ones were introduced, and the

evidence was in favor of a hearty growth for unadulterated Spiritualism. expect to speak in the same church the remaining Sundays of June. From Buffalo L took a run-or ride

to Collins, about 6 miles south of North Collins, where for thirty years the great annual meeting of the Friends of Human Progress did a world-wide work for freedom and Spiritualism. On Monday evening, June 5, in com-

oany with Mrs. Howe and her relatives, visited the State Asylum for the Insane. It is a beautiful and wonderful place. 500 acres of ground in a very complete state of cultivation, worked mostly by the patients, and buildings



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urking in such investigation," But

ny good sister, danger lurks every

where. The danger is in excesses and

buses, and not in the normal and ju-

licious use of methods and things; and

I would advise all people who would

And Advocates the Philosophy of Spirtoo, among the street-sweepers and u itualism,

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

To the Editor of the New York American: J note in your paper of May 21, an article from Ella Wheeler Wilcox on Psychic Phenomena, and I read the communication with much interest as I do all articles from the pen of this gifted wrifer, that come: under my observa-

tion, and yet J may not always agree with her conclusions. Mrgm Wilcox, says she had been asked to give her opinion upon the above-named subject, and surely she has a right to her opinion and a right to express it, too, and as a thinker her opin-ion is entitled to respect. But it is said there are always, two sides to a ques-tion, and some subjects are many-sided, and we are wher if we hear all sides, and with your permission, Mr. Editor, the writer would like through the columns of your interesting and progressive paper, to voice a few thoughts on the other side of this important subject and also kindly review some of the statements of the article in question, The writer says she agrees with a

life, its great meaning and purpose; who would come into a higher understanding of self; who would know the certain judge in his remark, that "proofs of the existence of the mind of unfolding of latent powers and possibilities of being; who would sense the expansion of intellect; who would realman after death was the most import ant matter in the whole world," and further speaks of the subject as an "imte the exquisite joy of mental and spiritual freedom, who would have their will strengthened, their sense of perportant and beautiful study," and it would seem that a subject of so vast importance should be world-wide in its application, and yet Mrs. Wilcox would limit its study to just a few of the human race. She says: "I would earnestly advise any one who is not in robust physical condition, and not in the possession of a strong will, a clear reasoning brain and a well-balanced mind to heep away from psychic phenomena." Now as a matter of fact there seems to be but few people comparatively in robust or perfect health, and the great

mass of humanity are not the posses sors of a strong will, clear reasoning brain or well-balanced minds, nor yet of strong individuality. The mind of the great mass of the

people is fashioned or molded by the prevailing thought of the age; they irift with the tide-the great countless throng of humanity have never been awakened to the need, or indeed to their right, to think for themselves, and because of this, when a subject is presented to the world that opens a bound-less field of knowledge to the human mind, shall the multitude be barred from its benefits? Shall the investigation of this important and beautiful study be left solely to such men as Bishop Fallows, Minot Savage, Heber Newton, Dr. Funk and others whose in-terest therein Mrs. Wilcox says, "lends dignity to the study." She seems to be lacking in her faith in the common people "the bone and sinew of the re-public."9 Give the common people a chance, and note the progress

In my₂opinion Mrs. Wilcox makes unqualified, statements that need to be verified to be accepted as fact, and the very nature of these assertions pre-clude the pessibility of verification. She says: "Many degenerates, if not all, half the insage, and many invalids are simply victime of obsession" (by evil spirits). I repeat it is quite impossible to verify these sweeping assertions, for even a "master" that she styles the "knower" could hardly have knowledge of the cause of all degeneracy. Really the causes of wrong-doing are manifold To know, the cause of degeneracy would necessitate a personal investigation of every individual degenerate, and the same regarding the insane. I question

if anyone knows that half the insand people are so because they are obsessed by evil spirits. The causes of insanity the same as of wrong-doing, are many. This charge has oft been made by Theosophists.

Mrs. Wilcox also reiterates the Mrs. Wilcox also reiterates the charge that mediumship is destructive to the physical, mental, moral and spir-itual welfare of the medium.

Motherhood the Best Guarantee of Good Citizenship.

We call ourselves a republic. Are we? A republic is a country governed by representatives elected by the peo ple. Are we? No. The men of ou country elect the representatives, but the men are only a fraction of the neo

ditch diggers, and these latter are of equal importance in the great field of ple, and no matter how good a fraction lfe with the masterful orator or artist, is, it can never be the whole. The puritans caught the idea of re and thus it is in the natural order of ligious liberty for themselves, but they denied it to others; yet they regarded things that there should be master minds in things spiritual, or in seer-ship, but this does not signify that themselves as upholding "knowers." Church members only were at the time know it all. 'There is still the great allowed to vote. After the close of the field of unexplored knowledge. No master, or expert, or adept has exhaust-Revolutionary war it was the taxpayer only who could vote. Later, under ed the fountain of wisdom or drank all Thomas Jefferson, the great democratic principles were advocated and white the exhibitrating waters from the well of knowledge; there is still plenty male citizens only might cast the ballot. The republicans blot out the word from which the average mind can still white" and male citizens only may My gifted sister writer says she is 'convinced of the immortal truth un-

vote. This country can never be a true republic while these limiting words If the true republic would be stand. upheld, every citizen, male and female at the age of 21, should have the right franchise. Disfranchised persons are described as "male idiots, male lu natics, male criminals, male childrenthat distinction? Why do governments exist? For the protection of property for the fulfillment of law for the devel opment of the people. Are not women interested in these matters? A woman from cradle to the grave, has her life regulated by the government. Should she not have something to say about what shall be the kind of government she is controlled by? In old times the men of this country

been im

REV. ANNA H. SHAW.

TO A MOURNING MOTHER.

sonal responsibility quickened, their individuality intensified, their standard made new laws for themselves, but imof moral action elevated, and their sense of justice enlarged-I would adported the old common law for women. he common law preventing the married ones from holding or inheriting property or in collecting her wages if vise all such to investigate psychic phenomena with its accompanying philos-ophy which really constitutes the philshe earned them. During the last sixty sophy of life and the science of living. ycars, since woman's suffrage has been would advise all people who would be agitated, these laws have rid of the element of fear, who would have removed the dread and terror that proved so that now married as well as single women may hold property. has so long hung as a pall of gloom Last year Massachusetts passed bill which the women had been working over the gateway of death-I would advise all such to study the great subject for fifty years entitling a woman to a of spirit return. But beware of fakirs; use discretion legal right in her own child. There are now 500,000 children under

understanding of

and judgment in the selection of psychics. Tricksters and pretenders _are abroad in the land. One recently came to grief in my own city. Charlatans are prowling around deceiving those not on the alert. Belleve not every one who claims psychic power, but make inquiry and find the tried and true ones, and benefits untold will accrue therefrom. It will open to the enslaved mind, cramped and dwarfed by the dogmas and superstitions of the past, the great field of progressive thought, of

free thought. And to me there is no brighter jewel in the crown of human experience than that we name Free Thought. It is the diamond rare that flashes its splendor of reason amid the dark superstitions that surround us. O, what a boon to be free to think, and to use the reason with which nature

has endowed us. In conclusion I may say that twenty five years of public work, bringing me almost daily into contact with people who have investigated along these lines, added to my own study, and

sensing in my own organism the in-breathing of inspiration's mighty flame, has led to the foregoing conclusions Opinions differ, and experiences diffor upon which ideas are builded. CLARA WATSON.

Jamestown, New York.

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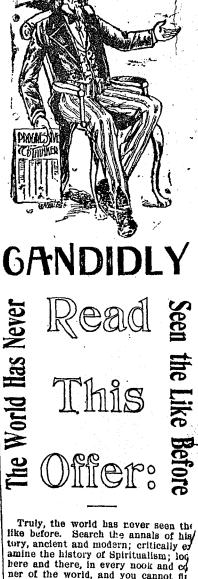
To the Editor:-In your list of Spirit ual camp-meetings we particularly note the good things said of Onset (pi esum ably by its management), and interested as I ever have been in Onset's devel-

other hand we are taxed \$100 annually

contributing water.

right.

And in the rushing current oft are swept from side to side: A mother clinging to her child is often torn away



14 years of age at work in factories, and women who are struggling to get bills passed to prevent it have not been ner of the world, and you cannot fly a parallel to the offer made in referen able to accomplish it. President Rooseto these twelve remarkable Premiu velt has been lecturing on the subject of Books. They constitute a wonderful race suicide. Is there any race suicide valuable Spiritualistic and Occult like this? Since women are interested brary, and are furnished at a nomi in the protection of property, in the administration of justice and the desum. All are substantially bound a neatly printed, and those who purch elopment of the race, it would seem them are delighted with them. them are delighted with them. The y one to appear, "LETTERS FROM 19 SPIRIT WORLD," written through e that she would have a share in making There are women who are unfit for mediumship of that remarkable self-government, as there are men unfit. dium, Carlyle Petersilea, should be A. but in each case they are in the minor every library. Read the following careity. Women have the best guarantee of good citizenship that exists, and it is We have now TWELVE magnificent Premium Books, and you can select from them as follows: President National Woman Suffrage Any one of the Twelve Premium Books you may order, price 25 cents. This is the price, remember, when you order only one book in connection with yearly subscription. The paper, one (Dedicated to Mrs John Patterson, year, and one Premium Book, \$1.25. Any two of the Twelve Premium Books you may order, price 70 cents. Any three of the Twelve Premium would not wipe away a tear or soothe Books you may order, price \$1.10. Any four of the Twelve Premium For in them both there is a force that Books you may order, price \$1.50. Any five of the Twelve Premium who Books you may order, price \$1.75. Any six of the Twelve Premium and down within their spirits fail to Books you may order, price \$2.05. Any soven of the Twelve Premium There is a sadness deep and low within Books you may order, price \$2.35. Any eight of the Twolve Premium When close unto her mother heart the Books you may order, price \$2.65. Any nine of the Twelve Premium But when we know that naught is lost

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June 17, 1905.

all of brick, covering a large area that makes it seem like a modern city. We witnessed the dance in the spacious hall built expressly for entertainments for patients.

It is a model of fine taste, elegant appointments, beautiful scenery, and polished cleanliness. It is about seven years since it was started and there are now about seven hundred and fiftyeight patients and more coming. Many have been cured and discharged.

The music is one of the best reme-dies. It may also be one of the best preventives, not only of insanity, but all other maladies. We stayed till about 11:30 p.m., dur

ing which time nature joined in the festivities in a sublime display of pyrotechnics, and a superb rendering of hattle hymns of the clouds, supplemented by a baptism of her summer tears, the whole making a scene sublime and awful to witness.

Now don't you tell that I am just out of an insane asylum: for I might be suspected of having been obsessed. But against the obsession theory it is noteworthy that for most of the cases there are natural causes, easy to dis-cover, and by the application of natural antidotes they are cured and discharged. One case that does not seem to improve much, is that of a Fredonia man who has spent most of his life with horses, and owned some racers, and his whole montality was absorbed in the horses and races. He fancies himself a horse, frequently claiming that he is the famous trotter "Duke" that he

owned. Another thinks he is a post, and he is stiff and straight, and when he dances all his motions conform to the ideal post, rigid, inflexible. One patient suddenly came to himself in the midst of the dance, and wondered where he was. and how he came there. He was cured from that hour.

Good medicine, plessant to take; yet dancing is so wicked.! LYMAN C. HOWE.

the sunlight is in the world. It is not here to aid a little mutual admiration society getting half-fare rates on the railroads, nor yet to assist in publishing prayerbooks. But at present it is somewhat adumbrated with theological twaddle, and barnacled with fakes and fakery, but it has survived many other evils and will doubtless survive these, and when it does, it will rest upon the foundation of scientific truth, untrammeled with either churches or pious fraud, which have always supplemented each other in robbing humanity. Yours for scientific truth. C. W. STEWART.

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She says, mediums as a rule are unable to distinguish between mind-read- ing any pecuniary gain for a decade, but ing and seership; but is there any they did expect a helping hand from the

crime in this ?. My opinion is that the nine zealous directors of the association mind-reading that Mrs. Wilcox says who annually collect \$4,000 from the aswas practiced upon herself a score of sociation's property consisting of 87 times by mediums, regarding a desired cottages, a large temple, a large casino, event, was on the part of the spirit boat landings, many bath houses, etc communicating rather than that of the But in all the years that this water psychic, and has my sister writer any "that could not be purer and better" knowledge to the contrary?

Mrs. Wilcox said that at a certain pronounced the best in the state, has period of her investigation she found not been introduced into a single one of that her will, and the sense of personal their buildings, and the occupants of responsibility was being lessened. them all have to bring water in buck-My own experience of more than thirets from a driven well. But on the

ty years; investigation along this important subject has been exactly the opposite. My own will has been materially strengthened, my sense of personal responsibility largely increased. and my individuality strikingly developed; and my own case is only one of many of which I have knowledge.

My sister worker would have no one not in perfect health have anything to do with mediumship, and yet my ex- them to which the water company is cerience has taught me that thousands of people have been benefited physically through psychic power. I have strictly in keeping with the seven years' known many mediums who were alling lease of the entire property of the assosome of them invalids before the unfolding of their psychic powers, who folding of their psychic powers, who many years back has deprived an nou-have been restored to health through the life-giving forces and power of spirit. And then there are many medi-any of its revenues. We are literally that is not in the ring, of ums practicing the art of healing that fenced out to battle for justice in the have rendered untold blessings in this state courts, and the public are decidums practicing the art of healing that direction. Mrs. J. H. R. Matteson, the edly of the opinion that the methods of clairvoyant noctor-the psychic wonder of Buffalo, No: Y .- whose wonderful

work is known throughout the state, has cured thousands and benefited other thousands. E She devotes her time exclusively to the work, and has for hirty years, and is happy, hale and hearty And here, too, I may add, that I

know of thistances where mediums and others have been cured of the tobacco habit, the liquor habit, etc., through coming in touch with the forces and influences of the spirit realm.

Mrs. Wilcox speaks of thousands of mediums who throw open the door of

their being to "all sorts" of spirits and declares the result of such action is ruin to them. II have been wondering where these thousands of people are. My own experience with mediums has been that they have one general spirit helper, ortis band of assistants whose work is tooprotect, counsel and advise. My researches have not led me to one periences differ. I would not "scoff' at "mastership"

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the deepest grief,

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lifeless form is pressed,

and death is but a change,

We cannot feel the passing on to be so

All beings in the stream of life are float-

and yet I feel so sad for those

yearly subscription for The Progressive Thinker. We repeat that the world not forevermore: The little darlings, growing, wait upon

the other shore Where angels teach them of their souls, from mortal bodies free, The higher laws, the truer life of im-

mortality. DR. T. WILKINS.

Helped by Spirits.

We are often asked, of what use is Spiritualism. It is of use often in saving us from danger from severe acci-I will mention a few cases

data. for the privilege of bringing this ele where I have been saved. ment of salvation to the grounds-and Some thirty years ago, I was tending cane and Super-Mundane Spiritism, by salvation it truly has been, for the an iron planer. I had on it what is Mrs. Emma Hardinge Britten. water from the drive wells was becomcalled a planer jaw. It is somewhat ing contaminated by vaults and cesslike a vise, for holding small pieces pools. With thousands of revenue in while being planed, which it would be our treasury, these directors still pervery difficult to hold without it. While sist in their course, scarcely contrib-

using it on a certain occasion I under-took to adjust a piece of iron that had uting to a single fountain presented become loose, without stopping the machine, which was a very dangerous This policy of Onset's management is thing to do. The planer jaw in moving back and forth passed very near to the back upright of the planer. To adjust ciation made to themselves, which for the piece I had to place my hand for-ward of the jaw and if not taken away 10—Seers of the Ages, or Spiritualism Past and Present, by Dr. J. M. Peebles. many years back has deprived all holdin time the hand would be caught be tween the jaw and the frame of the planer and the wrist cut off or crushed. Just in time to save my hand, some power outside of myself jerked my hand back out of danger. If it had been delayed one second of time I would Onset's camp-meeting directors are not

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Is There Psychic Phenomena That diums. Worthless things are seldom Some modern scientists have an easy way of discussing spirit phenomena; is, the greater the number of counter-lit consists in denying their existence There Are Communications Between Is, the greater the humber the general Spirits or Entities of Those Who rule.

World, With Persons in Earth Life? tune tellers indulging in sensation ad-The last quarter of a century has vertising and disreputable practices, seen a remarkable epoch for spiritual should be avoided with silent contempt. enlightenment. It was an inevitable

sequence of increasing knowledge, and a firmer grasp of the psychic laws of the universe. These laws related both Science, with painstaking and patient investigation has penetrated and parinvestigation has penetrated and par-tially unfolded the forces and mysteries without doubt. of the universe.

Man has a two fold nature, the physi- Many Spheres of Being and Activity. cal and spiritual; the former adapted to his material environments and the latter capable of infinite expansion and development in spiritual surroundings. There are different degrees of manifes- Investigation has in the latest era, of tation of the physical and ethereal

Science, Thought, Strange Discoveries. the boundless universe, there probably Science has reached this point; it is many spheres of being and activity, sees in matter a manifestation of spirit. Man through the eyes of science sees had proclaimed that the human voice that he is encompassed round about,and flashes its images.

Thought is found to be a vital dy-Thoughts are things, in two section spiritual. realms of action.

most remarkable discoveries were made; the telephone, phonograph, wire less telegraphy, and X-ray and other strange discoveries have been unfolded from the occult realm, and harnessed up and made of inestimable value to man. These strange discoveries proved the existence of forces and laws in the hidden recesses of Nature; they re-vealed that there was an important spiritual philosophy lying back of them. These revelations promoted a strong desire for spiritual truth, and for facts concerning the soul and its destiny. All phenomena that tends to throw her light on the question of the survival of the human personality beyond death, is now deemed one of the most important matters that can occupy the attention of the thinking world. A "scientific demonstration" of a future life is attempted by eminent investigators. The destiny of the soul is an intensely absorbing question, not only to students of science and philosophy of this day. but in all ages back to remotest antiquity.

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Theories, Life Beyond the Grave.

Various kinds of hypotheses and theories have been advanced to explain psychic phenomena, that are being produced from time to time. The theory of the subjective mind, and its connection with hypnotism, telepathy, and service mind-reading are made to do for seeming spirit communication; in other words man is made the victim of illusions and delusions. The trouble and fallacy of these explanations of alleged spirit communications, are, they do not account for, nor cover all, the phases of phenomena that are from

time to time manifested. On the other hand, Spiritualists claim and endeavor to prove with more or less success, often with assumptions, that life beyond the grave and spirit communion with those on the earth plane, is a certainty; and that the spir-whither of our origin, progress and desit, the real man, still exists with im-proved faculties beyond the grave; and that the various phases of psychic phe-nomena, such as rappings, materializa-tion, clairvoyance, clairaudience, psy-chometry, levitation, automatic writing, chometry and the philosophy of the universe calls talking.

and refusing them an investigation. Some men are quite willing to plug up their ears and deny that it thunders Have Passed Over to the Unseen All mediums, clairvoyants and foras they are so wedded to old supersti tions, traditions, and hear-says. should be avoided with silent contempt. persons have as little comprehension Real psychic powers should not be of reason and logic as a frog has of

common merchandise. The two extremes of psychic research are, crass and uncompromising mate. the two extremes of psychic research are, betwo extremes of psychic research are betwo extremes of psychic research the two extremes of psychic research ple who deny all spirit phenomena. Those who have witnessed certain physto the physical and spiritual realm. rialism on the one side, and unboundical phenomena, such as moving of fur-niture and other ponderous objects, diced investigators of scientific attainwithout contact with any person; flashes of lights in the darkness of a room; distinct utterances of intelligent speech

through and without trumpets, and all about a room in various tones of voice, The chief concern to the honest inwhile the medium was in a sleeping vestigator is, not so much the verity of trance, must appeal to one's intelligence, the mysterious phenomena, but the as constituting dynamic force possess-ing intelligence often of a remarkable source and cause of their production. degree, and that it must come from time. insistently reached out beyond the spirits of the dead or some other material world. Reason says that in source. Characteristics of Phenomena;

A careful observer of spirit phenome

na can note these characteristics: First—The phenomena seldom rises in which thought carries its messages could be stored away in a cylinder of above the ordinary intelligence of humanity. Second-The intelligence imparted times, that one could talk with a friend namic force, that springs into action and is manifested in deeds material and through the spirit phenomena is on a level with that of the medium through whom it manifests itself.

Third-The communications often realms of action. Some souls have far outstripped oth-ers in potent enlightenment of human-ity because they had greater power in interpreting spiritual forces. During the last quarter of the 19th century the last quarter of the 19th century the burgs of vibrating power could be produced that would enable says, the human eye to look through a man. from t rise above his known objective intelli-. The foregoing are the conclusions drawn by Dr. Hudson. Moreover, he says, that the alleged communications the human eye to look through a man, iron plate and other material things, from the greatest philosophers who have gone before, amount to the merest such prophecies would have been gener twaddle when filtered through ignorant ally pronounced, as the vagaries of a disordered mind; but all of these things mediums. That has been the experience of some of us, who have heard alleged spirit communications from Pres-ident Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley, also have since come to pass, and are potent realities, for man's comfort, utility, profit, and progress. The unsounded depths of the spiritual universe lay from Col. Bob Ingersoll and other notables; we have found them to be pleasback of the astounding discoveries, ing platitudes, glittering generalities and ungrammatical preachments. We have also heard reeled off yards of dogfrom which was rescued and unfolded these vast and subtle powers.

The philosophers of the materialistic gerel called poetry, stuffed with mutilated verbs and bleeding forms of school are putting more limited boundaries on that zone they once so glibly called the "unknowable"-which they speech, but with intelligent mediums this stupidity is not in evidence. so tenaciously for a long time held Influence of Intense Skepticism. could not be explored. There are now but few learned men who have the te-The writer has had affectionate communications through a medium from his

merity to put limitations upon the possialleged dead brother, who so far has bilities of man's knowledge. not died. Of course this communica-Within the little span of 25 years tion has come after a false suggestion volume after volume has been given to the world on the "Scientific Demonof a dead brother made by the sitter. Mr. Hudson claims this is done by the thation of a Future Life," thus, as it were bridging over the seen and the un-seen worlds. Death has been immeasmedium, honestly, whose subjective mind is imposed upon and made to work through the power of suggestion. urably robbed of its terrors by the white light of knowledge. He makes another suggestion that has

een generally found to be correct, The Whence, the Why, the Whither. "That no medium ever was powerful Most of our knowledge now comes enough to produce his phenomena, unhrough the five senses. Printed and der test conditions in the presence of written matter is read by the eye, and a hostile and aggressively skeptical inoral teaching heard by the ear, and all vestigation committee." From this he is sensed by consciousness. There concludes that the source of the phe-must be other channels of learning to nomena, resides within the medium, inform ourselves of the realities of the and hence is amenable to the universal universe beyond seeing, hearing, feel- law of suggestion which governs the ing, smelling and tasting. Telepathy, action of all subjective intelligence clairaudience, intuitions, premonitions, and power. There is another fact observable by all of us, that a medium dreams and other phenomena lay beyond the five senses. It is in the prov-ince of the psychic investigator to ex- mind is agitated; quiet passivity, and peaceful serenity on the part of plore and analyze these facts, to reveal nature and expound her laws. dium is an indispensable prerequisite to success, not only in producing the phe-

this There is pressing upon us on morning of the 20th century an irrenomena, but in going into the trance pressible craving to solve the problems state. **Operations of Mind, Fraudulent Spirits** Fair-minded scientific investigators of tiny. In every age these difficulties spirit phenomena have from time time reluctantly receded from their.

former opinions as to the the cause of spirit phenomena, and become its staunchest supporters. among whon

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Jeff, the huge half mastiff, half col-attention to hard work to cover his lie that until two months ago was the bitter grief-and so Lee was left to the property of Maj. Henry C. Willets of care of his young disters and the negro Boone, Watauga county, N^{AC}, is the mammies and to leff-principally to Jeff.

hero of one of the straingest romances of real life ever told as set forth in a late number of the "Chicago Sunday Tribune. The great lidg, pit of the children of Bone preferred the more Say Mother's Spirit Entered Dog. The negroes declare that from the day that Mrs. Willets died Jeff assumed children of Boone, prevented the marriage of his master to an adventuress who sought to marry him and secure charge of the boy, and they believe that the spirit of the mother guided the big, awkward dog, just reaching his full size, in taking charge of the baby. an interest in his great tobacco plantation, and to break up the match. he kidnapped Lee Willets; the 3 year old When Lee learned to toddle out on the son of Maj. Willets, and cared for him grass in his second summer Jeff walked beside him, holding the baby's skirts in for days, feeding, warming, and protecthis teeth, and dragging him back when ing him in the mountain fastness of he tried to run too near the horses or That Jeff stole the child to break the cows. And Jeff would lie by the hour

engagement and rescal to Maj. Willets the real charact of the woman he thought he low every person in Boone and half the ble of Watauga county believe. I the negroes who work is the charact or second this forehead on the grass and let Lee pound and maul him, pull his ears, jab him in the eyes, and haul him by the tail, and simply smile—if a dog can smile. So, when Lee learned to talk, he

talked mostly to Jeff and the dog listin the tobacco cross their foreheads ened, according to the negroes, and seemed to understand all that the child with the caul of a coon or rub their noses with the left hind foot of a gravesaid. The devotion of the dog to the yard rabbit every time Jeff comes near, child attracted the attention of everyfor they believe the spirit of the Ma-jor's dead wife, their beloved "missy," body in the neighborhood, but for some directed the actions of the giant dog. unknown and unexplained reason the negroes even from the first conceived Almost Too Weird to Believe. the idea that the spirit of the dead mother was directing the dog, and they

Fascinated by Her Pretty Face.

The story as told in Boone and the surrounding county, is so strange and shunned the dog. Even the mammies weird as to be almost unbelievable, and who had charge of the boy scowled and undoubtedly it is colored in some par-ticulars by the fanaticism of the nemuttered when Jeff insisted upon sleeping under the baby's crib, and only de groes and the superstitions of the poor sisted from driving him out of the whites. Yet, the plain; unvarnished re- house for fear he might "put the cunj" cital of what Jeff did and how he did it on them. But everything was peaceful until

is sufficient to stagger belief. The story as gleaned from the prinlast November, when Miss Ida Turpin of Baltimore, young and bewitching, cipal actors and separated from the em-bellishments added by the negroes and came to teach school at Todd, a short poor whites is as follows: distance from Boone, and the major Three years ago a strong, handsome met her. The girl, evidently of good man child came to the home of Maj. family, in straitened circumstances,

Willets, three miles below Boone, near saw the major, still handsome and dis-Shull's Mills, on the Vilas river. And inguished despite his 58 years, and she he was christened Lee—Robert E. Lee Willets. His mother, who was the beautiful Miss Ning Trimble of the and his mules, his great tobacco press, Raleigh Trimbles, fell sick soon after his cattle and his horses—and she cor-Lee, her third child, was born, and the eted them. The major, with his distingreat joy that pervaded the Willets guished air, his snow white hair and plantation was darkened. Maj. Willets mustache, riding in his freshly ironed had longed for a son. His first two linens, with his broad brimmed white children, Lucy and Faith, were 12 and felt hat set upon his white hair, was 10 years old when Lee was born, and enough of himself to set the heart of the arrival of the boy seemed to round any girl inclined to marriage, and the out his life, and he was happy, not story of his running away to the war knowing that the boy's coming meant when only a child, his courage-and his the departure of the beautiful young woman who had given up her career in riches-added to the palpitation in Ida 'Turpin's breast.

Raleigh and Richmond society to wed him-a planter, and live with him far She had been reared in luxury, sent away from the gay scenes of her belleto the best private school in Maryland, poor

Dog and Baby Friends From First.

family fortunes and she had been The week after Leé was born Maj. forced to teach to support herself, and Willets went down to Greensboro to she was bitter. She saw in Maj. Wil-The week after Lee was born Maj. sell some of his bright top leaf hill to- lets the chance of riches and comfort, bacco, and when he returned he and, being heartless, she determined to brought with him an awkward, big wed him. Her smiles to him as he footed, bright eyed puppy-and they rode by the country school near Todd called him Jeff, after Thomas Jefferson. drew him back in that direction, and in The first thing that little Lee noted was a few weeks he rode out almost every the awkward puppy, dragging with his day in that direction to meet the pretty teeth at table cloths and dragging the faced, black-haired school mistress. major's best wide brimmed Sunday hat Then by his invitation she came over out into the yard, and Lee cooed and one Sunday to spend the day at the Wilone Sunday to spend the day at the Wilflopped his arms and wiggled with delets plantation. The negroes declare that from the light.

first both Lee and Jeff hated Miss Tur-When Lee got so he could sit up on a comfort on the floor Jeff' and he be pin. Lee ran away when she came near come great playmates, and the sick nor would his father's commands make mother reclining on Her couch, smiled him return, and Jeff showed his teeth gently as she saw her tompling boy and growled when she approached. tugging merrily at the tail of the good The love affair progressed rapi natured puppy and Jeff dragging at The major was completely infatuated. Lee's dress with his teeth to attract Each Sunday Miss Turpin came to the plantation for the day, and each time attention.

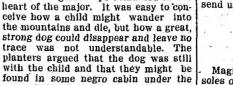
Lee and Jeff showed their displeasure Before Lee could walk the patient suffering of the beautiful mother ended and went away together to the negro and she was carried on the shoulders cabins and ate and slept there until she of six weeping negro men up the hillreturned to her school. The negroes side and laid there with her husband's vow that the name of the school-marm made the hair on Jeff's neck stiffen out people.

The major, heartbroken, turned his straight. The courtship progressed until

scheming woman can have a penny of my baby's money." The pursuit was taken up in the di-rection of Amathe, but no trace of the fugitives was found. The entire coun-ty was around the observe to form y was aroused, the alarm went from Watauga Falls to Soda Hill, and every where the planters roused out their ne groes and searched the hills and valeys, foot by foot, without finding a race. Four days passed and broken hearted, the major returned to his home crushed and aged by the disaster that he had brought upon himself. The ne-

and they told wild stories of the com radeship of the boy and the dog. Negroes Believe Witchcraft at Work.

Still one great hope remained in the heart of the major. It was easy to con-



care of the blacks, so day by day the unt went on. The end of the first week found the major almost prostrated and the negroes firmly convinced that witchcraft had been at work. The bitterness of feeling grew so great that around Todd school district the people demanded that Miss Turpin resign. She wept and declared they were turning her out to starve and she, in humble spirit, came to the major, asked his forgiveness ,and

told him she would not bring suit if he would permit her to stay. His chivalry triumphed over his anger. He gave her \$5,000 in cash and told her to seek a school elsewhere.

On the eighth day there came to the searchers a strange rumor. Negroes seven miles above Todd on Gap Creek Fork told great stories of an immense dog that came to their cabins and carried away the food they had cooked running with it into the mountains. The moment the major heard the rumor he rode at the head of a party towards the spot. The section of country is wild and broken and the fork tumbles down between great wooded hills, in which only a few whites and negroes live. Before night the major had secured de-scriptions of the dog seen by the negroes and had organized the search.

Dog and Boy Found Together. At ten o'clock that night, while the

line of hunters with pine knot torches was beating through the woods, over gorges and mountains, the cry came along from the south that started every body in that direction. Maj. Willets rode down the line, dashing madly through thickets towards the spot, and he discovered a score of negroes, with pine torches flaring, standing in an overgrown clearing around a deserted og house. In the doorway stood Jeff

growling and leaping toward every negro who advanced. "Down, Jeff, down!" yelled the major as he leaped from his horse at the and then a reversal had swept away the

edge of the clearing. The dog growled, but the bristles on his neck flattened down. "Good Jeff, come here," said the major, advancing. The dog slowly abandoned his attitude of defense, his tail began to wag, and a moment later the major stepped inside the cabin. There, sleeping upon the board floor, was Lee, safe.

The major, with something nearer a sob than had passed his lips in years, clutched his boy to his breast and tears ell upon the child's face. Slowly the Charles G. Brown. Price 5 cents taby's eyes opened, and as he hugged his father he whispered sleepily: "Did M. A. Freeman. Price 5 cents. lada send away the nasty woman?"

The procession homeward through he woods was a joyous one. Lee, reassured, slept in his father's arms as the major held him tight on the horse, and by daybreak he was on his 'own sleeping peacefully and happy, while leff, a little bedraggled, kept guard by

he bedside. From the baby lispings the family learned that Jeff really brought food to the child in the deserted cabin and the baby kept warm at night .by hugging

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London Psychic Research Society.

The London Society for Psychic Research organized some twenty years ago, had for one of its prime purposes to expose fraudulent mediums, hypnotism, and all manner of psychic pretenses, by the most rigorous tests, has now over thirty large volumes of their phenomena embracing investigations of cal and tangible proof of communicathe civilized world. Its late secretary, of stricken hearts. the spirit hypothesis.

Pseudo Mediums Painted Black.

upon with contempt, suspicion and dedemonstrations. It may now be assumed in all fairness that many their statements of fact are credible and worthy at least of investigation. One of the great causes of prejudice against Spiritualism arose out of the ground that a large class of pseudo me diums, psychics and fortune tellers masqueraded under the title of genuine me-The presence of these pestifdiums. erous fakirs and confidence men and women were a menace, and are so today, to weak-minded and 'impressionable people of many communities. Only of these would-be smooth "psychics" have any real-mediumistic pow ers; their chief stock in trade is monumental nerve and robust assurance, joined to cunning, shrewdness and inclaive knowledge of frail human nature, that aid them in their "graft." ... The presence of these -brazen. imitators, predicates the existence of genuine me- 'ral."

may be mentioned some eminent as scifor an exposition of our nature, course and future. No one has an infallible entists, such as Professors Hodgson, Crookes, Wallace and others. grip on truth, though many act on that Dr. Hudson in his volumes entitled assumption, especially if they are dog-"The Divine Pedigree of Man" and "Scimatic, intolerant, ignorant and take entific Demonstration of a Future Life" little, narrow view of the philosophy of struggled to bridge the gulf between life: such souls are to be pitied, yet the seen and unseen world on opera a thin crack in their little · cabin of tions of mind: but in places the spans of the bridge were made of straw asknowledge, they would scorn pity. sumptions. Law must reign every

The Philosophy of the Universe The philosophy of the universe calls

vail in the spirit world and govern the action of spirits. The material necesand future. Millions of humanity can sities of the earth life cannot prevail in the spirit world. Believing in the hypothesis of evolution we are impelled to future is determined by an insignificant the belief that the spirit in the unseen world is much like it is on the material come time and time again to earth life earth plane here, and that it is slowly going through a full round of experievolving to better conditions and great ences, of race, sex, condition, environ er powers. We have lying, deceptive, fraudulent spirits here, lodged in human bodies, and they go over to the faculties and increased mental and spir other side with these same perverted natures, hence we conclude they act out their natures, in their manifestasee vast differences in humanity, in tions, through mediums, in seances. On To faculties, aptitudes and capacities. the other shore, they probably have a the leaden minded fisherman the glowbig crop of liars and frauds who try to ing sunset is likely to arouse no palm themselves off on us here as bethoughts save that of lowering weather ing spirits of kings, presidents, philosoand its relation to a catch of fish for phers, statesmen, poets, orators, dithe morrow, while to a genius it unfolds vines and so on. Hence we often hear miserable stuff from alleged great inspirations and ideals of indescribable

delights. spirits, but palpably were from fraud The Phenomena of Spiritualism. spirits using mediums as masques to What is called spirit phenomena is of hide their personal identity. It is absovast importance to humanity. Millions lute nonsense to conclude that bad peoof people base their belief of the immorple at once become good spirits and tality of the soul on the phenomena enter heaven upon death. It would be proceedings relating to thousands of which (they believe) gives them physi- a travesty on the great law of evolution. Fifteen years ago Dr. Hudson gave its members into the occult world. The tion with the spirits of friends and this as the scientific key to spirit phe-members of this society are largely loved ones who have passed over to the nomena: "That the subjective mind of loved ones who have passed over to the nomena: "That the subjective mind of composed of the leading scientists and unseen world. This faith and belief the medium, being controlled by suginvestigators of the various countries of has given hope and comfort to millions gestion, believes itself to be the spirit the civilized world. Its late secretary, of stricken hearts.

Frederick W. Myers, one of the most scholarly men of his times, in investi- ed by Job, "If a man die shall he live that belief through the objective educagating psychology and other occult sci. again?" has to the mind of the Spirit- tion and the environment of the individences, became a reluctant supporter of ualist been answered satisfactorily by ual. It is by the laws of his being, abthese phenomena, when they were not solutely controlled by the objective be-satisfied by the words of sacred relig-lief of the individual, and the sugges-

ion, and could not grasp the logic of the tions 'embraced in that belief." Not a great many years ago the theologian. It is well to present the later work, "The Law of Mental Medi-claims of Spiritualists were looked latest argument of psychologists cine" he calls the subjective mind the against the conclusions of Spiritualists, "soul." I have quoted much from him against the conclusions of Spiritualists, rision; but for a few years past they who admit the phenomena, but deny the as he appears to be the strongest and have been gaining ground for creaible source of the phenomena to be in spir- fairest in his efforts to give a scientific its of the other unseen world communi- cause for spiritual phenomena.

cating with people living on the earth Mr. Hudson utterly fails to cover and plane, clothed in physical bodies. Prob- explain some spirit phenomena as proably the ablest-popular author from ceeding from the mind of the mediums that point of view is the late Thomson prompted by suggestions of a sitter, or J. Hudson, and his contention is set out the medium's own auto-suggestion from "The Law of Psychic Phenomena." In When the occasion requires it, a man many instances he admits the premises should be brave enough to say, "I don't of Spiritism with unusual candor; for know." We now know this much, that instance on page 206 of the above this earth occupies but a small space in named work he says: "THE MAN the great universe and there might WHO DENIES THE PHENOMENA OF SPIRITISM TO-DAY IS NOT ENTI-Sand forces of which we have now no TLED TO BE CALLED A SKEPTIC, IS conception. In infinite space there is SIMPLY IGNORANT; AND I'I' WOULD room for innumerable things. In seeing BE A HOPELESS TASK TO EN the phenomena of any strange power, LIGHTEN HIM." However, he at we at least should have the courage to tempts to explain the origin of the phe- say I don't know. A new or strange truth is ever acnomena and place it as he calls it. "on

rational principles, and thus removing companied with an element of danger, them from the realm of the supernatu- A man that advances it is generally deemed a suspect. It has been said hu-

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morously that "God has made the uni-

verse fireproof and permits man to play with the matchbox." Some people are overmuch afraid of being fooled, and lets now declares that when he others over-credulous. Often we are greatly deceived by believing too little, as well as believing too much. Often we see the worst kind of incredulity in some people's utter incredulity.

Emerson said, "Of no use to the world are those men who study to do exactly as was done before: who never understand that to-day is a new day. Within the last twenty years the bound ary line between spirit and matter

free

nothing."

seems to have been passed. Psychic cobwebs, if they be such, been sent away. Then when the major pressed her for an answer she told him she would consent to become his wife often baffle and tangle the feet of even intellectual giants. The vast seas of if he would put the plantation in her unknown powers are almost wholly un- name and deliver the deed to her on the chartered. Prof. Crookes, the eminent wedding day.

The major, forgetting everything and scientist says that the human body is coarse and made up of slow, sluggish overlooking the grasping tendency of vibrations, but if the vibrations were inthe woman, consented, and that evencreased as rapid as those of the X-ray ing at dinner he announced to his chilour bodies would be invisible and pass iren his engagement. Lucy and Faith hugged and kissed "their new mamma." through many solids, and if as rapid as radium would pass through all solids. ut-this according to the major's So according to science the spirit body statement-Jeff growled angrily and Lee, without a word, climbed down from his high chair and toddled out of of Christ may have passed through the walls of the Chamber of Jerusalem, thus do away with the idea of the suthe room, followed by the dog.

go away.

Maj. Willets called sharply to Lee to pernatural. Lord Kelvin tells us seeming miracles eturn and kiss Miss Turpin, but he are common. "Every action of human kent on and went out of the house, leavwill is a miracle to physical, cheming the newly engaged pair with an unical and mathematical science." canny feeling as to the child and the dog. At bedtime Major Willets asked If that is true of us mortals free will, then, what is it when we come to pass on the Lee. He could not be found. action of Infinite Intelligence? This Neither could the negroes find Jeff. A same eminent scientist tells us that an hasty search of the negro cabins reatom of matter and an atom of ether vealed the fact that they had not been may occupy the same space at the same. seen since dusk, when they went down

time, and that an electron is so small past the mule barns together. The that it will take one hundred thousand great plantation bell was rung and neto make an atom. Greatisouls in scigroes were sent to search the tobacco. entific investigation are advancing the barns and the deserted cabins on the theory that there is acstupendous vital- river side of the house. Eleven o'clock izing energy through which runs came and negroes were dispatched on streams of individuality. ai horseback to Boone, where Lee's aunt

Thoughts and feelings evibrate all lives, but he had not been there, and about us. No man scan Mink to himat 1 o'clock a general alarm was raised. self without affecting others. The first Match Ends With Child's Disappear-

great step in progress, is no be willing to say, I don't knowshif you have not a sure grip on truth. IProf. Huxley gave ance.

Not a trace of the child or the dog was found that night, but when morn-ing came a negro brought word that they had been sighted near Amathe, go ing toward Stone mountain, the child hanging to the dog's collar and the dog

The weather was chilly, although spring was coming in that latitude, and the major was frantic. In his frenzied

stormed and blamed Miss Turpin "They ran away because they hated you," he said. "I have been an old fool to bring a woman my child hated into my house, and if he dies I will never forgive myself. If he comes back alive I will never do anything to drive him away again."

And Miss Turpin; in her disappointment, revealed herself in her true light. She called the major an old fool and de clared she would sue him for breach of promise.

"Sue away," stormed the major,"Sue away. Fil fight to the end before any

March Maj. Willets proposed to the fair schoolmarm. The proposal was made directed him to steal the child away, on the front piazza of the Willets planand keep it to prevent the marriage. playing on the walk below. Maj. Wil-

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Mrs. Elizabeth Schauss at Clyde, Ohio.

pro-Elizabeth Schauss closed our lecture posed, the dog jumped up with a sudden growl, ran up on to the piazza, and acted as if he was going to attack Miss Turpin, and that Lee, toddling up after season with a fine inspirational address in G. A. R. hall, Sunday, June 4, The subjects were selected by the audience. who gave rapt attention to her elo-quence on the following: "The Egotism the dog, slapped at her and told her to Asks All in Exchange for Hand.

of Our Age"; "The Power of the Ideal in Real Life"; "The Solitudes of Nature Astonished and frightened a little and of Man, or the Loneliness of Hubit, Miss Turpin hesitated and refused man Life." to answer until the dog and child had She said there were few who under-

stood the value of solitude. The high er we ascend, the fewer there are who go with us to the top, and the greater our loneliness and the least understood. That the compensation for any sadness one might feel in such loneliness, was the power the calm environment may be made to yield. Wonderful powers are developed through solitude, repose and concentration. But in order climb to the top and reach the vestibule of spiritual unfoldment, we must divest ourselves of all egotism, and not swerved in our upward climb by those who falter by the way. We should have

high ideals and never be satisfied until we attain them. The great ideal of Lincoln was to see everyone enjoy the freedom that he enjoyed, the thought

of which came to him in moments of sol itude and concentration when alone He did not falter, but lived to reach the goal of his ambition. I wish I could report in full this fine

lecture, so full of beautiful lessons and uplifting thoughts. I have given but a brief synopsis, not couched in the same words, exactly, but conveying the same

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Counterfeit Phenomena.

Ringing Words From H. W. Richardson, President of the New York State Spiritualist Association.

There can be no such thing as fraudulent mediumship. Mediumship is genuine or it is not mediumship at all. Nevertheless there are persons who pose as mediums who attempt to imitate genuine manifestations for filthy lucre. They don the livery of heaven in which to serve the devil. That this iniquitous practice has greatly retarded the progress of our movement is unquestionably true. We may differ in our opinions as to the best methods for dealing with all over our own country, but to Africa, 44 Commercial street, West Lynn, Mass this question, but there is no gainsaying the fact that Brother Francis of The Progressive Thinker has done yeoman service to Spiritualism by his unrelenting warfare against, and exposures of, pretense and deception under the Artomus Ward's Account of a Circle. name of mediumship.

Thoughts for the Thoughtful. Going Forward. An article in "Public Opinion" of May Seldom do we find in any journal, sec-27, headed "Church Wealth in France," ular or religious, an essay, brief, or shows that "The total value of art lengthy, expressing more of vital, pro-

treasures in French churches, without gressive truth, full of suggestive including those of an architectural na- thought,, and thoroughly uplifting in ture, is no less than \$400,000,000. This its spiritual significance, than is found sum would be doubled if sculptures, in "A Sermon for Today," on the subject of "The New Faith and the Old," in

and so forth, were added." the Chicago Sunday Tribune. Suppose to this enormous wealth, stolen from the people, exempted from Spiritualists as well as others may study these very incluive and suggesttaxation, and used to magnify the importance of the church and its priestive thoughts, with delight and profit, The whole intent is in full accord with hood. was added the cost of magnificent and palatial churches, cathedrals, mon- our Spiritual Philosophy and teaching, asteries, nunneries, and all the other and has practical application to Spirit accumulations of wealth, used solely in ualists as well as church-men. the interest of a creed in France were It shows clearly that churchmen, as taken into account. The sum total truly as Spiritualists are going for-

would swell into many billions. How ward: "Speak unto the children of Israe far short of the truth is the statement that they go forward."-Ex. xiv., 15. made by Thiers, in substance, in his The first impression of any forward History of the French Revolution, that movement is that it means a dissolu-tion of all the things to which one can two-thirds the entire wealth of the nation was under sacerdotal control, extie. Slowly dawns the truth that the empt from taxes, the other one-third mind of man was not made to tie to anything, that it cannot be fastened to compelled to pay the expenses of state

any landmark, that it is a living thing at the time of their revolution? which must either go forward 'or die. It may be said the government has This, true of the body itself, is true of confiscated this vast wealth, claiming our whole life, of our education, of our it is the property of the people; but the emotions, our character, and our civ Republic dares not to divert this We must needs go forward ilization. wealth from church uses. It remains or perish, even though the movement a corrupting influence under church means facing the desert and leaving control, and the people remain its those things which we have been to

slaves. such pains to establish. This law holds good in religious Now what is true of church influence with the wealth of the nation at its bidthought. The truth of today must be ding and control of public affairs in ding and control of public alfairs in France, is, to a less extent, true in America. Fortunately for us, in stead of one great church dominating all, we have many, and with varying creeds they cannot combine; but still they are a menace to our institutions, and with instinctive desire to lead and control, the popular mind, they are ever strugthe error-or half truth-of tomorrow the popular mind, they are ever strug- to express in deed and word his thought the popular mind, mey are even states to express in deed and word in the prevailing here as there, in the distant centuries to be, America will be in the fore. An unchangeable religion would clutches of a priesthood whose ambi- rot be a religion at all.

vays been They use heaven as their stock in many good people as the fear that tionate stile. Trooly it is with us as it abowt the doctrin to be troo, I must say trade, and until the masses repudiated their religion should change. Just as was with Mr & hell that was a contributary force in aid they once believed that the universe play, to whit of their tyranny. was made, finished, and fixed forever-Our hope and belief is, that with the as though such a thing would ever be spread of knowledge, and the universal true of a universe aglow with life-so diffusion of education religious ideas they thought of their religion as comwill change; that churches will develop mitted to them complete like a set of into social organizations, having more unchangeable laws. Therefore care of the mortal, thereby better qual- utmost concern was to preserve its preifying its members for an immortal life. cise form, and the great thing in relig-The one-world-at-a-time theory is an ex- ion became not the spirit of its teachcellent one with this interpretation, and ing but the form of its text. Failure harmonizes with Spiritualism. We live to realize the vital and therefore deto-day with the positive knowledge of a veloping nature of religion resulted in to-morrow. the guarding of the letter that kills at the expense of the life-giving spirit.

An Explanatory Letter From Dr. Alex India, Europe, Australia and New Zealand, one can readily see, that if we tried to sit at nine o'clock by one time, Jo Caird. 1.39 9.1

The Psychic Circle.

some part of our circle would be ob-serving the rules every hour in the twenty-four. If we all sit at nine o'clock, local time, the thought wave To the Members of the Psychic Circle: -I would like to correct a misunder-standing in regard to the Psychic Circle. Many of our correspondents seem to think that milone can become a memwill start at the Atlantic, extend across the continent and around the world.

to think that milene can become a mem-ber unless the care a subscriber to The Progressive Thinker. We certainly wish that every member might (for their owil good) receive the benefit to be derived from reading the grandest spiritual paper published, and so keep in touch with the spiritual happenings, and leard the views and opinions of the different Writers on the large variety of subjects treated, but we realize that there are many who would like to be If any member wishes the circle to concentrate their wishes on any subject of general interest, will they kind-ly send the request to The Progressive Thinker? We have no way to inform the large circle, but everybody reads The Progressive Thinker. We would also request the circle members to repeat the following prayer, by Robert L. Stevenson, upon arising in the morn-ing. "The day returns and brings us there are many who would like to bethe petty round of irritating concerns and duties. Help us to play the man; help us to perform them with laughter and kind faces: let cheerfulness abound with industry. Give us to go blithely on our business all this day bring us to our resting beds weary and content and undishonored, and grant us

RIDICULE.

"Air you in the show hiznis, Will lam?"

He sed he was. He sed he & John Bunyan was travelin with a side show hith, bellef, philosophy or science, however beautiful and true, can be made the butt of ridicule. The sting in in connection with Shakspere, Johnson & Co's. Sircus. He sed old Bun (mean ing Mr. Bunyan) stirred up the animils ridicule consists in the skillful presen-& ground the organ while he tended tation of the truth of a subject in a false and humorous light, or in holding door, Occashunally Mr. Bunyan sung secrets associated with them. a comic song. The sircus was doin middlin well. Bill Shakspeer had up before the world in a humiliating manner the idiotic, ignorant, irresponsible, unacknowledged representatives of the subject ridiculed. There has almade a grate hit with old Bob Ridley, and Ben Jonson was delitin the peple with his trooly grate ax of hossmanship without saddul or bridal. They was rehersin Dixey's Land & expected would knock the pepel. Sez I, "William, my luvly frend, can

you pay me that 13 dollars you owe me?" He sed no with one of the most remenjis knox I ever experienced. The sircle sed he had gone. "Air

you gone, William?" I axed. "Ray-ther," he replide, and I knowd it was no use to pursoo the subjeck furder. I then called for my farther.

"How's things, daddy?" "Middlin, my son, middlin."

"Ain't you proud of your orfurn boy? 'Scacely.'

"Why not, my parient?" "Becawz you have gone to writin for

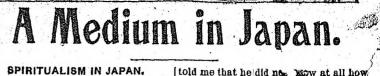
he noospapers, my son. Bimeby you'll ose all your character for trooth & verrassety. When I helpt you into the show hiznis I told you to dignerfy that

there profeshun. Litteratoor is low." He also statid that he was doin middlin well in the peanut biznis & liked it putty well, tho' the climit was rather

warm. When the sircle stopt they axed me what I thawt of it.

Sez I, "My frends I've bin into the show piznis now goin on 23 years.

There's a artikel in the constitooshun of the United States which sez in effeck that everybody may think just as he darn pleases. & them is my sentiments to a hare. You dowtlis beleeve this sperret doctrin while I think it is a little mixt. Just so soon as a man becums a reglar out & out sperret rapper he leeves orf workin, lets his hare grow all over his face and commensis spungin his livin out of other peple. He eats all the dickshunarles he can mop handle & drove him out of the find & goze round chock full of blg words, scarein the wimmen folks & lit-Ward is a invalerble womun-the part the children & destroyin the peace of Yet no other thing has so worried when I return she welcums me in afec-transformed and the society & a pirit on honest peeple's corn beef barrils. Admittin all you say



told me that he did no. Now at all how he knew-things.

June 17, 1905.

"'How do you tell?' I asked. 'I look at a thing, and pictures come be-The Strange Mysterious Power of a Jap fore me,' he said.'I see the thing and then I tell them.' 'Do you hear any-Ehima Kasakura, aged 16 years, liv-thing?' 'No, I see the words spoken. ing at Yakka-ichi, has within the last I hear nothing. I see a man. His lips year astounded the scientific world, and move. I know what he says, but I do given rise to wonder even in his own not hear. Once I heard music, but that time I was just waking from a dream." The boy, it is declared, talks with in-animate objects, and reads from them things, but the dreams are not always true. What I see is always true.' with which they have been connected, any one ever tell you anything about and his seemingly miraculous powers men who had second sight? 'No. What is that? Is it like me?"

Tells History of Silver Piece.

"Satisfied that he had never been coached, I questioned him about his education. He has little, but can read and write well, and figure rapidly, as most merchants' sons can do. out a bit of warning I put my hand into my pocket and drew forth a silver piece, two inches in diameter, which I always carry. There is a round hole in one edge, on one side are hands clasped, and on the other is the bust of James - Madison

"This silver piece wus dug up by my grandfather in Scioto county, Ohio, years ago. There was no clew to its or igin except that in our family it was stated that the medal, or coin, was one of a dozen or more given by President James Madison to the Miami Indians.

"Holding this piece in my hand, I asked: 'Did you ever hear of James Madison?' 'No,' said the boy, 'who was

'Indian-O, yes. My father gets curios from India.' 'No, I mean a North American Indian-a red man.' 'Americans' are white and much money,' he said. Then I handed him the piece.

slowly, 'in a big city. There is a crowd of white men and one, two, seven, nine red men. The red man-the big red man, with the feathers in his hairpromises he will be the friend of the white mikado. The white mikado shakes hands with the red men and gives them silver pieces like this."

at the boy. He was still looking at the coin and was greatly interested. 'Did you see all that in the picture?' I asked "'I see some more,' he answered The red man is dead. They have killed his horse, his little spotted horse. The have put him on a platform above th ground. All his people weep. Hi His bow and arrow and his gun and pipe are The medal is around at his side. where it came from, what it was, what his neck.' manner of man owned it. He could pick

Recalled a Forgotten Tragedy. up a coin, gaze at it a few minutes, and then spin off a story of that coin from "I was dumfounded. I suddenly membered that, when a boy, my grandhe time it was bright and new from father told me that Yellow Horse, a the mint, through the hands of man after man, what it did, what it bought, chieftain, had died near our town in Ohio and had been buried on a platwhat crimes were committed for I remembered distinctly that he described the killing of the horse a Pinto, of which the chief was proud. Half of those who know him considered him a sorcerer. Others smiled remembered that he told me there was oftly and marveled at his imagination. trouble between the whites and Indians When the war started Ehima was wild to go. His three older brothers because the chief's body was disturbed and some of his belongings taken. I marched away to join Nogi's men behad forgotten all about the story until that Japanese boy told it to me again. Caused Sulcide of Boastful Soldier.

"I have since learned through friends Months later there returned to Yakwho, at my request, investigated gova-ichi a soldier, wounded but boastful. ernment records at Washington that Ehima, with other boys who had broth-Yellow Horse was at the head of a deleers in the trenches, hunted up the solgation of Indians that visited Washington during Madison's term, and that dier to see if he brought news from those they loved. The soldier had no twelve special medals were struck in news of them, but he told a wonderful honor of the visit and presented to the story of a gallant charge up a blood-stained hillside, with iron and steel chief and his followers Other foreigners have tested the

pouring upon them; of how he cut boy, but a few weeks ago government wires, leaped ditches, and finally fell agents held an interview with his father and stopped the exhibition of his pow-Ehima heard him tell of lying under ers, requesting the father to see that the stars at night with the searchlights the boy reserved his gifts for the use of

playing over him; of crawling foot by foot down the hill as the guns roared, Recently, it is known blank papers

ways been and no doubt will continue to be a peculiar opportunity to ridicule Spiritualism. There is perhaps a greater chance to ridicule the Christian religion, but for obvious reasons it is not taken advantage of. Spiritualism, however, is obliged to take it from all sides, and the fact that it has for so many years withstood and continues to with stand it, not only, but keeps on steadily

finding its way into the hearts and minds of the people, is a fact of no or-dinary significance. Scientists, philosophers doctors, lawyers and even preachers are accepting it as a most glorious truth. Bishop Fallows in Chicago, and a German Lutheran preacher in New Jersey (whose name I cannot now recall) have recently preached it from their pulpits, much to the delight

and comfort of their parishioners. But the object of this communication is the reproduction of as fair a sample of ridicule as any I have observed of the subject of Spiritualism. It is from the pen of the, late Artemus Ward (Charles F. Browne) who was a natural genius in his profession—that of a hu-morist,—and will be enjoyed by the Spiritualit equally with the non-Spiritualist. It runs as follows:

Among the Sperrets.

My naburs is' mourn harf crazy on the new 'fangled idear about sperrets. Sperretooul sircles is held nitely & 4 or long-hared fellers has settled here and sone into the sperret biznis exclooslye v. A atemt was made to git Mrs. A Ward to embark into the sperret biznis but the atemt faled. 1 of the longhared fellers told her she was a ethereal creeter & wood make a sweet mejium, whareupon she attact him with a house. I will hear obsarve that Mrs.

come members of the circle who are not able to subscribe for the paper, much as they might like to. Such are just as welcome; there are no conditions. We wish Brother Francis could read some of the many letters we have

received extolling his paper; he would certainly feel that his efforts for the world's betterment were appreciated. content and undishonored, as A word as regards the difference in the end the gift of sleep. ALEX. CAIRD, M. D.

anese Boy Who Says Inanimate Ob-Jects Reveal Their Secrets to Him.

nystical country, by his strange power. the most wonderful stories of things have started among students of psychical research an investigation which

some believe, may lead to new and important discoveries.

The almost laughable (to American minds) theory that inanimate objects record and retain impressions of all that goes on about them is advanced in all seriousness by scientific and learned French, German, English and Japanese cholars, who inside of the last year have talked with this boy of seemingly

supernatural powers. Ehima is an ordinary looking Japa-nese boy, bright, alert, strong, smooth-skinned, and gentle, with glowing pride in the army and in the fact that three of his brothers have fought and one died in the war between Japan and Russia. Next year he, if permitted, will enlist and carry a rifle in the ranks. That he will not be permitted to enlist the boy has no idea, but it is known that already army officials of Japan, never

unwilling to try any theory, no matter bow absurd it may seem, are planning "Do you know what an Indian is?" to take this boy into Manchuria and ive him a high and important position itached to headquarters, and strive

through him to gain Russian secrets by seeing if he can learn from the tables. the chairs, and the captured swords the "The boy held it in his hand, turned

it over, examined it curiously. 'What do you see?" I asked. "'I see a big white building, he said

Had Strange Powers From Boyhood. To Americans-to any but an Oriental-such an idea would be laughable madness, yet the stories of the boy's gift told by scientists, learned men, force even Occidentals to admit that the ways of the Jap are peculiar, and hat perhaps such powers exist among the queer, superstitious, uncanny yel-

"Astounded, I simply sat and stared Since early boyhood, his neighbors in Yakka-ichi say, this Jap "man," as he calls himself already, has been able to do strange things. He could pick up pieces of paper, blank and uncoiled, and read things from them. He could find a piece of glass on the shores of Mie pay, on which he played with the other boys, and weave around that piece of glass strange and weird stories of

characteristic ascribed to Jesus was common to the sons of pagan gods: that it was only a transference of ancient beliefs to this new candidate for godly honors

But here comes Rev. Dr. Algernon S. Crapsey, an Episcopalian of Rochester, N. Y., who in a late discourse declared in so many words:

"In the true light of scientific research the founder of Christianity, Jesus, the son of Joseph, no longe stands apart from the common destiny of man in life and death, but he is in all things like as we are; born as we were born, dying as we die."

If Jesus was not a myth, such is clearly his history.

It is dishonoring to the great Father of us all, to give credence to the Catho lic claims which Protestants inherit. that a Jewish maiden was overshad-owed by the Holy Ghost, a fraction of the godhead, and yet that God himself; and then to exalt that Jew girl to the title of Queen of Heaven, and worship her as such. But the learned clergy man, in that same discourse, braved more. he said:

"A belief in the inerrancy of the Bible is no longer possible to an educated man, or to any one, in fact, who reads his Bible with reasonable intelliand attention."

The Catholic world saw what the final outcome would be if their sacred book was placed in the hands of the people, so they resisted the movement of Luther and his associates to place that collection of fragmentary literature in the hands of the people. Then they forbade its reading by the laity. They exerted all their powers to keep its contents from being known, and tried, but vainly, to limit knowledge to the priesthood. But here we are in spite of them. and now there is seemingly an organ ized movement on the part of educated Christian clergymen to tell the truth about the Bible and about the man Jesus.

Let the contest go on inside the church. Spiritualists keeping hands off. Don't let us try to exalt our mediums by declaring Jesus a medium. There is a greater question still to be settled. Deprived of his godhead, was he a man or myth? In reconstructing paganism, did the Fathers consolidate their lesser gods, Bacchus, Adonis, Apollo, Esculaplus, Serapis, etc., convert them into Jesus, and locate him in Galilee, a then almost unknown quarter of the world?

DR. J. M. PEEBLES.

Ere this paper reaches our readers, the venerable pilgrim, Dr. J. M. Peebles, will be at his home in Battle Creek, Mich. He had an exciting time while in England, being kept extremely busy in giving lectures.

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And when faith forsook its chrysalis Practical Religion vs. Theoretical. President Geo. Harris, of Amherst stage they wept such offer tears over its broken shell they have not yet seen College, during a recent discourse en- the fairer glory into which it has

titled "Formal Instruction and Morals grown. If there be any ground for lament as in the College," said: to the condition of religion it lies not "There is, I think, more practical re-

in the failure to preserve the old stateligion in the colleges to-day than in any ments and the old customs, not in the other period of their history. Cant and unwillingness of the world today to pretense are not tolerated; irrational shrink itself into yesterday's outworn doctrine is discarded; but faith, hope, forms of truth, but in the pitiable sight love and character aro exalted."

be increased.

eternity.

know to be a fact.

of a church that tries to keep up the Who does not know that brutal penold life with dead formulae, that has so alties never lessened crime? It was far forgotten its great teacher's revelanot long ago there were upwards of two tion as not to know that religion is life hundred crimes in England that were and not logic, or laws, or language. punished with death. Statistics show The saddest feature today is the unwillingness of the church to go forward: that there was no period in English hisinstead of being the leader tory when crime was as prevalent as and of civilization she is often relucthen. If a person had stolen a lamb, tantly dragged behind these onmoving the punishment was death. "Why not powers. The need now is not to go back to take the dam as well," inquired the offender. "They can't kill a person but Moses and Paul, as though these were

our goal, but, taking some guidance once." And if the owner of both in- from them, to go forward into the new terposed opposition, and he was killed, truth that is ever dawning. He who or a dozen others, the penalty could not steps into the twilight of new truths always finds the day breaking about In the divine economy the priests told him. If he stands perfectly still the

"The stealing of a pin, if unfor- full day comes and then the night given by God. subjects the offender to again. It is only the man who keeps on moving forward who is always it the the undying flames of a sulphurous hell forever." The slaughter of a multitude light. The trouble is that so many are standing fast in truth from which the of his fellows could not increase the light has all died out, and they are callpenalty, so the wretch went on adding ing their darkness the only day and decrime to crime until mortal justice nouncing those who prefer the light. overtook him, when he in turn was The ancient good ever stands opalaughtered so Infinite Justice could posed to the new best. It says, better take a hand in increasing the torture stay in the old Egypt you know than and prolonging it through a wasteless perish in a desert untried. But true

souls step forth. They find the desert. As discrimination in our penal code, it is drear; yet God is and often with milder punishment, has become the there, and morns are bright and manna order of the day crime has decreased. fails by the way. And with hell very generally eliminated

Then beyond the desert there is Cafrom the Christian creed, at least in ernaan: beyond the Alps, Italy: beyond fect, students in colleges; and the peo; the doubt, the delight of larger, clearer ple everywhere, have became more civtruth. Do not fear leaving the old: do ilized, hence the effect which the Colnot worry over theological unrest. Unlege Professor noted, and which all rest is but the sign of life. Better the child's unrest than the senile placidity

of old age. Better the death in the "Success, and How to Win It." A desert than decay in Egypt. Better to lecture and course of twenty-four sucdie in doubt than to mold away in the ress lessons by Ur. B. F. Austin, B. A. ompty tomb of truth, Consider him. D. D. The titles of some of the lecwho for the joy set before him, despised tures are as follows: Self Helps; Finanthe cross: forget the things behind and cial Success; Ideals; Economy; Planpress forward to the prize before, the ning; Attraction; Courtesy; Kindness and Tact; Angelic Help. Price 25 cts. clearer light and larger life,

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was with Mr & Mrs. Ingomar in the the reglar perfeshinal sperret rappers

2 soles with but a single thawt, 2 harts which beet as 1.

My naburs injooced me to attend a Respectably yures, sperretooul sircle at Squire Smith's. When I arrove I found the east room Can it be possible that Spiritualism chock full, includin all the old maids in has survived such withering, blasting, the villige & the long hared fellers a4sed. When I went in I was salootid with "hear cums the benited man"scorching, stinging ridicule as the fore-going, and grown and prospered in the It is plainly evident that face of it? hear cums the hory-headed unbeleever"-"hear cums the skoffer at Artemus Ward had had some personal experience in the investigation of the trooth," etsettery, etsettery. Sez I, "my frienz, it's troo I'm hear, subject of Spiritualism, not with genu-

ine mediums, but with genuine frauds, & now bring on your sperrets." 1 of the long hared fellers riz up and and I can therefore not only enter into sed he would state a few remarks. He and appreciate the spirit of his humor, sed man was a critter of intelleck & and excuse his ridiculous rebuke, but I was movin on to a Gole. Sum men had can heartily sympathize with him in his bigger intellecks than other men had most apparent disappointment in his inand they wood git to the Gole the soonvestigation of the subject, for have we erest. Sum men was beasts & wood not all encountered similar experiences never git to the Gole at all. He sed the in our examination of it? The only difference between Artemus Ward's expeerth was materiel but man was immateriel, and hens man was different from riences and those of our own is that the erth. The earth, continnered the amid all the fraud and rot and rubbish with which we have come in contact we speeker, resolves round on its own exelhave gathered a sufficient number of tree onct in 24 hours, but as man haint pearls to establish us not in the faith gut no axeitree he cant resolve. He but in the knowledge of the fact we live beyond the tomb. While we have all sed the ethereal essunce of the koordirate branchis of superhuman natur be en disgusted with many so-called cum metty-morfussed as man progrest in harmonial co-existence & eventooally Spiritualistic phenomena and angered anty humanized theirselves & turned by many so-called mediums who supinto reglar sperretuellers. (This was versifferusly apploded by the cumpany, and as I make it a pint to get along as upon which to practice their damnable pleasant as possible, I sung out, "bully fraud, we have experienced a certain for you, old boy.") met a respectable number of genuine

The cumpany then drew round the table and the sirkle kommenst to go it. They axed me if thare was anybody in umship we have received incontrovert. the sperret land, which I wood like to lible evidence that those gone before convarse with. I sed if Bill Tompkins, still live. who was onet my partner in the show

biznis, was sober, I should like to con- are organized so that each society or varse with him a few periods. "Is the sperret, of William Tompkins present?" sed 1 of the long hared chaps,

and there was three knox on the table. Sez I, "William, how goze it, old Sweetness? and

That was a pleasant way we had of addressin' each other when he was in the and has carried all these years. flesh. .911: ine :

members, Rev. Washington Gladden, a Congregationalist, hit a vital part, and

mon. He said "The Congregational Church has come to be a church of employers; the asses of the people who work with their hands for wages, are, as a class; outside of the church and are rapidly

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fore Port Arthur.

ever enkountered in my life. So savin put on my surtoot and went home. A. WARD. drawing himself up indignantly, threw

it to the soldier and said: "Liar and the ditch, and you were shot while running away down the hill." . The soldier paled and trembled. "How did you know?" he asked. "The flask told me." said the boy. Men who had heard the thing wondered, and they wondered still more

wounded on the bare hillside

when the next day the soldier killed himself, saying he could not live because he was a coward.

The story was told in the town, and Ehima's fame grew. Knew of Brother's Secret Mission.

Soon after that there came a letter

from Ollu, Ehima's brother. The letter was cheerful, hinted nothing of danger told of the glories of soldier life and of his own chances of promotion. The

held it in his hands and said: "Olly has been chosen to go on a desperate mission. He is enjoined to secrecy. If he does not return his cap-

ing his interview:

"In twelve years' travel among ori-

ental peoples I have learned not to dis-

he was sorrowful, thinking he would THOUGHTS. posed they were giving us great satisfaction and regarded us easy marks proportion of genuine phenomena and

his mission." honest mediums through whose medi-Ollu's captain telling of his glorious death in attempting a sublime errand.

.When Spiritualists all over the world men with hand grenades up to a fort church can maintain for a stated numher of years or indefinitely, honest ing the way for a sweeping charge true, respectable expounders and dem-Every man of the twenty-six had peronstrators of the truth of Spiritualism ished, but six guns were wrecked, and its progress will be much more rapid before it had failed. uninterrupted. The only wonder "Pretty fan, bid hoss," he replide, now is that it has made any progress at From that time Ehima's fame grew all with the dead weight it is carrying greater. Foreigners heard of him, and

they came, giving him money to tell H. Y. SWERINGEN.

pressions of the wealthy Pharisees. It Unsolved Mysteries of the Orient.

He represented there was no place in heaven for them; but Lazarus, begging crumbs which fell from the rich man's abode, and gave him rest in Abraham's bosom.

may not covet such a retreat; but Jews, to whom he was directing his discourse ists talk. I spoke with him in Japadoubtless thought it the climax of human enjoyment:

little work. Price-30 cents.

and finally reaching his command again and small articles picked up in Kuro-in the trenches. Then the man exhibiting patkin's headquarters at Mukden have ited a metal flask, dented, and said: "I carried this with me on the charge,

been submitted to the boy by special orders, and army officers have been in sccret consultation with him at his home.

Bashfully Ehima asked him to ex-Recently also he made a hurried trip to amine the wonderful thing. He took Tokio in charge of a favored army offithe flask, gazed at it a moment, then, cer, but the cause of that trip is unknown, and its results are secret.

Not one of the scientists who have coward! You were afraid. You hid in seen Ehima has yet dared to formulate any distinct theory in regard to his extraordinary powers. Whether

gifted with second sight or whether the objects from which he gets his impressions really do carry the records of their surroundings to him no one will venture to decide.

The theory that inanimate objects do retain impressions and are capable of transmitting them has been advanced by several "dreamers" in past times,

and the case of Ehima Kasakura promises to throw light on that theory which may result in great discoveries .- Chicago Tribune.

WHEN YOU GLANCE OVER THE EIGHT PAGES OF THE PROGRESS. family was proud and pleased. Ehima IVE THINKER YOU WILL BE SURtook the letter and read it. Then he PRISED TO SEE THE VAST AMOUNT OF READING MATTER CONTAINED THEREIN.

THE FIRST PAGE 18 CHOCKFUL tain will write us. When he wrote this OF INTENSELY INTERESTING

never see us again. There was a man NOW TURN TO THE SECOND in the room with him, a man with the uniform of a member of the star. He PAGE AND YOU WILL FIND THE was waiting for Ollu to finish the letter. COURT OF INQUIRY IN ACTIVE and enjoined him to write nothing of SESSION, INVESTIGATING THE WHYS AND WHEREFORES OF THE

One month later came a letter from TOGGERY USED BY MATERIALIZ-ING MEDIUMS AT THEIR SEANCES. He had volunteered to lead twenty-five IT IS THRILLINGLY INTERESTING, AS IT OPENS UP A NEW FIELD OF to hurl these grenades through the THOUGHT. OTHER ARTICLES OF embrasures, and wreck the guns, pav-ESPECIAL MERIT ON THE SAME PAGE.

NOW REFER TO THE THIRD the charge succeeded where three times PAGE; IT IS RUNNING OVER WITH GOOD THINGS.

THE FOURTH PAGE HAS THE USUAL EDITORIALS WITH THE them things. A. M. Robinson, the well USUAL SOUL-INSPIRING ARTICLES. known traveler, ran up from Yamada to NOW GLANCE AT THE FIFTH visit the boy in his home and learn for PAGE; IT IS RADIANT WITH SPIR-NOW GLANCE AT THE FIFTH himself regarding his strange powers. ITUAL LIGHT.

THE USUAL ITEMS ARE ON THE He tells the following story regard- SIXTH PAGE.

THE SEVENTH PAGE ALWAYS HAS SOMETHING OF GREAT VALUE, AND THE EIGHTH PAGE IS NEVER om the depths of these half mystic na- WITHOUT SPECIAL INTEREST. A tures. I found an ordinary, bright look- MERE GLANCE AT THE HEAD-Ing Japanese boy, who spoke some LINES OF THE PAPER WILL GIVE English, because his father was in the ONE AN IDEA OF THE LARGE FIELD IT OCCUPIES IN THE REALMS OF SPIRITUALISTIC AND "The wonderful storles that the na- FREETHOUGHT LITERATURE.

tives of Yakha-ichi told toncerning him

"The Constitution of Man." By made me think that perhaps he was a sort of freak, gifted with great power |Elizabeth, Towne. - Gives a clear and of deduction or a vivid imagination, practical presentation of advanced mental science and embodies many new Frankly, I was prepared to go further. and admit that he might possess some and original ideas, and the fullest totally unprepared for what I found. He- trol and direction of desire. Price 590.

threatens the whole church fabric. It table, he transported to that blissful

Some of us in these modern 'times

A Telfing Thrust. was made in his late Memorial Day ser

A new and teiling thrust at the was against them the curses of Jesus church, by one of its most prominent were hurled with such telling effect.

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is true of all Protestant churches, and Christianity fails to fulfill its mission because of this condition."

curio trade and he had heard the tour-

believe until I know. One cannot fath-

Illuminating New Zealand.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Loie F. Prior has met with a most excellent reception in New Zealand, and that she is causing a Spiritual commotion there of the soul. Let them come down to hard investigation of the laws of nathat cannot fail to do good. She is one of our laws were the laws of nature and never ablest speakers.

SPIRITUALISM AND CHRISTIANITY. pronounce a verdict upon those who had meted the measure poured out,

Rev. James Gibbs, D. D.

filen, sa

The Rev. Lole F. Prior's Reply to the they said, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" THE BURNING BUSH. They were living at that time in the

ums, they would find them well able to

make fires that would not burn. The

natives would dance on hot stones with

bare feet without their feet being blis-

tered. In her own country she had

stood by the side of a lady who under

went a severe examination. She had

pattern and permit the flame to go

about her face; she would put her hand

one of these delicate hairs upon the

hands and face was in the slightest de

would pass through the lamp uninjured.

Could she read the story of the burning

because she had seen with her mortal

MOSES AND THE TEN COMMAND.

MENTS.

Could she believe the story of Moses

and the ten commandments? Yes, be

cause she dared to say that in this

ent slate-writing. Theologians who stood in the pulpit to-day had never in-

vestigated the matter, and never in-

tended to investigate it, but they were

willing to believe in an independent

slate-writing that occurred thousands of

years ago, whilst Spiritualists to-day

had evidence of independent slate-writ

ing that was occurring around them all

the time. Moses went into the mount-

brought them back. Our reverend

brothers who "believe that story-that

Moses went away for forty days to get

his slate-writing-would not leave our

independent slate-writers out of their

seen what was so convincing.

As reported in the New Zealand letter of the Bible and not the spirit, as Times, the New Century Hall, Kent we to day had been living in the letter terrace, was crowded to the doors on of the teachings of Jesus of Nazareth in place of living in the spirit of those unday evening, when the Rev. Loie F. Prior, under the auspices of the Welteachings. He dared to expose the inlington Association of Spiritualists, re. iquitles, He dared to take from off the people's eyes the blindfolds that had been placed there by the elergy of His plied to the strictures passed upon her and her co-workers by the Rev. James Gibb on the previous Sunday. The au-dience comprised many of Wellington's time. To-night she desired to speak about the spirit and not the letter, and she would refer to the book that had hest known citizens, and the speaker's eloquent address was listened to with been the religious authority for so many rapt attention. Mr. W. McLean, in inyears. Could she believe some of the troducing the Rev. Mrs. Prior, said h wondrous miracles that were recorded present herein? She would digress for a noticed some church people and wanted to tell them that the society time to go into that distant past and on no occasion attacked any religious body. Its members believed in all resee before her the burning bush-the bush that was aflame and consumed not. Could she, of modern times, acligions, and were in sympathy with every true worker in the interest of cept that story and say it was not a mi Christ. It was quite true that some raculous thing at all? Most assuredly she could, because she had seen the times attacks were made on man-made like unto it the present day, and if they dogmas, but outside of those dogmas they did not assail the opinions of the were to go with her to the Hawailan slands and get into touch with some of clergy or any of their people the natives who were developed medi-

It had been asked in rather a sneer ing fashion, Who was this Mrs. Prior, and whom did she represent? Mrs Prior was rather a modest lady, and had not told them anything about herself, but he would say that she represented as missionary at large one of the largest bodies in the Spiritualist world body having a membership of over seen her take a lamp of the Rochester 250,000. a body that had over 15,000 workers, over 700 places of meeting, and over two million dollars worth of through, and if one got close and made property. Surely that was something an examination one would find that not that any clergyman or any woman might be proud to represent.

It had also been stated by the critic gree scorched. The lady she referred that he did not know anything about to would take paper money from the the phenomena or philosophy of Spirit- audience, and by whispering upon it, it nalism. What would a church audience think if he (Mr. McLean) ascended a pulpit and told his hearers that he bush and say it was not a miraculous knew nothing about Christianity or the occurrence? Most assuredly she could healing virtues which Christ possessed, because she had seen with her morta and which he told those who believed eyes a similar occurrence, and no on him could not only do his works but could convince her that she had not far greater works. Had any of his believers of the present day performed these works; and if not, why-not? The critic had quoted largely from Profes-

sor Myers' book, and it was unfortunately for him that he had done so. He (Mr. McLean) had the book in his hand, and would read an extract from it. It story was recorded the first independ-was well that members of the churches ent slate-writing. Theologians who should not be hoodwinked by special extracts taken from this book, which had entailed on the writer nearly thirty years' of investigation into the phenomena of Spiritualism, which he had approached in the spirit of suspicion.

The speaker read an extract to show that Professor Myers was undoubtedly a Spiritualist, and acknowledged the ains and was there forty days when he received the tablets of stone and phenomena of Spiritualism. The critic had stated that men of science would not have anything to do with Spiritualism, but Professor John Tyndall had said that these phenomena all around and about us were established facts. Scores of other scientists had also said the same thing, and that the man who sight for forty seconds. The reverend gentlemen would receive and accept a denies the phenomena is grossly ignorant of the laws of nature.

story of the past, and yet refuse to ac-Mr. McLean then referred to the Lord Chancellor of England's Presicept the evidence of the present. Could she believe that the story of dency of the Victorian Institute, before John of Patmos, could she understand which Dr. Peebles, who had recently the lesson given in the last book of the occupied this platform, had been en-gaged to lecture on the subject of "Im-bible? Yes. There was not a miracle there, but only the trance condition of a mortality and Its Proofs." Professor sensitive, just as we have trance condi-Myers had clearly demonstrated that men after their change in death had re-shurd to the earth not by scores hut wall? Most assuredly she could, bewall? Mos by hundreds. The critic had stated cause we had the appearance of hand-that if a photograph of the dead could writing upon the wall to-day. rned to the earth, not by ced that would be some proof, be produ AMAZING SPIRITUAL SUBSTANCE. and yet there were at least 200 spirit Every manifestation called a miracle photographs in the city and he did not in the Bible was performed to-day all know it. If he were to walk through over the civilized and uncivilized world. the rooms adjoining the hall he would Her reverend friend spoke of the letter. see a lot of well authenticated snirit but spoke not knowingly of the spirit. photographs, and would no longer bb They were told that spirit is the quintignorant of the subject he preessence of matter, and yet their oppontends to talk about. ents would use their clumsy gross

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to her reverend friend that a spirit had to have a medium to manifest itself through. She cared not what phenom-ena in Spiritualism was to be present-ed, a medium must be present to pre-gent that phenomena. Her friend said it was possible for a spirit to manifest it was possible for a spirit to manifest at times, and yet at the same time he dared to say that the manifestation of one spirit did not prove the immortality violated themselves-they never pros-tituted themselves, they never deviated from themselves. Now, if knowing these things, if one spirit manifested Now, if knowing

itself after the change called death and brings back intelligence and speaks in telligently, then she said that others passing through death had intelligence after passing through death. She dared say that because she understood the laws of nature, and not only one spirit since the Bible was compiled, but thousands of thousands and hundreds of housands and millions of spirits had come back to manifest themselves to man.

ORTHODOX RELIGION AND SPIRIT-UALISTIC PHENOMENA.

Orthodox religion of the present time was founded on Spiritualistic phenomena. The Mosaic laws were founded on messages which Moses received from the Infinite. Why did Moses have his little tent outside the enclosure of the general encampment, and why did he repair to that tent to have converse with God? That was his seance chamber. He went into communion' with God there, and had said that the scribes could not look upon the face of God because they would be blinded, so that Moses' message was founded on spirit communication. In the New Testament was there not related spirit communications received? They knew it so well that it was not necessary for her to tell them of the many manifestations of the suirit. She wanted to go on with the building up of the great church politic. Her mind carried her to Rome, and she saw before her the crumbling away of the old religious ideas. She saw the mass of theologians who had lived so long upon the cre dulity of the general public anxious to build up a great church co-eval with a great empire. They put their heads together, some of these good old men, who did not care about going out and talking in the streets after they had lived in luxury so long. They put their heads together and said: "Let us find out what these Christians are teaching -let us find it out and teach it our selves." Church history told them that the teachings of the Nazarene did not go smoothly on. Three hundred veers

passed away before the great church began to teach the humble, gentle, lov-able words of the Nazarene. Then she saw in her mind's eye how the persecu-

tors became the persecuted. THE DARK INQUISITION.

Men remembered how the early Christians were persecuted and burned n Nero's garden; but it was not a very far stretch of time before the clergy of Rome and Spain rose up, and upon the escutcheon of Christianity appeared that dark blotch called the Inquisition. In the name of the humble Man who taught "Do unto your brethren as you would they would do unto you," they placed men upon the rack, in His name men were strung up by the thumbs, in His name men were butchered. The moans of the people reached the spirit world and the message of inspiration touched one Martin Luther, who dared o branch off from the old teachings They knew the thirty years of fiendish war and persecution that followed Again the persecuted became the perse cutors, and she, coming from that great country of the Stars and Stripes, knew of the persecution that was put upon he people who sailed from England, Holland, and other countries to a place where they could worship God accord-

ng to the dictates of their hearts, for there, as soon as they grew, strong enough, they in turn became the persecutors and left the blot of the burning of the witches at Salem, Mass., upon the glorious escutcheon of the United

A GREAT UNIVERSAL GOD that was all love, the was all wise, that was all powerful, that was all good, had no chosen, elected or gelected few. She could not conceive of a God that could give to man the power to fove, the ability to see the wondrous beauties of this world-a world so perfect and so har monious when we understoud its lawsand then in a moment of Mast egotism say, "I will choose out of; the great mass of people only a selected few who shall forever, eternally and everlastingly adore me and me, alone 2's

WE WANTED THE BPIRT OF GOD, and did not want to wath until we reached the other him it to look upon God's face. How we're we to get it now? Only by receiving those grand messages that came from God to us, from the other world. Her reverend friend said it was strange that although Spiritual ists purported to receive messages from the dwellers of the other sphere those Spiritualists never brought to earth anything regarding the future life, only what they knew, and he asked the question, why do they not tell us some-thing about the other world that we do not know?" They had told her a great

deal about the other world that she did not know. Had the reverend gentleman gone to her and asked she was quite sure she could have told him comething brought to her from the other life that he did not know; but she dared say that if she had told him what she had received from that other life he would not believe her, because his materialistic senses could not grasp it. Men did not believe that planets in their movements around the sun affected this little earth before Galileo turned his telescopes upon them, because they could not see. Se would like to know why her reverend brother, who had not seen, dared to refute the statements of thousands who had seen and who knew If a mind incarnated in the human body could send a telepathic message to another mind incarnated in another human body, and the reverend gentleman could prove to her conclusively that the mind died when the human body died then she would lay down her arms and say, "Oh, human mind, there is nothing for you after this life but the sleep of Endymion-that is all there is for you; but if he could not prove that the mind or spirit of man or the soul of man, died, then she said to him: "I can prove to you that the mind of man, the spirit of man, or the soul of man does commu nicate with man.'

Her reverend friend, was preaching what he understood, and could not speak differently. He should grant the same privilege to her. She spoke as one who had seen, as one who had felt. as one who had stood upon the thresh old of the spirit world.

SHE BORE TESTIMONY TO THE IM-MORTAL LIFE,

to that which she had seen, to that which she had heard, to that which she which she had heard, to that which she had known, and seeing was believing, hearing was knowing, and so firm was she that out of the fullness of her heart she spoke, not from a written sermon, that she could not say good-bye to those who were the mearest, and dear-est, knowing that she would meet them int heaven a the well with the meat Could just beyond the veil with that great God who created this beautiful world, that er to live, that great God that had in-spired us with the universality of truth, that God who lives, is, has been, and al ways will be. Many men have looked beyond and have come and talked of Him, many men are looking beyond and vill come and teach of Him; but my friends accept the spirit, not, simply the letter. 62 4 :14 111

SPIRIT RETURN?

The Writer Details Some Interesting Experiences-A Book Brought by Spirit Power.

To the Editor:-I have been strongly

ccount of these incidents as proof of spirit power. About a year ago a school teacher

BOOK REVIEWS.

How Nature Cures: Comprising a New System of Hygiene; Also the Nat-ural Food of Man. A Statement of the Principal Arguments Against the Use of Bread, Cereals, Pulse, Potatoes, and All Other Starch Foods. By Emmet

Densmore, M. D. 413 pages. Swan, Sonnenschein & Cp., London. Doctor Densmore has an interna-tional reputation as a successful pracitioner and writer on hygiene, and ev erything he writes is of interest and alue, and has more than usual authoritative worth. At this time when the doctors are telling the people what to eat, and what not to eat, it would seem that scarcely anything is left not unde their ban. But no one has advocated such a sweening change in diet. a which amounts to a revolution. hange Bread, the "staff of life," and potatoes, with the whole range of starch-yielding vegetables, relied on as the best and most healthy food, if these are thrown out there seems the greater part of the world's supply gone. The author makes in exhaustive argument, and his conclusions are like the deductions from a

mathematical proposition. Doctor Densmore believes that the natural food of man is fruit and nuts. If this regimen is adopted, the movement in forest culture will be acceler ited, for then there will be the motive of gain as well as that now causing the replanting of trees. Now the farme who sees profit in land only as he can cultivate it in cereals, and trees as ene mies of his efforts, would see the most profit in fruit and nut trees, and the vide setting of these would restore the conditions which prevailed before the lenudation of the land. There would e a more equable climate, more rain fall, absorption of the surplus, less disastrous floods and winds.

We believe that a diet of fruit and nuts would be ideal, but for the world at large impractical. The rapidly in-creasing population makes it more and more difficult to keep food supply up to the demand. Yet with the wheat fields set to fruit and nut trees over this vast continent, the supply might be adejuate to the needs.

The author is not a "vegetarian," but a fruitarian. He says: "Throughout civilization the great oulk of the numan family-the vegetarians and the mixed eaters alike-are cerealities; in the future, when the doctrines herein taught are understood and adopted, mankind will become fruitarians.'

Although this dietetic reform runs through the book, it really forms a minor part of its teachings. There has not been any work of the popular literature of hygiene that compares with it in valuable information. While showing the fallacy of the "regular" druggiving, the author does not wholly discard remedial agents, yet he relies on the natural recuperative forces of the system. He surveys the different modes of medicine and shows the doc-tor to be a "fetish," like the savage "medicine man." The patient gets well while the doctor waits. Then he tells how to doctor according to the plan of nature, how to keep well in infancy and age. This not by reliance on drugs but pure food of the right kind, pure air and water. He plainly tells what to eat, how to cat, when to cat, the benefit of sleep, how to conserve the vital forces, how to avoid intemperance, to avoid the disease of corpulency, and about every ailment afflicting human beings Unlike the notorious Osler, he be-

lieves man does not reach his best ability until fifty, and is capable if he lives rightly of doing his most finished work

ture Cures."

at a full century. Doctor Densmore in practice gives a much wider menu than in theory. He recognizes the necessity of adapting his recommendations to the foods now available. He is not a fadist, but he is too broad to indulge in any narrow scheme. The reader is impressed with the extent of his knowledge the clearness with which he presents his views, mpressed for some time to send you an his exhaustless research, and honesty of purpose.

The main factor of health is a proper diet, when sick restoration largely de-pends on the right kind of food. Give named Miss Emma C- was boarding pends on the right kind of food. Give with a family living in a house where, the stomach the food the system deLAKE PLEASANT, MASS.

Notes of the Coming Camp-meeting. The birds are singing and the squir-

at this lovely and healthful

cels are chittering in the sunny groves BY NO METHOD UNTIL "AC. home-the mother of camp-meetings. TINA" WAS DISCOVERED. Cheery, bracing mornings and moon

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lit evenings make loyous the June days Ninety-five per cent of all cases of dearness and nights for the people at the Lake. rought to our at tention is the result of chronio.

Cephas Burnham has cleaned the grove and added neatness to nature. The boats are being painted and put in condition for sailing.

Dr. Weston has driven a well, 54 feet deep, from his kitchen in the Conant cottage, and found pure, soft water. Miss Isabel Ross has made the Beals grounds and cottage on Lyman street. very beautiful with new roof paint and flowers, a new veranda and new champer being the chief additions.

Mr. Clark's new bride and her sister and niece are living in the Clark cottage. They say Lake Pleasant is the right place for health and growing appetites

Mr. McKenna of the Cove cottage. has made a complete basement tenement and will rent all the upper part of this large cottage.

Edwin Putnam has located two cotages in the space north of Association

Mr. Cook of Holyoke, is building a ottage on Turner street. Mrs. Haslam, who has bought a

ouse in Greenfield, Mass., will open her cottage on Turner street, this month. The Bluff will miss the genial pres-

ence of Mr. and Mrs. Barron this year as well as that of the caretaking Sadie Severance, all of whom have passed to the higher life since last season. The dancing pavilion has been shingled, and a new coat of paint of va-

rious colors makes the inside and out side glow with old-time radiance. The railroad company has builded some easy and generous stairs from the station to the pavilion. The company has taken down the foot-bridge over the track, and propose to remove a portion of the south bank in order to straighten the track.

The Scalpers have bought the Hunter boarding house, and may put in billiard tables and other help to their midnight entertainments. It is presumed that they have also bought sufficient land for the indispensable graveyard for the burial of all rejected and slaughtered applicants for admission to their "inde pendent order"

Mr. Matthews and his musical wife have made a cozy home opposite the Hunter house, and begun farming by planting a large garden. The campers who passed the winter at the lake are united in the opinion that the snow was deep, and the weather cold; but with plenty of wood

end coal, they hibernated, with rather more than less of cold feet. The camp is now supplied with water as the pump is working. "Jacob's well"

is as popular as ever. A petititon has been sent to Washing ton for a postoffice the year aroundsome 90 signatures having been ob tained. If accepted, it is rumored that Leon Henry will be the new postmaster. H. S. Streeter, the present postmas-ter will open the office this month.

The summer session will begin July 30 and close August 27. The speakers and mediums now engaged are A. H Dailey, Geo. W. Kates, Z. B. Kates, T U. Reynolds, J. J. Morse, Carrie E. S Twing, Carrie L. Thomas, Amelia F. Henning, A. P. Blinn, May S. Pepper, J.

Clegg Wright. The Ladies' Schubert Quartette of Boston, will sing and give special musical entertainments. They are accomplished artists who stand among the

first in that city of artists. The hotel will be managed by Philip Yeaton who will open it June 15. The Ladies' Improvement Society will hold a fair in August. Send your

gifts to Mary M. Sheldon, 378 Main street, North Adams, Mass. I. R. Stratton will have charge of the dancing, Charles U. Bickford being conductor of Stratton's orchestra.

ation of Genius. For Sale at this office. The camp is filling up, new arrivals

catarrh of the throat and middle car. The air passages become clogged by catarrhal deposits, stopping the action of the vibratory bones. Until these deposits are removed a oure is impossible. The innerear cannot be reached. by probing or spraying, hence the inability of aurists or physicians to cure. Ear druins are worse than useless. That there is a scientific cure for deafness and catarrh is demonstrated every day by the use of Actina. The vapor current

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A Study of

Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

By Lilian Whiting. Author of "The World Beautiful," "Kate Field," "After Her Death." "From Dreamland Sent," etc. With portrait. 16mo. Cloth, gitt. Price 81.25. The writer of this "Study of Pilizabeth Barrett Browning" has thrown the book into five chapters, with sub-tities as follows:

LIVING WITH VISIONS. Commun. Friends in the Bioss...as;" Music-Flow of Pindar; Friends in the Unseen.
LOVES OF THE POETS. The Prefigured Friend; Vita Nouva; "One Day, My Siren."
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ART AND ITALY. Individuality of Character; The Encounting's Death.
LILIES OF FLORENCE. Poetic Rank; Spiritual Lawn; Modern Scientific Thought; The Consider shino of Genius.

SHE DRAWS A VIVID PICTURE.

struments to analyze that which is the quintessence of matter-instruments The Rev. Loie F. Prior began her address with a quotation from Sir Edwin that were wholly materiallistic. She 'Arnold's "Light of Asia." She would draw a picture; could they not in fancy wondered if our scientific brothers of to-day would expect to gaze upon Venus with a microscope, or would they try to see spread before them a great canvas There standing in the foreground a man analyze the anatomy of a fica with a clothed in the royal robes of state, a telescope! And yet men dared to try man majestic in form, a man clear of and analyze spirits and spiritual subeye, and of strong, noble intellect ex- stances with weights and measures pressed upon his face. And nigh unto only known to their anaterialistic him and the center figure upon that senses. Because they could not weigh was another man. Meek, lowly, spirit with their materialistic scales, bethe light of universal love shining out cause they could not see spirits with from his countenance, but his garments their materialistic telescope or materi were torn and soiled. Seemingly he alistic microscope, because they could had been roughly handled. Upon his not view spirit with their materialistic brow rested a crown of thorns, and spectroscope, then many of them dared blood and sweat had left their traces to say that spirit did not exist; and upon his features. In the background when sensitives attuned by the Infinite, there was a great mob of people, and in when sensitives presented in the present day-in this modern age-all of the fancy they could hear the shouts and yelling. But pressing up, round, and miracles-she wanted to emphasize above those two figures were men that word-the miraculous manifestaclothed in sacerdotal garb with sneers tions that were to be found in the Bible. upon their faces, and they could almost and said that such were the phenomena of Spiritualism, their critics said they hear the words they were giving utterpace to. The first of the two promi-did not believe them—they did not be-nent figures on the canvas was Pontius lieve in the platant statements of the mediumistic. Her reverend friend had the other the meek and lowly dared to say that spirits returned no Nazarene.

They could hear the words of the doubt at times-these were hardly his representative of Rome when he as words, but conveyed his meaning-spirof the lowly man, "What is truth?" and its might return at times and manifest, that man answers back, "What is but not through the mediumistic. truth?" And they could hear the great She would analyze the term me She would analyze the term medium-Governor of the far East say to the ship. They knew what matter was masses round about: "This man has Matter was analyzed to day in the labo done no wrong," but we hear the sneer-lag remarks of the rabbis-"Crucify crucibles and retorts were used, and him! Crucify him!" Had she painted also tubes and furnaces. Scientists the picture so that they might see it? were able to analyze matter. But spirit Did they understand its full import- was more refined than the finest of Could she impress upon them matter. How could they use the same that it was not the howling mob in the instruments and implements for the lobackground that asked for the life of cating, the analyzing, and the dissecting the gentle Nazarene—it was those who of matter, when spirit was so much wore the garb of the clergy at that finer than matter? They could not go time. They made a demand upon Pon- into the laboratory to locate an instrutius Pilate for the crucifixion of the ment which was able to convey to their man who had done no wrong, in prefer- senses what a spirit was like, so they ence to the ones who had done wrong. needs must have a medium that stood And why did they ask for the life of the polsed as it were, between the materiand why did they ask for the life of the polsed as it were, between the materi-meek and lowly inoffensive man that alistic and the Spiritualistic. Was that went about teaching: "Do unto others | not logic? The medium was a go-beas ye would be done by"-a man whose tween, to use the vernacular of the day, hand was ever extended to aid his and the spirit being made conscious of the presence of spirit could convey to brother man? Why did the theologians of that time the materialistic that which was Spirit-

ualistic. make a demand for that man? Because that meek, humble man dared to at

tack their theology-dared to say that that which was taught in the temple, in the synagogues, and in the schools of his day was not the teaching that would uplift humanity. All about him he saw the suffering thousands, all about him he heard the cry of the hungry, un-

GOD'S LAWS THE LAWS OF NA-TURE. The medium was only an instrument, and a spirit could not manifest itself to mortal man without a medium. In haunted house stories undoubtedly some medium was present, and unless bome medium was pressent, and unless. Bome medium manifested itself the ghost plon, and out of the fullness of his large heart he went forth to benefit his the substance necessary for manifeste-the substance necessary for manifestebeart he went forth to, benefit his the substance necessary for manifesta- they h brother man; and because he dared to the without mediums, so that she said spirit.

States. Again went up the cry of sorely oppressed humanity, and the angels responded from the spirit world. SEANCE IN EPWORTH COTTAGE.

She might tell them something new when she mentioned the little seance which was held in Epworth Cottage in England, where John and Charles Wesley received the basic principles of the Methodist church. It was a well-known ill and suffering, and that she walked fact that Charles Wesley received independent slate-writing, but after the Methodist church grew in power all the manifestations of spirit communion were erased from the Methodist slate. They should read history if they desired to find out if spirits had inspired men or brought messages to man. The preacher stood in his pulpit man. and told his parishioners to do what he told them, not what he did; but the minister went about among his flock and ministered to man-he was not constantly preaching the letter, but was ministering unto the spirit if they could only take all that there was provable in theology and put in its place all that was demonstrable in the ministry, how much grander, how much more en-nobling, how soul-uplifting then would be the teachings of the church! The previous afternoon there had been a grand reception in the city of a noble man, but not so very long ago that man -General Booth-commenced his crusade in London when the hands of the clergy were upheld and he was condemned for the work he was doing. He was criticised because he dared to step out of the ordinary path, but he put the spirit and not the letter into his work. and by impregnating his work with the spirit, to-day he was venerated and reverenced from the north to the south and from the east to the west. Since that noble band of Salvation Army people marched out to help the oppressed and touch the souls of men, the clergy had sent out members of the Christian Enleavor Society and similar organizations, but they never thought of that special kind of work until General Booth and his good Army of men and women set the example. So long as cience know little about this earth of ours heaven was just behind the clouds. according to the teachings of the clergy: but so soon as science turned her telescopes upward and adjusted her microscopes, delved down beneath the crust of the earth and brought up the vertebrae of animals ages since dead, the clergy no longer taught that hell was down below and heaven up above. It was no longer a literal location; it was a condition: They were told that intellectual men were divorcing them selves from religion, but they were only divorcing themselves from narrow big otry, and such men were the true religionists of the world because they were seeking the truth wherever it could be found. Science was not standing still. Science was reading the rocks, making paths around the world, weighing and measuring even the clouds themselves

dark. and science was gradually drawing away from the teachings of theology.

some twenty years ago, and before Miss C- was born, a young lady named Nel-lie G- had died.

One morning Miss C- told the lady with whom she was boarding that during the night she was awakened, and saw a young woman in her room, describing her dress and general appearance, and said that her face looked haggard and drawn as though she was very

across the room and disappeared. She was offered another room, but said she was not afraid, and did not change, although she saw the same form once or twice more.

Later on Miss C-'s aunt came visit her and slept with her. By the way, the aunt had lived in the house when Miss G- had died there, but Miss C- knew nothing of this at this time. Miss C-asked her aunt if any one had which his father's family was evicted ever died in that room, describing the coming to America a friendless boy, young woman she had seen. The aunt barely able to read, and less able aid she had accurately described Miss write, he arose from poverty, obscurity Nellie G- who had died in the room and ignorance to world-wide fame. djoining the one they were in. He went to work in a chair-making

Will some of our skeptical friends ac count for this only as evidence of spirit eturn and materialization?

copy of Shakspeare's works. He was Will some one explain how this book in ecstasy over the passages, but could was brought? I had often seen Miss read so imperfectly he would get the Abby Judson's little booklet, "From school children to read for him. He en-Night to Morn," advertised, and as gaged in amateur theatricals, attracted took great interest in all her writings attention of managers, and began his often thought I would send for it, but life's work. delayed doing so. About three years ago, I came into my store early one more painstaking, laborious student, through all obstacles and hardships. morning and at once saw lying on the show case the little book mentioned, as His part was always perfectly com clean and bright as if: just from the mitted and performed to the best of his press, and without any evidence of have ability." ing been handled or mailed. As there are with the exception of myself and immediate family no Spiritualists in

this vicinity, I was somewhat puzzled to know how it came there. hand made some inquiries, but could find no solu tion of the matter and am'still in the DIM. TUNLAP.

MY BETTER HALF AND I.

.m. .

Forty years of harmony, do, Without one day of strife; Forty years of happiness, With a dear, loving wifes:

So happy when together, A But never when apart; A Through calm and stormy weather, Yet always one inideant.

But now we are divided.'98 Yet more than ever ones. And though I oft am lonely; I never am alone.

For I feel her always near me, Forever at my side, particular, And though death hath divided, It never can divide.

And yet two personalities,

Distinctly each its own, Two individualities Mysteriously made one.

And I shall soon be with her, Who ever is with me, Nevermore to part again, Through all eternity. THEODORE SIMPSON.

Vancouver, B. C.

Tickets for round trip go on sale from Boston, June 1, \$3.75, good to re-turn in October. Other round trip tickmands, and make its digestion perfect and the material is furnished for the perfect building of the body and restoets from all parts of the Fitchburg diration. . One thus organized, is not only vision of the Boston & Maine railroad from Boston, Springfield, Troy, Wil-mington and intermediate points go on proof against ordinary attacks of disease, but immune from the microbes of contagion.

shop, and one of the old men delighted

"Perhaps the stage never possessed a

He worked with unflinching resolve

it possible for such achievements with

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in reciting Shakspeare, and gave him a

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HUDSON TUTTLE. mation address (enclosing stamp) A. P. Blinn, the efficient clerk, at Lake Pleas H. A. BUDINGTON. John McCullough as Man, Actor and ant. Mass. Springfield, Mass.

Spirit. By Susie C. Clark. Boston: Murray & Emery Co. This is a beautifully printed and bound book of 360 pages, by a writer well known to the Spiritual public. The Outlook Beyond Death.

Lilian Whiting's twelfth book has just been sent out from the press of The story of the great actor's life is Little, Brown & Co., on its apostolic told in a manner attractive as a novel. mission of preaching the gospel and Born in a cottage in Ireland, from

pure spiritual doctrine of immortal life, under the title "The Outlook Beautiful." From its first to last page it is a glow ing portrayal of the religious belief of

the editor and subscribers of The Pro-gressive Thinker. In the opening words of the book she declares, "The angel we call Death may be more truly regarded as the Angel of Life-as God's Messenger who comes to guide the way into the life more abundant. * * * It is the process by means of which the spiritual body is released from the physical and enters on the next higher plane of

the spiritual universe." There is a loyous note of exultation running all through the book over the glory of the surety of the gift of spiritual life to man-but there is also a deeper tone of sacred awe as to the responsibility of human beings still in the body making this preparatory life a

means of spiritual advancement; for and labor is the secret of genius, but is she says-"life is a trust, divinely committed to man. It is the most price out superior aid? Are we not justified, less, the most infinitely valuable of possessions-a gift of rare powers and unness of such minds comes in a measure limited resources, to be used for the henefit of others, and thus, in the truest way for one's self." And, again: The last hundred pages are most at-tractive to Spiritualists. McCullough "The perpetual phenomena of life furnish all the means for spiritual culture. as a spirit, what he has said and writ-There is not a day but makes its deten through mediums since his death, mands on one for his highest and sublimest qualities. There is not a day worker F. A. Wiggin, are of absorbing whose experiences do not test the most

interest. It is a wonderful sequel to his biography, unique, and I think has exalted ideals." -The title of the opening chapter is "The Delusion of Death," and she quotes from the poet Stephen Phillips: "The delusion of death shall pass. The delusion of mounded earth, the ap-

parent withdrawal; We shall shed our bodies, and upward

flutter to freedom. SARA A. UNDERWOOD. Quincy, Ill.

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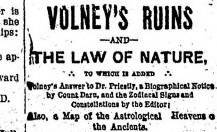


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spirit. I would like to have it printed in letters of gold: "In the Roman arena when the victorious gladiator hesitated before plunging his sword into his ad versary until cultured ladies, cried, 'kill-kill,' often when raising the hel

no precedent. I have space for only one brief quotation of McCullough as met he found the face of a brother May we never find out there in the Be yond, when the masks, are lifted off from all foes, that we have stabbed the heart of a friend, whom we thought an enemy. There is only one enemy in the world; his name is ignorance, and only one God, whose name is Truth."

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Mrs. Kirchner writes: "The warm weather does not seem to affect the WRITE PLAINLY .-- We would like to impress upon the minds of our correattendance at the services of the Rising Sun Mission on Sundays, as we had guite a large audience on the afternoon spondents that The Progressive Thinker is set up on a Linotype machine that must make speed equal to about four of June 4, to listen to our Sister Martha compositors. That means 'rapid work, Price of Boston. She gave some valuand it is essential that all copy, to inable food for thought in her lecture. sure insertion in the paper, all other re- Mrs. Hamilton Gill followed with a few quirements being favorable, should be remarks and demonstrations of spirit written plainly with ink on white return. Brother Thompson also gave some very interesting demonstrations paper, or with a typewriter, and only on one side of the paper. Please bear this of his ability as a psychic. In the even ing a large crowd greeted our speaker, in mind. Mrs. J. L. Fravel, who electrified her

ITEMS,-Bear in mind that items for the General Survey will in all cases be hearers, her subject being "The Emanci-adjusted to the space we have to occu- pation of Selfishness.' It was well depy, and in order to do that they will livered by her guides, who are always generally have to be abridged more or ready to elevate the human family up less; otherwise many items would be to a spiritual standpoint. After the crowded out. Sometimes a thirty-line discourse Sister Schumacher gave a cut down to ten lines, and ten short talk, and also gave some very conlines to two lines, as occasion may re- soling spirit messages. Mrs. Kirchner followed with quite a number of mes quire. messages, which were comforting to

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THIS GENERAL SURVEY DEPART-

speaker for Sunday, June 18, will be Mrs. Martha Price of Boston." MENT IS ONLY INTENDED TO sissippi Valley Spiritualists Association will open on July 30, and close on CHRONICLE THE ENGAGEMENTS AND WORK OF SPEAKERS AND ME-August 27. Col. W. J. Bryan of Ne-braska will deliver an address on the DIUMS. A. REPORT OF WHAT THE VARIOUS SPEAKERS SAY WILL opening day. The announcement will NOT BE PUBLISHED, AS WE HAVE be heard with great interest by the NOT SPACE SUFFICIENT FOR THAT people of Clinton, Iowa. NOT SPACE SUFFICIENT FOR THAT PURPOSE.

monial Society of Spiritualists of Sturgis, Michigan, will be held in the Free Church, Saturday and Sunday, June 17 Dr. J. M. Peebles writes from London, England: "Last night's address before and 18, 1905. Able speakers are se-cured. Dr. G. B. Warne of Chicago, Ill., the London Alliance of Spiritualists closed my labor's in this country. 1 have traversed this island from Glasvice-president of the N. S. A., and Dr Julia M. Walton of Jackson. Mich. gow to Merthyr Tydville, Wales, where treasurer of the Michigan State Spiritthey have that wonderful Welsh revival. ual Association, are the speakers. I have lectured every Sunday and some Other volunteer speakers are expected. they have that wonderful Welsh revival. twice or three times during the week. I Dr. E. A. Warren will sing solos of his spent a day on Tuesday at the beautiful own composition at each service. Mrs. don Alliance has a magnificent hall, Mich., musical director; Miss Alta Toby right off from an Art Gallery. Last of Sturgis, organist. Every effort is be hight many could not gain access into ing made to make this forty-eighth an-the hall and so were compelled to stand inversary a success. Everyone is inat the door during the entire services." vited regardless of religious belief. The Doctor will soon be at his home Come and enjoy the feast in store for again at No 70 National avenue, Battle all. The speakers will both lecture in reek, Mich. He has had a busy time the afternoon of Sunday-2:30 and 7:30. in England, where he was royally wel-Those from near-by towns on the Lake Shore railroads can hear both speakers comed

Will C. Hodge is occupying the platand return home Sunday evening, especially those going west. Special Sunform of the Psychic Society in Oakland, Cal., for the month of June. day rates on this road. For informa-The Vermont State Spiritualist Asso-

tion you desire, not named, address the ciation will hold its next quarterly con-vention at Grand Army Hall, Mont-Louise E. Zimmerma Louise E. Zimmerman writes from

peller.-Vt., Friday, Saturday and Sun-day, June 23, 24 and 25, 1905. Ver- writer resigned, some months ago, from state speakers: Alonzo Hubbard, office in the First Spiritualist Church of Mrs. Sarah A. Wiley, Mrs. Abbie Cros- this city, consequently has written no sett, Mrs. Emma Paul and Ida Lewis report of the work' since that time. have been invited and are expected to Upon request, it gives great pleasure to be present. In addition to the Vermont write that the closing of the churchstate speakers the management have year will leave a fund in the treasury secured Mrs. Effe I. Webster-Chapman, and an increased membership working a good test medium and speaker, for in harmony to promote the truth of the entire meeting. All these speakers, Spiritualism and the uplifting of huat former conventions and at Queen manity. Mrs. R. W. Barton, as resident pastor, is giving both comfort and satis-City Park camp meetings, have given most excellent satisfaction in the presfaction to sorrowing, seeking hearts. entation of the spiritual philosophy. and will remain with the society for the All will take an active part in the con- ensuing year. During the month of June, regular services will be held at vention, therefore all may expect a rare the church on Sunday evenings only. treat at the coming meeting. During the convention, test seances will be Wednesday evening of each week a held by Mrs. Chapman, consisting of 'pay circle' and social will be held at giving names and minute description of the residence of President and Mrs. E. our friends passed to Spirit life, proving F. Evans, 369 Wallace Place, where all to all, even the most doubtful, the great are welcome to an enjoyable evening. truth of immortality. To these seances During July and August, the regular a small admission fee will be charged summer vacation will give friends and to help defray expenses. The sessions members of the society an opportunity of the convention will be interspersed to attend camp-meetings or rest quietly with good music in charge of Mrs. Ella preparatory to the work of the coming Roys. Entertainment at the Union season. In September, the regular House, \$1.25 per day, two in a room; Thursday evening message meeting and \$1.50 per day, one in a room, S. N. Sunday afternoon and evening services Gould, Randolph, Vt., president; Don H. will be resumed. The Ladies' Aid still Chapman, Cambridge, Vt., chairman of hold interesting gatherings semi-Board of managers; Miss Alma Leon- monthly, and all go merrily along the ard, East Calais, Vt., secretary. The Connecticut Spiritualist Campway, rejoicing in the demonstrated

use a pen or typewriter, We go to press sarry Monday morn ing, hence communications intended for that current issue should reach this office not later than the previous Satur-

day morning. Bear this in mind. old books lying away dusty, that might

be doing some one good, and help build up a little society. A good speaker and test medium con do well here. I will be pleased to answer any letters from rehable persons, and do all I can to help one get started. A society will be organized next fall, and a way opened for a medium. Each one should at least give 25 cents for The Progressive

Thinker. Address me at South Spring street, Concord, N. H." F. J. Lentsch writes from Louisville, Ky., that the People's Spiritual Church closed its meeting for the summer the last Sunday in May, Frank T. Ripley lecturing on the "Religion of the Fu-

ture," followed by messages. He was followed by the Rev. Mary Mann, the regular pastor of the church. She nade few remarks and gave some most satisfactory tests. She has but few equals and no superiors, and is a perfect lady in every sense of the

word, Isabella Powderly writes: "The En-glewood Spiritual Union is having very spiritual meetings. Mrs. McArthur is one of our best speakers, and is well liked by all who hear her. Do not forget the annual picnic, July 4, Jackson Park, near the German Building. All are welcome. 'The Ladies' Aid meets every Thursday at 3 p. m. Meeting every Sunday evening, McDermott's Hall, 6608 Halsted street."

J. W. Hoysradt says: "Some day a new house of worship will come-the Church of the Common People. Through its portals will throng all those who believe in the higher and from its pulpit will be handed down the message of life as the Great Master himself uttered it. The Almighty will not be proclaimed a revengeful Delty, eyer ready to send forth suffering on his children. The responsibility of man to his Maker will be emphasized, but the pulpit will strongly impress on the minds of its hearers the responsibility for their own condition and the reat need of religious dealing with their fellow men. It will teach employers to deal justly with employes, house wives to treat their servants honestly. workmen to keep their contracts, tradesmen to deal squarely, and money mad Americans not to stoop to low tricks performed under the plea of 'business policy.' It will reclaim thou-

sands of homeless young men and women who are going to ruin in your great city; it will speak with righteous de-nunciation of 'wickedness in high places' as well as in low places. Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man will be constantly proclaimed. The pathway of life will be flower-

fringed and lightened by the sunshine of a great hope." Captain Geo. W. Walrond, who has

now completed a continuous term of ten'years in Denver, Colo., has re-leased his large suite of offices, lecture hall and occult class rooms for another term of five years. It was Mr. Walrond's intention to have retired from active public work altogether but his extraordipary and phenomenal success in Denver forces him to hold on to occult and Spiritualistic work till his seventieth birthday at least, when he will have been engaged fifty years in the ranks. M. Lizzie Beals writes from Worcester, Mass.: Miss Susle C. Clark is certainly one of the most brilliant speakers on our platform to-day, and we are

justly proud of her." T. S. Burdick writes: "A visit, last Sunday to the Spiritual Society at Marcellus, Mich., found it in a live working condition, having held meetings twice a month the past year, on the combina tion plan of spiritual and social, an allday meeting; a picnic dinner supports the physical. Brother H. L. Chapman

supplies the spiritual. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Goodrich lead the music. Readfine tests h Comst home talent. Eula M. Golden, secretary, writes: "The Spiritual Research Society of Flint, Ind., meets the first Sunday in each month. We expect to have Dr. E. H. Denslow of South Bend with us June 17, and 18, if nothing happens, and would be pleased to have all who are interested attend, especially those of neighboring towns. Although we are few in numbers, we try to do what we can and feel sure that some good will come from our work." D. G. Hill writes: "On Sunday, June a large and appreciative audience gathered at O'Donnell College Hall, the home of the Golden Rule Spiritualist Society. The services for the afternoon were short talks by the veteran worker, J. E. Coe, and Mrs. Virginia Bryan Lyons, followed with messages by Mrs. Grand and Nora E. Hill. In the evening the speaker, Mrs. Nora E. Hill, gave a soul-inspiring address from the ubject, 'Memory's Golden Shore,' with messages by Mrs. Nellie Kusserow and Mrs. Virginia Bryan Lyons. The labors of these workers and the splendid music and singing merited the approval of the listeners. The speaker for Sunday evening, June 18, will be that well known and capable man, Dr. J. H. Randall. Bear in mind that this society gives an entertainment and prize drawing on Saturday evening, June 17,, at D'Donnell College Hall, South Paulina street between Washington Blvd. and Park avenue. You are welcome."-E. W. Sprague and wife, the N. S. A missionaries, have Sunday August 13 and the week days following still onen for camp-meeting engagements. Their services can also be secured for societies or camp-meetings for July 1 to 23. Address 618 Newland avenue, Jamestown N. Y. Lily-M. Thiebaud. a prominent lec turer, writes from San Bernardino, Cal.: "Your paper is highly appreciated by me, and I am endeavoring to attract the people here to do more reading of Spiritualist papers. I have reason to feel greatly encouraged with the work here We have a number of new members since last letter to you. Have good audiences every Sunday night. The The-coophists have had a lecturer here. He gave six lectures. From some who attended his lectures came the request that I should give a lecture on Reincar nation, as they wished to know what the spirit teachers would say on that subject. The audience gave close attention, expressing their deep interest There are many liberal-minded people here, who are slowly learning to 'walk alone.' ,To convince them that the name Spiritualist is one of which to be proud is my mission it seems. I tell name. We have now organized a ly-ceum." them not every one is worthy of the Mrs. Augusta Grant writes from Eik hart, Ind .: "We have had with us for the month of May D. A. Herrick, of Grand Rapids, Mich. He is an excepional worker in the field of Spiritual ism, and his lectures are inspiring to the soul, aiding in its advancement, and progression along the lines of our beau-tiful philosophy. Numerous manifesta-

LYCEUM. 1.2 Min Sunday, Juna 18 1905, S. E. 58: "Puyer."

Gem of Thought:-"True prayer, oral or silent, is born of the bosom, not of the brain."

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in a life hereafter# Many new members joined our band of workers, and we are expecting soon to become a chartered society." May peace and harmony always prevail with us. Brother Cole, fifty years a Spiritualist, gave us a bundle of Progressive Thinkers to distribute, showing his zeal in the cause." G. H. Brooks, 144 President street, Wheaton, Ill., writes: "The Spiritualists of Wheaton, Glen Ellyn and vicinity will hold a grove meeting, Sunday, June 18, at Glen Ellyn, in a grove a litle back from Glen Ellyn, and the many Spiritualists of Chicago are invited to attend. There is no prettier place near

Chicago to hold a grove meeting. Take he Aurora, Elgin and Chicago electric car and get a round trip ticket for Glen Ellyn. When arriving there, cross ualists.' the Northwestern tracks; take the first street car after you cross the tracks; go East until you come to the first road, then turn north and go a short distance, when you will find a pavilion where the meeting will be held. Some of the state board will be present to assist; also some test mediums. There will be a morning session at eleven, one at half

past two, and one at half past seven. So come one and all; bring your baskets and enjoy a day in the country.'

W. J. Colville writes from Portland, Ore.: "I am here lecturing on Sundays life, at 3 and 8 p. m., for First Society of Spiritualists in Artisan's Hall Abington Bldg., Third street, and on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, at 8 p. m.; also Wednesdays and Thursdays at 3 p. m., in Advance Thought Hall, 193 Sixth. street. Very large audiences are attending my lectures which treat upon a large variety of lopics of considerable general interest. Portland is very full of visitors at present. Lewis and Clark Exposition. though small in comparison with Chi-

cago and St. Louis fairs, is very attractive and well repays a visit. The climate of Oregon is very pleasant in summer, as intense heat and dust are almost entirely absent. Interest in all phases of spiritual and liberal thought is being well sustained. There are many active workers in and around Portland and the public appetite is keen for spiritual instruction, Mrs. The Mallory's reading room and library at 193 Sixth street is a great center for philosophical debate."

The First German Spiritualist Society of the West Side will hold their nineteenth picnic in Reissig's Grove, Riverside, Uil; on Sunday, June 18.

These picnids have been so thoroughly enjoyed in the past that the society has concluded touhold-two this year the time of the second one being September 10. Come one and all and have a gooditime."

E. Rouble Writes from Watertown, N Y.: Another crowd presented itself to hear Mrs. Amanda Coffman's farewell sermon, and to witness her ability in giving the blindfold messages. Our good brothel', Geo, H. Brooks, had told us in March" what a worthy possessor she was of this rare phase, but even this did not give us an adequate idea of the amount of good 'she could do with it. The public soon recognized her as an ordained minister of merit, which, together with our society's sat-isfaction of her efforts, helped her in

doing a wonderful work as well as mak-ing scores of friends who join us in asking her to return to us for a longer period during the coming season of 1905-06."

Correspondent writes: "Dr. Louis H Freedman, world-renowned Australian healer and physician, opened his meeting, Sunday, June 4; at St. George's Hall, State street and Thirty-third. A good and appreciative audience as sembled, and all were delighted with his remarks. He contemplates making a tour through Great Britain and Scot land. He is an interesting speaker, naving had twenty years' close study in spiritual philosophy, a beautiful singer, a healer and physician. He will accept engagements to nearby, towns and camps for this season. Madam Josephine gave very convincing mes-Mrs. A. Jenckes sang a very sweet solo. Dr. C. A. Wickland writes: "The Lake View Spiritual Union announces that the Sunday services have been discontinued for the summer months to be resumed again in September The meetings during the past season have we believe, been of interest to a goodly number of people, who through the ministration of the ministering spirits have been made to realize that it is not all of life to live and not all of death to die: that life indeed ex tends and continues to unfold even beyond the grave, in fairer clime than this." The Western Wisconsin Camp Asso ciation holds its annual camp-meeting in Unity Park, Wonewoc, Wis. Aug 5 to 27 inclusive. This is one of the most beautiful camp grounds in the northwest; it is constantly being im proved; those who contemplate visit ing this camp will be pleased to learn that a new auditorium will add to the pleasure and comfort this year. splendid program; talent the best. Programs will be ready for distribution the last week in June. For particulars and programs write M. M. Blish, secretary, Wonewoc, Wis. Harmony Grove Camp-meeting Assoiation will mold its annual camp, Aug. 6 to 20. The management is endeavor ing to make this the best camp in the history of Harmony Grove, having al-ready secured the services of a number of first-class workers with a fair pros pect for others. This camp is located in a most beautifuligrove of stately old live oaks: three and one-half miles west from Esconditio; Gal., and is reach by stage from Sym Diego (24 miles) or by daily train over Santa Fe railroad to Escondido sih: Oceanside, changing cars at the latter place. Those coming front² Los Angelesishould also change at Oceansidet Announcements will soon he ready to send out. All are welcome and weseardestly desire the cooperation of all who are interested in spreading the grand truths of Spiritualism. For further particulars in regard to the camp address T. J. McFeron, secretary, 528 Fir street, San Diego, Cal. 35.00 Mrs. Dobson-Barker writes: "Rev Allyn Franklin Brown, who has resided on a ranch near Los Gatos, Cal., for the past sixteen months, has again taken up the work for Spiritupalism." He is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean; as organizer of societies and state missionary. He is now with the First Spiritual Union of San Jose; Cal., for the month of June. As usual he is everyone who can spare a book, pamph let or paper to send the same to me for all to read who desire. Many have proving to many that there is a reality the society and teach the beautiful

When writing for this paper TOPIC FOR THE PROGRESSIVE | trdths of our philosophy. Many of the MONTANA STATE CONVENTION. people here are pleased with this work of question meetings. He always in-terests thinking skeptics wher-ever he goes. Among the new things that he is ever ready to suggest, is the Notes of a Harmonious and Successful Session.

The second annual convention of the printing of a neat little program of the month's work. Any society wishing his services can address him at 230 N. State Spiritualist Association convened in Billings, on June 1, 2 and 3. Many guestions of importance were discussed, Sixth street, San Jose, Cal., during the chief among which were the following month of June. On Monday he was called to officiate at the funeral of Chas Hubbard, at his late home in What relation does a local society hold to the state association, and also what East San Jose. His wife accompanies rules individual members of either should adhere to. him and is a great help to him in his work; although not a public medium,

Rev. Harry J. Moore read the follow-ing, which were accepted: To walk in unison. To assist those in need. To pity those who are in misfortune.

To enlighten those who are in darkness. To sympathize with those who are bereaved. To visit those who are sick. To reclaim those who are erring and make our thoughts and lives beautiful and acceptable in the sight of our arisen loved ones and of each other. We also accepted the following premeample, which will be used in organizing dium with flaming advertising matter societies in the state of Montana: We circulated broadcast located for a short whose names are herewith attached, in time in Billings. I deemed it advisable order to promulgate and strengthen by to write the following article and have word and example the facts and truths it published in the secular papers: "One of Modern Spiritualism have organized Madame Bell is not a recognized meourselves into a church or society. dium of the National or State Associaknown as the First Spiritualist Church tion, and is not in Billings under the or Society of ----, and agree to ablde auspices of the local society of Spiritby its rules.

discussion precipitated when the proxy vote proposition at our National Convention was presented. The discussion the following resolution:

trusted with proxies of local societies

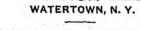
Surprise was expressed by many delthe hands of the credential committee the right of choosing as to who should

The lectures delivered by Rev. Harry Moore, and the messages given by Mrs. Eva McCoy are of the kind to in crease the interest in the philosophy and phenomena of Modern Spiritualism. Their efforts were commended very highly and an effort will be made to

A. convention were elected: Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCormick, Mrs. A. P. Smith of Billings, and Mrs. M. P. Hicks of Anaconda.

of Anaconda, Mr. Nelson of Billings. second annual convention quite a success from every standpoint. The dele-gates decided to hold the next conven-

tion in Billings, Mont. MRS. W. C. SELBREDE, Sec'y. MRS. M'CORMICK, President.



A Letter From Mrs. Amanda Coffman. I have just returned from Watertown

N. Y., after a busy two months' session and a general good time. With the help of the good people there among whom I number so many friends, and who did so much to make my work light and my stay a happy one, I was more than moderately successful. Every courtesy and attention that could be shown, every kindness that could be made manifest, was heaped upon me until I literally felt myself fade into insignificance. I had but to make a sug-

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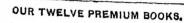
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This had the desired effect as the public discovered that organized Spirit-ualism would not be associated with such representations. Sunday evening, June 4, I conducted a christening service at which service flowers were used instead of water, The people of Billings were curious to know how I would justify this innovaion, so I explained it in our way. Many

she is an able astrologer."

Notes From Montana.

convention's sessions a "floating"

of the friends present requested me to give one more christening service and said to them that I would convene one in the near future. I delivered in all eight lectures in

Billings, and people of all beliefs, and many of no belief at all in the herefter, attended the meetings,

I go from Billings to Livingston, on o Butte and Anaconda, and then on to New Era camp for July HARRY J. MOORE.

LETTER FROM NEW ZEALAND.

Prominent Worker There Has Some thing to Say.

As an old Spiritualist and worker of orms, I greet you through the pages of your estimable journal, which always rings us a bright message of cheer and

ourage. I have had the pleasure of meeting everal of your mediums, latest of all Mrs. Loie Prior, who is lecturing in Wellington, a truly "gifted message bearer, whom our societies welcome

with great joy. I have lectured in Australian centers, and all through New Zealand during the last twenty years, and always have a desire to visit your more extensive country. At present I am holding a mission in Wanganui, one of the beauty spots of our lovely island, where a young, energetic society is struggling against much opposition, and therefore needs a helping hand. My work in Auckland (where I had the

pleasure of meeting Mrs. Laura Fixen) is at present in the charge of Mr Walker from Australia; also other mediums from Christchurch are at present in Auckland.

I had such a beautiful message from "Sunshine," through Mrs. Prior, that my heart is so-cheered I can go on working with increased energy. Wishng you all blessed results to your work. I extend to you "hands across the sea" in greeting, remaining yours sincerely, JANE HARRIS ROBERTS. Wanganui, N. Z.

A NEW PHASE OF MEDIUMSHIP."

of Mrs. Josie K. Folsom.

gestion, and a score or more were on e scene to aid me, while among them.

As Presented Through the Mediumship

With the close of the second annual convention of the M. S. S. A., which convened in Billings, June 1, 2 and 3, Spiritualism has had an interpretation which distinguished it from that trumped up by both prejudice and ig-norance. About three days before the

I also wish to make mention of the

ended with every delegate voting for Resolved, That the representation en-

to the N. S. A. be permitted to select their own proxies on the floor of National convention.

egates present that the National Asso ciation should go so far as to entrust to vote the proxies from the different states. It was decided by the delegates

present that the delegates from the State Association to the N. S. A. con vention knew better in regard to what the state wanted better than anyone else, who may be chosen by some one

not from that respective state.

some twenty years upon spiritual plat keep them in the state. forms, I greet you through the pages of The following delegates to the N. S.

The following officers for the state as-

sociation were elected: President, Mrs. Frank McCormick, of Billings; vicepresident, Mrs. M. P. Hicks of Anaconda; secretary, Mrs. W. C. Selbred of Bil-lings; treasurer, Mrs. A. P. Smith of Billings; trustees, Mr. Capp of Livings-ton, Mr. Holmes of Butte, Mrs. Kerlin Taking it all in all we consider our

meeting Association, at Niantic Camp light so shine, that all may know the Ground, Niantic, Conn; season of 1905, sweet peace and consolation that there Ground, Niantic, Conn: season of 1905. commencing June 12 and continuing un- is no death, all is life, and the loved til September 11. For full particulars ones have but put on incorruption, address George Hatch, South Windham, when they pass from mortality, and car return through the doorway that is Conn.

Mrs. Jane Harris Roberts writes from never closed." Wanganui, N. Z.: "I am writing to W. H. Kizer writes from Des Moines. thank you for the copies of The Pro- lowa: "It seems that all good mediums gressive Thinker you so kindly send must drift sooner or later, to a large each mail, which I endeavor to lend out city, in order to spread the light or furto as many as possible, as it is truly a nish the proof of continuity of life 'light bearer.' I am here for a few through spirit demonstration. Mrs. De wecks, and have good work to do for Wolf Kiser's mediumship converts the truth. We have to take a larger more people to the idea of a spirit hall, as the people were being turned | world than all the preachers and priests away, such is the hunger for knowledge. in this country, with all their claims, I gave a lecture on 'Clothed With the minus' demonstration. Perhaps the Sun, to a very crowded audience, on writer would have been a materialist Easter Sunday. The next Sunday 1 during his sojourn in this materialspent in Wellington, where I went for a world had it not been for the phenomfew days in order to see Mrs. Prior, enal manifestations witnessed by him and listen to her inspiring addresses." in many different ways, showing the Benton Harbor, Mich.—The promise of immortality to the body gathered of the true friends in spirit life, who ndreds of disciples under the banner once were his associates, and are very

of Benjamin and Mary, the "Flying anxious to spread this glorious light Roller angels" in this city, and it Mrs. DeWolf Kiser only gives independ-brought them recently a shipload of ent slate writings in daylight, from 9 a. converts from Australia. Now and m. to 5 p. m. This leaves the skeptic then one of the elect would pass away at a loss to fabricate his claim of fraud, would be mutterings from the f Israel. Hannah Elizabeth by spiritual origin. This, with her other and there would be mutterings from the Gile, aged sixty-two, one of the first er phases of mediumship, interests peoapostles and an immortalized leader of ple, and makes converts where hearsay the holy band, died yesterday of heart | evidence is of no avail." trouble and now there is open revolt. Dr. E. B. Craddock writes from Con-

There were 300 members close to the cord, N. H .: "Ever since the birth of throne of Benjamin," it is whispered, The Progressive Thinker I have wished that demanded why the messenger of it Godspeed. I was converted to Spir Shiloh had failed in the fulfillment of junlism in 1853, and have taken great his promises. "Ah! my beloved, al- interest in it in Wales, England, Paris, though Sister Hannah was selzed in her | Havre, France, and heard of it in Trin doubt of the truth and thrown out of idad, W. I. I have seen it in almost all our earthly paradise, for you the word its phases, and still stick to it as my re-still holds," answered the, "angel" in all ligion. I would like to see a good sosuavity .- Chicago Examiner. ciety started here in this city. We want Dr. J. M. Peebles, while in Boston, was the guest of Dr. Lane and his wife. more books, more literature. In wish

Hc speaks in high terms of the good work they are doing.

article ii this week's Progressive Thinker with the above heading, and I am glad to see that particular phase of medium ship gaining ground, but am somewhat amused to see it called a new phase. Mrs. Josie K. Folsom has been giving this phase for years, only her method is more satisfactory as a test condition than that of Mr. Ray. Her method is as follows: She has blank cards passed and walls were scarcely visible, while out among the audience, preferably by on the pulpit I invariably found a bousome skeptic, and requests the people quet of the choicest cut flowers for my to address some friend that they know to be in spirit, by their full name, ask any question they like, and sign their own proper name. If they prefer to use their own paper or card it is equally achonor of Owenna, an Indian maiden ceptable, as the cards are merely a matter of accommodation. Mrs. Folsom

was expected with sixteen others to then asks some stranger, a skeptic or investigator to blindfold her eyes, be at the home of Ladies Butts and Baldwin to assist in surprising the secwhich is done by filling the sockets of retary with a token of their apprecia-tion of her work in behalf of the sociher eves with a nair of folded kid gloves, or, as lately done with absorbety. Upon my arrival I was hurried to ent cotton, and binding on them a heavy silk bandage. After this is done, lay aside my wraps, and then ushered into the presence of 57 people who had a committee gathers up the cards, lays congregated to surprise me. Before I them on the table and Mrs. Folsom gets calized what this could possibly mean, the names and messages, sometimes as I stood before an open door gazing upon a tableau I will never forget. high as six names not written on the cards, all recognized as a rule, the ex-There, with a hall tree on either side ceptions being less than a dozen 1 and a table in the center, each laden think, in two years.

with beautiful articles of red, just a lit-After the names and messages are obtle beyond, a large red chair tained, she then picks out the right Ladies Butts and Baldwin standing at card, sometimes from the very bottom either side and gowned in red, the room of the pile, and hands it to the one for carpeted and draped in red; Ladies whom the message is intended. She Bundy and Roubie, also gowned in red, came to meet me and escorted me to very seldom fails in getting the right card, simply by the sense of touch.

I saw her go before a large audience in Michigan, a state she had never visited before, and the audience largely composed of an excursion party from Detriot, a city she has never been in, and under the above conditions, gave seventy-two full names that were all. recognized.

Her marvelous independent spirit writing, that is the wonder of the skepic and the envy of rival enemies at this time, is always given under strict test conditions, in full electric, or daylight. Pictures that are recognized by their friends are obtained in the same way.

It will not be long until the great truth of immortality will be fully dem-onstrated and placed in the category of classified science where it legitimately and happier for the love Watertown belongs. May it come speedily. has borne me.

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occurred May 17, the birthday and in

who is a message bearer of my band.

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Heroes and Hero Worship, and the The color scheme was suggested Heroic in History. The Hero as Divin-ity. The Hero as Prophet. The Hero throughout the entire house, every guest even wearing something consist-ent with the idea. This and many Poet. The Hero as Priest. other things, was done for me and when Hero as King. By Thomas Carlyle. 350 I think of the kind thoughts that pages. Past and Present. By Thomas Car

prompted such attention, I recall , the 120 who rose as one to greet me, with lyle all the gratitude I know, and in fancy live the future made forever brighter

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politics. It throws this deciding influ-NOTE-The Questions and Answers thave called forth such a host of re-spondents, that to give all equal hearfeature of the anti-temperance party. ing compels the answers to be made in the most condensed form, and often The saloons have their own field of operation, they are contributors to a reclearness is perhaps sacrificed to this forced brevity. Proofs have to be omit-ted, and the style becomes thereby as-sertive, which of all things is to be depligious cause which is a sworn enemy to the liberty under which it flourishes.

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E. D. Williams: Q. What evidence is there that Abraham Lincoln consulted mediums? The book by Nettie Maynard,

"Was Abraham Lincoln a Spiritualist?"

S. R.: Q. Does disturbing the body after death, interfere with the passing of the spirit? A. A. J. Davis has beautifully told

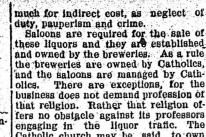
ble, and indications of grief should be suppressed. As for the time taken by this withdrawal, it varies so much that it cannot be more than approximately stated. Immediately after its comple-tion, decomposition begins. Of course this must proceed for several hours before manifested. It would not be advisable to wait for this sign, and as a rule, two hours after the suspension of the bodily functions, the spirit has become free. Until then the body should remain undisturbed, and the silence sacred.

E. W. Swinburn, Bonner, Texas.: Two years ago I wrote you asking the cause of the light clouds and forms floating before me which I thought was the beginning of clairvoyance. You replied that a cataract was forming and that I should be careful not to strain my eyes and possibly I might keep it off awhile. You were only too correct. The cataract came. I had an operation performed, and another, and now I can see dimly, in a shadowy way. What do you now advise?

A. When the eye has been operated on for cataract, glasses are necessary for clear vision. The kind required de pends on the nature of the case. The only way to be recommended is the con-sultation of a well informed optician-

and have glasses fitted to the eyes. Tipre are several operations for cataract. The most capital is that of entire removal of the crystalline lens. Esrecially formed glasses take the place of the lens, and the patient cannot see without this aid, beyond distinguishing light from darkness.

We do not understand that this correspondent has had the lons removed. It has been no more than lacerated, un-



Catholic church may be said to own the liquor production and sale in this country, and by this means has been

and is, one of the strongest factors in ence with the party which will give it the most. Here is the most menacing

C. J. Borgstrom: Q. At a circle in Kansas, as related in a book entitled "Rending the Vail," a spirit gives an oration, giving his name as Denton, and commencing with the last line in page 255 of said book and continuing to and including the 19th line in page 256, the

same is exactly word for word the lan-guage used by E. D. Babbitt in his book we have to our credit. Possibly if I could have devoted time "Religion," page 32, chapter 3, com mencing with the third line and includin this direction, a somewhat larger work may have been accomplished; ing the ninth line of page 33. All the and yet I feel that Mrs. Reynolds is so lifferences I can see are two words-"immutability" and "and "immortality," and the other "we" for "you." Could it well qualified and has worked so' dillgently and conscientiously that our cause has suffered little from my ina-bility to do as I had expected to do, really happen that an idea could be brought out by two individuals one in and would have done had- conditions the physical body and the other from a with me been more favorable. spiritusing so many words exactly the I mention this matter in order that

same, or is it a copy one from the other? A. It has often happened that two writers have given identically the same thought, without plaglarizing in the usual sense of that word, but .n no in-

stance has the language been perfectly reproduced.

made at the last convention, Mrs. Rey-There is nothing in the way of Denrolds has devoted such part of the year ton as a spirit quoting from Dr. Bab to missionary work as her prior engage bitt, more than there would be if in this ments would permit. She has visited different localities and dispensed spirlife. But it would be desirable when such quotations are made to give due itual food to many people to whom a spiritual lecture is a rare thing. She has held aloft our banner and advocatcredit. Yet earthly authors are guilty ed our cause with dignity and with honor, and in several instances, to my knowledge, when the financial returns were disappointing, she has given to the state association either a part or ers which he gives at length, with scarcely more change than is made by which she was entitled under the terms translation, without the least acknowl-edgment. It is more credible that a of her engagement. I believe that in some instances she spirit neglected to give due credit, than has been so conscientious in her deterthe medium should copy for the purmination not to wrong the state associpose of deception, from a book known, for he would well know that he could not escape detection.

POEM8.

They fall in many places-as the seed Which men sow ever for the spirit's

need: I scatter mine right freely-let them lie Along the stony ways to live or die. And if perchance, one seed should take

a root I ask not that it bring forth any fruit; I am content if one white bud will ope-To whisper to the broken-hearted-Hope."

If only by sharp pain I may be led To enter in and share another's woe, If, through my dearth another can be

fed Then let me be content to have it so If from some trial borne I gain the st sestrength

To lift my brother's burden for an hour.

Or my worn feet, marking the weary length Of this life's journey, find thereby the

power To smoothe it for my sister, I shall hold

Such travail blest. If these, my songs, can show One vanished face in glory aureoled

I have not vainly lived this life below. If, only from a broken heart I feel

much for indirect cost, as neglect of duty, pauperism and crime. Saloons are required for the sale of these liquors and they are established. The Cause Advancing. Annual Report of the President of the New York State Association of Spiritualists, Illustrating the Good Work Accomplished.

In submitting this my annual report I) vention full information as to the pres-

do so with regrets and with a feeling ont statue of lyceum work... that I owe to the Spiritualists of the At the last national convention, Bro. State an apology for not having been John W. Ring of Texas, was again electmore active in the work. During the ed National Superintendent of Lyce-year now closing there has been so ums, which position he had filled so many urgent demands upon my time nobly the preceding year. The Prothat I could not devote the usual gressive Lyceum published by him unamount of time to state work, and der the auspices of the National Asso-much that would naturally devolve ciation, is a valuable assistant in the upon the president has fallen upon the shoulders of our second vice-president, only periodical devoted exclusively to Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds, to whose untir- the lyceum, that is published in this ceum superintendent, together with I hope this convention will devise

these added burdens of relleving the ways and means for increasing the in-president, is very largely due whatever terest in this branch of our work. of successes in state association work I recommend that the convention set apart a special hour for the consideration of this important question.

Local Societies,

From information at hand I think I can safely say that our societies are generally as prosperous as ever, and on the whole perhaps in a little better condition than they we're one year ago. The difficulty in raising funds with which to meet the legitimate society expenditures is an ever present problem But as we grow in spirituality our pock-I may stand before you in a true light, etbooks will be touched more easily, the cause will mean more to us, and I trust ors which legitimately belong to anthe day is not far distant when this the grandest religion the world has ever known will not want for financial sup-

In accordance with arrangements port. We have not as yet outgrown the frictions and discords that occasionally creep in and disturb the harmony and

interfere with the larger success of the work of local societies. Not that Spiritualists are lacking in kindness or have less regard for one another but that personality is more pronounced because of the fact that we each do a little thinking on our own account. But if I observe correctly there is a little improvement from year to year in this direction which augurs well for the fuelse the whole of the compensation to ture. I would urge upon the local so-

cieties the importance of extending their field of labor and study by devoting at least one meeting each week, or semi-monthly, to a conference in which the members should be the workers and participate in discussing given topics or reading short articles bearing on the topic or akin thereto: Such meetings could take up the

work of cultivating mental powers and thought forces, by practical efforts and illustrations of the power of thought applied upon such of your members as may be ill from time to itime, and in nemberless other ways that would be legitimate and helpful to all concerned. If thoughts are things; leb as learn how

to guide them, and makes them useful rather than allow them to run at random, and who, more than the Spiritual-ists, should know how to make proper Spiritualists should be leaders in all

these things, and not allow the new-thought people or Christian Scientists to gather all the rinened fruit which Spiritualism has planted and nourished

The up to the time of the harvest. Let us remember that Spiritualism is a broad-gauge religion, and while we cannot nor would not neglect the phenomenal feature, we must march for-ward and out into the broader fields of spiritual unfoldment, and demonstrate ing a grand success, with the result that a new impetus was given the movèwell as in society work that we are worthy of this great trust which the an-gel world has placed in our keeping. ment there and a nice little balance was realized with which to replenish I believe that in this direction lies the

real secret of future success for Spirit-Later in the winter an all-day state ualism, and that to neglect to move formeeting was held at Niagara Falls at ward and out into these broadening avthe rooms of the First Spiritual Church enues now opening before us would be tison of Buffalo has so a serious m stake

must recognize the fact that many 'so

cieties do not feel strong enough to pay

a regularly settled pastor the year

round. But I recommend settled pas

that the incoming board of trustees

instructed to take action thereon along

Ordination Usages, Etc.

A resolution was adopted at our last

convention recommending our minis-

from the National Association. But

seem desirable.

ed in them.

Spiritual Literature.

that such a course is practical.

that committee will undoubtedly be reported by them to this convention, so that the committee may take appropriate action in relation thereto. The worth of this feature of propa

ganda is so fully recognized in all de partments of reform work that there can be no question as to its utility and I trust that a larger work may be done in this direction the coming year.

Counterfeit Phenomena.

THERE CAN BE NO SUCH THING AS FRAUDULENT MEDIUMSHIP MEDIUMSHIP IS GENUINE OR IT IS NOT MEDIUMSHIP AT ALL, NEV ERTHELESS THERE ARE PERSONS WHO POSE AS MEDIUMS WHO AT TEMPT TO IMITATE GENUINE MAN IFESTATIONS FOR FILTHY LUCRE THEY DON THE LIVERY OF HEAV EN IN WHICH TO SERVE THE DEV IL. THAT THIS INIQUITOUS PRAC-TICE HAS GREATLY RETARDED THE PROGRESS OF OUR MOVE-MENT IS UNQUESTIONABLY TRUE. WE MAY DIFFER IN OUR OPIN-IONS AS TO THE BEST METHODS FOR DEALING WITH THIS QUES-TION. BUT THERE IS NO GAINSAY. ING THE FACT THAT BROTHER FRANCIS OF THE PROGRESSIVE THNKER HAS DONE YEOMAN SER-VICE TO SPIRITUALISM BY HIS UN RELENTING WARFARE AGAINST AND EXPOSURES OF PRETENSE AND DECEPTION UNDER, THE NAME OF MEDIUMSHIP. Mediumship is one of God's richest

blessings to the children of earth and our state association will ever be ready to encourage and protect mediums in their honest endeavor as mes sage bearers from the angel world.

I cannot help but feel that a prope system of registration of speakers and mediums could be made to protect and assist local societies in avoiding some of the painful experiences which they sometimes have because of lack proper knowledge concerning those whom they engage.

. What a pity that so grand and important a work should be thus retarded and injured by unscrupulous persons. But since it is so, it seems incumbent upon all honest mediums and true Spiritualists that they do all in their power to neutralize these unfavorable influences by that nobility of character and honest, conscientious effort which commands the respect of all good people.

State Legislation.

The question of State Legislation abridging the legitimate rights and privileges of Spiritualists in New York state is one over which your state of

ficers should ever keep close scrutiny. I did not learn that any attempt was made by our state legislature to enact laws trenching upon the rights of our people since the last annual convention, and it would seem that the successful efforts of your state officers four years ago to defeat what seemed to be a concerted movement to encumber our state statutes with that shameful kind of law-making, is still fresh in the memory of the officers of medical associations and is still a source of protection to our people.

The fact that we have a state organization to look after the just rights of mediums and healers is undoubtedly a bulwark of defense which is bearing its fruits.

In Conclusion.

In reviewing this year's work I feel that with all the drawbacks there is more of encouragement than of discour agement.

The public press has never treated our cause more fairly, than it is now doing. There never was so wide a knowledge of Spiritualism and its attending phenomena as there is today. And I am glad to be able to say that to the world in our every-day lives, as our speakers and mediums who are working under the recognition of our state organization, are accorded more cordial recognition and respectful con sideration by the clergy and workers in other religious movements than they

ever were before. All these things indicate that Spiritualism is growing in influence with people outside of our own ranks.

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ation that she has gone to the other extreme and done actual injustice to herself. Since she is to report to the convention, f ving details of her work 1 will not further trespass in that direc-In my opinion, missionary work is

and that I may not be accredited hon-

Missionary Work.

other.

one of the most important branches of state work and I recommend that it be continued to such extent as our finances will warrant.

Mass-Meetings.

Correspondence was had concerning the holding of a joint mass-meeting in the city of New York, the state and Natioinal associations to unite for that purpose, but owing to certain unfayor. Spiritualists should, be leaders in

able conditions then existing the project was abandoned. A very successful mass-meeting was held in the city of Buffalo on the 27th, 28th and 29th of last January. First Spiritualist Church of that city extended a cordial invitation and offered the free use of their temple and

the Temple Society and Harmony Circle Society, another state auxiliary, to gether with other SpirituaNst workers in that clty, joined in making the meet-

the state treasury.

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der the expectancy of absorption of the foreign matter, and clarification. The great danger in this is from inflammawhich may totally destroy the sight, even long after the treatment.

It is not so stated in any medical work, but we would prescribe in such cases, glasses with a tint of green. The common blue glasses which are supposed to soothe the eye, are not correct in principle. The most soothing color in nature is green. It is most abundant, and the weary eye is relieved by it. It is strange opticians have not taken their instructions from the surrounding world.

The tint should not be dark, as in the green glasses now made, but of a deli cate touch of light emerald.

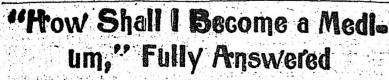
C. B. Seely: Q. Who was the au-thor of "The Vestiges of Creation?" Of what value is it?

A. Perhaps the appearance of no icism as the Vestiges of Creation, pub- Fond hearts grow cold, published and there was as much specu-lation as to its authorship as denuncia. If faith is found a shattered reed tion of its contents. The work is that Smile and pass on. been given the credit of being its au- For every broken idol dead It contained little that was orig. Be comforted. inal, but gathered up the stratus of the vestigations of Lamarck, St. Hilaire and others, and wove them into a startling cosmology. It broke the way for Dar-the hand of Woe, reception of their demonstrations. At Kinder than Love. and a person cannot claim full knowl-edge of this subject who has not read Yet its theories and conclusions have no value, being untenable or ob- Make thy soul strong enough to stand solete. Darwin's Origin of Species has Without joy's hand. taken its place.

Temperance: Q. How many distil-leries, and brewerles are there in the United States, and of what denomination are the owners?

The religion of owners of distilleries and breweries is not given in the census reports, and the number of establishments is difficult to ascertain. Concentration of capital is nowhere bet ter illustrated than in the immense concerns into which the smaller have been absorbed. The red-tape of government inspection has made small distilleries unprofitable, and thrown the business into the hands of a comparatively few.

beer and whisky to the people of the nme, of decided value. A narrative of United States is more than that of the wonderful psychic events in the an bread they eat, and the butter used thor's engerience, with it. To this may be added twice as instrated, \$1.25.



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All the world's g faithfully served as pastor for two and let it break. Such drops shall be a sovereign balm to heal

And soothe the anguish of all hearts that ache. If my blind groping in the dark should

tread 'One shadow down, I will not mourn the gloom. If this, the crown of thorns about my

head Shall make free space for one white

rose to bloom Along another's path, then let me bear

Most patiently, and disregard the pain.

If one word lives to lighten earth's despair I am repaid. I have not lived in vain.

When tenderest arms that 'round thee twine

Shall loose their hold book ever created such a storm of crit- And in the shadow of Love's shrine lished in 1844. It was anonymously Then bid thy soul stand firm and true of a literary man, whose attention is And let no shivering heartstring plead turned to science. Dr. Chambers has For what is gone.

inal, but gathered up the strands of in- If dreams of life must fade and break win and Spencer and prepared for the When firmly clasped it soon shall prove this time its value is mainly historic, Though every hope may mock thy heart With empty lies.

Though every treasured dream depart. Tift fearless eyes.

Only to speak one word of comfort strong To sing adown the ages, when I lie

With lips silent alike of sob and song, One word that will not die. Courage, my heart. Strive to attain thy

Nor at thy stumbling sit and weakly

wail. Some wandering song of thine may bear the test.

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Settled Speakers. a half years and who joined your pres-ident and second vice-president in car-The settlement of speakers of ability and of high moral character with our societies for a series of months, a year,

rying out an interesting programme. While this meeting did not add to the state exchequer, we came away with the feeling that we had helped the cause in that city. The latter part of October, at the so-licitation of our worthy representative on the state board, Mrs. Laura Holt, for the northern part of the state, your in this course in the saving of railroad state missionary and state president received a most hearty welcome and assisted in holding a two day mass-meet-

ing in the city of Potsdam, N. Y. . The members of that society are all ladies and the enthusiasm with which we were welcomed and the completeness of the arrangements may well be emulated by some of our societies

where the management is in the hands of gentlemen. The meeting was a suc-I repeat my recommendations made one year ago, that more rather than less mass-meetings be held the coming

year, because I believe they tend to bring out and interest new people in our cause and in our work.

State Days at the Camp.

We were assigned a New York State lines then suggested. Day at Freeville camp at the assembly of 1904, and our first vice-president; Mrs. Carrie E. S. Twing, represented our state association on that occasion and will no doubt favor, the convention ters holding ordination papers to sur-render the same and take new ones with a report thereon. Neither our state nor the National Associations were assigned days on the that does not seem to have been the City of Light programme last year, but I am in hopes our state association may be assigned a New York State Day on the programme of this year.

The friends of Human Progress of North Collins invited your president to represent the state association at their ciation so recommend. 1 9 second day meeting in September last Mrs. R. S. Lillie of California, Mr. Manchester, a promising young local speak-er, and Mrs. Hardenburgh, a local medium and speaker, and your president took part in the programme, and while

the meeting was not largely attended, it was declared a success. There is indeed a pleasure in meeting

with the veterans of a half century of battling for a principle and for truth, and this, the oldest Spiritualist society in this country, has several of those honored veterans among its members. In my opinion the state days at the camps are advantageous both to the state association and the camp associa-

tions, when some representatives of the state board can be present and particinate in the exercises, and I recommend that they be continued for the coming year at such camps as we are invited to so visit, provided suitable arrangements can be madé.

Children's Lyceums.

This very important but so often sadly neglected feature of our work cannot have too much consideration.

At our last convention, Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds was appointed lyceum super-intendent for the state and Fam certain If my memory serves me correctly,

a committee of three was at the time of our last convention? appointed take up, under the sapervision of the board of trustees, the editing or procuring and distributing of Spiritual Literature,

Whitever may have been done by

Dear fellow-workers, the time is ripe for action, and it is now up to the Spir

itualists themselves to demonstrate that they are large enough, broad enough, and spiritually-minded enough or even longer periods' seems to be to take advantage of the opportunitie desirable thing to do, and as a rule that are now opening before us, and where this practice prevails, societies make this movement the power for are more successful and more harmonigood and for the uplift of our fellow ous than where transient engagements men which those who are faithfully only are made. There'is an economy watching from the spirit world would

> H. W. RICHARDSON, President.

PASSED TO SPIRIT LIFE.

tors wherever societies are in position [Obituaries to the extent of ten lines only will be inserted free. All in excess of ten lines will be charged at the rate of fifteen cents per line. About seven words constitute one Hne.]

> Passed to spirit life, May 25, Mrs. Orrilla B. Hatch at her home, 700 E. Market street, Elmira, N. Y. Rev. Annis Ford Eastman spoke feelingly of the beautiful and exemplary life well fitted to join the loved ones gone before, she having been one of the oldest Spiritualists in the city.

Passed to the higher life May 27, 1905; from Detroit, Mich., Mabel E. Goucher, aged 16 years; the idol of her parents, loved and respected by all who knew her. The spiritual address was in keeping with her last words to her pastor, "I am not afraid to die." Serv-ices conducted by Nellie S. Baade, Detroit, Mich.

plan adopted by the National Associa-Passed to spirit life on May 24. at tion. Instead of issuing certificates er home in Council Buffs, Iowa, Eliza beth Wild, the beloved wife, of .Mr. James Wild, at the age of 84 years. She was born in England in 1821, and married in March, 1845. She leaves her husband, six children, nineteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was a good, noble woman, and a devout Spiritualist for about twenty years. Funeral services by the C. O. KEMPSTER. writer.

> Wilbur Stinson, aged 25 years, passed to spirit life, April 6, from his home, 332 Michigan avenue, Toledo, Ohio, leaving loving father, mother and three prothers to mourn their loss. His father having gone to California to prepare a home for the one who never grieved him, made it doubly sad. D. A. Herrick officiated. Mrs. Herrick assisted with congs. Cremation at Detroit, Mich. Be ing life-long Spiritualists, they are thus comforted. COR.

vices, with instructions to report either Hugh C. White passed to spirit life at to this or to the next annual convention the U. B. A Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich., on May 25, aged about 47 years. with such recommendations as may He leaves a loving wife to mourn her I have a few copies of the ordination earthly loss, but comforted with the usages and other rituals issued by the National Association in 1904 which I knowledge Spiritualism gives. During a long illness he was conscious of the presence of spirit friends daily, and can furnish to those especially interestwas andous for his suffering to cease. He had a host of friends, and was a member of the Mödern Woodmen of America. An address by D. A. Herrick, closing remarks by Dr. W. O. Knowles, to and beautiful singing by Mrs. R. Nirrell was given in the home May 27. Inter-ment at Dowagiac, Mich., conducted by D. A. Herrick and Modern Woodmen.

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direct, the National issues a certificate of endorsement of the certificates already held from the state association whenever the officers of the state asso-Several of our ministers have availed

themselves of this privilege and have

received the National Association's endorsement. There are still ordained ministers in the state who have not taken such action, and I ibring the matter before the conventions but without any special recommendation, that action may be taken isthought desirable. No action was taken byothe last Na-

tional convention towardies revision of the ordination usages antis other rules, so that the rules adopted in 1903 and published 1904, still Acontinue in force. I bring this mattersbefore the convenand would suggest that a special committee be appointedy to sconsider the whole question of ordination, responsive readings, marriage and burial ser-

I fear your board of trustees has been derelict in its duties as relates to the in-

have it.

I trust that this convention may set apart a special hour in which to consider the best methods of carrying on society work in general, including the question of settled speakers. Registration of Speakers and Mediums.

auguration of a system of registration of speakers and mediums, and I renew my recommendation of one year ago



The eighth annual convention of the would suggest that a committee be ap The eighth annual convention of the Ohio Spiritualisis Association convened at Ashtabula. Ohio. May 26, 27 and 28, by laws of the O. S. S. A., with the view of basing all representation upon the 1905.

The opening features of the convennumber of constituents in each society; tion was a reception of officers, dele-gates and visitors held in G. A. R. Hall, ty members is entitled to one delegate, and for each twenty members or the Thursday evening, May 25, the hall being beautiful decorated with flags and major part thereof shall be entitled to bunting, all kinds of flowers, the sunan additional delegate in the conven flower predominant. The president of ion.

The motion now before the conven-tion, by Bro. Boerstler, reads about as the Psychic Research Society of Ashtabula, Brother John G. Wallace, Intro-duced Mrs. J. G. Wallace to deliver the follows:

address of welcome, Mrs. Carrie Firth Curran, President O. S. A., responding. Votes be left to delegates based upon Brief addresses were held by Mrs. E. the paying membership of the local so-Schauss, Toledo; A. E. Baird, Elyria; Dr. C. W. Haines, Bedford. Mrs. A. H. Talcott, assisted by choir of children, pany voting upon the cash paid in by furnished the vocal and musical program. All present were regaled with for each share of stock. But the mem ice cream and cake:

First Day, May 26,

After calling the convention to order, offer the following amendment to Bro. President Carrie Firth Curran, of To- Boerstler's motion: ledo, greeted the delegates and visitors and bade them welcome.

The following then gave short talks: Rev. Laura G. Fixen, Chicago, Ill.; Rev. and all questions before this conven C. W. Haines, Bedford, O.; Rev. Fred D. tion. Dunakin, Cecil, O.; Rev. Harry E. Boerstler, Columbus, O.; Rev. Hattle G. Webster, Columbus, O.; Mr. Thomas D. search Society, the mayor of the city, Bellis, Cleveland, O.; Rev. Elizabeth and the cities of Ashtabula and vicinity Schauss, of Toledo, O.; Mrs. H. A. our sincere thanks for their kind recep-Ebertshausen, Sandusky, O.; Mr. Rob-tion and hospitality during the session ert Alexander, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Resolved, We sincerely appreciate Mrs. Carrie M. Bartholomew, Geneva, O., and others.

Miss Edna Grant, the sweet spiritual Mayor Jones of Toledo, and that the singer of Conneaut, sang a solo with encore.

All committees were-appointed by the president. On rules, O. B. Clark, F. D. Dunakin; on credentials, Anna E. Baird, Fred Schauss and Anna Ward: on resolutions, I. W. Pope, Mrs. Bonney and Mrs. March; president's report, Mrs. Bartholomew, Mrs. Gay and Mrs. Blair; secretary's report, Mr. Methaffy, Mrs. Ebertshausen and Mrs. Webster; treasurer's report, Mr. Munsell, Mr. Boerstler and Mrs. Reed.

Controversy arose on how to vote the delegates, as it was found that the state roll of the O.S.A. constitution came in conflict with the National constitution, the arguments which followed were entered into with C. W. Haines, Mrs. F. Bonney. a harmonious feeling, lengthy, but instructive to all; time for adjournment came without an agreement having naid. been reached.

Saturday morning convention called to order by the president Carrie Firth Curran.

Music by the choir.

Invocation by Mrs. Schauss. Letter from M. T. Longley, greeting ter Carrie Firth Curran, our worthy president. the convention was read and well re-

ceived by the delegates. The matter of settling the question of what rule should be followed in the vot-Fund as recommended, was carried. ing was very easily arranged when it came to the point of voting, and it was and approved. agreed that each society represented should have a vote for every member and the total number of votes found to the quilt which Mrs. Skogland of Welbe thus represented was 441.

After 'Brother Warne, Mrs. Laura: G. Fixen and others expressed their views, cents each. Brother Warne stated this question is the greatest difficulty confronting state Ashtabula. associations toward the National as the laws in some states differ from others, and we must try and get our constitu-tion and by-laws changed to be uniform

May, 1906. all over the country. There being no further business, the Secretary's report read, ordered filed. election of officers being in order, re-Treasurer's report read, ordered filed. sulted: President, Fred. D. Dunakin,

The committee on treasurer's report Cecil, O.; first vice-president, Harry E. find the amount reported by the finance Boerstler, Columbus, O.; second vicecommittee last season was \$296.24; the president, Dr. Chas. -W. Haines, Bedincome for the year raised the amount ford, O.; secretary, Carl A. Sollinger,

It is important when a meeting is suspended, that notices be given us, so that inquirers may not be mislead. We want new notices of all meetings being held here in multiplic terms That the decision of the question of held here in public halls at the present say we do not deem this a stock comtime First German Spiritualist Society on the West Side. Meetings every Sunday bers of the various societies send a delat 3 p. m. in Garselman's Hall, corner egate to represent that society as a so-Ashland avenue and W. 13th street. The North Star Spiritual Union holds lety and as one body. Therefore we

services at Perl's Hall, 1546 Milwaukee. avenue, every Sunday at 7:80 p. m. Mrs. Johanna Roennaw, test medium. Central Spiritual Church holds serv-Resolved, That each delegate present representing the several societies shall be allowed only one vote upon any ices each Sunday afternoon at 2:30, at Fasking's hall, 30th and Archer avenue.

Conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Howes. The Light of Truth Church will hold Resolved, That this convention as sembled extend to the Psychic Reservices in Hopkins' Hall 528 W 63rd search Society, the mayor of the city, street, near Stewart avenue. Confer-ence at 3 p. m. Lecture at 7:45. Messages at each service. Midweek meet-ing Thursday 3 p. m. Mrs. Jeffery Bur-Resolved, We sincerely appreciate land, pastor. the high compliment paid this association by the widow and family of former

The Englewood Spiritual Union is now located at McDermout's Hall, 6603 South Halsted street. Meetings-every communication be placed on file. Sunday evening at 7:30. Ladies' Aux-Resolved, That the honor conferred illary every Thursday afternoon at 2:30. upon this Ohio Spiritualists Associa-

Chicago Spiritual Alliance Church, in tion assembled, by the presence of hon-Vincennes Hall, 35th and Cottage Grove ored brother Dr. Geo. B. Warne, presiavenue. Mrs. May Elmo, pastor, as-sisted by Hugh S. Frasër, All weldent, and the vice-president of the Illinois State Association of Spiritualists, come. Services at 3 and 8 p. m. we tender to them an honorary mem-Spiritual Church of All Souls, in Hope Hall, No. 220 Western avenue, between Jackson and Van Buren, Sunday evenbership to the Ohio Spiritualists Assoclation, and their names to be placed upon the records of this association...

ings at 7:30, conducted by Mrs. R. Resolved, That the name of our Squire. The Kenwood Spiritual Church, will worthy sister, Mrs. Dr. Alexander Caird, of Boston, Mass., be added to the hold services every Sunday at 3 and 8 p. m., at Kenwood Hall, Nos. 4308-10 Cottage Grove avenue. Good speakers After the reading of the resolution committee was appointed to révise the Constitution: I. W. Pope, chairman; Dr. and music. Mrs. Grace E. Aitken, pas tor and test medium. Come and bring

your friends. All bills not yet paid belonging to the expense of this convention ordered The Progressive Society holds serv. ices every Sunday at 183 East North avenue, corner Burling, at 3 and 8 p. m.

Good speakers, tests and messages at every session. Mrs. Hilbert, pastor. The Church of the Psychic Forces holds services at Wilcox Hall, corner Communication from Mrs. Jones and family, also from Percy Jones, of To edo, read and ordered placed on file. Report of president read.

Champlain avenue and 43d street, every Sunday. Conference at 3 p. m. Lec-ture at 8 p. m. The hall number is 361-A rising vote of thanks tendered Sis-863 East 43d street. Conducted by Mrs. Motion made by Mrs. Reed, seconded

Isa Cleveland. by O. B. Clark to use \$100 for Mealum Church of the Spiritual Truth holds meetings every Sunday evening at 7:80 at 963 Milwaukee avenue, near North Paulina street. Mrs. J. DeLong, pastor. Pension Fund, and \$50 for Missionary Minutes of previous convention read Spiritual Science Society meets every Sunday from 2 to 10 p. m., at Arlington Here Mrs. Anna E. Baird displayed Hall, N. W. corner of 31st street and Indiana avenue. Admission to afterington, is making, expressing the hope that the delegates, take tickets at 10

noon meetings, free; evening service, 15 cents. Mrs. Dixon and her daughter, the child wonder, will always be in at-'A vote of thanks to the president of tendance. Others will assist. meetings will be continued all summer. This convention accepted the invita-Dr. Beverly, president, No. 44 East 31st tion of Dr. C. W. Haines to hold the street. ninth annual convention at Cleveland, A Spiritualist Temple has

opened by Mrs. Schwann, at 523 . Belmont avenue. Services held every Sun-day, and Thursday, evening, at 8 o'clock. Tests and music at every zer-

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serve in more than one place at a time, Sister Reed and Mrs. Clemens, Broth-ers Sollingers and Bellis very kindly stepped in and aided in keeping the in-terest alive and the cause before the public. The absence of Mrs. Curran en-forced by the condition of her health, somewhat hanwared what would othersomewhat hampered what would other-wise have been a completo success in organization work. We all know by the work she inaugurated during the first year of her office, that had she been well her second year would not only have doubled, but tripled the amount of the first. Yet we are thank-ful for what has been and is done now, and hope that her successor in office Never Lacking for Life and the Dissemination of Most Important Mind-Food. Give Us the Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth may succeed in keeping the banner of our association floating over our people an emblem of purity, justice, and truth as she so zealously has done during the past two years.

In conclusion I would express my gratitude to all of the Spiritualists of the Buckeye State for their kind co-operation in both thought and deed, and o the Spiritualists at large, and all friends of our glorious cause for their hearty welcome and generous help, to our national officers for their many words of appreciation and encouragement, to the Spiritualist press for their notice of my efforts, and to the secular press of the various citles in which I have worked for their honest criticisms and just comments.

With gratitude for the past, joy for the present, and hope for the future, I am, fräternally yours for truth, MRS. ELIZABETH SCHAUSS.

O. S. A. Missionary. REPORT BY MRS. ANNA E. BAIRD.

Officers, Delegates and Co-workers Assembled in Convention-Greetings: --I hereby submit the following report as missionary for the O. S. A.: I regret deeply that on account of sickness both of husband and self, I have been unable to go out into the field, ripe, ready for the harvest of truth, and work that others might have garnered golden grain from the grand and glorious truths of Spiritualism. I have held meetings in Lorain, Wellington, Sandusky, and Ashtabula.

I have been enabled to do work that may not assist state and societies alone but that others may receive inspi-

ration to go out and assist us. I have organized, and the state has chartered, two Ladies' Aid societies, both doing a good work, to assist in our glorious cause.

Trusting I may be able to respond wherever called in the coming year, and that I may build for truth, temples of truth within the souls of many now in darkness as to our grand truth, I re-spectfully submit to the officers and delegates assembled in convention.

MRS. ANNA E. BAIRD. Elyria, Ohio. Ashtabula, Ohio, May 28, 1905.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Officers, Delegates and Friends of the Ohio Spiritualist Association in Convention Assembled :- In submitting my report as treasurer of this association, I take great pleasure in stating to you that notwithstanding a consider-able amount of labor has been performed by the trustees and missionaries, and especially by our president, whose untiring efforts have placed our state work on a sound, substantial basis, yet but a comparatively small sum has been drawn from the treasury to **AN ASTONISHING OFFER**

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connected with our work will undoubt-We all know that it takes quite a edly be given in the report of our honfinancial Our missionaries have und-"htedly done grand work in their fi. Re-ports will speak for themselves, for myself will say: Officiated once at Sandusky and once at Ashtabula, and in-numerable times at the different socie-ties in Cleveland, held two funeral services, and assisted to organize the La-dies' Aid Society of Cleveland. In conclusion your secretary desires to express his sincere thanks to the spiritual press, to all the secretaries of the auxiliaries, to the officers of the O. S. A. and each and every other individual member who aided and co-operated with me in the discharge of my duties. Respectfully submitted, C. A. SOLLINGER, Cleveland, Ohio. Sec'y O. S. A.

terialize so many articles from a bo owed handkerchief. And now, friends of this convention, asking your pardon for the deviation from what ought to have been my report, I submit to you my financial statement as found in my treasury book to the present date. From May 28, 1904, to May 22, 1905,

\$177.25 passed through my hands, itemized account in day-book and ledger, with data. C. A. S.

From May 22 to 28, received \$16.75, FRED D. DUNAKIN.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Officers and Delegates of the Ohio. Spiritualists Association in Con-vention Assembled at G. A. R. Hall, Ashtabula, Ohio, May, 26, 27 and 28, 1905-Greeting:-It gives me great pleasure to submit to your consideration the following report from the office of Secretary of the O. S. A., for the year ending May 22, 1905, with supple-

mentary report to follow. 'The work of your secretary has to a great extent been expended in behalf of our grand and progressive cause. The present outlook for Spirit-ualism in the state of Ohio is very favorable for its growth, especially among thinking people outside our ranks, who are investigating its phe-nomena, and becoming students of its philosophy, though I regret to say, that the conditions of organized work among our people, are not such as to warrant great enthusiasm or boasting on the

part of any one. During the year we have chartered two new societies—one at Clyde, and one at Delphos, organized by our na-tional missionaries, Brother Sprague and wife, The officials of this association, were not notified of the missionthe application for charters came to this office. They therefore, received no

assistance through this office. One Ladies' Ald Society at Cleveland, Ohio., one society by transfer, at Wentworth, Ohio. Up to date 17 societies have paid per capita tax amounting to \$110.50, remaining seven societies to hear from. Ordinations granted four: Sister Carrie Firth Curran, of Toledo, our worthy president; Brother Fred D. Dunakin, treasurer of this association, Antwerp, Cleveland; and Sister Elizabeth Schauss, missionary, of Toledo. The first named three, were ordained at public mass-meetings gotten up for this purpose by your secretary. An official board meeting was held at the same time, Feb. 5. at Memorial Hall, Cleve-land, O. A collection of \$6.30 was

taken up for the benefit of Mediums' Relief Fund and forwarded to Mrs. M. T. Longley for which she sent receipt. The general report of societies during the year is one of struggle and hardship. The most of them show a de crease in membership. The West Side Spiritual Church of Columbus, O., show an increase in membership, and report

the church free from debt. The Spiri ualists in Cleveland, the Ladies Templ Fund Society has bought a former Baf tist church, which they will renovate this summer to have it ready for serve ices by September. The Ashtabula Soslety has bought a lot. They expect to erect a new temple in the near future

The secretary has kept in touch with the N. S. A. office at Washington, also with all the people by letter. Have written over 600 letters. Have frequently written small articles for the quently written small articles for the spiritual papers, also the daily papers in Cleveland. All of the editors have been kind and courteous, thus keeping our work and matter of interest in the cause with which we are concerned be-

fore the people through the press. The courtesies extended to me by individuals and societies generally, have been helpful and well appreciated. All the work that the convention of 1904 instructed the secretary to do, has been attended to, to the best of my ability, and such other work, which came to my notice. Other matters of importance

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Missionary report, Anna E. Baird, Elizabeth Schauss. The report was orbula. O. dered filed. A rising vote of thanks tendered them, which was responded to

by Mrs. Schauss and Mrs. Baird. Report of committee on rules:

kin, 407; H. E. Boersteller, 7; Dr. C. W. Haines, 27; F. D. Dunakin elected. First vice-president, H. E., Boerstler. The business session of this conven-Dr. C. W. Haines withdrew his name tion shall be called to order by the and made motion, duly seconded, that the secretary cast the vote of the conpresident; afternoon session shall open at 2:30 in the afternoon and close at 5 o'clock. The morning session shall vention. Carried. The secretary then open at 10 o'clock and close at 12 cast the vote for H. E. Boerstler. Seco'clock, and follow the order of business as per program. 330 votes; Hattie G. Webster, 111 as per program. This convention shall be governed by votes. Dr. C. W. Haines elected.

our constitution, by-laws, and by Rob-erts' Rules of Order where not provided Secretary: C. A. Sollinger; being no other candidate, Dr. Haines moved, secfor by our own laws. onded by F. D. Dunakin, the president to cast the ballot. Result: C. A. Sol-

O. B. CLARK, ELIZABETH SCHAUSS. - F. D. DUNAKIN, Committee.

New charters were granted Ladies' Aid of the Helping Hand, Elyria, O.; White Key Spiritual Society, Martin's Ferry; Meta Psychic Ladies' Aid Society, Wellington.

Resolved that this convention of the Ohio State Spiritualist Association in convention assembled extend to the worthy president of the N. S. A., Harrison D. Barrett and his esteemed wife. our sincere sympathy in the hour of their affliction. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes and a copy be

sent to Brother Barrett under seal. Resolved, we extend the sympathy and consolation of the State Association of Spiritualists of Ohio assembled. to the widow of our ex-president, Bro. Thos Black, of this association, who passed to the higher life in April last a copy of this be sent to the widow, un

Resolution: To the president and members of the Ohio State Spiritualist-Association, Greeting: Your committee upon resolutions would respectfully submit the following preamble and resolutions:

.Whereas, the O. S. S. A. have met in convention for the transaction of the which we live has gone out is immeas-business of the state association of the urable. The interest manifested by the various auxiliary societies of the state, and for the equal and just treatment of all its members which we deem to be represented, one vote only by each society of the state which forms this body or association.

Whereas, we deem each society is fully represented by its chosen delegate and under the general rules of such bodies each delegate only represents its parlor meetings throughout the state society as one, the same as our county representatives represent the people of and a few people to listen to us, as they the county in state legislation by one are the means of instruction to many the county in state legislation by one are the means of instruction to many vote. Also the same as our district who would not for various reasons congressmen represent a district of the come to our public meetings. The state by one vote in the halls of con- Children's Progressive Lyceum and We will follow this illustration Thought Exchange deserve more than a little farther for the purpose of show-ing this convention our conclusions cmmend to this convention the appoint-after a more careful thought growing ment of a state superintendent of lyce-

every Sunday at America Hall, 77 East 31st street, at 3 and 8 p. m. R. Gilray, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. Hattie G. Webster, Columbus, O.; Mr. O. B. Clark, Ashta-

rie Firth Curran, treasurer.

C. A. SOLLINGER,

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pastor. Evangelist F. M. Stoller preside at all meetings during the absence of Brother Gilray. Lake View Spiritual Union holds. Nominees for president: F. D. Duna-

Sunday afternoon meetings at 3 p. m., at Wells Hall, No. 1629 North Clark street, corner Fletcher, conducted by Dr. and Mrs. Carl A. Wickland. All cordially invited. Residence 616 Wells street.

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Meetings every Sunday at 10:45 a. m. at hall 210, Masonic Temple, under the auspices of Walter Devoe, the welllinger, secretary. Treasurer: Mrs. Carrie Firth Curran; no other candidate. Moved by Mrs. Bonney, seconded by I? W. Pope, the known lecturer. Miss Cora M. Nafe, soloiset. secretary to cast ballot. Result: Car-

The Rising Sun Spiritualist Mission holds regular services every Sunday at 3 and 8 p. m., at the People's Institute, Trustees: E. Schauss, F. D. Bellis, O. B. Clark, Hattle G. Webster. There be-

Van Buren and Leavitt streets. The Rising Sun Lyceum meets at 2 p. m. The German-English Society Bund der Wahrheit No. 18, holds services ev ery Sunday evening at 7:30 in Brandt's Hall, 152 E. North avenue, between Halsted and Clybourn; and every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock sharp, at the National, formerly Garfield Turner Hall. Mr. Frank Joseph, medium.

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street. ing this convention our conclusions different in the same in the state superintendent of lyce-but of the present discussion of yester uns, to work in harmony with our Na-day, and would recommend the same itonal Superintendent, Mr. John Ring of kind of unselfsh and pleasing discus. Solid of the institute same itonal Superintendent, Mr. John Ring of kind of unselfsh and pleasing discus. Solid offers us a store with guild and the same itonal Superintendent of the offers us a store with guild be that all county or dis we need most is "competent workers". The chicago Spiritualist' League holds its meetings the first Tuesday evening of each month, at Rimball Hall, 243 Wabash avenue, breadent; O. B. Kropp, 5481 Kimbark avenue, secretary. The will guickly see that all county or dis build be the months of April and May I. The Chicago Spiritualists' League will quickly see that all county or us, we need most is competent workers. trict representatives are based upon the During the months of April and May I population of the county or district, bad calls from several societies for the This is well known by you all and we same Sundays, but not being able 10 trict and may I the county of the city to send in the names of all their mediums, stating their partic-the county of district, bad calls from several societies for the the names of mediums, stating their partic-the county of district, bad calls from several societies for the the secretary, at Star Lodge Hail, 378 South Western avenue, sach Sundays evening.

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