

The usual routine had been gone cannot change it. Now, as long as the man who works through with, and several manifestations of materialization taken place, for a livelihood does not know enough when was seen another of the nebulous to get at the bottom of this thing, he

formations at the parting of the cur. will have to grin and bear it. If the tains, gradually unfolding and enlarg- man who has to earn his bread by the ing, until a form of a little boy devel- sweat of his face only knew all these oped, apparently about seven years of questions could be settled by him, he age. The old Captain recognized his has the power if he will only think a little grandchild, and called out, "Is little for himself, and stop letting other ers think for him. that you, Tommy?"

This body-characterize it anyway When the means of producing wealth are owned by the people in common you may-answered, "Yes, Grandpa," and started on a run the distance of and production is for use instead of fully ten feet, and when reaching his for profit, it will be possible for all grandfather, he jumped into his lap even ten or twenty times the number and outstretched arms, the old man of people now in existence, to make a patting and hugging the lati, and kiss- good living easily, and there will be no ing him with all the ardor we see dis-incentive to wholesale economic mut played towards the actual physical be- der, as is the case to-day. The kind of blessings the people of

No one present doubted that this this country or any other country want, grandchild of the old captain was veri- can be most emphatically set down as tably present in bodily substantiality, no war, no poor-houses, no jails, no the old man's voice, tenderness charlty institutions. Or, in other and and joy, evidenced his absolute faith words, peace, plenty, honor and love in the actual presence, visible and pal- with a large, happy, self-respecting citpable, of his grandchild. izenship to enjoy the same. The poor woman and her seven chil-

Harvey, Illinois.

Symbolize to us daily

NATURE-GOD.

When the frosts have gone away;

In the warm and sunny day;

The stream, whose silvery waters

Smoothly glide to ocean's bed

That God's love is never dead

And the songs of happy birds;

We hear the dash of ocean waves

As they on gray rocks surge;

And see the lightning's play,

We hear the roll-of thunder

Whom we must all obey.

For of God we are a part:

All Nature that's around us

All united form the Whole.

The practice of self-restraint and

Rock Creek, Ohio.

. L. J. BLISS.

le gives us life, love, intuition,

Faith, hope, to fill the heart.

Were the captain and the others of the audience hypnotized by the medi- dren have-just the same right to life um, or self-deluced ty auto-suggestion, and its outcome as Emperor William and none of them conscious of the or president Roosevelt, and we need or president Roberts, both quality and quantity. R BAYLES. change in themselves?

It is hardly thinkable. The little fellow, his voice heard by everyone in -the circle, asked, "How is Mamma?" and the captain answering, "She is "Give my love to Mamma, and well." tell her I'm happy," said the spirit The flowers that bloom in springtime

boy. The captain asked Tommy if he had The leaves that shade our pathway learned to ride his bicycle yet? (The inference from this inquiry being, that in some former materialization he had told his grandpa that he was trying to ride a bicycle:) The boy said, "I'll show you," leaping from the lap of the cid gentleman, and instantly he was We hear the roar of the cataract, seen circling around with such velocity And the songs of happy birds; that the many concentric circles ap-peared as one broad ribbon of hazy light, the speed gradually slowing down, and then the eye beheld him standing in the center of the circle, where he We hear in these the voice of Him slowly diminished and vanished from sight.

The balmy breeze of evening On another occasion I have seen sev That gently fans the brow; eral materialized spirit-bodies at one time in the center of the circle, though The moonlight's silvery rays Stealing through the sweetest boughs the light was so dim they were of va-The beauty and the grandeur pory indistinctness, each singing, some in alto, others in soprano, again others Of nature all sublime. Speaks to us in language in tenor and base, evidencing their individuality in form and voice, and de-Of Father, God Divine. materializing in the presence of all. The human soul can never die.

If there were any trick or delusion here where the room had been exam ined most carefully, and absence of all paraphernalia noted, then this medium possessed a skill or an art that would Is in harmony with the soul, Every particle has its motive, ave won her fame and fortune on a larger stage, for as far as it was possi-ble for a careful examination of the room and furniture to disclose, it was simply out of the question for this wo man to have made provision for the secretion of so many persons as assist antalin her performances.

enunciation is not happiness, though t may be something much better .--- T If I was deluded or deceived in any I. Huxley. way; if there were any human agen-Reason must be our last guide and ties or tricks in these manifestations, then my attributes fail to impress me with any sense of self-delusion, swaying judge in everything.—John Locke. A fool in revolt is infinitely wiser than the philosopher forging a learned suggestions or questions of doubt. apology for his chains -- Rossitter. These were the most perfect performances I ever witnessed; they were Justice is the constant desire and the most marvelous expositions of legeffort to render every man his due .erdemain, of they were the veritable Justinian.

materialization of departed spirits. The world is continually growing Until I have as visible, palpable and better to all who are honestly trying assuring evidences given me that I was to make it better.-Everett McNell.

Ebbed Away. "The moment I saw the baby I rec-weight, which seems altogether im-

ognized that it was dying. The moth- probable, its weight would be inconer asked me what was the matter, and ceivable from our. gross, material told her that it was evident that the plane.

child could not live and that nothing could be done. The little thing was lying on a pillow, and I took it up and hypothesis," said Dr. Wickland, "we held it on my lap directly in front of are certainly obliged to concede me and beneath the gas light so that weight, however slight, also for the I could watch it closely and do some-spiritual body: Though the soul or thing for it if possible. But there was nothing to be done. I recall watching thinking, formless and in essence units breathing grow fainter and fainter, limited and knows no boundaries, yet and I felt to myself that perhaps it for the purpose of expression; intelliwas just as well that the child should gence or soul must of necessity do so pass out of the world peacefully and through form of some substance. Such before it had to go through the suffer-1 substance would imply weight. ing that so many of that class must "That the soul occupies, or mani-

necessarily experience. It may sound fests through a spiritual (.body 'an cold-blooded, but that was the only etheric double,' an exact counterpart of the physical body after the change

"I could tell within a few minutes called death. I believe the student can when the end was near, and just at have but little doubt. The Bible the moment when I know the little record (I. Cor. xv:44-5) says''If there life was obbing out there seemed to is a natural body there is also a spiritbe a slight haze rise from the body, ual body.'

and it passed upward diagonally to-ward the ceiling. At the instant it cases on record where an individual cases on record where an individual rose the little limbs of the child re- has lost a limb, say an arm or leg, by laxed, and it straightened out natural- accident or otherwise, recessitating ly and peacefully. I related the inci-dent to my husband shortly afterward, complain of pain in the amoutated but he paid little attention to it at member, or, rather, where it used to

Weight.

"The power of mind in affecting

The experiments in the East have

patient dying with tuberculpsis.

the time. be. Many such cases have come to my "The second incident of the kind was observation. Only some months ago a so similar that it has impressed itself man who had had his leg amputated, indelibly upon my memory. I had when I applied the electric current to who lived on the South Side. He was plained that it cramped his toes in the well known in the neighborhood, quite missing foot. Such facts, which can well to do, and he was slowly dying of be recounted without number, imply old age. He was about 68 years old, an invisible counterpart. If Dr. Mc as I remember. On the night in ques-tion I called at the house with my hus-departing spirit or soul is correct, it band, and I could see at once that the should be equally possible to ascertain end was near. The members of his the weight of a spirit when it is confamily were all grouped about his bed, trolling a mortal's body. This propo the priest was there to administer the sition of weight onens up a new and last rites to the dying, and the life of interesting field of psychic, research, the old man was slowly | ebbing out | which I certainly shall take advantage To me there was nothing particularly of. Says Power of Mind May Affect

pathetic in the scene. The old man had lived out his measure of usefulness on this earth, his family and chil dren were well provided for, and he weight, no doubt, will have to be reck-oned with, especially if we are to ac was passing away in the natural course

emótion I felt.

of events. "I know that my husband and my-self stood in the doorway of the room gazing down at the old man. The that weighs is bound to parth, as Proroom was absolutely silent but for the fessor Charles E. Mayo says, is by no half whispered prayers of the priest. means a fiction, but largely a truth, As the gaze of both myself and my and which is usually due to the mind's earthiness. In making my comments husband was concentrated on the features of the old blacksmith, once more upon the work of these Eastern exthere appeared a slight haze, which in a second seemed to assume the form perimenters I am reasoning as a physician and not as a Spiritualist." of the dying man, and then it passed upward and diagonally almost like a been conducted at a sanitarium in puff of cigar smoke. I remember I Massachusetts for the last elx years, clutched my husband by the wrist, but and the results have been - carefully he had noticed it also. As the hare lifted from the body the limbs also re-laxed, the limbs in the face seemed to

be obliterated, and he died as peace fully and calmly as had the little child. | clusive: Both Physicians Agree on Appearance

of Phenomena. "As we walked toward our home I told my husband that the phenomena was exactly the same as that I had neither particularly high strung nor of witnessed some years before and he marked phlegmatic disposition. was compelled to admit that it had placed him a few hours preceding occurred. We have discussed that cir- death, upon a scale platform, which cumstance among ourselves at numer- I had constructed, and which was acous intervals ever since and neither of curately balanced. us has ever been able to account for it "Four hours later, with five doctors"

on any other theory than that at in attendance, he died.

tation, these figures were compared. The unaccountable loss continued to be shown.

#### Question Then Arose as to Meaning o Weight.

"The question then arose as to what the loss meant. It was a loss of substance, which could be obtained in known figures. which was also such a singularly appreciable loss as to place it beyond all doubt that it might be due to any error in calculation.

"The two separate differences obtained correspond, each being of about an ounce. "But this was less remarkable than

what took place in the third case. The subject was that of a man of larger physical build, with a pronounced sluggish temperament.

When life ceased, as the body lay It wasn't so much for the children to in bed upon the scales, for a full minute there appeared to be no change in But it started the people to thinking weight. The physicians waiting in anew; And old-time religion beginning to fall, the room looked into each other's faces silently, shaking their heads in Lifted her mantle and loosened her thrall.

LEAH FOX UNDERHILL.

two spheres

fears.

gloom

birth,

THPERIAL ENGL

Men are often capable of greate

things than they perform.

They are

of doom.

the conviction that our test had failed. 'Then'suddenly the same thing hap The odor of brimstone that once filled pened that had occurred in the other cases. There was a sudden diminishthe air Was changed to a fragrance far sweet ment in weight, which was found to be the same as that of the preceder, more rare; The great gulf of darkness between the

ing experiments. "I believe that in this case, that o Just melted to nothing and ended our a phlegmatic man, slow of thought and action, that the soul remained suspended in the body after death, dur The bell that once sounded the signal ing the minute that elapsed before it came to the consciousness of its free-And filled human spirits with heaviest dom. There is no other way of ac-counting for it, and it is what might Seads music to soul-land announcing a be expected to happen in a man of the subject's temperament.

"Three other cases were tried, in cluding that of a woman, and in each it was established that a weight of from one-half to a full ounce departed from the body at the moment of expi-In nearly every -experiment ration. each physician made his own figures. and then a comparison of results followed.

All Test's Met With Same Peculiar Re sults.

"Every test was made to disprove as well as to prove the peculiar results, but always with the same definite and marked change.

"Thus it appears that the soul mus be some space-occupying body, either of gravitated or some other form of matter which has weight.

the weight of the departing soul it remains for some one to-offer a better solution of the mystery.

those tests and witnessing the start-

when life fied, would be convinced chusetts physicians. that this is the only solution." compiled. Dr. Duncan Macdougall of Hayerhill gave the following descrip-Dr. Macdougall declares his belief tion of some of the experiments, that it could not be confined by any which were regarded as the most conknown material that man possesses He thinks that it might much resemble through the most dense substance. was confined in a steel case the instant before death there would be a

# Experimenter Says Soul Substance Can

Obio penitentiary at Columbus to test and seldom draw to their full extent. the theory that the human soul can be -- Horace Walpole.

mons of hell, Have gone from religion; just leaving

the smell; All infant damnation-the, curse c. mankind---

Has passed to an ending away front the mind.

Dependence on Saviors is laid on the shelf

And each living spirit depends on itself. The God of one being is God over all, And nothing can ever from that Godhead fall.



In fact, since those children have opened the door,

And given earth access to that other shore A great evolution has swept o'cr this

sphere That has anchored forever the two worlds anear.

No time and no power can stay its

great move; Its light of the spirit the future must

And all human beings some day will uphold

The Cause that these babier once helped to unfold.

Well, this is the story and truth, very brief. How three little girlies. gave \* spirit

To a race groping blindly along a dark

way, And gave to man's reason the light of new day.

t gave to religion its own solid base; It gave unto science a lift to its place; It gave to all living creatures a right To existence eternal-to spirit Dew light. DR. T. WILKINS.

I belong to the great church that

holds the world within its starlit Scientists and doctors have practi- aisles; that claims the great and good cally prevailed upon the penitentiary of every race and clime; that finds with joy the grain of gold in every They purpose to use Dr. Oliver Haugh creed, and floods with light and love the germs of good in every soul .--- In--

With all the consecration ceremonies poured over a church it is not haif so holy as the home.—L. K. Washburn.

Let none of you treat his brother in a way he himself would dislike to be reated .--- Mohammedan.

Drinking water neither makes nan sick nor in debt nor his wife" widow.-John Neal.

Honest error is to be pitied, not ridleuled.-Chesterfield.

mother and brother, for the test. He gersoll.

to be that this soul substance is so fine officials to put the theory to a test. of Dayton, who murdered his father,

the X-ray, which can be made to pass will be electrocuted next month and his body will be weighed just before He does not believe that if the body execution and immediately after. The proposed subject of the experiment has offered no objection. FREDERIC NORTH SHOREY.

possibility of keeping the soul-shut in

Never Be Confined.

"Four other physicians under my direction made the first test upon a This man was one of the ordinary type of the usual American temperament,

Preparations are being made at the sent into the world with bills of credit,

"If this strange loss is not due to MARGARETTA FOX KANE. "I think that any one present at ling change in the body's weight weighed; propounded by the. Massa-

# THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

#### THE REAL REASON.

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Why More People Do Not Go to Church.

The following appeared in the Ta-

coma Daily Times a few days ago: "Practically all preachers. in Ta-coma favor the union of the denominations into one great church of the Protestant faith, but they still keep apart and Dr. E. T. Ford of the First Congregational church said very vig-orously this morning at the Ministerial Alliance meeting that the thing which is keeping them apart is the church bureaucracy. "The people are for it and if we

could change the bureaucracy and get the ministers to stand for it we would have it. But I have prayed for it, and worked for it and talked for it and I am getting impatient for it," he said.

"The question came up on a puper read by Rev. John Reid favoring church union. He said the poor now. are keeping aloof from the church. They have no confidence in it. Not more than 40 per cent of the people in this country, he said, are in the church and many of these are far away from a true religious life.

"He thought conditions deplorable. Bishops and elders, he declared, are running hot foot over the same territory chasing each other around to build up a church establishment rather than to build up Christian character. This was due to the competition of the denominations, he said. "Nearly a dozen ministers discussed

the subject and all but one or two were for immediate church union."

The city of Tacoma has ninety churches. None of them are well attended, it is said. What is true in this respect in this city, is doubtless true of the orthodox churches in general throughout the United States. Several years ago, the attendance of men at orthodox services, dropped down to a low per cent. Now, women are beginning to think. Many of them are flocking to the liberal churches, or the various New Thought society meetings, and the clergy are growing very nervous over the situation. Fre-quent are the discussions, "What is the cause of the increasing non-attendance at divine service?" All sorts of reasons are assigned by the panic-All sorts of stricken preachers. Occasionally, one states the true cause of the trouble. The Rev. Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard University, says: "Outside of what is called religion, there is no place where absolute truth is fixed. l'here is an irresistible trend toward the belief that truth cannot be fixed. In the religion of philosophy and metaphysics there is an incessant flux; inchemistry, zoology, botany, no one for a moment believes that the end has been reached. Why should the theologian say he has reached the fixed point in his research?" The speaker likened the theme of these will no longer be tolerated

science to the mariner feeling his way carefully and slowly, into a harbor overhung with fog. That is precisely what the men of tions which will give us a little fore-

science are doing;" said "President El-They know how slowly, painfully, nationally they must make their somewhere, sometime. The theologian takes a differway. ent attitude. He sees in the fog of the resultant conditions are, and ever mystery a thing to be believed. The will be, according to our own creating. scientific man is going to rule. Be-fore long it will be only his way that will command the respect of thinking tice for all? people.

President Eliot dingnoses the case correctly. The people have outgrown the old paganistic dogmas of the fall," a virgin-born god, his cruel death to appease the wrath of his savage father, an endless hell for those who could not accept "the great plan they not worthy of serious reflection? of salvation" through the blood of a As my narative is interesting, I of salvation" through the blood of a slain god, or who had never heard of think it best to commence at the be-slain god, or who had never heard of think it best to commence at the be-the "plan." I repeat that intelligent ginning. I was called on, New Year's in any way to perpetuate conditions day, by a friend who requested me to thinking people no longer believe attend their circle the following Fri-the son many doctrines, and the clergy attend their circle the following Fri-work THEIR RUIN. Let each and have not yet found out what is the The old theology which trouble. taught that bad men can load all their. sins on Jesus, and by one great leap land in heavenly bliss, and that there is no merit in living a moral life outside of the church if unbaptized; that man's morality is "filth and rags in the sight of God," no longer goes with intelligent people. The fact is, old orthodoxy is dead as a door nail. -It only needs a decent burial. There will be no mourners at the interment except the old fogy preachers, and a straggling few men and women who let them fail into the lap of one of the are too aged to change old faiths for new ones. President Eliot says: The scientific man is going to rule.' He is not only going to rule but to a very great degree is ruling now. n sorry for the preachers. They generally are sincere and mean well They were taught to look backwards for all wisdom and to oppose all progress. They were told that every new idea was prompted by the devil. They were made to think that a collection of old manuscripts, written in an ignorant age of the world, was every word fore he said, "All right.". Stepping inspired and infallible. They have back he separated the slates and let refused to read but one side of the history of tables and religions. They haven't kept up with the times. They h scoffed at the teaching of science and giridiculed the law of evolution and perspridiculed the law of evolution and per-st sisted in declaring that all they had written on one of the slates, however, to do was to preach "Christ and him crucified." The laity has marched by them, hence the empty pews, the few students in the theological colleges 5 the small salaries and they grudgingly paid Various plans are being brought Forward and advocated to counteract together with hosts of other mobile this religious indifference. Some preachers say, "a literal and endless this hell of fire and brimstone for the unbelievers should be preached energet-"deally"; others propose putting into and ten-pin alleys, and other amusements, and still others, such as the Tacoma pastors, propose a charch trust, and the erection of one big building in which the Protestants may ors, and let it not be forgotten that pool their interests and unite their pool their interests and unite their the room was floeded with light all congregations. In my opinion, the the time, and deception of any kind latter suggestion is the better one. Unite your flocks, brethren, and then. carefully consider the statement of Iraud anyway, as no collection was President Eliot. Open up your church-houses for the delivery of lectures on science. This is the only way in San Francisco affair which came as which you can "command the respect" part scoold. We occupied quite a of thinking people." Old orthodoxy has too much paganism in it to win the respect of reading, thinking people. of this enlightened day. Higher crit-icism and science have destroyed the belief of the people in the Bible's flat earth, a cruel, wrathful, changeable god, the blood atonement, an endless hell, an all-powerful, ubiquitous devil, the resurrection of physical bodies and other cardinal orthodox doctrines. Wipe them all off the slate and begin R. A. DAGUE.

**Bewildered** Spirits.

Lessons Drawn From the San Francisco Dis-

aster.

"TO UNDERTAKE TO DEVELOP HAVE BROUGHT SO MUCH SHAME PHYSICAL MEDIUMSHIP WITH AND DISGRACE UPON THE GRAND-ONLY THE LOW DESIRE TO SELL EST TEACHINGS (WHICH IT IS IT AS A MEANS OF LIVELIHOOD IS QUITE POSSIBLE TO EXEMPLIFY AS DANGEROUS AS PLAYING WITH THEM PURE) THAT HAVE EVER FIRE, AND HAS BEEN THE OPEN BEEN BROUGHT TO THE ATTEN-DOOR FOR THE FREE ENTRY OF TION OF THE CHILDREN OF THIS ALL THE BLACK SHEEP THAT DARK PLANET."

The communication of Miss "Z," in large man, of quite dark appearance The Progressive Thinker regarding reflected on the cabinet and in a her clairvoyant vision, presents itself hoarse whisper said: "I was a San being very real. As I, Francisco millionaire.' to me as passed up Market and Mission streets.

"Yes; whom do you come to?" "To Mr. Peterson." That was one of the bewildered spirand out by the City Hall while the ruins were still smoking, the question

ts in darkness, and had no doubt been forced itself upon me as I viewed the terrible sight. What is the condition of the unfortunates so hurriedly brought for enlightenment: it is by no means my first experience in that line. As the time was all too short, the figforced out of the mortal form and ure dissolved with a heavy sigh. thereby separated from the perishable Here no doubt there are those who material wealth they held so dear;

would say: Let him seek information most of them perhaps utterly ignorof those in his life. Which might seem very reasonable indeed, but, and ant and in darkness as to the spiritual and the real. How could it possibly but, most of us are not able to discern be otherwise than as she describes it? any thing above our own plane of ex-The children of earth as they permit themselves to become familiar with the grand teachings of the spiritual istence, and in his case, he can see but darkly, and only those of his own philosophy, will learn that material grade; thus we can easily realize now nuch knowledge and guidance those wealth is of secondary importance, and that there will be plenty and to in his condition can impart to each other. spare as soon as we shall be willing to

There was another losson of value put a just mode of distribution into given at this circle. The medium was practice. When we begome satisfied that controlled to speak something like there are higher aims, and an imper-ishable state of existence, for which his:

"Some of you have spoken of what you have here seen as materialization. That is a great mistake, and I caution to gain'a clean reputation and a home, and that by no other means you not to repeat it. Materialization of ilesh, blood and bones pertains to than our own proper efforts will ever be possible to accomplish it, then, indeed, will the sordid desire to the mortal form only. We have here "hog" up the earth, begin to smoulbeen attempting to show etherealized forms, which is quite possible to the der, and when the storehouses of nathis circle as now organized for a rea-sonable length of time we should be ture's bounties shall be equally distributed, then will all have an abundsonable legth of time we should be ance to supply every reasonable need. able to prove this fact to you all be-yond a shadow of doubt." How soon will that be? We are as vet most of us on the animal plane. So you see, we have here the mak-We are but the highest type, of aniing of a good medium, and yet I have mal, and that is the reason we can be meaner and as merciless as the feronever been there since, for the follow-ing reasons. This young man has ascious beasts of the jungle simply besumed obligations by taking a wife, cause the animal side of man as yet

and as our first duty clearly demands the taking care of ourselves, and as he predominates; but there is another. side, the spiritual, the real, and when has no means to fall back on, his duty we begin to cultivate the higher, spirbecomes plain. Even should people of itual, as yet so sadly neglected, and means step in and undertake to supply when that shall gain the ascendency, the material needs, it would take him out of his line of proper effort, which "Man's inhumanity to man," and the present system, or lack of system in my opinion would deprive him of the only school capable of leading rather, will be superseded by condito his real progressive unfoldment. To undertake to develop physical mediumship with only the low desire taste of that heavenly state, here and now, that we are all hoping to obtain to sell it as a means of livelihood is as dangerons as playing with fire, and has been the open door for the free en-try of all the black sheep that have But, let it ever be remembered, that brought so much shame and disgrace Oh! how much longer is it going to upon the grandest teachings (which it take for us to rise to the dignity of is quite possible to exemplify as truths tolerating nothing less than equal jus-

if we can keep them pure) that have ever been brought to the attention of As the San Francisco disaster has the children of this dark planet. again been brought to my mind in an Second. I am opposed to dark cir-cles, and though we were informed unexpected way, that is what I expected to relate to our great school of prothat when the forces became a little stronger light would be gradually adgressive Thinkers, but the above serious reflections got in first, and are mitted, still I prefer to omit all such phenomena as require darkness for

## WHAT IS HELL? It is the Condition of One Who Is Sufforing the Pangs of Remorse.

Willt is fleir? General Sherman said, "War, is hell." Due pangs of hunger, the dread of starvation, the chilling blefts of winter, the burning rays of the stimmer's sun, the pains of toothighe of any other aches that rack the nerves of man, may well be called hell. "To suffer the burning fever of stickhess to conduce the sollude of a heli, "To square the solution rever of sickness, to endure the solution of a prison cell, & suffer from the ingrati-tude of "friend remembered not," to have bur hoblest efforts for the good of our fellow man unappreciated, to live the uncongental surroundings, to have an ambition which we can not gratify. "to buffer the pangs of despised love, the insolence of office and the spurns which patient merit of the unworthy takes," these are all hell. But I take it that the subject for

discussion this morning has reference to a future state. The commonly accepted opinion of hell, as promulgated by the Christian fathers, and which the orthodox church has long held, is that hell is a burning lake full of fire and brimstone, where their worm dieth not and their fire is not quenched. How any one can conceive that a God whom the Bible says is love, can be so heartlessly, so diabolically cruel, is beyond our ken. John Calvin even went further than that and condemned a certain number to salvation and a certain number, without any fault of their own to everlasting damnation, teaching that a just God had so predestinated. And to-day the Presbyterian General Assembly at Winona Lake is deliberating whether to hold to this damnable and damning belief or to substitute for the Westminster Confession the milder tenets of the Reformed faith. Supposing that this is done, will that release the poor wretches, who have, according to the tenets of the Christian fathers, been roasting for centuries, or is a special dispensation necessary?

I read some years ago a work by John Tyndall entitled. "Other Worlds Than Ours," but found in it no refer-ence at all to a heaven or a hell. Tyche Brahe, Copernicus and Kepler in their investigations and explorations of the stary firmament, with the ald-of the most powerful microscopes, have found no world that bears any resemblance to either heaven with its golden throne and glittering streets or to hell ment. with its flery furnaces and burning lakes. Neither Sir Isaac Newton, Dar win, Huxley nor Spencer, nor other great philosophers of modern times, give us in their writings any description of a world like a literal, burning hell. Therefore hell can not be a place, and neason, the greatest oracle of man, convinces us that it must be a

state or, condition. I take it that hell is the condition of mind of a man or woman who is suffering the pange of remorse, or the reproaches of an accusing conscience. The minds of men are subject to constant change, What is law to-day may not bedaw togmorrow. With creeds it is the same, in The world which beleved; with the fanatics a century ago that the soul in hell is like asbestos in fire which burneth and is not consumedy now grefuses to believe it longery, Religions are getting more liberal every day, especially since we have learned that thoughts are things and that harsh and cruel words cut like two-edged swords. Men's minds may change, but the laws of Nature are fixed, (immutable, unchangeable, The currents of the streams of to-day move along just as placidly as they did a century ago; botanists tell us that trees grow by the same process that they did in the forest primeval; oaks still spring from acorns as figs do not from thistles. There is no law so cer-tain as the law of cause and effect the karma of the Theosophists, "as ye sow An Important Message.

It Is Given by Buddhism to Christianity.

Religions are movements in the de-portance is urged by them. What ap-velopment of mankind which possess beals to those who in America and an individuality of their own. A re-ligion grows and expands,—it some faith is the trait of liberality and entimes decays and withers. There is a lightenment. That the contrast is time in almost every religion in which drawn between Buddhism at its best it assimilates the truth wherever it and Christianity at its worst must be finds it. At any rate it adopts those admitted in the case of many of the truths that are congenial to its own converts, but the vital fact remains doctrines. When a religion has grown that there is no other religion in which strong it frequently becomes intolerant there has been from the beginning so and narrow. Kindred truths instead of great intellectual freedom. It is this being assimilated are persecuted and freedom which thinking men are delonger insisted on, but the formula in which it has been cast. This is the urges is that Christianity should encour-

time of dogmatism and ecclesiasticism. age liberal thought, and he insists that The development of religions at present this message is one of encouragement is not quite closed. Even the domi- to those who believe in intellectual nant faith of Europe and America is fearlessness, or to reprove those who continually growing, changing, expand- would suppress critical examination of ing, or perhaps also becoming narrower knowledge.

We repeat a sentiment which we in certain quarters, and on meeting other religions it specifies or modifies its have urged again and again and which own tenets. The question of the sur-vival of a religion is mainly based on of the Christian faith. Any faith that is irreconcilable with Its capability of growth, and this will be the test when Christianity meets science is doomed. He who rejects with ethical religions of a different his- science blights the life of religion. For tory such as Mazdaism and Buddhism. the spirit of genuine religion is the We do not hesitate to say that Bud- same as the spirit of genuine science.

dhism is the most important rival of Science is a divine revelation. Con-Christianity, for not only has it a hold tempt for science and a deliberate supon the greatest Asiatic nations, China pression of reason is an intellectual and Japan, as well as Blam, Cochin sin; it is the sin against the spirit Ohina, and Korea, but has also (and which cannot be forgiven, but must, if this is perhaps of still greater signifi- persisted in, ultimately lead to eternal cance) made inroads into Western perdition.

countries. There are a goodly number Professor Hopkins grants that Bud-of Buddhists now in Germany, France dha "bids men be full of sympathy for and the United States, and it is not all living things, As a mother guards without importance that it is mainly herson," it is said, 'with kindness with-thinkers who are attracted by it. |out measure, impartial, without enmithinkers who are attracted by it. One reason why Christianity loses ty, prevailing throughout the

ground in certain spheres, especially so should the Buddhist guard all liv-among intellectual and carnest people ing beings." Nevertheless Professor possessed of deep religious sentiment. Hopkins claims that "Nothing is far s the spirit of dogmatism which still ther from the Buddhist ideal than love dominates almost all the Christian with its Christian connotation." The churches and prevents Christianity practice of universal kindness is merefrom growing and expanding and from | y a religious exercise "to free one's assimilating the truth that can be mind of the fifth fetter,' ill-will. One found in other quarters, especially in sees that the words are correctly renscience and in the faith of a religion dered, but the significance is deeper like Buddhism, based upon enlighten. that the literal signification. The ideal is different. It is not devotion to the world that the Buddhist aims at: he is

The question whether Christianity will be able to resist these inroads de- to free the mind of ill-will by trying to pends entirely upon its ability to ex-pand and grow. If Buddhism can ac-by calmiy considering it with equanimcept all that is good and true in Christignity it will not only maintain itself also wrong.' in the long run, but outgrow Christian-

ity in significance and power. voted to Buddhism appears from his But if the reverse takes place, if the leaders conclusion, where he says: "It started of Christian churches learn from Bud-dhism, they will have the advantage of ideal of self-sacrifice, and without God. introducing a new era in the history At its best it was a society for ethical culture. As such it soon perished. What took its place in India and farof Christianity, which will be an era in which religion and science would no ther East was a religion which exalted longer be in conflict.

As an instance of how Buddhism deself-sacrifice and decried self-seeking. velops and how it is represented in an even in the nobler form, as it did mate ancient Buddhist country by one of the rialism; a religion which virtually releading clergymen of its faith, we call instated a belief in soul, and made of attention to a collection of sermons Buddha himself a divine being, upon Sermons of Buddhist Abbot. By the whose love and pity man can depend to whose heaven hereafter man may go. Rt. Rev. Soyen Shaku, Chicago:-The Open Court Publishing Co., 1906.] preached by the Lord Abbot of Enga-kuji, Kamakura, Japan. We have bere There is revealed one clear fact name y, that a living church must hold fast to the spiritual, to the very element not a dogmatist and believer in certain which primitive Buddhism denied."formulas, but a philosopher and thinker The Editor, in The Open Court. whose reverential attitude makes him

religious, and allows the religious senti- WILL READ FUTURE ment to pervade his entire intellect and yet he is Lord Abbot of a sect which is one of the oldest and most or Flammarion Says the Spirit Is an Enthodox of Eastern Asia, the Zen sect

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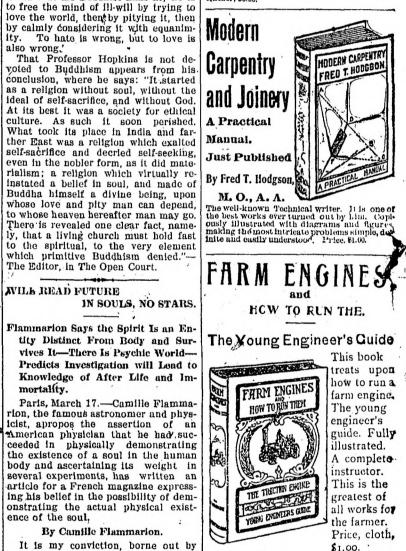
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WORK THEIR RUIN. Let each and day. "We have received a slate-writall ever be zealous in co-operating ten message by a spirit friend of yours, requesting your presence." 'Thanks; with the greatest of pleas-

ure do I accept your kind invitation." Besides the medium, his wife and mother, there were five others, making eight in all. When seated, the sensitive stepped into the center of the circle with a pair of slates in his hands, which we saw thoroughly cleaned right there. He then brought a new writing tablet for our inspection, after which he tore off a sheet at a time and sitters (but said sitter never touched the papers), till eight sheets had been torn off. He then quietly placed them on the slate, placed the other slate on top and bound them together by stout rubber bands.

Standing in the center of the circle and slowly turning around, he quickly stepped up to me and held out' the slates, which I grabbed by the nearest corners as he held his. I immediately felt a force inside and do not think it trolled (I came near saying obsessed) could have been over two minutes bethe papers fall to the floor. On picking them up we found seven of them fully covered with writing on one side, but the eighth was as clean as when thus giving a communication to each ione present. great and

My paper is written in green, signed by the same name as the slate message requesting my presence mamely, Carlyle Petersilea, a' grand spirit and a valued friend indeed, who, souls, will never rest until all the children of earth become fully satisfied, as some of us now are, that there are no dead.

The message for the lady sitting next to me seemed to have been written in black crayon, and while mine is written straight across the paper, hers is written diagonally, and so, all were differently written and in different colwas simply impossible under the conditions. There was no motive for taken:

This leads up to the reminder of the large parlor on the second floor, and at the open end of the horseshoe circle of sliters stood a black cloth cabinet four or five feet square, slit from floor to top on our side as the only means of entry. This cabinet stood several feet from any wall with no attempt at all o-shield any side of it from view, and the inside contained nothing but, a common chair.

The lights were now extinguished. and the medium took a seat within the cabinet, and in a very short time the front was lit up by a figure in snowwhite drapery. Next we heard a whiswife of one of the sitters, thanking drapery seemed to dissolve, leaving Seances of a similar nature were re-

peated to others present, after which the reflection of what seemed to be a

so shall ye reap.' We can not escape the consequences

with The Progressive Thinker in guarding the purity of our grand philsophy, and phenomena, which beckon us onward and upward to be good and to do good to each other, and which also teaches us to know the priceless inheritance transmitted to us when the breath of eternal life was blown into our nostrils. no matter what the trials of the crude beginning

may be. We still hear much regarding the dangers of psychism, obsession, etc., and surely, there is ever great danger in permitting the blind to lead the blind.

I was invited not long ago to attend what I supposed to be a spiritual gathering. There was a medium present claiming a high order of controls (but who were conspicuous by their absence), who had a rather sensitive son along, a young man who also did his best to submit himself to be conand it proved a partial success. for, for, after a lot of jerking and stuttering the influence succeeded in muttering that he had been a bushman on the burning plains of India. If that person, un-dressed in his native garb. had approached in his mortal form, how much control would "they have permitted him to acquire over their sensitive son? And yet there were mediums present who said it was

Ye Gods! Is there any wonder that there are dangerons obsessions?.

I have a good friend in this city who told me that he began some years ago to sit for development.

'Yes; what did you seek for?" "Oh, I sat for anything, and got it and for some time in spite of myself. I would pick up things and put them in my pocket, and I had a long and se

vere struggle to regain mastery over self, which I had so thoroughly sur rendered."

This is a true case, and must have been obsession or hypnotic control over the weaker embodied spirit by the stronger disembodied thief. If we could but see the hordes of

dark spirits hovering around the bar-rooms, urging their embodied cronies who have surrendered themselves as slaves thereto, to drink, and drink, the manufacture of that greatest curse to the human race would speedily and

forever be stopped. I hope we will have enough spiritual people to show their weight some day in some such grand effort. The above belongs to the old; what

is the new Spiritualism of which we that spiritual power which shall be are beginning to hear? It sounds able to lead to such conditions on good to me, and interprets itself about that spiritual power which shall be able to lead to such conditions on each able to lead to such conditions on the source of the such about the such able to lead to such able to the such able to lead to such able to find is the new Spiritualism of which we as follows: From darkness and deception, to light and knowledge. Ah, what a promising change. It means the abandonment of darkness, soiled wigs and paraphernalia; no more low ing angel visitors to be supplied with white slippers, beautiful hats and other material garments (they are go-ing to manage to drape themselves after this). All that belongs to the old, and must give place to the new truths that ever come trooping along and knocking for admission; and the

new, ah, yes, that means a little less phenomena hunting, and a greater ci-fort of self-culture to awaken and develop the latent attributes within each To illustrate, suppose I could sit

down at a piece and be postrolled by

of our own acts. We make our own gust, 1906), written by Professor E. Washburn Hopkins, of Yale University, heaven or our own hell. For just as surely as the sun appears to set at night and appears to rise again in the morning; just as surely as plants spring from seed, grow and decay, just so certainly do we, for every foolish ence, possesses a bias, it will certainly body and ascertaining its weight in word, give account in the day of judgbe in favor of the religion of his own several experiments, has written an ment of our own soul; just so certain country, but the more valuable is the article for a French magazine expressof Buddhism to Christianity" from onstrating the actual physical existly do we suffer in kind for every

wrong done our neighbor, whether blindly or designedly; just so certainly will our sin find us out. The mills of the gods grind slowly but they grind all the time. Nature

moves slowly. Grains of wheat that were found in the pyramids of Egypt, were planted, sprouted and grew into plants after having lain dormant, for centuries. Let us not deceive ourselves. There is a hell, that is, if we make one for ourselves and somewhere along the line of the soul's march to progress through this life or some other through which we must wander, and in the eternal scheme of everlasting and even and exact justice of the universe, we must suffer for our sins. But in all nature there is no warrant for the burning hell of John Calvin, of John Wesley and of John Knoy. Buddha. Zoroaster, Plato, Socrates, Confucius and other sages of the past did not believe it; Tolstol and other great masters of to-day do not believe it, and why should we?

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the greatest masters that over lived to give beautiful expression to the grandest music ever written, and could keep that up, say, for fifty years-who would really be benefitted?

After the withdrawal of the master hand, would I not slt there like a bump on a log, and as ignorant as said bump? In place of which, had I and the devotion to mental training. set to work tollearn to perform, if only one of those pieces, such unfoldment but is not regarded as a requisite in of growth and knowledge would have been mine to keep. Such is the differ-Christianity. Christianity seldom emphasizes, even when it permits, the utence between the old and the new. To most intellectual freedom, while Buddiligently seek for knowledge is the dhism establishes the faith intellectu-only road leading to wisdom. You ally from the beginning. This insist other mode of movement? cannot huy it is so-called developing circles, and if at all sensitive, keep ence on enlightenment, the building must discover this in the future. of faith upon intellectual satisfaction, conveys a message to Christianity that away from allopromiscuous circles unless you have gained good control over

self. be content with Buddha's philosophy-· [) there is no reason why we should be; but we need the spirit which coordi-Oh let-us have a new, clean Spiritualism; hindeed, it is time! The kindergarten stage should now have been passed.ujLet us take ourselves in admits no separation between science spirit. hand differntly to unfold our higher selves and thug, bring unto fruition and faith. There are Christians who

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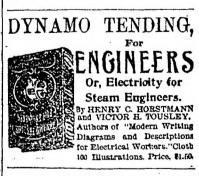
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the main erroneous. The greater por-tion of these are beneficial, and the tion of these are beneficial, and the large jar with water from a stagnant marsh. On examination, I found it helpful changes are wrought by them. It is doubtful if the higher forms of swarming with infusoria. I set it in a south window where it could catch It is doubtful if the higher for these, the full sunlight, and day by day ob-for they furnish an inexhaustible food served a portion of it with the microsupply to beings on the edge of the scope. It was wonderful how the visible, which supply still larger forms | forms at first most numerous, disap-and thus in an ascending series fash | peared and new ones came. At the ion the plasmic material into more and more differentiated organisms. It is end of three weeks it required pa-tience to find any being and at the end through these cellular beings that of a month there were none. The water had become perfectly clear with matter takes the form of protoplasm. and enters the cycle of organic evolua deep deposit of sediment. The last

tion. But leaving these speculations which touch the most mysterious subjects to which the human mind can give atten-then we come to the ordinary affairs which the human mind can give atten-tion, we come to the ordinary affairs of life, to find how great a 'debt we owe to these microbes. Without them the baker would vainly await the ris-the baker would vainly await the rising of his dough, the brewer the foaming of his beer, the wine-maker the the sewage of a great city flows only maturity of his wine. When the baker a few miles before its water becomes mixes his dough, he carefully stirs into purified. When it is agitated by falls it a portion of yeast. What is yeast? and rapids, the mingling air assists in It is a mass of yeast plants, or Toru- the destruction of harmful organic lae, one of the simplest of the Proto-phytes. When this plant is placed in vision in nature, by which the solvent

a substance having saccharine matter fluid which is essential to every form and nitrogenous combinations, and of life, should be maintained in the temperature is brought up to near purity. blood heat, it rapidly multiplies. If agriculture is the foundation of

If the farmer does not sow the seed national life, the foundation of agrion the field, he knows there will be no culture is laid by these invisible be-grain; and in like manner if the ings; without them the soil would be dough is not sown with the seeds of a barren waste. Vegetable mould and the yeast, it will remain hard and sod- the preparedness of the material is den. their work. By actual tests the farm-

Torula is unlike anything which we recognize as a plant. It is too small to be seen by the unassisted eye, and is no more than a globular cell of proon and work the refuse over until it becomes in a perfect assimilable conditoplasm. Its growth is rapid, multitoplasm. Its growth is rapid, multi-plying by a curious process of budding nature's compost, filled with these beor gemmation. If we suppose a tree ings which furnish food for minute. covered with buds pushing out contin-uously, bud starting from bud and either remaining attached or breaking salts are supplied, without which apart, we have an illustration of this crops cannot grow.

Several cells remain attached in lines or branches as long as plants were an exception to the rule growth continues, but when it'ceases that all plants required nitrogen, for they break apart, each becoming disapparently they secreted this element There is another process of in some form in the soil, and thus entinct. multiplication, for it appears that riched it with animal matter, or its equivalent. The anomaly is ex-plained by the discovery that the niwith all these beings there is a cycle of change, and after many generations of bud formation there must be trogenous salts are not produced by something like renewal of sexual imthe plants, but by a specific microbe The mother cell enlarges to twice or thrice the normal size, and its mitrogenous salts it secretes, returns substance breaks up into three or to the plant more than it receives. more cells, which grow until they Hence the more of these organisms on burst the common envelop and become the roots of clover, the more luxuriant free. Then the process of gemmation or budding is resumed. What effect hese microbes, clover will have has the growth of the yeast plant on dwarfish growth, and wonderful effects the substance which surrounds it?' It are said to follow sowing a small appropriates the nitrogenous matter quantity of soil from old clover fields, and resolves the saccharine substances into alcohol and carbon dioxide. It is gas which permeates the dough tween animal and plant life, where the d expanding by the heat of the oven gives it its porous character. very existence of one depends on the

The Torula which give rise to the other. yinous fermentation are much smaller and retain vitality after long desicca-tion. In this state it is blown every-ed by competent observers, that in the where by the winds, and finds lodg-ment on fruits and leaves. When the blood and tissues, no micro-organisms guired. The germs of any of the ordi-nary moulds will set up the vinous fer-the blood or depression of the vital ganisms. The elements were purified. mentation, and the plants thus cul- force, as in disease, there are present and the food supply increased.

ous species are few in comparison to the harmless or beneficial. There are many species that live exclusively on vegetation, and others are as exclusively carnivorous, and others still that feed indiscriminately. The visible world is repeated in the world invisible, and in the drop no larger than a pin's point, tragedies of life and death enacted; the strong devour the week, the treachery of cunning is the master, for the smallest But it contains within itself the means fragment brok'n from the point of a

needle would be half way in size between an elephant and one of these micro-organisms, and yet the latter manifest mind! It is thus seen that all these invisible beings are not not focs, but a

great majority are friends performing In the study of this effect I filled a for us work of renovation and change to which that of the larger beings is trivial in comparison. To them the soil owes the greater

measure of its fertility; the water its purity and the conditions of health are preserved by the energy with which these scavengers clear up and modify the waste products without and within our bodies.

But of vastly greater import than this labor of specific forms, is the work of the nameless organisms which stand between the unorganized material and the organic forms. The nameless, scarcely to be seen with the microscope, organisms that stand at the gateway of life, as the beginning of the almost interminable series of living forms which ascend from them

to man. It has ever been a problem unsolved, how the chain of living beings started-the first link in the chain which connects the organic with the It is thus that a stream polluted by inorganic. Nothing but a direct creation, a miraculous interposition of 'a creator was thought capable of spanning the gulf. There was on one side 'dead matter," inert, unsusceptible, unthinking; on the other living be-ings, thoughtful, conscious, independent. The contrast was so great as to be hopeless of explanation.

Not until recently was it found that physical matter assumed a plasmic form. That form was termed protoplasm It was not organized, but was capable of organization-was ready formed material for organized beings Out of it came micro-organisms. These were little more than fragments, having an individuality. They increased by absorption and multiplied by separating into other fragments.. Protoplasm appeared to be nothing more than coherent jelly, and the organisms, pieces broken from it. After a time they became enveloped in a pellicle-a cell or bag filled with jelly. When the solution in which these moved, furnished abundant nourishment, they enlarged rapidly, were constricted through the middle It was supposed that leguminous and broken into two distinct individuals; this process going on so rapidly that a single being in a day multiplied to millions. Yet there was no differentiative organs. There was no mouth, stomach, organs of propulsion. The sack when it touched an object ac ceptable as food flowed around and enveloped it. The digestion and ab-

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sorption at once proceeded. The larger fed on the smaller, and the which feeds on the roots, and by the smallest drew from the protoplasmic fountain. All this to the eye unaided by highest powers available of the nicroscope is invisible. its growth. If the soil is free from The size increased, and the mollusk, that has left the imprint of its shell in the earliest fossil-bearing rocks, found ample food supply in the currents of water drawn through its open shell. filled as it is with germs, on the young clover plants. This is a wonderful instance of the mutual relation be-Fishes incapable of feeding on the micro-organisms, were supplied by

their concentration in the mollusk. The scheme of living beings tailed the constant resolution of the small into the larger. The micro-organisms furnished the primal food for all. As living beings became larger and larger, with more complex organization, the food supply was con-

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THE WANDERINGS OF THE HULL PILGRIM.

It is two months since the writer of meeting, and I will not ask for space "The Wanderings of," the. Hull Pil- to say more in regard to it, except to grims" crossed "the Divide," and com- express my soulful thanks to the offi-menced his journeyings in the invis- cers of the Spiritual Union, and the ble realm. I remember well the hour many friends who contributed time, e closed the article; it was concluded strength and talent to make the occa-

Just three days after, we reached San sion a fitting one to my arisen compan-Jose. I was indisposed that day and ion. was lying upon the bed in our room; On the evening of my last lecture, I as was his custom, he read the report was greeted by a very large and intel-of "The Wanderings" to me. The ligent audience. After the meeting last contours and the report was discussed by a very large and intellast sentence he had written impressed was dismissed, many with whom I me deeply, and for some reason cast had never spoken before, said to me, a shadow over my spirit, and I would "Your attitude during the ordeals say in passing, that shadow has not through which you have been obliged been lifted. Possibly some of the to pass every Sunday during the past readers of The Progressive Thinker two months, in coming to this hall and remember those words: "We com- declaring your message, has done mence our work to-morrow; we hope more to interest me in Spiritualism, for the best, but are prepared for the and to make me know there is a real-

worst.". I said, "Why do you express ity in it, than anything that has come yourself in that way?" He answered to me before." So, I felt and I still ightly, "We should be prepared for feel, even amid my sorrow, I have anything." done a work, such as I never did be-It may not be known to the readers | fore.

of this article, that I sustained serious injuries last September, from a fall, and was rendered almost helpless for some time. For several days before Mr. Hull wrote the article to which I Mr. Hull wrote the article to which I have referred, I had suffered from the injuries much more than. I had for invitation to share the hospitalities of injuries much more than 1 had to invitation to share the nospitalities of some time before we left home. I was also attacked with bronchitis while in Billings, and had not recovered. He had at times expressed himself with was pleased to find not only an earnmuch anxiety over my condition, and est, faithful worker, but a sister workas he had been unusually well to all er in spirit and in truth. She is gen-appearances, for many weeks, L erous, loving, kind, and succeeds in thought he was unnecessarily troubled making congenial conditions for oth-about me. This was fully proven in ers who are working along different many letters that came to my hands in lines. Her companion is in full symanswer to those he had written two and three weeks previous to his leav. Mrs. Cowell in the expression of royal ng the body. Several letters con- hospitality in the home. In company with Mrs. Cowell I vistained words like these: "I am sorry

Mrs, Hull's condition does not imed an earnest group of Spiritualists in Alameda, Sunday morning. The meetings in which these friends parprove, but take courage Brother Hull, the California climate and the warm weather will bring her out all right." ticipate are held regularly in a room "We hope for the best, but are pre-red for the worst." We know the ground floor of a dwelling occupied by pared for the worst." We know the

other wanderer has met the "best' Spiritualists. The regular speaker is Mr. B. Sliter. I delivered a brief adthat could possibly come to him. No more wearisome journeyings, no more dress and left my hearty good will with them. weary waitings, no more ' perplexing cares, no more heart-aching disap-Monday, in company with Mrs. Cow-

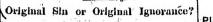
ell and Mrs. Barker, I visited San Francisco and rode over portions of pointments; yes, the "best" must have come to him, as to all, when they enthe desolated district. The work that er that world of greater opportunities, where "we know as we are has been done since the rayages of the earthquake and the fire seems marvel-

The two pilgrims commenced their ous, and yet, to an on-looker at the work for the Spiritual Union in San present time, it seems that it will re-Jose, Sunday, January 8. We attend-ed the conference in the morning, and quire a period of time, covering one generation to rebuild San Francisco. Mr. Hull delivered a discourse in the One needs must see the ruins and the evening. Had he known that dis-course was to have been his last, it tion has been.

could not have been more fitting. He I left San Jose the 7th inst. It was seemed at his best: the subject was, indeed a sad leave-taking on the part "The Adaptation of "Spiritualism to of the innuces of the Ringlep home Meet the Wants of Humanity." After and myself. That home will always presenting several reasons why Spirit- be a sweet and a sacred place to me; ualism meets the wants of "mankind, it was there the two pligrims—the two he said: "It is natural for every one Ms spent their last hours as earthly companions together; it was there the who has parted with friends by so-

called death, to want to know what dear, untiring Moses yielded his mordeath does with those who are called tal life; there the final message was away." Then stepping forward, as given from him as a spiritual being, though to make his words more im- to me a mortal; aye, and it was there bressive, and placing his hand upon his pulse, he said impressively, "What the presence of my loved ones who death has done for James Hull, my have gone before, came to me. father, it will do for me, his son. Every the dear friends in the home who minbeat tells the number less.". Then he istered to me, night and day, when the gave reasons why others, as well as waves of sorrow seemed to nearly himself, wanted Spiritualism true, gulf me, I can only say there are those when hearts were bowod down with who may become "like unto the an-"like- unto the angels" while in the flesh. When I reached the station, on the sorrow

The following Wednesday, the speaker who uttered the words quoted day of my departure from San Jose, 1 in the previous sentence, was stricken. found "The Mutual Helpers" had adand three days later, he left us as a journed their meeting, and were waitmortal. He went just as he had de-sired to go, without suffering, and as he had said within a week, "When I their expressed hope for my full recov-



An embassador who represents the power and dignity of his sovereign, and induces proselytes to people his master's country, should at least able to give a fair account of its location and climate, flora and fauna, its arts and science, commerce and indusry, its social and political economy, its individual possibilities and how a

the harness, loyal to the cause I love. My address for the present is 1410

WHICH IS IT?

stranger may go there without getting OBt. But what information, if any, can one expect of a minister who merely

assumes to represent a master and preaches the gospel of a kingdom which he knows absolutely nothing about, and stubbornly refuses to invesfigate the accounts from that kingdom which are constantly sent from there to post the inquirer concerning the same.

The enlightened minister has learned that communion with saints is no hollow mockery, and that 'the kingdom of heaven extends from the heart and mind within, to the remotest spheres of bliss without, that it exists in space as well as in condition, and that it is peopled with the spirits of just men made perfect, who have washed, and are washing their robes until they become whiter than snow, not in the literal blood of the lamb, but in what it symbolizes-a life of purity, purified through retri bution

He also knows that there dwell the spirits of the prophets who minister unto the prophets, amid all the ministering spirits who minister to those who seek salvation.

He knows that they are the spirits of our loved ones who have lived among us in their mortal bodies, and have gone before us to prepare a place for us, and as their love and sympathy is ever increasing, for us,

gladly impart their acquired knowl edge to us. He also knows that the spiri

searches even the deep things of God for the benefit of benighted children of earth who seek for knowledge in sincerity. But the stupid minister, who is un-

willing to search for and recognize the truth of spirit revelations, will remain such as long as gullible dupes

are satisfied to feed him. In spite of his confession of faith in the communion of saints, he will deny or denounce such as the works of the devil, and his sheepish sheep will glory in the wisdom of their shep herd.

Such a man is either blind to the absurdity of his position in society, or else is a contemptible impostor who merely plies his nefarious vocation for selfish ends; but in either case, he had spent his time and talents in acquir-

ing a sophistic education, as was hand ed down through posterity from prehistoric rogues and numskulls, hence can but victimize and duncify his over-credulous followers, and thus the dawning light of reason is shut out from them, may be, for generations yet to come.

If they could, as they surely will some day, see the frightful condition which they have created in the world of spirits on the lower planes, they would stand aghast at the repulsive sight of ugliness and deformities amid an indescribable pandemonium of hi Oť larity, crime, misery and despair, for which our priests and preachers are responsible, because of the misconcen tion of their assumed duty and the misrepresentation of their Lord and his kingdom. They have filled the minds of their victims with false information and sent them through the

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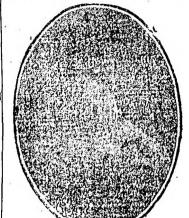
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tured are difficult to distinguish from the genuine Torula. Although ob-waste in the blood and secretions, per-is true to-day. Every living form servers have given a great variety of forming the work of scavengers and appear in different solutions and pro-health.

duce different effects, it is highly probable that the conditions under are marvelously like the lowest microwhich they are produced have much to scopic beings, and if met with elsedo with their change of form, and that where would be classed with them. the yeast plant is the parent of them all.

absorb disease germs and all others The growth of the plants has a limwhich may enter the circulation. It it, although the food may not be ex-hausted. When the production of al-corpuscies are normal, the germs of cohol has reached a certain propor-tion, the growth is arrested, after thus disposed of and the system rethe most virulent contagion would be which the liquor remains unchanged. main unaffected, being thus immune. The immunity which is the result of If the temperature is high and the process rapid, a species called Mucor the full vigor of the white cornuscles aceti is developed with the other, and and their numbers, has been explained acetic acid is formed from the alcohol, by the theory that their triumph over and the process thus started ends by disease germs was because of virus enconverting all the spirits to acid. In gendered in the blood. It is not the other words the Mucor conquers the white corpuscles, but the anti-toxins in Torula. The change may not stop the blood that first weaken the disease here, but a putrefactive form may germs, and thus make their destrucdisplace the Mucor and by disorganiz-In pursuance of this thetion easy. ing the acid, yield a dead liquor. ory there has been a wide experimen-

Pasteur maintained that the acetic tation on animals. In the culture of fermentation is produced by Bactethese toxins and anti-toxins, when rium aceti, as the bacterium lactis man has had "his blood so stimulated causes the lactic fermentation in milk. to produce so great a number of these The vellow color of milk and butter is anti-toxins that future microbes could given by the Bacterium xanthinum, be resisted with success." he was im and another species makes it, blue. mune. This may be produced by the The decomposition of butter and fordisease, or the virus may be cultivated mation of butyric acid is the work of by injection into the veins of animals another species. and the serum of their blood em-

In the fermentation of cheese and ployed for injection into human veins ripening of cream many kinds of Bac-By this means the blood becomes too teria are always present, and the flapoisonous for disease germs to live in it, or they are so weakened they are overpowered by the white corpuscles. vor and quality entirely depend on the species predominating. It has been proposed that the kind giving the best This new theory of cure, may be efresults be cultivated and sown in the fective as mercury and bleeding was curd, that by their greatest number they might give character to the by a past generation, yet it is an open question if it is advisable to ward off But so many other condidisease by filling the blood with the tions enter in that this plan is almost most virulent poison known, for these hmpracticable. The germs of putreslightly favorable temperature gives ways tend to setting up putrefactive them predominance. In some varie- change. ties of cheese the putrefactive germs Perhaps the soil has been prepared In curing cheese for the coming of the disease, by deare encouraged.

there is always danger of these putre- pressing climatic conditions, as was and possibility of their developing by uncleanliness and bad diet common the case at the advent of la grippe, or ptomaines, the most deadly poisons. in the poorer precincts of cities.

The production of a distinctive food It is advanced that we are compos is exemplified by sauer kraut, an ideal ites of an infinite number of cellular substance in which to cultivate germs. organisms, each having a function to If the temperature is kept down and the air excluded, fermentation goes on lative fancy, it is true that the body slowly, and when the small proportion is made up of cells which so far as of sugar is changed, ceases. A great they act independently, are to every number of species have taken part in the change which has converted the There is of late a great deal of talk cabbage into a mass of living forms about sterilizing food, drink and air far more nutritious and digestible and it is maintained that if this could than the cabbage which nourished be perfectly done, there would be no them. But if the air is freely ad-mitted and the temperature high, done, life would be cut short, for it is other species entirely different take singuarly dependent on many species the place of the ferment germs and of these germs. There would be more putrefaction follows, ending in com- danger from the destruction of thes olete disorganization. to health and life itself, than from the

the disorganization. This is nature's process of renova-for the material produced by the This unseen world is like the seen. tion, for the material produced by the last putrefactive changes is prepared in having a great variety of forms to nourish vegetable life and ascend in some antagonistic, others favorable to the accumulation of energy by com- the life of higher animals and plants. plexity, to yield it again in the de- As there are peaceful herbivora, sheep, horses, cattle, deer, antelopes, elescending order.

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The water from sewers and from the phants, etc., and tigers, lions, birds of toul surface of the land, flows down prey, vipers, scorpions, and parasites, tiffe Assumption. By Henry M. Taben, the streams in turbulent currents, so in this unseen realm. The sanger-

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The white corpuscles of the blood they did then, the material source. Whatever waste of energy there may be, in vital functions, is represented by the elements falling back again to their own, and is refurnished at this One of their functions is to destroy or

The eminent microscopist, Dr. Klein,

source. Thus it will be seen that the garnishing of the world, its preparation for the uses of man; the evolution of life, and living forms; the forests, the plains, the cultivated fields, the grains, fruits and flowers; the beauties' and adaptabilities of organic beings fishes in the sea, birds in the air, the swift and graceful mammal; and last the highest form of man, in his spir itual estate, reaches back in origin to the invisible micro-organism. And yet more, by the constant in-

flux of material and energy flowing into the great life current, life is sustained, and evolution constantly reaches higher planes. (To be continued.)

FIELD OF BATTLE.

#### (Truth Against Error.) "The day cometh that shall burn as

an oven."-(Malachi, 4:1.) Ye mighty, come to battle! mount the steel siege-guns,

Man with love and hate-woman with love and tears,

'ho' truth's in the balance, each cow ard runs. So he shall witness war in future

years. Since the world began man has fought

and hated. While he killed his love, by his mortal strife;

With iron will, has warred insatiated. First to conquer, then, after-Truth and Life.

Thus his love and hate in turn has swayed throne of man's citadel 'neath the Th'

skies: Til fair Science, like the evening star,

arrayed In greatest glory, charms our longing eyes.

composite splendor now roll in the days Of a nobler, grander time, and hu-

mane laws: Man digs for knowledge; applies all tests—the beaten ways, "The Father's trod," he careful scans

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form | go, I hope to fall in my harness at the ery of strength and courage, were when taking food, takes that which has for its primal origin, the micro-Yes, the "best" has come to the I can express here. more helpful to me at that time, than

older and the stronger pilgrim; what Los Angeles was reached many wanderings, in one sense alone? Can The continuous rains have flooded the she admit the "best" has come to her? | mountains, and the railroad tracks Possibly in one way, and that is, to have been weakened in consequence, accept the words of another, "It is and portions of the road that had unbest, or it would not be," but she is dergone recent repairs, were necessahuman and the vacancy that meets her rily approached and gone over slowly: on every hand, the voice that was so it was a lonesome, and somewhat tiresuddenly hushed, the threads that some journey. Our niece, Mrs. Ada were so suddenly snapped—well, it Bach. Brother-D. W. Hull's daughter. has made a loss physically that noth- was in waiting and soon the wandering fills. Mr. Hull says: "Let this event be as an object lesson to the outside world. You and I have given the greater part of our fives, and de-oral of our dear old friends called

voted our best energies to the philos- upon me, and assured me that all in ophy that proves 'there is no death.' their power would be done to make Be strong to exemply the philosophy, my work in this city a success.

you will be sustained." ready their promise has been proven In connection with the above, I to me. would say that many requests have Last Sunday, the 10th, I held been made by mail for a synopsis of meeting in Howell Hall. I was greet the address given through my lips on the occasion of Mr. Hull's funeral, but were many old-time friends. Mr. and it was not reported, and I have no more of an idea of the substance of it than as though I had not been there; last winter), assisted me in the meetit was one of the best evidences of an ing. Mr. Smith presided because I outside sustaining power that I have had requested he should do so, and ever known. The work in San Jose was continued tional singing with the plano. Mrs. Smith accompanied the congrega-

during the month of February as Mr. Sunday night, I lectured in Mam-Hull and I had planned. Considering mouth Hall, under the auspices of "The Truth Seekers' Society." At that the continuous rains, the condition of the streets, and the illness of many of hall I met a fine audience. I am to the Spiritualists, the meetings were continue meetings Sunday afternoons well attended and a great degree of in Howell Hall, the remainder of this interest was awakened. month. Sunday night I am to ad-

The work in connection with our dress an audience in Howell Hall uncause in San Jose depends upon a few der the management, of the society earnest men and women: Much credit over which Mrs. Vlasek has had has been, and is due them at present, charge for a number of years. Next for the existence of ""The Spiritual week numerous anniversary meetings Union" and "The Mutual Helpers," are to be held; of course, they will be (the woman's auxiliary), and al-Union" and "The Mutual Helpers," though many discouriging things have to deliver an address on the evening confronted them during the past few of the 26th inst., under the auspices years, they work ou with seemingly of the California State Organization; untiring efforts. at 114

There are worthy local workers in direction of the local organizations. San Jose, The older Spiritualists I desire in this communication must remember Mrs. Nettie Pease Fox thank the several hundred friends who as one of the best aniong our platform have written me letters of condolence speakers and writers of excellent during the past two months. Many books. Her home has been for sev- of the precious communications are eral years in San Jobe with her sister, filed away unanswered, simply because Miss Minnie Pease. who is a fine im- I had not the strength to write perpressible medium and clairvoyant. sonal responses. The acknowledg-Mrs. Fox has served the society at dif- ment should have been made in the ferent periods. I am glad to report papers a long time since, as some of that she is one who does not fossilize; the letters were written in January, she is a progressive "spiritual woman but business letters, correspondence and should be kept busy while she has with relatives and those with whom strength to do the work. but we had been for many years associated

I became personally<sup>ji</sup> acquainted intimately, together with the work I with Mrs. Tillie Gunderson and Mrs. have tried to partially keep up in con-Shaw, local mediums, who are doing a nection with my dear class in the Morgood work in the way of private read- | ris Pratt School, and my public servings and seances. They are endorsed lices have been all I could stand.

by the Spiritual Union and each con-Friends, wherever you are, rememtributes their services on the platform ber I love you, and in spirit you are when occasion requires. I concluded my work in San Jose, feel like a leaf, drifting on a great the last Sunday of February. The ocean, while there are hours when I friends desired on the morning of that day, to hold a filting memorial service the ordeals I have to meet, bereft of for Mr. Hull. It was an occasion to the strong, magnetic presence of the be long remembered by those who one who so long journeyed with me, were present. I understand Mrs. Fox still I am wonderfully sustained in my has written a communication to The work, and am determined to work on Progressive Thinker, relative to the until like the other pilgrim, I fall in

hy sonhism is ever a curse to humanity, and while a right education may ay a good foundation for our storehouse of knowledge, it is often finished only by hard knocks and bitter experiences.

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And now since another doctrine, of original sin, is finding its way to the scrap pile, it might behoove us to look at it once more and see if it may not stand for original ignorance, which nobody would deny, especially when referring to the other fellow. Chicago, Ill. G. A. WOLTER.

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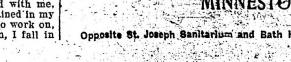
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A Commendable Project.

It is announced from Washington. that the multi-millianaire, John D. Rockefeller, has determined to expend fifty millions of dollars, for the purpose of lifting the Chinese in their own country, to the plane of American civilization. It is stated to be the oil king's intention to endow numerous institutions of learning in the principal cities of the empire, for the pur the knowledge pertaining to our higher civilization, excluding all learning in any manner connected with religious organizations.

Mr. Rockefeller claims the task of missionaries has heretofore been directed to the conversion of the lower classes in China to Christianity; that, practically, nothing permanent was accomplished; that by reversing the habit, commencing at the top, and slowly descending, he hopes to gain everything.

If Mr. R. will carry out to the letter the announced program; leave religious questions alone, and allow the people when educated to adopt a religious belief adapted to their condiubilanthronist will live forever His great donations in aid of the Chicago University, which is certainly one of the most liberal institutions of learning in America, bids us hope there is a glorious future awaiting the Chinese empire, the oldest government on the globe.

The spirit of man, that immortal enity that survives the tomb and the wreck of time, has been treated by the great mass of modern writers as immaterial, devoid of corporeal substance. Christians and believers generally in biblical lore, until the advent of Modern Spiritualism, were almost unanimous in the belief of the resurrection of the body, with all its earthly incumbrances, at a final judgment,

Fact.

when time was to be no longer. Spiritualists, on the contrary, discarding a material resurrection, have looked upon the mortal remains at death, as the worn out and decaying habiliments of the soul, from which the latter has taken its departure-a new birth, when the body is no longer

animated by the departed spirit. Several years ago we took occasion

in these columns, to express our opinion, and to support that conviction by many facts, that the soul, still bearing semblance of its earth life, was yet material, but so greatly refined as to. be invisible to normal vision. / We guoted Thomas Paine, who, in his Age of Reason, said:

"The consciousness of existence is not dependent on the same form; or. the same matter, is demonstrated to our senses in the works of creation, so far as our senses are capable of receiving that demonstration. A very numerous part of the animal creation preaches to us far better than Paul, the hellet of a hereafter. Their little life resembles an earth and heaven— a present and a future state."

Then Mr. Paine illustrated with facts drawn from winged insects.

which we need not repeat. Milton seems to have entertained a similar opinion as to refined matter; for he put into the mouth of Raphael, in addressing Adam:

Time may come, perhaps, when Your bodies may at last all turn to spirit."

We were greatly entertained and instructed, in reading that learned and scientific article from the gifted pen of Prof. Larkin, in The Progressive Thinker of March 9, 1907, in which he

negatived the idea of a continued life. He ransacked earth and heavon in- a fruitless search for the soul. It evaded inquiry at every point. And yet, with more hopeful vision than his, when he described the "astounding deductions of very recent physical science," in relation to "corpuscles," and showed "so far no difference can be detected between them and electricity;" that they are so minute "a row pose of educating the mandarins in all of them side by side one inch long would contain 12,500,000,000;000, we felt he only lacked the sixth sense, clairvoyance, to find the highly sublimated substance of which souls are

> made, and which leave the body, still instinct with life and memory with the expiring breath.

And have we not in the following. "the weighing of a soul," which is now making the rounds of the public press, the coveted knowledge, which must, if fully confirmed, remove every lingering vestige of doubt from the

minds of scientists, that a continued and an immortal life is a demonstrated fact? If the body is rendered lighter at the instant of death, it matters not how triffing the avoirdupois, tion, such as nature teaches, the fame | it is positive proof that something has of John D. Rockefeller as a genuine gone out at that instant beside the

Dr. Caird Makes an Appeal.

Plane.

lips of its inspired workers, and re-day is greater than ever before. ceive messages from our spirit friends, We would that we might h of nature, gather spiritual strength during the winter. Chicago can have one of the grandest camp grounds in the country before the summer of When we speak of writing the his-

In no city in the world has been forty years. Shall Spiritualists be the bring about this result; they are try-ing to create a spiritual force that shall be felt all over the country. There never was a time when the

need of organized effort was so appar-ent as at the present time. Attempts at the passage of laws inimical to the interests of Spiritualism are being made all over the country. We must prepare to fight them; mass our forces and show them that we understand our rights and are prepared to pro-tect them, and let us see that the matter of guarding them is placed in the hands of those competent to attend to it, not left to the undirected efforts of individuals.

There are thousands of Spiritualists in Chicago, men and women of intelligence, refinement, and of means, enough to make one of the strongest Spiritual associations the world has ever known, if they can be organized aright. Chicago is the home of The Pro-

gressive Thinker, the greatest Spirit-ual paper ever published, and the First Society of the Fraternal Order of Spiritualists is determined to make their society the very best in the country, and it will be, if you will come in and help us. Will you join us and do your part in the work of gathering the Spiritualists of Chicago into one grand harmonious working body, one that, shall be able to bring the finest talent in the world to our city to establish a camp in some nearby place, and eventually help organize other societies and so extend the work to other cities and states?

Come in now; there never was a

ent At this joyful anniversary season, let ions but take hold of the work before

'IS THERE A SPIRITUALIST IN THE VERY AIR IS FULL OF LIFE. CHICAGO THAT WOULD NOT LIKE TO SEE THIS CITY THE CENTER OF ORGANIZED WORK, AS IT IS ALERANY THE CENTER OF ORGANIZED WORK, AS IT IS BREATHE IT AT EXCITES US; WE ALREADY THE CENTER OF PSY- FEEL INSTINCTIVELY THE CHIC THOUGHT? CHICAGO IS THE COMMERCIAL AND BUBINESS CEN-COMPLEXH, GREAT THINGS, TO TER OF THE COUNTRY; THE CEN-JOIN THE RANKS OF WORKERS, TER OF PROGRESS ON ALL LINES. TO HELL PUSH,

Chicago is a city of conventions, of [ Many of us have been so rejoiced at great political, social and religious the sound of the raps that fifty-nine gatherings, of great and noble institu- years ago proclaimed the glad tidings tions devoted to art, science, com- that those of our loved ones gone merce, charity and religion. from mortal sight, still lived, that we Chicago, with its wonderful re- are content to sit with folded hands, sources, with its millions of inhabit- still listening for more raps, forgetting ants, ought to have the greatest Spir-itual society in the world. It ought ignorance, of superstition and of false to have a summer camp; it ought to beliefs and doctrines that for thouhave some place, easy of access, where sands of years have stood between we can go every Sunday during the the human race and the glorious free-summer months, and listen to the dom of Spiritual Truth, are not yet teachings of Spiritualism through the demolished. The need of laborers to-

We would that we might be in. out in God's own air and sunshine, spired to write some word that shall and where we can spend weeks, if we sink into your hearts; that we might choose, and, living near to the heart impress upon your consciousness the importance of the great work that can and wisdom to fit us for our work he accomplished in this city if we will

1908, if the Spiritualists will only tory of Spiritualism, the mind instant-tory of Spiritualism, the mind instant-ly flies back to ploneer days and the In no city in the world has been work of early laborers, but we to have made such wonderful strides in all di-the fact that we are making history torections as in this city during the last day, just as much as they were. The only laggards? Why should it not be history of our efforts will be recorded. the stronghold of spiritual work? Hosts of spirits on the other side of we of Chiefer and how the stronghold be and the side of the s history of our efforts will be recorded. Shall it it be said of us that we fall belife are working as never before, to Spiritualists in other parts of the country?

In organizing the Fraternal Order of Spiritualists we have made a beginning, small, to be sure, but we are strong in confidence, courage and enthusiasm, Every undertaking, no matter how gigantic or far reaching. is usually in the hands and from the brains of a few at its inception, but it requires the many to carry forward to successful completion. Co-operation is the only watchword by which a grand success can be accomplished. We have perfect confidence in the future of our organization. There is not pessimist among us. If you are in-

clined to look upon the dark side of verything, come in and join us, and our confidence and faith in the future of Spiritualism will begin to develop immediately. If you think the life is immediately, If you think the life is gone out of the spiritual work, come to Hygein Hall some pleasant Sunday and spend the day, and you will change your mind before it is time to

go home We are trying to organize the Spiritualists of Chicago into a working body that shall accomplish something worthy of the cause; we are trying to develop and foster a spirit of fraternity and co-operation, which we fee is the greatest need at the present time. No matter if we do not agree upon every little point of belief. The minor points of our belief may appeal to different minds in different ways; what matters it? We are all brothers and sisters; we all believe in spirit communication and guardianship; we

can all, unite, in helping each other more auspicious time than the pres- and doing good to our fellow-men. Let us not bicker over beliefs and opin-

us do something besides rejoice and be glad. Not long since, the interest of fidence in our ultimate success. No the whole civilized world was excited one can do good work for a cause in fornia and the efforts made by the are right, that you are engaged in the

# THEODORE J. MAYER. He Is Working to Advance Spiritualism to a Higher The President of the N. S. A. Gives a Glowing Sketch of the Life of this Remarkable Man-Truly a Philanthropist in Every Fiber of His Body and Soul.

A telegram from headquarters, at least one hospital, endowed it liber- apologiza to a negro, when shown that Washington, D. C., lies open before ally, and opened his purse freely to he had been hasty in his judgment of me. It brings sad tidings, which, the calls of institutions of like nature, him, - It takes courage of a high order. even if not wholly unexpected, are yet In him, the sick and afflicted, the de- to do this, even with white men. In hard to bear. It tells me that the serving poor and needy ever found a confessing a fault, good grammarians. generous-hearted, whole-souled treas- friend., Young men and women of tell us that we should speak the perurer of the N. S. A., Theodore J. talent, possessed of a willingness to sonal pronoun "1" first, then refer to Mayer, has taken leave of earth to re- work, were often the recipients of his our associates afterward. I - have turn to the home in the Sphere of the bounty. He loved to give in cases of reason to know that rule was ob-Soul, whence he came, when he elect- need with no clue to his own identity. served by Mr. Mayer. We did not aled to make this planet of ours a visit This was a frequent, almost invariable ways agree in our views, yet when the of two and sixty years in order that practice with him. Many a speaker motives were laid bare, we had the he might add to the sum total of Soul- and medium, sick, unfortunate and dis- same purpose in view and worked towisdom by the experiences he gained heartened, has received a twenty or a gether with a will in perfect harmony. here. He has left us when the shad- fifty dollar bill from his largess, There was no difference as to the ows of earth-life were only beginning without knowing until long after- principles involved; we did not alwayato fall lightly toward the west-left wards, if ever, whence it came. This study them from the same angle of us when apparently our need of his is ever the method of the true philanvision, but he was too broad to cherservices was greatest, when our Cause thropist who never allows the one ish any resentment over a mere differmost required his valiant defense and hand to know what the other hand is ence in opinion. I always found him, support. The void made by his exit doing. sincere, straight-forward, honest to

Theodore J. Mayer became an in- the core, and earnestly desirous of betensely loyal citizen of the land of his ing just in all he said and did. His adoption. He loved America and the great worth, his noble nature, became principles underlying American insti- more and more apparent to me as the tutions. He wove himself without re- years slipped past us. He was more serve into the warp and woof of our to me than my friend; he was my country's being. As a resident of the brother, my comrade-in-arms, my District of Columbia, he had no vote, helper in all of the affairs of life. mind as I think of Mr. Mayer's return yet he was one of Columbia's most Emerson says: "A friend is a person, faithful sons in all phases of our na- with whom one can be sincere," and tional life. Through his early years every one who really knew Mr. Mayer his sympathies were with the Demo- always found him to be sincere, therecratic party, and remained there until fore a friend in the best sense of the the hard times of 1894 caused him to word. align himself with the Republicans.

He has gone back to his Soul-home At one time, I am told, he was offered at the early age of sixty-two years. the treasurerership of the United No doubt over-work had much to do made an exchange of dwelling places, States, but declined the office because with undermining his splendid constiand gone back to the home he left in of his numerous business interests. tution. It would almost seem as if he the long ago. Reflecting upon this His home life was quiet, yet inspiring. should have had another score of change, we can readily see what it He was an omnivorous reader, and his earth years, yet At was not to be, and means to him. He has gone home to rooms contained choice volumes bear- he has gone to that life in spirit which the loved ones of his heart who left ing upon his favorite themes. He he enjoyed so much in anticipation. him in the far-away past, the gentle kept pace with the progressive thought His now the realization, after his busy, wife of his bosom and the tender of the age and was frequently far in well-spent life. A giant oak has fallen babes, the pledges of their love, who advance of it, as he also was of his among us, leaving a great gap in the preceded him more than a quarter of a compeers. His wife passed away at forest of being, an aching void to our century in their exchange of homes. an early age, three children having tear-dimmed vision, and there is no Going home to enjoy their companion- preceded her into spirit life. One son one who can fill his place. We have ship, to take up life's activities anew, alone remained to keep him company. his deeds to inspire us, his words of and carry on to a successful finish the Mr. Mayer never married a second kindness to cheer and comfort us, his work for Spiritualism which he began time. The memory of the wife of his noble, unselfish life as a daily examwas sacred to him, and he cherished it great-hearted, whole-souled philan-

> "Not dead! Oh, no, but lifted Above all earthly strife.

Now first he knows the meaning And feels the power of life.2

Let us, therefore, weep no more for spirit, soul, pocket book, and all men- our dear one gone, but transmute our tears into deeds of love for his sak

what this noble life was to them and When we speak of writing the histo the religion in which he so reverently believed. Words from the truly inspired pen of Lizzie Doten regarding Henry L. Kingman of Springfield, Mass., in 1860, come to my home: "He left us when his manly heart With earnest hope was beating high: Too soon it seemed for us to part. Too soon, alas! for him to die! We know that Theodore J. Mayer is not dead; we realize that he has only

is indeed great/and our people every-

where will now see for themselves

so well and so enthusiastically carried youth, and the mother of his children ple for us. He is not dead-this forward while in the mortal. He loved his religion and stood most fondly. Her exchange of worlds thropist, but lives on in our very midst ready on all occasions to render it did not take her out of his thought or to inspire us to continue the work to faithful service. He never did things life. He sensed her presence every which he so willingly devoted his life. half way, nor did he believe in hiding passing day, and lived accordingly.

his truth from the gaze of men. It He became a convert to Spiritualism was too precious to be concealed, too between twenty and twenty-five years reverent to be scoffed at, too inspiring ago. His was not a partial conver to be cast aside for the seeming things sion; it took in his entire being, body, in life.

Theodore J. Mayer was a self-made tal activities. He at once saw the man, and in many respect a most re- need of systematic organization on the knowing that all is well with him markable character. He was a native part of the Spiritualists of America, and that all things are ordered wisely of Switzerland, and was twenty years and devoted himself assidnously to the for the best. Let us help him to pass of age when he took up his residence task of bringing our widely scattered on to nobler heights, to win greater in America. Single-handed he set forces together. He took time to in- and more glorious victories for the bravely forth to carvo out his fortune vestigate most carefully almost every cause of truth in the land of light and in regard to a mine explosion in Cali- which he has no faith. Believe you in a strange land. He was not afraid phase of mediumship, and was equally love where he now dwells. Let us of hard labor, and he did not spare painstaking in his study of psychic further remember that this earth of

#### We Don't Believe It.

"And the Lord's anger was kindled the same time, and he sware, saying,' etc.-Numbers 32:10.

An orthodox devil could not dis honor the Lord more grossly than does the "inspired word" when it represents the creator of boundless world getting angry and swearing. The most profane man in Christendom can justify his vulgarity by quoting, if not a "thus saith the Lord," then by quoting a "thus doeth the Lord." In the following verse the Lord tells of having "swared unto Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob." Jesus must have had his Father's vulgar habit in mind when he commanded his disciples to "swear not at all," virtually telling them not to follow his Father's profane example. Then we have "holy writ" declaring: "Anger rests in the bosom of fools." Such language is not complimentary to God. We beg all our Christian brothers, of all religious denominations, to join in convening a general council, to eliminate all these God dishonoring passages from the bible, and don't forget to

thank a Spiritualist journalist for calling attention to these horrible things in your book. An angry God, forsooth, swearing at

his people! It is worse than whistling for flies.

#### Hide on the Fence.

What under heaven did Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, of New York, mean, when he wrote:

"If anybody wants to fight, wants biblical authority for fighting, to the Old Testament, and you can get all the authority you want; and if you not only want to fight, but to kill the wives and children of the enemy, go to the Old Testament. You will find there almost anything you look You will for.'

And this the estimate an anointed priest places on the "inspired word of God!" A thoughtless Spiritualist could not express himself more severely. Is the learned Doctor falsely reported? If not, is there another heresy trial about to burst on the world? Aside, we would inquire in a confidential tone:

"Doctor, how dare you relate such facts in a Christian pulpit, or write so the publication, "Crimes of Preachtruthfully for the public press? They'll | ers," that the thoughtful do not covet have your hide on the fence, sure."

breath. But to the quotation "According to a remarkable scientific article published in Boston, five Massachusetts doctors, after six years of experimenting, say they have proved the existence of a soul in the human body. They have determined also that the departure of the soul from the body is attended by manifestations evident to mortal senses----in other words, that at the instant after death the body is lighter by a measur-

able amount. "Every known test has been made that might disprove the facts." Instead of doing this, each experiment has added to the confirmation of results which were obtained when the first ex-

ceasing labor was still to be performed, periment was made. The difference tween the weight of the live human as there is in the field of spiritual work to-day.

body and the body a moment after death, or when the soul has quitted it, was found to be from one-half ounce to one ounce, and to this they say there can be no other possible solution excent that it is the weight of the human soul. In every case, they say, the loss was shown after all known scientific deductions had been taken into consideration."

Orthodox to the Last.

The good John Alexander Dowle was orthodox to the hub, to the last. "Let it be so recorded." Only six weeks before his demise he prepared a sermon he designed to be read at as God by the Roman people in the his funeral, which came to light after his doath, but it was not used. The a day to be observed for its worship. last paragraph is given the public in words following:

for them that held to the word and

Not a Desirable Title.

.The educated Christian clergy are

dropping the title of "Rev." - It is

an old Catholic title, not self-assumed,

but applied by others. It has been so

frequently dishonored, as shown by

it.

"I shall return, and with a ruthless was set up, just as has been done by hand shall exterminate the vipers and dogs of hell that now hold high places Roman mythology. in the City of Zion. They dreamed and in the grossness of their dreams

The Kansas legislature acted wisely thought they had prevailed over the first apostle. And now, priests and in not enacting any repressive law to further prohibit the people from en-joying the little freedom the church Stepping put to pick a berry, in not enacting any repressive law to elders of Zion. I shall return to strikeye down. I shall return in another form, brighter and more beautiful, and has so far found it impossible to take. ten thousand times more terrible to from them. cut ye off in the midst of your sins and to win back Zion for the truth and

#### An Oath With the Bark On.

did no evil." Col Ingersoll declared the pledge That Dowie was thoroughly orthodox is evidenced by the language. "viof fidelity to a creed on the part of the pers," "dogs of hell," "I shall return | clergy, is-in effect an oath: "So help to strike you down," etc. Poor man, me God, I will never mentally adhis priestly ambition was to rule, and vance." He should have added in the subordinate all the world to his own language of a secret order of fifty years ago: "And this I do under the narrow creedal opinion. But it is a mournful fact in his threats of exterpenalty of being hated by men. despised by angels, abhorred by 'devils, mination he only followed the example of the Master.

sions are hurt, it is much better philosophy to let a man slip into a good temper than to attack him in a bad -Thomas Paine, in Crisis. Where all are selfish, the sage is no

Duty is carrying on promptly - and faithfully the affairs now before you. It is to fulfill the claims of to-day .---

Goethe.

miners to rescue those buried by the bound to succeed. Be enthusiastic explosion, or cave-in. When those noand try to outhuse your fellow-workble-hearted men were working uners. ceasingly night and day, to reach

We extend to every reader of this down through the tons of rock and debris that formed a prison and per- article an invitation to join our soperhaps a grave for their fellow- ciety. We want you. Even if you are workmen, what a thrill went over the so situated that you can not do much whole country when the news was towards the work of the society, beflashed over the wires that a faint tap- come one of us. There is strength in ping had been heard from that dread- numbers. If you do not feel to join, ful tomb in which their brothers were we shall be glad to receive contribuburied. But did their efforts cease tions to assist in carrying on the work. when they had ascertained the glad As Chicago offers the grandest opporfact that Miner Hicks was living, or tunities and boasts of the grandest de-later, when communication was established and they learned his condition? nessed, so we would have it lead in Oh, no, many days of constant, un- this, the grandest of all works, that of spiritualizing the world. ALEX CAIRD, M. D.

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Traisms.

They Failed. The wrongs to be righted are in this The Methodists of Kansas are greatworld; the suffering to be relieved is ly disgruntled because the state Legislature, at its recent session, refused to here; the help to be given is on earth: throw additional protection over their the burdens to be borne are during holy day, which they falsely call the our present life; the sacrifice to be Sabbath. . The "Remember the Sab- made is now; all that man needs is bath day to keep it holy," referred to what his earthly existence demands, our Saturday, and had no connection and every assertion about future pain whatever with Constantine's day is made to rob the world and enrich made sacred to the sun, and known to the church .-- L. K. W., in Truth us as Sunday. The sun was worshiped Seeker.

time of Constantine, and he set aside THE DEAR OLD MOUNTAIN ROAD.

On the hottest day in summer, It was stolen by the Christians. A Tired and lazy with the heat false account of the origin of the day of the golden sun, now roaming O'er its often traveled beat; every other sacred and festal day in What will ease the mind more quickly. Or remove a greater load,

Than to stroll along at leisure Down the dear old mountain road?

Then back to the road again; Near the rock on which we children

Often saw a sleepy toad; And around the bend, the schoolhouse Down the dear old mountain road.

Il the trees, the elms and maples, Birch and willows, poplars, too, Seem likevfriends, all but forgotten. As they each one come to view; But when far from all these treasures Of my poyhood's fond abode, There is none that seems so precious

As the dear old mountain road. EDNA JOHNSON WARREN. Rutland? Vt

Soft is the music that would charm orever.---Wordsworth. Genius always gives its best first;

rudence at last.-Lavater Man alone is and shall be our god. -Feuerbach. Solitude and concentration will re-

veal a world of thought, the likeness of which man had never dreamed .bolt.

When we have but the will to do it, that very moment will justice be done; that very instant the turants of the earth shall bite the dust!-Peter Kropotkin.

himself in the discharge of any duty phenomena. that came to his hand. He made his made it possible for him to weigh evi- ing lived in it, and that the soul realm work a part of himself, and by putting dence, after he had once taken the is richer because he has entered there. his very soul into his efforts, he was necessary initial steps in the direction Theodore J. Mayer, my friend, my soon ble to produce results. In all of sifting the wheat from the chaff. | brother, I greet thee in spirit! Peace, of his business dealings he was a man. It was my privilege to meet Mr. eternal peace, bosyith thee! All hall, of his word, hence won and retained Mayer some fifteen years ago, since and a brief farewell until we meet the confidence of his fellow-men. His which time our associations have been again in the "Morning Land!"

word was his bond, and his standing quite intimate. His work for Spiritsoon became a synonym for integrity ualism is largely interwoven with the throughout the nation. He was a history of the N.S. A., whose treasurer man who "did things," and did them he has been for twelve years out of the for a purpose. Idleness he hated fourteen it has been in existence. He with all of the ardor of his impetuous was one of the prime movers in the ology, anatomy and the functional nature. He believed in hard work as work of organizing our National body, an essential part of true religion. He and has always been its heaviest finanexacted nothing of others that he did cial supporter. His benefactions did Spiritual Temple, corner of Jersey not demand in full of himself. , He not stop with the N. S. A. He helped began life in a humble position with to establish our Pension Fund, conthe well-known firm of W. M. Galt & tributed generously to the Morris Co., of Washington, D. C. Promotion Pratt Institute, and gave liberally to came as he earned and deserved it, the support of not a few local sociehence he rose steadily in position and ties, the First Association of Spiritualinfluence until he stood at the head ists of Washington, D. C., being, of structure of the human body.

of the great house with whose inter- course his first love. His munificent gift to the N. S. A. ests he was identified all his Mfe. He held this place for nearly twenty years of the headquarters building and the lot on which it stands, is or should be prior to his transition. Prosperity came to him, and the fresh in the mind of every Spiritualist tem. goddess Fortune smiled encouragingly in America. He has contributed large upon his efforts. His success was al- sums for the support of the various ways won by honest effort, and ever activities of the N. S. A. ever since it inspired him with the desire to do became a body corporate. I believe I good with that which was entrusted to am making a conservative estimate its two thousand million cells and his stewardship. He was prominent when I place Mr. Mayer's donations to fibres of sensation, the receiving stain Masonic circles, likwise in many Spiritualism in general, to mediumfraternal orders, as well as corpora- ship, to the N. S. A. and to local socie- human embryo and its relation to hetions of great influence. He was a di- ties at \$100,000 in the last twenty reditary influences and harmonious rector in a score or more of active years. This testifies emphatically to environment business associations, including sev- his love for and belief in his religion. nificent manikin charts. eral banks, hospitals and eleemosyn- Had other Spiritualists done as much ary institutions. He kept a watchful as he has, in proportion to their the secular press and the public who eye over every enterprise with which means, Spiritualism as a movement has heard him that he has no peer on the American rostrum as an instructor he became identified, and many of the would stand in far different relation-successes gained were due to his sa- ship to the thought-life of the world truths relating to Natural Philosophy. gacity and foresight. He met' with than it does to-day. Mr. Mayer's bensome disasters and sustained not a efactions should be perpetual inspirafew reverses. He made everyone of tions to his brethren to emulate his them a stepping stone to a greater example. If our people fail to carry they believe that which they do not; and truer success. He seemed en- his good work forward, they will be others more in number, make themdowed with an intuitive faculty whose recreast to their duty, and be most un-impresses seldom, perhaps never failed grateful to the generous man who has him in any great emergency. By fol- set the pace for us all, and led the the will of man is by his reason.

lowing its lead he quickly overcame way. His monument will not be of swayed .- Shakspoare. lowing its lead he quickly overcame, way. This monthly will be who plays for more than be can lose his seeming misfortunes, and went marble, nor yet of granite, it will be with pleasure stakes his heart.-Herforward. inspired by it, to the victory rather the good he has done through bert. that he felt sure was ahead for him. his willing service to his fellow-men. When his position in the business

and financial worlds was secure, he exever sought to overcome - them, and erted himself with the same unflag- stood ready to correct his every misging zeal as before, to make good use take as soon as the error was made the robed and crowned-rises the sinof that which was his. He was an ardent friend of education, likewise a prejudice, might remain' wedded to neither paints nor patches, veils nor most generous patron of the arts. He their mistakes. Not so with him. mask!-Ingersoll. spent large sums for the advancement The frank admission of a fault was to

of science, and sought to interest oth- him part payment of the debt. This the world if we would rejoice more ers in the noble work of diffusing rule he applied to himself, as well as with others instead of feigning sym-knowledge among men. He founded to others. He has been known to Bewer.

His analytical mind ours is the better because of his hav-

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and damned by God."

When any one of the prouder pas-

better than the fool, and only rather more dangerous.-Froude.

Spirit Return.

As Manifested at the Home of Mrs. Alice D

Green, at Hamilton, Ill.

the Secular Press is doing a grand work for Spiritualism. - It reaches a class who never see a Spiritualist paper, and who often become deeply interested An our Cause. The phenomena occurring at the home of Mrs, Green will excite great interest among home of Mrs, Green will excite great interest among skeptics and investigators, and they will be led to bet to be to the table when I retired. I make further inquiries in reference to Spirit Return, am quite sure that I am same and Mr. Upp sleeps in his studio upstairs and he dewhich is now agitating the entire world.

'The first message was written in a Hamilton, Ill., March 16,-Two and A half m.les southeast of this city, [as feeble, uncertain way, but it could be set forth in the Chicago Record-Herald] read distinctly, It said: 'Do not get at the farm home of Mrs. Alice D. blue any more." Up to this point I had Green, there has been in progress for had but one indication that there was several months a series of the most a psychic power at my disposal, and puzzling psychio manifestations. During the last few weeks the expe-were both dumbfounded at this mystethe rjous writing. We had heard of such riences of the persons in whom extraordinary powers are claimed to things and had scoffed at them. I was have been developed have been grow- anxious to pursue the investigation, but the physical pain to Mr. Upp was so ing more frequent and perplexing So within the Green family circle except from further tests. Since that time we

in a few instances where they have have been receiving messages nightly. been related in correspondence with Portraits in pencil and landscapes in pastel constantly are being fosmed without the fouch of human hand." persons engaged in psychic research, Mrs. Green, the dominant factor in This explanation had been made while I talked with Mrs. Green in the the weird happenings, is 56 years old and inherited the 140-acre farm on which she has lived since she was 3 living-room of her house, She proyears old. Her high standing in the duced a large number of messages community in which she has lived prac- written in pencil in proof of her assertically all her life is unquestioned. Her tions. "I want you to meet Mr. Upp," she financial position is such as to absolve

her from any charge of making claims said, Blong psychic lines from mercenary sensitive about the subject, and that motives. In the ordinary affairs of life if you-show a disposition to scoff he her veracity goes undisputed.

probably will refuse to discuss his ex-The other prominent figure in the re-markable psychio or "spiritualistic" pertences at all. as it was only at my earnest solicitation that he consented manifestations that occur daily at the. Green home is George Upp, a painter

of considerable fame, who for many wears has had his studio in the big rambling Green farmhouse. Mr. Upp's position in the world of art, his general whose manner was affable. Beyond the reputation and his financial independ inevitable litter and disorder of an art ence compel belief in his integrity. Few psychic phenomena are given to ist's studio there was nothing "spooky about the apartment. By way of his the world on the word of as honest and favorite subject, art, the conversation disinterested witnesses as Mrs.' Green was brought around to the alleged and Mr. Upp. Further than this, the phenomena seen at the Green farm are "spiritualistic" manifestations in which attested by Mrs. Green's husband and he had been playing so important a her cousin, the only other members of part.

"I assure you," he said, "that the the household. things that have been occurring in this The Green home stands a quarter of a mile back from the main road and is house are as strange to me as to you Further than this I am fully aware that approached through an avenue of ma-ple trees. The attention of the visitor the public will only 'fake' when it hears of these things. I cannot blame it is roused at the very entrance to this Still, the facts remain. avenue by the white swinging gates, which are decorated with wooden pan-els, on which are painted the faces of mysteriously I have been bringing to children. The grounds around the bear on these phenomena all the power house has been laid out in elaborate of disinterested thought at my comdesigns and show more attention than mand. I am investigating as honestly as anyone could. ' Many of the phenomena the ordinary farm dooryard gets. The house is large and nondescript. might be explainable on the theory that they were the physical acts of a mar

Solitary Grave in Dooryard.

In a subjective state of mind. For in In one corner of the dooryard, not stance, take this sketch," and the artist free than fifty feet from the big, round how of the living room, is a solitary tel- sketches. It was a landscape, roughly done, but showing talent. ave. Here was buried a year and a half ago Harry Green, the only child He had married a sister of George Upp, human touch," said Mr. Upp, "to the and was about 35 years old when he best of my belief, and yet the investi

gator would say, very likely, that I "Hatry always said that all he wantmade the sketch while in a subjective ed of the old farm was that much space mind state. I admit that this may to be buried in," explained Mrs. Green, have been the case. I am, willing to and besides I could not bear to have make oath that if I touched that sketch him taken away from me.'

I did not know it. Still, as long as the The burial of Harry Green in the sketch was formed, while I was in this dooryard of his mother's home created room, I know it will be difficult to conbut the Greens are quiet folks who live make it." vince the average person that I did not

would scarcely by trpected in De-lieve that the answers written by Mr. Upp to questions asked of distin-guished persons by me are really spirit messages," admitted Mrs. Green, "because it would be so easy for fraud to be committed if Mr. Upp was so disposed. But on what theory are to be explained the messages that come in the night when, on the solemn word of every member of this house hold, no human being that any of us

know anything about possibly could produce them? Messages From the Unseen. Bringing out a drawer full of the

communications to which she referred, Mrs. Green made this remarkable statment: "All of these messages were sent in

left on the table when I retired. I Spirit," and on one occasion the ques-am quite sure that I am sane and I tion was asked: "What is the Great Spirit?" The answer, in the handsleeps in his studio upstairs and no up clares he did not write them. Mr. petta," was: "The the wisdom and condenced ""The the wisdom and condenced

Green and Mr. Johnson not only say ""This the wisdom and condenced they had nothing to do with them, but thought and experiences of all the there is every reason to believe they length between the two eternities. had not, even without their assurance. When we want to know, the occult No one else could possibly gain access power is given us to know by. That is to the room after the family returns without our knowing it. I have no object in misrepresenting these phe-sible for her to bring about one of the "spirit" messages, in which the pencil.

does the writing with - human son for believing that there was trick- ance, while a disinterested spectator ery on the part of some one, but they was in the room. "I doubt if it could be done," she aid. "Once when I was in commuhave been coming nightly for months." that said. The three particular "spirits" seem to be interested in the Green induction with my son a third person household are known as "Pompetta," who was not in sympathy, or, rather, 'Bessie" and "Beppo." The first is in close touch with conditions, in-

alleged to have introduced herself to truded, and the communication the household as the artists' model who posed for Hans Makart, the Aus-trian artist who painted the five nude female figures called "The Five Senses," which were exhibited in Chioago during the world's fair.

In the painting Pompetta has her back turned to the public, which was something of a mystery at the time the picture was shown in Chicago. Since she began to visit the Green household, however, Pompetta has confided to Mrs. Green that Makart was compelled to paint her that way because she was so much more beautiful than the court ladies who posed for the other "four senses" that they

became envious and forced Makart to hide her face in the painting. "Bessie's" family name is Story and she is a "spirit" acquaintance of Hairy Green. "Beppo" is the "spirit" nickname for the Duke de Alvarez, a Spanish grandee who was helped into the 'spirit" world by a bull that gored

him to death. Each of these three supplies messages in an entirely different hand writing from the other wo, and in all the communications received these distinctive chirographies have been observed strictly.

Felled by Strange Power.

It was just after dinner at the Green sidence that the first physical demonstration of the strange psychic power that seems to pervade the houseold was seen. Mr. Upp was pacing leisurely and naturally through the living room and parlor, talking politics. Mrs. Green was sitting in the living room. In the middle of a question and as suddenly as though felled by a blow with an ax, the artist plunged headlong to the floor, his head narrowly missing the base of the stove. Perspiration in big drops oozed

from his face. His eyes closed and his hands clutched nervously.

"He does that frequently," ex-plained Mrs. Green placidly, placing a cushion under his head. "All that is cushion under his head. "All that is necessary to make him fall like that is for me to summon Beppo, the spirit ruide. Now we will see if we can find some one with whom to converse in the spirit world." "Is there no danger of Mr. Upp

dashing his head against something and killing himself in these tumbles?" Mrs. Green was asked.

of them to establish the same delight-"Not the slightest," she said. "Bepful communication with them in the po has assured me that he never

socording to Mrs. Green, could have

ilso have been found;it is ulaimed.

Hear of "Great Spirit."

stopped immediately. ... Later I asked

Harry why he should have stopped

speaking to me when a third person

appeared and he said the intrusion of

this third person diffused the spirit-

istic current of communication.

communication.

even wireless telegraphy?"

Green home have thus just begun

Takes Away the Sting of Death.

vestigators along psychic lines.

**IMPORTANT QUESTION** Will God Give Us Another Chance?

drawn it. This alleged pencil sketch of Christ is but one of the many drawings that are claimed to have been secured in the same way. The sketches of weird musical instruments used in the spirit world here reproduced are claimed to When we contemplate the deficien cles in human nature, the failures in many of the most noble lives, the de have been formed in the same way. After "Pompetta" became one of the daily "spirit" visitors to the Green feats where victory should have been achieved, we pathetically ask: "Will God give us another chance?" Will it household Mrs. Green was seized with be worth while to Him? or will He a curiosity to see what she looked like and made the request in writing when leave us with the flower dust, the asher of dead song-birds, the leaf-mold, which she retired. The next; morning there once living, beautified the trees above was a small pencil sketch picturing a our heads, but in Autumn floated down girl. Similar crude sketches of other to earth for disintegration, that it might persons referred to in: the messages

be ready to feed new life expressed in resh organizations of to-morrow? We might have done so much better

In many of the alleged communica-tions there is reference to the "Great able in the ordinary affairs of life inor we could do so much better if we sanely cling to their imaginary gods; could have another chance! So we all and the averments of the learned are hink--so we all hope--not quite losing no better than the repetitions of the faith in ourselves, no matter what blun ignorant. ders we have made.

While we are garmented in our bod ios we may take chance after chance to improve our past work. But when either from disease or age, we feel our time for going out of this life approach s, we ask with all the earnestness of a last earthly hope, "Will God give us another chance?"

In "Ships which Pass in the Night," there is a touching conversation be tween Mr. Reffold, a dying consump tive who had sought Petershof. that Mecca of invalids, hoping for benefit which he did not receive, and Bernardine, a clever young woman, broken down with over-work, who was there recuperating. The voice was gentle and her manner quiet. She was a com fort to the hopeless invalid.

leaving the question still unsettled and open for discussion. Indifference to the needs of thos around us, whether human or dumb millions of people have been destroyed for unbelief in gods, as the pages of creature, is paralysis of the soul. Ber nardine was not afflicted with the dishistory show. ease of indifference. She was sympa thetic, brave and true. gantly condemn and scorn the deities and devotees of Mythology; but "they

Mr. Reffold called her Little Brick. "He explained it on much the same theory as wireless telegraphy is ex-To her it was sad to see him passing ers in ideal gods. The Egyptians wor-shiped the dog-headed god Annubis. away, so lonely, so uncomplainingly plained-that if the electric vibrations "I'm a chap who wants very little" he said one day. "Those who want little get nothing." And be turned his are once projected in the right direc-What is the difference between a three-headed, god and a dog-headed

tion under the right conditions the message reaches its destination withface to the wall. out hindrance, but let the conditions The sound of sledge bells, of the

diculous than the three-headed monbe bad and there is a break in the pleasure-seekers at sad Petershof, went ster of popular theology-god of wrath, blood, war. This is the most abominable of all gods, according to history. He outrivals and surpasses all of them in villainy, crime, corrupingling by. His gay wife was in one "I know that such an explanation is of the loads Then Bernardine knew he thought how little his own sensed his taken by the scoffers as an evidence that these experiments are frauds, befading out of life. But that was all he cause they cannot be performed at any said. At last he said, after the long silence ion, cruelty, perfidy, infamy.

ime under any conditions; but if conditions have to be just right in matein a weak, low voice, "Little Brick, I have something on my hind. You rial things like wireless telegraphy, why should not the same allowance be won't laugh, I know; you're not the made in means of communication much more delicate and subtle than sort. I know you're clever and thoughtful, and all that; you could tell more than all the parsons put together. I know you're clever; my wife says so. After the alleged manifestations had been in progress in the Green home She says only a very clever woman for several weeks, Mrs. Green wrote to would wear such boots and hats." D. C. McDougall of Rockford, Ill., a

Bernardine smiled.

well-known investigator-along psychic lines, and other reputable investiga-tors, describing the manifestations "Well," she said kindly, "tell me." "You must have thought a good deal I suppose," he continued, "about life and death, and that sort of thing. that had appeared. Among the men communicated with was Dr. T. E. Cas-"I've never thought at all-does it

terlane, president of the Nehraska So-ciety for Psychical Research. Dr. natter, Little Brick? It's too late now. can't begin to think, but speak to me. Casterlane replied, relating even more fell me what you think. Do you be remarkable manifestations that had lieve we get another chance?---and are come under his personal observation. glad to behave less like curs and The phenomena occurring at the brutes? Or is it all ended in that loneto ly little church-yard here? I've never attract attention from the scientific in troubled about these things, but now mow I'm so near to the sad little place

t makes me wonder. As for the bible, committed, because they are like the I never cared to read it much; I was never much of a reader, though I did god they worship. If "God is all things," as Theists as-"I welcome scientific investigation,' said Mrs. Green, "because I'know that sert, we will say he is a fraud, a liar, get through two or three fire-work novproper investigation can only verify all that I have said. Thave but one els and sporting stories. Does it mat-ter, Little 'Brick." a devil, a wicked old tyrant. These are parts of "all things." How much

object, however, in<sup>111</sup> giving these things to the world at all, 'for they do they learn by getting all things into "How do I know?," she said gently. seem to be among those things that are best not advertised. The object one thing? Their religious dogmas How does anyone know? People say they know, but it is all a mystery. Ev. make of their god an embodiment of cruelty, tyranuy, oppression too hor-rible to contemplate. There never erything we say ican be but a gloss. People have gone mad over their guessthat impels me to make them public is the hope that they will bring to ing; so have they broken their hearts. others the joy they have brought to bad, vile, cruel as the Christian's god But still the mystery remains and we Thousands of mothers grieve as cannot solve it. I did over the death of their only

"If you don't know anything, Little Brick, tell me what you think. Don't child, and it may be possible for some be too learned-remember I'm only a



many gods in the fields of myth, each

premacy, and the devotee believes the

one he or she approves is the only

a god; men create their own gods-ideal beings as different as human

People who are prudent and reason

The more false and absurd a relig

ious dogma is, the more firmly do its

adherents believe it, defend it, and

cling to it. The talking of gods to

men of antiquity is a matter of faith

in fables, which we cannot accept in

faith. If any god speaks to us in the thoughts expressed by god-believers, it

ays some crooked, contradictory

The Christian's god is an enlarge-

ment of the rude savage's ideas; and the god question, in the mystery of its

insolvability, has sharpened the sword

of antagonism; and what argument

has failed to maintain has been con-

tested on the fields of battle. They

have fought and killed each other

But aside from wars and battles,

Some wise Theists of this age arro-

are all in the same boat"-all believ.

god? Any one-headed god is less ri-

According to theology, Jehovah did

a bad job making men in his own im-

age and likeness, totally depraved, so he offered a remedy for that by the

blowly sacrifice of his son, and scared

minions of gnorant, superstitious

dupes into belief and 'submission -by

threat of damnation in hell for unbe-

Fear is a great oppressor of the hu-man race. Moral cowardice deprives

a person of the liberty and ability to

uphold and advocate what is right

and also dissuades him from attacking

'A god is anything that god-believers

make of it. They declare "God is creator and

cause of all things that exist"; yet at

other times they say "Satan, the Devil,

is the cause and creator of all evil."

ate many things; and their faith in a

acts and crimes men ever caused and

lived on earth a man or woman as

myths and end in error; it is stuitily

We know that mortals cause and cre-

llef.

what is wrong.

things, impossible to understand.

absurd for them to affirm of gods.

No mortal or spirit ever discovered

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to tell what he has experienced." Studio as Spook Chamber. The artist was found at work in his big, second-story studio. He is a dis-

"but must warn you that he is

# tinguished looking, silver-haired man

largely to themselves, and this vagary was set down to a bit of sentiment in which the bereaved parents might

indulge if they chose. The farm is the name of a famous painter of land rented and the Greens have little of the scapes long dead. Another landscape care of the average farmer. Mrs. Green is slightly above medium and Mr Upp-was formed by spirit height, straight and uncommonly active, hands, bore the signature of Her eyes are dark and keen. Her com- Lorrain, another celebrated painter of plexion swarthy and her black hair is a long-ago period. Near these sketchstreaked with gray. She has worked hard at such work as farmers' wives and daughters do since she was a little the deceased son of Mrs. Green. This girl. She has great native ability and portrait has been in process of "spirit little education. Her chin and jaw are formation several days, said Mr. Upp,

strong to the point of masculinity and and was rapidly nearing completion her manner is positive but contained. Like the two landscapes, it had admit She is the dominant personality of the household.

every facility for doing the work. For "Notice of Dr. Isaac Funk's new the fact that he did not make these book, 'The Psychic Riddle," attracted three sketches there is no evidence ex e phenomena he relates "Are there any material evidence my attention. but none of the phenomena he relates

is more strange than the manifesta- of the visit of the spirit artists to your tions that have occurred right here studio while no one was in the room? daily for months. By way of introduc-tion I wish to say that no one was "Just one," he said. "See these

more skeptical in these matters than. marks?" and he showed three bright were the members of this household zigzag crayon marks on the margin of up to a year ago. We were not even one of the sketches. "Not trusting interested in the occult any more than my own judgment in these manifestaeveryone is interested in the strange tions, I decided a few days ago to see things they hear. Even now we are in- if I could secure some evidence of psychic force that would preclude the estigators

"After the death of my son I grieved, possibility of human agency. It seemed to me, more than mothers went down to dinner one day I had this ordinarily grieve over the death of an matter in mind. "I asked Mrs. Green to watch the

It seemed at times as only child. though I simply could not live with my experiment with me. We asked men-sorrow. And yet I knew I would live, tally for some sign which would be countless others had done under conclusive, some mark on the margin of the picture being suggested. similar circumstances. left the studio together, locked the

#### Spirits Rock the Table.

"One evening Mr. Upp, after a day of tomary time and then returned to the hard work at his painting, laid his head on his arm as he sat at a table and There was ho opportunity for Mrs. dropped into a half-slumber. Suddenly Green to have entered the room first the table began to rock violently. The and made the mark we saw rocking aroused him and astonished We had not been looking for nor talking of any such demonstration. I had heard of such things and had scoffed at them. I knew Mr. Upp was telling the truth when he said he was as mystified as I was. The air seemed charged with electricity. We did not know what all this meant then and the place and they were at dinner had heard of such things and had made no effort at that time to secure with us. I can see no possible way in other manifestations.

her manifestations. which I might have been deceived as. "This occurred when my grief was to this particular mark; and the theuppermost in my mind and when I orles on which the forming of these could think of little else. After the sketches may be explained fail when phenomenon of the rocking table I they are applied to this mark. Since wondered if there really was such a this happened I don't know what to thing as psychic communication, and think." made up my mind to try. The next According to Mrs. Green and Mr. evening I placed paper and pencil on Upp the first few messages that were the table and had Mr. Upp sit near it. received were written in view of both

Suddenly he began to feel excruciating of them without the touch of human pains in his arms, as though he had hand. In one of these "spirit" combold of an electric battery. "Then the pencil began to move. gested that if Mr. Upp, as the medium"

Naturally I asked mentally for a mess for the transmission of these mes-sage from Harry, and in an instant the sages, would hold the pencil in his pencil, without human control in any hand, much of the pain incident to way, began to form letters on the pa-the performance would be done away per. The experience to Mr. Upp was with and the people in "spirit land" most nainful. His right arm was drawn who were at the other, end of the and the muscles became tense. There wireless spirit line could transmit the was the same feeling in his left leg. information with much greater facil-The sensation resembled what might ity. - For several weeks this method been felt had a strong electric has been followed. current been broken between his hand are available any time.

and the pencil.

Signed by Noted Painter. This sketch was signed "Daubigny,"

tedly been formed while Mr. Upp has

and made the mark we saw.

"That picture was formed without

nor in such a way as to hurt himself. In order that the "spirit" to be sumnoned might occupy the body and use the tongue of the artist, his sketch which-according to Mrs. Gree was requested by Mrs. Green to repair to the home of "Viola," a relative of Claude Mrs. Green, who lives in Hamilton. "Beppo" was called and sent in Then search of "John Adams," the "spirit" of the great-grandfather of a neigh-According to Mrs. Green: Mr. Ad-

ms died about eighty years ago at the age of 92, and occupies a place in the "seventh sphere" of "spirit land." When "John Adams" began to talk through Mr. Upp his manner of speech vas a startling imitation of a toothless and feeble man of extreme age. "John" answered questions con-

cerning the "spirit" world as readily for the reporter as he did for Mrs. Green, but at the end of fifteen minutes excused himself on the ground that he had so much to do that' he could give up no more time. He said, among other things, that Voltaire was the wisest man he had met in the "seventh sphere," and that he was looked up to as such by the other citizens of that vaguely located place.

After "John" had excused himself and departed the "spirit" of Mr. Upp was called back from Hamilton by Mrs. Green. The artist awoke as one awakes from a hypnotic trance. He declared that he had not the slightest knowledge of what was going on after

he fell, but he had a dim recollection of what he had seen in Hamilton. Christ Tells of Crucifixion. door, went to dinner, lingered the cus-One of the most interesting commu-

nications that have been received through the physical body of Mr. Upp studio together. I insisted on this. according to-Mrs. Green, was a conversation with a wise "spirit," who had

just had a long talk with the spirit of Jesus Christ: It seems, according to this communicative "spirit," that Christ's own version of His alleged He Was Greatly Astonished. "I admit that I was startled in an

death and resurrection is substantially as follows: "The facts of . the crucifizion as given in the Bible are true up to the point where it alleges I died. The truth was I became unconscious and was buried in this condition. On the third day I regained consciousness and, while the soldiers slept, I rolled the stone away from the door of the sepulcher. I tried to convince Mary

Magdalene and the other Mary that I had not died a physical death, and showed the flesh-and-blood wounds in my side and hands, but they would not believe me. I knew that I would be crucified if I remained in Palestine, so I departed to a faraway island, where, under an assumed identity, I lived many years. The fact that I was taken by the people of Palestine as God

made it impossible for me to accom-plish the good I desired as a man." This and other messages are related by Mrs. Green in no spirit of irrever-ence, but apparently with the utmost faith in their authenticity. After this message was repeated to them

Mrs. Green asked for a "spirit" like-ness of Christ, and the next morning the pencil sketch reproduced on this These messages page was found on the table under circumstances by which no human hand,

"Of course the skeptical public.

other world that I have. would allow him to fall in a public "It takes away the sting of death place where it would be embarrassing to be able to talk daily with our loved ones who have left their physical bod ies. "The comfort it affords cannot be "spirit" told. If others, bowed down with grief as I was, find such relief from

me.

their sorrow as I have by these manifestations, I shall be amply paid for eryone. the scoffings that I know are certain to failure when one hopes one may be alfollow the making public of the things

lowed to redeem that failure later on. that have been happening in my Besides which, life is very hard. house.' we ourselves recognize that. If there It requires only a visit to the Green home to be convinced that, no matter be a God, some intelligence greater than human intelligence, He will under how much of fraud or self-delusion stand better than ourselves that life is very hard and difficult, and He will there may be in most of the manifesta tions claimed to have occurred, there is no fraud or delusion in the psychic be astonished, not because we are not

power of Mrs. Green over George Upp. better, but because we are not worse. At least, that would be my notion of a The nature of this power may be as God. I would not worry. Just make Mrs. Green claims-the control of the artist by the spirit "Beppo"-and it up your mind to do better if you get may be something else; but this power the chance and be content with that." is a reality that is too apparent to "Is that what you think. Little That is good enough for me! Brick? question. It may be, as suggested as a possi and it does not matter about prayers,

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sibilities, and satisfying progress?

bility by Mr. Upp himself, that some and the bible, and all that sort of of the strange happenings are the rething?' "I don't think it matters. I never sult of subconsciousness on the part of thought such things mattered. What Mr. Upp while he is in a - subjective mind state. and if this is true the dom does matter is to judge gently and not come down like a sledge hammer on inating factor in the situation is this remarkable farmer's wife. This may other people's failings. account for some of the bad spelling in any of us, that we should be hard on. the "spirit" messages, such as 'conothers?

denced" in the definition of the Great Spirit." great deal of bitterness." He turned wearily on his side. Whatever the theory, the alleged facts stand on the word of as good or better witnesses than most so-called want to dream about your sermon Spiritualistic phenomena given to the and I'm not to worry, am I?"

world. MARION G. SCHEITLIN.

# THE VOICE.

"Beloved! Beloved! 'Tis I."

Methought the voice of the departed Spirits came out of the gloom o me, when sad and faint-hearted. I rested myself near a tomb. lke the voice of a sea shell sighing, Like notes of a silver flute; Like a far-off echo. dying It sounded-but I was mute: Mute with fear and trembling And my blood ran cold as ice. Then all my courage assembling, I ventured to raise my eves to see the one that addressed me So softly from out the gloom, But all I could see was a pine-tree That grew by the side of the tomb.

Tis the wind in the pinctop singing Or a trick of my overwrought brain, Or some far off church bell ringing" So I thought-then Theard it again This time the Voice was stronger-Stronger and yet the same could be mistaken no longer. For it spoke quite distinctly my name:

So tenderly was it spoken, And the voice so sweet and near. That the spell of my terror was broken And no longer I felt any fear.

'Tis not the church-bell's ringing; Nor is it the sea-shell's sigh; for winds in the pine-top singing; Beloved! Beloved! 'Us I.'

EMIL F. LUNDSTROM. Chicago, Illinois.

brainless fellow. "If I were you," she said, "I should

luded dupes are fond of using the exnot worry. Just make up your mind to pression, "Our Father God"; but no do better when you get another chance. One can't do 'better than that. to a god; it does not exist. "That is what I shall think of: that

When a religious leader can get God Will give each of us another chance, and that each one of us shall people praying to a god, they become easy victims of shams and delusions. take it, and do better. I and you, and evit is the height of folly to pray to an "So there is no need to fret over

> an impossibility. Some Spiritualists assert positively, Why 'There is a God in Spiritualism also affirm "Christianity and Spiritualism are synonymous and identical." And they call themselves "Christian Spiritualists." The god they approve is Je-hovah, which is shown in their use of bible phrases and quotations. They have tried in vain to fuse their religious faith with the knowledge of Spiritualism, which confronts the fundamental doctrines of Christianity with denial and proves them false.

Spiritualists do not and cannot agree on any statement of faith and principles that contain expressions about a god. That is all right, because it is an imposition, a barnacle on Spiritualism, which has no use for a god; no need of Christian salvation and damnation. There is no common standard of what we believe; and any Who are we creedal statement, however brief, is a just cause of antagonism. What 'we "A little kindness does away with a know is of more importance than what "we believe."

The "Christian Spiritualists" have complete freedom to hold and preach "I think I could sleep. Little Brick their doctrines: but these are not com ponent parts of Spiritualism. This is a matter of fact and logic, and this is

"No," she said, as she glided out o the room-"you are not to worry." the point of issue. It is folly for men to talk of "plac-And he slept into the to-morrow

ing the religion of Spiritualism upon the basis of Scientific Theism." Sci-Hope! beautiful roso-wreathed Hope. ence treats of known facts; and any-Holding up before our dying eyes the thing classed as infinite or unknown or golden dream of another chance in the incomprehensible or undefinable or susweet Beyond. We all need it . We all pernatural has no place in science. want to try again. We hope to do bet-ter. Shall we? Yes, if we remember "Scientific Theism" is a contradiction of words. There is no knowledge, no our mistakes there, and the pain of facts, no proof of a god; and nothing them; we shall do better when our

is explained or learned by ascribing things to a god or "the gods." souls, disentangled, take the other chance in the country which mortals Theism is faith in a god, to be behave never yet traveled. Has your life been all you planned it lieved, not to be demonstrated and known. It ignores all sciences and

Have your high hopes been fulfilled? Have you courage to say that, after attributes all causes and effects to a the cup of mortal life is drained, and god or "the gods Science and Theism have always empty, sparkling elixir from immortal been in conflict, with many grand vicfountains, sweetened with infinite pos-

tories scored for science, and theology has abandoned the contest. Re-I say it not for myself, but for all ... ligion hates and fears science, be

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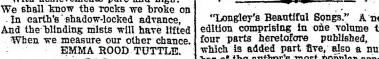
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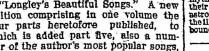
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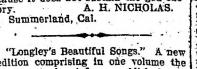


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water set. Refreshments were served,

after which a musical program was

services of the Fraternal Order of

Spiritualists were attended by atten-

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At Port Huron, Mich., the Occult Club No. 1 meets every Sunday afternoon and evening in their hall, 929 Military street. Dr. R. McL. Angus lectures and gives spirit messages. W. E. Howard writes approvingly from Jackson, Mich., of the lecture and tests given there by Mrs. Stein of She held the closest attention of the audience.

G. H. Brooks writes from 114 Presi-dent street, Wheaton, Ill.; "The State with ferns, likes and narclessus. The Society will celebrate the 59th annibride dress was of white silk, en train, and the two bridesmaids wore versary on Saturday, March 30, by a grand party in Severance Hall, 421 Milwaukee street, Milwaukee, Wis., and two services, on Sunday, March and two services, on sunday afternoon and tiful presents of china, sliver and linevening in the same place. Good tal-ent will be present. The services will society presented them with a silver conclude by an ordination service. It is to be hoped there will be a large attendance from the outside." rendered, a heavy 'Shower of Rice' and the chorus, Home, Sweet Home."

Mrs.-Amanda Coffman writes from Grand Rapids, Mich.: "To secretaries Ferd C. Suhrer writes: "On Sunday, of camp association: ---I will not accept March 17, both afternoon and evening any more camp engagements for the season of 1907, nor month engagements, for societies this spring. I will answer calls for funerals. Address 57 Benson street, Grand Rapids, Mich."

devoted to the phenomena with the ex-At Bay, City, Mich., the Occult Club No. 102 meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in Odd Fellows' ception of a very brief, address by Vice-president A. W. Bloom. The work of our platform mediums in reaching so many through the sealed Washington avenue. Mrs Temple. Tuper will lecture and give spirit mesletters deserves honorable mention. The rush to get seats in the different circles at 4 is amusing to the philoso-

Mrs. T. O. Atkinson writes from pher, but the mediums are doing a wonderful work in opening the eyes Louisville, Ky.: "The church of the Soul meets regularly every Saturday night at Odd Fellows' Temple, Sixth of the skeptic and strengthening the and Walnut streets, where large 'con-sight of those partly convinced, and gregations assemble to listen to the the majority of the sitters would impressive truths uttered by the pas- prefer remaining in the circle to going this society seems assured. New and lower hall. Our song service and earnest seekers after truth are joining concert was up to the standard, the us in our efforts to lift humanity to selection on the violin by Prof. Jos. a higher plane of action for universal Singer deserving and receiving marked attention. Geo. B. Warne, M.

D., occupied our rostrum in the even-There will be a grand lecture and ball given by the First German Spirit-ualist Society, for the benefit of Jes- Message from the Living to the Living,' and in the hour he occupied we tram's Old Peoples Home and Temple, heard more practical truths and helpto be held afternoon and evening, April 6, 1907, at Spalding Hall, corner ful suggestions regarding our spirit-North and Spalding avenues. ual development than was ever assem-

Andrew Merkel writes: "The Spirbled in that time by any speaker in public in Chicago. Nothing distracted the attention of the congregation as itualistic Church Students of Nature, 461 W. North avenue, corner Milwaukee avenue and Robey street, had a they bent forward to catch every word. Commencing with April, we large attendance Sunday evening, will devote the first Sunday of each March 17. The pastor, Mrs. M. Schumonth, afternoon and evening, to the macher, gave one of her instructive phenomena and will be known as 'Melectures on 'Doctors and Physicians diums' Day.' Our spacious hall will be crowded on the 31st to witness our Before and After Christ Time.' She gave flower readings and all were reccelebration of the 59th anniversary, ognized, and many showed great ap-preciation by going to the pastor after preciation by going to the pastor after and we advise you to come early. Mrs. the service, and expressing thanks for Cora L. V. Richmond and Dr. Warne will address us on this occasion." the soul food they had received."

M. Parmenter writes from Lawton, R. F. Churchill writes from Greenfeld, Mass.: "Sunday evening, March Okla.: "Rev. Alice Baker, our state 10, we had for our speaker, Dr. Rich- missionary is to be with us and work mond L. Bishop of Lynn. This was for our society the remainder of this bis first appearance in Greenfield. He month, and a part of April. She will also work in other towns while here also work in other towns while here also in the best, although one of our . Wm. Hassmann, president, writes: young workers. Societies will make "The members of the North Star no mistake in procuring his services. Spiritual Union are to give a concert He made many friends here and will at their hall 1546 Milwaukee avenue, Easter Sunday evening. March 31. have a return engagement." consisting of music, recitations and Mrs. Carrie M. Hinsdale, president of the Texas State Spiritualist Associsinging. Children and grown people are to take part. All are cordially ination, writes from Galveston, Texas: "I enjoy being with these good people in Galveston. The society is making preparations for an elaborate celesra-tion of the anniversary, Friday and sickness, Brother and Sister Winters vited to spend a pleasant evening with Saturday the Ladies' Auxiliary gives are conducting the Sunday evening a bazaar. Friday evening at 8 services. Praise is due to them for o'clock, an entertainment will be reaching out a helping hand to a sick given. Sunday, memorial and anni-versary service. There will also be an are invited to our Sunday evening ordination service. At our last con-vention, by vote, Mr. Chambers of this "A call to Spiritualists for a testimocity was given an ordination certificate. The public ordination service nial recognition of a worthy worker, will take place at some time during Dr. J. H. Randall. A birthday and cate. the ansiversary celebration. I always social at Star Lodge Hall, Saturday, have good audiences in Galveston." April 6, 1907. A big program, twenty mediums, ten speakers, ten singers, Prof. Lockwood lately lectured in five elocutionists and several surprises: Buffalo, N. Y., on the following highly important subjects: "The Sorcery and Necromancy of Modern Religious Re- casion. Nobody has refused. Let us vivals," and "Legerdemain Spiritual- show how Spiritualists can turn out vivals, and Legerdemain Spiritual-ism and legendary Salvation." The whole world ought to have heard his lectures. Mrs. Dan M. Davidson, editor of The Occult. Detroit Mich. has one. A harmonious gathering. A big feast of reason and flow of soul! lectures. The Occult, Detroit, Mich., has open dates during the months of April and May. Any societies in need of a speaker within 150 miles of Detroit, can secure her services at a reason-able price. Address her at Lock Box 522, Detroit, Mich. The Occult, Detroit, Mich., has open 522, Detroit, Mich. The Bulletin of Anderson, Ind., The eighth of the series of the fall says: "Dr. J. A. Marvin, formerly of and winter dances given under the Chicago, but at present located in this auspices of the Golden Rule Pleasure city, delivered a most worthy dis-course on the religion of Spiritualism, March 30, 1907, at O'Donnell's Colcourse on the religion of Spiritualism, March 350, 7507, at of Dahleri a tor-at the Madison avenue Temple last evening. The subject was well 'ren-dered, and the theme satisfactorily 'demonstrated, proving, beyond a doubt, that Spiritualism is the only religion founded upon truth and dem-rent to the second states and the theme satisfactorily 'demonstrated, proving, beyond a doubt, that Spiritualism is the only religion founded upon truth and dem-rent Tickets 25 cents. onstrable facts, which it also teaches, part. Tickets 25 cents. · Irene Russell writes from Benton and that not by a mere hope in the possibility of a future existence shall Harbor, Mich.: "We have a small but we enter into the kingdom of heaven." faithful society formed\_here called Dr. Marvin is one who is well worthy The Truth Seekers, of which I have of the appreciation of all who will go the pleasure of being pastor. Our to hear him, and should be heard to be meetings are awakening the interest appreciated, and those who fail will of the public. We are holding them Its a rare treat in the way of honest at present in my double parlors. On talk and demonstration of the truth." last Sunday evening there were twen-Correspondent writes from San Diego, Cal.: "At the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McMahon and I are going to Sippell, on Friday evening, March 8, a Bainbridge which is 11 miles from the farewell reception was tendered Harry J. Moore. Upwards of fifty invited house. We shall speak on 'The White guests were present, and a very enjoy-able time spent in recitations, music, bridge on 22nd of Feb., and although and last but not least a speech by Bro. there is but one known Spiritualist Moore, who has many friends in our beautiful city. The lyceum the fol-lowing Sunday devoted part of its see-to be up and doing. Surely now, if lowing Sunday devoted part of its set to be up and object the set in the set of the set have left a lasting impression upon a ject is to unite. women closer and great many people, and the fruits of awaken a feeling of true sisterhood. great many people, and the truits of awaken a reening of the sister hood. Withstanding there was rain his efforts as a teacher will last for We pledge ourselves to put down all evenings he had good audiences. many years to come. We send with gossip, either in or out of the council lectures and messages were him our best wishes and as he goes hall, and to ever have the open hand This was his first engagement. on his way lecturing, may he always of true friendship extended to all wo- and we hope to again have him with be found defending Truth."

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Boston Meetings. The First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid Society meets in Appleton Hall,9 Appleton street, Boston, Mass., every Friday.

The Ladies' Lyceum Union meets in BEAR IN MIND that the editor of Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont street, Boston , Mass., every Wednesday. The Ladies' Industrial Union meets

in Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont street, every Thursday. Lyman C. Howe will lecture at Lily

ATTENTION. LYCEUMS. --- Please end in second quarterly report before Mrs. Annie J. Quinn writes from Dallas, Texas: "On 'the evening of Thursday, March 14, the marriage of April 15. All lyceums not reported are most earnestly requested to do so. Yours for the young people, Anna L. Mrs. Josephine Marshall to Mr. Guy C. Hazeltine was solemnized at the Gillespie, National . Sup't. Children's Lyceums, 180 Calhoon street, Battle home of Professor and Mrs. Geo. W. Creek, Mich. The Correspondent writes: "The Junior

ceremony was performed by the Rev. Isa Wilson Kayner, pastor of the League of German-American Spiritualists will celebrate the 59th anniver-Fruth Seekers Spiritualist Society of sary of Modern Spiritualism, afterthis city. 'Oh, Promise Me' was sung by Miss Miriam C. Campbell, and Mr. noon and evening, on Easter Sunday, John Seavere. The bride and groom March 31. at Hack's Hall. 519 Larrabee street, Chicago, with an eloquent stood under the marriage bell formed of arbor vita and white flowers, which spiritual, oratorical and musical prohung from a canopy of lace and ferns gram, assisted by the renowned European opera singer, Mrs. Von Merkl. in the bay window. The parlor scheme was of white and green; the Performances by the lyceum children will be also an interesting feature. dining room, of the sunflower, yellow Dancing, recitations and a selected musical program in the evening. Come and see what the Juniors can do. Admission 25 cents. and white, and the reception hall was a combination of the three colors. All rooms were profusely decorated

Announcement.--Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond desires to say to friends wishing her presence for transition services, not to try to reach her by telephone. A telegram or special delivery letter is more satisfactory, as she has no telephone. She will always respond if possible to go, other engagements permitting. -Samuel A. Huntington, Malden,

Mass., writes of the Progressive Spiritual Society: "The Rev. F. A. Wiggin gave the fourth in his series of lectures and ballot-readings in our hall on Thursday evening, March 14. Mr. Wiggin gave a very able address on 'Prophecy,' to a well-filled hall of in-terested listeners, who received much profit from the clear-cut and intelligent explanations of the subject. After the lecture Mr: Wiggin gave many fine messages, reading from ballots. He will finish this series on Thursday evening, March 21, and will give our society another series during the month of April, serving every Thursday evening. We had an inter-esting circle on Sunday, at 3 p. m., and in the evening, Dr. C. L. Willis of Boston, substituted Prof. Graham, who was unavoidably absent. Dr. Willis spoke on 51st Psalm, giving a fine address, after which he devoted over an hour to ballot reading, and in both lecture and ballot reading he did excellent work. Mrs. Nellie E. Abbott, of So. Lawrence, Mass., will occupy our platform on Sunday evening,

March 24, and Annie R. Chapman of Brighton, Mass., on the 31st. We hold our anniversary of Modern Spiritualism on the 28th, afternoon and evening, and the regular monthly supper, adjourned to that date." C. Fannie Allyn is having excellent

audiences at Hamilton, Ontario. She always interests her audiences. Grant H. Burr writes from Mochis

Mexico: "Jos. P. Scolly and myself have been readers and subscribers to your most valuable paper for many years. It has been a source of great comfort to our families—the grandest, the noblest, paper ever published. Our families are devoted Spiritualists, and have been for more than twenty years."

D. G. Hill writes: "On Sunday, March 17, the Golden Rule Spiritualist Society held its usual services. the afternoon a short talk by the pastor, Mrs. Nora E. Hill, followed by message work by Mrs. Golden and Mrs. Nora E. Hill: In the evening the

Sunday, March 81, the Hyde Park Occult Society will hold afternoon and evening meetings; Mrs. Squires in afternoop, and Dr. Tisdale in the evenng. Supper will be served on this occasion. Hall 319 Fifty-fifth street. Mary B. Hill writes: "The Band of Harmony holds the annual DOLLAR

city.

Reception to Mrs. H. D. Morgan.

A beautiful reception was given to

Mrs. H. D. Morgan, the faithful and efficient secretary of the First Associa-

tion of Spiritualists of Washington, D

C., on Saturday evening, March 16, by Dr. and Mrs. Moore, at their hand

some and spacious residence in that

ors had been invited to meet some o

the good friends on that occasion she

had no idea of the extent of this affair

and was wholly unprepared for the al

most regal entertainment and encomi

ums that she was to receive. A large

number of the prominent Spiritualist

of the city gathered to pay respect to their generous host and hostess, and

to attest to the high estem in which

Mrs. Morgan is held by them all. She

On this occasion bits of green and

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[Oblinaries to the extent of ten lines

Passed to the higher life, Frank

preceded him to the angel world. The

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While the recipient of the hon-

meeting, April 4, in Room 512, Ma-sonic Temple. Don't let this opportunity pass, as you will not only be in-structed, but will have lots of fun listening to the method pursued to earn a dollar, and hear the experience given in earning it. Don't forget to bring your supper."

Mrs. Wagner of Marble Rock, Iowa, writes encouragingly of the good work done there by Lena Clark, of Nashia, Inwa. 2Bhe held parlor meetngs there.

is a lady highly beloved and admired Mrs. E. J. Demorest, the lecturer by all who know her, and the quiet and test medium of Pittsburg, Pa., is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. K. M. loyal work she performs for the so clety makes her to rank with the first of the laborers for our Cause in that Riley of 955 Perry street, Chicago, for District. ı few weeks. The function in question was an el-

Mrs. Carrie L. Hatch writes from 9 egant affair and 'consisted of musical Appleton street, Boston, Mass.: "The and literary exercises, including sing-Ladies' Aid Society met as usual with ing by C. P. Longley, vocal selections the president, Mrs. M. E. A. Allbe, in by the young daughter of the home, and speeches by Mr. F. A. Wood, Mr. the chair. A very interesting meeting was held, the following taking part: Steinberg, Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. A. S. Waterhouse, Mrs. Hattie Mason, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Morgan. Mrs. Longley and others, all of whom attested to the beauty of Mrs. Mor-Everything is in preparation for the gan's life and the love in which she is celebration of the anniversary of Moduniversally held. The presentation of ern Spiritualism, which this society a handsome gold bracelet to Mrs. Morwill observe next Friday, March 29. A gan during the evening was a very splendid array of talent has been enhappy incident in the programme, and gaged, and it is hoped every one will come 'nome' upon that day. This, the week of March 25, will be 'Old Home' week to the Spiritualists of Massachuthe lady's quiet but soulful response setts. Be sure and attend some of the neetings."

pecimens of the shamrock ornament-Oscar A. Edgerly's engagements as ing the corsages and lapels of the made for the immediate future are as guests; also decorating the napery follows. During March he is filling served with the dainty and bountiful an engagement with the First Associacollation provided by the hostess, gave tion of Spiritualists of Washington, D. mirthful tribute to the prevalent idea of St., Patrick. Mrs. Francis Man-C. During April and May he will serve the First Spiritual Church of Baltimore, Md. First two Sundays of chester was a moving spirit in the success of this affair, and deserves es-June he will speak for the First Sopecial mention, while Dr. and Mrs. clety of Worcester, Mass. Last two Moore received the heartfelt thanks Sundays of June he will fill an enof all participants for their generous gagement at Unity Camp, Lynn, Mass. On Sunday, July 14, he is enentertainment. gaged at Lake' Brady Camp, Ohio. From July 20 to Aug. 19 he will act as chairman at Grand Ledge, Mich. From August 22 to August 25 inclusive, he will fill an engagement at Lily Dale, of ten lines will be charged at the rate N.Y. September is still open for enof fifteen cents per line. About seven gagement. During October, Novemwords constitute one line.] ber and December he will serve the First Spiritual Temple Association of Columbus, Ohio. For January, 1908, Pickle, aged 24 years. A young man he is engaged with the Ladies' Temple of sterling worth, loved and respected Fund Society of Cleveland, Ohio. Mr, by all who knew him. His mother Edgerly will be pleased to hear from societies desiring to engage a trance speaker and message medium for Sepquantity of flowers brought by his young friends were proof of their love tember, 1907, and for March and The writer officiated and Mrs. Merrill April, 1908. His home address is No. sang most beautifully and sweetly. 42 Smith street, Lynn, Mass. The band that he was a member of

LO! LAM THE CHANGELESS.

Comprehensive View of Prof. Larin's Corpuscie.

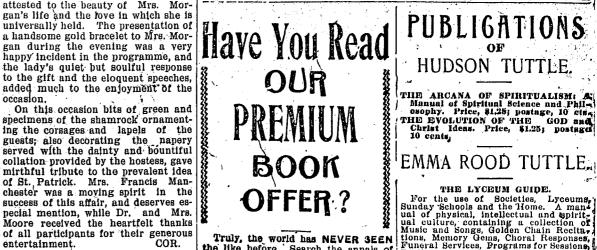
To the Editor:-Referring to the query putuin mytarticle in No. 904 of The Progressive, Thinker, "Have the Scientists Found God?" permit me to add that assuming the postulate of Prof. Larkin to be true that "No thing or Entity in the Universe Exists but Corpuscles; that corpuscles always have existed and always will exist: then indeed has the field of human thought and investigation been won-derfully illuminated and clarified. We have no longer to look for a First Cause for the universe: the human intellect is thus . at I last emancipated from this nightmare; this illusion which has haunted the human understanding in all the ages of the past. Had this postulate been regarded as true in the days of Kant, his great effort to show that it is not possible by the Ontological argument either to prove or disprove the existence of a

sition service. God, would never have been made. Passed to higher life, March 13, Jacob M. Relter, from his from in Such an inquiry in the face of the pos-

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hardly realize that he, too, has joined the 'great majority.' When we look at our list of so-called dead from week to week, the urgent need of building up our cause through the young peo nle, seems more and more urgent Every week sees our ranks thinned by the reaper, and if we are not to fail in carrying out the great truths of Spirreason that not enough interest has

een shown in ordering to warrant the publication of the quarterly. My appeal of weeks ago for some manifesta tion of choice regarding this, has been but little heeded or answered, so the quarterly for the present will rest. We need, too, song books with music, but I have faith to believe this will all come. In the meantime the outlook is brighter. I will publish a list of ly ceums again soon."

A. F. Lee writes from Meadville. Pa.: "Mrs. Cooley was with us fifteen days, and delivered six lectures. followed by spirit messages, all of which were recognized. Her lectures are uplifting and instructive. Merely to with high expectations for her return next June. She will be with us all the month. On March 12 and 13 we had Mr. Frank T. Ripley with us, and notwithstanding there was rain both evenings he had good audiences. His good here

Larkin is si That which alone has always existed speakers were our well-known workers, Dr. C. A. Burgess, and our dear sister, Mrs. Alice Sexsmith. The talks can have no cause. By Prof Larkin's postulate in regard to corpuscles we of both were very much appreciated, are brought face to face with that which always has existed and always judging from the hearty applause that was given them. The message work will exist. We are no longer therefore was by Mrs. Alice Sexsmith and Mrs. at liberty to discuss the proposition Nellie Morse. The work was of high-class order and easily recognized by those who received the cheering ence is a bar to all inquiry as to words. Sunday, March 31, will be causes; its continued presence is a given as commemorative of the 59th like bar to all inquiry as to its future; we are at the end of all speculation at these points; the Eternity of what we call matter is scientifically established. The most vital question re-maining is that of the relation of the human Ego to the corpuscie. On this subject the most apt authority with which I am familiar is also from Cali-

fornia. I refer to a poem by A. J. ple. Waterhouse of that state; it is surely one of the most powerful contributions to English literature made in many years, and is entitled:

"Lo, I am the Changeless. 'Lo, I am the Changeless, the Deathless.

Lo, I am the Passionless, Still. In my presence archangels are breath-

And the universe throbs at my will. wait, and the ages flit by me. I wait, and their story is told.

All of life and of death hovers nigh And I am the New and the Old.

In the dust of their definite places

My atoms, my men, they plod on; And they lift to ' the heavens' their faces, Their faces all troubled and wan;

nd they dream, and they term their dream. living:

They dream, and their dream is, to die: .51 They dream they are gaining or giv

ing— un s And over themschangeless, am I.

They dream of the glitter of treas-

I shatter the dream at my will. They dance to the rhythm of pleas-

ure-ige I nod, and the dancers are still.

They dream of the glory of power, My atomies born for a day. Ay, the visions press fast for an

hour-I nod, and the dreamers obey.

Lo, I am the Changeless, the Deathless. 1013. 100 All other shall blossom and fade.

speak, and the ages are breathless, And the drama of living is played. And whether the sleepers shall waken, Or whether they dream as they lie, Unheeding, uncaring, unshaken, None other may answer save I."

Hoping that some of the eloquent pens which find their utterance through the columns of The Progressive Thinker will in the near future enlarge upon this subject. H. B.

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Rochester, Ind., aged 74 years and 9 months. Mr. Reiter had been a loyal Spiritualist for ten years, a gentleman with that who, by his sterling qualities, had won the esteem and affection of all who know him. He will be greatly missed in the home life, and the family have the sincere sympathy of their friends. Services were conducted by Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie.

Mrs. Mary B. Hill conducted the tran

Mrs. Catharine Piper, age 71 assed to the higher life, Mar 16, from her home in Augusta. Mich. Mrs Piper was a member of Battle Creek Spiritualist Society, and greatly loved by all. Three sons and a daughter are left to renew the loving memory of a devoted wife and mother. Serv ices conducted by Mrs. Anna L. Gilles-

Passed to spirit life at the home of O. L. Carpenter, Fort Wayne, Ind., Mary M. Gibbons, March 6, age 72. Spiritualistic services conducted by Henry Brindle.

Passed to spirit life at the home of Dr. Carey, Ft. Wayne, Ind., Mrs. Na-omi L. Bruhn, daughter of Mrs. and Dr. Carey, age 19 years. Spiritual-istic services conducted by Henry Brindle.

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That great Medical monthly, the Medical Brief, for March, has a review of Dr. Bland's book, Pioneers of Progress, from which we quote brief-"Dr. Bland's work is essentially ly: American, and reflects the various social relations growing out of the true spirit of Democracy. Its pages are full of life, action, conversation and character. Nowhere, we are persuad-ed, can there be found truer word pictures of men. We are treated to so much of the high, strong and intense of the characteristics of the men of today, that such a work as this is really refreshing. The author is himself a ploneer of progress in more ways than one." For sale at this office, Price \$1.

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spondents, that to give all eqaul hear-ing compels the answers to be made in the most condensed form, and often forced brevity. Proofs have to be omitted, and the style becomes there-by assertive, which of all things is to be demonstrial force of all things is to SOTE The Questions and Answer

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this department has become excessively large, especially letters of inquiry requesting private answers, and while I freely give whatever information I am able, the ordinary courtesy of correspondents is expected HUDSON TUTTLE.

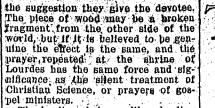
A. C. Priest: Q. Will you inform me what are the names of the basic elements in nature as understood to dete?

'It is difficult to give the number of elements, for they are constant. is not Protestant belief, why this ly being added to by the researches of chemists, the existence of others rests on the experiments of a single observer, and others may yet be proven to be compounds: Many will no doubt be is claimed to have as much influence thus resolved and new ones brought to with God, through Christ, as the Pope light and on the whole the number now known be increased. The much-exploitered radium will without doubt prove to be a compound, the energy it manifests being the resultant of chemical change. The shap theory by which certain "scientists" gained a brief newspaper notoriety, has not been sustained, and the supposed properties of that substance are not in contradiction with those of the other elements, and hence the fabric of received physical science has not been overthrown as these radiomani-Some of these named acs predicted. elements are found only in the rarest minerals, and others have never been directly observed, their existence being conjectured from the lines they impart to the solar spectrum. This cess is less brilliant, though there analysis by light is most delicate and have been recorded, remarkable insomewhat difficult to understand, but stances of cure by prayer, or faith. is even more accurate than that by the

processes of chemistry. Briefly, every element has a distinct and characteristic spectrum of its own. By spec-trum is meant a rainbow produced in a darligned room by artificial means. In this spectrum are dark lines as well

as colored, which write the elements' names with absolute certainty. There fre lines for which there are no known partements, and hence it is interred that these exist-perhaps, however, in a state which will make it difficult or mpossible to observe them directly. The elements are divided into two

classes, the metallic and non-metallic. The non-metallic are hydrogen, chlo, annually pruned, that in each spring-rine, bromine, lodine, fluorine, oxygen, time of life its unfoldment be the rine, bromine, iodine, fluorine, oxygen, more perfect, the fruit gathering the selenium tellurium, nitrogen, phosphorus, boron, bishutti, there is justice in the laws bur, silicon, and carbon.) there of De the laws The metallic are aluminum, antik and universal good. If there is justice in the laws thereof be the ideal of purity, truth, mony, barium, beryllium, cadmium, If there is justice in the laws of caesium, calcium, cerium, chronium, God, or Nature, and a consciousness cobalt, columbium, copper, decipium, of soul and spirit in the great beyond, dedymium, erbium, gallium, germani- will not the day of reckoning accounts, um, glucium, gold, indium, iridium, and straightening the crooked deeds iron, lanthranium, lead, lithium, mag-nesium, manganese, mercury, molyb-case, would it not be better to stand deum, nickel, niobium, osmium, palla- on the side of the oppressed, than that dium, platinum, potassium, rhodium, of the oppressor; the cheated, than rubidium, rutherium, samarium, scan- the cheater; the deceived, than the dedium, strontium, sodium, tantalum, ceiver? Not all tears flow from the fountain terbium, thallium, thorium, tin, titanium, tungsten, uranium, vanadium, of sorrow and grief; some issue from ytterblum, yttrium, zinc and zirco- the source of gratitude and joy, each expressive of deep emotion, is an unnium. To this list must be added argon, hellum and radium, leaving phil-liplim, norweglum and many others, written, unspoken elegy, and lyric of the soul. Symbolic teaching in connection with the educational development of the existence of which have not been proven, or their characteristics deterchildren should be practically consid-ered. How many marvelous truths, mined.



The healing shrines, like healing springs, are successful remedially beause of the attitude of those who seeld their benefit. And it must not be forgotten that this attitude per-

voted Catholics there as here, and how can their great religion be ad-

rence of the forms and customs of the propagation of the faith and evidence The priest was of genuineness. no earer God than the layman, and his claim to work miracles a pretence Yet constantly the old belief came to the surface. Religion could not ex-ist without it, and new sects constant-

y arose putting forth the claim that he apostolic power had been given them renewed, and proved that they held nearest the truth. The Dunkards, a quite numerous

sect, perhaps furnish the best example of the full acceptance of the Bible text. They rely entirely on faith and prayer, and ignore doctors, and all the knowledge of health and disease that has been acquired by the centuries since the priest was all in all.

Every pulpit in Protestant christendom, preaches the doctrine that prayer is all powerful, and the gospel minister attends the bedside of the sick and he dying, offering prayers for healing and joyful resurrection. If this

sham and pretonse? It may be a fact that there is no Protestant shrine, the reason therefore being that every Protestant minister archbishops and the whole Roman church rolled into one. There is in theocratic Protestantism no higher court than the conference of preachers, and in fact every layman can make his claim by prayer direct to Christ, without any other mediator. There never has been a denial of the healing power, and it could not be him! made without repudiating the Bible itself. Not many ministers would en-joy being subject to this test of the church has been so studiously attacked and denied from within the church as genuineness of their "call," of "laying hands on the sick," but now and then is the literal acceptance of the miraculous birth of Christ and the further bethere are those who possess the mag-netic or hypnotic gift, and are able to prove their "title clear," as genuine healers. They have a more intelli-gent, cultured and less superstitious class to deal with, and hence their suc-

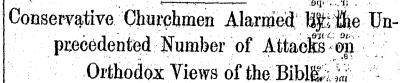
Thoughts.

Each individual bears spiritual and flections from the bible or from the intellectual fruit according to his, or her capability to bud and blossom, which latter condition renders quality, and quantity.

Deity.

This fruit sent broadcast to the world, via literature, or verbally, gives the receiver nourishment, strength, development, happiness, and knowledge; or starvation, weakness, degradation, misery, and ignorance according to its quality. Therefore, let the literary tree be

THE BIBLE CRUMBLING.



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"The present [as set forth in the Chi-cago Tribune] is the darkest and most of the old bible has been made. This was when the report of a Roman Cathdisastrous in the history of the Evangelical religions.

Elical religions." So says the Rev. Dr. William Henry finding that Moses personally did not Burns of the Wicker Park church of write the Pentateuch. All the other Chicago, of the effect of the assault noteworthy criticisms were directed upon orthodoxy in the Christian church. against the New Testament. In Never before in the history of Chris, list of New Testament criticisms of list of New Testament criticisms of the tianity has the "higher critic," clothed year the points of attack by churchwith the authority to speak for the men may be listed as: mands for more liberal interpretation Christ.

of those things upon which the founda-Assertion that he was the son of the tions of the churches have been laid. carpenter, Joseph. Disbelief in the resurrection as mean

Yet so strenuous have been these atacks, David D. Thompson, editor of ing that he returned to physical life the Northwestern Christian Advocate, after death. Statement that the bible is not to be declares the effect of higher criticism has been slight upon the advancement aken as 'God's word.'

Assertion that the bible for the most of the faith. "Our year book shows within ten years a gain of almost 500,000 souls in part is a collection of myths and folklore. he Methodist church, of this country,' Assertion that the infallibility of the scriptures no longer can be conceded in

said Dr. Thompson. "Yet the world had conceded the ruin of Methodism an enlightened age." Assertion that the bible has lost its from the attacks." To Dr. Thompson's noint of view. authority as in the day of Jonathan

lowever, the Rev. Dr. Burns applies the Edwards. possibilities which might have been Disbelief in the doctrine of "original Methodism had it not been for these sin."

attacks. "Methodism has gained---yes," he faith. Attack on Westminster confession of admits; "but when one considers the In subsance most of these attacks

growth of population of the United have been against a too liberal States in ten years, what are 500,000 acceptance of the New Testament, both conversions to the Methodist church as a literal word of God and-in point to what the number might have been of the story of the miracles-as mean under the old orthodoxy?" under the old orthodoxy?" Policies Changed Within Two Years. ened age anything more than a figura-Two years ago in an awakening of tive meaning.

Presbyterianism in Chicago it was voiced and accepted as vital to the Finds Many Errors in Bible. Prof. George Burnham Foster of the foundation of the church that, "without-University of Chicago has made one of the miracles we have nothing," and, further, "unless the young person is convinced and brought to Christ bethe most sweeping utterances of the year regarding the history of the Christian religion and the authenticity fore he is 15 years old we never get

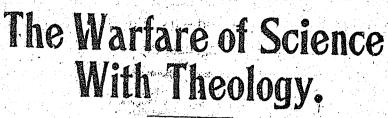
of the bible. He says to the point in his book from the University Press: But within the last year no other te-"The watchword, 'Christianity is net in the beliefs of the Christian religion' is superficially true but funda-mentally false. It means that the Christianity is a religion of historical facts. It is not a religion of facts but of values, and values are timeless. Bishop Charles D. Williams of the lief that he rose in the flesh from the

Episcopal diocese of Michigan, while In letters, sermons, books, men denying that the bible is to be taken clothed with the authority of the cloth literally as the word of God. still has have passed from the criticism of the affected to say that its purpose is not Old Testament of a few years ago to to be impugned by any such degree of criticism. the challenging of the infallibility of either bible. The Episcopal church, perhaps, has led all other denomina-"We must learn from the scriptures how to read the scriptures. Some of tions, but in every other of the Evan-

us use it as the heatlien-uses his fetich relical religions there have been deor his amulet.' Dr. Lyman Abbott, whom orthodox

creeds until Christianity throughout the clergymen declare borders closely upon country is shaken and disturbed as all the "isms" withinva cartain given never before in its history. The Rev. Dr. Burns, of the Methodist doxy in its old sense. For thirty years lacks authority that it claimed in the he has been a figure in Illinois Method. "which is of Jonathan Edwards" Of the tions, declares that "The bible to-day ism, and was one of the first of the a striking statement against such a professional against the disposition to margina statement against such a apply, the higher criticism to the Old "Possible conception."

lestament. "When I spoke first against this at titude toward the bile six years ago I was told, 'O, but this is confined to I was told, 'O, but this is confined to sold tenderness that make a mother. the Old Testament, merely; it concerns These things you do not see-you feel that book more as a Jewish history than them. We cannot define God. When "But do you intend to stop with the we offer you a definition of God we are Old Testament?" was the persistent offering you an idol and you do well to query of Dr. Burns. "You are attack-ing the bible; and if it is countenanced the tree of the bible of the second of er, who sat at the head of the bed aros and accepted it will be only a little addressed a letter to the Presbyterian sald: "Why did you call me back? I was just going and you called me back? O, what beautiful things I see. What music I hear, and people in elegant raiment. Why did you let me go?" I was sitting, the foot of the bed, and saw and heard all this. He said: "They tell me at three the morning (this was about nine in the evening), I am to go with them." while before the New Testament, too, general assembly in Des Moines, Ia., last May, attacking the Westminster will be assailed. Church on Defensive Against its Own confession of faith: That predicted time is now, in the 'Many years ago when I was of an add opinion of Dr. Burns-now is the Evan-to the ministry of the gospel I declared gelical church more on the defensive in the most solemn manner that I be lieved the Westminste confession of lieves could have been thought possible faith to be the truth of God. I now in by those first higher critics and the an equally solemn manner declare that indulgent church which listened to I do not believe it to be the truth of I am to go with them."



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ualism-is alien-an antagonistic conception, as a rule, and of course, it is repelled. It is against the individual's feelings; he does not want it. The feeling of the devout Catholic is that the Virgin Mary is the mother of the second person on the Godhead, and the denial of it arouses an antagonistic

feeling in him. The feeling he so de-voutly cherishes excludes every other not in accordance with it. The feeling aroused by the conception of spirit return and communion is not in accordance with the generality of mankind and is repelled.

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into the world an alien, and has to fight its way inch by inch, until it becomes naturalized. Its enemy is early teach-ing. Let no one feel confident that he could escape any delusion, however preposterous and absurd, if it had been taught at his mother's knee, reiterated by his father, enforced in lessons by his teacher and repeated and accepted

by the community in which he lived. Those who do escape are exceptions to the rule. Everything that one knows or seeks to know, everything one obtains- or seeks to do, everything one avoids or seeks to avoid, is an effort to satisfy some desire, to gratify some feeling on avoid some evil. He employs the best means at his command, and pursues those interests which he thinks will

best promote his well-being, present

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proposition; no one can escape the ac-tion of this fundamental law of human

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good and not pursue it is akin to mad-

ness. The vital question is, What is good? When that is answered correct

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COME, LET-US REASON TOGETHER.

Why Spiritualism Advances so Slowly.

To the Editor :- I see occasionally ac-

pure and beautiful thoughts could be H. W. Ganson, Orcas: Q. What planted, rooted, and developed in the was the name of the judge before minds of the populace, if the children were given symbolic object lessons, whom John Brown was tried and sentenced at Harper's Ferry? A: Judge Parker. As this corre-spondent says says, "Not one person in being taken from nature and the process of development leading up to the

housands remembers the name of this object. Gilded domes and towers are not possessory of their lofty and brilliant aspect by chance; but, by the result julge. Every liberty-loving man. woman and child knows and reveres the name of John Brown. of architectural resource, and the Truly his soul went marching on; leading the millions of soldiers principle of construction, co-operative through war's gates of hell to victory. with the mental and physical energy

with the mental and physical energy of the builder. So it is with the spiritual, mental and physical attainments Emery Perrin: Q. Is there not in of humanityi- Those who would rise Protestant churches, averred faith cures similar to the so-called miracles mentally, physically and spiritually to wonked at Catholic shrines, such as an ascendancy among men, must the famous Lourdes grotto in France, qualify themselves with the light of truth and knowledge such as is gained through the experiences of life,

and if so, where are records of cures and the contemplation of its princito be found? A. If Protestants repudiate the ples. Gatholic claims for Divine healing, they

strike at one of the pillars of the Christian faith. From the beginning the strongest evidence of Christ's claim to godship, a claim that was always placed in the forefront, was his

Continued from fourth column. ability to heal the sick and raise the livine being ever given to any people. dead. He endowed his disciples with "This criticism, however, has reached this power, and promised it to all be-lievers. They should lay hands on the close to its natural limits. There is little further for anyone to go. Its liceres. They should all intro of restoration and the sugshould follow.

restion of doubt on all sides. This This is a claim made in common for higher criticism never will destroy the all the messiahs and religious leaders bible. It will prove destructive of men. since time began. It has been the Some of our denominational bodies, since time began. It has been the Some of our denominational bodies, badge of their divine mission. Dowie caught his dupes by this means, and criticism, seem to be losing all Christian Science is founded on heal-their old-time vigor and enthusiasm. Christian Science is founded on near their on-time right and untransport and against blooming of this belief, the culmina- forms of unbelief and have adopted a tion of Bible teachings.

tion of Bible teachings. The Catholics have been true to this belief, and by conformity to psy-allow, forgetting that truth never is chic laws and conditions have been tolerant of error and that a good cause eminenily successful. There may be gains nothing by compromise. If there no virtue in the bones of saints, or is anything for which men should consupposed fragments of the true cross, tend to-day it is the living and eternal but there is a measureless power in truth of God."



"At the same time I believe that the forth of the character of the heavenly God; that I utterly reject it as a setting

higher criticism has about reached the father!" end of the rope," said Dr. Burns: "It The de ly into the world of sipirits. The defection of Dr. Algernon Sydney I must go back several years. In the State University of Michigan, in the has attacked about all there is to be Grapsey of St. Anthony's Episcopal attacked in the bible. It has about church at Rochester, N. Y., and his disclass in algebra, there was a problem exhausted its argument. Never was exhausted its argument. Herei was missel from the church als could the pre-the Christian church in America more dents. Dr. Crapsey regarded the pre-in need of an evangelistic awakening diction of a miracious birth of Christ, than now, and when that awakening "as one of the greatest misfortunes that missal from the church are recent inclin quadratic equations, involving four unknown quantities, which the class was unable to solve. It lingered along for several weeks, the teacher would comes I look for a reaction in the direc- ever has befallen mankind." not explain it. "Work it out and then you will understand it. At last one of tion of the old orthodoxy."

Report on Authorship of Pentateuch. Dr. Burns has been in protest always against any criticism of the bible as the direct word of God, coming through Report on Authorship of: Pentateuch. Dr. Crapsey, in the opinion of the Rev. Dr. Burns, is not more than an the class reached the solution, and then the entire class could solve it. During the winters this brother and his divinely inspired human agents, and incident. It is more from the orthodox through the personality of Christ as the point of view that within the year an myself would teach school. In 1851, my little cousin, a child He sees to-day in the purpose international commission, appointed at of the higher critics the fixed plan the request of Pope Plus X, should and purpose to substitute for sal have made the report it did upon the vation of the individual in the lifting authorship of the Pentateuch: With due regard being paid to the judgment of the church," reads this reup of mankind a wider and more whole-

sale effort in the uplifting of whole port in part. "it may be admitted in the communities ong course of the ages some modifica-Says Bible is Lowered in Esteem. tions have been introduced into the As to the effect of the higher criti- Pentateuch, such as additions after cism on the church, Dr. Burns says: the death of Moses, either inserted by "Through the influence of a false an inspired author or attached to the science and a 'higher criticism' the bi- text in glosses or interpretations; words ble has been lowered in the estimation and forms translated; from a foreign of countless thousands and lifted to the language to a more recent language; top of the book-shelf or even into the and finally the faulty reading may be garrets of oblivion. The Christian ascribed to errors of amanuenses con-church has never known in all its his cerning which it is lawful to investi-

tory a more successful revival extin- gate and judge according to the law of guisher than is this fire damp of higher | criticism."

guisher than is this bire damp of higher criticism." It is the construction of the construction of the construction of view; it is a system in itself madically different in fundamentals, permanence, and spirit. If it is not modern paganism it certainly is not Christianity. "Probably there never was a time when men were better informed re-acceleration of the construction of the constr

when men were better informed re ago, the Rev. Dr. Burns speaks with the specting the life of our Lord or a time authority of his church, to the extent when the teaching of his word was less that the late BishopaMcCabe of New relating to bim is deplorable. The higher critic admits his divinity, but

says he was born of human parentage, "To-day," said Dr., Burps, "no man died, was buried, and lies buried still can tell where subtle influences of as crumbling dust. But the higher critthese attacks from within the church ic is denying the Deity of Chfist. There are to end. They have been of unmeas-is a difference in 'delty,' and mere 'di- ured harm, for the reason that they

vinity," The Christian Scientist ad have not allowed the tinquiring soul mits the 'divinity' of Christ! even to institute his inquiry. "What is "Nowadays we hear the term 'the old this bible they talk about?' is a not unpossible as a new, orthodoxy! The by men and women who never have so by men and women who never have so Christian church was founded upon the bible as the inspired word of God. It it. "The trouble to day is that the bible in the bible to day is that the bible

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hand the word, "Edmund," my brother's name. "Now," said I, "I know you are pres-

ent, but I cannot realize your presence. Can't you give me some test that will prove it?' He wrote in rapid hand an event in

our early childhood we with our older brother were standing on a log in a pond. I stood near him while he was chopping on it, when he drew his little axe back and struck me on my forehead, and knocked me into the water and when I came to the surface, he pulled me out. The younger brother saw all this and wrote it out on the

slate, giving the name of the pond in Ohio, on my father's farm.

After reading this I said, "O, do you remember the problem?" and was going to state it, but before I said a word of it, it was written just as we - had solved it many times. The four equations and the method of solution was gone through as we had performed it, with great rapidity. Then he wrote, "Now don't you know that it is I," underscoring the word 'know.'

This all came so unexpectedly that could not speak. I felt a thrill, and the tears tolled down my cheeks. Now I realized his presence, and from that day to this I have never

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this department has become excessive-ly large, especially letters of inquiry requesting private answers, and while I freely give whatever information I am able, the ordinary courtesy of correspondents is expected. HUDSON TUTTLE.

A. C. Priest: Q. Will you inform me what are the names of the basic elements in nature as understood to

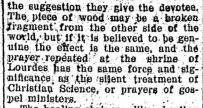
dete? It is difficult to give the num-A ber of elements, for they are constantly being added to by the researches of chemists, the existence of others rests on the experiments of a single observer, and others may yet be proven to be compounds. Many will, no doubt be thus resolved and new ones brought to light and on the whole the number

now known be increased, The much-exploitered radium will without doubt prove to be a compound, the energy it manifests being the resultant of chemical change. The shap theory by which certain "scien-tists" gained a brief newspaper notoricty, has not been sustained, and the thealing power, and it could not be supposed properties of that substance made without repudiating the Bible are not in contradiction with those of itself. Not many ministers would enthe other elements, and hence the tab-ric of received physical science has not been overthrown as these radiomani-hands on the sick," but now and then been overthrown as these radiomaniacs predicted. . Some of these named elements are found only in the rarest minerals, and others have never been directly observed, their existence being conjectured from the lines they impart to the solar spectrum. This analysis by light is most delicate and somewhat difficult to understand, but is even more accurate than that by the processes of chemistry. Briefly, every

element has a distinct and character istic spectrum of its own. By spec trum is meant a rainbow produced in a darliened room by artificial means. this spectrum are dark lines as well as colored, which write the elements!

names with absolute certainty. There re lines for which there are no known ements, and hence it is inferred that these exist-perhaps, however, in a state which will make it difficult or apossible to observe them directly. The elements are divided into two ing to its quality.

classes, the metallic and non-metallic.



The healing shrines, like healing springs, are successful remedially be-cause of the attitude of those who be forgotten that this attitude per-mits, the interposition of the other side -the spirit world. There are as devoted Catholics there as here, and how can their great religion be advanced more surely than by the work-ing of miracles? The shrines thus be-

come centers of spiritual force-vortices of incomprehensible power, the conditions on this side being the only limitation.

At the reformation, in their abhorence of the forms and customs of the Mother Church, the reformers cast aside this most valuable means ropagation of the faith and evidence The priest was no genuineness. nearer God than the layman, and his claim to work miracles a pretence. Yet constantly the old belief came to the surface. Religion could not ex-ist without it, and new sects constant-

ly arose putting forth the claim that he apostolic power had been given them renewed, and proved that they held nearest the truth.

The Dunkards, a quite numerous sect, perhaps furnish the best example of the full acceptance of the Bible text. They rely entirely on faith and prayer, and ignore doctors, and all the knowledge of health and disease that has been acquired by the centuries since the priest was all in all.

Every pulpit in Protestant christen-lom, preaches the doctrine that prayer is all powerful, and the gospel minister attends the bedside of the sick and the dying, offering prayers for heal ing and joyful resurrection. If this is not Protestant belief, why this

sham and pretonse? It may be a fact that there is no Protestant shrine, the reason therefore being that every Protestant minister is claimed to have as much influence with God, through Christ, as the Pope, archhishops and the whole Roman church rolled into one. There is in theocratic Protestantism no higher court than the conference of preachers, and in fact every layman : can make his claim by prayer direct to Christ, without any other mediator There never has been a denial of the there are those who possess the mag-netic or hypnotic gift, and are able to prove their "title clear," as genuine healers. They have a more intelli-

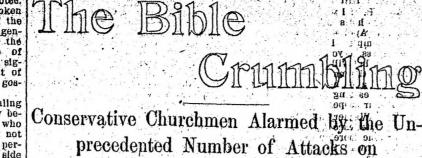
gent, cultured and less superstitious class to deal with, and hence their suc-cess is less brilliant, though there have been recorded remarkable instances of cure by prayer, or faith.

### Thoughts.

Each individual hears spiritual and ntellectual fruit according to his. of her capability to bud and blossom which latter condition renders quality and quantity.

This fruit sent broadcast to the world, via literature, or verbally, gives the receiver nourishment, strength, development, happiness, and knowledge; or starvation, weakness, degradation, misery, and ignorance accord-

Therefore, let the literary tree be The non-metallic are hydrogen, chlo, annually pruned, that in each spring-rine, bromine, iodine, fluorine, oxygen, time of life its unfoldment be the selenium tellurium, nitrogen, phos-phorus, boron, bismuth, arsenic, sul- more perfect, the fruit gathering the consuming that book more as a Jewish history



# Orthodox Views of the Bible

"The present [as set forth in the Chi-cago Tribune] is the darkest and most of the old bible has been made, This disastrous in the history of the Evanwas when the report of a Roman Cathgelical religions."

lic commission was made upon the So says the Rev. Dr. William Henry finding that Moses personally did not Burns of the Wicker Park church of write the Pentateuch. All the other Chicago, of the effect of the assault noteworthy criticisms were directed upon orthodoxy in the Christian church. against the New Testament. In the Never before in the history of Chris-list of New Testament criticisms of the tianity has the "higher critic," clothed year the points of attack by churchwith the authority to speak for the church, done such damage by his demen may be listed as: Denial of the miraculous birth of mands for more liberal interpretation Christ.

of those things upon which the founda-Assertion that he was the son of the tions of the churches have been laid. carpenter, Joseph, Disbelief in the resurrection as mean-

Yet so strenuous have been these at acks, David D. Thompson, editor of ing that he returned to physical life after death. the Northwestern Christian Advocate, declares the effect of higher criticism Statement that the bible is not to be has been slight upon the advancement

taken as 'God's word.' Assertion that the bible for the most of the faith. "Our year book shows within ten part is a collection of myths and folklore.

years a gain of almost 500,000 souls in the Methodist church, of this country," Assertion that the infallibility of the said Dr. Thompson. "Yet the world scriptures no longer can be conceded in an enlightened age." Assertion that the bible has lost its had conceded the ruin of Methodism from the attacks." To Dr. Thompson's point of view. authority as. in the day of Jonathan

however, the Rev. Dr. Burns applies the Edwards, possibilities which might have been Disbelief in the doctrine of "original possibilities which might have been Methodism had it not been for these attacks.

Attack on Westminster confession of "Methodism has gained-yes," he faith. admits; "but when one considers the In subsance most of these attacks

growth of population of the United have been against a too liberal acceptance of the New Testament, both States in ten years, what are 500,000 conversions to the Methodist church as a literal word of God and-in point to what the number might have been of the story of the miracles-as meanunder the old orthodoxy?" ing to convey to men in this enlight Policies Changed Within Two Years. ened age anything more than a figura Two years ago in an awakening of tive meaning.

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criticism.

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ossible conception.

Presbyterianism in Chicago it was voiced and accepted as vital to the foundation of the church that, "without the miracles we have nothing," and, Finds Many Errors in Bible. Prof. George Burnham Foster of the University of Chicago has made one of the most sweeping utterances of the further, "unless the young person is convinced and brought to Christ beyear regarding the history of the Christian religion and the authenticity fore he is 15 years old we never get of the bible. He says to the point in

himk But within the last year no other te-net in the beliefs of the Christian church has been so studiously attacked and denied from within the church as is the literal acceptance of the miraculous birth of Christ and the further be Hef that he rose in the flesh from the

In letters, sermons, books, men clothed with the authority of the cloth have passed from the criticism of the Old Testament of a few years ago to the challenging of the infallibility of either bible. The Episcopal church perhaps, has led all other denomina tions, but in every other of the Eyangelical religions there have been de-flections from the bible or from the

creeds until Christianity throughout the country is shaken and disturbed as never before in its history. The Rev. Dr. Burns, of the Methodist

hurch in Chicago, stands for orthodoxy in its old sense. For thirty years he has been a figure in Illinois Methodsm, and was one of the first of the protestants against the disposition to apply the higher criticism to the Old

**'estament** When I spoke first against this at titude toward the bible, six years ago I was told. 'O, but this is confined to the Old Testament, merely; it concerns

anything else!"

# COME, LET US REASON TOGETHER.

From have

Why Spiritualism Advances so Slowly. To the Editor :-- I see occasionally ac counts of persons who have received absolute tests of spirit return and com-

munion Every newly discovered truth comes nto the world an allen, and has to fight ts way inch by inch, until it becomes naturalized. Its enemy is early teach-ing. Let no one feel confident that he could escape any delusion, however preposterous and absurd, if it had been taught at his mother's knee, reiterated by his father, enforced in leasons by his teacher and repeated and accepted by the community in which he lived. Those who do escape are exceptions to the rule.

Everything that one knows or seeks to know, everything one obtains or seeks to do, everything one avoids or seeks to avoid, is an effort to satisfy some desire, to gratify some feeling or avoid some evil. He employs the best means at his command, and pursues those interests which he thinks will best promote his well-being, present and future, and he avoids as best he can, the evils which he fears will bring im pain or misery.

No one can successfully deny this proposition; no one can escape the ac-tion of this fundamental law of human conduct. Socrates said: "To know the good and not pursue it is akin to madness. The vital question is, What i good? When that is answered correct ly the problem is solved.

Every mental operation is a sense tion in consciousness. Sensation is the impelling force, and consciousness is the awareness of it. Sensation-the desire to live, to enjoy, to be happygives rise to a concern for our well-be-ing, well-being is well-feeling, and well-

feeling is enjoyment, happiness. The newly discovered truth-Spirit-

ualism-is allen-an antagonistic con ception, as a rule, and of course, it is epelled. It is against the individual's feelings; he does not want it. The feeling of the devout Catholic is that the Virgin Mary is the mother of the econd person on the Godhead, and the denial of it arouses an antagonistic feeling in him. The feeling he so devoutly cherishes excludes every other

not in accordance with it. The feeling aroused by the conception of spirit return and communion is not in accord

leaded Spiritualists who boast of their spiritual knowledge, eagerly seeking tests. They have seen absolute proof perhaps, a thousand times, but there is a persistent feeling of doubt, and all the tests they could have would not remove it. They do not know what the matter is with them; but a little calm and deliberate reasoning would dispet the doubt. It is their early teaching

One absolute demonstration of spirit manifestation is sufficient for all

fully appreciated, and its significance understood, if men would only reason. One demonstration of "Bucild's 47th theorem proves the fact that the square of the hypotenuse of a triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the othe two sides. The law of forces producing phenomena, is universal and eter-nal, but this fact is not fully considered A single instance in my own case is what we experience has two kinds of proof: Que is what we feel—subjective, the other, is objective—what we ob-serve; and rightly considered, the subjective has double weight. In June, 1848, my brother nearest to me passed to the other life. His disease was inflammation of the brain. For nearly you have seen, but it is love, patience, three weeks he raved in delirium, when and tenderness that make a mother.

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After a review of the beliefs held in continued existence is demonstrated, the past concerning life beyond death. and that there have been at least some Dr. Savage takes up the present condi-well authenticated communications from persons in the other life. The chief contents of the volume are as follows

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ance with the generality of mankind and is repelled. Men do not reason. I have seen gray. his book from the University Press: "The watchword, 'Christianity is a religion' is superficially true but fundamentally false. It means that 'the

of values, and values are timeless. Bishop Charles D. Williams of the Episcopal diocese of Michigan, while denying that the bible is to be taken that blinds their conceptions, and they stand in their own light. as the word-of Gdd, still has

affected to say that its pumpose is not to be impugned by any such degree of when clearly comprehended and

"We must learn from the scriptures how to read the scriptures. Some of us use it as the heathen uses his fetich Dr. Lyman Abbott, f whom orthodox clergymen declare borders closely upon all the "isms" withinva certain given period constituting his dodtrinal rota-tions, declares that "The bible to-day lacks authority that it claimed in the ime of Jonathan Edwards" Of the ubject of a personal Gud/he has made a striking statement against such a "How do I know there is a God? How do you know you had a mother? You haven't seen her. Her eyes and brow

phur, silicon, and carbon thereof be the ideal of purity, truth, The metallic are aluminum, antiand universal good.

If there is justice in the mony, barium, beryllium, cadmium, caesium, calcium, ceriunt, chronium cobalt. columbium, copper, decipium, dedymium, erblum, gallium, germanium, glucium, gold, indium, iridium, iron, lanthranium, lead, lithium, magnesium, manganese, mercury, molyb-deum, nickel, niobium, osmium, pallaplatinum, potassium, rhodium, ruhidium, rutherium, samarium, scandlum, strontium, sodium, tantalum, terblum, thallium, thorium, tln, titanium, tungsten, uranium, vanadium; ytterbium, yttrium, zinc and zircoplum. To this list must be added argon, helium and radium, leaving philliplum, norweglum and many others, the existence of which have not been proven, or their characteristics determined.

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Smery Perrin: Q. Is there not in itual, mental and physical attainments Protestant churches, averred faith of humanityi. Those who would rise cures similar to the so-called miracles mentally, physically and spiritually to ronked at Catholic shrines, such as an ascendancy "among men, must the famous Lourdes grotto in France, qualify themselves with the light of and it so, where are records of cures truth and knowledge such as is to be found?

A. If Protestants repudiate the Gatholic claims for Divine healing, they strike at one of the pillars of the

Christian faith. From the beginning the strongest evidence of Christ's claim to godship, a claim that was al-ways placed in the forefront, was his ability to heal the sick and raise the dead. He endowed his disciples with this power, and promised it to all be-lievers. They should lay hands on the sick, and the miracle of restoration should follow.

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chic laws and conditions have been tolerant of error and that a good cause eminently successful. There may be gains nothing by compromise. If there no virtue in the bones of saints, or is anything for which men should con-supposed fragments of the true cross, tend to-day it is the living and eternal but there is a measureless power in truth of God."



God, or Nature, and a consciousness of soul and spirit in the great beyond, ing the bible; and if it is countenanced will not the day of reckoning accounts, and straightening the crooked deeds and accepted it will be only a little while before the New Testament, too, of man to man surely come? In this will be assailed. case, would it not be better to stand on the side of the oppressed, than that Church on Defensive Against Its Own. of the oppressor; the cheated, than the cheator; the deceived, than the deceiver? Not all tears flow from the fountain

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through war's gates of hell to victory. with the mental and physical energy of the builder. So it is with the spir-

gained through the experiences of life, and the contemplation of its princlples.

THE BIBLE CRUMBLING.

livine being ever given to any people "This criticism, however, has reached close to its natural limits. There is little further for anyone to go. Its greatest damage has been in the sug-gestion of doubt on all sides. This

higher criticism never will destroy the bible. It will prove destructive of men. 'Some of our denominational bodies, actuated by the influences of higher forms of unbelief and have adopted a

'peace at any price' policy, priding themselves upon the large liberty they The Catholics have been true to themselves upon the large liberty they allow, forgetting that truth never is allow, forgetting that a good cause

Gilded domes and towers - are not

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RETZA.

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is a difference in 'deity,' and mere 'di-vinity," The Christian Scientist ad-mits the 'divinity' of Christ! even to institute his inquiry. 'What is its the 'divinity' of Christ! even to institute his inquiry. What is "Nowadays we hear the term 'the old this bible they talk about?' is a not unorthodoxy as if there were such a thing possible as a new orthodoxy! The Christian church was founded upon the much as attempted to read a chapter in

was either inspired or it was not in-It is fully answered in "Mediumiship, and Its Laws, Its Conditions and Cultivation," by Hud-son Tuttle. Price 35 cents. Address him as Berlin Heights, Ohio

s you d them. We cannot define God. When we offer you a definition of God we are "But do you intend to stop with the Old Testament?" was the persistent query of Dr. Burns. "You are attack-

Christianity is a religion of historical

facts. It is not a religion of facts but

offering you an idol and you do well to reject that idol." The Rev. Dr. Samuel T. Carter, for thirty years in the Presbyterian church addressed a letter to the Presbyterian general assembly in Des Moines, Ia., last May, attacking the Westminster confession of faith:

That predicted time is now, in the 'Many, years ago when I was ordained to the ministry of the gospel I declared opinion of Dr. Burns-now is the Evan-gelical church more on the defensive in the most solemn manner that I be-lieved the Westminste confession of against her own than Dr. Burns believes could have been thought possible faith to be the truth of God.' I now in by those first higher critics and the an equally solemn manner declare that indulgent church which listened to I do not believe it to be the truth of

God; that I utterly reject it as a setting "At the same time I believe that the forth of the character of the heavenly higher criticism has about reached the father!"

and of the rope," said Dr. Burns. "It . The defection of Dr. Algernon Sydney has attacked about all there is to be Crapsey of St. Anthony's Episcopal has attacked about an unere is to be trapsey of St. Anthony 5 in the state attacked in the bible. It has about church at Rochester, N. Y., and his dis-exhausted its argument. Never was missal from the church are recent inclexhausted its argument. Never was missal from the church are recent incl-the Christian church in America more dents. Dr. Crapsey regarded the prein need of an evangelistic awakening diction of a miraclous birth of Christ, than now, and when that awakening "as one of the greatest misfortunes that comes I look for a reaction in the direc- ever has befallen mankind." tion of the old orthodoxy."

Dr. Burns has been in protest always Report on Authorship of Pentateuch. against any criticism of the bible as Dr. Crapsey, in the opinion of the the direct word of God, coming through Rev. Dr. Burns, is not more than an bis divinely inspired human agents, and incident. It is more from the orthodor through the personality of Christ as the point of view that within the year an Delty. He sees to day in the purpose international commission, appointed at of the higher critics the fixed plan the request of Pope Pius X, should and purpose to substitute for sal- have made the reporting dup on the vation of the individual in the lifting authorship of the Penfateuch: "With due regard being paid to the judgment of the church," reads this reup of mankind a wider and more wholesale effort in the uplifting of whole port in part, "it may be admitted in the

long course of the agos some modifica-tions have been introduced into the Say's Bible Is Lowered in Esteem. As to the effect of the higher criti- Pentateuch, such as additions after "Through the influence of a falso an inspired author or attached to the science and a higher criticism' the bi-ble has been lowered in the estimation and forms translated; from a foreign of countless thousands and lifted to the top of the book-shelf or even into the garrets of oblivion. The Christian ascribed to errors of amanuenses conchurch has never known in all its his- cerning which it is lawful to investitory a more successful revival extin-gate and judge according to the law of guisher than is this fire damp of higher criticism."

criticism. This new theology is not In effect the report of this commismerely an old orthodoxy from a new sion is that no one fixed believe that point of view; it is a system in itself Moses with his own<sup>6</sup> hand <sup>e</sup> wrote the radically different in fundamentals, Pentateuch; that while inspired to the permanence, and spirit. If it is not work himself the task fell to others

modern paganism it certainly is not work indisent the task ton to the task to the "Probably there never was a time Higher Critic's Bible" of a lew years, chopping on it, when he drew his fittle when men were better informed re ago, the Rev. Dr. Buths speaks with the specting the life of our Lord or a time when the teaching of his word was less that the late Bishoproficabe of New and when I came to the surface, he with the surface, he head, and when I came to the surface, he satisfactory. The vagueness which the late BishoprofMcGabe of New characterizes the thought of the day relating to him is deplorable. The higher critic admits his divinity, but says he was born of human parentage. "To day," said Dr. Burns, "no man dired me burns and when I came to the surface, he pulled me out. The younger brother saw all this and wrote it out on the saw all the work wrote and the saw all this and wrote it out on the saw all the wrote the point in the saw all the saw

says he was born of human parentage, "To-day," said Dr. Jurps, "no man died, was buried, and lies buried still can tell where subtle, infinences of as crumbling dust. But the higher crit. these attacks from within the church

ic is denying the Deity of Christ. There are to end. They have been of unmeas-

he passed through the appearance of dying. He ceased breathing and the body became relaxed. My oldest brother, who sat at the head of the bed arose and raised him to a. sitting position shook him, and called him loudly by his name. He seemed to revive, and said: "Why did you call me back? I was just going and you called me back? O, what beautiful things I see,

I was sitting at the foot of the bed. and saw and heard all this. He said: "They tell me at three in the morning (this was about nine in the evening) am to go with them.

During those hours he dwelt in vivid descriptions of what he saw and at three in the morning he passed serene ly into the world of sipirits. I must go back several years. In the

State University of Michigan, in the class in algebra, there was a problem in quadratic equations, involving four in quadratic equations, involving four unknown quantities, which the class was unable to solve. It lingered along for several weeks, the teacher would not explain it. "Work it out and then you will understand it. At last one of the class reached the solution, and then the entire class could solve it. During the winters this brother and myself would teach school.

In 1851, my little cousin, a child about six years old, became a rapping medium: She did not know a letter of the alphabet, but many communications were received in the way of repeating the alphabet, and raps at the letter wanted; and of course I got many com-munications from this brother. While teaching we would offer this difficult problem to others, but no one was able to solve it. We had solved it many times. This little child-medium soon

became a writing medium, and wrote with surprising rapidity. One day I went into my uncle's house, and the little girl was sitting by the fire. As I came in she went to the table, took up the slate and wrote in a large round hand the word, "Edmund," my brother's name.

"Now," said I, "I know you are present, but I cannot realize your presence. Can't you give me some test that will prove it?"

He wrote in rapid hand an event in our early childhood-we with our older brother were standing on a log in a pond. I stood near him while he was chopping on it, when he drew his little

saw all this and wrote it out on the

After reading this I said, "O, do you remember the problem?" and was going to state it, but before I said a word of it, it was written just as we - had solved it many times. The four equa-tions and the method of solution was gone through as we had performed it, with great rapidity. Then he wrote. "Now don't you know that it is I," un-

derscoring the word "know," This all came so unexpectedly that could not speak. I felt a thrill, and

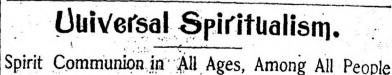
Now I realized his presence, and from that day to this I have never

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## MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION.

#### Notes by President McArthur, and Report of Committee on Resolutions.

The State Progressive Spiritualists' Association of Missouri closed on Thursday evening, Feb. 28, the most successful convention ever held by the State Association. The address The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. Thos. Grimshaw, whose practical remarks on the necessity of proper organization were well received and heartily applauded. He was followed by your writer with a paper entitled "The Need of Mental and Spiritual Growth in Our Movement," and at the close of which a motion was made that it be spread upon the minutes of

the association, which was carried. Sister Harlow was then introduced to the convention and made one of her characteristic talks, sparkling with truth and wit. She was then and there adopted by the Missourians that she "had shown" as their own, and I would advise our Ohio brethren to look out; we of Missouri have taking ways, and we "lay a heap of store" by your Lizzie, so forewarned is forearmed.

The afternoon session was devoted to business. The reading and adopt-ing seriatim the report of the president consumed the greater part of the Those sections which you afternoon. wisely omitted publishing, Brother Francis, were hotly opposed by a small minority who did not feel that the strenuous methods of yours truly on fraud should be endorsed. A large majority, however, thought otherwise,

and the report was adopted. The secretary and treasurer, Bro. Gates and Sister Hary, made brief reports on the financial condition of the ssociation, which were adopted. The committee on resolutions, Geo.

H. Johnston, W. C. Jessup and Charle's Brown, made their report, which was unanimously adopted.

Several amendments of the constitution and by-laws were presented by Brother Thomas Grimshaw, which were adopted, one of the most important being the reduction of the executive board from 16 to 9. The suggestion made also by Brother Grimshaw that we line up with our sister State Association of Illinois and start a fund for the purchase of a scholarship in the Morris Pratt Institute as a monument to our arisen brother, Moses Hull, was endorsed, and \$31 raised as a' beginning.

The evening sessions for the public were packed to overflowing, seats being placed in the aisles and back of church and still many were obliged to stand.

The musical program arranged by our good Sister E. F. Wallace, was especially good, and Professor Green, Miss Laura Hanenstein, Mrs. L. S. Taylor, Miss Myrtle Taylor, Miss Bertha Price, Miss Hazel Medina and Miss Gertrude Belle Farrow deserve the hearty thanks which the state board has delegated me to tender them for their able assistance in making our convention a success

As for Miss Elizabeth Harlow, well, she was at her best; you who know her know what that means, and both evenings held her audiences spellbound as she drove the practical truths of our beautiful philosophy home. 1 was amused as well as pleased at the comment of a reporter on the Republic, who was taking notes. At the close of Miss Harlow's lecture on the second evening he turned to my better half and said: Say, you people have got me going; if I hear much more like this I will become a Spirfitualist in spite of myself. She is a wonder"; and she was.

Our message bearers, Mrs. Glen C. Stephens of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Klara T. Hary, Mrs. E. B. Price and Mrs. Laura M. Jones of St. Louis,

heartfelt ssympathy to his dear com-panion, Mattie E. Hull; that a copy of these resolution be sent her, also that a copy be placed on file in the records of the State Association. Be it also Resolved, That our sincere sympa

thies be extended to the friends and relatives of our arisen sisters, Jennie Hagan Brown, Mrs. M. Goettler, Miss Laura-Goettler, Bertha Moorhouse also Mrs. Giroux, who by and through the sowing of seeds of progress in the minds of her lyceum children, has erected a monument of love in their

hearts. Resolved, That we rejoice in the signs of progress for our cause. These signs point not so much to numerical strength as to an unlifting and clean ing out of those things that have tend ed to tear down our cause.

Resolved, That we endorse the work of our state board in its efforts t build up the cause, and we especially commend our state president, Paul McArthur, for his work for righteousness and clean Spiritualism.

Resolved, That we extend greeting to all mediums before the public who are affiliated with the National, and state associations and who are laboring to uphold our cause,..... We pledge the efforts of this organization to sustain and help upbuild societies char-tered by our board. Be it further Resolved, To extend our gratitude to Prof. Green and those who by their musical talents assisted us so ably in making our public sessions a success. Resolved, Also to especially thank our good Sister Price and her able assistants of the Spiritual Research Soelety who administered to our physical wants. Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. JOHNSTON, W. C. JESSUP, CHAS. BROWN,

SPIRITUAL UNFOLDMENT.

Spirit Message of Advice on Mediumship and the Duty of Martals.

Until the year 1848. Spiritualism had not advanced sufficiently to establish any record, but since the eventful time at Hydesville, N. Y., Modern Spiritual-ism- has grown until it extends into every country. It has proven that the spirit can return, and communicate intelligently after passing through the change called death; also that the progression of the soul is necessary. That is the true foundation on which all the creeds that have sprung up are based. Now let us look farther and see what is the duty of every mortal. In the first place, there is no one that can escape this condition of laying aside the mortal body. Then if we return to earthly conditions after passing through this change and communicate with mortals, it proves that all classes come back and mingle with each other. Then our first duty is to make proper conditions to get the truth, to try to attract those that have some knowl-edge of the conditions on the other side. It is a school, and we should place ourselves under teachers that are canable of teaching us; and as we pass from grade to grade, we will have different teachers, ones that are capable of instructing us.

The soul has to advance, and to cling to one teacher would mean to stop in the lower grades. While we can always have our teachers as friends. we should realize that they have their work, and mortals can cling to spirits so closely that it retards their advance ment. From the time you place your-selves in the invisibles' hands, you should advance step by step.

There may be obstacles over which you have no control, but gradually they will all be removed, and you wil be able to look back and see the ruling of the higher influences.

out any home or purpose in life. As you furnish material for others to Mortals can uplift the spirit that is build, so will you be furnished when your time comes to build. beneath them. Never work down the scale, but always up. You can always detect what scale the spirit is working on, just the same as you can a mortal, and when you stoop down, and help a stay in that grade until you are probrother up the step that is so hard for him to take, you can realize better what is being done for you. You will not all take the same training. Some will be trained for teachers, some for your labor. Through-DORA A. UNDERWQOD, D. O. healers, etc., but whatever your work Baker City, Oregon. may be, consider you were chosen for that work; no one else can do that Southern Cassadaga Camp.

# THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

# Spirits and Investments.

It is beginning to be a recognized fact that Spirits are not safe advisers in making investments. Hundreds have lost all, or become financially crippled for life by making investments in mines or some other moneymaking schemes, through the advice of Spirits. So prevalent have these misfortunes become, that words of warning seem to be essential, and they come from the President of the N.S.A.

To the Editor:---Under separate Singleton writes has absorbed fifty cover, I am mailing you a copy of the thousand dollars of the good money of cover, 1 am mailing you a copy of the Seattle Evening Star, the leading evening daily of this city. The marked article speaks for itself. It is one more witness testifying truthfully against the fearful practice of com-mercialism in mediumship. It is not known how many thousands of dollars scheme, by the Spiritualists of Amer scheme, by the Spiritualists of Amer-scheme, by the Spiritualists of Amer-scheme, by the sum is placed at fifty were being duped. These cases are thousand dollars, it is a most conserv- object lessons that should be remem ative estimate, far too low according to those who are well informed. The Where one mine of value is really lowriter of the article, Mr. Charles R. Singleton, is a newspaper man of standing on the Pacific coast, while his the hoodwinked people. Every atgreat ability as a writer is signally tempt to get something for nothing proven by the subject matter of his sooner or later meets with deserved startling array of facts. defeat.

There are at least two mining com-The severest condemnation has been panies on this coast under the man- visited upon me because of my opposiagement of Spiritualists whose work tion to any and all such bald commeris marked out for them by excarnate cialism in mediumship. The foregois marked out for them by excarnate cialism in mediumship. The forego-spirits, through "mediums especially ing evidences testify loudly in favor of selected for these holy offices. The the position I have taken in regard to one named by the Star is one of them. It of these matters, The robbery of Both are capitalized to the extent of three or more millions of dollars. Into both of them, the hardworking Spirit- the land in the name of the angels is ualist laity have poured their little all the most contemptible piece of thiev-without a missiving at the command without a misgiving, at the command ery ever known on ... earth. Perhaps of the spirits. Some of them have the cupidity of some of these people gone so far as to mortgage their did deserve a stinging rebuke, but homes, even to sell them outright, in those who were made to feel that order to obtain money with which to their investment was the roadway purchase mining stock. I met one from poverty to affluence, and thereby man in Kentucky who had hired robbed of their little all, are deserving \$1,800 to invest in a mine located by of something more than censure. They spirits, whose stock was sure to yield are entitled to sympathy, and to the him twenty per cent premium within a protection of their brethren in all year. He is paying ten per cent interest on an iron-clad mortgage on his name and for the sake of such as little home instead, and the lines in these that I protest so often and so vehis face, as well as the evidences of hemently against this sordid commertoil and mental agony that are appar- | cial spirit-this use of Spiritualism to ent in his every move, are evidences of rob unsuspecting:mortals. The angels what he has suffered through his expe-rience with his "mediumistically (?) located mine!" The same story comes from all sections of the nation. Mr. Singleton could have told of a widow is the section of the nation of the nation is the section of the nation is the section of the nation is the section of the nation of the nation of th

widow in poor health, who was in-duced to part with her little home in side world is regarding this exploita-Chicago, and invest the proceeds in tion of the innocent in the name of the mine of which he writes. At least, their sainted dead, out of their little she took an equivalent in stock at the all. One thing is clear—it proves price then placed upon it. She is that the president of the N. S. A. has known and loved by thousands not overstated matters relating to throughout the land, and her case is Commercialism and its fearfully dø especially sad by reason of the fact moralizing effectiupon mediumship, that her ability to earn her living has Yours for spiritual Spiritualism. been materially affected by illness and the state HARRISS misfortune. If the mine of which Mr. Seattle, Wash.

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# Thoughts and Reflections.

They Arose on Reading Hudson Tuttle's Book, "Eyolution of the God and Christ Ideas."

I have been more indebted to Hud-son Tuttle and Andrew Jackson Davis killing off a lot of innocent men and for my education in the philosophy of Spiritualism, than in all the other writers of that cult, though all have versary. In Psalms 108, is the only been very beneficial. Only a few of other place where it is found in the the earlier lecturers on Spiritualism Old Testament, and it certainly will were unacquainted with the writings bear that interpretation there. In the of these two profound and original New Testament it occurs a good numthinkers. I yet, believe that our ber of times and is entitled to the speakers would be better equipped for the same translation. From the fact that the work of educating the public by a the Greeks and early Christians were generous and careful study of all their were in the habit of speaking of every object and even principle as if it were works. Next after these I should recom-mend a thorough knowledge of Hera person. . Whatever occupies the bert Spencer's First Principles and ness or misery of mankind, every adworks on Psychology, after which verse circumstance would be laid upon they would have no inclination to the the shoulders of a fictitious personage. they would have no inclination to the doctrine of reincarnation, or any other jumped-at conclusions. It is true that heaven, he merely expresses what is heaven, he merely expresses what is heaven, he merely expresses what is

some of our trance speakers believe heaven, he merely expresses what is themselves beyond the necessity of here meant. He saw evil or adver-studying books to fit themselves as sity fall upon the world, or individ-teachers, but even then, it sometimes uals, as light or the rays of the sun happens that their "guides" are as ig-fall upon the earth. There is also an fall upon the earth .: There is also an norant as themselves, in which case astrological explanation which I have they appear quite stupid as teachers. not room here to consider. The devils of whom numbers were and drive the more erudite farther

cast out of unfortunately obsessed people, by Jesus, were the diamonia of away from them. This last work of Hudson Tuttle, 'The Evolution of the God and Christ the Greeks. This was a term given to Ideas," is the equal of any book ever the spirits of the dead generally written by the Ohio philosopher. Not the Greek people, and in captivity the Jews found it in use. But their dead were not diamonia (demons or devils), only is it caluculated to make a person think, but it is a complete reply to much of the atheism of our day. His because they were a "sanctified people, logic demonstrates that life and God peculiar and holy:" it wouldn't do to are one, and we know that there is not existing an atom wherein life is not. refer to them undistinguished from the spirits of the Gentile or common

"A rock or a tree," he says, "are as sa-cred as God, being a part of him, or portions of his work."

gion. consecrated spirits, or spirits of And yet, notwithstanding my inthe consecrated people. In our Bible tense interest in this work, and my en- the translators imbued with the Trinidorsement of it in a general way, it is as much for the purpose of dissenting tarian idea, supposed it referred to the third part of the Trinity, and trans from and criticising some portions of it as anything else that I am writing this. A person may endorse a work lated it "holy ghost." Those devils cast out by Jesus, never, in any case referred to an adversary of Almighty and yet not accept all its conclusions.

I am, and always have been a pupil at Hudson Tuttle's school. I sit at his feet because I wish to learn, for 1 know he yet has much and always will The devil idea, as an adversary of God, while at the same time co-operating with him in his grand plan of punshment, was chiefly derived from Perhave much to teach me. Yet occa-sionally, and often he puts forth exsia, and though undoubtedly it was accented by the orthodox Jews, it doesn't pressions with which I am not in acseem to have found much favor in the cord. There are many in this book Gospels, if in the New Testament. at and I feel at liberty to take advantage all.

of a note he sent to me: "I hope I may stir you up to write; if you feel The chapter on "The God Idea of the Jews" is of immense importance to all who would know what the bible called upon to object, do not spare." But I cannot write as I would if I had really is, how it grew, by whom it was more time and The Progressive Think- made. But I cannot agree with the author in his first statement in this er had more space, and also, if the reader had more patience to read. I chapter, that "Its origin and value is feel no diffidence in criticising or ob- similar to all the so-called sacred jecting, for I know Hudson Tuttle will books." The Hindoo, Chaldean, Per-Blan and Mohammedan sacred books have just as much respect for me, whatever view I may take, as if I were were written apparently, solely with in perfect accord with his views. reference to the conduct of a religious

In the development of his subject, ife. Not so, the Bible. It appears to he states that "It is out of the ignorhave been merely a state library ance and absolute terror of fear of the books, mostly historical and political. It is true, Leviticus and Deuteronomy unknown that all systems of religion sprang into being. Brahmanism appear to be ritualistic, and some of Buddhism, Fire Worship, Judaism, the Psalms appear devotional; but not more so than many poems by modern profane writers. The sacredness was Christianity and Moslemism started in

diverging streams from this one source and run parallel courses." to be expected, when we realize, Possibly: I am uncertain, whether for at least seventy years, they were captives in a foreign country where tear is the foundation of religious worship. Evidently Brahmanism had its they had been accustomed to contrast rise in a much older religion, as the the books they met with there to those doctrine of metempsychosis or the they had left in their national library. transmigration of souls to and from How prone we are when in a foreign ower animal life was the basis of country for only a few months to contheir systems of belief. Hence, all re-wards and punishments were connect-their institutions with ours, and how ed with a life on this earth. Nor did in our minds do our institutions

standing at last reached by knowledge in the prescience of its highest attain ments. The Universe, or, to use the more comprehensive term of the great Humboldt, the Cosmos, is alive. more than a physical creation, it is a living organism. It is more, it is an embodiment of Intelligent Being. It is more than Cosmic Matter, it is Cos-mic Matter vitalized by Cosmic Mind. DANIEL W. HULL, M. H.

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were all at their best, and their able work did much to create an awakening in favor of Spiritualists and Spiritualism. The societies report (since the convention) larger audiences and a revival of interest.

The Thursday afternoon public ses sion was conducted by the First Col-ored Spiritualists of St. Louis. Bro. J. B. Bates made a ringing address and was ordained by your writer as a minister of the Gospel of Spiritualism work as well. The Armstead Quartette sang beautiful melodies as only our colored brethcan. Sisters Nelson Armstead ren Professors have given their life to and Mary North gave out the glad tidestablishing the best laws to govern the mode of study and instruction. They ings that the so-called dead live, in a manner that reflected credit on their have decided that study at home with race and the cause. Mrs. G. A. Baldock, speaker for the Golden Rule class-work under proper tutors will advance the pupil much faster than colored society of Kansas City, made a hit with her audience from the start study under disturbed conditions. What She inlivered an enthusiastic address on the beatties of Spiritualism, with would you think of a student that depended wholly upon class work for his the vim and vigor of an old-time Meth-odist exhorter! Her audience refused advancement, and then would sit in all grades, one day in the A class, next to let her stop and called for more. I day in the ancient language class; and

yet that is just what the greater numventure to assert that the good sister is a power; among her people at Kanber of mediums or would-be mediums sas City, and that none of them want to sleep while she is bolding forth, are doing to-day, and wonder why they are not progressing, and blame the which is more than some more pretencause. Some even go so far as to say it is all a fraud, Friends, you have to be graded in tious speakers can say. A mass meet-ing has been planned for the near future for Kausas City, where we expect any line of work you take up. Search to have a stirring up for Spiritualism. your own soul and find your grade;

then study alone at home. One even-ing in the week form a class of stu-We hope also to be able to arrange one for Springfield and other points in the state and would like to have the difdents that are in the same grade as ferent societies throughout Missouri write us and express their sentiments concerning this. We want to make this a banner year for the Cause here. in Missouri and can only do this by and through your co-operation. Are you with us?

The new board at their first execunot know your place. but everyday try tive session passed unanimously a moa different class. tion made by Dr. O. D. Whittier to endeavor to start a state association lianything until you go at it with a firm-ness of will to get the best that you are brary where the members of the difcapable of receiving higher. You have ferent societies affiliated with the state association might obtain books on the to first furnish a foundation, then under philosophy of our religion and become proper conditions we can erect a maninformed. The cause of so much cresion. But we have to be let alone, our dulity in our ranks is lack of knowl-Let us start a brain vibration edge. Brother Francis says) by getting nosted. As a good foundation, we deman, sire to subscribe for a set of Andrew Jackson Davis's works. A number of books have also been promised us by purpose: local Spiritualists, and any donations of books for this purpose by anyone will be gratefully received. Address PAUL MCARTHUR,

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Report of Committee on Resolutions

Whereas, The State Progressive Spiritualists' Association of Missouri in convention assembled, has moved to formulate and adopt resolutions on the passing over of our arisen loved ones during the year, and especially upon the demise of that revered leader and teacher of our philosophy, Moses Hull, whose scholastic lore and will not be spent in vain. We have great work to do through earth condirare gifts of logic and analysis entions and earth material, but we have to sort the material and use care and abled him to understand and translate the hible from its original text, his the foremost authorities on the bible, of the United States if not the world. As a fearless advocate of human rights in the social, political and spiritual realms he had no superior if an equal. Therefore be it Resolved, That we delegates in an-nual convention assembled, extend our if y you have, and come over here with-nual convention assembled, extend our biblical knowledge-making him one of judgment. Therefore, if you want the

In your advancement, try to follow out as closely as possible the rules laid down in the public school.

and election of a new board of trustees for the coming year, which resulted in the following officers being chosen:

President, G. N. Hilligoss; vice-presi dent. E. W. Bond: secretary and treasurer, H. S. Twing. Trustees, Mrs. M.

that it will continue in the future. The election of officers for Ladies' to forward the same to me at their Auxiliary was held on Friday with the earliest convenience. following result: President, Mrs. C. E.

vourself secure a teacher that is capa S. Twing; vice-presidents, Mrs. Cooper, ble of teaching you, and when you have Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Whittaker; secre-retary, Mrs. M. E. Clark; treasurer, advanced out of the grade, you are ca pable of entering another. But don' Mrs. MacGarvey. sit with this one and that one; if you -Sunday, last day of the camp season do, you will find the same confusion

of 1907, was bright and beautiful. that you would to enter a college and

Remember you cannot succeed in ment, to the deductions of thinking peo- Price, cloth, \$1.50. ple, rather than to the deductions of so-called scientists?" The subject elicusual forcible and eloquent ited the

material used only by competent work The afternoon lecture was by Mrs. men, and only under the supervis-ion of one architect and master work or we would only produce chaos phy and Religion,"-and it was the very and have used up our material to no

yet given. The auditorium was crowd-So consider these things. If you place yourselves in the hands of the invisibles, test them, see that they are The evening service was a symposicompetent to do what they profess they can. If you are not making the strides of the speakers, J. Clegg Wright, Mrs. Twing, Mrs. Morrill and Mrs. Pettenyou ought, look to yourself, see if you have done your part; if you have, then demand an explanation, using the same consideration you would in changing

your college or business. Then you will the audience testified to the fact that call around you noble, reliable teach ers. You would not spend your life and pleasure to the people at large. lustrated, \$1.25. working with a frivolous student that And so has closed the season of 1907. had no stability of character: neither do we on this shore. We are looking for someone to work through that we with you till we meet again. know will stay by us, that our time

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and see where you belong. When you In a vision I have gotten the location find your grade, employ a teacher, and of a tract of mineral land in. Missouri, but have no money to buy it with. Who moted by that teacher to the next will furnish the money and let me buy Then you will always know where you hhOo'lh,Bassesarm ww stand, and have something to show for it for them. My getting, and owing for, mdmm without interest, a divided interest in the land.' I had never visited the town

where the mineral land is up to the time of getting its name in a vision, but I afterwards purposely visited it and found the location of the land as I had An interesting event of the camp seen it in my vision. I am honest, and which has been omitted, has been the will not cheat any person of anything, presentation of a large flag to the and any honest and capable medium Southern Cassadaga Camp Association, would say the same if given any writ-by Mrs. Cooper, of Camden, N. J., with short informal ceremonies, singing of the "Star Spangled Hanner," the Ly-ceum salute to the flag, and three cheers for the donor. On Saturday morning occurred the yearly meeting of the stock-holders, for reading the reports of the past year, and election of a new heard of trustees Missouri.

- IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Having been directed to carry on the ork of Editor-at-Large in connection MacGarvey; Z. Babcock, A. A. Butler, with the N. S. A., I am desifious of ob-Joseph Slater; so that the officers of taining all press notices for or against last year are continued in office, prov-spiritualism, and reliable information ing the fact of the past good manage-with regard to attacks upon our movement, and the faith of the stockholders ment that may be made by preachers, I re-pectfully request all Spiritualiste

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### ESOTERICLESSONS.

. This work includes "Personified Unthinkables," "First Lessons in Reality, The morning lecture was by J. Clegg and. "A Tour Through the Zodiac. Wright, from the subject given him, This is an interesting production of oc-"Is it not a fact that the world is more cult thought and will well repay careful indebted for its spiritual enlighten- study and meditation by all occultists.

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Gautama (Buddha) contemplate anbrighten and enlarge before us. The other world outside or beyond this, exprophets themselves were merely pocept as a condition of Nirvana. Inlitical agitators, as the abolitionists deed, Buddhism as taught by Buddha barn-burners, greenbackers, prohibi himself, was mostly a materialistic retionists, labor reformers and ligion, and so of Mosaism, which seems lists of our country were in their day to ignore, entirely, a future existence. and as the socialists are in this day.

A fair epitome is given of the God idea of the Hindoos, Egyptians, Chal-deans, Persians, Jews, Moslems, Christians, Greeks and Romans. The In reading this chapter one learns so many things concerning the dates and origin of the books of the bible, the different translations, and differ development and evolution of Chrisent times of the several translations, tianity is very profitably discussed. when, where and by whom, the imper This early history should be studied fections of the translations, and the till well fixed in the minds of all our doubts on the minds of the translators readers, especially by all our lecturers. concerning the meanings of certain When we shall learn that the God words and pharses, that he can but idea concerning Jesus was an after-thought brought in to reconcile with wish that God, if he authorized the book, had taken some other means of some of the ideas of Paganism we expressing himself to humanity. One's shall be able to give to Jesus that veneration for the book is consider credit which belongs, not to a god, but ably weakened by learning all the to man. The extravagant claims put facts brought out by-Brother Tuttle forth in behalf of Jesus a few centu-All this leads up to the God idea and its development. """,The individ-ual," says the author, "first sets up a ries after his time has damaged him,

in the eyes of the best thinkers in the god which becomes a god of Waite's History of early Christianfamily; and the family enlarges into a tribe, a nation, the family penates ity makes it very clear that the first two chapters of Matthew and Luke becomes a tribunal, or national deity

were lugged in and added to these and from thence ascends to the posigospels many years after they had tion of the God of the Universe. many cases this may be true, but in een written, and that they really belong to two apocryphal books—"The my opinion, and I think I have data Protovangelon," and "The Gospel of the Infancy," books evidently written been heroes, priests or kings, who to support the Trinitarians in their after death had been translated to the heavens, often the sun, or some plandiscussions with the Arlans. But here comes another, expression et, or one of the constellations; and

with which I am compelled to take is- the successor built himself up genersue. Brother Tuttle says:

"The God idea of the Bible would and that he became more venerable as not be complete were the devil omit- the generations succeed each other That personage fills a most im-We know that Osiris, Zeus, or Jupiter portant position by solving the prob-iem of the existence of evil. The lished themselves thus in the affeccheme would be imperfect without tions of their several nationalities. In him. The belief of his existence is tribal times these gods may have come up in the way Brother Tuttle indibassing away, but his name cannot be cates, but even then this god was often blotted from the pages of scripture. the spirit of an ancestor, who became It remains as a remnant of the influence of Persia and Assyria on the He-brew mind."

ally by his professed loyalty

I grant that much of the Hebrew that Jehovah established himself first theology was borrowed from the as the penate of ; series of families, Chaldeans and Persians, as the cheru- Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. (See Gen. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. (See Gen. 18:1-8; 26:24; 32:24-30 and compare him from the Chaldeans." the archan-Ex: 3:6). Even this national god copied some of his institutions from the Egyptians and Chaldeans, as for gels Gabriel and Michael from the Persians, but it seems to me that the god of evil was left out: I remember ome thirty or thirty-five years ago, I illustration, the new first quarter full, saw so much evil in the character of and third guarter of the moon which Jehovah, that the thought came to were marked off as Sabbaths by the me that out of fear of his evil and maicious nature the Hebrews had se- rest by them, also their sanctuary ected the most despicable character and their cherubim are taken from the as the object of their worship. I de- same nation, while the rite of circumtermined to lecture on the subject, cision was practiced in Egypt from contrasting two characters, and for whence they came and from most of once; "give the devil his due." But the Asiatic nations.

when I came to hunt up his character One is tempted here to quote sevin the Old Testament, he wasn't there. eral pages of this book, yet I found the word Satan occurring barely opened it and I must hasten on about three times, but in the original This chapter is followed by chapters found the word thus translated in on "The God Idea Among the Arabievery other instance, tranlated "ad- ans." "The God Idea Among the every other instance, tranlated (ac) ans," The God Idea Among the versary," and that it would have Greeks and Romans," "The God Idea borne this translation in these in-stances. The first place it occurs is Christianity," "The God Idea of the in I. Chron. 21:1. "And Satan stood Later Philosophers," "The God Idea of the up against Israel and provoked David the Bible," "The God Idea of the Borto number Israel." Now, a superficial der Religions—Chinese, Druids, Scan-reading of that text would seem to in-dicate that Satan was a real devil No one can follow the book through

dicate that Satan was a real devil No one can follow the book through planning mischiof against the Israel- all these chapters and not have a ites. But I find this affair referred to broader idea of the religious nature of again in II. Sam. 24:1, and it reads, man and its various modes of expression, and also of God. I must here And again the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel, and he moved quote what he has to say of. God, bavid against them to say, Go num-ber Iarael and Judah." These texts make the Lord and Satan identical, bethat Infinite principle of life and in

ber Israel and Judah." These texts make the Lord and Satan identical, be-cause the Lord had become an adver-definitions,—none to the full under-

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