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A DESIRABLE CHANGE.

"Transition Services" Recently Conducted by Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond.

First, let me recommend to the use of Spiritualists at large and speakers in particular the above term, as used by Mrs. Richmond, instead of "Funeral Service," or "Obituary Notice". 'It seems more in keeping with the spirit of Spiritualism.

Mis. Richmond has been more than busy recently in responding to calls in and out of the city, and state, to officlate at such services, of veteran Spiritualists, mostly women.

The passing on in Chicago of Mrs. Mary Dye was, as Mrs. Lucinda B. Chandler justly remarked, more than t'a passing event". Mrs. Dye-had been prominent in reform work for nearly a half century, notably woman's political equality and temperance. Yet evgood work received her recogniery tion and aid. She was a thorough Spiritualist, and for many, many years whenever in Chicago had attended, and greatly appreciated the services of Mrs. Richmond in her church and in lvate. Mrs. Dye was the daughter in-law of the late Prof. Dye, so long known in the musical circles of Chica-. She was the mother-in-law of Prof. Dixon, Chicago's brilliant and talented ducator in oratory and many lines of dulture. Prof. Dixon was ever happy and proud of Mrs. Dye. And now that the earthly scenes for her have closed, we know she will take up the lines of activity in the larger realm beyond. The services by Mrs. Richmond's Guides were at the chapel in Graceland Cemetery, Sunday, February 24. Another service in Chicago depolarization. Was March 15, at her late home, 56 Park Ave., that of Miss Tirza S. Tanner, a frail little lady, whose body seemed ever inadequate to express her mental and spiritual strength. For many years she attended Mrs. Richmond's meet ings when they were held on the west side, and frequently came to the Band of Harmony. Miss. Tanner was known to all the older West-Side Spiritualista-She had a choice and warmly appreciative circle of friends, many of whom of, and enjoyed her mediumistic gifts and powers. Her life was a rare example of patience and fortitude.

In the passing of Mrs. Harriet A. Leeds, of Michigan City, Ind., more than a quarter of a century of the history of Spiritualism in that place is brought to mind. Mrs. Richmond was called upon about twenty-five years ago to dedicate the beautiful hall on upper floor of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leeds, which Mr. Leeds opened for the use of the Spiritualists and for othlectures, and services. Mr. Leeds wished to have regular services, but Michigan City was not on the route of most of the regular speakers. When he passed on, in 1896, Mrs. Richmond was called to officiate. Mrs. Leeds dontinued as far as possible her work and interest in Spiritualism, and was papticularly active in the cause of temperance. Her kindness and generosity will ever be remembered by many to One instance: An old lady for whom she had cared (who was also a Spiritfor Mrs. Richmond and had everything for some years



A Sublime Factor of Natural Evolution-Its tors, comprises the great equation of Meaning in an Etymological, Physical, and Legal Sense. By W. M. Lockwood.

The discussion of the moral right | trines and religious ceremonies. With and wrong of conjugal separation of this truth there comes another; that husband and wife after legal marriage, man or woman can only love, with the has an unusual prominence in the intellect-that love is not a function journalistic literature of the day, no of, and is not expressed by the molecless than in the pulpit and rostrum ular excitability of physiological rhetoricals of popular society. Nearly glands, but is an expression of all of the writers and speakers we psychic intellectual blending; and have come in mental contact with, such love when sequenced by physioseem more inclined to discuss what logical magnetic selection, is the basis they term the "moral bearings" of the of a true monogamic marriage. That question and its ethical legality, than the Bible anywhere, either in the Old to look carefully and concisely for Testament or the new, gives us a hint causes which make divorce desirable. of co-ordinate intellectual love as a A deeper investigation of the meaning true fundamental thesis of conjugal and application of the word, in the harmony, or of a selective physiologvarious senses in which it is used, we ical polarity as a necessity in the believe, will fully sustain the position strictly moral view of human reproof common sense and reason. duction, cannot be found.

The word Divorce in its etymologi-That from the time of Moses, the cal sense, means, a separation, a dipatriarchs and prophets were more invision, disunion. lined to counsel murder, stealth and In a physical and physiological

cause shown.

savage warfare against those who sense it means a throwing off, a rejecwere not Jehoyah's chosen people, in tion, a separation of physical factors, order to possess themselves of their neighbor's wives, is a marked feature It its legal sense in England and of the Old Testament history, and the Scotland, it means, the disruption, by caprice of the God they worshiped.

the act of law, of the conjugal tie, Nowhere in the New Testament can it made by a competent court on due be shown that the writers and actors held any but the most common view In the United States it means, the regarding conjugal associations. annulling of the marriage compact, That, the clergy of the United

and legal separation of husband and States," or any portion of them, should wife by a legally formed judiciary. continue to parade the dogmas of The inconsistency of many of our Bible doctrine as the premise of moralmodern writers and polemists is seen conjugality and fidelity, is a mental in their efforts to prove that all legal phenomenon that will stagger the cremarriages---by which is understood dulity of the future historian. No sumarriages in accord with legislative perstition of paganism, however gross, enactment and ecclesiastical ' formula has caused more individual suffering, -are, or should be moral, never seemor greater disaster to the factors of a ing to comprehend that nature alone civilization.

can unite, and nature alone can di-So long as men seek in the Bible, or vorce. No legislative enactments, or in the canons of any creedal faiths, for syndicate of ecclesiastics can inaugusome evidence or fact regarding sociorate a statute or write a canon that logical or domestic harmony that can will make the principles of physical only be found in the storehouse of naand physioloical attraction and repulture's co-related physical and psychic sion moral, or immoral. All efforts to forces, just so long will faith strengthdo this in the past have proved aborened by religious zeal take the place tive, and they smatter of supine menof demonstrated truth, and the ghoultal weakness and incompetency, and of ish platitudes of an unprovable and popish infallibility. unprofitable theology will bind man's Most canons of the church, .and intellect to the sophisms of religions

whom she miniesred in providing from) some enactments of legislatures, are in based on miracle and sorcery. direct opposition to "the immutable In order to bring before the readers principles of nature, and they have a of The Progressive Thinker the real mateship, and unprotected gestation association. degrading tendency upon individuals sphere of divorce in its relation to

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the soul, which is the real builden, it [the prevailing superstition that an Alconsigns to the waste-basket of the mighty God sanctifies and purifies and excretory organs. blesses all marriage associations by a Now this process of accretion and religious ceremonial formulated by churchmen and accepted by the state, divorcement of non-assimilative fac-

civilization continues this vile dogma health and existence, not only in man, because of its supposed popularity, but in all forms and types of life plasvirtually allowing its sons and daughmatic and bio-plasmatic; for its bases ters to wed on a common animal are found in the principles of polar atplane.

traction and repulsion, a function It is a well attested truth in socioqualifying all types of matter, and cological science, that by far the larger relating all forms of energy. proportion of marriages have their To affirm that these principles of seinitiative in physical magnetic atlective magnetic attraction do not traction; without any knowledge of qualify the intellect, and have nothing its selective utility. Hence that disto do with domestic harmony, is to ig-'ease, perverted function and discord nore the data of mental attractions, are generated in a large-number of inand to disregard the most sublime sestances, will cease to be a wonder when the facts of selective physical quences of mental physiology. That man's mental states are swayed by the magnetism as a factor of domestic harphysical condition of his body and mony are more widely known, and nervous system, and influenced into when the popular mind senses that a diseased expression by the environreligious ceremony does not constiments of domestic and social discord, tute, sanctify, purify or bless, any real can be proven by the statistics of inconjugal union. It will eventually be sanity and mental aberration found in seen that all religious ceremonies hospitals and asylums in all countries. should be expunged and eliminated Coupled with this truth of mental from marriage contracts under state repulsion originating in diverse mencontrol and legislative authority. tal magnetisms, is another of delicate Let the church make amends if it character qualifying parenthood. Nocan, for those it has already damned. where in the entire organism of man, It should be prohibited if necessary has nature clothed with such subtle by legislative enactments, from meddelicacy and power any function as dling with those social matters that are found in the germinative form a part of state and national conglands. From their combined trol. The Bible with the licentious relation are developed the units of character of the centuries that introthe human race. No citadel of art duced it, can not be used as a text known to scientific investigation and book of chastity. The record of its cosmic process, contains such psychic patriarchs, prophets and preachers, distinction as the matrix from which the lustful proclivities of its kings, springs into existence a human being. governors, rulers and tribal conquerors, together with the account of Lot

Around it. and in it. nature has woven her most delicate fibre, and actuated and his daughters, Ruth and Boaz, it by miraculous glands of secretion, Samson and his mistresses, Hosea and which contain not only the life forces-Gomer, are no longer regarded as a of parentage, but much of their mencurriculum of virtue; while the genetal characteristics of noble aspiration. sis of the New Testament introduces no less than their depravity and nervin strong coloring a god of phallic ous weakness. In no department of character. That the scholarly and physiological science are the principles thinking clergyman nauseates at preof magnetic selection more noticeable. senting these records as comprising Electro-magnetic selection so operthe real origin and destiny of man, or ative in all growths and developments its miracles and the caprice of a Je-

in nature, attains its highest mission hovistic age as representing a system and sphere in the laboratory" from of concise morals worthy of our time, which is born a human soul in human is little wonder, since every departform. We note the presence or abment of Natural Philosophy and cossence of the factors of magnetic selecmic science demonstrates the absolute tion in floral cereal, and plant life, impossibility of such data to account and the lower forms of sentient existfor any claimed fact. ences. Imperfect vegetation, imperfect flowers and dwarfed and stunted fruitage, can be traced to hon conge-

nial soil, an improper supply of warmth and rain, and other factors of their development. In animal life, it verse physical magnetisms or mental is noted in non-selective or careless tendencies and aspirations in conjugal and subsequent care.

There is No Development Without Unhindered Will Power.

The discussion of "The Great Work" for the past few weeks in the pages of The Progressive Thinker has been full of deep interest. The review by Mr. Howe seems to have been very fair, though I feel that he has misunderstood the author in some things. It seems to me that in his article in the issue of March 16 he has entirely failed to grass the idea conveyed in the "Great Work" as to the difference in the condition of a Master and an immoral person in the hour of transition. He seems to think that the ability to see and hear things spiritual is the compensation that the "Living of a Life" brings to the individual, and that death bestows that blessing on the sinner as well as the saint. If the Master's development carried him no farther in spiritual wis dom than the earth-bound spirit at its liberation at death, then indeed, would the years of labor entailed in the "Living of a Life" seem to be lost. Beginning with the twelfth line from the bottom of page 452, the author says on this subject "But what of the Master?" What does the transition called death mean to him? "In direct ratio to his added knowl-

edge of natural law and of his power over nature's finer forces the incident of physical death assumes a less omi us aspect. "For in the completion of the last

ection of the technical work he has accomplished the greatest task known to man in the physical body and has earned for himself the Master Degree. That which from the beginning he acvepted as his working hypothesis he has now demonstrated by the Personal Experience. That is to say, he has

learned: 1. "That it is within his power voluntarily to withdraw from the physical body, travel in the Spiritual Realms and there test the height and the condition to which he is able to ascend at any given time by force of his own Will developed powers-and return again to the physical body without invoking physical death.

2. "He has learned that there are many distinct "Spheres" or "Planes" of life upon this particular planet of which the physical is the first. 3, "He has learned therefore, that

passing from this life into the spiritual he is but entering into other and larger fields of evolutionary opportuniles and possibilities. "He learns that the First Spiritual Sphere is but the beginning of the Higher Life.

5. "He learns that it is possible for one yet in the physical body to prepare imself for immediate entry into spirtual conditions and realms that are far above and Deyond the First Spiritual Sphere.

Does this condition appear to Mr. Howe to be identical with that of a God cannot unite antipodes. If he could, there would be no need of posivicious earth-bound spirit at physical tive and negative poles in matter. death?

This truth being in evidence, we affirm This entire chapter "The Passing of a Master" in beauty and cloquence is but the fitting climax to the most wonthat He cannot unite in harmony diderful work it has ever been my privilege to read. The quiet force with which the Law

We furthermore affirm that all true of Compensation and Personal Responmonogamic love has its origin and

THE POWER OF THOUGHT. THE GREAT WORK. "Love is the Fulfilling of the Law."

"And he said, avenge me of mine ad-

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versary." "And again it has been said an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, but I say unto you that ye love one another. Whoever gained anything by hatred or by the desire for revenge. We all know that love conquers in every instance. The power of love is limitless: a lovable and harmonious state of mind attracts to its possessor friends, while the opposite condition repels."

Whoever carries revenge in his heart becomes, after a time, so thoroughly impregnated, with the thought that it shows forth in every feature. The expression of the features becomes set in that direction so plainly that the most casual acquaintance takes note of itand turns away, and the consequence is that such have few friends, for they rebel instead of attracting them.

We show forth from within. A cheerful, loving disposition can count many friends. We all love cherful and hopeful people, and we can make for ourselves a heaven or a hell by our thoughts and our conduct one towards another. We are all minds in different degrees of intelligence; and as we think and believe we so demonstrate ourselves to the world. If we think loving thoughts we are filled with more love and attract to us the good, the true and the beautiful in life. If we think evil of others, cultivate suspicion, fear, envy, jealousy and hatred we shall become a walking monument to every ill, and those on the same plane in spirit, will become our companions, for like attracts like. Can we afford

to do this? Every student of mentality knows this, and he also knows that harmony of thought produces and preserves harboring revenge or, hatred we injure anced condition of the nerves, the blood and in fact the whole body, and sick ness is the result of such inharmony. Thought is potent, and silent thought is most powerful for good or ill. In horboring revenge or hatred we injure ourselves more than the object hated and we make for ourselves the punishment we deserve, for law of compensation is rigid and unchangeable. It is easy to be seen then, that heaven or hell is what we make it. It is not a location, but a condition made by ourfor our own habitation of solves thought. Knowing this, who would choose a hell when a heaven is as easi-

ly obtained? Through ignorance we err in this direction as well as in every other. We possess all power for drawing to us hose whose companionship and association we most desire. Our own atti-tude towards ourselves must determine whether it shall be those on the higher plane of thought, from whom we may continue to learn, or those whose prin-ciples will drag us down. If we cultivate love and harmony, we attract the good, unconsciously, perhaps to ourselves: but just as certainly and without any apparent effort of our own? "Love is the fulfilling of the law." Love is the magnet that draws all hings and holds all things to itself. Its power is boundless; we cannot have

too much of it, for by its strength we are held, and by that law we are made happy or miserable. Love is all pow-Let us then cultivate it and strive to have more of it, for our own peace of mind, if for no other reason, for Love's ways are ways of pleasant ness and all her paths are peaceful and full of joy. AUGUSTA FRANCES TRIPP. the Onset, Mass.

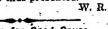
old lady passed on Mrs. Leeds bore the entire expense of the service. She sent for Mrs, Richmond and had everything

done as if she had been a near relative. No protracted illness preceded Mrs. Leeds' going. The Sunday previous she heard Mrs. Richmond's sermon. Then. as she had contemplated doing for some time, she went to Presbyterian Hospital-choosing the alternative of an operation or several years of painful in validism. As the result of the operation she passed on. Her Daughter (Carriq), a beautiful girl of rare musical gifts, and of qualities greatly beloved, and a son, O. W. Leeds, survive her. Her hosts of friends in Michigan City, were painfully surprised when the casket was brought home containing her mortal form. Mrs. Richmond conducted the services in the family residence

at Michigan City, February 25. On Monday, March 18, Mrs. Richmond went to Westville, Ind., where she had been summoned to hold the transition service of Mrs. Adeline Odell, aged 74, who passed on at the residence of her son in Hobart, Ind. The cortege met Mrs. Richmond's train at Aetna and by train they and she proceeded to Westville, where friends, neighbors and family, many of them from miles ground, had come to pay their tribute d Mrs. Odell. Mrs. Richmond had met her many times, and it was from a ser vice for Mrs. Turner of Morgan Park, which Mrs. Odell attended, that-she went home and said to her son: "I wan Mrs. Richmond when I pass on", and so her wish was fulfilled. She was a consistent and true Spiritualist, and a woman unusually beloved. The son and his wife and daughter miss her morta presence from their home, but they Two know she is still near them. brothers and their households also miss the loving, genial presence. But the precious seed of her Spiritualism has been sown and will yield results.

Tuesday, March 19, Mrs. Richmond was again called to Michigan City to officiate at the services for Mrs. Maria to the Bible as authority upon the Ostrander, aged 84, who hod been a resident in the home of her daughter. Mrs. Eddy, for a quarter of a century or ever since the passing of her hus band. A true Spiritualist. a loving mother, a devoted grandmother. Suc a life wields an influence not to be forgotten, and though missed in the home where she was idolized, how rich in joy and love the glad, circle of spirit friends who welcome her to the other home.

One notable feature of all these ministrations is, that they reach three and sometimes four generations, who are present, many of whom listen for the first time to the comfort and joy found in this Truth as thus presented.



Great Men for Good Cause.

Woman suffrage was defeated in the Chicago Charter Convention the other day. The vote stood 27 to 27, the Chairman voting with the opposition. The women cannot suppress the pride they feel in the character of some of their 27, and no wonder, for the names of Louis F. Post, Graham Taylor and Raymond Robbins stand for good things and big things, and the fame of them is by no means confined to the Windy City by the Lake.

When any one of the prouder pasblons are hurt, it is much better philosophy to let a man slip into a good temper than to attack him in a bad pne.-Thomas Palae, in Crisis. . e 😫 .

nd civilizations. In no department cosmic processes, we will point out sociology are these facts more promibriefly the sublime office it fills in all nent and pronounced, than in the issues involved in marriage and divorce. tion known to the physicist. In the To such an extent has this error growth of plant 'life we note that gained credence, that the popular through the action of light and the mind has become psychologized with sun, certain elements and compounds the concept that marriage, any marri- containing oxygen are attracted to and age, all marriages, begin and end by projected upon the plant. Now if all judicial or eclesiastical legislation and of these elements and compounds were a ceremonial formula.

retained in the capillary structure of Think of the farce of it. Think of the plant, it would not only cease to the misery involved in it. Think of grow, but would die. But at night the the wrong and crime against the consun and light with their electro-magtracting parties who are made to benetic force are withdrawn-cosmically lieve that whomever God joins by a redivorced-and the plant now in the ligious ceremonial, no man or court of chemical laboratory of the earth's men may sunder. And this claim that magnetism, divorces its oxygen and God unites by a ceremony, is why the all elements and compounds not se-Catholics, Episcopalians, Presbyteri-

lective to its development, retaining ans and other creedal denominations, its carbon with some ammonial and are so strenuously opposing divorce. hydrogen compound; and these chem-The rapidly increasing applications ical reactions develop in the plant a for divorce in our courts, are a ridicuvisible increase of size, a natural malous commentary upon the infallibility terialization in the seance laboratory of God's ceremonial marriages, and it of night by changing the spectrum of is sickening evidence of the fallibility the invisible modes of elemental moand mental weakness of the entire tion into visibility in a manner someclerical hierarchy. The spectacle of what analogous to the development of 23,000 divorces granted in the United a photographer's plate. States during the year 1905, and a Now these reactions of divorcement

portion of 1906, does not strengthen continue so long as the plant or tree public opinion upon the integrity of grows; but when the capillaries of the the prevailing cause of disease; and to impart to her during the God's marriages by a priestly cereroots can no longer attract and select mony, and the throes of dissension the elements of soil so necessary for and criticism from the thinking public its life, when the tissues of stem and and the thinking pen have reached the branch and leaf can no longer acpulpit, and to-day we are regaled with crete the elements projected upon the effort being made all along ecclesi- them by the action of light and heat, astical lines of show that divorce may or when the plant or tree cannot dibe granted on Bible lines of adultery. vorce non-selective elements and com-

This foolish and shortsighted appeal pounds, it becomes diseased and dies. In the process of human respiration moral phase of divorce is indicative of we note the inhalation of large volthe intellectual grasp that this relig- umes of oxygen into the lungs. Chemious hierarchy has on the issues in- ical reaction sets up at once, and the and vitality of woman, thereby jeopvolved. In no printed volume in any exhaled breath comes from the lungs language can there be found such lax laden with carbonic gas, which has and promiscuous sex relations as are been divorced by the reaction. Withcited in the Bible. As a history cov- out this reaction human life would be dementia. It generates in men all ering a great epoch of time, and in- in jeopardy-indeed foetal life could cluding many nations, speaking differ- not develop, for the reason that there in woman various forms of scrofula, ent tongues with divergent social could be no formation of the embryo,

laws, its pages include sex servitude, since carbonic gas and other subtle concubinage, inistresses without mar-poisonous elements in foetal circula-states and tendencies. It, begets riage, morganatic relations, wars of tion would quickly intercept the equaextermination for the possession of tion between vital and chemical ac- hypocrisy, and though the general ilvirgins, and phallic (sex) worship; tion in the embryonic life, all of which was moral in the eyes of Physiologists inform us that in the their teaching upon physiological data, the nations or clans who practiced time of thirty-two heart beats, the it threatens the destruction of modern

and advocated these systems. These blood of the vascular system makes a practices at the time of their enact- complete circuit through arteries, ment, were not regarded as adulteries, veins and capillaries; carrying with it and divorcement upon these grounds thousands of molecules of vital energy ous organs of the human, and their relawere of rare occurrence. But a new with electrical rapidity to the support | tion to the brain and mestal action, light dawns upon this age and gener- of glands of assimilation, strengthen- | will show that the cerebral structure ation, regarding the integrity of mono- ing the body of fiber and tissue with involving two thousand million cells

gamic marriage. The truth is gaining credence that nerve cells with electro resistance. In | and process of the body indicates that real marriage has its basis in psycho-lits return circuit, it gathers up other | man with his enlarged mental capac, ity, should in no physiological sense logical and physiological selectionthousands of molecules of spent matthat mental and physical co-ordina- ter which have been divorced by vital be placed in the same category of tion are of greater importance to the reaction, and which, being no longer | mateship as that qualifying the lower. contracting parties than Bible doo selective to the formative processes of forms of animal life. Tet awing to

that the human is exempt from the factors of mental and basis in the intellect, hence is subject formula of integration and disintegra- physiological selection in conjugal as- to principles of intellectual selection. sociations, is to set aside the funda- This truth will rule, when mankind mental truths underlying the forma- can be shown that it is by the virtue tive progressions of nature, and to ig- of this superior soul perception, that general principles of evolution that life than the brute; and when this inqualify and control other existences. That these magnetic factors of physiological selection in maiftal asso- physiological blending in these magciations have been, and are ignored, is shown by the rapid increase of renthood depends, we will have the physical weakness threatening the complete ruin and decay of the race, and by the clamorous effort of the vorce and infidelity to marriage relaleading churchmen to continue the tions, will be unknown. scourge by making divorce from these evils, both legally and morally impossible.

Buffalo, N. Y. It is a well attested fact in natho logical physiology, that conjugal repulsion breeds more ruin and disaster to The Mother of Mrs. Elizabeth Schauss civilization, than epidemics, While

the latter may sweep away its thousands in certain localities, the former is slowly, silently but surely laying its slimy and diseased hand upon a very large per cent of modern life. It should be known that electro-mag-

netic repulsion, or the reaction of immortal life and spirit communion, chemical forces upon vital processes, is which it had been my great comfort weeks of her illness, and so the one the repulsion obtaining in the finely who had always seemed to me to be organized centers of procreation in the personification of divine love and non-selective unions, heads a list of gentle devotion, has passed from causalities fatal to health hanniness physical sight. There was a time when causalities fatal to health, happiness I thought that I would never be able and domestic harmony, that will fill a to give her up, and without the knowlchapter of horrors, when these physi- edge and comfort of Spiritualism it ological fasts are known to the genwould certainly have been very hard. but during the last five weeks of her eral public.

illness her own clairvoyant vision was cleared, and there was scarcely a day This repulsion is causing the premature decline in vitality to thousands passed during this time that she did not tell me of one or more of her own of men, while at the same time it is people on the spirit side of life, whom undermining the maternal capacity he both saw and heard at her bedside She also mentioned the names of peoardizing motherhood and the power of ple over there who I am positive she normal parturition. It is the parent never knew before, but who were known to me, thus not only strengthof the lowest depravity, insanity and ening me but likewise arousing the thought and curiosity of others who known forms of venereal disease, and heard her, so that the crowning glory of her 79 years of long and useful ife was to serve even in death, for cystic and ovarian tumprs, impovermy father who (although he no longished motherhood, and cancerous er opposes me in my work) yet feels that his churchical teachings are nearer right that the philosophy of crime, bloodshed, llars , and religious Spiritualism, heard what mother said, and often asked for explanations literacy of ecclesiastical leachers and which were gladly given, and which he in turn recounted to others, and so I feel that good has been done. and I know that my mother rejoices civilizations. that she has been able to make a few

A careful study of the physiological and psychological function of the varirenewed energy, and polarizing the and fibers connecting every gland

The idle man is the devil's cushion. Dishop Hall.

overcome by a fair or honest means, and this is where Spiritualists every-where can join hands with the author. But here is a fact that seems strange to me. Spiritualists all admit that this earth life is a period of schooling-of development for the dweller in nore that man is subject to the same he is capacitated for a higher conjugal fiesh. If it is not that, what is it? By the exercise of a little reason we can tellectual love between contracting all see that there is no self-development without unbindered will-power. parties can be sequenced by a selective Spiritualists also admit that to be a good subjective psychic the Will must netic relations upon which moral pabe in abeyance. In fact, the excellenc of mediumship is measured in exact ratio to the absence of Will of the mefoundation for a true, faithful and endium, for whenever the Will of the meduring monogamic marriage, when didium is asserted there is more or less confusion in the manifestation of the controlling power. The more a medium is kept under subjective control, the W. M. LOCKWOOD. nore easily is the medium kept under subjection.

Is it not plain that such time as the medium is kept under control it is he-A DELIGHTFUL TRANSITION. ng robbed of its just developmentself-development? And is it not apparent to all observers that a medium State Missionary for Ohio, Passed who has been a subjective psychic from Serenely to Spirit Life-She Could childhood, if its mentality can be ex-See and describe Spirits During Her amined free from control, that said mentally is the essentially Child-like and undeveloped? What Jogical infer-To the Editor:-Promotion to the ence can be drawn from this but that ligher life has just come to my dear this spirit at transition is helpless to mother. Calm and peaceful she passed on in the full knowledge of the extent it has been kept from independent developmena? And just that far this earth life has been in vain.

There is something in the philos long phy promulgated in this work that strikes the critical reader with wonder-a thing brought out in the chapter, "The Mark of the Master." 1. "The Masters of the Great School

never, under any conditions or circumstances whatsoever, accept a material reward or set a material price upon the personal instructions they impart to their tried, tested, and accepted students.

2. "They never charge nor receive material consideration of any kind whatsoever, for healing the sick, comforting the sorrowing, lifting up the fallen, or for any other personal ministration.

"They do not devote themselves 3. to the accumulation of material wealth nor material things beyond such as may be necessary for their health and reasonable comfort and for carrying forward the definite lines of the Great Work for which they are personally responsible.

If the author is not sincere, what can be his motive where there is no chance for graft? MRS. KATIE L. HAYES.

Sigourney, Iowa.

A late press dispatch tells us that Washington has a horse that can ring a door-bell and did ring it recently to call a physician when his master need-cd a doctor badly. The owner of the horse is J. R. Wordeman, of Washington City. He was driving this horse in a light buggy. He was thrown

from it and his head struck on a fence. It happened near the residence of Dr. H. W. Woodard's office The horse stood for a moment by the prostrate driver and as if possessed of human instincts, marched up to the physician's residence and rubbed his nose against the electric push hutton until the doctor came to the door. This seems almost like the

operation of a spirit intelligence.

TRUMPET SEANCE AT CANTON, O. . -

Received From Distinlessages guished Personages.

To the Editor :- Not long since Mr. D. A. Herrick of 35 West Tallmadge ave., Akron, Ohio, came to Canton and held a grand, trumpet seance, in fact one of the best the writer has ever attended. While many of the spirit friends and relations made use of the trumpet as a medium of com-

munication, a number spoke independently-without the use of the trumpet-and often two, and several times three could be heard conversing on different subjects with their friends of earth, a feat no trumpet medium, dishonest or otherwise, could possibly accomplish himself. This seance was held in the home of Mr. John Beiter, 618 East Fourth St., fourteen ladies and gentlemen composing the circle. Among the many spirit friends that came and made their presence known, were two who were well known and honored in Canton while living in the flesh, viz .: Judge J. W. Underhill and our martyred president and former fellowownsman William McKinley. Judge Underhill was a Spiritualist for many years and a man who was not afraid to say to the public. "I am a Spiritualist' and with his Christian friends had many arguments in behalf of the grandest truth that has ever been given to the world-the fact of spirit return and communication with their

loved ones of earth. Mr. McKinley's message or talk was indeed interesting, in which he spoke of his invalid wife in his usual kindly and sympathetic manner, so

characteristic of him while living in the flesh-and greatly regretted that circumstance and conditions prevented him from meeting with her under the same conditions that he met with and spoke to us. Mr. McKinley also said, "I am still deeply interested in your country and the Nation's good, but fear, unless some great change is brought about before the next presidential election, that the wrong man, through a mighty power, will be elected to fill the next presidential chair.' During this message from Mr. McKinley a waye oppolemnity, indeed unusual, swept over each and every one within the room, notwithstanding Spirit McKinley did not give his name until after he had finished his mes-sage. Mr. McKinley also spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Roosevelt and the great interest he has taken in the

welfare of the whole country and the E. R. KIDD. people at large. Canton, Ohio.

With all the .consecration ceremoales poured over a church it is not half so holy as the home.-L. K. Washburn.

Let none of you treat his brother in a way he himself would dislike to be treated .--- Mohammedan. Drinking water neither makes a

man sick nor in debt nor his wife

Philadelphia Women Elected. At the recent election in Philadelphia twenty women were elected on ward

vote in Pennsylvania.

ditions. ELIZABETH SCHAUSS.

school boards. Many women serve on school boards throughout the - State, and they are elected by men's votes for women have not even the school

Toledo, Ohio.

Sickness.

people think before leaving earth con-

Horse Sense.

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

Am Important Lesson.

It Is for Spiritualists to Consider, and in Which Are Some Unpleasant Truths.

It is only by agitation that progress can be made, and just in proportion that unpleasant truths are modified or removed entirely, just in that degree progress will be made. Mr. Barrett, President of the N. S. A., reviews the present situation, and the views he presents will be carefully read notification of the police that he or she has become a fortune-teller, there would be few who would fall from grace in that manner. Again I say that when the possibility of wanting food shelter, and raiment for one's

at their leisure. When they have by some spirit guide in giving the mes-carefully considered the following sage, who absconded with the money, paragraphs, I hope they will promptly and, when overtaken by the frate and prepare a remedy for existing ills, and justly worried man, coolly and cruelly be ready to assist in the good work of taunted him with being a fool for bemaking Spiritualism what it should lieving what she said, declaring that be the foremost movement of the she had no money belonging to him,

age. Sister Watson calls attention to a driving him to suicide; that woman, paragraph in my last annual report, that medium (?), is as much to Spirit-whose appearance there she 'depre- ualism as the one whose whole life is cates, and whose conclusions she de- a round of good deeds and as pure as clines to accept. I was dealing with the driven snow from heaven, if com-the commercial element in medium- mercialism in mediumship, as defendship, and said boldly that if "the relig- ed by Sister Watson be more than the ion of Spiritualism meant the exploita-tion of mines, and mining, the finding of lost husbands, the securing of tips The medium (?) who drove her vicof lost husbands, the securing of tips on horse races and the stock markets, tim to suicide went to prison for fifon horse races and the stock markets, the to satisfy weak of in an intervent of the months, got quite a number of men and women a chance to get out of weeks off for good behavior, came our movement." Spiritualists, breth-ren, I can honestly say that I do not "cruelly persecuted" by the law "be-regret writing those words. They are, cause of her faith in Spiritualism." pregnant with truth to-day-a truth to vital to Spiritualism that it cannot be ignored. I was arguing for a definition of our terms, and took the method complained of by Sister Watson in order that I might impress the importance of the issue upon the minds of our delegates with a sufficient degree of emphasis as to inspire them to act.

the difference between mediumship, in its purity and glory, and fortune-tell-ing, with all of its attendant ills. cating mines, determining the chastity of wives or husbands, the courts have views be correct. a right to ask the Spiritualists of the

A few years ago a Western jurist asked me a series of questions pertaining to Spiritualism. When I handed him the Declaration of Principles of the N. S. A. to be used in evidence the case, it was accepted and used in ehalf of our cause. Why? Because it was the declaration of the beauty and glory of flesh, blood the case, it was accepted and used in behalf of our cause. Why?

our supreme body, our law-making and bones materialization; is as true authority, and set forth the consensus and worthy a representative of Spirit-of opinion of the majority of the Spir- ualism as is the one who stands for itualists of America. It was the voice pure spirituality, aspiration for higher

In a recent article, Bister Clara houses of ill fame to help them "lo-Watson reviews somewhat in detail cate" innocent girls who could be led treasure, the determining of the into lives of shame? Is such mediumers, that have previously appeared in ship as sacred in my good friend's bands, the finding of affinities, the columns of The Progressive eyes as that which gives comfort to selling of charms, the removing of the columns of The Progressive control in the field of the some sorrowing mother, or saves a "spells"—these are some of the times of the some sorrowing mother, or saves a "spells"—these are some of the times of the some sorrowing mother, or saves a "f mean, Sister Watson, in my references to commercialism in medium of her patrons to place \$1,800 in her ship, and what I so severely scored in my message when I said, "If these what I show it to explain in detail what opportunity to explain in detail what it meant, also to present certain other important items of fact for the in value, pretending to be influenced in the safety of the safety of the invalue, pretending to be influenced itualism, let us say so and let self-respecting men and women go where they will not be subjected to such in-fluences!

If these conditions have any place in the propagandism of . Spiritualism, then Spiritualism descrives to die a most ignominious death! Just be cause we are asked to define our

terms, to say what constitutes mediumship, and who are true mediums, we are told of the maryels and glo ries of sordid, immoral commercialism, and chided for urging the empha-sizing of spirituality, reverence, devotion, aspiration, because they savor of religion. Right living protests against all immoral practices! Right doing demands that they shall not prevail!

Integrity demands that the line of demarkation be drawn between commer cialism, and Spiritualism, between the base counterfeit and the genuine coin, between materialism with its sensual ity, and the pure spirituality that upwas taken up by many honest-hearted Spiritualists who did not know the lifts and ennobles those who possess

real facts in the case, and to-day wears expensive diamonds, dresses in the Supposing a medium (?) does give a man a "tip" on the stock market or some race; through which he meets richest of velvets, wears a most innocent look upon her face, and continues her "commercialism in the name of with great financial gain. By so doing are not the medium, his guide, the mediumship," by deliberately fleecing those whom she can get into her sitter, all parties to an immoral act? Are not they taking an undue advan power! A medium whose messages tage of others who have no means of Legal authorities for several years breathe benedictions of peace, of love, past have been seeking to determine of sweet good will, that inspire men acquiring the same knowledge? Is it not the getting of something for noth-ing through that advantage? Is it and women to cleaner thinking, nobler living, higher aspirations, must be classed with the one who drives men not a case in which one man robs the many by the information unjustly. When mediums declare their special-ties to be the finding of oil wells, lo-a never-ending round of base and de-indeed the exploitation of unsuspectmoralizing acts, if Sister Watson's ing men and women by means of a combination of rascals in spirit with

That medium (?) through whose one in the mortal, through a third perland if such things constitute their re-ligion, their philosophy, their Spirit-ualismi Moreover, they are asking it almost every week, with increasing emphasis. for her in every respect a physical be-ing, who was persuaded to marry the it any different when a man gets such "spirit," who fell into the power of the information from a spirit? Sister Watson, fortune-telling and its conmedium's confederate, who became the mother of his child, who lost comitants cannot be mediumship, not any part of mediumship, if there be any truth whatever in Spiritualism. Dealing in futures may be all right

for Wall street, Lombard street, and the Bourse, but for one I object to its being made a part of the teachings of Spiritualism. Some mediums claim, no doubt with

it is amended or appealed, it will stand in law as Spiritualism's pronun-ciamento of its truths to the world. I once went before a city council to I once went

them. 'As soon as the truth-seeking, earnest-souled mortals are assured that they will receive spiritual wares

they will receive spiritual wares only from these guaranteed psychics, they will give them all they can do, and the local will receive almost enough, in full, to pay: the psychics' salaries. Reverent-souled men and women hesitate to-day about going to mediums lest they be told something about a diverse that is coming on the about a divorce that is coming or the doing, of a revoice that is coming or the doing, of a recreant executor, or ad-ministrator, for some runaway wife or husband, preople of culture and re-finemight have no desire to be insulted in this manner whether in public or in private. With a full understanding of what, a harding back to commercial-ism would mean-a loss of position, papers of endorsement and a possible motification of the notice that he or

food, shelter, and raiment for one's self and family is removed, there will be few lapses into fraud and commer-cialism on the part of mediums. The proposed change means proper and constant support of the lo-cal societies on the part of the mem-

bers thereof. To-day, the great ma-jority of Spiritualists either want non-Spiritualists to support their move-ment for them, or feel that their duty is done when they pay a fee of ten cents at the door. This policy has proved a disastrous failure in all sections of the nation, and is one of the causes of the disrepute in which Spir-

itualism is held in many , cities. Let every society stand for something, declare what its purposes are, provide a membership book, then require each one who joins it to pledge a certain sum per month to support the work, take pains to have each and every pledge redeemed, and success is as-sured. Of course the door fee would have to be abolished and the present slip-shod systems of book-keeping (or non-book-keeping) abandoned. will put the test upon the individual to say by his deeds what Spiritualism is really worth to him, and how much he actually needs it in his life. The claim that Spiritualists as a class are poor in purse IS A BAREFACED LIE! Taken as a class and compared with s corresponding number of church-members or non-church-members, they will average man for man at the very same rating in worldly wealth, with the probability that the advantage would be quite a bit in their favor. The cry of poverty is raised to get rid of actual duty. They have cash in plenty for tobacco, theatres, gold-headed canes, costly hats, furs, Worth costumes from Paris, but no money for local societies, or the Spiritualist papers. They need re-conversion to a spiritual Spiritualism, and when the baneful influence of commercialism has been eradicated, our erring friendsplike "de lil' brack sheep," can and will return to the fold. The en-dowments of the N. S. A. in generous proportion seems to me to be the para-

mount need of the hour. I now, comeoto the statement that scholarly, young men and women are kept offeour platform because of the present tendency on the part of certain leaders to emphasize unduly the religious side of Spiritualism. This This statement has been echoed in glee by the irreligious writers and speakers whenever, they shad an 'opportunity to obtain a hearing before the public, in the press or upon the platform. One writer whose erudition is so Solemn soue as to be absolutely blinding to his owngeyes and conspicutous by its entire absence to men and women of scholarly attainments, goes so far as to insult the better Spiritualists than himself by calling them, if they believe In Spiritualism as a religion, idiots imbeciles, and wanting in common sense. This man is afflicted by a dis

ease that was almost eradicated by the nineteenth century and will be entire ly stamped out before the twentieth 1 gone. This terrible disease is known as "Conceit of Ignorance." It harms its possessor more than any one else pass yet is offensive to cultured minds and progressive souls from its close resem blance in mental odors to those flund into the material atmosphere by th angry pole-cat., "Let him who is ig norant be ignorant still." He need his experience, and, when he has had it, will apologize to the good people

THE WORLD'S GREAT BEER.

Andrew Jackson Davis and His Works An Old Spiritualist Worker Voices His Views, Based on Long Annreclated.

To the Editor :-- I wish my name to go upon your list as a subscriber for a complete edition of Andrew Jackson To the Editor:-Thousands of thanks for your liberal gift with The Progressive Thinker, "The Unknown Life of Jesus. In this book I found what I have been looking for, for over fifty years, I am very - much pleased with it. Davis' works. I am very glad you are to issue them. I have long wished some one would do this. I regard Mr. Davis as one of the World's great seers. I had nearly every volume he has writ-en, but in the many changes and

In The Progressive Thinker of Feb through those who borrowed and forruary 16 I read a letter from a Spirit get to return, I have now less than ualist friend, Rolla Stubbs of Long Lake, Minn. It says: "I would be pleased to hear from others on the half, and rejoice at this opportunity to fill my library." question of having a camp-meeting

MINNESOTA'S NEEDS.

Experience.

My conception of Mr. Davis' place in the evolution of Truth is expressed in my little book entitled "New Thought some time during the summer months in the state of Minnesota." Primer," in these words: "All New There is nothing I missed so much Thought ideas, save those that make man conscious that he IS spirit here as our camp-meetings we used to have in the Twin Cities of Minnesota years and now, were born before the Hydes-ville raps. They have been repeated by Spiritualism during all the years of its existence. In 1845, three years beago, and I am sure we could have camp-meetings now also if they were, as Rolla Stubbs says, carried on in a business-like way. But, how can we fore these raps, in the person and in the "Revelations" of Andrew Jackson get money enough to run this camp-meeting? All the money the state association possibly can with hard strug-gle get into the treasury, I guess is Davis was Modern Spiritualism really born. And to him we may honestly date the birth of New Thought, though needed for missionary work, present "founders" of systems of "Healing' and teaching, and many teachers of various phases of New think, if the money is used for that purpose, we will reach more people, and will do more good with our money to send out missionaries in the

Thought, are not aware of the source from which their ideas sprang. State, than to have a camp-meeting A camp-meeting will benefit very few people in the state, and very few of the members of the societies out in the Davis was at that time a lad of 15. While in mesmeric trances he gave those lectures which were later pub-lished under the title of "Nature and country can afford to camp, and other people than Spiritualists will never think of it. Her Divine Revelations." This book was followed by 29 others, which make a library no student of the "Progress About eight or nine of our chan

tered societies in this state were, if I remember, not represented at our of Ideas" can afford to ignore. In them can be traced the heredity of every New state convention in Minneapolis, Sep-Thought proposition. Davis called his tember last. Why were they not? system "The Harmonial Philosophy!" The difference between this and New Couldn't they afford it? Or are these societies dead? They may not be dead. Thought lies principally in the emphaall of them, yet. But they are in a sis which is now placed upon the indicondition they need help, and the only vidual soul and its independence of all way to help this credulous people is to external control, its unity with the One, and its power to build its body into send some good, honest missionaries to help them along. Teach them not only Spiritualism, but teach them also

health, and keep its environment to its desire through right thinking. But Davis, in teaching the Divinity of Man and Nature, virtually taught all how to attend to their business as a society; teach them how to keep together and make the society progress, this. Later teachers have brought into and don't let a few go and hide themclearer light the truth he proclaimed. Methods of application are many: Truth selves in a dark corner and let the is one. Davis started Philosophical others stay outside, as not wanted: teach them to not be jealous nor self-Spiritualism, and this is so near New Thought, that I am not able to "draw ish, but love each other and work in harmony and peace. Teach them to the line between the two where God has keep out of their societies dishones not!

Mr. Davis, in a letter to me recogpeople, because they tear down. instead of building up the truth of Spirnized the truth of the position in which itualism; teach them the main objec I placed him. In 1900, The Banner of Light pub-lished this sonnet to Mr. Davis, which or a Spiritualist society is Love! Love and do good to your fellow-man. Excuse me for giving these few

also expresses my admiration of him hints, it is no advice; I only tell what I think is needed to build up a society. I have been a leader for a Spiritualist and the place he holds in the Thought of the present century: "To Andrew Jackson Davis:-

society for years, and I know how hard Great in an age of greatness, thou! and it is to pull the string and keep the wise

members together. Amid a century when millions tower Like Alp and Pyramid, in mental Just one word more to our honored missionaries and friends. power

On your missionary trip out in the country, don't forget to take along O'er ages past. Simple, child-like thy o modest Seer with "Magic Staff"! Now with you a few lyceum books and in struct one or two of the members of flies each of the half-dead societies to teach their children, and help them to On wings of gold, world-wide thy

angel-song Telling to waiting earth it is the organize a lyceum. To have a ly-ceum to work for will always keep the members of a society awake and busy, dawn Of Spirit—Freedom's promised natal

hour. "Thy swaddling-clothes were His in manger laid!

children about the truth of nature than to teach an old person. An old person knows how to investigate Spir-itualism, but a child doesn't. A child is not afraid to show his colors, The cradle rocked beneath the Boodb-

tree hough! Brahm, Zeus, Yahweh, their debt to mankind paid

many times to hide himself or his be-lief, for his friends so long as he is not very well posted and able to fight By placing Plato's wreath upon thy Thy name we gild on History's bright-

for himself, but it is different with children. If a child is convinced of Spiritualism and is a scholar in a lyest page, With his we love so well-our Concord

Sage."

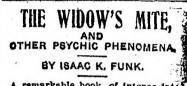


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clairaudients, mediums and prophets from the penalties of the license ordi-'Please define those terms," nanca. said one member. I gave my personal to the demand for honesty, decency words had very little weight.

The president of that body said to, his hips, (and "Jim" did it, repeating cating spirit with regard to some en-me in the course of a most instructive the operation until his medium was thalk, "Secure a proper definition of bind drunk), is just as good as Mar-your terms. We have no prejudice garet Fuller, George Peabody, E. H. against Spiritualists, nor their medi-Chapin, H. W. Beecher, Robert Dale But when a medium voluntarily against opiritualists, nor their medi-ums and ministers, but we want to know who they are, what they stand for and what they represent. Make your definitions, and we will fit the law to them. We decline to define your terms for you, and then fit the your terms for you, and then fit the the land a few years ago. One of the law to our definitions. If there is a most influential of our speakers, now a difference between mediumship and member of another denomination, de-fortune-telling, we want to know it, so fended the phenomenon on the ground that we can act intellicentiation. that it was equal in value to the most that we can act intelligently." What do the Spiritualists hold with highly inspired utterance that ever

regard to life in the spirit world? In fell from the lips of mortal, because of one state at least, I am told that the possible fate of quite a large property spirit power! Does Sister Watson rests upon what Spiritalists hold in agree with this man's views? I will come to those who stick to the higher regard to children growing up in admit that the phenomenon did prove spirit life. In the suit against the spirit power in a remarkable way, but will, it was held that a man's belief in are the phenomena- of Spiritualism the growth of his child in spirit life worthy of no better place for presentamight constitute an insane delusion. tion than at the bar of a whisky sa-When an expert witness was ques- loon? Is this sort of mediumship sat-tioned regarding the matter, he could isfactory to our whole-souled; cleanonly give his personal opinion, for the lived sister whose name is a synonym Spiritualists as a body have never de- for temperance and sobriety?

I knew Abraham James. He was a clared that they believe that children do grow to maturity in the unseen good man and a genuine medium." He What is the matter with the did succeed in locating artesian wells, world. Spiritualists? Why have they never oll wells, mines, and treasures of dif-made this important declaration? In ferent kinds. He gained two or three my messages for 1905 and 1906, I generous fortunes through his comurged this issue and its concomitants mercial use of his mediumship; upon my brethren in America. Some lost them all! In the closing days of of them replied with sarcasm and re- his life, he was a ward of the N. S. A. proach. Others began to .tremble I myself presented his name as one lest a "creed" be adopted. Others who deserved a pension from our Me-still vehemently protested that it did dium's Relief Fund, and am glad he who deserved a pension from our Menot matter, that each man should be- got it. He needed it, and need is excuse enough, for he was a genuine melieve just what he pleased.

In 1906 the convention went so far as to direct the appointment of a com-mittee, to report in 1907 a definition of terms that will meet our special needs. Hon. Charles R. Schirm is wards a Universalist church in their the chairman of that committee, while city and twenty thousand dollars each George W. Kates, W. A. Willing, Eliz-toward a Catholic church. Did they abeth Harlow and Georgia Gladys give like sums for a Spiritualist Tem-Cooley are his associates. I have con- ple? Did they endow the struggling fidence in that committee. I believe local society? By no means! They its members will do something, and I did not give a dollar to Spiritualism, feel that the definitions presented by but gave thousands to churches (to Chairman Schifm will cover the ma-jority of the points to which I am now had made them) whose members were

referring. Sister Watson next proceeds to defend commercialism in mediumship. is it, that that made them rich? Long Again I say that if the pretense of as-before they took leave of earth, they saying ores, locating mines, giving lost their fortunes and passed away points by which honor, integrity and dependent upon others. virtue in men and women can be over- mercialism in mediumship, and most come, constitute spiritual mediumhip (and the religion of Spiritualism) it is time for self-respecting men and women to leave the movement. for-ever! The law holds such claims to men and women in the names of their ever! be criminal in intent and purpose. beloved dead, the driving of crazed Sister Watson holds that no differentia-tion can be made with justice or pro-ruin of at least one roung girl, at a priety with respect to what medium-sordid show, called full form material-ship offers to the world. She is one ination of flesh, blood and bones, the of the truest of women--the embodi- drinking of liquor over a bar by means ment of honor, womanly virtue and of a spirit phenomenon, the obtaining purity of life. What would she do of large fortunes, used by their hold-with that woman, who, in a certain ers to aid the enemies of Spiritualism rity, gave "readings" to keepers of i-these, plus the tips on horse races,

ask that body to exempt clairvoyants, understand from her defense of com- To the writer, it seems as if the duty mercialism? of the medium were perfectly clear in all such cases. When the patron That medium, ordained by seven so-cleties, whose members were blinded

eeks business readings 'only, him on to the fortune teller and other definition, but, when it was found and sobriety because of his marvels, licensed thieves that infest every city that our National body had not spoken who went into a saloon, called for a and large town in the land. A true with regard to these matters, that my glass of whisky, then walked to the medium should give spiritual work in opinion was only a personal one, my other end of the bar and ordered his all of her readings. If an incidental medium should give spiritual work in The president of that body said to, his lips, (and "Jim" did it, repeating cating spirit with regard to some enevery such medium should be labeled "Doubtful" and the public warned against her. If nincty-five per cent of a medium's readings be "business" in character, then at least ninety-four per cent of them are open to suspicion. "But how will the spiritual seer or seeress make a living? There come to those who stick to the higher phases of mediumship." Such words as these are often uttered by those who object to giving up commercial-For one, I do not believe these ism. words are true. When it is known that a medium refuses absolutely to pollute spiritual truths with the filth

of sensual and material conditions, she will draw around her the highminded, truth-seeking men, and women of the world who will generously sustain her in her noble work. Those who do not keep their hands thus unsulled do not deserve support! Should there be any doubt as to supand port for the true spiritual seer or seer ess. let him or her become a member of some local society, then take out papers as an associate minister of Spiritualism, and be paid a regular salary as such. The comes sponsor for said medium, takes all of the money paid for sittings, but gives the genuine psychic a regular salary, for her work. This would re-

move all fear of want, of lack of shelter and proper raiment from the medium's mind, and cuts out the main incentive to fraud and deception. for commercialism always ultimates in one or both. Whenever such salarled psychic is proved guilty of resorting to commercialism, or, fraud, or both, her appointment as associate minister should be revoked, and the public warned against her. Such a course of action as this would prove effectual in bitter enemics of the_very "power," "science." "materialization"—which ridding mediumship of the many in-cubli that now are ditached to it. If -which

society then be-

It ilso means that the N.S. A. must have a generous endowment, ere it can be carried into effect. Place the Great is commedium above the danger line of want, and fraud will soon disappear, wonderful indeed are the results while the baneful influence of sordid thereof! The luring of young girls to social commercialism will bear it active company. "Endowment for the N.S. A.! Why

should that be necessary?" Because of the lameatable fact that at the pres-ent time nearly all of our local socie ties are financially weak, hence no able to pay living salaries, to both speakers and mediums. The hones psychics must have a means of livell hood until the change of method is effected, and the locals willing to do for the mediums what they should have Cone many years ago, take care of

whom he tried so hard to insult. HARRISON D. BARRETT. (To be continued.)

A Reply to Mr. Dague.

If we study the formation of each twig and branch, if we center our-find ourselves on an equal with the lit tle girl who "could not see the woods because the trees were in the way. To understand the Law of Being, one must penetrate to life or Causation. He must not only reach this goal inare tellectually, but he must become spiritually conscious of this realm. Then comes the attunement of the finite with the Infinite-and the realization of the Oneness of Life. Climb the heights of spiritual knowledge, and then the fogland will disappear. But right here, allow me to say to Mr. Dague, please do not call me an authority -on any subject. I am authority to no one but myself, and no one is authority to me. I claim 'en-tire independence in this matter, and my experience and studies of some thirty years, lead me to accept reincar-

nation as a fact." Now it is not wise to deny a thing because it has not come within one's own observation, or experience Truly, one cannot say what is not he will not attempt to, if he is wise. He can only tell what is, or what seems to be the truth to him. And all we have to truly judge by is our own personal experience. Am I not right in this?

And yet how remarkable it is, that occasionally we piect with a person who denies you the right to personal experience of any kind that conflicts with his ideas of what that experience should be gi and Mr. Dague's article

in The Progressive Thinker of March 9, I cannot Pet pass. He says: "A few weeks ago you kindly printed my communication, 'An Important Question' in which P mentioned some objections to the theory.)not Reincarnation.' Since that time, he says, several par-ties have Written him personal letters, amongst them myself. Our good Brother Dague is troubled with a lanse of memory, as I have only written him once on that subject, and then only in reply to a personal letter to me, dated Sept. 21, 1906, asking my theory on certain points. I did not give him my theory, but sent him a Banner of Light, with marked articles. I gladly share all the crumbs of knowledge have been able to gather in this great school of life, but I never insist that one shall : eat from my table. Simply molding a man's mind, coloring a man's opinion, ab-that is no good. Real growth comes from with-in, an unfoldment of the Divine Prinlple, and each one must unfold for himself.

JESSIE S. PETTIT FLINT. Corvallis, Oregon.

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MATERIAL THEORIES

Mind Is Not the Motion of Electric Corpuscles.

In The Progressive Thinker of Murch 9, in an essay by that brilliant and interesting writer, E. L. Larkin, are some assumptions in relation to mind that in the interest of true science, it seems to the writer should not be passed unchallenged. He says: "Mind * * in all being, I as-sert and repeat, is an oscillation of electric corpuscies." That is to say that mind is motion. the motion of something he calls electric corpuscies, whose life consists in their oscillating motions.

There is not one particle of dence to sustain the notion that feeling and sentience are motions of anyhing, oscillatory or otherwise. Mo tion is mere change of position with reference to other positions in space, and cannot be shown to have any qualities that we ascribe to feeling and sentience, excepting extension and position in space. The cause of mind and sentience

must be something else than the oscillating motions of electrical corpuscies. When any impression is made upon our sentience which we feel, what is felt, is something entirely different from any mere motion. If we are struck by an object, what we feel is the Force of the blow, and "Force," instead of being one and the same as notion, is its exact opposite, as shown by the fact that its essence consists of resistance to motion. There could be no such thing as a single force, for all

force is the resistance and tension of opposite tendencies. Of course there is a most intimate connection and relation between mo-

ion and force, but their oposition is the very ground and reason of their connection and relation. But the popular and prevailing scientific no-tion that all force is the momentum of motion, and therefore that all motion is continuous and persistent. is he grand fallacy that underlies and vitiates all materialistic theories of the universe. This fallacy rests on the evidence of our external senses,

which give us an exact inversion of the truth. It appears to them as though the cause of our impression was these motions, whereas, instead, the feeling, the consciousness of our impressions, is, force, of which the mo-

tion is the expression. That force and motion are not one and the same is shown by the fact that two opposite and equal forces would so counteract each other that they would not move, although their thrown out of balance, which explains \$1.00. how motion originates as the expression of unbalanced forces seeking equilibrium with their correlative opposites.

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this c time bring in to the lyceum another child, a friend, and before you know it you will have your lyceum doubled. I have experience of that. As an organizer, conductor and lyceum teacher. I will mention Mrs. Dora Skog of Minneapolis as a lady with great ability for this grand work. She loves children, and children love her. She will make a good, first-class lyceum misslonary. In November last Mrs. S. M. Lowell-

and it is more important to teach the

but an old person is foolish enough

from Anoka, Minnesota, a well known lecturer in Spiritualism in Minneapolis, was over here and gave a funeral sermon in the schoolhouse at Pokegama Lake, and the schoolhouse was packed full of listeners from the neighborhood. Most of this good people used to hate Spiritualism on account of lies told here of dishonest mediums from this place, but this sermon of Mrs, Lowell's just astonished this people. Educated, honorable people and good church-members told

me it was the best funeral sermon they ever heard in their lives, and a lady, a good church-member and Sunday-school teacher, said: "I have bet-ter feeling for the Spiritualists to-day

than I had before since I heard the lady. Mrs. Lowell.' This sounds good for the Spiritualists. It is lovely to be praised, but how different it sounds when a Spirit-

ualist tells a lie; then the people turn right around and hate us. Beware of dishonest Spiritualists. The missionaries break the field and sow the good seed, but if you don't attend to the field, cultivate it, and weed it, the weeds will overgrow the new tender plants and kill them.

Now, dear friend Rolla Stubbs, you must not think that I am against having a camp-meeting in the Twin Cities. No, I am not, but I know it is hard to collect money for that purpose. missionary work has to be pushed to the front.

A. GOTHSON. Pine City, Minn. matter. If you endow these corpuscles with elasticity, so that they have the power to react with a force equal

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to that which acts upon them, it is surrendering the materialistic theory and conceding all that - this paper claims, by making motion the result of a force that is not motion. In the spiritual theory there is no refuse dead matter, but only alternate correlative opposite forces, which, by their mutual stress constitute the will-power that makes all motion and FRANKLIN SMJTH.

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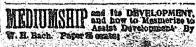
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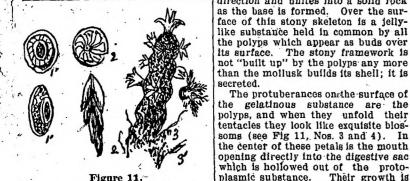
was a time in earth's history when they did not exist as distinct, but were mingled in the heterogeneous mass of the crust. Their separation could not have been effected by chemical means, or crystallization. It is to be, seen that it was through the activity of living beings that the layers of limestone, marble and chalk were spread out; beds of iron laid away, and the coal fields formed. The beings that performed this Atlas labor we call world-builders. Were they giants with unparalleled energy? Were their size proportioned to their mighty task? In the answer lies the most astonishing revelations of science.

In the Pacific seas there are countless islands which are no more than coral reefs growing from the tops of lofty mountains, or around the borders of sunken volcanoes. From Japan to Australia, the wide sea is dotted with these coraline formations These reefs are pure limestone secreted from the water by these beings. . If

the crust of the earth be examined, every age will be found to have its strata of limestone down to the Silurian, and the growth of reefs in our own time is not comparable with the results of former days.

Bog iron ore, in places favorable, is yet in process of formation, and by it the agencies employed may be learned, yet we cannot comprehend the vastness of time's duration for the accumulation of mountainous deposits. "At one period of the earth's history, depth it has been held that since they the conditions for coal formation were especially favorable, although it occurs outside the limits of that era, and islands are mountain peaks, the visible at the present time peat bogs in a remains of a submerged continent. small way may be regarded as initial When did this submergence take small way may be regarded as initial when did this submergence take coal beds. At the beginning of the coal age the carbon now solidified in coal and the tissues of plants clothing the surface of the earth, was diffused in ing and if the rate of their growth in the atmosphere. Before air-breathing animals could exist this had to be extracted. Humidity and heat favored the growth of vegetation, especially of circular islands or Atolls, are prothose forms we propose to describe. The part they have played in the fabrication of the world has not been recognized, and the story is as weird and surprising as the tales of the Arabian Nights.

Of all the forces employed in changing the face of the earth by rock formation, probably none exceed that of migro-organisms. What were these beings that piled up mountain masses and spread out thick strata of rock over thousands of miles? Infinitesimal monads, mere specks of jelly, invisible, or just discernible by the unassisted eye. It is a rule in geology that the changes in the past were brought about by the same forces that operate in the present, the supposition being that all forces are continuous and without break. From the first limestone deposited in the earliest formations, to the present, the chief igents have been the Foramaniferae



though of no higher organization, its size makes it more conspicuous. The voyager in Pacific seas observes fai across the stretch of wayes, a line of

breakers and on approach is delighted by the view of a ring-like island rising from the sea like a fairy creation. The shore is sand as white as snow contrasting with the deep blue of the surrounding water, From the intensely green and luxuriant masses of verdure



Figure 12. Section of chalk, highly magnified, showing the architects of the "White Cliffs", of England.

arise magnificent cocoa palms and within the charmed circle is a lagoon of perfectly still water. There are countless such islands, as the Lacadives, Moldives, the Low Archipelago, the Caroline and Society groups. The first two extend in a double row for nearly a thousand miles.

As the coral cannot grow below twenty fathoms, it is only on reefs not exceeding that depth that they become attached. As most of the coral reefs have their foundations below that started the vast area of the Pacific has been slowly sinking. These coral could be determined, the time since they began formation would be calculated to a close approximation. These duced by the coral attaching to the rims of craters of extinct volcanoes. In some cases a rocky peak rises from the lagoon. Such are not formed on craters but in the beginning the peak stood as far above the water as the foundation of the coral reef or within few fathoms of this height. Near the water line a growth of coral started and grew upward as the mountain subsided. This would produce a zone between the mountain and the reef filled with water which would increase in width as the depression continued. There is an endless variety of species which so shade into each other that classification is perplexing. The other red coral of the Mediterranean is thè most valuable. The Madrepore is the reef former assisted species named from their imitative forms, brain,

mushroom, star. etc. The Madrepore once attached to the rocks grows upward, extending its branches in every direction and unites into a solid rock as the base is formed. Over the sur-face of this stony skeleton is a jellylike substance held in common by all the polyps which appear as buds over its surface. The stony framework is not "built up" by the polyps any more than the mollusk builds its shell; it is

depth of two thousand fathoms. However this may be all these beings that live at the surface or in the depth of the sea, fall to the bottom and add to the deposit. How much is added in a single year? Probably not an appreclable thickness. A conservative estimate would be an inch in a century. One hundred feet would represent one hundred and twenty thousand years. Allowing for even more rapid augmen-

tation, the thickness of some strata of limestone, or chalk, would require a million years. • The cliff limestone represents cleardefined coral reefs, and the shells of the mollusks then inhabiting the seas are well preserved, for the accumulation has suffered slight change except

by the comenting process which has consolidated it into rock. In certain localities the reef, or sedimentary deposit has been subjected to great heat and pressure of superincumbent deposits, and in a semi-fluid state allowed to slowly crystallize. This heat at times has been so intense that the organic impurities have been burned out, producing the beautiful snowy marble, or when other! minerals were present, exquisite clouded and veined effects. In this form every trace of the origin of the rock is destroyed, yet the steps in the transformation are observable, from the

unchanged rock to the finished mar-The ores of iron were all first secreted by forms of these micro-organisms. The process is seen at present in the formation of bog ore, which is composed of the shells the material of

which is iron instead of lime. In shallow ponds or lakes these beings flourish, and at the end of a brief life fall to the bottom where there is an accumulation of the bog ore. When this bog ore is subjected

to heat and pressure by the uptilting of strata, or lava overflows, it is changed to the hard glistening substance as found in the Superior mines. But under whatever form it exists, every atom of the ore was secreted from the water in which it was held in solution, and without these micro-organisms it would be at the present time universally diffused and hence of no

use in the service of man. There is no other substance that will take the place of iron. It seems

to have been endowed with qualities by an all-comprehensive wisdom, for the express requirements of man, and without it civilization would be impossible. It has furnished the means of defense by which the advancing peoples have defended themselves against the attacks of savages, thereby pre-venting a repetition of the destruction of the progressive element by surrounding barbarians, so oft repeated in ancient days. It has furnished the material for the embodiment of inventive skill, and made possible, the railroad, telegraph, the new ships of commerce and defense. And all this is due to the labor of micro-organisms, scarcely visible to the unassisted eye Without coal, iron could not be reduced from its combinations. Coal is an equally important factor of civilization. Its vast deposits, perhaps, are directly referable to luxuriant growths of forests, yet the bog in which these forests grew contributed more to the accumulating sedimentary strata by means of the micro-plant-organisms which' flourished in- the stagnant waters, than all the towering ferns. Lycopodia, Equisetae, and other specles which have left their record on the formation. The micro-plants have

left no trace of their presence, al-though by their infinite numbers, the great task of extracting the carbon of the air from oxygen, and depositing it in the cozy peat, afterwards by pres-sure of imposed strata and heat transformed into coal, is referable mainly to these invisible workers.

The vastness and utility of the work here described of the micro-organisms, may be better comprehended, when the primal state of the earth is considered. The rent crust, over which spread the steaming ocean, was homo-geneous rock in which all she elements not gaseous were blended. This rock-crust had first to be disintegrated

and dissolved in water before the ele-

ments and their combinations could be separated. This separation and depo-

sition was in great measure the work of purely chemical forces. There how-

ever remained many elements, as iron

lime (calcium), carbon and a few oth

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by vital forces. The first two are held in solution in the sea, carbon as cor-

low plant organisms, assisted by the micro-organisms, gathered the car-

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bonic oxide, in the atmosphere.



(Continued from page 5.) After leaving bequests and rememknew nothing of these, but the writer brances to numerous relatives and of these lines knew of much of them. to one of his friends, the will disposed Spiritualism was not mentioned in of the remainder of the estate to the als will, and for this reason. He did only son of the testator, Mr. Theodore

his work for our cause without refer-ence to his testamentary ruling. It ualist and a member of the First As-sociation of Spiritualists in Washingago Brother Mayer gave in fee simple ton. What more can be said of his the handsome brick building in Wash-ington to the N. S. A., that hid served manitarian affairs? Much might be and has since, as its 'headquarters. This building was estimated as worth at least ten thousand dollars. At the tutions to supply flour at a low rate time of the gift, the donor stipulated and yet give a good article that the that the Spiritualists at large should inmates might have good bread to contribute by personal donations from eat; how he kept down the price of pennies to dollars a sum that would bread when the bakers threatened to equal his gift, and thus enrich the N. | raise it because the authorities de-3. A.treasury to the amount of ten manded full measurement for every thousand dollars in cash which would loaf; all and more might be told and enable the organization to carry on its the half would not be revealed. We After must simply pause and say, let his life good work for our Cause. much persuasion and many appeals tell for itself. The glorious floral the sum was raised, every penny of offerings at his funeral told of the

the sum was raised, every penny of offerings at his funeral told of the which went to the N. S. A., though for some curious reason many people thought it went to Mr. Mayer for his building. Such a conclusion was worse than absurd, but it is even held to-day by some obtuse persons who cannot believe that the generous man dd net recovery for the solution of the valley was and violets; and a beautiful tribute of magnificent carnations. from the First Association of Spiritualists of Washington reposed on the casket did not receive something for this and breathed our love to him in spirit. N. S. A. Home: But all he received one splendid tribute bore the inscrip-was the heart-felt gratitude of thous-ands who bless his name and revere told that it was from a Swiss Associa-

building, number 602, Pa. Ave., S. E., 1906, he spent some pleasant hours in our home at N. S. A. Headquarters, subscriptions or otherwise, would raise another large sum of money for the treasury, and thus make the Na-trong the spent some pleasant hours. In our home at N. S. A. Headquarters, dining with us here and with Mr. and Mrs. Fugitt, a quiet family party; the treasury, and thus make the Na-trong the spent some pleasant hours tional Association largely independ- day poem which was published for ent in its revenues and leave its mis- him by The Progressive Thinker of sionary and charitable, works un-sionary and charitable, works un-crippled for lack of funds. But our people did not take kindly to this of-same here:

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Dear friend, with love for you. We bring you joy in friendship's name desired to place the National body on From hearts so warm and true. a more self-supporting basis; we only We come to greet you here this hour with word and song of praise, received fifteen dollars toward the project. The convention displayed no And wish for you an added power enthusiasm on the subject, and he re-To strengthen all your days. tained the deed, sick at heart at the

apathy of the Spiritualists at large, We know this anniversary day towards what he believed to be the grandest institution of the age. Is one of great import; We know that here across the way But Spiritualism and the N. S.

You hold an earthly fort; For much of labor angels do do not suffer in the passing of this Through your good might and will That deed was destroyed ubut ral They love you with affection true,

lying from his disappointment and Their zeal doth you infill. with his ever generous soulaflame in For three score years on earth, your behalf of spiritual progress, the about

a year later confided his intentions life Has been a tower of good, concerning the National Association, to its secretary, with a sacred charge for her to attend to the final work With blessedness and beauty rife, And when you're understood after he had left the body. These in-The world shall praise you more and

tentions were soon carried into effect more For works that you have done. and materialized in the extention of a deed conveying without restrictions to the N. S. A. the following named Your name shall ring from shore to shore,

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AGAINST WOMAN SUFFRAGE. BOOKS BY-Country's Moral Improvement Must Begin in the Homes.

While unpacking my trunks at the resent sunny home in foreign lands,

I came across various numbers of my lear old friend, The Progressive Thinker, that I had been obliged to pack away unread. This accounts for the delay in commenting on Mrs. Corbin's views about the question, of Woman Suffrage. These views struck me as almost identical with my own, presented a couple of years ago to some daily aper, but returned to me as "unavail able for publication."

The suffrage question was at the time growing in popularity. I did not pre-sent said essay to The Progressive Thinker; for I knew that the majority of Spiritualists was on the side of Su san B. Anthony.

But let me confess right here, that am far from opposing her in principle On the contrary, the present writer has always been a champion of equal rights between man and man, and between man and woman as well. How ever, principles are not alone to be consulted, when society. attempts meas ures of far-reaching importance. The social, mental, and moral situation of a country command our first considera tion, while at the same time justice should be our guiding star in seeking the best and safest road towards human progress and happiness.

All honor and gratitude for the fearless champions of Woman Suffrage! They fought for the principle of equali ty; did not labor in vain; though the Susan B. Anthony, and her devoted staff did not labor in vain: though the direction of their goal may be altered in the course of time.

Lifted upon heights where the real conditions of the human family lie open at her feet in every direction the noble Susan will have at this present time

greatly modified, her former views. Her keen intellect will now realize the fact that considering woman's mental and moral development of to-day in general only a small minority could be expected to cast a better vote than men do at

the present time; and that the major! ty, including the lowest types, the ignorant, the superficial, the frivolous etc., would not only make the already complicated proceedings more compli-cated still, but would, from a moral standpoint, make matters, worse than they are. We may differ about "home being the only legitimate domain of women;," but surely Mrs. Corbin is right, maintaining that women can do more good in taking care of their homes and children than by voting; and her words "good citizens and voters'

squarely hit the mark. Who, indeed, if not the parents, are in first line answerable for all bad citizens and bad votera?

What about the mothers and wives

of all these men? Why did they not rear them to be come better men and citizens? The woman who is incapable of doing her highest duty at home, will be less capable of doing it in public. Capacity must precede ambition. A country's moral improvement must be-

gin in the homes. By the time woman grasps the full importance of her highest vocation she will cease to ask for the ballot: understanding that she has anyhow the first and best chance of influencing public affairs, by instilling sound moral principles into the souls of those within her care.

At the same time our enlightened citizens will have found better modes

of exercising the right of voting and will have done away with those demoralizing political races that are only a dean farce and a libel on true liberty. Intelligent America will soon find out that quality is of more value than quantity and that a limited number of honest. well-informed voters will be a better guarantee for the future happiness of their country than the indifferent thousands now pressing around the polls.

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ganisms and secreted as calcium corbonate with the slight exception of strange phenomenon will be presented small deposits of phosphate, also the of their caps being formed of coraline product of living organisms. It is lavishly distributed in all geo-

The coral is only a larger growth of logical formations, from the Trenton the amoeba and hence its mention and Laurentian to the present. Vast with the invisible fronad. Great as as are these deposits, there is. not a has been their accomplishments, these grain of their substance that has not are not comparable to the performance been secreted from the water by the action of animal life, and that mostly mode of the floor of the Atlantic show beings imperceptible to the unas- that over immense areas there is be sisted eye. Not only once has it been ing deposited a stratum almost identi-secreted but over and over countless cal with chalk. It is formed almost times. Made into the tinted shell, the entirely of the shells of microscopie opalescent pearl, the tooth and fang, Foramaniferae.

or bony skeleton by turns, and the Among the most abundant species in this coze is the Globigerina, the wreck and ruin of all fell on the ocean floor, accumulating as the centuries shell of which is made up of several and thousands of centuries went by convoluted chambers. Scattered For nature is in no haste and a thou- through the mass are what have been sand years is as a second on her time- named Coccoliths, the life-history of piece. Other beings contributed shell which is little known (see Figure '11, and hone but the coze brought up by the dredge from the depths of the North Atlantic, gave a percentage of found, has hot been determined. Their ninety-five to the Foramaniferae. shells are like two watch glasses Over this vast area a deposit is being joined together by a column, one glass Over this vast area a deposit is being made identical with the chalk. Figure 11 shows the forms of the shells of two of the many species of Foramanifera. Other forms are shown in Figure 12, which represents a section of chalk, the diameter of less than a pin's head. These engravings give some idea of the form, but noth-ing of the exquisite perfection of fin-ish, the carving and markings of these minute shells. They are voluted, em-the lustre of pearls, for seemingly no

the lustre of pearls, for seemingly no Sir Wyvill Thomson supposed that reason but the esthetic delight for all these forms lived at or near the beauty, expended, on forms too small surface of the ocean and that there ever to be seen by the human vision. The Coral as a World-Builder. Was a continual "rain" of their shells after their death to the sea floor. It has however, been discovered that the

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oms (see Fig 11, Nos. 3 and 4). In the center of these petals is the mouth opening directly into the digestive sac which is hollowed out of the protoplasmic substance. Their growth is by budding something like a tree. The bud may go on extending into a branch or if thrown off it becomes a ree individual, floats away, and at

The protuberances on the surface of

bonic oxide, and tearing the carbon taching itself begins a new colony. from the oxygen, built up their tissues and the accumulation of these in low-Looking down from the still surface of the waters of the lagoon, these coral groves present a scene of weird lying bog and marsh, through vast periods of time, under heat and presand exquisite beauty. Algae of marsure, became beds of coal. The freed velous delicacy of structure, waving oxygen returned to the atmosphere. fronds of the sea-fan, sea 'anemones purified and prepared it for the sustelike lovely flowers colored as art cannance of air-breathing animals. Nothnot imitate, the rainbow-tinted fishes sporting or feeding among the ing can be more assured than the dependence of the coal formation on this branches, present a picture more like source, and without these lower forms of life, there would have been no detic forms ' everywhere! The water posits of that substance of practical teeming with living beings and the devalue. bris building the rock-barrier of the It is equally certain that without reef. On the outer side grow the the micro-world builders, iron and he leave anything? To those faithful hardler kinds while the more delicate lime would be diffused through rocks, or in solution and thus unavailable. tonishing features of these beings that their soft and plastic substance can traction of iodine from the sea, by means of sea-weed. The amount of withstand the ceaseless impact of the

waves. Should at some subsequent age these mountains be unlifted, the able, yet the kelp gathers that infini-tesimal quantity, stores it, and is, as rock.

were a mine from which it is obtained. Had there in some past age been a vast accumulation of this kelp and submergence beneath silt, there might have been formed beds of iodine-bearing rock. Such changes might happen to a Sargossa sea, yet in the calends of the ages this never has come to pass, and the decaying seaweed has returned to the waters the elements it had taken. HUDSON TUTTLE.

The same process is seen in the ex-

this element in solution in sea-water

AT THE DOOR.

thought myself indeed secure, So fast the door, so firm the lock; But, lo! he toddling comes to lure My parent ear with timorous knock

My heart were stone could it withstand The sweetness of my baby's plea That timorous baby knocking and

'Please let me in-it's only me." threw aside the unfinished book, Regardless of its tempting charms, And, opening wide the door, I took

My laughing darling in my arms. Who knows but in Eternity, I. like a truant child shall wait

The glories of a life to be, Beyond the Heavenly Father's gate And will that Heavenly Father heed

The truant's supplicating cry, As at the outer door I plead, 'Tis I, O Father! only 1"?

--- Eugene Field. "Continuity of Life a Cosmic Truth," By Prof. Wm. M. Lockwood. The work of a strong, logical thinker, on a deeply ington.

aining-thirt and is also rented by desirable tenants. The Along your mortal way; And angel voices here and now, value of this property including the In soulful, solemn tone, N. S. A. headquarters building is estisomewhere about forty Repeat in harmony this vow, mated at thousand dollars. Mr. Mayer did not at once present That though you walk alone,

the N. S. A. with this deed. He left Your path with wondrous light shall it in the care of his lawyer, and conglow, And you with added strength fided the fact to myself, charging se

crecy until his demise, and then for me to at once secure the deed and Shall onward march o'er pain and woe, While victory at length have it recorded in the District office. In Shall plume your banner with its his last illness we talked of it, and he

power, And crown your life with light, reiterated his request. At 6:15 a. m., March 13, word was brought to me of the decease of our friend; at So, in this anniversary hour We recognize your might.

8 o'clock I was in the home of his Oh! you have nobly done your part lawyer making an appointment to be To conquer human illat his office in the forenoon; at 11'I Yea, by the Spirit's magic art had the deed in the hands of the recorder and had secured his receipt For error hath been smitten sore, therefor: in the Evening Star of that And Doubt hath sped away, date announcement' was made of the And earth is brighter evermore transfer of said property from Theo-That you are here to-day. dore J. Mayer to the National Spirit-

And, oh, we wish a glad new year, This anniversary day; With songs of harmony and cheer We smile upon your way, For from the courts of yonder heaven, Where hides no taint of sin, This promise beautiful is given. Life's victories you shall win. MARY T. LONGLEY.

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A Curious Combination.

is, so small that it is quite indetermin-able, yet the kelp gathers that infini-who make me heartsick by their holding back and selfishness, who hurt A few days ago the Good Templars of him hy their indifference to his large Massachusetts petitioned the Legislature of that State to grant women the aims and generous plans, I am proud to say, HE DID NOBLY. H WORKS WILL LIVE AFTER HIM. HIS right to vote on the question of license A hearing was held before the Commit-So much there is to say of this no-ble life, so little that can be said in press dispatches, Charles R. Saunders, one me, so intue that can be said in press dispatches, charles R. Saunders, an issue of a weekly paper, I had of Bosten, counsel for the Massachu-broached the subject to him of some-time, when free from society and of-ficial duties, arranging and compiling details of his life that they might be preserved in the annals of Spiritual-chusetts Wine and Spirit Dealers' Asistic literature, for the great part of sociation. The opposition of the latter his spiritual blessing, and of the bless-ing he gave the world in every form woman suffragist would like to know is came from his introduction to Spirit- this: Are the organized "Antis" workualism; it had been a silent thought ing with the organized liquor dealers with us that this biographical work in a systematic effort to prevent any might be done, but alas, he has de-parted and only these simple tributes women?

to his work and largeness of heart and soul remains any my memorial to "Talmagean Inanities, incongruities, Inconsistencies and Blasphemies; a Re-In his will, he devised the sum of eventy-nine thousand dollars to pub- view of Rev. T. DeWitt and Rev. Frank

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taken in this matter, and I am sure

you will have the support and hearty

co-oneration of every honest, self-re

The work in the First Society of Se-

attle is progressing, and the society is

in a most excellent financial condition.

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rett is delivering, and consider our-

selves very fortunate indeed to be able

to have him with us. How any one

who has ever known Harrison D. Bar-

rett can accuse him of being aught but

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nave found the people entrest and sinceré and extremely anxious for the truth. In these places as in many others the frauds and fakes have sown the seed of suspicion and ridicule, and the earnest, honest workers have much to combat. How I rejoice in the stand you have taken in this matter, and I am sure

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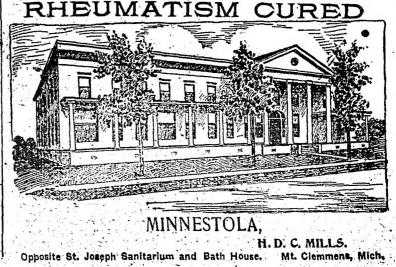
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Churchmen are clutching at Spiritualism to save them from annihilation; but they must discard- their creeds, and build on a firmer foundation before the spirit world will recog

"I came not to bring peace, but a The writer listened with great interest a few months ago to a discourse sword." by Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley, during which she related her own experience in watching the birth of a spirit as it. Lord's Supper, seems to have been a escaped from its mortal tenement. The before inanimate body, tenantless,

sort of a cannibalist feast. "Whose assumed that condition known to us as eateth my fleshy and drinketh my death, while the disenthralled spirit blood, hath eternal life." So said was met by friends who conducted it Jesus, as reported John 6:54. Bread to its new home awaiting it in spirit and wine is substituted for that flesh life. and blood by Christians, because the

We have read many accounts of real flesh and blood ceased to supply similar events, all agreeing that the the needs, so by prayer and miracuspirit escaping mortality is attached to lous interference a substitute is the body by a sort of umbilical cord; gained, and now it is a sort of fictithat until that cord is ruptured earthtious cannibalism. life remains.

But note, good Christian 'reader: 'A. J. Davis, in one volume of his This feast had a precedent in the Es-'Great Harmonia," describes his own sene communities located on the Jorobservation; while on p. 166n., of dan and Dead Sea of Judea, two hun-Judge Edmonds' and Dr. Dexter's dred years before the alleged birth of 'Spiritualism" is given an extract Jesus. Is the proof demanded? Open from Dr. Dexter's Journal, under date the Dictionary of Christian Antiquiof Nov. 24, 1851, where he gives his ties, by that great scholar, Wm. own view of a death scene, and a birthe Smith, D. C. L., LL. D., article "Againto the higher life. He says: pae," and read:

"My wife's brother-in-law, residing "It [Lord's Supper] had a precein Brooklyn, has been ill for some four dent in the Essene communities of or five weeks, and gradually falling Judea."

cause as its reputed founder declared,

A Cannibal Feast.

away, so it was evident he could not What in the world was this Jewish live long. On Sunday, the 17th insect eating the body, and blood of vice, debauchery and crime. stant, I spent most of the day with him. In the course of the day he re-Jesus for, long before "Our Lord" was vived enough to converse with me born? Who can tell? We can't, unabout his approaching departure. I took occasion to explain to him, as I less they were thus honoring their had learned from these communica own founder, Buddha: Dr. Smith tions, what death is, and what the cites numerous ancient authorities in other state of existence is, on which support of his statement. He venhe is about to enter. He was able to understand me. * * * tures the assertion that the "holy. "I remained with him the whole of the following Saturday night, and rekiss" and the "kiss of love", "never

passed beyond the bounds of temperturned to my lodgings early Sunday ance." In this he differs very widely morning. I lay down on my sofa in the course of the forenoon, and there with the statements of other scholars. received very vivid impressions of the manner of his death. "He had breathed his last, and I

Clerical Bombast.

Were it any other person than Rev. saw what I took to be his spirit body issue from his mortal body in the Billy Sunday, the distinguished evanshape of a cloudy frame, while directgelist, and ex-baseball player, who ly over it, and in the room where i used the following language, if corlay, it assumed the human form; but rectly reported, it would be one of it seemed to have no intelligence Suddenly it lighted up, was alive and those cases where "familiarity breeds intelligent. I was impressed it was caused by the soul leaving his fleshly contempt." It seems Carl Eastwood, editor of body and entering its spiritual body He looked around as if in doubt where

the Heron Lake News, Minn., heard he was, but immediately seemed Rev. Billy preach one of his peculiar recollect his present condition, and to Sunday discourses, and took occasion know he was in the spirit world. Then to refer to the evangelist's style in his he turned his looks to his family and paper, of course, not approvingly. friends who were around his corpse and bestowed on them a look of great Billy is reported, to have thus adaffection. Soon he was waited away dressed the "throne of grace," probon a flood of light far in the distance, ably to even accounts:

"And, oh say, Jesus, save that man We have condensed this narrative down at Heron Lake that wrote that being careful to preserve the idea. dirty black lie about me! You'll have a big job on your hands to do it, Lord Questioned in a seance at which -I'll tell you that before you begin-Gov. Tallmadge and Judge Edmonds but go ahead. Better take along a were present, the medium, Dr. Dexter, pair of rubber gloves and a bottle of said: "The new body was composed of disinfectant, but if you can save him, new material, refined and sublimated Lord, I'd like to have you do It.

A very vulgar mortal, cheek by jowl And these, doubtless the infinitesiwith Infinite Wisdom, must beget admal corpuscies so well described by miration on the part of churchmen, Prof. Larkin, and with the diminutive else they would not contribute so genweight the Boston doctors detected erously to his support. But how is with their scales, described in an ar it possible for a refined mind to listen to such low and debasing vulgarity? Verily, the long search for a mate

Mails Miscarried.

A package of Progressive Thinkers is destroyed. two weeks ago, directed to a neighbor The post told us: "Fools rush in ing town, miscarried in the mails from where angels dare not tread." The some cause unknown at 'this office; Progressive Thinker never applies the | but notwithstanding our vexation at reproachful term, fool, to any one, re- such a mishap, it was a real pleasure

PRESIDENT BARRETT. The Lesson He Imparts on the Second Page. The Eucharist, also known as the

We gall particular attention of our eaders to the article by President Barrett on page 2, illustrating the notorious swindles that have been carried on most gruelly under the name of honest mediumship. Many of the pregnant facts set forth so conspicuously by Mr. Barrett, have been prominently exploited in the secular press, REACHING MILLIONS OF READERS outside of the ranks of Spiritualism, as well as many who are firm adherents to our Cause. If we did not publish these facts, unpalatable as they may be, we should consider ourself as guilty of a breach of trust to our readers, and as unworthy of their confidence and respect. It is most delightful to some to look

at the bright side of life exclusively, surveying the beauty and grandeur of creation, reveling in dreams of love, purity and enchanting scenes-ignoring completely the dark side of life, its sins, its rottenness, its cesspools of

Ah! it may be delightful to some to effectually close their eves to the dark conditions that confront them on all sides, and in all planes of society, and become a "goody-goody," completely blinded to the deplorable dens of corruption that exist in our very midst, exerting their deleterious influence and polsoning the very vitals of. society,

Spiritualism HAS ITS ANGELIC, BRIGHT SIDE, easily discerned, and BRIGHT SIDE, easily discerned, and vated his trouble, and, although he the same is presented to the world by was at that time only 22 years of age,

the hundreds of honest mediums in our ranks, but when mediumship is used for mercenary or vile purposes as so prominently pointed out by Mr. Barrett, the whole world of Spiritualists should know it, and a method be pointed out to prevent a recurrence of the same. Vice, crime or corruption Santa Monica, 'on the seashore, of any kind can not be displaced by where the trouble soon was worse. better conditions unless it be PRE-SENTED TO PUBLIC VIEW in a manner that will attract attention. To hide questionable practices under the a little tract of land and a pretty buncloak, "YOU" WILL INJURE OUR galow, near, Pomona, but back toward CAUSE BY EXPOSING THEM TO PUBLIC VIEW," is equivalent to re-boy to cook for him, bought a horse and a light buckboard, and settled ceiving and secreting stolen goods.

The whole world of Spiritualists WILL STAND AGHAST at the impressive revealments of President Barrett, but he has not told the worst. A fraudulent medium in Oakland, Cal., who had perpetrated crimes of great magnitude, planned to COMMIT MUR-DER, but his subservient tools could not go that far, and his exposure soon followed, and he decamped with \$35,-000-his ill-gotten gains. Such villainy remains a part of Spiritualism just so long as it is endorsed by apparently, respectable Spiritualists, and remains unexposed. When its true character is known, then its influence

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Spirits Guide the Courtship.

William A. Harkness of Beaver meeting on the section road above Falls, and Miss Nellie Ingebrand of Arcadia that Harkness began to think Duluth, Minn., were married a fort- of the girl he had seen there. He night ago [as set forth in the Chicago does not know how it happened, but Tribune] in Los Angeles, Cal., and one day he found himself sitting at now are spending their honeymoon in his desk, gazing at her in a mental southern California, mainly in the picture of the scene. He could see the brawling little brook, the flashing country around El Monte. The marriage is the result of one of pebbles as they rolled downward, the the most astounding romances that purplish blackness of the grasswood ever were told. That fate dictated covered mountains, the deep green their actions and thoughts, and that and the vivid gold of the orange they were destined to meet and wed, groves, the dust white of the roadthey firmly believe-and those who way, the scarlet berries of a pepper have heard the strange, almost unbe- tree by the roadside, the green of lievable story of their courtship sim-ply go away thinking and wondering. girl—even the stray locks of brown hair that she brushed back from her No one yet has been able to advance any logical explanation of it, and only cheek as she looked up at him.

After that he began seeing her al one or two who believe in Spiritualism and thought transference and des-tiny that rules the lives of all persons was cursing himself because he had have attempted to explain. not stopped and spoken to her. He There is not much to be told about thought the idea and the vision of their romance. Its simplicity and that perfect afternoon would pass. lack of sequential events form the After a year he saw it only when he strangest part of the whole affair. was tired and worn and weary. Some-Neither the bride nor the groom can times a month would pass and he add anything to the story or explain would imagine that he had lost the why certain things came to pass-nor, vision; then, on some cold. drizzly day, it would come back.

at present do they care. It is suf-ficient for them that they have met It took him over three years to real and married.

A MANASINA .

ize that he was in love with the vision. He,-being a hard-headed, practical Visited California for His Health. man of the world, laughed and scoffed The romance began years ago. It happened that in 1901 Harkness, who at the idea, but somehow no other girl ever interested him. His friends is connected with a steeple plant in wondered that he never had any love Pittsburg and who makes his home inBeaver Falls, went to California beaffairs or paid attention to any girl. His fortune by that time was large cause he suffered terribly from asthenough to make him extremely eligima at times. The smoke and dampble as a husband, but he seldom went ness of the Pittsburg climate aggraout in society, and never sought the companionship or friendship of women. He was regarded as an old his physician ordered him to spend bachelor while still a young man, and six months in southern California, among his fellows he was looked upon promising that one winter out of Pittsrather as a woman hater.

burg, would effect a cure. He never confided with anyone that He went to California in October he had fallen in love with a girl whom he had not seen but once, and stopped in Los Angeles. The dust and dirt of the city and its peculiar atmosphere conditions only served to whose name or identity he did not know, and to whom he never even had bowed. That would have invited aggravate his trouble and he went to comment. He even denied it himself. Yet, while it made him angry, 'he could not dispel the idea that he was A physician there promptly told him to get away from the city and the in love with her-although he says beach and go into the foothills. He he did not then know what love was. followed the advice and purchased A year ago he says he felt an impulse to go to California that almost was irresistible. Once, he says, he the hills from the beautiful San Gahurried home, packed hastily, and got briel River valley, hired a Chinese ready to go, and then got angry and kicked his suitcase all around room, calling himself a dream-ridden down to enjoy winter. His asthma disappeared. The winter was a dry But although he got along well

one, much to the disgust of the ranch during the summer, the desire came ers, who had suffered a practical upon him again in November of this drought for years and were heavily winter and he determined to go to California. Twice he made all arin debt. It happened that the long drought rangements and then told himself he

the failure of many successive vegeta was a fool and postponed the trip. ble and grain crops, had wrecked many farmers and orange growers Harkness thought he saw a chance to himself trying to draw pictures of the make money. He began picking up himself trying to draw pictures of the cheap pieces of incumbered land. He girl and whispering to thimself that bought a big vineyard over by San she was his "dream sweetheart," so Whittier, and some odd parcels of he knew that he was in bad condition. land, besides quite a ranch near Azu- Just before Christmas he decided to go to California, and instead went to sa, or between that and Glendora. a mental specialist and went through

No Thought of Love or Marriage. He rode or drove through the shaded avenues, under a clear sky, during the entire winter and reveled in the sunshine and the warmth. Nothing was further from his thoughts than

ing the color of the mountain.

That was all there was to it. They

had not spoken, they had not changed

expression: in fact, all they had done

was to meet accidentally. Neither of

them thought enough of the meeting

Vision Appears Two Years Afterward.

It was two years after that chance

to inquire who the other was.'

On the afternoon of January Harkness says he was seized with an love or marriage, and he had never rrisistible impulse to go to California, an idea of meeting his fate. intending to reach Arcadia on Janua-On the afternoon of January 14 of ry14-the anniversary-and, before that winter, as he recalls it now, night, still calling himself a Quixotic

Harkness had an engagement to call fool, he was speeding westward. He

cheeks

into the water.

water.

his hand.

man and wife.

To the Editor:--It is certainly en. couraging to note in your valuable pay per the numerous reports of enthusiastic and successful meetings held throughout the West. It must be "high tide" with our cause, in your part of the country. There is no rea-son why we should not experience seasons of depression and other seasons when "business is good," in our work, as well as in the fields of commerce and labor. But there is no good reay. son why one should think everything is going to pieces because business is a little dull. Many of our workers are feeling discouraged because there seems to be a lack of interest with us just at the present time, but they over look several facts that combine to make it appear so.

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THE CAUSE IN THE EAST

An Interesting Letter From Mrs. A. A.

Averill, of Lynn, Mass.

One of the greatest hindrances to the growth of the public work, or rather, to the success of the hall meet. ings, is the prevalence of private circles. There is a regular epidemic of circles about here at the present time The advice so frequently given by the writers in The Progressive Thinker, to return to the old-time family circles, is certainly bearing fruit in the East. Nearly every medium that possesses any power whatever in the line of message-giving, holds weekly or semiweekly circles, and there are innumer-able circles held without any devel-oped medium, just a few friends.

We frequently meet some old Spiritualist, who, in answer to the question where they have been of late, that they have not attended the meetings in the hall, will answer, "We are hav-ing a little circle at our house Sunday night, just a few of us," but with a few gathered here and there, it necessarily decreases the number attending services in the halls. And again, there are many more meetings than formerly; a large number of mediums hire halls and run meetings for them, selves, while others, not mediums, run them to make a living; and though this is somewhat discouraging to or; ganized workers, who can say that the work of spreading the truth is not progressing as fast as ever?

We certainly can present a stronger front to the world by combining our efforts and pulling together, and it seems sure that we shall never receive the recognition accorded to other progressive movements, until we are more thoroughly organized than at present, but sometimes, "wonders are performed in mysterious ways."

Encouraging reports come from many of the societies. We believe the anniversary is being as fully celebrated as at any time. This gives us a good opportunity to get together and take an account of stock; figure up and see what has been accomplished in the past year. Report says that there is a good degree of interest at the church of Rev. Mr. Wiggin of Boston. A friend who recently attended, tells us there were seven hundred people in the evening audience, and that grand and convincing work was done

the

Days

of us all.

with both lectures and messages. Oscar A. Edgerly served at the Spiritual Temple during the month of January and attracted a large number of intelligent and intellectual truth seekers, and we hear that Mrs. Kate M. Ham is doing her usual good work, at the same place during March. Mr. Ayers, the owner of this, the most magnificent building over dedicated to the cause of Spiritualism, has been likened to a spiritual light-house, attending strictly to the business of sending out spiritual light in the way that appears best to him. No matter how many storms may beat or hard the winds and tempests may rage, the light shines steadily forth from the Spiritual Temple. This beautiful structure has never been used for any but spiritual purposes, and its owner declares, that as long as the solid declares, that as long as the solid, stone in which its name is cut shall endure, it shall be devoted

of the spirit world. All honor to a

England, the Boston Ladles' Aid, has

been busy through the winter in dis-

pensing charity to the deserving poor.

Nearly all Ladles' Aid societies are

auxiliary to some other society and

are working for that particular branch

of the work, but this organization is a

purely charitable society, carried on

for the meritorious purpose of caring

for needy Spiritualists, which is surely

one that should appeal to the hearts

is meeting with good success and hav-

quite an elaborate program, consisting

of lectures, messages, and literary and

musical exercises on March 31, and

are preparing a fine list of speakers

for the summer season at Unity camp,

Ham, Mrs. Pettengill, Mr. Edgerly and

A good bit of work is being done by,

ums, and from a beginning of twenty

night. This plan of work is helpful

money to help carry on the Sunday.

by many other societies, helping

among which are Miss Harlow, Mrs.

many other speakers of note.

ing fair audiences. They presented

The Lynn Spiritualists Association

The oldest spiritual society in New

man true to his convictions.

nize them as worthy their regard. Heaven hasten the day when policy on the one hand, and fear on the other, will not shape opinions of the immortal life.

Doubling Up.

The union of the Congregationalists, the Methodist Protestants, and the United Brethren, is reported as practically accomplished. Action was had at a general council of the three demonminations in session in Chicago March 20. The matter had tion. been referred to a committee, which

reported favorably on the proposition, and the report was adopted. and place, whose footings reveal the All Protestant sects should unite in

one body; then they should revise the Bible the Catholic priests mader for them; then eliminate its hell, its Christianity. devil, its war spirit, its obscenity, vulgarity and indelicate allusions, with its false science, and any other objectionable features in the nature of fiction; relegate their barbarous creeds to the ages which formulated them: substitute knowledge for belief, and education in place of faith, then join | ful the banner of the cross. Neither the Spiritualists in a zealous effort to does he refer to the bloody Thirty convert to the truth the reconstructed | Years' War, which Schiller says, "de Roman pagans, posing as Catholics, vastated whole countries, destroyed the parent of Protestantism.

This done there would be little need | lages to ashes, and opened graves for of prisons, gallows, and electrocuting | multitudes of combatants. For half chairs.

An Instructive Text.

Some pesky infidel intimates the passage in Isaiah 7:20, conveys the idea the Lord was the proprietor of a barber shop. We quote the inspired word:

ligion."

Christianity in propagating its faith,

as mentioned by Dr. Oswald, to which

our critic took exception, it is prob-

"In the same day I the day he whistled, otherwise hissed, for the fly, mentioned in verse 18,] shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired." Now there is no hint at a barber shop, as the unholy critic intimates. It simply tells us "the Lord will shave heathen. Then there was the terrible with a hired razor." It evidently reloss of life during the Middle Passage. ferred to a period before barbers were accustomed to shave themselves: and own protracted war of the rebellion. the prophet wanted the world to unwith its terrible loss of life and treasderstand the Lord was too poor to own ure, all in consequence of an attempt a razor, so he used a hired one when to prolong the infernal institution his beard needed to be shaved. It is which the Pope. as the head and offihoped he has now overcome the necescial organ of Christianity, was the insity of hiring a razor, as they have bestrument in founding. come cheaper, better, and more com mon in these modern times. Besides, and violence since the Nicean Council. his "cattle on a thousand hills" are in A. D. 325. instead of the modest convertible into pocket money at eighteen millions of lives sacrificed by

will The text serves a valuable purpose in conveying to the modern mind the character of the Lord the so-called Jews worshiped. He was only a large and well-developed man, in form, passions and habit. like other men.

membering an orthodox divinity said: to learn of the sad disappointment Whosoever shall say, 'thou fool' is in subscribers expressed because danger of hell-fire." A good prophet, "A long week, each mail closely with holy instincts, said: "Anger watched, hoping it would come; to resteth in the bosom of fools." so we hand," writes one; another, "I was are careful not to imitate even "the perfectly lost, all the week." An-Lord" in this respect; for the inother, he preserved a file, and must spired word says: "He is angry with have the missing paper so as to make the wicked every day." the volume complete. Well, we will But we do question the wisdom of

until he faded from view."

but still entirely material."

ticle in our last week's issue.

rial soul seems rewarded at last.

We Have the Figures Now.

do the best we can to remedy the loss, our late critic who challenged proof and we sincerely hope such an accithat eighteen millions of persons had dent will not again occur. been virtually sacrificed on the altar

of the Christian church in its propaga-The Poetic Fairyland of Science. The Poetic Fairyland of Science is a We are in receipt of figures, comname-that may well be applied to piled with great care by a learned an-Hudson Tuttle's contributions under tiquarian and chronologist, with time the heading of "Protista," which have been appearing in The Progressive

astounding number of 260,065,912 of Thinker for some week's past. The human lives wrecked in establishing wonderful nature and works of minute beings, so small that they are invisible In looking over the tables of our to eyes unaided by the magnifying correspondent, we find he makes no powers of the microscope, read like a mention of the lives wasted by the tale of the "Arabian Nights." And, Teutonic Knights, nor of the Sacred together with its basis in solid science. Sword Bearers, who almost desolated it brings forth a far-reaching lesson many of the provinces of Central of pure spiritual import, which will be Europe in their zeal to make successevinced as the reader goes on, charmed and enlightened by the de-

> lightful story. THE MEN WHO LOSE.

harvests, and reduced towns and vil-Here's to the men who lose! What tho' their work be e'er so nobly planned. a century," he continues, "it smoth-And watched with zealous care,

ered the glimmering sparks of civiliza- No glorious halo crowns their efforts grand: tion in Germany, and threw back the Contempt is failure's share, improving manners of the country Here's to the men who lose! into their pristine barbarity and wiltriumph's easy smile our struggles derness. All this was effected by regreet

Courage is easy then; And further, our good correspond-The king is he who after fierce defeat. Can up and fight again. ent neglected to note the numerous tribal wars and loss of life in darkest

Here's to the men who lose! he ready plaudits of a fawning world Africa, incited by the Slave Trade, Ring sweet in victor's ears; which his "Holiness, the Pope," grant-The vanquished banners never are ed a permit to prosocute against the unfurled.-

For them there sound no cheers. Here's to the men who lose! And we shudder as we think of our] The touchstone of true worth is not

success;-There is a higher test!

Though fate may darkly frown on ward to press And bravely do one's best. Here's to the men who lose!

It is the vanquished praises that 1 sing And this is the toast I choose: During the 1572 years, of discord

A hard-fought failure is a noble thing. Here's to the men-who lose!"

-George H Broadhurst.

Success is full of promise till men get it; and then it is last year's nest from which the bird has flown .- H. W. Beecher.

able, if the record was complete, it Platitudes against sin are as harm would embrace five hundred millions ful as applause for sin .--- Anon. -one-third the entire population of Man alone is and shall be our god. the earth at this time, and all me--Feuerbach.

Detroit, Mich., March 28.-That nessed old "Doc." his horse, and drove Mother Elinor.' sometimes known from Whittier down to the Monte, and as Mrs. Elinor L. Mason, queen of the then cross through "Lucky" House of Israel, the flying roller colowin's Santa Anita ranch toward the ny located here and at Windsor. Ont. none other than the notorious ranch he intended to visit. He re-Edith Loleta Jackson, alias Ann Odella Dis de Bar, was made known by a record just received here from north from this country road. This Scotland Yard, where Dis de Bar was section road passes through the little for alding the man then supposed to hamlet of Arcadia, running due north be her husband in committing a seand south for miles, between twin rious offense. rows of giant rubber trees that end

Has Police Record.

foothills. The woman is shown to have a poice record reaching over ten continents and embracing many parts of adia, Harkness let the lines the United States. A photograph ac companied the prison record, which was positively identified in a sworn statement by F. E. Swinden, a membe of the colony. As Ann Odelia Dis de Bar the wo

man served six months in New York City on a swindling charge. In Genoa she was imprisoned under the alins. Vera P. Ava on a larceny charge As Edith L. Jackson she served time in New Orleans and was expelled from the city for swindling.

Whereabouts Unknown.

Since she left England there have een three complaints made, upon which she has not been tried. Two the roadside, he saw a girl. of these are on serious charges, the other being for defrauding the "New Eve." at Kent, England, out of \$2.000. She left Windsor mysterious- into the babbling water to watch them ly about two weeks ago. Her where-abouts are unknown.-Chicago Exbe swept away. Examiner, March 29, 1907.

This notorious woman was once a prominent medium in New York, match, and a soft felt hat was pinned where she posed as a spirit artist. She afterwards came to Chicago to shading the sun-browned exercise her mediumship. from the glare of the sun. Harkness looked at the girl. She

Wants Mediums to Pay \$100.

paused in her occupation of tossing pebbles into the "mountain. stream, Mr. Hale of Los Angeles, Cal., sends brushed a stray lock of hair back the following from a late Los Angeles paper: 'In the Sixth ward some of Coun-

cilman Younkin's constituents think they have been puncoed and they have induced their representative to start a trot, and they went on up the shady fight of aldermanic dignity upon the avenue of eucalyptus toward the footperpetrators of the outrage. hills.

'As a consequence trouble is in store for the astrologers, palmists, clairvoyants, fortune tellers, mediums and the like who have lived and prospered in the last in Los Angeles and only loosened up to the extent of \$15 per month each for city licenses.

simply saw each other. Harkness confesses that he wondered at the "It is now proposed to raise the monthly fee to \$100. A motion by Younkin to instruct the city attorney time who she was and what she was doing there. That was all. He thought of her several times during to prepare the necessary ordinance has been adopted.

the winter, especially when he drove "If the ordinance is adopted there in that direction, and wondered idly will be brought into the city treasury If he would see her, but he never did. each month \$3,600 from persons of He remained in that part of the counthe above-named occupations. instead try until spring and then, after a of \$540. The mediums et al. paying short run around the state to points wildly: monthly licenses at present to the city number 36. of interest, he went back to Pittsburg Some of them will to make his fortune. His landed holdings in California

them.

undoubtedly be able to pay the in-creased license without serious difficulty. Others, it is believed, will be put out of business." were not large enough to require his personal attention, and an agent at Alhambra attended to the leasing of

Where all are selfish, the sage is no better than the fool, and only rather more dangerous.-Froude.

topped Los Angeles, met some friends and spent a week there, then went to his El Monte ranch to spend Balda fortnight with the tenant, who had foot of Mount Wilson, where lay the the orange trees and was arranging erected a handsome bungalow among ranch he intended to visit. He re-to buy the place from Harkness. He had purposely stayed away from the tel and then took the section road due scane of his meeting with Fate on the anniversary of that morning. After arriving in California, too, he discovered that his "dream sweetheart" was rather misty and the visions he had in Pittsburg were lacking. only as the road rears itself into the passed on which he never 'even thought of his strange mission in

appear overworked.

After crossing the Southern Pacific California: railway tracks, a few yards out of Ar-Impulse Took Him to California. fall

Examined by a Mental Specialist.

certain mental tests to see if his san-

ity was wavering. The physician told him he was all right and didn't even

By that time, however, he found

On the morning of February 6, loose upon his horse's back and lognowever, while eating a dish of strawged along slowly, enjoying the beauperries at breakfast with his host, he ty of the scenery and the afternoon. Directly ahead of him, a few miles suddenly felt a violent re-awakening away, Mount Wilson, one of the great of the vision. He quietly asked the man if he could have a horse and rig neaks of the Slerra Madre mountains. to take a drive that afternoon. Mr. reared its bald head, and he could see Tudor, the rancher, regretfully rethe yellow of the double trails stainmarked that the only available horse was Doc. It so happened that, short-Girl Sitting on Bank of Stream.

the Psychic Research Society of Salem, ly before noon, Harkness, driving Doc Mass. They have branched out to the Harkness says that he had stopped sister city of Beverly, where there was and riding in the same buckboard in his horse to a walk as he approached which he had ridden when he met no meeting, held, hired a hall and the place where the road crosses a have held Friday evening services all Fate by the roadside, left El Monte brawling, boisterous little stream. winter. They have had Mrs. Abbie and started across the Santa Anita Suddenly his eye was drawn from the ranch. He drove straight up the sec-Atwood, one of Lynn's growing medimountain ahead, and, looking toward tion through Arcadia, jarred across the railway and electric railway the first night, have increased until, at She was sitting on the stump of a present, the hall is nearly filled each tracks, crossed the county road, and rubber tree on the bank of a little trotted into the avenue of rubber stream, and she was tossing pebbles The sun was shining, ahead of trees. to them financially, as it brings him towered the purple-black slopes work, and is also arousing an interest of Mount Wilson, scarred with the rosy cheeked, and pretty. She wore with the golden glow of the in a town where there is no society. We think this method of spreading the oranges shone through the green a dark brown skirt, with jacket to gospel might be carried on successfultrees, the pungent scent of burning rubber leaves filled the air; below him, miles away, the snow clad peak upon her waving mass of brown hair,

themselves and the cause as well. We are glad to hear that the work of Old Baldy rose and ahead he could of the Fraternal Order is extending hear the babble of the bawling brook. and hope to see it adopted by some of Girl Waiting by the Stream. our eastern societies. The nicture was the same as that of six years before and he told himself heen from her cheek, and looked at him. that his memory picture had Then his buggy jarred down into the true. Half consciously he pulled Doc bed of the stream, the water boiled to a walk, still gazing toward the and surged around the spokes, the mountain, moved onward to where horse splashed through, started to the road crosses the bawling brook.

The passing away of so many of our best workers seems to be a great loss to us, but they have only joined the vast army on the other side, and perhaps now they are emancipated from the thralldom of the physical and its limitations, they can strike more ef-Suddenly he withdrew his gaze from the mountain and, glancing fective blows for the cause than even before. Let us be as ready to do our toward the roadside, saw the "dream

part as they will be to do theirs. MRS. A. A. AVERILL. sweetheart" sitting on the stump of the eucalyptus and tossing pebbles Lynn, Mass.

For a moment-he says an hour he sat gazing at her in mute astonishand she was visiting her aunt, Mrs. They ment and she looked up from her oc-Tom Bemis, on the ranch above Arcupation, pushed back a stray lock of càdia. Her experience been brown hair, and half smiled, as she practically the same as that of Harkneld a pebble ready to toss into the ness. She had returned-home and

Then he stepped out of the buckpoard, raised his hat, and extended only difference was that in November, The girl half rose, looked a - bit frightened, gasped quickly as if she had seen a ghost, and then said. "I was waiting for you."

Why she had gone to throw nebbles in the brook that afternoon she doos They sat there together a long-time, not know. Some "instinct" she calls it, impelled her, and she went. and told each other about it. When

they parted it was to meet the next That is all the story, and that is why they declare that destiny ruled them and fate decreed that they day and within a fortnight they were The girl was Miss Nellie Ingebrand should wed.

then begun to dream of him and fallen in love with the dream-man. ". "I'h

1905, she felt impelled to go to Callfornia to meet him, and went and was disappointed. When he heard that

Harkness cursed himself for reject ing his own wild impulse to visit Callfornia at that same time. Man and Wife Within a Forthight.

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FUNERAL SERVICES

Over the Mortal Remains of Theodore J. Mayer, Treasurer of the National Spiritualists' Association, 'at his residence, 214 B Stree Southeast, Washington, D. C., Wednesday, March 13, 1907, at 1 a. m., conducted by Mrs. Mary T. Longley, under the auspices of the First Association of Spiritualists of Washington, D. C.

[Reported Especially for The Progressive Thinker, | May the service of this hour be a sacred memory in by Walter P. Williams.]

The readers of The Progressive Thinker have already learned through its columns of the passing of the great soul of that good man and true Spiritualist, Theodore J. Mayer, of Washington, D. C. The funeral obsequies were conducted at his home, Friday, March 13, under the aus- God, we offer our praise for death, for deliverance; we pices of the First Spiritualist Association of his city, in accordance to the written request which he had formerly filed with the officers of that organization. Mrs. M. T. Longley officiated and the service was simple and such as he could most desire. Mr. Mayer was very fond of listening to "Only a Thin Veil Between Us," when rendered by its author, his friend, Prof. Longley, and it was intended for Mr. Longley to sing that selection during the service, but as the venerable composer was suffering with a serious attack of influenza at the time, he was unable to do so, and only the touching service of the secretary of the National Association was made.

The Washington Daily Star had its reporter at the serv-Ice, who made copious and beautiful extracts from the address, weaving them into a generous synopsis of the whole. The following is an extract from the Star:

"The obsequies were attended by a large concourse of the friends of Mr. Mayer, embracing all classes of citizens, from the most lowly toiler to wealthy men of affairs. Massed about the casket were many beautiful floral remembrances bearing appropriate inscriptions. For an hour or more before the commencement of the simple ceremonies men, women and children filed past the bier and took a final look at their late benefactor and friend.

"The nall hearers were all clerks in the employ of the W. M. Galt Company, as follows: Messrs. Buckingham, Hurley, Stearn, Mohler, Busey and Betts.

"At the conclusion of the impressive obsequies the remains were taken to the establishment of J. William Lee and cremated.

"Floral pieces were sent by Mrs. W. M. Galt, Mr. Ralph Galt, William M. Galt & Co., National Spiritualists' Assoclation (of which the deceased was treasurer), board of di rectors of the Central National Bank, First Association of Spiritualists, directors of the Union Trust Company, board of managers of the Casualty Hospital, Hope Lodge No. 20, Swiss Benevolent Society (of which he was president for fifteen years), the lady managers of the Gasualty Hospital. Washington Grutli Verein, Mr. L. Vogel, the minister from Switzerland; Mr. William F. Gude, Mr. Henry Steinberg and family, Corby Bros., Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Speiser, Mrs. M. J. Stevens, board of directors of the Congress Hall Hotel Company, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Krafft, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Beall, Mr. Henry Virts and Mrs. P. C. Schaefer. "An the associations of which deceased was a member

were represented at the obsequies."

At the close of the address Mrs. Longley said: "Dear friends, I am requested to announce that there

will be no public service during the cremation of the body; are asked to take leave of the remains at this hour. If you feel as I do, you will prefer to make your farewell here, while the beloved form is surrounded by this wealth of glorious and fragrant flowers, sweet symbols of Life, Love, Purity and Peace, fitting types of Immortality and Reunion beyond, where sad partings can never come."

ADDRESS BY MRS. LONGLEY.

Let us lift up our hearts to that divine source of all Messing, the Infinite Goodness, our father God.

Oh, Truth eternal, Love divine,

their hearts. May they realize that death is only deliverance for the spirit from the bondage of clay, from suffering, from-disease and an awakening for the immortal being in worlds of life beyond.

We know it is well with him, that blessings rest upon him now and ever shall, and so unto Thee, O our father offer our thanksgiving for the sacred associations of life to thee, we offer our honor and homage forevermore. Amen.

Dear friends, we are gathered here for a sacred service, not only to the memory and life of our dear friend and brother, but also in a spiritual sense to the consecration of his life to higher aims, nobler purposes and grander achievements than mortal tongue can tell. Through the varying vicissitudes of this earthly existence our beloved friend and companion met with many experiences, some of them very sad and trying and painful, some of them grievous to bear. He knew what it was to suffer bereavement, to have the dear companion of his heart and life taken

from his bodily presence, out of the physical atmosphere into another world of being. He knew what it was to part with little lives that had only breathed here in a mortal sense, yet had they remained here on earth would have grown up as sweetest blossoms in his pathway. He knew what it was to part with friends on every hand. He knew what it was to meet with the discipline of life in the material arena of being, what it was to cope with difficulties and obstacles, to overcome them in large measure in his efforts to make a success of his career as a business man. As a man of association with friends and neighbors and comrades in this mortal life he had his joys and his seasons of peace and of comfort; consolations came to him that were of blessedness; he realized both the sunshine and the shadow of mortal experience and existence and under these conditions he rounded out in mentality, in spiritual thought and aspiration, in the desire and effort and achievement of blessing his fellow-men. No greater eulogy could be given to a life when it closes on earth, dear

friends, than to say he lived and labored for his fellowmen. and we can say this with absolute truth of our dear friend and brother who has departed from the clay to take upon himself the habiliments of a spiritual existence and a higher and better life of sweeter and nobler environments and grander opportunities.

I think you all know what his successes have been in life connected with material interests and physical affairs. You know how he met poverty and misfortune with brave heart and a courage which bore him through the vicissitudes unto a more glorious pathway of success; but he met failures and disciplines and loss with as brave and

cheerful a spirit as he encountered success and the prosperity of material life. All of this helped to develop the inner nature, the mental life, the spiritual qualities which were directed in such ways as he felt would bring blessing only the relatives will be present at the crematory and you to himself as an immortal as well as to his brother man on earth through the benevolent works that he might accomplish for humanity. We do not need, dear friends, to give an extended eulogy over the life of one such as this. His works will live after him, the memory of his deeds, even his personal doings from day to day, will be an abiding sense in the hearts of his friends.

> He was a citizen of this city and district, well known and honored. He was an active man of affairs in this portion of country, who spoke with no uncertain sound concerning his convictions of right and wrong, whether they were for municipal matters and interests of the people or the good of individuals or in any sense in the blessing

hours have we passed in pleasing, helpful things pertain- tain sound to your hearing, and would say:

ing to spiritual thought and uplifting. We knew him in our home well; he was a brother and a friend closely con-nected with us by the ties of association which nothing of gained the victory. There is no mystery now for me in earth can express and which held us together in such beautiful communion that we feel he is one with us now, not lost nor gone, not dead nor asleep, but with us, arisen sweetness of uplifting in spirit, the beauty and the grandin spirit, a presence of joy and comfort, of truth and hon-

or, of helpfulness and ministration, and he will be so to the end, not only toius in our personal home but to you all, friends, a helper and adviser, if you but open the way

to his coming, to give you peace and strength. As treasurer of the National Spiritualists' Association for many years our friend and brother stood almost at the head of this great movement in the United States. He was known to hundreds i of thousands of individuals through our great conventions because of his name and works and influence going out through the spiritual press in all parts of this country, by the chartered societies of our national body, state and local organizations in all parts of the United States, and when the news went forth through our spiritual press that he was lying prostrate, sick unto death, we were besieged with words and mes sages and communications from all over the country telling us that in the meeting places where hundreds of people assemble, in their Sunday convocations and services his name was mentioned in loving reverence and prayers went forth for his recovery, because all felt that while he would find a beautiful home on high and plenty of opportunity for service and doing good to humanity yet he was needed here. But the angels knew-the Infinite knew-God understands-and I believe from the depths of my soul that he knew in the secret recesses of his heart, dear friends, that his time had come, that his work was to close through this mortal frame that had worn out in the service of humanity as well as in his efforts to make his way In the world.

ing too hard; I know that I am. I have lost money and I a palace, but I have no desire; I have my little home and my lonely surroundings. I must make money. I want to help the world. I must bless mankind. I want to do a

good work for the hospitals here in the District of Columbia. I want to promote education. I have many plans in mind. I want to bless our spiritual cause. If I had all I lost I could do that. I must make it up, and I will do my best to leave something good for humanity when I have gone," and he did. This is his record. This is his breast of earth. All is well. Farewell, dear form. eulogy. We need not expand upon it, his works show for themselves. Let his influence be a blessed one; his example a noble one to our lives. Perhaps we may not be able personal care.

to do all that he could do, we have not the means nor the opportunity to bless mankind in such largeness as he has done, but we can do something to make the world better and sweeter and brighter that we have lived, and in doing this we shall please our friend best and most. It is all that he would ask, and it is the greatest tribute we can give to say that he was one who loved his fellow-man.

day, could he make those silent lips speak, with no uncer- the occasion."

"I am alive. I live; there is no such thing as death to death, there was very little of it before I passed away. I knew what I should meet, and the glory of reunion, the eur of immortality are mine."

> "He who died at Azim sends This to comfort all his friends": Gentle friends, I am not here On this lowly funeral bier. Truth is mine and Life divine, . Let its mandates ever shine In your hearts, O friends of earth; Till you pass immortal birth. Life is free and life is grand, Work, then, for the heavenly land Which perchance is just in view, Waiting, friends, for you, for you. Let your thoughts be full of love,. Such as heavenly thoughts above. Let your lives be pure and sweet Till the angels you shall meet. He who died now comes and gives This assurance that he lives, Life is mine forevermore Puising on the golden shore. Love and Life are lord and king, This my spirit offering. Life eternal, ever free, Calls for aye, to you and me.

Dear friends, no more may be said. Words fail, Let the hearts feel that all is well.

All hail, thou arisen spirit. Press, on ' in your good works. - Give to humanity the comfort, the peace and the Many a time he said to me: "Mrs, Longley, I am work- harmony of thought that you know will only bless and uplift. We would not call you back to this world of mortal must make more. I don't want it for myself; I can live strife, but speed you on in the sweetness of holy friendplainly. I could if I wished live in what some would call ship, feeling that sometime and somewhere we shall be reunited in a fairer clime.

Farewell, dear mortal form. We have known and loved you. We have realized the sweetness of spirit animating and pulsating through this frame and we have come close to the spiritual with it all. To dust and ashes shall you be consigned, but all is well. Nature in her beneficence will take up the residue that is left from the consuming fire

and reconvert it into new forms of beauty on her glowing But spirit arisen, all hall! We salute thee, we love thee, we ask for your help, your ministration and your

Mrs. Longley writes: "So many in Washington have asked where copies of the poetic lines in the address over the remains of our beloved treasurer can be obtained, I desire to say: Only in The Progressive Thinker; these lines came impromptu at the moment of inspiration, and all but

the opening quotation, 'He who died at Azim sends this to I am persuaded he would give to you his message to- comfort all his friends,' were original with the hour and

There is so much that can be said more money to use for humanity— of the good that Theodore J. Mayer he said he had sufficient for his own did for humanity dufing the years of his mortal life; so much of the good make more for the use of humani-friends, most of whom she recognized that he left as an andowment to the tarian projects and interests-but at as spirit people; among the friends sum of human blessing, that words the last, while the mortal illness was was Mr. Mayer; they turned to cross fail and similes grow weak as we try creeping fast upon him, he settled a bit of flat country and came to a to describe his benefactions and to completely all that he desired to do beautiful town built upon the side of compare his thoughts and deeds with and have done, should he not recover a hill in an Alpine section. It was an the common notions of the world, health. He made a splendid fight for exquisite sight. The sweet homes His three score years were filled with health, but it was too late, yet he upon the hillside glowed with beauty. positive intent and power to make went manfully, like a warrior who success of life, and he did succeed, has fought the good fight, he won is victories and gained his spiritual cruement of a fortune by the indomit-

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O giver of all perfect good, We recognize infinitude, And in this solemn sacred hour We recognize thy matchless power.

The heavens in harmony above Resound with matchless tones of love; And O. we lift our souls to thee, Thos author of eternity.

To thee we bring our breaking hearts Knowing thy love still strength imparts, That peace unto each soul is given To guide it on to yonder heaven.

We know that thou art love and light, Thou art the ruler day and hight, Of life below, and life above, Thou source of wisdom, truth and love.

O thou divine spirit, our father and our mother God. leternal goodness reigning everywhere throughout this universe of space, we draw near unto thee this moment to consecrate anew to thy service, to the service of thy dear humanity, this arisen soul who has traveled onward through the realms of thy beatitudes and of thy beneficence. We know that all must be well with him. Like a conqueror. he went to the eternal life; like a ruler he lived on earth doing his appointed tasks, working out the life within him according to the highest dictates of conscience, of duty and of fraternal brotherhood. .Thus must it be well with him. He is in thy eternal keeping. We do not need to mourn for him. Only the tear-drops fall, and the eyes grow dim when human souls on earth realize what it is to miss

from their presence and association the physical form, the audible word, the kindly smile and the helpful counsel of one who has been near and dear.

And so, tears will fall and eyes grow dim; hearts will bleed and break because of mortal separation, but when the consciousness of eternal life and the conception of fadeless, loving, supreme truth and everlasting beneficence from God, come into the soul, we know and understand that all is well.

We ask, O thou Divine Spirit, the loving blessing of angel ministration to rest upon every heart that is saddened, to uplift and comfort every mourning life, that the light and the consciousness of spiritual truth shall 'abide with them, that all may feel within the inner self the nearness of spiritual counsel, of heavenly ministration, of kindly loving care that cometh from the unseen, from those influences and those beings that are not of the flesh though they walk with us in the heavenly places.

We ask, O thou blessed minister of peace and holy comfort, that there shall go forth the balm of healing to every wounded heart. May the dear son be comforted in the thought that his father is by his side with awakened strength and judgment, with higher possibilities and sweeter perceptions than he could know on earth, to give that guidance of the inner life that shall be a tower of and as a result of this knowledge devoted a portion of his strength and a comfort of peace in many mortal ways.

May all who have been affiliated with this dear brother by ties of relationship or fraternity be blessed and years nearly a decade -in this work of Spiritualism, not strengthened.

of humanity. He was ever plain and outspoken and we knew just where to find hint. Sometimes he may have seemed crude and somewhat harsh in his dealings with his fellow-men because of that strong, positive personality of his which meant so much, which could not brook the idea of failure, which would not find defeat, and so he pushed onward, but we know that his failings were those of the head rather than the heart. We know that as he thought he could see clearly, it sometimes seemed to him that others should do the same, and that he desired so much to bring them to the same consideration of affairs that he felt would he for the general good. None are perfect all have their frailties and faults in this mortal life, and it is best, otherwise there would be no perfection beyond, nothing to strive for, nothing to hope for if we found the extent of all possibility and achievement and perfection here on this earthly plane.

But we are taught that there is progress beyond the grave; that we only begin school life here that shall advance and open new opportunities to our souls as immortal beings after we pass from this mortal clay, this being but the outward covering, the vehicle'of expression for the indwelling mentality, the soul of man, when gaining experience and beginning unfoldment on this material side. Therefore, friends, whatever of human weakness our brother and friend may have had sinks into insignificance

beside the clear, beautiful outpouring of his benevolent. loving nature for humanity.

He felt the needs and the wrongs of mankind and wished to lessen them, he felt the suffering and loss of human beings who were dwarfed and cramped by poverty and sickness and these conditions that weigh down, and he endeavored to relieve them; he knew the needs of education for the young people of this land and he knew. that whatever of college life he secured in his early days in the home of his birth was of immense value to him during his life, and so he desired to see education promoted and such benevolent interests here advanced, and he did his part and did it well.

Friends, we cannot linger over these things that we would like to say. We must in duty tell you that he was a Spiritualist, a pronounced, uncompromising Spiritualist,

who not only believed but knew that there is immortality for the human soul, such immortality as means consciousness, vital, active; the survival of memory over death, the retaining of the affections, the knowledge and the power of mental expression and achievement-all these things which make up a human being he knew survive

death and the grave and live as intelligent entities in the eternal world. He knew this. It was his conviction. It was his privilege to gain it through investigation and experience. It was no idle thought, no mere . belief, no creed, but an unanswerable conviction of truth to his soul, and therefore he was a Spiritualist. He believed in immortality, knew its truth, realized the consciousness of spirit communion with this mortal life knowing that hecould commune lovingly and intelligently with the dear

companion who passed from the earth form so many years ago, but who remained close to his heart not only as a memory but as a loving presence of radiant beauty through all these years of his lonely life. He knew the' little ones could return, had grown and expanded in that other world and were his treasures there. He knew this time and means to the advancement of Spiritualism.

It was my privilege to be associated with him for many only in official labors but in close friendships. Many

able will and the clear, calculating judgment of his mind and physical strong character His personality In my vision, I said to the friends: labor, but also in the noble paths of had two sides; in business, positive, "Did you ever see such a beautiful Spiritual conquest and achievement, at times storn, even commanding, He was a success, and the world is dominant, yet approachable; in social a moment you will see a large and richer that he lived. He came to life, genial, full of humor-often boy-this country a poor boy, but with na- ish-lovable; a good companion and tive Swiss stock of intellectual and friend. He was a lover of the beauti-in a moment we all came into view of moral equipment, a good college edu-cation and determination to make a developed, and scenery, the works of bearing the name of the place which mark in the world of business enter-prise. Entering as a clerk in his un-cle's store, it was not long before his pointments, all appealed to him and next I saw him, as we had N. S. A. ability led him to rise from a com-made him glad; this was evinced in matters to discuss, but during a very paratively humble position to other the garden of his home that he loved, sweet, friendly and spiritual interview helds of effort and success. By his brain and native manual strength, he won. He was never idle, when oth-own immaculate appearance in pri-emblematic, perhaps, but significant won. He was never idle, when oth-ers slept he passed hours in work of the body as well as devising ways and means for the enlarging of his busi-ness and the output of its accrue-pected and exacted faithful service for the and the output of its accrue-pected and exacted faithful service for the and the output of its accrue-pected and exacted faithful service for the and the output of its accrue-pected and exacted faithful service for the and the output of its accrue-pected and exacted faithful service for the and the output of its accrue-ter and the output of its accrueter accruet

ments, and by wise investments and from his employes, they all loved and spirit-world, of the work of the spirits store. True, he met with losses, during his illness and after the store in the store i there were some failures, every ven-ture could not be a success-that is worth and place in their estimation. want you to get well, and still b ture could not be a success—that is worth and place in their estimation. want you to get well, and still be our not the way of the world—but every Even to his animals he showed gen- counselor and guide on earth; but if loss only gave impetus to his swift the traits, carrying lumps of sugar in you must go, come to us from above, brain to make new effort to regain his pockets with which to regale his help and bless us, we want your counhis ground and to win in the markets horse at intervals during the day. I sels and aid." Too full for speech, t the world. To those who knew him best, his de- what an all-around sort of man this and tremblingly whispered, "I will, of the world.

was, and to give glimpses into the God bless you. cease was not unexpected; our wonder was that he lived so long, for dis- heart of the man.

The memory of that hour will ever In this connection we think of one be a most sacred one to me. So also ease had fastened upon his frame some years before the end. For more of the sweetest, and last acts of this will be that of the last few moments than three years his health has been good man. The infant son of Mr. I passed with him on Tuesday, March precarious, many times during that and Mrs. R. E. Fugitt, formerly Miss percarious, many times during that and Mrs. R. E. Fugitt, formerly Miss b, one week before the end. He was period he suffered excruciating pain in nerves and limbs. A man of mag-nificent physique, he could not walk three squares without sitting down on curb or step more than once by the way, for rest and surcease from pain. For months before his fatal illness, he complained to us of nau-cearth. Said he: "I mean to give him see, could nartake of but very little something on his first birthday that see, could nartake of but very little something on his first birthday that see, could nartake of but very little something on his first birthday that see could nartake of but very little something on his first birthday that see could nartake of but very little something on his first birthday that see him again till I laid my little offersea, could partake of but very little something on his first birthday that see him again till I laid my little offer-food, and for some time, while still he can always have and wear and that ing of lilies of the valley, pure and about his daily affairs, he lived sole-ity on two quarts of milk a day. At the last N. S. A. Convention in metal and rare workmanship; had it EVERYBODY, and may it be a pre-

Chicago he was a great sufferer, never without pain, striving to keep up to the work and exigencies of the Asso-later in life —a beautiful gift. This Distribution of Property.

clation by stimulating aids to a fagged chain the donor wore on his own and weary brain and body, he, a person for a number of days, and on main-stay of power for the good of the 26th of January, when suffering will, Mr. Mayer gave away large sums the N. S. A., watchful of its treasury, from the first stages of his mortal for charitable purposes; in former illness, went from his home to that of reports it has been stated that he had looking against extravagant measures and rulings, misunderstood the Fugitts and personally presented given to the Eastern Dispensary and by those who only viewed him casual- the sacred gift to the little babe. On Casualty Hospital of Washington. ly, accused of being self-opinionated that occasion he said: "I am going about Thirty Thousand dollars, and autocratic when he was working home to stay until I am well. I feel in his will left ten thousand more to night and day for the best good of the that I may not be able to come out by that worthy institution for the treat-

night and day for the best good of the whole, felt his physical strength stead-ily waning, yet would not yield one intrate to nature from the wearisome activities of the convention floor. On his homeward way, Saturday, October 20, he became very ill, for over two hours in the night he had to stand in the alse of the Pullman car, unable to lie in his berth or to sit, be-cause of the terrible pain and nauseal that had seized his body. But he that had selzed his body. But he ing his illness the baby boy was taken fore his last lilness that he told me conquered sufficiently to resume his to see him and the great man blessed he had gotten all his works into shape work immediately on his arrival in him. Always he inquired of us con- and that the last, the hospital Dispen-Washington, though, many of us cerning the child and on the last oc sary and the University being attendpleaded with him to give up, take a casion of my visits to the sick room, ed to, he felt that a good part of his long rest and to go abroad to his na- he blessed the little one and promised work was completed. Hundreds of private philanthropies for the poor

tive land for recuperation. He said to be a spiritual helper to him. and suffering were shown by this man, the time had not come for rest, he had We are satisfied that in soul-sense more to accomplish, and so he held he knew that he would not get well, here and in other places; no appeal was made to him in vain-the public on till exhausted nature could do no On the 20th of February, about 5 a more. He wanted to live, to carn m., the writer of these lines fell into

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Virginie Barrett writes from Toroncloses his engagement at the .First Spiritualist Temple on Sunday, March to, Ontario: "The Spiritualist meet-31. Mr. Ripley's work has been ex-ceptionally fine, and has resulted in ings are doing a good work. I have labored here since January and my meetings have received the attention much good. Large audiences have of the thinking class. I have had a full house every time." been the rule. His messages have

A. merkle writes; "The Spiritual-istic Sociefy Students" of Nature, 461 W. North avenue, corner Robey street, had a very large audience for the temple fund on Saturdement of evening. Mrs. M. Schumacher's lec-ture on Palm Sunday and Its Origin, the really excellent cuisine furnished by this energetic and zealous member of the Temple. Special services will From a Historical Standpoint, Was be held Sunday, March 31. Rev. Geo. well received. Messages were given W. Kates and wife will commence a by Sister Ricket, and anxiously and two months' engagement on Sunday, thankfully received. Our services are April 7. These spirited and talented conducted by our pastor. Lectures workers will be welcomed with open are given on interesting scientific and arms, as their work is always appreci-ated, and productive of great good. bistorical subjects."

Mrs. E. H. Thompson writes: "The New features relative to the Temple's Fraternal Daughters held their semi-weekly meeting in Atlas Hall, 406 future progress will be announced from time to time. A bazaar in the Ogden avenue, Wednesday, March 20, very near future is one of - the good at 2:30. They gave readings, and at 6 p. m. served a supper, and at 8 p. m. times a coming." Wm. Hassmann writes: "Last Sun-

held a circle, and the following mediday evening, March 24, the services of ums took part. Mrs. Dr. Caird. Mrs. H. Lichtig, Mrs. Alice Sexsmith and the North Star Spiritual Union at its hall, 1546 Milwaukee avenue, were Mrs. Squires. Beginning on Wednesday, April 3, the Fraternal Daughters well patronized, the audience consisthold a test circle the first and ing of honest and earnest truth seekthird Wednesdays at 8 p. m., to take the place of their semi-weekly enter-medium, who has been sick for the tainments. Mrs. Dr. Catrd will have past five weeks, but now is on a fair way of recovery, will not be able to attend to her duties for at least a charge of this work, assisted by othcouple of more weeks. Brother and Sister Winters who so nobly volun-

Geo. Drummet writes: "The Dana (III.) Spiritualist Association wishes teered to take her place, were assisted by three other mediums, Sister Musito let the readers of The Progressive Thinker know that it has been served ka, Sister Golden and Sister Hogard, by Mr. Max Hoffmann of Chicago, in who were willing to give a helping hand to a suffering sister. Praise be the way of lectures, followed by tests. His work was remarkable. He did our to them, for they do not only advocommunity more good than words cate the golden rule, but act accordcould express. Our meetings were ingly themselves. The concert for more than a success, and we have the Easter Sunday promises to be a suchighest praise for Max and can recomcess, as many have volunteered to take mend him to any society." part in the exercises. A hearty invi-tation is extended to all."

Harry J. Moore united in marriage James A. Nulfon and Miss Ethel Bartlett, of San Diego, Cal., on Friday evening, March 8. Upwards of forty in regard to the venerable Mr. Math-Upwards of forty ews: friends tendered him a farewell recep-New Philadelphia, Ohio, on business, tion and the San Diego Spiritualists' Temple Lyceum voted to devote part and while there called on Brother of its Sunday morning, March 10th, session toward the same, which was done. Brother Moore writes that sey- say that I found him in a critical coneral have joined the society. He lec-dition physically. Brother Mathews tured in Ashland, Oregon, the Sundays, has been confined to his home since of March 17, 24 and 31; also conduct. the 14th day of January, 1907. The ed class work during the week. His malady with which he has been services are engaged in Portland, Ore- stricken is a combination of rheumagon, for the Sundays of April. Ad-tism and dropsy, and he fears it will be some time before he will be out dress him there.

Mrs. Dr. Dobson-Barker writes: again. At his age, he being in his "The First Spiritual Union of San 88th year, I feas it will go pretty hard

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> Boston Meetings, The First Spiritualist Ladles' Society meets in Appleton Hall,9 Ap-pleton street, Boston, Mass., every

Friday. The Ladies' Lyceum Union meets in BEAR IN MIND that the editor of Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont street, Bos-The Progressive Thinker is in no wise ton . Mass., every Wednesday, responsible for the views expressed by The Ladies' Industrial Union meets contributors. He may, or may not in Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont street, every Thursday.

> ATTENTION, LYCEUMS. - Please send in second quarterly report before April 15. All lyceums not reported ary most earnestly requested to do so. Yours for the young people, Anna L. Ghlespie, National Sup't. Children's Lyceums, 180 Calhoon street, Battle Creek, Mich.

Wilson Fish, M. D., writes: "On Sunday evening, March 17, the Earnest Workers Spiritual Society had the pleasure of listening to Dr. A. B. Spin-ney of Belding, Mich., in one of lifs characteristic addresses at its hall, 333 Michigan avenue. The Doctor held his audience in rant attention for mort than an hour and the reciting of

his own experience in the long and rugged road from old orthodoxy to the comforting knowledge of the spiritual philosophy, made his address of especial interest to new investigators. The message-bearers of the evening were Mrs. Line and Mrs. Fish, who, many pointed spirit messages gave the

large audience convincing.evidence of the presence of loved ones whom we call dead, but who live and are ever ready to minister to mortals." Rev. Alice Baker writes from Lawton, Okla., where she is filling an en-gagement as state missionary: "Upon gagement as state missionary: my arrival here, I found the Church of Spiritual Light I organized in November doing a splendid work; having secured a nice hall, leasing it for one year. A number of Longley's beautiful song books, have been purchased. and every member seems devoted to the cause. Last Sunday I lectured to good and appreciative audiences. Next

Sunday we will have an anniversary service, and in the evening a naming and consecration flower service for a number of the little buds of promise. I will be with these good people a number of Sundays, going out to near by towns through the week. On my way to Oklahoma I gave one lecture at Fruitland, Texas, and was royally en-tertained by Bro. G. Hengalter and family. Oklahoma people desiring my services as missionary any time this season, will kindly write me at once to my home address, 449 Live

Oak street, Dallas, Texas. At a meeting of the Massachusetts State Association of Spiritualists, held to celebrate the 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism, at Berkeley Hall,, Tuesday, March 26, 1907, Fraucis B. Woodbury, formerly secretary of the National Spiritualists' Association, presented these resolutions: Whereas, The Angel of Life has taken to the spirit world our beloved friend and co-worker, Theodore J. Mayer, treasurer of the N. S. A., therefore be it resolved. That the Massachusetts

State Association of Spiritualists in convention assembled, learn with sincere regret of his transition; that we greet his emancipated spirit with our earnest thank offerings for the great work he accomplished for the cause he so dearly loved, and for his liberal-ity to bur "organizations," and the worthy poor. Resolved, That we de-plore his loss as an executive business man of rare ability, who was ever ready to give his counsel and advice to aid organization in all its departments

for the advancement of the cause which was sacred to him, that of Modern Spiritualism as a religion. Re-

vish every Spiritualist could have th leasure of listening to our worth, tate President, Mrs. Sheets, for sh is an honof to every meeting in which

she lectures?' Geo. A. Hettord writes from Jack-bonville, Na: "While at Gainesville, Fla., I had the measure of hearing Laura G. Fixen lecture at the Chautauqua held there. Her lecture was

grand. Subject, 'Ine seen of seen.' It did me good to see one of Subject, 'The Seen and Unour lecturers on the Chautauqua platform. It shows the people are be-coming more liberal. I heard many

pronounce Mrs. Fixen's lecture one of the finest that had been given there She is one who does not antagonize the church people, but wins them by pleasant way, and sets them to

thinking, that there is something deeper and grander than just the narrow creedal views held by so many orthodox members. There is a chance for some good work to be done in the South, and I would be glad to see more of Mrs. Fixen's class of lecturers there.'

We are glad to know that G. H. Brooks has so regained his health that he is able to resume his labors again in the lecture field. Mrs. Mattie E. Hull can be

dressed at 1410 Kellam avenue, Los Angeles, Cal., until further notice. intends to return East in May, and is ready to make engagements for camp-meetings or local societies.

A HAPPY SOCIAL FUNCTION.

A Pleasant Reunion and Reception Los Angeles, Cal.

To the Editor: -- I desire to tell the readers of our cause, something of a social function that graced the People's Spiritual Society in Burbank Hall in Los Angeles, March 23. On that evening we gave a reception to the workers of our platform and invited guests. The distinguished guests were Mrs. Mattie Hull, Mr, John W. Ring, Mr. J. C. Craig. The workers present were Mrs. J. J. Whitney, world-renowned test medium; Mr. Ar-thur Prentice, our talented chairman; Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Sullivan of the 'Children's Home"; our beloved Dr. Briggs, who works with a will in every cause that she finds to do; Miss Freda Gerttzea and many others whose excellent powers as mediums are well known, as well as inspirational speakers.

Those who assisted in receiving the one hundred guests were Mrs. Rose L. Bushnell-DonnElly, Mrs. Nellie F. Sullivan, Mrs. Nellie Temple Taylor, Mrs. L. M. Cummings, Mrs. J. C. Craig, Mrs. Rose E. Weston, Mrs. Nettie Howell, our Nettie, the kind, hospitable friend to all the poor in spirit and weak in heart. She opened her two large parlors adjoining the hall, decorated them with lilies and vines, on a slightly rilised platform were placed two crimson chairs clothed in exquisite flowers' of our clime, in hon-or of Mr. and Mrs. Hull. The motto was, "Our Moses"not dead, not divided from the beloyed one." God bless our Nettie! The program was carried out in full, music, danicing, speeches and reci-

tations. A poem 'from the pen of Ros L. Bushnell Donnelly, entitled "Dedi-cated to Our' Afficen Brother, Rev. Moses Hull," was read in a beautiful and soulful manner by Mrs. Nellie Temple Taylor. "Vocal Solo by Miss Inez Freeback." Duct, Misses Edith and Marguerice Donn-Elly, Mrs. Brocks, instructional solo. Duet, Mr. and Mrs. Stillynd, Vocal solo, "Star of My South" Mfs. Rose L, Bushnell-DonkElly." James G. Clark, the au-

thor of this divine song, was present in spirit. The collation was refreshing and dainty, every plate charmingly deco-rated. While serving, 'Instrumental selections by Prof. Otto Horner, were

given in a masterly manner. Soulful harmony, friendship, Tove,

spans the other shore.

Los Angeles, Cal.

words constitute one line.]

Michigan.

"Oh, don't be sorrowful, darling!

Oh, don't be serrowful, pray. The gate that leads out of life, sweet

Rose L. Bushnell-DonnElly.

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THE SUNFLOWER OLUB. ts Second Anniversary Suppor, Ente tainment and Ball.

That splendid Ladies' Auxiliary to the Illinois State Spiritualists Association, the Sunflower Club, has indeed proven itself a worthy spouse of the State association, as well as a help

mate and companion. Their recent anniversary supper entertainment and dance on Monda evening, March 25, was a grand at fair and a success in every way. The President, Mrs. J. R. Francis

presided with a modest dignity that vas an inspiration of itself to the occasion. Mrs. Laura Fixen's beaming face

and talk warmed the affair with an enthusiastic ray of sunlight, as did the presence and talk of Dr. Geo. В, Warne,

Dr. Caird was a prominent figure in the "chair in the East" of the hall, and the lucky man in the hand painted China drawing; but we must not continue to mention names here, of sunlight and cheer, or there will be no room for these notes.

Mrs. Wilson, too, needs some attention in these notes for her activity

in presiding over the palatable viands of the feast. She always looks after the financial part with a pleasing in-

Piano solo, beautifully rendered, by Miss Nellie Clark.

Remarks by Dr. Geo. B. Warne, president of the Illinois State Spiritualists Association.

A beautiful vocal solo, by Master Edward Miller, a. very appreciable song splendidly rendered. Recitation by Mae Dalloz, which elicited much enthusiasm. She is

certainly an elocutionary wonder, a bud well unfolded in her childhood. Poem, "The Sunflower Club." by the writer hereof, and which follows

this report. Solo by Mrs. Sexsmith; a sweet song sweetly sung.

Remarks by Laura G. Fixen, cheering and interesting, as are all her talks.

Plano solo, nicely executed, by Miss Ichabeck.

The Dance was a pleasant affair as their dances always are, but the attendance was large, the interest en livening, and the feeling beautiful and spiritual. In this connection the itualistic and Occult LIBRARY, and committee on entertainment deserve special mention for their activity and painstaking in introducing people and assisting in finding partners for the dance.

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tion, Monday, March 25, 1007. As you swing around the circle of th

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TWO IN ONE

Jose has been very highly entertained by Rev. John W. Ring, the noted speaker from Crystola, Colo., at Hale's Hell March 17, a very interesting service reputation. Let us, one and all, send Hall, on two successive Sundays. was given at 2 p. m., a spiritual chris- to him our best thoughts and heartfeit tening of four little girls, Rev. Ring wishes that he may rapidly recover officiating. The ceremony was beautiful and impressive. Sweet music We a feature of the occasion. A cor-lowa: "The 59th anniversary of the dial reception was given Mr. Ring at the home of Mrs. Cora D. Ringlep, on Wednesday. An impromptu program ists of Clinton, Iowa., by a very beauti-and refreshments were the order of ful display of fragrant flowers and a the evening. Tuesday evening our special musicale. Our loyal workers good Brother Ring gave an unique en-tertainment in behalf of the F. S. U. Were amply repaid by a fine attend-ance. Mrs. Alice C. Barry, in an elo-Jean Ingelow's 'Song of the Seven' quent address, said in effect, that Spirwas illustrated. Dr. H. S. Bock furnished the stereopticon views and the been more of a blessing, in a half-cenmoving pictures, which were appreci-ated by all. Miss Linda Zink furnished music for the occasion. The said. And we purpose to be forever anniversary of Modern Spiritualism loyal to our charge and do what we will be observed by regular services; can to make Spiritualism the universal Mrs. Nettie P. Fox will be the speaker Messing it should be." of the evening. Our annual election of officers will take place April 7. Mrs. M. E. G. Howe, state organizer, of Los Angeles, is engaged for the above some talk of a camp to be held here

during the summer. Mrs. Shaw, of Springfield, Mo., has been with us and daté.' Bessie Bellman, a prominent worker in Spiritualism writes from Win-field, Kansas: "Winfield is now my Martindale, a resident speaker, adhome, where I am employed by the dressed the First Society Sunday night, First Society of Spiritualists the first and third Sundays of each month. March 17. She was attentively lis-tened to while she spoke for an hour second Sunday I serve in Black-on the Philosophy of Spiritualism. well, Okla., where an earnest, unselfish society is trying to make Spiritual- Thursday night at the studios, 407 E. Douglas avenue, and is well attended. A larger hall is to be secured to meet ism better known. The fourth Sunday of each month takes me to Cedarthe demands of an ever-increasing membership. Many are the converts vale, Kansas, where a most harmonious and encouraging condition exists. that have come to our banner in the last few months." Ground and money are pledged, and very soon Spiritualism will have a beautiful temple in this beautiful and prosperous community. The work grows and thrives, pushing up as re-sistlessly as the new vegetation. commencing, which is 10 a. m., Aug. 20, 1907, and continuing six days. All There is great demand for good work everywhere.

interested write to me." Ferd C. Suhrer writes: "It is with much pleasure we note the growing . Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley writes interest manifest each Sunday by the from Portland, Oregon: "My dear interest manifest each Sunday by the public in their attendance of the serv- mother, Mrs. Mary Taylor of Portland. ices of the Fraternal Order of Spirit-ualists and the high regard and appre-clation of the services of our workers very sudden. After my arrival she and mediums. There seems to be no revived perceptibly, and the doctors abatement in the enthusiasm, and we pronounced her out of danger. My feel grateful indeed in having such ef- guides disagreed ,with them. I was ficient co-workers to enable the public with her to the last, and while I know to find in our society that quality so she is better off, it was a terrible trial often woefully lacking in other relig-to pass through. My mother was a lous and educational orders of a simi-lar nature. On Sunday, March 24, our mediums again read sealed letters for a large number satisfactorily, the re-the pass through the last illness and death. cipients of messages plainly showing small for the attendance at the func-their delight and admiration. The al. 'Her dear, sweet face was the face circles at 4 o'clock (for which there is of a young woman, fallen into a sweet no charge) are as popular as ever and repose. She looked so much at rest. are winning many friends and con- She has come to us several times verts. Our supper at 5 o'clock is be- and always with her same sweet way, coming known all over Chicago for its and oh, so perfectly satisfied. A beauguality and ridiculously low price of titlel, transition. ... Oh, beautiful Life; 15 cents. We expect some more new Beautiful Death! I shall start Tuesadditions to our already popular song day, the 26th for St. Louis, to fill my service, and our concert will also be engagement with the Temple society augmented by the help of well-known at the Anniversary exercises, Sunday. entertainers, both vocal and instru- Mr. Grimshaw, is enthusiastic over the mental. Geo. B. Warne, M. D., was prospect of a large meeting. From our speaker for the evening, and a there I go home to Chicago, for a more attentive audience never listened 'needed rest before beginning my Suma speaker. They realized the mer's work."

solved. That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the board of management of the National Association, and the Spiritualist press for ers who know him personally or by publication. These resolutions were unanimously adopted. Francis B. Woodbury writes from and soon be upon his feet again."

E. R. Kidd writes from Canton, O.

Dr. Jose Montoya writes from Wich-

R. G. Lee writes from Headrick,

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"This week the writer was in

Greenfield, Mass.: "Exercises held Sunday, March 24, afternoon and W. J. Ward writes from Clinton. evening. Talent, President of the so-clety, R. F. Churchill, John E. Darling and Francis Bailey Woodbury: test nedium, Annie E. Thomas, Brooklyn, N. Y. Between afternoon and even-ing sessions lunch was served at Union Hall to all who wished, free of expense; no admission charged; the collections and subscriptions for the lay. \$85. This society has expended \$400 this season on its Sunday night meetings, entirely by collections and subscriptions, and is free from debt. Harrison D. Barrett has concluded his engagement at Seattle, Wash., and is now in Washington, D. C. Address him there at No. 600 Pennsylvania

Avenue S. E. Dr. J. M. Peebles writes to us from Colombo, India. He is busily engaged there lecturing.

Mrs. Henrietta L. Lichtig goes to Sturgis, Mich., April 9. Parties de-siring her services for lectures and plane, and for forty years had been a messages, parlor meetings or circles, in that vicinity, can address her at 4746 Calumet avenue, Chicago, or writer conducted the services at the Sturgis, Mich. home. Mr. Houmsom was a native of

Samuel Huntington writes from Malden, Mass.: "Mr. Wiggin finished his first series of lectures and ballot readings for our society on Thursday evening, March 21. He chose for the theme, "Mediumship and Spirit Control." He gave a very able address, one which contained much food for thought. The time seems ripe for a new awakening among Spiritualists, and Mr. Wiggin seems well fitted as one of those to do that work. After his lecture he gave many fine mes-sages, reading from ballots. He will give his second course of lectures for our society commencing April 4. and continuing Thursday evening through

the month. Sunday services, March 24, was interesting as usual. At the afternoon circle, several took part. At the evening meeting Mrs. Nellie E. E. Abbott of So. Lawrence, Mass., was the speaker and message bearer. She prefaced her work by reading a fine poem entitled "Prayer," by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Mrs. Abbott chose for her theme the 12th chapter of Corinthians, giving a fine address She then occupied over an hour giving many proofs of the continuity of life. Mrs. Annie R. Chapman of Brighton Mass., will be the speaker on the 31st

inst., and Prof. R. A. Macurda of Lynn, Mass., on April 7." Mrs. A. Birdsall writes from Jackson, Mich.: "The President of the State Spiritualist Association, Mrs.

Abbie Sheets, of Grand Ledge, Mich. lectured and gave messages for the First Progressive Spiritualist Society the past two Sundays. She won the hearts of all who heard her, with her lovable, intellectual and sweet snirit ual ways, While here she attended

ual ways. While here she attended the Sunflower Club, which deserves mentioning. Our members all do ex-cellent work for the society in giving their report financially, and are de-serving of the heartiest praise. I

We have need to be united in the work in praise. After the repast was over we have to do: "Nearer, My God, to Thee." During the singing Mr. Hull stood by his dear There is little time for gossip with so many-mouths to feed,

There is little time for scrapping when little Mattie, glorified with undying a brother is in need. love, and was recognized by severa

clairvoyants during the entire evening. We can't join them, they won't let us, but they seem to like our looks, And our social side is needed, and our The most beautiful and divine-reunion will be theirs when she is called to cross the rose-bordered divide that

willing pocket-books. OUR THIRTEEN REMARKABLE They are just our great big sisters, and PREMIUM BOOKS FOR \$4.15. expect a sister's due,

The following is the list of titles of the Twelve Premium Books: But remember, kindly, brother, they've our common Cause in view. . 12:. 1-The Encyclopedia of Death, and

Let us goin them in their feasting and their overflowing souls; Let us empty all their dishes and their steaming coffee bowls; Let us dance with them in pleasure and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 2. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 2. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3. S-The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit World, Vol. 3.

three volumes have been prepared by J. R. Francis. They contain invaluable 'our pocket-books unfold. For their Club is but an infant-it is

only two years old.

Let us all be gay and festive in our dane and Super-Mundane Spiritism, by Mrs. Emma Hardinge Britten. arder to do good: of fifteen cents per line. About seven Let us make our battle lively and our

motives understood. Let us join hands with our sisters and our brothers o'er the land;

Wash., passed to the higher life. He dium. And for Truuth and Justice ever and had spent seventy-one years on this forever closely stand.

DR. T. WILKINS. devout Spiritualist. He served his country in her hour of trial, and the

THE OHIO STATE ASSOCIATION G. A. R. of Snohomish conducted the services at the grave in that city. The

> The Place of Holding the Convention Changed.

Hull and W. F. Jamieson, 12-Letters from the Spirit World, A majority of the members of the Passed to spirit life, Mrs. Knopp, of O. S. A. have requested the president Passed to spirit fire, Mrs. Knopp, of O. S. A. have requested the president Dover, Ohio, March 17. The funeral of the above named association to hold was held at her home on the 20th, and the next state convention at Sherwood, written through the mediumship of Carlyle Petersilea. 13was largely attended by her wide cir-Defiance county, Ohio. Under these circumstances, therefore, I, Fred D. TEEN leading authors, is our last Precle of friends. She had reared a fammium Book. ily of five children, had 22 grand-Dunakin, president of the Ohio State children and 6 great-grandchildren, all of whom were in attendance. She Spiritualist Association, do instruct you, Carl A. Sollinger, secretary of the **Can Telepathy Explain?** was a Spiritualist in the highest mean-ing of that word, By her often re-peated request Hudson Tuttle was called to conduct the services. *** O.S. A., to call our next annual con-vention for the year 1907, for Sherwood. Notify all officers and ·delegates to meet at said place, May 24, 25 and 26, to transact the business and Dr. Savage. in this book of 243 pages, discuss-esproblems that have vexed inteiligent minds probably to a greater oxtent than any others, great number of well-authenticated instances of spiritist revelation or communication. His discussion is frank and fearless, and merits the widest reading, for he deals with facts and ex-periences. Price, cloth. \$1.00. Mrs. Gertrude Jones of Grand Rapperform the duties pertaining to said ids, Mich., passed to the higher life convention. All delegates will be entertained free of charge, so come and March 20. For some years she has insure success, and live a few days in the country. Further information been almost blindlo She was a patient sufferer. Her aunt, Mrs. Belle Fuller, gave her ther the the fuller automatic and the second given by the secretary. only a few relatives, but a host of By order of

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A. Frederica Hauffe, who was called the Scherin von Prevorst, was born in the little village of Prevorst, in Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1801. The village is a mountainous region, Eddy, has caused her son to apply for and secluded from the world. Her a receiver to her vast estate, and an father was forester and game-keeper. She grew up strong, healthy and buoyant, yet from childhood was dominated by a faculty of presentiment and prescience of coming events.

of the presence of spirits, much to the annoyance of her family. At 19 Eddy is old, infirm, senile, and soon to years she married a worthy man, depart, like all other aged persons, whose home was in a valley, and the tand all the assertions she can make magnetic conditions of the locality, to that there is no disease, or pain, and which she was exceedingly susceptible, the assertions of all her votaries brought on physical prostration. As united, cannot change the facts. this increased, her psychic impressi- Will Christian Science survive, and bility became more and more dominant, until she remained almost con-stantly in a cataleptic state, seeing and talking with spiritual beings. Her state resembled that of Mollie Fan-the other great world faiths. We cher, except that she fully acknowl-edged the presence and influence of utter refutation of her teachings furspiritual beings, was in constant com- nished by the triumphs of nature over munication with them and giving mes-

Dr. Austin Kerner, chief physician at Weinsberg, carefully observed the case with delicate regard to the subfect and full understanding of cause. He wrote a full record, which is a most valuable volume in the library of Spiritualism. What is most remarkable is that this secress, or medium, living almost a half century before the advent of Modern Spiritualism, should in her voluminous messages, antici-pate its teachings, and in scarcely a single instance give voice to a thought ot consonant with its philosophy The record if made to-day, would simply be that of one of the most remarkmembers. able cases of mediumship. The tests she gave of clairvoyance are clear, unequivocal and in such variety and number as to be unimpeachable.

The book was translated by that

meric healing he after a time became a practitioner of mental healing, which is the same thing under another name. He was regarded by the educated public as an "amiable hum-bug, or fauatic, but hundreds of his patients looked upon him as a workr of miracles."

Mrs. Eddy, then forty years old and confirmed invalid from spinal trouble, hearing of his wonderful cures, determined to reach him. She succeeded and claims to have been cured. She became his enthusiastic pupil, and as he was an excessive talker, she gained a full knowledge of his theories, which were exactly those

she afterwards put forth. Did she steal his manuscripts and the most condensed form, and often knows or can know, for the manu-clearness is perhaps sacrificed to this scripts have been destroyed clearness is perhaps sacrinced to this scripts have been destroyed. There forced brevity. Proofs have to be omitted, and the style becomes there-by assertive, which of all things is to be deprecated. Correspondents often are known, and these clearly prove admirable.

voidable delay. Every one has to wait his time and place, and all are Christian religion. There were none, and only a few priests could read. ROTICE.--NO attention will be given anonymous letters. Full name and address must be given, or the letters will not be read. If the re-tup letters will not be read. If the read will not be read. If the read will not be read. If the read will not be read will not be read will not be read. If the read will not be read w published. The correspondence of this department has become excessive-ly large, especially letters of inquiry derings, reporting the feeding of the requesting private answers, and while I freely give whatever information I am able, the ordinary contractor of the sermen on the mount for the and the sermon on the mount for the Syrian Times, how different would be the religious dogmas of the present. In other words had the "Higher Crit-

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the subject!

icism" been turned on then, there would be nothing for it to do at present. The said lime-light of publicity has been streaming on Christian Science.

Especially has a flood of articles poured out since the senility of Mrs. a receiver to her vast estate, and an accounting of those she has entrusted with her pecuniary affairs. Her fail-ure and impecility give the lie direct to all her doctrines of disease. The "Mortal Mind," which is supposed to This developed into a consciousness | conjure disease by its fancy, vindicates

flourish as it has done, becoming a new religion? Mark Twain in his new book on this subject appears to think her doctrine; the complete victory of the "mortal mind" there will come a questioning of her votaries of the soundness of her doctrines. The tidal wave has reached its highest, and with her death will recede. The monu-mental church at Boston will remain like the Mormon temple at Kirkland, in attestation of foundationless beliefs. According to H. K. Carroll, LL. D., who is compiler of religious statistics for the Christian Advocate, there were in 1906, in the United States, 1326 Christian Scientist ministers or "readers," 663 churches, and 80,197 members. The gain for the year had been 104 ministers, 52 churches, 9,083

Number of Spiritualists .--- In looking for these statistics we come across another item of peculiar significance. Spiritualism was classified among the other Christian denominations! It is said to have 748 churches and 295,000

The Psychic Riddle.

A Work of Special Importance, by Dr. I. K. Funk D. D., LL.D.-Review by Hudson Tuttle,

151 10 This last book of the distinguished solved. Whence and what is this in author has a more certain sound than "The Widow's Mite." Dr. Funk does not claim to be a Spiritualist, but is on "If the reader will bear with me, I will once more endeavor to make clear the read, and when he receives the de- my attitude. My definition of a Spir-

ficient evidence will squarely confess itualist is one who holds as true these to the belief. Believer or not, he must two propositions: be regarded as one of the most valu-(1) That intelligences who are

able exponents and missionaries of foreign to us, that is, who reside be-that cause. He is in similar position yond our five senses, ican and do comto the movement that the early church fathers were to Christianity. His writings are like their apologies. His who are living in the flesh. zeal, honesty and courage are alike

(2) That these intelligences can and do identify themselves as those

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Now most Spiritualists do not be-leve that their belief needs an apol- "I have no hesitancy in accepting lieve that their belief needs an apology for being. They think if an apol- the first of these propositions. As to ogy be made, it should come from the the second, I have seen no sufficient religious creeds, giving reason why reason to believe it true. To its acthey should longer remain in the light ceptance as scientifically proven there of day and not be cast on the rubbish remains some very formidable difficul-

heap of outgrown things. But to many, especially those who are timid-ly escaping from the thralldom of dog-matic religion, his words must be like one claiming to be Theodore Parker. a balm of Gilead. He shows that they He came through various mediums. can get a good way out into Spiritual-ism and not lose hold of God, and versed through any one before. He He their belief in Christ. He proves that has never had the experiences with the chine-made platform and not get a se it is not a sin to believe in spirit com- first medium discredited by the spirit munion. With such an authority to through a second. support him, the ordinary layman is Then there is la

support him, the ordinary layman is encouraged to go on in his investiga-the communications. One spirit says The devil is eliminated from he has been to Mars and found it inhabited, and another that it is a life

Dr. Funk has no doubt of the inde-pendent origin of the manifestations. mals and flowers in the spirit world, His doubt is as to their identification others that there are none. A spirit as the work of departed human be- told Dr. Funk that a friend was dead.

ings. The investigations detailed in this book are mainly for such identifi-cation. There is a chapter on com-The investigations detailed in another that he was in the flesh. Dr. Peebles came to him with an ex-planation which serves the purpose of munications received from Dr. Hodg-son, and a record of the seances held with Mrs. French for "independent and orthodoxy only one who is sadly voices;' a chapter of attested facts, a overworked and underpaid. Dr. Funk summary, and a chapter of "left remarks if the Peebles devil theory be overs," brief notes, and suggestive true, "communion is a much more se-thoughts, which the author compares rious matter than it is usually thought to be; which is also quite likely." Yes it is and ought to be a "serious matter" this communion with the to a handful of unset gems. The comparison is felicitous, for they are brillfant and present unexpected and glittering facets. The reader will be glad dead! that they were left unset in the con- Pro

Prof. Hyslop is introduced as being text. The "research" with Mrs. French, is as an identification. Although Dr.

one of the most interesting and valu- Funk did not receive communications one of the most interesting and valu-able. This lady belongs to the early type of mediums; such as came with the first great wave of spirit power, Bhe possessed the rarest phase of me-diumship, the "independent voice," For Dr. Hodgson through Mrs. Piper, Bhe possessed the rarest phase of me-ind these appear to fully meet the diumship, the "independent voice," For Dr. Hodgson through Mrs. Piper, diumship, the "independent voice," For Dr. Hodgson through Mrs. Piper, the faile, in every sphere of life. Man-kind were created for a grand and no-ble purpose and object in life, which requirements of identification. His consists in overcoming wrong, perpet-uating and promoting the company We and scorned to make charges for her own test with Mrs. Piper, the facts tes-the seances. It was always with her a tified to by Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Lommatter of accommodation of her bross, and others, strengthigh the prop-friends. She was educated and re-osition.

fined and belonged to the Plerpont family, one of the oldest and most in-fluential in the state of New York, firming the identification of the com-fluential in the state of New York, firming the identification of the com-She here here a medium almost her

She has been a medium almost her whole long life-time, and never was there a suggestion of deception or fraud on her part. Her private char-itualist since the advent of the mant acter removed all doubts on that festations, and to those not cognizant score. It was by recommendation of the fundamental principles of spirit score. It was by recommendation of influential men in Rochester that Dr. Funk became interested and invited Mrs. French to come to New York and allow him to investigate. There is this peculiarity about this "scientific investigation": The most despicable criminal at the bar is considered by the law as innocent until proved guil-investigation the contrary. ty. Every medium, on the contrary, is prejudged guilty until proven inno-that if in all the counties communica-cent. Dr. Funk proceeded to treat tions that have been received a single his guest as though she had come for one proves identification, the verdict

the purpose to deceive him, by ventril-oquism, megaphone or some unknown Truly, it contrivance. As she came without sions of the Truly, it scarcely affects the conclu-sions of the readers whether Dr. Funk



We read upon good authority that the birth roll of American-born chil-dren is decreasing. Can we wonder? When we look about us and consider the age in which we are living, or realize the gauntlet which the child must run in order to get through unscathed is it any wonder the parents are near ly paralyzed with fear?

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ship, men of manhood, and women of womanhood. They will simply be machine educated, educated to skin each other in a competitive world of

business. If he should enter the political field, could we expect it possible for a machine politician to skate upon a marious fall? He is certain of a fall when he puts on his skates and glides out upon the smooth thin ice soon to'

oppress in private life. If he should look to the church, or faith or worship for strength to fight life's battles with, what is the result? Has the teacher, the instructor, of that church had that pure spiritual fitting and guidance which all teachers and leaders should have in order to lead

none astray? Is a person fitted for a teacher who has been told or taught that good morals are not essential to true salvation.

The duties of good altigenship should be-taught in every public school in this The students of the common land. school and the Sunday-school should rise to their feet and be asked the question, how can man best serve his own or God's best interests? and answer by saying man can best serve his own or God's best interests by promoting the common good to every

child of earth. There is constant conflict between right and wrong, the true and the false, in every sphere of life. Man-

uating and promoting the common good to all mankind. The remedy for the public and the

individual good of all is easily found.

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is doled out to us through graft. The command of the Savior which says each must work out his own salvation is ignored and unheeded. An expert evangelist, a Gypsy Smith, or a Rev. Sunday must be employed at a

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"Health Seeker": Q. I find a receipt published in nearly all the newspapers that come to me for compounding a remedy said to be of great value in curing many ills which afflict hu-manity. It is composed of dandelion, sarsaparilla and kargon. What is kargon?

A. . The "receipt" which is inserted ter, is an advertisement of the patent medicine kargon. It is one of the most cunningly devised schemes, to set the nearly devised schemes, to the vert set the people to "doctoring them- the year. selves," and buying a patent medicine without knowing it, that was ever con-

Kargon is unknown to pharmacy,

it's a good thing to thus get editorial commend, and takes it to a druggist

to fill. The druggist has never heard to nill. The druggist has never nearly ical center of the United States, in the St kargon, but is destined to hear fertile valley of the Solomon river, more of it for patients flock in. He lies the little town of Delphos, Kansas. Sends to the jobber for a supply, and receives it in ounce vials. It can be used to the use of people in obtained from no other source in the the past 30 years. world but of its makers, and at their A small society of Spiritualists have

his price makes the prescription cost meeting, every year for the part 28 mearly or quite one dollar. How well the scheme succeeds is

shown by the applications made to pharmacists. One located in a country town with population of 500, said that in two weeks he had filled over the soul. one hundred of these receipts, and the

number was rapidly increasing. What is kargon?. That, like the blend of all patent medicines, is a seper beries are suspiciously present with concealing ingredients. To show how precious it is, it is put up in ounce vials and not in quart bottles, and this regulars a ball ounce of den and this requires a half-ounce of dan-delion and three of sarsaparilla. This they are preparing to have a larger may be a good combination for some bazaar than ever, hoping in this way diseases, but there is nothing new in to realize a neat little sum to turn it, nothing any physician could not into the building fund for the new concoct. For the kidneys, there is auditorium. There will be a hand-nothing especially helpful in dande- kerchief counter, a postal card connothing especially helpful in dande-lion or sarsaparilla. The kargon must supply such remedies if. supplied at all. If composed of the drugs sug-gested it would be a whip to jaded or-gans, and give temporary relief.

are trying to do, you would be glad and willing to help out by sending something for the bazaar. Any lit-S. M. P.: Q. Who was Doctor Quimby, and is it true Mrs. Eddy plaglarized Christian Science from him? the article that will sell readily, or A: According to a writer in Mc- if nothing else, just put a handker Clure's, and by the way, that maga-the appears to have gone over to the Anything you may send will Anything you may send will be thankfully received. Address all arnew religion and become its historian, he was a mesmeric doctor in Portland, ticles to the president, MRS. M. C. DUDLEY. Maine. The title was assumed, for he

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and the dictionary. The interested Delphos, Kansas, Spiritualists' Ladies reader sees the receipt, at once says Aid Society. the voices. He had a test which would be crucial. He would take a measured quantity of water into the

Not many miles from the geograph ical center of the United States, in the

coloring fluid, of a kind no one else knew of, and Mrs. French should take this in her mouth, and hold it there until after the spirits had spoken,

then she should return it to the glass, and if of the same amount and colored by the same coloring matter, he rice, many times its value. In fact maintained and conducted at camp would be certain the sounds were not made by her. This was not carried years. Hundreds and thousands of out while she was in New York, but at people have attended these meetings a visit of Dr: Funk to her home in Rochester it was to the letter, with perfect success. Was Dr. Funk satis-fied? Oh, no. He says: "This test and learned for the first time the blessed truth of the immortality of

was perfect with only a single draw-back which did not seem to occur to The Spiritualists Ladies' Aid Society are the willing workers helping me, I am sorry to say, until after I left the house." (He remembered on the good cause in every way possible. They helped pay for the beautithat no one held the medium's hands.) ful grove where the camp is held, and "A very sly, tricky person might have had an empty bottle or glass concealed about her person, and as soon as the light was extinguished emptied the liquid into this glass and then after the speaking, and before the light was relit, put the liquid back in her mouth." He remarks: "This concealed glass theory is an exceedingly unlikely one under all of the conditions. But it must be regarded as a possible one and should be guarded against in future tests." French has given her mediumship to her friends for a long series of years and submitted patiently to any and all tests proposed. She has convinced great numbers of the truth of spirit communion, but their evidence goes for nothing, until such times as she holds colored water in her mouth and

seance room, put into it a few drops of

time. Even then Dr. Funk would only be convinced that there was an independent force, not at all that it was a departed spirit!

And here we come to the whole gist "But aside from these (frauds, etc.) eved observer.

contrivance. As she came without signs of the readers whether Dr. Funk asking pay, and the exactions of the accepts the identification or not. They manifestations so exhausted her vital-ity that there was often danger of her not rallying; at one time he says: "It seemed for a while that we might have a corpse on our hands and our medi-um go to the beyond;" there does not propositions, and the evidences that salvation The thousands of Sunday-school scholars of this land must each bear in their pockets their pennies or their price of salvation to be taken at collection. The Dowleites, the Christian Scientists, have each given great forappear any motive for her practicing prove one prove the other.

tunes to their founders or leaders for appear any motive for her practicing prove one prove the other. deception, and that she bore patiently If Beecher's return with the mem-the exactions and the imputations they ory of the "Widow's Mile," was not a implied, show that she is the posses-sor of an angelic disposition. Well the tota Dr. Funk will never find evithem to squander in costly robes, extravagant living, and for the mystery of healing and salvation, which is but the free gift of God or nature. In-Well all the tests Dr. Funk could dence that will convince him. That it stead, man makes it a commodity, and devise only strengthened . the spirit has not the effect on him it has on the sells it at a price. When public offi-cials are punished for selling or buy-He had selected the seance reader, breaks its force as an argument. We believe it true because ing rights and privileges, they are called grafters and criminals. cle he wanted present, sat with the many parallel facts have come into our

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THE CHRISTIAN SYSTEM.

It Has Been Beneficent as Well as Corrupt.

will produce in the human mind and soul an uplifting, unfolding, ennobling To the Editor:-This year I became and inspiring tendency and action. subscriber to The Progressive Think r, and it is the most interesting pub-Then the duties and labor of man will be far more simple and pleasant; and lication of any that I see. Not only the results much greater and happier for all mankind in the ending and bet an exponent of spirit return, but of philosophy and reason-sometimes poor reasoning, that promptly receives its quietus by better, if the matter chances ginning of each year. to be of much interest.

Apropos to the above are two articles on page four of the March-16 num-ber, entitled "A Letter and a Reply." edge of our inner and more secret powers and psychic forces. It has Mr. O'Donnell attacks certain statebeen hostlle to science and natural ments and expressions in "Secrets of the East," viz., "Christianity has re-tarded progress," "idiotic dogmas of the church," "the Christian church sacphilosophy and truth in many forms. Whatever mission the better portion of the Christian system could have in mankind's development is now mainly rificed eighteen millions of the noblest history. But-the literature of the biand bravest of our fellowmen," etc. The Editor, I take it, replies with rather crushing logic, but the interble has much of instruction and interest to the student of spirit return. It has in spots a beautiful and ennobling est of absolute fairness and accuracy I want to raise one point in favor of morality. In general, occult students caunot afford to pass it by because it is the book of the orthodox, who read it with blinded eyes and preach it Christianity. He says, "The truth is, the Christian system, whilever it is in theory, has been corruptin practice with meaningless reiteration. The sofrom its very inception." "I He gives many logical proofs of this sweeping norous, monotonous, linguistic agility of Episcopal and other rectors has to assertion, and just as Ift stands no man car deny its accuracy." But without me no more meaning that would a Mrs prayer wheel of India or China rapidly contradicting that assertion, we can still assert that the Christian system, rotated by a paid obsequarian, if I may put out a new word. I mean a paid mourner. The psalms are many of them full of

whatever it is in theory, this been be-neficent in practice from sits very in-ception. It has been both corrupt and beneficent, according to each individual instance. The balance may be on the one side or the other. A That is not our has her hands held fast at the same contention. But the Christian system as exemplified in the lives dfothousands and millions of instances has wrought for morality and better living. In such ives we may find the narrowest bigof-

of Dr. Funk's contention. As he has ry (on religious theory) together with been called a Spiritualist, it is well real so-called Christian kindness and that his position be clearly defined so goodness. Many lives are moulded on can find them. There is much of all these in the bible, and it is at least wise to see the good as well as the bad. that Spiritualists may know exactly the wholesome and beautiful morality where he stands, and will not place of the best part of the bible, with the as Mr. O'Donnell's one would naturally try to open the gentleman's eyes by calling attention exclusively to the bad him in the front as their leader, nor cutthroat verses and immoral parts delude themselves with the belief that he identifies himself with the cause. nointy of his reasoning and information.

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66 The Great Work." Lyman C. Howe Comments on Mr. Butler's "Review of the Reviewer."

Mr. Butler characterizes my sum-ing up of The Great Work as "total individual extinction." "wholly gratuitous assumption"; and claims to have "read enough of the literature of that school to be able to letter do justice to some other points confidently assert no such teachings and conclusions regarding the destiny of the human race as imply the final destruction of all but the fated few virtue of this will that man is man." are to be found therein."

I am glad if Mr. Butler can so manipulate the author's language as to rying out the destiny of individual turn the darkness into light. I will life. But if it is by virtue of his will the author inform our readers in that man is man, what shall we say of this own words. On page 272 of this the will of a donkey? It is often quite thirdwolume I find this: "It is here at this first great 'Mile-Post' that each pendent, and free, as the will of man; and every one of us must stand and make our first determining election." expressing his choice in a business "From this point forward two divergent | way. pathways lead. If we proceed beyond this point, we must travel one or the mands of choice, is the choice free? this point, we must travel one or the manus of choice, is the choice free? other of these, for we cannot travel To determine this question let us try both." "One of these pathways leads to the North toward the land of spirit-ual darkness and death." * * "From has earned his Mastership by years of he remotest period in the march of discipline and persistent effort. It is human progress of which we have any authentic data to the present time the mighty ceaseless and ever-increasing column of humanity has been marching onward along the evolution-ary pathway of life to this first great Mile-Post, and parting of ways."

"Here, at this point of divergence, the column has forever divided, the many going north into darkness and bondage, and only the few going south into the land of liberty and light!" And still the ceaseless tide of humanity marches onward, and still the many go north and the few go south." "Students of psychology throughout the past, as well as those of the present have endeavored to solve the significant problem of why it is that the multitude deliberately turn at this point to the North and without annarent hesitation walk down 'the broad pathway of servitude into the Land of Darkness and Desolation, and why it is that only the few choose the way which leads to Liberty and Light."

If it be claimed that this does not mean Destruction, I would ask what else can it mean? The picture is even worse than destruction that annihilates the individual.

But, for further evidence that it does mean absolute extinction, let us free and independent it might decide turn to the second volume often referred to and quoted from in The Great Work. Treating of the Destructive principle he states it thus: 'By and through this voluntary and intentional violation of the constructive sustaining and renewing and liv-ing principle of individual continuity he may, of his own choice ride upon the strong current of Nature's Destructive Forces backward and downward into the realm of spiritual dark-ness to disintegration, dissolution, individual extinction, and a final resolution back into Nature's elements to a point beyond the limits of all our present knowledge. And this is the way of death."-G. P. C., page 360.

The Line of Despair.

"At the lower level of this second or middle psychological state of man runs another line, a fixed and immute ating, were impelled-practically comable line of Nature. From its portentous and appalling significance. the destruction; while the few apparently

I have devoted so much space these quotations that I cannot in this in Mr. Butler's criticisms. He tells us that the author teaches that "the human will is supreme and that it is by I have no quarrel with the human

will. It is an important factor in car-

If the human will executes the depresumably a priceless blessing. If

he were to voluntarily reverse his conduct and join the destructive forces, he would by his own showing go down to darkness, desolation and death. Now, if his choice and will are free, he should be able to do just that, and we might expect it at any time.

Can be choose to reverse his course and go down to darkness and death? Can he will to do it? It will not do to say he can if he wants to. That is begging the question. He cannot want to do it. The only way that he can prove that he can is by doing it. All voluntary, conscious action of intelligent men and women must be in response to choice. Much is said about man's power to choose. I go further. He is compelled to choose. In this life we must act, or refuse to act. In either case we cannot withhold choice; and when we choose the supreme motive always decides the

character of the choice. There can be no exception to this law. Mr. Butler tells us that "Spiritua evolution implies freedom of choice.' I do not see any such implication. To my mind that is, to quote his ow. words, a "wholly gratuitous assump-tion." On the contrary it implies compulsion of choice. If the choice were

not to evolve, or permit anything to evolve, by using the will to execute its decrees. The will is simply an agent -never free-by means of which de sires that create motives, and dictate choice, execute their wishes.

Mr. Butler, after presenting his views of free will and choice, says: "These facts are certainly not new or unknown, and it sounds strange to hear a thinking man in this day and age compare such reasoning to the creeds of savages, or the dark ages of Chris-tianity." Mr. Butler seems to get things mixed. It was not his notions of choice or free will that was under consideration. It was the doctrine of the two pathways, one leading darkness, desolation and spiritual slavery, and the other to liberty and light; and that the vast majority, for causes which they had no part in cre-

pelled to take the downward path to tous and appalling significance. The destruction; while the rew apparently Mar. Howe says: "The will is simply by chance, take the other pathway, named it "The Line of Despair." "Be against all the appearances of prosper-low the level of this line of psychic ity and happiness. Why this is so the author confesses he does not know. According to this, man, though at no stance James, Lodge and Fiske. Mr. Howe says: "The will is simply

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joyfully proclaim the priceless treas-ures of this book (than which many

competent judges claim a greater was

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sion to a benighted ecclesiastic to call

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THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

one traveling the pathway, which if this book; a philosophy which does couraging sign of progression continued in leads to destruction, will not destroy but rather fulfills the A. H NICH A. H NICH

be end. Our debate on this point would partial standpoint, I must confess that the end. have been quickly settled in Mr. to me it seems almost incredible that Howe's favor if, instead of these a broad-minded lover of truth, which lengthy quotations, he had pointed all Spiritualists are supposed to he, out just one sentence in which the should fall to discover more of the author says or implies that once the lasting worth of this truly "great road is traveled, it is never forsaken work" than is revealed in Mr. Howe's road is traveled, it is never forsaken that the way of self-destruction can- that lessen the reviewer's moral oblinot be left, nor that this may not take gation to give due prominence to the place centuries after physical death. Their plain intent is to point out the consequent self-destruction of all who refuse to leave the way of destruction. It is indeed taught that there is a Line of Despair, but is anything said as to how many reach that line or how ljong a time is required to reach it? While I have no personal knowledge of the opinions of the author on this subject, yet I have no doubt that,

in common with Spiritualists. Theosophists, and other liberal thinkers, he entertains a large hope for the race as a whole, and in the nature of the case this hope presupposes what is-known as "future probation." But But | or object to one's tastes, yet we may whatever his unepressed opinion on this subject may be, I am very sure that there is nothing in his writing

which I have read which in any way suggests the final destruction of all but a few of the race.

Regarding the great question of the freedom of the will, it is probable that we shall continue to differ. Mr. Howe does not see that it is free, and until he does it is certainly his duty to deny that such freedom exists. Yet I am surprised that a Spiritualist should take such a position. I"am aware that there are a few materialistic philosophers yet on earth who can see in the Universe only a "Rid-dle," and to such fatalists man is naturally only an automaton without free will or choice, but I am surprised to learn that Mr. Howe is a believer

in such philosophy. One would naturally expect that a Spiritualist would have much more in common with the great Swedish Seer, Swedenborg, whose profound philosophy is coming to be more and more recognized by modern scholars. The fact that Swedenborg's revelations of the Spirit World have been so abundantly confirmed by spirit communication since his day should commend to gur reason that broad philosophy which was the result of his long experience and consequent illumina-

But what does Swedenborg teach on this subject? He shows, and that with inexorable logic, that the essential life of man is his love (what he desires) or will; that no spiritual evolution is possible except as this love or will is' preserved entirely free; that consequently the Power above us provides that the spiritual associations of every man are such that he is kept in a constant state of "equilibrium" as regards freedom of desire; that to destroy this freedom would be to destroy the man, since this love or will (which is one and the same) constitutes his very life. This truth there are many on earth to-day who claim they see (and therefore believe, for we should believe nothing that we do not see; that does not appeal to our reason) in the same sense one "sees" the demonstration of a problem in Geometry. It is no longer unknown but acknowledged by practically all our great modern philosophers, as for in-

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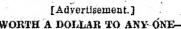
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choose the pathway that leads to dark- the kindly criticism of Thomas M. ness and desolation, and only the few Stewart; but cannot crowd it in at this take the pathway to the land of liberty writing. I have already extended this and light; and those that take the to double the length intended. downward way (ruled by the Destruct-LYMAN C. HOWE.

The Great Work.

Criticisms of Lyman C. Howe.

To the Editor:-It will certainly Light and Truth does hold good to the

The statement from my former ar- only true but well known, being comticle to which he objects reads as fol- monly taught in our schools and col-

lows: "As is well known, ordinary leges, and it seems incredible to me light is not simple in its composition, that the idea should strike Mr. Howe

but is the result of a mixture of col-ers." If Mr. Howe will turn to Br. Physical Science of the claims

but is the result of a mixture of corr as novel of doubtin, since he claims ers." If Mr. Howe will turn to Br. Physical Science as the source of his Ar P. Gage's well known text book, "Elements of Physics," he will find that in the above sentence I have quoted, which is used in hundreds of

quoted this authority almost verbatim. schools and colleges in this country,

In paragraph 249 in this book, under can it be doubted that one of its fun-the subject, "Analysis of Sunlight," damental teachings is "well known?"

these words: "From this experiment former statement, that between vari-

we learn that white light is not sim- ous degrees of intensity of white ple in its composition, but the result light, (sunlight, electric light, candle of a mixture of colors." This state- light, etc) there is no neutralizing or

ment Mr. Howe flatly denies in these destructive tendence, but that this "Instead of light being 'the tendence only obtains between the

white light has been ascertained by since it shows how necessary it is that the process of analysis; it can be ver- the soul who would grow should be

For the settlement of this conflict books of the Harmonic Series do not I shall have to refer Mr. Howe to the teach the "final destruction of all but

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give me pleasure to accommodate Mr. last detail.

page 240, we find the author uses

words:

light."

darkness, and spiritual death." "Those who in their downward flight cross this line leave hope behind. This is the bourne whence neither man nor-woman ever returns." "This line of despair marks the level at which the Destructive Principle of Nature in in-dividual life becomes triumphant. It marks that point in the devolution of mankind where all the elements of in-dividual being, spiritual, mental, and moral, set towards darkness and death."—G. P. C., p. 333. It seems to me that these quota-which destructive Principle of Nature, and the same thing whether which destructive Principle of Nature in in-dividual life becomes triumphant. It marks that point in the devolution of mankind where all the elements of in-dividual being, spiritual, mental, and moral, set towards darkness and death."—G. P. C., p. 333. It seems to me that these quota-

man who is traveling a pathway which finally divides and goes in opposite directions. At the parting of the ways the man stands as the sole arbiter of his destiny. His desires may at first lead him to think favorably of both ways. Still, the ways differ and lead to different destinations. He finally follows the way which is most in accord with his desires, all of which il-lustrates the truth of Swedenborg's statement that a man's very life is his love or desire and this is insepara ble from the will, for that which we desire we love, and that which we love we invariably will and do. If I do

mot keep the moral law, it is because my love for it is lacking. True, it is the constant effort of the Wm. Omer Butler Makes Final Reply to the Omnipresent Spirit to "draw out" (educate) or evolve in us a higher love or life, and this it does by letting in the light of truth, yet we have the power at any time to shut out or re-ject this light and thus check the process of evolution. Accordingly, if the soul has the power to desire (as Mr. Howe admits above) it follows Howe by giving him my authority for the statement I made regarding the composition of light..."sunlight, elec-tric light, lamp light," etc. that it has the power to will, for our love, our desire and our will are inseparable.

In conclusion I would say that as no apparent benefit is to be derived from extending this discussion (as for my part it would be but to repeat what I have already written), my part of it will close with this present arti-cle. I am quite willing that Mr. Howe should have the last word. I trust have succeeded in at least one of my aims which was, that while maintaining a stout defense of that which I consider truth and justice, I should show all due regard, and consideration for those who differ from me in opin-ion. I have written from the standpoint of one who is an outsider and identified with neither party of this controversy, but who nevertheless en-tertains the broadest sympathy for both parties and for all lovers of

result of a mixture of colors', all col-component parts of white light. All truth or is the result of light." Further on Mr. Howe says: "I know nothing normal truth is not self-destructive belon While I have not the distinction of belonging either to the Spiritualist's body or to the Great School, yet this on Mr. Howe says: "I know nothing of light composed according to na-ture's formula. As I understand it there is no composition requiring a formula." Bua, on the contrary, this authority says: "The composition of between Light and Truth, is not only much I do claim for myself, that I have arrived at that point in the evolutionary process where a man comes to love truth for its own sake, regard-less of the source of its discovery. Consequently I find it no longer pos the process of analysis; it can be to be soul who would grow should be ified by synthesis; i. e., the colors free from all prejudice and dogmat-after dispersion may be reunited, and ism and open to the benign influence the result of the reunion is white of the omnipresent Spirit of Truth. sible to sympathize with the sectarian spirit which says:

We have the truth; you can teach us nothing." The opinions of teach us nothing." The opinions of my party are worth no more to me than those of any other party, for I find it my duty to summon each and all before that highest tribunal—the Human Reason, and to value each one "ccording to its intrinsic worth.

is composed of the seven prismatic books. Here again the intelligent colors is certainly "well known." reader will have to decide whether until it is shown that these authori- any such doctrine is deducible from With this disposition of mind I have read extensively in the writings ties are mistaken, I must continue to the passages quoted. Kindly but firmof Swedenborg, as also in the literature of Spiritualism, much of which latter I consider most villable and beautiful. But I have also read "The Great Work," and the same believe that the above fact, does most iv I insist that Mr. Howe is mistaken, decidedly "disturb" Mr. Howe's crit-telams, and that the analogy between called this a figratuitous assumption"

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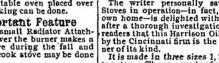
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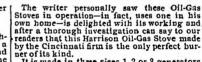
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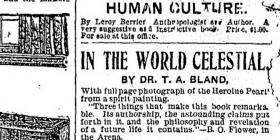
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