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An Ancient Tablet Discovered A Lady Presents Another View of the Ingersoll the Eloquent

He is a Veritable Guriosity, and Should Have a Remarkable Spirit Manifestations at Wichita, Hearing Hearing.

Dr. C. W. Hidden, an exceptionally bright man intellectually, and once a devout Spiritualist, left the ranks of Spiritualists and became a Lay Evangelist of the Congregational Church. He lately delivered a lecture in Boston, Mass., taking for his subject, "The True Religion." We publish the same, so that our readers can realize how a "Backslider" can talk.

A Backslider.

Dr. C. W. Hidden of Newburyport, | contains truth as well as error. While for many years identified with Spirit-not the true religion at all from the ualism, now a lay-evangelist of the Christian standpoint, yet it has one Congregational denomination, gave an great, redeeming quality: It sounds address before the Page class in the the death knell of atheism and puts materialism to rout, and is, therefore, Dudley Street Baptist church, Boston, on Sunday, subject, "The True Relig-ion: Is It Spiritualism?" He said: worthy of thoughtful consideration at the hands of the exponents of revealed religion.

Spiritualism may be best defined as religio-philosophical movement, a religio-philosophical movement, resting upon the central claim of proy-Spiritualism is undergoing a process of slitting and separation. Its followers are dividing into two classes, en immortality. That the dead live and can return best described as Spiritualism's Upper

to influence the living, is not a new but an old belief. Spiritualists adand Under Worlds. Spiritualism's Under World is commit this, but add that spirit existence and spirit return are Bible truths, overlooked or ignored by the church; ed of the professional tricksters pos and their followers, i. e., the phenome na inebriates, the curious and the that Spiritualism came to the world to set the church right on these imcareless, who find delight, and satiety among the wizards that peep, and portant questions. • Converts are won from the church that mutter in manner like unto the

sorceress in the long ago, In Spiritualism's Upper World they "revel in a freedom never experiexalt the philosophy, and in phenome-na give the mental or higher preferenced before. The people are free there is no one to order about; all seem happy, free and contented. Yet ence over the physical or lower grades this very freedom, with its absence of Their leaders are trained in manners authority and lack of wise direction, morals and books. Their lives ar constitutes Spiritualism's gravest danclean and wholesome. They believe to in all that makes manhood great and It allows truth and falsity nestle side by side; knavery and de womanhood noble. They recognize celt to stalk abroad unchallenged; the a supreme ruler of the universe; receit to stalk abroad unchallengeu, the gard the bible as the world's ground in gard the bible as the world's ground ing a combination that spells mischief spiritual text book; point to Jesus, not as peculiarly divine, but as the peerless exemplar of the ages. The bible is on the altar at public services; the on every hand. "The greatest mistake a minister meetings, open with an invocation and

can make-preaching a sermon against Spiritualism without a full close with the benediction. Spiritualist church is not regarded as a wise step to take by the bright minds knowledge of the subect."

Spiritualists are not insane. They may be found in every calling, every profession. In the business world. in art, science, literature, they rank with their fellows. The courts have held that a belief in Spiritualism does not, necessarily, imply insanity, and every-

al in every respect of other men. The division of Spiritualists If by the statement that Spiritualclasses, and the growing disinclination m is a nest of free lovers, it is meant to form a new church, is producing an unlooked-for, yet natural result that Spiritualists as a whole practice The viz.: Disintegration has begun, and immorality, it is not true, prominent representatives of Spiritclose observers predict that modern

At a seance of the Circle of Light, | The Creating Universal Intelligence held Feb. 7, 1907, at the studios, 407 East Douglas avenue, Wichita, Kans.; be destroyed. there being thirty-one present, after the light had been turned off, the Time is but an objective portion of the light had been turned off, the room suddenly became most brilliantly illuminated with a pale blue phosphor-sorbed in the Universal. escent light resembling in color and radiance a pale blue sapphire seen on a sunshiny day. Within the center of Ye who would know Iswarl are even filled with Desire threefold. Ye would know of the past time much, of the this brightness a figure began to mate-rialize, faintly at first, but gradually time more. present time some, and of the future til the form of an old man, attired in then attention give and from Intelli-

an Oriental costume was plainly visi-ble standing in front of a curtain of some rich fabric, profusely decorated

with Eastern designs and ornamenta-tion, worked in silver and gold upon a Aksharam idan, OM! Sarvyan tasyopbackground of royal purple. In his avyakhyanan bhut. Which being in left hand he held a torch, while with terpreted means: Glory in the highest

peared a flame emerging from a sheet In Silence shalt thou hear and un-of water that shot upward in a spiral derstand, the voice of Iswari and He form and whirling rapidly became shall cause Infinite Intelligence to en sub-divided into numberless tongues ter and abide with thee,

Universal. The one eternal, place of peace,

We've crossed life's troubled sea

In going by this subterranean elec-tric fountain of fire the air became so Is only veiled from mortal sight hot that it was with great difficulty that we could breathe. To some who wander here Beset by doubts and discontent, Having passed this, the way rapidly And soul-destroying fear. roadened and we soon found our When self at last has sunk to rest, selves at the entrance of an ancient Forever out of sight, have and we in love dwell constantly temple. Here, reposing upon an urn, lay a tablet that the guide pointed to,

at the same time addressing all in these words: "Behold the way of life, The light that lighteth every life At length will dawn the light. learn and live!" In this glad world to-day, Upon closer inspection the tablet Comes from within and shows to was noticed to be written in what ap-

The bright and shining way. peared to be an unknown language. The guide, upon being asked if he The ones translated all have-passed A happy, joyous band, could be with us and bring the tablet from the conditioned here and now with him if we held a special seance for the purpose of copying it, replied To realms of spirit land,

in the affirmative. After we had made Where perfect freedom of the soul, these arrangements he said he must be With other souls grown pure, going, and forthwith departed. shall be the heritage of all Among the mediums who were able

Who calmly shall endure, to follow the guide and behold the scenes above described were Mr. T. I. The dear ones on the other side Adams, Mrs. E. C. Baxter, Mrs., E. T. Campbell, Mr. R. F. Moore and Dr.

Are prone to shed a tear, According to a previously made date, Capt. R. S. Bell, president First They bring sweet messages of love, And peace and wisdom grand, To help to comfort, cheer and bless Spiritualist Society of Wichita, Kans. Mrs. Jerry Simpson, Mrs. Jennie Mc-And make us understand, Neil, Mr. T. I. Adams and Dr. Montoya

The ways of life, while yet we press met at the parlors of Mrs. Elizabeth C. Baxter on the following Monday The shores of time on earth. night, Feb. 11, to hold a seance and if While we so anxiously await The great immortal birth.

This is the way that all may learn

Of angels' converse sweet, That living here on earth awhile,

Death and the grave we cheat.

That grant thy soul's request.

Works one with nature's laws,

friends--Granting their wise demands.

You then shall know the way

Let all the earth keep silence and

By which the seers of the nast

Foreknew the present day,

earn the secrets of wisdom.

fires thereof or learn wisdom.

grigved and depart therefrom.

in quietness, let thy repose i

In peaceful honor rest,

And meditate upon the things

with President Roosevelt on the above-named subject, It seems to me that he does not treat the subject fairly. A few years ago the argument that the children of poor parents must grow up in ignorance was a weighty one, but now when the state educates the child, to where he can earn his own livelihood t is, I think, a weak argument. Th boy or girl now who wishes to learn has the opportunity; and not only the opportunity, but in many, if not all the states, an education is compulsory. In this state-Vermont-the child must be sent to school until he is sixteen, and nearly all children would gence Supreme shall learn in time-to have a very fair, rudimentary, education by that time. There are, of The text in brief reads thus: Name course, exceptions to this rule, but will ypu not find the exception quite as often in the case of the small families of the wealthy, as in the large families of the poor? True, it is a hard struggle for the

parents of large families to bring them all along when there is nothing but their bare hands to do it with, but it is not the poor alone that our presi-dent is calling upon in his warning against race suicide. Why do not those who have an abundance of this world's goods awake to the fact that they are neglecting a duty laid upon them by God, a duty that no creature ment lately that a minister would rein all God's great universe, seeks to evade, except man. Would E. J. Bar-nett have every family contain only two children? Every family of Americans, I mean, the people to whom guished heretic. President Roosevelt appeals. How many generations would it be before How pauper element of foreign counthe tries would be ruling this fair land through the ballot?

I agree that quality is of more importance that quality is of more im-portance than quantity, but why not have both? Why is E. J. Barnett, for instance, training only one child up to good citizenship? We would pre-sume that he, himself, has a fair amount of education. Why leave it to the undeducted and degraded to fil to the uneducated and degraded to fill the ranks of future citizenship?

contributions to religious discussion, he certainly enlivened it with a wit Another thing. He says or at least implies, that the mother of seven chiland eloquence that were all his own dren does not love her children as he He had a wonderful sense of the ludidoes his one. My husband's mother crous and of the grotesque, and the sits beside me as I write, and she says, character of certain dogmas sacred to You can tell them that every one of my nine children was loved as much as the first one was." I am reminded of a friend of mine

who had no children of her own, and so adopted a little girl of two years of age. After she had had her a few months, she told me she was sure that she loved her as much as if she were-her very own. She was succere in this, but you see she had never tried, and so did not know how much a mother could love her own child. And so I think that perhaps if E. J. Barnett had

During more than two decades Rob- work in giving to the world a splendid rt G. Ingersoll, of whom Henry Ward example of loyalty to one's own self, seecher said that he was "the most where, bowing at the shrine of expebrilliant speaker of the English tongue diency, is the common rule."

"Pagan" and Partisan.

of all men upon this globe," was the In politics, as well as in religion, most familiar and picturesque figure Ingersoll was one-sided, and his upon the American platform. No speeches against the Democratic party other speaker could draw such crowds were usually those of an undiscrimiother speaker could draw such crowds were usually those of an undiscrimi-as he. The capacity of the largest nating partisan. Yet, the republicans halls in our great cities was insufi-cient to accommodate the people who were anxious, at a dollar a head, to has been common in most popular hear the eloquent, in his criticism of as well as eloquent, in his criticism of religious beliefs, and of the clerical well as of his environment. He was profession, his views and even his per- exceptional not in his spirit and methsonal characteristics became legitimate ods, but in the genius and eloquence subjects for discussion by the clergy. which made him illustrious and But his criticisms were largely criti- which, in his case, fixed attention upon clams not so much of current beliefs intellectual defects which are the rule. as of dogmas, formulated in the old creeds, but practically outgrown by Personally, Ingersoll was a man of most attractive qualities. a devoted the people, who had long been ready husband and father, a loyal friend, a for that revision of the articles of patriotic citizen, a genial companion, a faith which is now going on. When generous, large-hearted man. He the clergy said, "We do not believe was, in his way, the greatest genius was, in his way, the greatest genius these things now," Ingersoll triumph- that this country has produced, but antly quoted from the written creeds his limitations were as marked as and thereby put into an awkward posi- were his exceptional gifts.

and thereby put into an awaward per-tion his antagonists who were not per-mitted to repudiate specifically with thete tongues what they utterly disbe-American' orgators," and adds: "No ment lately that a minister would re-ply to the "infidelity of Col. Ingersoll, American people to a sense of their which seemed like a sound from the solemn responsibility when the war past, suggests some remarks as to the came upon them, or in awakening views and methods of the distin- them to a sense of justice, and the proper appreciation of the rights of

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Ingersoil was by temperament, a men. One must have heard him be partisan. His mind was not judicial fore a great audience, in the open air, With him one side was all right, and as we, in llinois, often did, to appre-the other side was all wrong. He was ciate his great power. Every emotion great rhetorician, word-painter, of his soul, every pulsation prose-poet and orator, rather than a heart, was for his country, and liberty. great thinker. He was too often loose in his statements, and with him amus-ing illustrations, hyperbole and by-with the sentiments that animated plays of fancy and sentiment, were him. No just history of Illinois can frequently more conspicuous than real be written without placing high upon argument. While it can not be the scroll of fame the name of Robert claimed that he made any thought G. Ingersoll."

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BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

Beautiful Anniversary Services, Conducted by Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie.

analy only excited his merriment and called forth his ridicule. His views were sometimes only surface views, but he presented them in a way that The beautiful anniversary services was original, which held the attention as conducted by Mrs Anna L Gillesof the crowd. He touched the feelings pie, for the First Spiritualist Church of his heafers, for he was himself full of Battle Creek, Mich., deserve more of emotion, and excited sympathy or than a passing notice, as they exceedaroused indignation and contempt ed by far any previous services held in where others had appealed to the inour city. The decorating committee under tellect, and had tried to impress the

understanding. Ingersoll's mind was more intuitive the supervision of its president, Mrs. Emma Hoyt, made the hall a sight to than formally logical, and he did not in the seven children he would find that pa-rental love is very elastic. It seems to me that we have no right to refuse this duty laid upon us by Nature, of repletishing the earth As long as there is a low, vicious class gladden the eye-the color scheme of green and white, form of a banking of

# his right he pointed toward the cur-tain, then motioned us to follow. [OM! That which cannot be measured That which is Immortal, Unchange Pushing the curtain aside he led the able. OM! This is the One that in the way into what appeared to be an un-beginning was, is now and over shall derground passage that was rather be, and is Master over the three long and narrow, through which we modes of life and what is beyond passed in silence. In the distance ap- them, OM is that all in all!

of fire as it swept downward for an-He will reveal to thee the secrets of other ascension. This vortex of death thy existence as rapidly as you can re-seemed to lie immediately in our path, ceive them and not be absorbed by the but as we approached nearer, led by

our venerable guide, we noticed that at this point the passage turned slightly to the right, allowing us to Shall enter all when at the fast

prominent representatives of sprint close observers predict that mough ualism stand squarely for the sanctity of the marriage relation; cherish child life as a gift of God; regard the home as the bulwark of the nation's safety. There is a class whose lives may be open to criticism, but they are not construct the first thought is that they will go take. Few converts to Spiritualism regarded as Spiritualists by the Spirit- are recruited from the liberal churchualists themselves. They are called es; and, speaking in a broad sense, the the bodies have little sympathy for each-bodies have little sympathy for each-other. The argument that if spirits are

able to return they would come to from the evangelical church body. their own: instead of through stran- With all its claimed faults the evangers, is thus explained: You know gelical church to-day is a vastly more nothing of psychic law or the require- spiritual organization than the so-ments for the transmission of messag-, called liberal church; and, speaking es between the two worlds; your broadly again, it fits the spiritual But by a power we all possess friends were equally ignorant when needs of Spiritualists better. It is our We all have found the light they went away. How can you reasopinion that, if we meet them fairly onably expect, then, to get into com-munication with them? The medium able to win over the bulk of the folbeing familiar with the laws govern- lowers of Spiritualism's Upper World ing both sides of life, and trained in to the evangelical churches of this inter-communication, is the only per- land. A little unbending here; the son fitted to serve for the transmis- exercise of charity, of a prayerful and sion of messages between the seen and forgiving spirit, and the church will be quickened and strengthened. the unseea.

Spiritualists say that Spiritualism God's holy cause will glow triumph ant, there will follow a spiritual awak not condenined by the scriptures; that the old and new testaments de- ening that will thrill the world with scribe two types of the media, one the power of Him who glorified Caltrue and the other false. Throughvary

out the bible the false are Endemned but in no instance are we warned against the true. Spiritualists confail to see wherein they are inconsistent with or untrue to the teachings

temn one and support the other, and Haunted a Bridegroom and Disturbed · His Midnight Sleep.

A SPECTER'S FREAK.

The one-time desire to build up

in Spiritualism. They say that Spir-itualism has accomplished its mission

in toning down harsh theology, mak-ing creeds elastic, reawakening in the

churches a recognition of the spirit;

and that there is now no good reason

for another church organization.

the scriptures. They say that a Cardiff, Wales, March 22 .- The lack of knowledge of the two-sided freaks of a. so-called spectre are alarming a bamlet some forty miles induce of the question has led to con-fusion in the interpretation of the scriptures on the part of the churches. from Cardiff. The ghost has heen paying unwelcome attentions to a well With reference to ancient happenknown inhabitant of the hamlet who ings it may be said that Spiritualists, was recently married:

a rule, do not deny that the bible The trouble commenced by , his think finding himself lying on his bedroom living floor beside his bed one morning. miracles may be true. They that the prophets of old, by living close to nature and to nature's God, Naturally, he put this down to night-attained unto such a knowledge and mare. The morning after, however, mastery of natural law that they were on awakening, he found, himself at able to accomplish the seemingly im- the other end of the room, and he possible by purely natural means. then became somewhat uneasy. His

possible by particular periods of the art employed by an-cients, and this is the secret behind make use of the art employed by an-cients, and this is the secret behind the secret behind warded by a sight of their mysterious tottor who appeared shortly after the bible phenomena, and by proving the traditional hour of midnight. A nater to be true, they say they have trustworthy correspondent ascertained re-vitalized the bible, and won for it from the victim that the spirit took ever increasing respect among-critthe form of his own mother, who is ical thinkers both in and out of the still alive and well. He says that his church. mother opposed his marriage with the While Spiritualism holds much that

lady of his choice very strongly, and bears no special relation to spirit, he thinks that the nocturnal visits are there. yet remains a substantial pheacts of revenge. nomena that transcends normal ex-In order to drive forth the unwel-

periences as at present understood. come intruder, the victim persuaded several of his male friends to remain This of itself does not constitute at religion, or furnish a substantial ba- in his house one night, but although On the contratry it indithe ghost appeared as usual to the cates the wisdom of rescuing the genu- young man, his wife and his mother ine phenomena from those who make in-law, the other watchers were quite serve commercial ends, and giving unable to discern the strange presence it into the hands of men skilled in psyit into the hands of men'skilled in psy-chic lore, that we may know just what clares that on one occasion she apit is and just what it stands for. proached the spectre, who said, quite

Darkness is the bane of Spiritualdistinctly, "Well, what do you want?" fsm. It is the open doorway through She also says that she temporarily lost which knavery has crept. The dark the power of the right side of her body

large at the meeting. ushing, The victim declares that the spirit circle for pay represents in large inensur (cold-blooded, unblushing, open-aded deception, while profeshas several times accompanied him sionhl full-form materialization is the part of the way to the village, where most contemptible fraud ever perpe-he is engaged as a collier. His com-trated at the expense of a sorrowing rades are greatly perturbed by the rades are greatly perturbed by the heart. frequent appearances of the spectre

Spiritualism with all its faults is not to be lightly turned aside. It is acity. The vicar of the parish and hardly fair to treat this movement several others have visited the house with its tremendous following as whol- and tried in vain to elucidate the ly unworthy of respect. Spiritualism mystery,-Ottawa Citizen, Canada,

possible get a transcription of the tab After sitting for nearly an hour our

guide appeared with the tablet which he placed on the center table, at which time Dr. Montoya, then entranced; copled it in less than five minutes. The writing was in good Sanskrit and

Jose Montoya.

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Dr. Montoya being an Oriental scholar, well versed in that language, has translated it as follows; Within this land we live-Not light by sunlight bright, We all have found the light. The soul of man hath in itself The power to light the earth:

Within Illumination's cup Are jewels of rare worth. The past hath naught concealed from

view; Things present may be seen While future things appear as real As though they once had bee Descending through a royal line Of Gurus from the East. The sacred stone of magic touch

Oft yields a heavenly feast. But all as yet cannot assuage The thirstings of Desire,

For some there be who know not how The Ego to inspire. The way, though simple, oft is lost

By those who searching are, And that which unto them is near, Too often seemeth far. Within yourself, Oh! Son of Man, A universe there be Of jewels radiant and rare,

When you have power to see. This power comes not. from mortal

man Thy Soul to liberate, But from the spirit of the nast Controls and governs Fate.

To those who have the power to see, All things doth now appear, And like a wind that bloweth by,

They nothing have to fear. Seek ye a guide of heavenly birth, Attention to him give, And through the power of prophecy Thy soul shall learn to live.

Consult a man of God, and learn The things to do, and then Let Silence' seal thy lips for aye-Be not like other men. The Spirit deals with thee alone, As does the Mother Earth

Bring forth the lilies of the field. That God hath given birth. Upon this tablet is engraved A message from above, Beginning with the sacred words,

'Let each the other love.' For harmony alone can dwell Within a brotherhood

Where discord, anger, fear and strife Have banished been for good. ings of thy heart; and thou shalt reach thy destination in peace, and

Ye who read or hear these never dy happiness and prosperity shall be ing words, rejoice! and be glad; for thine all the days of thy life, know ye are the children of Light and Ask of Iswari that His graces and Ye who read or hear these never-dyknow ye are the children of Light and loved by Iswarl! (The Father or the

wari.

often or too much

sunshine, for therein is health.

abundance the life principle

attributes be made visible in thy exist-Absolute.) The pure-hearted ones Absolute.) The pure-hearted ones ence, and labor diligently to discover who hear these truths, and follow and manifest them; for thereby, shall them shall enter the Kingdom of End- thou strengthen thyself in "Him who less and Perfect Bliss, and shall ever was, is and will be, and thy desires. less and Perfect Bliss; and shall ever after desire no evil thing. tter desire no evil thing. shall in wisdom, righteousness and Know ye the Absolute abides within love unite thy life with the universal

his Holy Temple. in a conscious at-one-ment. Creation's nethermost parts are re-Let thy conversation be with the

plete with the Creator. Out of Himself created He every-thing that was, is or will be the midde to all those prophets, eases and biginess. - Voltaine

to produce after their kind., it be- read Voltaire Helvetius and Paine. hooves the better class of people to and from them he took such argu produce enough to offset this influence. I do not believe in weak, sickly people bringing children into world simply to be a burden to themselves and their friends; but men and women who are possessed of strong, vigorous bodies and clear, healthy minds, are not doing their duty if they are rearing only one, or at the most; two children to By strong desire are all things born, Eternal is the cause, That through the potent will of man take their places and assist in the government of the nation.

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And brings him to his destiny. While he a-struggling stands And oft communes with spirit friendssages who are now upon earth or who have ever lived in the flesh.] Mingle with the wise ones of earth and Darkness.at last will change to light, hearken unto their teachings, and forget not to offtimes commune with those spirits invisible who have entered into the All-knowledge, having passed from Death unto life through the resurrection.

They will give evidence of life ever-He who is unwise gives way to the desires of the senses, five, with intemlasting, instruct thee in the wisdom of love, heal thy infirmities and diseases, perance, and is either consumed by the both of body and mind (spirit) and guide thy footstens to the heights of The body is the vehicle of the soul and must be treated as the abode of attainment in all things through the words of prophets, seers and the me-diumship of the divine arisen ones who divinity that the Holy Spirit be . not is yet have not put off the habiliments The soul will illuminate the body and cause it to shine with azure light.

of mortality. Thrice blessed are they who behold and make glad the heart of him who this tablet, for greater sights shall their eyes behold, augmented shall be and make giad the beat of them; and bliss shall abide with him contin-ually forever. But with him that hears and follows not the teachings of their powers of clairvoyance, healing and prophecy and long will they be remembered in the land of the living if wisdom herein made plain; sickness, sorrow, poverty and death shall find they turn not away from these teach ings. companionship all the days of his life.

Upon him who translates the teach-Perform thy ablutions dally, for thereby cleanse you, the tabernacle ings engraved upon this tablet shall fall the mantle of the Guru who wherein dwelleth the Holy Spirit, Isgraved them there, unto him shall wari. Of such things as seemeth good to thy taste eat moderately, but not too great power be given whereby he shall be endowed with the wisdom of the ages to rightly interpret them and to As the spiritual supplaints the aniexercise the gifts of prophecy, clair voyance and healing unto all mankind mal in thy nature; the desire for flesh And upon as many as were able to behold this tablet and the glory that as food will pass away and a greater unfoldment will come into thy life. surrounds it, shall be conferred the Of water, drink much, as thy body power to travel to the remotest parts composed of more liquids than solof space, visible and invisible, to visit the different suns and their systems, Breathe deeply of the pure airs of the stars and the planets, and to vie A them in the white light of Soul Intelother is less intangible in air, than in

ligence which places them in conscious relationship with Divine Intelligence water or food and holds? in super-(Prana) and gives to them knowledge of the that makes possible the existence of unseen when harmonic conditions can all objects, both animate and inanibe obtained. mate, it must not be withheld from

The changeless Law of Life as here in stated, being the result of the ac cumulated wisdom gained from the exthy senses, mind, will, body and spirit, perience of all ages, is engraved upon and will unfold thy nature in perfect this tablet that the unborn generapeace, joy and happiness of thou art tions of the future might not be left filled with wisdom and impede it not. without a true knowledge of all life, Let thy soul will desire within thee, and sanctify and crucify not the cray here and hereafter.

(Signed) The Wise Ones of the Ancient of Days. DR. JOSE MONTOYA.

uted to the work of intellectual lib-The glory of science is that it is freeing the soul, breaking the mental erty and intellectual.hospitality. He set an example of intellectual manacles, getting the brain out of

honesty and of moral courage. He uttered his views in his own way, when, by listening to the advice of bondage, giving courage to thought-filing the world with mercy, justice and joy .- Robort Cl. Ingersoll. well meaning friends not to do 'so, he A good Christian should never go

to law; rather should he give up his coat and his pants, and everything that he hath. Churchmen never go to to Berlin by those who were opposed

the day.

Beginning Saturday night an informal reception was held, consisting ments and objections as impressed him most; and presented them in his of short speeches and music, and a general good time, renewing acquaint-ances with old friends who had arown unique way, such as was never used before, thus stamping them with rived to spend the following day with his own individuality. The conception of evolution, unfor-

us, among whom were Mr. J. Shaw Gillespie of Pittsburg, Mrs. Amanda tunately, did not enter into the forma-Coffman of Grand Rapids, and many tion of his views. Early in the sev-enties he argued with the writer of friends from the surrounding towns. Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, unthis article (who knew him well for a third of a century) against Darwin's der the instruction of Mrs. Gillespie, conclusions. Later he accepted them and it seemed almost incredible that der the instruction of Mrs. Gillespie in a general way, but his acceptance of evolution was too late, and it was with only three previous sessions, such perfect order could be wrought, the little ones fairly outdid themselves, to too little assimilated by him to infuse

do credit to their teacher. his mind with the reconciliative spirit At 11 o'clock, address of welcome or to make him see the importance of by Mrs. Gillespie, and response by our constructive over merely critical and negative thought. To the end of his visitor, Mrs. Coffman. Solos by life this man of marvelous genius in Gillespie and Mrs. Emma Hoyt, and gertain ways, argued against religious messages by Mr. Georgen of Jackson. beliefs as if they had been manufac-tured by priests. He could not see at which over 100 were served. At 2 that they were evolutions, outgrowths o'clock sharp, meeting called to order of the human mind, products of men's by Mrs. Hoyt. Opened by congrega-thoughts through long ages, that as such they were necessary in their time Coffman; solo, "Charity," by Mr. Gil-and, however erroneous, had served a lespie. Address of the afternoon by purpose in human development. He Dr. P. T. Johnson, followed by short could not understand and did not ap-preciate thinkers like Herbert Spen- Donald of Detroit; J. Georgen, Mrs. S. cer. Their philosophical thought was J. Dutton, Mrs. Flora Foulghum. too abstract and complex for him to Short speeches by the Vice-president, grasp. Kant and John Stuart Mill Mr. H. J. Wells, Mr. Parks and Mrs. were above him, in the province of ab- Dr. Horton. At 5 o'clock, tea was

stract thinking, and attempts to read served to members and visitors. them only resulted in contempt for . At 7:30 memorial conducted by their "metaphysics." Ingersoll's lec- Mrs. Gillespie. This was a beautiful tures, however, were not for this rea- service. The names of the arisen son any less admired by most of his ones were read by Mrs. Hoyt, the pres-hearers, for his audiences were for ident; first, Moses Hull, Jennie H. the most part made up of persons at-Brown, Mrs. Sarah Byrnes, Mr. Theotracted by the popular qualities of the new bars, who had never Ther rator. If Ingersoll's mind had been more during the last year, five in number. orator.

reverent, more constructive, and more As each name was read a short eulogy commanded the attention of a higher Then a beautiful solo by Mr. Gillespie. class, intellectually, but he would have who was obliged to respond to an enbeen less attractive to the crowds core. Mrs. Amanda Coffman was whom he convulsed with laughter by again presented to the audience, and his anecdotes and stories, and melted for forty minutes gave messages in a to tears by his pathos and touching splendid manner, delighting the endescriptions of sorrow and suffering. thusiastic audience. This was fol-His dogmatism, which was, equal to lowed by a bass solo by Mr. Vickery, that of any preacher, added to his pop- which was heartily encored. We ularity, for the people like to have must not fail to express our gratitude their favorite speakers, as well as to Mrs. Mark Blakeslee, our solo actheir family doctors, always speak companist, who assisted our regular with confidence and certainty, of planist, Mrs. Mary Storer, throughout things doubtful, as well as of things the day. Too much credit can not be known. After all the criticism of Ingersoll under the supervision of Mrs. Souther-

that may be made, it must be admitted ton, Mrs. Hockstraw, Mrs. Platt, Mrs. that he volged many truths which Wells and Mrs. Snow needed to be spoken, and in a most many willing workers. Wells and Mrs. Snow, assisted by

The anniversary of 1907, in Battle forceful and effective manner. In Ingersoll's writings are numerous prose-poems not surpassed in English society here as a day long to be reliterature, many of them being replete membered, and our little with the finest thoughts and marked Mrs. Hoyt, who so successfully preby unsurpassed beauty of expression. Ingersoll did good work in vindicating the right of free discussion. He fully closing her year's term of office, helped to make people more forbear- reflecting credit on herself and the sohelped to make people more forbearing and more tolerant. He contrib-

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True politeness is perfect ease and freedom, It simply consists in treating others just as you love to be treated yourself .--- Chesterfield.

Nothing destroys authority so much could easily have been governor of as the unequal and untimely inter-illinois. Later, Garileld was dischange of power, pressed too far and sunded from appointing him minister, relaxed too nuch. -Bacon.

One solitary philosopher may be law; they are the most doclle and easy to his religious attitude. If the time great, virtuous and happy in the miner creatures in the work of matters of needed men with the courage of their of povorty, but not a whole convictions, then Ingersoll did useful lease Iselin.

Creek will go into the history of the president, ided over the four hig meetings, may well be congratulated on so success-

clety she represented.

# An Important Lesson. It is for Spiritualists to Gonsider, and in Which are Some Un-

## pleasant 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 and considered.

Continued from No. 906.) For several weeks, I have been a gleaner of facts and figures in Spirit-ualistic history. .Since 1865, I find that more than one hundred and fifty of those who went into business became members of, or attendants upon, iome-Christian church. More than wenty of our speakers became Universalist ministers, and among these dred miles from his home, "to do up a twenty we find the names of some of preacher" who had gone out of his our most highly inspired and signally gifted men. Such names as Adin Bal- Spiritualists who asked him to come lou, Charles A. Hayden, Cephas B. Lynn, R. P. Ambler, and H. O. Hough-ton stand for something. They were prime favorites in olden days, yet they and other equally gifted left us for the humber of the would, come for the church. Fifteen or more of our speakers became Unitarian ministers. others of equal mental power. Six of an able man even at his own figures, bur speakers and mediums-three of the committee wrote him promptly each-became Roman Catholics. Six that two dollars and fifty cents per day have become Methodist ministers, constituted big wages for any man, have become Methodist ministers. Four entered the Congregational pul- and he could come at their figure or Two went into the Baptist. Two stay at home, just as he chose. Like came Episcopalians. Two became properly stayed at home. Quaker preachers. One, F. W. Evans, became a Shaker elder. Two are now making the monetary idea the main thinking capacity can be perceptibly of our best and worthiest mediums be-Advent ministers. Six of our great to become our speakers. lights are now leaders in Theosophy. Two are eloquent advocates of "New Thought." One, our beloved and renowned Miss Lizzie Doten, is now a follower of Metaphysics. How many have become Materialists? Only two! 'out of more than one hundred and fifty of our workers have become Materialists, while eight out of ten of the others have gone into the church, or are regular church-goers! Do not these figures show that, by reason of a lack of religious teaching, of reverence for the truth, of regard for the sacred impulses of the soul, our workers have been driven from us, rather than by the influence of such things upon us? W. F. Jamieson and Mrs. Elizabeth

but I can guess. It was because they doubted the genuineness of the pheper year while on our platform, but that he grew old before his time, beman. Some of our spoakers and mediums have become physicians, lawyers, mermants, real estate dealers, etc. In so loing, they, or eight-tenths of them, lound it better for them to join some church or to become supporters of it. An ex-medium and his wife became members of a Unitarian church in a certain city. He was elected one of the trustees of the organization, and when my friends applied for that building upon a liberal rental for my use on a week night, for a lecture on Spiritualism, this man was the leader of the party who refused permission the ground of the "contaminating influence of Spiritualism.". in conseguence of which the church would be der that we have few or no young peothe Spiritualists! Need I say that this One of the great lights in mediumship, "once upon a time" bore the name of Rosamond Dale Owen. She was a highly cultured, spiritually refined, noble-souled woman. She left us, and went into the church. Why? of age. Truly our young folks are Sniritualism, but cried out in agony We lost her, and scores of oth- our rostrum? way. We lost her, and scores of oth-ers like her, because our people flouta level. spirit that has wrought our ruin. Let it be remembered that by relig Let it be remembered that by relig-for I do not mean long, doleful, puri-tanic faces; long, loud, and meaning leed meyors nor vet the billed ways less pravers; nor yet the blind ... awepeople have not manifested a consist-

around our standard, when they see people as the Spiritualists allow their such scholarly speakers as George A. workers to go ill fed by reason of poor Fuller asked to give two lectures per nay, that they have wandered far from pay, that they have wandered far from something-so far that it will be Sunday for five dollars, with an extra strange if it does not take a few incardollar and fifty cents allowed him for the ministry in various churches, or for careers in the business world. I ind to my surprise that the majority of those who went into business has been be the ministry in various churches, or for careers in the business world. I indict o my surprise that the majority of those who went into business be trailroad expenses. Especially is this nations and reincarnations to become above named, were employed. In Phil-true when almost any church will as large as the eye of a cambric needle adelphia John W. Forney, George W.

tion. L. V. Moulton, than whom we never had an abler, more truly scien-tific and religious instructor, was once asked to yisit a certain point a hun-dred miles from his home "to do hun the pectal delight in using more truly able to the pectal delight in using more take special delight in using take special deligh preacher" who had gone out of his twenty-five dollars apiece, then wonway to attack Spiritualism. The der why the people did not "warm up" under their splendid flow of inspiration! Foo top-heavy! "Increase the capacity of audience?" Nay, let us place wise speakers who are qualified to teach the people upon our boards, to them were in affluent-circumstances, and able to pay for his work. His time at home was worth ten dolmittee that he would come for the the term inc people think for them-eight days asked for at the rate of ten dollars per day, railroad expenses and extension of the term in the term of and entertainment while engaged in number of big words, however volubly Among these, we find Joel Tiffany, and entertainment while engaged in number of big words, however volubly William Brunton, P. P. Carpenter, and the debate. It was too cheap for such they may be uttered, will ever be mistaken for wisdom by people of sense It is never the province of a speaker to tell the people what to think; nor yet how to think, but to lead them to think. When they once begin to think, great results are sure to follow. A desire for something more than senthe self-respecting man he is, he very

increased. Capacity can neither be desideratum in inviting young people bought nor given away. I do argue One of the newly rich oil men of Pennsylvania sent his daughter to a that they have to live and are worthy

of at least a decent compensation most expansive and exclusive school from the fact that they have given up In a few weeks a telegram bade him all other positions to work for us The days of martyrdom have passed come to take her home. He was an-away, I hope, forever. It may have gry. "What's the matter?!" he gry. "What's the matter?!" I shouted. "Tuition's paid, ain't it?" been necessary in the olden times for "Yes, all bills are paid," said the president, "but she has no capacity." men to perish at the stake, upon the rack or gibbet. I do not believe it to "Capacity," snarled the father,be so to-day. What can we say to a young man who has spent all the way 'I'll buy her one. She stays here. The moral will deduce itself. from five hundred to two thousand dollars to obtain a liberal education, We all loved Mrs. Amelia H. Colby,

known in the last years of her earth who knows Spiritualism to be life as Mrs. Colby-Luther. We all deand is inclined to take our platform lighted to do her honor, no one more so than myself. Miss Harlow cannot There are not a dozen speakers in our ranks to-day who are paid twenty-five say a word in praise of Mrs. Luther dollars per Sunday. I know of but two who receive more than that sum. M. F. Denton have become Material-two who receive more than that sum. that does not find an echo in my soul. sis. They have followed the light of Can we ask talented men to take up Why did we love Mrs. Luther? Becondemnation for them. I do not know why they changed their views, but I can guess. It was because they themselves meet inclustor genuineness of the phe-witnessed, and were led the month? Do we not owe them doubted the genuineness of the phe-nomena they witnessed, and were led to conclude that they were all of earthly origin, hence there was no fu-ture life—no life at all. No doubt many gifted speakers and mediums many gifted speakers and mediums of one man, an ex-Union soldier, who Luther did a work that was needed forsook Spiritualism because of the walked from town to town in Maine in the era in which she lived. The torsook Spiritualism because of the fallure of Spiritualism to pay them liv-ing salaries. One of our great men-a man whom the people heard gladly, and refused to support decently-re-ceived only about six hundred dollars wonder ne. be-Why is Miss Harlow one of the most was paid three thousand, six hundred came a confirmed rheumatic, and is popular of our workers to-day? Bewhen he went into the church. An- now a constant sufferer by reason of cause she is beyond iconoclasm, is proother with a large family to care for, his exposure? Let it be remembered gressive, is humanitarian in her other with a large family to care for, could not make living expenses as a Spiritualist, yet drew three thousand follars per year as a Unitarian clergy-these journeys. He had religioni these who starved and Miss Harlow is replying to its call as the started for the sta these journeys. He had religioni The world is asking for builders, and How about those who starved and Miss Harlow is replying to its call as froze the body of this missionary? the true reformer ever does, by works, What did they have-"good, moral commensurate with the spoken word. they are doing so when they waste character," of course! character," of course! Another speaker whom I have met hour and Miss Harlow is proclaiming has had "experiences" also. One it in words that burn, from hill-top meal per day, often days at a time and in valley—the religion of human with no food at all, save cold water brotherhood! That is just the prinand crackers, walking occasionally ciple for which Spiritualism stands. fourteen miles to fill an engagement, Mrs. Luther recognized it, and fearno money to pay his board, fed by the lessly proclaimed the gospel of unity charity of friends whose resources of thought and effort. Individualism to her became but another name for were but meager at their best, someselfishness, and Miss Harlow's ringing times in the night forced to go to the house of a friend to ask for food, yet | call to union of effort makes it apparhe held on and to-day is in poor ent that in her mind likewise individhealth, earning but a small salary and ualism has long outlived its usefulno home of his own! Is it any wonness. It must not be understood that desecrated," were it to be rented to ple on our platforms? Our three want young men and women to take youngest male speakers are Harry J. their places on our rostrum to-day ine spirituansis! Need I say that this foundest makes in bounders of the sake of the large sala-now prosperous merchant was once a Moore and Will J. Erwood, who are simply for the sake of the large sala-"materializing medium?" One of the great lights in medium-John W. Ring, whose thirtigth birth-I want an endowment for our beloved cause simply for the sake of paying We have one young woman of promise | salaries to our workers. Mrs. Luther as a speaker, Mrs. Josephine A. Bruer commanded compensation for her laof Kansas, who is under thirty years bor, stipulated in advance what the terms were to be, and was paid acfew, but these four are of exceptional cordingly. Yet in return, ability. Among the other young ever a generous giver to the she was upon Spiritualism? Nay! She de-chared that there was a great truth in workers may be named Miss Elizabeth of her soul. It was not money that Harlow and Mrs. May S. Pepper, moved her to take the platform, it was the same service. It does mean that There are but few of us who are under rather this-that; having worked hard they should be given by the same so--the reverence for truth-"the di-vine Urge onward, upward, toward to ward blood? How shall we ob-to just compensation for her labor. Novine Urge onward, upward, toward God and the Angels," denied her hy the scoffers at the realities of being, and driven into the church to find that which the angels came to establish, if Spiritualists had but met them half-ing salaries when they do step upon Way. We lost her and stores of oth-our rostrum? pose of making money are unworthy Oh, I know it will be said that these ed, religion, and sneered at morality in workers of ours must expect to make of every true reformer and spiritual sacrifices when they go upon our ros- laborer. season and out of season. When Geo. Satisfies when they go upon our ros-W. Childs left us and returned to the church, he said in substance: "Spirit-name of heaven, do they not do so spiritual laborer, having given us his when they give up home, its comforts, life to the service of his religion, is at also be arranged. followers have placed it upon too low its library, for the life of a nomad? least entitled to food, shelter, and It costs too much to follow Have we any right to ask them to go clothing in return therefor. con-The lack of religion is most pain- hungry, or cold, or shelterless, in ad- tend that our workers should not now dition to their other privations? Our be compelled to walk to their appoint-These are but two out of hundreds of cases of like nature. Is it religion or the lack of religion that is driving high-minded, clean-souled 'men and scientious fidelity and is singularly them to an exect place. To the second s ingu-minage, clean-souled men and survey that devolves upon her with con-women from our ranks? Judging the present by the past, and having these absolutely verifiable facts and figures before me, I can but conclude that it is the absolute of the survey is the absence of the true religious engagements or obliged to subsist on in zero weather, just let them try all in zero weather, just let them try all of these great "Diessings" and then they will see why I am pleading for an endowment of decent proportions for by the N. S. A: I happen to know some toss speakers who have had to do just less prayers; nor yet the blind, awe labeled 1000 Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss some worship of an anthropomorphic their fellow Spiritualists, who toss to render such privations unnecessary. When May S. Popper was naked and impossible henceforth. When May S. Popper was naked and impossible henceforth. The mean fits the table to the sould have the young and lence of 2,000 or more popple, why it is that Spiritualism had not a speakers as Denton, Finney, Emerson, Brittan, Miss Doten and others of faces, "Spiritualists have wan dered too far away from God, and have not been sufficiently devoted to the sating from us. Our people have not manifested a consist- to." Her reply was warmly applaud. their fellow Spiritualists, who people have not manifested a consist-ent devotion to Spiritualism through timely support of its principles. nor yet by reverent treatment of its truths. Young people will not flock

nomenon of an unlettered boy or girl, without a moment's preparation, giv-

without a mament's preparation, giv-ing an address upon a subject that a Harvard professor or other student would have to study for months to produce, was guide enough for the stu-dent. The curions mind was not at-tracted to it, for curiosity and educa-tion seldoin go together. Sensation alone satisfies the fraud. Thousands flocked to listen to the inspired elo-quence offour workers in those days, but when the other element was introout when the other element was introduced there was a decided change, and the audiences grew fewer in numers at our regular meetings. To-day, the meetings at which messages are to be given are well attended, and only those. Why? Because that which was given by our speakers in the early days is now taught in the churches. Because reverent, inspiring men. and women desire instruction and spiritual illumination, not amusement at religious meetings. Who paid the large salaries referred to? The Spiritual-ists themselves. In Boston in those

days of note, Isaac B. Rich, Phineas Gay, Alvah Adams, Luther Colby, et al., gave on an average of five hundred dollars per year each to sustain the society work; when the eminent talent Childs, Wm. D. Kelley, et al., gave in the same proportion. It was the same | and mediums upon our platform. We everywhere, and the givers were Spiritualists.

When the character of the meetings changed, the methods by which funds were raised were also changed. It was found that the curiosity seekers would avoid putting anything other than buttons into, the collection boxes, hence the expedient of charging a fee at the door was hit upon. It was an attempt to make non-Spiritualists sup-port Spiritualism, and because it sufficed to meet expenses and sometimes more, it caused great rejoicing, for it removed all responsibility from the shoulders of the individual Spiritualists, who were, of course, ready and willing to get something for nothing, and perfectly delighted when they

were successful in doing so. Some societies in the fifties and early sixtles succeeded in building halls or "temples." When the individualists, the exploiters of signs and wonders got control of these bodies, they proceeded to mortgage or else sell outright, these temples, and used the money in paying the running expenses of the organizations. They did not put in one dollar, neither did they ask other Spiritualists to do so. When the money was gone, they promptly disbanded the societies. In some cases, where a small debt only had been incurred, these presentors of the marvelous, sold the society's property, paid off the dept, distributed the balance of the money among the mem-bers in "good" Standing" and then killed the society. One case at least is on record where three men got all of the proceeds of the sale, even though the "members" had been in-veiged the voting for the disposal of the property. Surely the three had plenty of the "Gumption" of which Col. Van Horn speaks—the kind, per-

haps, he'did not mean, yet it is the kind the grafter always exhibits. We should profit by these mistakes. These selfish individualistic leaders should be retired from office in every clasm appealed to the risibilities of local society, where they yet remain. some of her hearers, yet it angered They will retire when Bpiritualists many more. It builded nothing, and once more determine to support their fee at the door." "Don't you have a roll of members,

who are assessed a regular fee each -Society at Greenfield, Mass., spoke of

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

By the Massachusetts State Associa tion of Spiritualists.

The Massachusetts State 'Associa tion of Spiritualists celebrated the 59th appiversary of Modern Spiritualism. Berkeley hall was tastefully dec orated with flags and bunting and with many flowers. The morning session was opened at 11 o'clock by the secretary, as the president, owing to illness in family, was unable to be present. After a few remarks by the secretary, the meeting was opened in form with an invocation from Mrs. Loring. secretary, then; owing to her many duties, turned the meeting over to the treasurer, Mrs. Carrie F. Loring, who acted in the capacity of chairman the rest of the morning.

Among those taking part were Mr Francis B. Woodbury of Greenfield, Mass. He told of the organizing of the M. S. A., and how proud he was that it had grown to be such a potent factor. He said: "If we had had a strong organization in-the beginning, 59 years ago, we would not be where we are to-day; but the turning point is coming to Spiritualism, and if we would have dignified people in our audience, we must put dignified speakers have learned that the fraud element has got to go."

As Presented by President H. D. Bar-Mrs. Hattie C. Mason then sang a choice song. Mr. Simmons of Haver-hill spoke briefly and said his heart rett.

responded to the words spoken by Mr. Woodbury, and he believed that we Spiritualists were coming into line. Permit me to state in explanation of the paragraph in my article, replying to Bro. R. F. Little, in which I refer to You-all know what it means to be a he charge of a double salary-one Spiritualist, and I honor those grand hundred and fifty dollars per month-from the N. S. A., and the stipend paid old leaders who opened the way for us, and made it possible for us to reme by the society in Seattle-that I did not refer to Bro. Little, even re-motely in anything I said. Brother ceive the loved message.' Mrs. Hattie C. Mason said, "We must seek to follow the line the past Little never made the charge, and workers have made for us, but we would not say or do one thing to must also seek to conscientiously wound my feelings, for I believe he is my friend, and 1 know that I am his.

make a path for ourselves. I am be-ing taught by the angels; I am glad I had reference to those Spiritualists who take delight in misrepresenting their brethren at every possible oppor-I have found the light, and I am doing all I can to keep the light burning." She then gave messages. Mr. R. A. Macurda said, "In the tunity, and when no opportunity arises, proceed to manufacture out of past 59 years Spiritualism has made whole cloth, the most brazen falsa-hoods against better men and women quite an advancement; it has over-thrown dogmas and creeds, and elimthan themselves. These parties had made themselves officious in charging inated an orthodox hell, and we must now try to eliminate some of our own errors." .He spoke at length in regard 'double pay" against me, and I dealt with them accordingly. As. Brother Little does not train in their company, to church homes and pastorates

thinking that this was the best method nor sympathize with their views, my words could not and must not be apfor Spiritualism to advance. Mrs. Alice S. Waterhouse, one of plied to him. our pioneer workers, was the next speaker. She said, "It is not neces-Brother Little is a Spiritualist in the pest sense of the term. He be-lieves in organization, in progressive work along all lines of effort and is sary to be on the hill-top to receive the message, nor in a palatial church; it can come in the valley, and into the ever seeking to dignify and glorify the religion in which he so earnestly behumblest of halls, and was always just as sweet: there is no word in the Engleves. He is a loyal friend to the N. lish language so sweet to me as that S. A., hence is anxious to advance its of medium; it has brought sunshine and glory into thousands of homes. interests in every possible way. He believes that the N. S. A. ought to be Mediumship is the highest crown of to Spiritualism what other national orglory that can come to anyone." ranizations are to the movements they Mrs. Maude Litch gave messages, represent-towers of strength in every and Mr. R. F. Churchill closed the espect. He believes that our na meeting with benediction. tional officers should be located where The afternoon meeting opened with singing by Mrs. Haidee Hall, Vicethey can do the most good for our

cause as a whole and at the same president, Mr. Hatch, presiding. He time add strength and dignity to the spoke feelingly of the absence of our president, Dr. Fuller, and the cause of association itself. He is the last man among our workers to complain of his detention at home, and desired all over-pay for his brethren, for he beto send out the healing thought -to lieves-that honest work deserves honest pay. 'He does not believe that any one of our N. S. A. workers is over-

Mrs. Fuller, who was ill. Mr. Francis B. Woodbury spoke at length of the measures we have to contend with at the State House, and urged organization to do more effectpaid, but rather, believes the contrary to be true. Brother Little wants an endowment ual work there.

und of decent proportions raised for Mr. R. F. Churchill, president of the the N. S. A. at the earliest opportunity, so that body can do the work for month?" I asked. "Not much," he replied. "Why I he said that he believed Spiritualism salaries to those who do the work. He should leave the society if I had to contribute anything in that manner. I much to learn from the Bible, and he of eight people upon two of the offi-

could not but feel that he was inspired by him; they were rapid, full names, and all recognized. Mrs. Thomas of Brooklyn, recited a sweet poem, spoke of the beauties of Spiritualism, and gave messages that vere recognized.

Mr. Bishop of Lynn, gave messages without remarks, as the hour was get-ting late. He was well received and the communications were recognized. Mr. R. F. Churchill waived his time for Mr. Macurda of Lynn, who gave several messages which were recognized.

Mrs. Loring closed the meeting with

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want my Spiritualism free or not atall."

This man is a type of those to whom ot support Spiritualism. They think fending charlatans and tricksters in court. In 1868 I knew a man to purchase \$2,500 worth of marvels at a certain camp, after which he had to send to his bank for money with which to get home. He told me per-sonally that he did not believe there was another man in America who was paying out so much for Spiritualism as he was. He had paid \$250 for a picture of Confucius, a like sum for an oil painting of "Yermah, from the Lost Atlantis," and proportional sums for portraits of personages either equally historic(?) as the latter, or as famous as the former. If these phenomena were real, he had something."

merely bought and paid for \$2,500 worth of spiritual wares, but had not given one dollar to Spiritualism. The mediums(?) who got his money, years afterward went to the penitentiary for series of well proven crimes. After all it should be remembered

that the phenomena and philosophy of Spiritualism should go together. For one, however, I do not believe that word "together" means necessarily at clety under whose auspices special ser vices should be held for the presenta tion of these phases of Spiritualism. I do not feel that it is wise to present both at the same meeting, for the one will detract, does detract from the influence of the other, in spite of every effort that can be made to prevent it. If a society holds but two services per think and speak of our blessings. week, and those on Sunday, let one of me this is the most beautiful-time of them beldevoted to the phenomena the year, when we can celebrate the and theosther to philosophy. A week knowledge that our loved ones still evening service for phenomena could also be arranged. Another method could be followed with propriety and live and can come to us. Spiritualism has revealed to us the possibilities of that is this: Make the message service our own being, and has opened up the avenues of instruction." such as was engaged in by the early Christians. Riom this service, exclude every person not a member of the society, and even members when they are actuated solely by curiosity, or commercial interests. Let only those who arean search of spiritual truth betadmisted to these communings, held always behind closed doors in a roomisacredly dedicated to spiritual things, from which the deleterious influences of liquor, tobacco, drugs, profanity, and sensuality are rigor-ously barred. If The result will be an infowing of splittual strength, of soul upliftment that will give each person ower to withstand all temptations of the material world, and enable him to

do his every duty until he can receive

strength, and I wish we were able to grasp its full strength; it is the science and philosophy of life." Mr. Harry Ames of Lynn, rendered another baptism of the spirit. a very fine vocal selection, which was Yours for truth, HARBISON D. BARRETT. well received. Mrs. Nellie: Abbott of Lawrence

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-was pleased to say a word for the cers of the N. S. A., whose joint comgood book. He told of raising \$100 pensation is less than half what other at his Sunday evening meeting, March National Societies pay their secretary 24, and thought that told the story r his assistant. Knowing the foregoing to be Brother Little's views, I hasthat people were interested. Mrs. Annie Chapman spoke of the ferred to him in my mention of a

anniversary time and what it means to double salary. Brother Little is as Spiritualists. She closed with mes-Miss Edna May Slate sang two fine far above such petty meanness as the neavens are above the earth. He is a

selections which were well received. Mrs. Alice M. Whall spoke briefly Spiritualist first, last and all of the time-never a chronic grumbler nor ault-finder and gave messages. Rev. F. A. Wiggin spoke at length.

He said: "For 59 years the Spiritualists have been going from hall to hall

and it was time we had our churches in every city." He spoke of system We often mistake in the conflict of izing the work; he felt the more dignified the service, the better the audi-The sweep of the battle, the cause of ences would be. He spoke in a deprecating manner of the phenomena and felt we should rather seek for the

We often o'erlook, in our battle with higher, the philosophy. "Let us come A crafty old enemy lodging within. together and work together so as to We battle for aye, with environment make history that will amount to

strong, The magnified strength of a swift Mrs. Carrie S. Thomas of Brooklyn, spoke of the anniversary time, and all passing throng; And this cunning old enemy laughs it should mean to Spiritualists. She

closed with messages. in his glee, Mrs. B. W. Belcher, president of the While hearts melt in sobs like a moan from the sea.

Industrial Union, gave many mes-sages which were all recognized. The thought of the world is, A telegram was read from Miss Su-Foeman Without; sie Clark, of greetings to the state association at its anniversary sessions. And we move on his ranks with saber

She spoke

and shout. Resolutions were adopted upon the We beat down this foeman, he reels death of Mr. Theodore J. Mayer, treas-urer of the N. S. A. Mrs. Haidee Hall closed the meeting with singing. in disgrace: When, lo! a still greater appears in

life.

the strife.

his place. The evening meeting opened with singing by Mrs. Hall, after which Mrs. Thus Past, Present; Future, in unison

Carrie F. Loring, treasurer of the M. S. A., spoke at length. She said: blend; We conquer at times, but go down in "This is the day we celebzrate, the day the end:

We yield to despair in this battle with we come together in harmony and love, not to censure, or to bring our Tato: weaknesses before the world, but to And the love that should cheer oft

HARRISON D. BARRETT.

"The

THE BATTLE ROYAL.

changes to hate. What meaneth the mystery under the

sun? Why so many battles-so few of them won?

The problem is simple: We only have been

Fighting the "Shade" of this fellow of the absence of the president and knew he was with us in spirit. within.

Miss Edna May Slate then gave a vocal selection. Mrs. Maude Litch, If we wish to be happy, successful and

strong; To help banish Error; and overcome director M. S. A., then spoke briefly and gave many messages.

wrong; It is wiser by far that the battle begin Mrs. Kate R. Stiles gave a short address that was filled with words for thought. She said, "Let us as Spirit-With the Foxy Old " Neighbor , who lodges within.

unlists see to it that we do not live Better center our thought on the good always in the-vestibule of Spiritual

ism; let us reach for the inner mean of the Race: Strew flowers on its pathway of beauing, and learn that which is within

ty and grace; Spiritualism is based upon the rock o And heed not the call to the struggle

for pelf; We rise in the scale when forgetful of

self. Seattle, Wash. "No Name."

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mother in the pen; I can hear young roosters crowing. And young ganders' warning blowing,

And I feel I want to eat such beings ne'er again.

And I look in people's faces Where 'tis easy to find traces Of the savage kind of being that they

evoluted from: I can hear the lion roaring:

I can see the eagle soaring, And can hear the muffled beating of the savage tom-tom.

In my very dreams I hear them, And I seem to greatly fear them,

As I live within the realm of soul of savage beast, And I see the calf-eyes staring,

And the pig and lamb-eyes glaring, When I have their flesh before me in the dream-land feast.

With this vision full before me

There's a feeling that comes o'er me. When I wake from troubled slumber and I know my mind, That the wholly meatless dishes

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Death of Col. Olcott.

New York, March 23.—The death retort. He never ceased during all of Colonel Henry Steele Olcott at the years that he lived to describe her Adjar, Madras, India, was not unex-as a great teacher and a benefactor of pected [as set forth in the Chicago mankind. Inter-Ocean]. He was ill when he Mme.

Inter-Ocean]. He was ill when he Mme. Blavatsky died in 1893 in was in this city in October last, and London, having spent the last nine showed signs of failing physical powr years of her life in Europe. Colonel Olcott continued to live at Adjar and He suffered a severe injury by fall- to direct the operations of the society

ing down the main gangway on the from that place. steamer on his return yoyage, and on Colonel Olcott's best known works his arrival at Genoa was taken to a hospital, where he was compelled to remain for more than a month. By Science," "The Buddhist Catechism," slow stages he reached India and later which has been translated into many his home at Adjar, Madras, where for different languages, and "The Olcott many years the Theosophical society Family."

Friends in this country knew of his in India and worked to benefit the scrious relayse in Ceylon and learned condition of the people there and in with surprise that he had continued Ceylon. He was greatly beloved by on his journey and was once more at the Hindoos, and the schools and colheadquarters. He never rallied after leges he founded have sent out thoushis arrival there, though he dictated ands of well-trained boys and girls and transacted business who to-day are mourning his death. others. He was devotedly attached to India, through others.

His last letter, written for him, to and his oft-repeated remark when in his niece, Miss Mitchell, was received this country on his tour in September her only a fortnight ago, and in and October of last year was that he It was no other mention of his condi-tion than a reference to his trouble-died. some heart. His death was due to heart failure.

Colonel Olcott was in his seventy-Colonel Olcott was in his boyony, th year, having been born at Orange, Judge, the president or the American J., on August 2, 1832. His parents section, and his death, its control J. Honory Wycoff Olcott and Emily passed for a time, into the hands of Discley Was a source of great ere Henry Wycoff Olcott and Emily Steele Olcott. He was a graduate of Mrs. Tingley, was a source of great the College of the City of New York trial to Colonel Olcott. Mrs. Tingley and was a newspaper writer and later went on a crusade around the world, a lawyer. He was married in 1860 visiting India in 1896 and representto Miss Mary E. Morgan and was the ing herself as the direct representafather of several sons, all of whom tive of Mme. Blavatsky, and head of are residents of this city. the Theosophical society.

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A Secret Service Man. -

During the war he served in the secret service and left it to begin legal practice in this city, which he conlast year for the purpose of trying to unite factions in the society which had tinued up to the time of his departure for India with Mme. Blavatsky grown out of the trouble that led to and others in December, 1878.

It was while Mme. Blavatsky was from the society. living in Irving place, in New York, in the summer of 1875 that the sugant had become the best known teachgestion of Colonel Olcott to form a so ers and lecturers in the society, and ciety was accepted, and the first meet-Mr. Leadbeater had been a unifying ing was held in August. In the Au-tumn of the year the following officers force in this country as well as in England up to the time when he figwere elected: President, Henry S. ured in the courts in London. Olcott, vice-presidents, S. Pancost, M. D., and George Henry Felt; corres was spent in Boston, Chicago, and New ponding secretary, H. P. Blavatsky; York. He was distressed in body recording secretary, John Storer Cobb, when he arrived here, though LL. D.; treasurer, Henry J. Newton; cheerful buoyant nature enabled him librarian, Charles Sothern: council to overcome his sufferings, and he ors, the Rev. J. H. Wiggin, Emma Harlectured several times just before sailing for Italy. But it was clearly dinge Britten, R. B. Westbrook, D. D., LL. D.; C. E. Simmons, M. D.; evident to those who had known him Monachesi; counsel to the Herbert D. previously that he was failing and news of his death was expected at any

society, William Q. Judge. Colonel Olcott drafted the constitime dation and by-laws and the society was launched. Mme. Blavatsky's made a compact many years ago that book, "Isis Unveiled," was finished a certain word should be the sign of and published that year by J. W.

Madame D'Esperance, a most remarkable medium, lately delivered a lecture in London, England, which was reported in Light. She narrates some most remarkable incidents, bordering on the miraculous, and carrying one back in thought to ancient days, when like manifestations were regarded as witchcraft. Read carefully what the Madame says in the following:

My curiosity having been aroused habit of galloping homewards at milk-y what I had heard regarding them, ing time, leaping fences and ditches, improvements, if they met with Jan interviewed the Bruckers once more. sometimes falling over eachother as Froding's approval, all obstacles and At first they were rather reluctant to if half maddened or furlously driven, hindrances were quickly overcome or tell me anything, but, gaining cour-the one who had been herding the removed, but if he did not approve, it age, they perfectly inundated me with animals being left far behind, unable was always very hard work, and fre-

stories of curious happenings. The balls of woor with which the wife knitted had a habit of playing together and entangling themselves in unexpected places or the horses of was not in accordance with our conas though a cat were amusing herself mules lost their shoes, hours being ception of either saint or angel. If with them. The coffee pot and the wasted by the frequent journeys to if we sometimes questioned the sound-pans had an uncomfortable trick of and from the smithy. The smith was ness of his advice, or ventured to dispans had an uncomfortable trick of and from the smithy. The smith was nees of his advice, or ventured to Qus-getting lost and depositing themselves blamed for careless work, which he in out-of-the-way places—at the bot-tom of the well for preference. Mon-ey in money-boxes got itself out of the locked boxes and strewed itself i river the articles were torn from their about, on shelves or cupboards, giving hands and lost in the current. If prietor's interest in property. He its owner no end of trouble in search-the death which had

ing for and gathering it together and dishes broke in their hands or placed a barrier between him and the again; sometimes the contents of the fell on the floor. The brooms and occupation that had absorbed all his four money-boxes would disappear and brushes disappeared, so that thoughts and energies during his life and be found all together in the most unlikely places. The girl's school-tidy. There was no end to the trou-able in consequence to prepare her les-sons; she was severely reprimanded, away, which I regret to say Lad to be thought, to the development and imunlikely places. The girl's school-books disappeared, and she was unsons; she was severely reprimanded, then punished, and was at last afraid to go to school. It was hard on the done. Afterwards the priest was asked to come and sprinkle the different buildgirl, who was studious, and intended

or ten days, while making her way through the wood in company with a school-fellow towards the school, and The stormy career of the Theosophical society in this country, where, af-ter the disaffection of William Q.-Judge, the president of the American weeping miserably at the reproaches she knew would be heaped upon her unhappy head, an empty knapsack fell from somewhere above them, followed

by a shower of school-books, which the girl recognized as her own lost ones. Another time, when the whole fam-ily were together, either in the fields or at the church, the treasure chest, which is an important feature in the Such, indeed, was the conclusion to individuals, as has been ple something of Spiritualism, "If you take away the fear of hell you will have no hold on them." In his earth life Jan Froding had Colonel Olcott visited this country

Mr. Leadbeater and Mrs. Annie Bes

He was told by a caller, to whom

was soon to die, and in this letter he

spoke of the many trials he had en-

dured because of the karma of the

He did not, however, believe he

But for the great strain put

For many years he worked as a

His marked characteristics

Colonel Olcott has left a monu-

"Continuity of Life a Cosmic Truch

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he repeated this statement.

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homes of the Bavarian peasant, was several times after that year, reorganizing the American section and lectur-ing before conventions. He was here Frau Brucker said:

"Picture to yourself my boautiful silken shawl, that had been my mothhe retirement. of Mr. Leadbeater would wear after me-there it was spread over the bed like a counterpane; my beautiful silver chains and brooches were rolled up in dirty tow-els; my embroidered aprons and striped skirts were lying on the floor. My beautiful linen skirts were twisted up, and pushed under the furni-Colonel Olcott's time in this country ture, and my fur hat (a greatly valued possession) was stuck on the top

of a fake handle in a corner." These stories amused me greatly, which seemed incomprehensible

thing which has disgraced us forever. A crucifix and shrine were to be carried to the top of one of the mountain peaks and consecrated. Everyone Colonel Olcott and Mme. Blavatsky get rid of the extraordinary trouble that had fallen upon them. who could walk was naturally expected to join the pilgrimage to take part In the ceremony. My husband and So far as I was able to ascertain, other members of the family were a Martin (the son) went as soon as it no real hurt or damage to person or ing out, but in another direction. communication to the 'survivor from

selves considerably wiser than our neighbors. It was only after travprovement of his possessions. They were in fact, as he told us himself, "his God." He was good to his peoto work well in order to become a ling with holy water, and holy a short ple, because it paid; secular educa-teacher herself. At the end of a week service in each. This was in August tion he agreed to so far as it enabled

> of their tormenters behind them, or useful in many respects. He did not if they remain, that they have been believe in hell himself, but thought a brought to see the error of their ways. It is only natural for most persons, wholesome fear of it was a restriction and also a spur to good behavior and on hearing such a story as this, to honest dealing on the part of his subconclude at once that the doings must ordinates. He said more than once, be attributed to some mischief-loving when we proposed teaching the peo-

In his earth\_life Jan Froding had which I privately came on first hear- been no worse than many men in his

opened, and the contents taken out ing of these nonsensical pranks, and position; perhaps he did more good and strewn about the cottage. It was only when I saw the anxiety than many would have done, though and distress of each member of the he frankly told us that if he did good family that I was obliged to attribute the manifestations to an occult cause. Use anyone it was not from any particular intention on his part. He was er's and my grandmother's, that I In the first place, if the mischief was honest, because it paid better and was wore when I married, and my girl attributable to the persons themselves, less trouble. He never cheated, he then each member was alike guilty, said, but if a man was willing to sell which was scarcely probable when one something for a hundred kroner, considered the damaging results to which he knew to be worth a thousthemselves. Again, the disturbance and, well, that was the man's stupidi-in their home, on the occasion of the ty, and it would have been equally as pilgrimage, was at a time when every stupid on his part had he not taken member of the family had left home advantage of it. He told us frankly to join the procession. It brought so that he was good and helpful to us much obloquy upon them (the priest because he got a good measure of sat-was scandalized, the neighbors isfaction by our following or heeding shunned them as though they had his advice. He was, as I have said, some infectious disease) that they distinctly human, neither a demon atwhose boast it was that they had nev- play nor an elemental, as he might

Frau Brucker, who shed tears during the recital, and continued: "But worse came than that, some-thing which has disgraced us forever. might again be looked upon as decent proved very helpful, though we have Christian folk, and in the hope that in not always been brought into commu-new surroundings they might perhaps, nication with them.

One Sunday I was asked to take a telegram to the telegraph office. The So far as I was able to ascertain, other members of the family were go-

which he did not understand." their scientifically trained minds, and Telling a friend of this dangerous alytical and critical, have been slow journey and the incident mentioned, to accept phenomena which ordinary, she was scandalized that we had called on a spirit for help. "We ought to have called on God," she said. My friend replied that she had called on the spirit just as she would have the spirit just as she would have

haps others as well, to explain called for help from any passer-by, had she seen one, and she knew that we Spiritualists should meet with so 'Walter," though a spirit, was a man, much opposition from persons who and a strong one, and besides, has not are quite as anxious as we are that the the Apostle Paul said in his Epistle fact of another life after this should to the Hebrews: "Are they not all be established, ministering spirits, sent forth to do Everyone wa

Everyone wants to live on. No one service for the sake of them that shall is exactly anxious to be assured that ought to give the more earnest heed when the earth closes over his body. haply we drift away from them." and the tests which are applied to our (Heb. i. 14, ii. 1.) In spite of this re-minder, I think our correspondent might imagine we were trying to force still considers us not far removed them to accept something undesired and distasteful. from heathenism. These experiences are not uncom-

As I say, it is a mystery. Perhaps mon; anyone traveling that particular it is a desire for absolute certainty path on the field of Psyche will find that makes us refuse to accept facts them, and find also that there is prac-tically no end to them. till we find them flawless. So we go on searching for flaws, and having we go As I said before, there are number found one, we cast aside the precious less paths, and another, equally if not more interesting, is entered through the door of the seance room. Of the diamonds that have been brough to diamonds that have been brought to

discoveries made on that path you light have not been without flaws, but who have-traveled it, all know as well we must remember that they were diaas I. We have learned very much since the door was opened to us, but monds after all.

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we have blamed our mediums, the other sitters, the conditions-any-Sends Letters to the Rich and Poor Alike in Which He Advises Them About Business, Marriage, Speculation, Love Affairs, Wealth, Etc. that investigators or explorers ought

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a few-little facts we should do well to keep in mind. We must not forget In his office in New York City, surthat they must be fed, clothed, and housed. I saw a letter in the "Light," ounded by charts and dials of strange lesign, Prof. Albert H. Postel studies a couple of weeks ago, from a person asking if it was right that a medium daily over the lives of men and women who have written him for advice on should be paid for his work. He anaffairs of business, love, speculation, swered the question himself by saving travel, marriage, health and the impor-I would recommend that pertant events of life. The following letson to try the experiment on himself ter gives an idea of Mr. Postel's ability:

and let the readers of the "Light" know the result of working without wages.

not a tithe of what there is still to learn. At the first we prided our-

selves on our knowledge and felt our-

ersing some distance of the road that

we began to doubt our wisdom, and,

finally, it has been forced upon us

that we know very little, so little that

we are constantly making mistakes

and having to retrace our steps and

start out afresh. The things we

trusted in most have failed us, and

body or anything except our individ-

ual selves, who are, of course, all

that our mediums are human beings,

to be!

'No."

Everyone wants to get as much as possible for his money. Hence the crime of "sweating" so much in evidence in England. And I, who have been a medium and know the strain to which mediums are subjected while evercising their powers, carnestly entreat everyone concerned not to apply the system to my brother and sister mediums, for it can only result in disaster all around. All honest work should be honestly paid for, and the workers should not be overworked.

Another important point which I fancy few people realize is the great temptations they are constantly placing before mediums-subtle temptations which affect the best part of their characters-their sympathies. Mediums would be more or less than human if they did not feel acutely the cries for help and comfort constantly addressed to them. I know it all, and know that there is no pain worse than having to look on at suffering,

feeling ourselves powerless to relieve it. To this mediums are constantly exposed, and, as I said before, mediums are but human. At the same time I would remind mediums that

and published that year by J. W. Bouton. It attracted some attention, but the event which made the Theosophical society known throughout the civil-ized world was the notoriety attending the wublic celebration of the funeral the bad ever received a genuine mest. a message from his lost wife. I was powerless, and my inability to obtain any communication for him made me really unhappy. I wrote and told him so, adding that if at any time it lay in my power to help him I would do so. A year later an opportunity came, and I sent for him. After keepa circle waiting two hours he came. and on my asking if he was feeling a little happier, he seemed at a loss to know what I meant. I reminded him of his letters. "Oh! yes," he said, "I remember, but that was a year ago. wrote to several mediums about that time, but I am not so interested in these things now." It afterwards transpired that he had re-married some time before, so that if one wife was unable to console him by communications, he took another, and seemed quite happy, and no longer asked for messages from his lost angel. There are too many mourners of this type, and they are a danger to which mediums and spirit controls alike are exposed. Even if the medium is perfectly honest in intention, be that some spirit working may through him is tempted by his great desire to help and comfort the tor-tured souls, to deceive by personating he spirit of the loved and lost one.

MISS EFFA M. TRYON.

Prof. Postel: Dear Sir—You are certainly the most onderful astrologer living. Every one of your predictions came true. I consider that you" not only saved me from an awful death, but prevented the loss of hundreds of dollars. I trust that many people will profit by your advice. Sincerely,



he had ever received a genuine mesrites of one of its members, Baron de sage from her. Palm, a Bavarian by birth, whose Mme. Blavatsky's Last Word.

body was cremated in December, 1875. Golonel Olcott had before the founding of the Theosophical society been interested in Spiritualism and had Mme. Blavatsky's word was "Come," written his book. "People From the' and that it-was given him now be Other World," before meeting Mme. 'cause he would soon join her in the Blavatsky. It was while at the other life. Colonel Olcott would not house of the Eddy Brothers in Ver- admit nor deny that he had received mont that he was introduced to Mme. the correct word, but he spent the Blavatsky, who had but recently ar- greater part of the night before sail-rived in New York. Judge John H. ing in writing a long letter to the rived in New York. Judge John H. ing in writing a long letter to the Edmonds was one of her earliest person who had warned him that he friends in this city, and he considered her to be a medium of great power.

#### Knew Mme. Blavatsky.

society. He expressed the belief that Colonel Olcott at the beginning of it would live on and grow in usefulness and concluded by saying that if his acquaintance with Mme. Blavatsky considered her a medium, and it, was he died he would quickly reincarnate not until some months later that he in some princely family in Europe and be ready to take part in the great revised his judgment and accepted her declarations that her psychic powers events that are to occur within the had no relation whatever with medinext fifty years in Europe. umship and were due entirely to her own soul power. She instructed him was to die for two years to come; as in the Eastern teachings of Karma according to a phophecy made to him and interested him in the Mahatmas, in India by a traveling fakir he was to her teachers, to whom she attributed live until 1909 and die while travelher powers as a trained psychic. ing.

They went to India to devote their upon his shoulders in recent years he lives to the work they had outlined might have made good his prophecy, in the Theosophical society constitufor he had a strong constitution and tion and they continued at this work was a vigorous man up to a year or to the end of their lives. They were the founders of the society and Colotwo ago. nel Olcott was its first and only presi-

healer, and was represented to have performed many cures through his dent. One of the first events that followed magnetic strength. .. He never prethe establishing of the Theosophical tended to be anything of a medium society headquarters at Bombay, Inor psychic, and had no spiritual gifts to distinguish him above his fellowdia, was a wordy war with the Rev. Josephus Cook, who was at that time men. in India on a missionary tour. It was were his firm faith in the "Masters" the beginning of the many rows that and his unchanged belief in their permarked the history of the society. sonal guidance of the Theosophicai The Theosophist, the organ of the

society. His death leaves the organization society, was founded in the fall of 1879, and for several years thereafter without a head, but it is thought that mush of the time of both Colonel Ol-A. P. Sinnett, the president of the cott and Mme. Blavatsky was devoted London society, will succeed him. Mr. Sinnett is the most distinguished to its interests. In England a society had been started and there were of all the members of the society, and smaller societies in France and Gerdid more after Mme. Blavatsky went to India than anyone else to help her. many.

The year 1884 saw the two foun-His book. "The Occult World," deders, of the society in Europe again scribing phenomena performed by her, and accompanied by several Hindoo made a great stir at the time it ap-peared. Another book of his, "Esoscholars, who had become members teric Buddhism," has been a great of the society. It was during this year, while they were in London, that help to the movement. There are less than 15,000

such men as Gladstone. Professors Crookes and Wallace, Lord Rayleigh, bers in the society now and it is broand Professor Sedgwick became in ken into several factions. The head terested in the society and visited the of the accredited section in this country is Alexander Fullerton, general founders of its

In this year it was also that the secretary of the American branch. Society for Psychical Research, found-ed in 1883, appointed a committee to ment to himself in the great library go to Adjar to investigate the charges. he established at Adjar and housed in of the Coulombs made against Mme. Is beautiful building. He had indus-Blavatsky. The late Professor Hodg- triously gathered documents and son rendered a report to the effect books relating to the Theosophical movement which will enable some that Mme. Blavatsky had been implicated in the production of fraudulent, industrious chronicler to write a cor phenomena by the assistance of Mme. rect narrative of the rise and progress Coulomb and her husband, and storles of the movement. were sont brondcast that the so-calle Mahatma or "Great Soul" who had

diffected the work of the Theosophical society was a myth.

Replies to Charges. To all the attacks made upon his colleague Colonel Olcott had a ready

it is a great climb, and the things her unaccountable behavior, was said before I came back.

dles, together with all the folks in the animal had alled nothing physi-dismay by the recollection that I had the village, started from the church cally, so that a valuable animal was at six o'clock. My girl and I, of needlessly sacrificed. at six o'clock. My girl and I, of course, joined them. We had turned

course, joined them. We had turned the cows and goats out in the meadow and locked all the doors and windows overed to have been thrown down overed the telegram, so could not before going to church. The procession set off and had to pass close to our house on its way; and think! as we passed, chanting the litany,

dozen men were dancing the Schueplattl inside. The people all turned and looked at any of the Bruckers. us, even the priest turned and frowned. I felt that I would like to hide myself. I could hardly walk for were such as might have been pro-les overhead. It futtered to the gether. When we reached our house children. we could not get in; the keys turned in the locks, but the doors would not stand a Spiritualist's theory as to the

hay-loft, and had not been opened for years that I remember, but they were now safe with the an-he got into the house that way and saw that the doors and window-shut-their committing any act that would ters-had been barred on the inside, cause any person's unhappiness which explained why they would not In my own mind I did not feel quite open. Since then our lives have been so sure. I have had some experiwretched. The priest came, read ence of young people and their amuse-prayers, and sprinkled holy water ments, but, of course, I could not con-over everything, but it did no good. tradict the mother; but it amused me The people do not like to come near

iserable." in church for the repose of the souls Such was the substance of the sto- of her children. "Perhaps withwere a good many more details, each thought it would do no harm to be were a good many more details, each member of the family adding fresh items of information as the story proceeded. I think they were anxious to learn whether I considered them disqualified for service on this account, manifestations were not the work of and seemed greatly relieved to find any member of the family still in the that I had made no objection. In fact, though I did not tell them so, I was rather glad. I had an idea that

the fact of being friendly disposed towards these unseen powers might possibly convert them into useful helpers instead of mischief-makers. My experiences in the seance room seemed to warrant the assumption. The Brucker family removed themelves and their cattle up the mounwell, everybody was pleased, and my the beginning of our acquaintance-summer sojourn in the mountains, ship Jan Froding was unquestionably came to an end and we returned a "disturber." We went even faither home. Not very long afterwards, a month or six weeks, perhaps, I had a communication from my acquaintanc- munication being established between and failshed off with the request to be as a helper and adviser in all emer-"delivered from the Bruckers before gencies. His interest in the estates,

-which had previously belonged to they were ruined." I was obliged to undertake the long him-was very keen, his foresight, or By Prof. Wm. M. Lockwood. The work of a strong, logical thinker, on a deeply ourney again, and on making inqui- what seemed to us his foresight, was ies heard long and bitter complaints never at fault. His understanding of of the mischief that was done wherever any of the Brucker family were their prejudices, and his advice how riage righted itself as if upheld, ad-employed. The cows had been in the to win them over to new methods, ding that it was 'a God's miracle

were heavy. The procession, with to have been bewitched. However, a about a mile and sat down on a seat the priest and choir boys, with can- post-mortem examination showed that in the park, when I wes struck with On one occasion, in a house visited knew the message was important, covered to have been thrown down not read the telegram, so could not and bound by straw ropes, so skillful- re-write it, and I knew that the telely made and tied that the animals had graph office would soon close for the

been unable to extricate themselves day. and had, to some extent, been injured I tried to think of some way of getthere was the awfulest noise of laugh-in their struggles. After this, and ting into the house, or of trying to ter, shouts, and of clogs, as though a one or two other unpleasant experi-find some one of the household who ences, it is not to be wondered at that had a key, but I had to give it up; I Oh, it was terrible! the neighbors objected to visits from did not know where they were to be found. While worrying over the dif-

trembling, and my poor Madel was as duced by any mischievous practical ground. It was an open sheet of pabad, we could not pray for weeping, joker, and it occurred to me that, as per which I recognized instantly as All the people shrank from us so that the couple had lost several children, the telegram I had left lying on the we had to walk by ourselves. When it was possible that if any of the fam- table half an hour before. Of how it we reached the top I told my, husband ily were mediumistic the manifesta-, came, or who brought it, I have to and Martin, and we came down to- tions might be attributed to these this day no knowledge, but I accepted the fact) and was sincerely thank-

hildren. I endeavored to make them under-ful. Just one more instance where open. After trying every way, Mar- source of such doings, and suggested friend and I received valuable assisttin got a ladder and climbed up to a the possibility to them, but the good ance. We were returning home after little window over the stable. It was folks resented the idea that their a railway journey. It was late in the fastened, but he broke it and got in, fastened, but he broke it and got in, and under the roof till he could open a trap-door which was under the hay some of them had been veritable imps, of wind was raging, as it seems to me before they were removed to Paradise, the wind can rage only in that particular neighborhood.

We had ten miles to drive and the road for the most part is much exposed. The horses were nervous, and required all the coachman's attention, for they could scarcely make any headway because of being driven sideways by the force of the. wind. It was dark, but we could hear the snapping when I heard a little later that she of branches and the downward rush us nor speak with us, and it is all very had arranged for masses to be read in church for the reness of the could of trees as they were uprooted by the storm. Now and then we got a little shelter, where the road was cut through the rising ground, but we felt

absolutely ruining themselves.

that we were in considerable danger, on the safe side and bribe the spirit particularly when, coming to the crest children into good behavior.9 of a hill, a sudden widtent gust of wind lifted the carriage from the So far I have not heard the result: but it seems to be certain that the ground, and it was only balancing itself on the two wheels on the leeward side. flesh; they were tool greatesufferers because of them to have persisted in

My friend and, I who had been sitting silent from the start, gripping each other's hands, simultaneously exa course which was injuring, if not claimed, "Dear Walter, come and help It must not be supposed that these us." ('Walter' is a spirit friend with disturbing influences are always of whom we are both acquainted.) I do not know how long the carriage had a mischievous character: I have heard of and known many aftelpful ones. run on the two side wheels, it seemed Some of you may "remember the to us to have been ages, but instantly case of Jan Froding, of which I spoke after our, appeal we felt, a lurch against the wind and the carriage setwhen I last had the pleasure of adtain and began their work. All went dressing you some two years ago. In tied itself into its proper position The remainder of the journey was over the most exposed part. We had no more shelter, the wind, if it was than that and denounced him as an possible, increased in violence, but through it all we had a distinct and "unmitigated nuisance;" but, on comunmistakable feeling that the carriage es in which they complained greatly, us, he became exceedingly valuable was being upheld on the leeside, and it ran evenly on its four wheels, till we reached home.

On reaching home we spoke to the coachman-who was as thankful as we were to have escaped accidentand he asked us if we had noticed his countrymen, their character, and how, in the critical moments the car

believe until a-better understanding between mediums and investigators 'established, and until both medi ums and investigators have learned somewhat of the psychic nature of man, the problem will remain un

solved. It is a study that is open to every man and woman, for it con-cerns everyone alike, and the sooner the ranks of the students are multi mied, the sooner we shall arrive at a satisfactory answer- to the question. (It is quite certain that the investigator will become a Spiritaulist, but that s a detail.) .

The promiscuous phenomena I have spoken of are not always in evidence. Their occurrence is erratic and uncer-tain, but the road through mediumship in the seance room is always Many learned and clever men open. have been tempted, perhaps forced. into this road, and have testified to the discoveries they have made upon It. Their testimony is very valuable:

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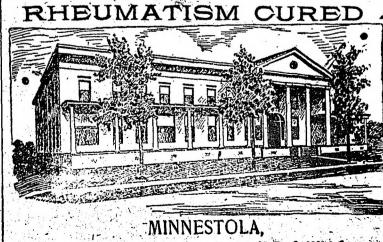
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Not Parallel Cases.

An Episcopal clergyman of Chicago lately declared in his pulpit:

"Were the state here to claim the ownership of the churches we worship in, the investments, books, and other accessories we use in divine worship, or to insist that we use them only by the permission of the state, there is the priest or congregation in land that would not refuse."

Rev. Dr. Stone was criticising the late action of the French government tu regard to the falsely stated confis-Catholic churches. Evication of dently he neglected to take into condifference between sideration the property in America and Here the church and its fur-France. nishings are individual property, the cost usually voluntarily contributed by its members. In France the cost of the soil on which the structure is erected, as the building itself, came out of the national treasury. And the officiating priest derived his support from the same source. The money was wrung from the pockets of all classes and all beliefs, a majority, probably, having no sympathy with Catholicism. In taking possession of the churches the government only reclaimed its own. those churches was tendered the late occupants, conditioned they acknowledge the sover- act of- March, 1860, p. 392 of the eignty of the state. This they were | namphlet laws of that version, reads instructed by the Pope not to do, so as follows: the authorities took possession, and will do as they please with their own. Our American clergy are intent on usurping control of this government, Holy Spirit, or the Holy Scriptures of and running it in their interest. Ev- Truth, such person, on 'conviction ory act of theirs betrays their pur-thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dolpose. They would have the churches lars, and undergo an imprisonment built, and the cost of their support not exceeding three months, or either taken from the national treasury. No at the discretion of the court.' person but a churchman would hold a This act is almost identical with public office, if they could prevent it. laws in force in all the original thir-They would do just what France and teen states. Those states carved out Great Britain are trying to get rid of, of the Northwestern territory, toa union of church and state.

Be fare to Read It. The Arrest and Acquittat of Mediums in Indianapolis. If The Progressive Thinker has single patron who falled to read the

Our crowded columns will not allow two column article on page 7, in our is to give in full detail the particulars issue of March 80, headed, "The Bible of the recent stir-up among mediums Crumbling," copied from the Chicago on the Indianapolis field. We there-Fribune, we pray him most earnestly. fore condense reports therefrom, for to hunt up the paper, and read every which we are indebted to Mrs. Martha word of it. And those who shall find Woolsey and others. On Tuesday they have read it, we ask them to morning, the 2nd Inst., the courtread it again. It was not written by a room of Police Judge Whallon looked Spiritualist, nor an Agnostic, but by a as if it were the place for holding a lover of truth still within the church, mass-meeting of Spiritualists. Local as we infer by expressions in the armediums and lay workers were out in ticle. The writer of that article had force. President Schram and Secrebrains to comprehend a fact, and tary Mong of the Indiana State Assobravery to declare his convictions, ciation, and Dr. George B. Warne, though what he writes is a vital vice-president of the N. S. A. were also there to aid by their presence, and apblow, not only to a crumbling Bible, but it is equally destructive to a badly pearance on the witness stand. if necshattered creed. The closing words essary, the cause of justice.

of that article, near the foot of the-After disposal of the ordinary econd column of the page, struck us drunks" and "disorderlies" customwith great force: arily heard at such a place, the court

"Truth is never tolerant of Error; passed to the hearing of the cases and a good cause gains nothing by against the well-known mediums, Mrs. compromise. If there is anything for Woolsey, Mrs. Frances Ruddick, and which men should contend; it is the Mrs. Annie Throndsen, J. Dwight living and eternal truth of God." Hagaman had sworn out warrants Such words deserve to be written in against them and others, charging vloletters of gold, and should be memolation of the city's ordinance, forbidrized by every honest thinker .ding the advertising of clairvoyant Let it be remembered, the first and well-known phases of mediumistic

step towards accepting Christianity, phenomena. with all its terrible errors, is belief The defendants were ably represent ed by Attorneys Holmes and Groninthat Jesus is the eternal son of God. It was not enough for a Servetus to ger, who maintained that under the declare, "He is the son of the Eternal Indiana statutes the special charter of God," but he must concede "he is the Indianapolis did not authorize the city council to levy an annual license of eternal son." that is: Jesus had no beginning, but co-existed from eternity fifty dollars upon mediums, and also that such demonstrations were a part with the Father. That was too much for a philosopher, and a man of sense, of the religious ceremonials of Spiritso Servetus was chained to the stake, | ualism.

the books he had written were The city prosecutor contended that strapped to his person, and, to pro they were shows because an admission long his sufferings, he was burned fee was charged. He introduced only with green wood; and John Calvin, one witness, the redoubtable Hagaman the author of the Presbyterian creed. himself. Mrs. Throndsen and Mrs. who had instigated the crime against Ruddick were sworn in their own dehumanity, is one of the most distin fense. Spicy exchange of Compliments and legal contentions passed between

guished Protestant fathers. The church is generous after all the lawyers, of whom Attorney It proffers us a reserved seat in heav Holmes easily proved himself the en, a large bribe certainly, if we will keenest one of the entire bunch: belleve Jesus is the Savior of 'the Finally the judge ordered the above world. If we do not accept the allur- defendants discharged, and the pending offer then: "Believe or be ing cases against all the other medidamned," and the bottomless pit with ums dismissed, among whom were sulphurous flame, and of eternal durasuch well-known workers as Mrs. Amibile, Mrs. Mattie Hayden and - Mrs. tion follows.

The laws of all Christian countries | Hattie Meadows. from the days of Constantine to our It is believed Hagaman took the exown times, have been enacted to protreme step he did in retallation for the tect a belief forced on the world. We reading of a letter from a public platdenounce the Catholics for destroying form by Mrs. Woolsey, written by great libraries, and positively forbid-President Barrett-in which he stated ding the reading of books which would as facts some things said to have occurred in the courts of Michigan. furnish the truth in regard to the infamous acts of the church: but Protwhich the notorious ex-medium insisted were not complimentary to himself. estants are equally careful to guard their members from knowing the Advantage was taken of Dr. Warne's truth. They exclude from the public presence in the city, and a meeting libraries all books which militate held at the old First Spiritualist against and expose their wrong do-Church on Wednesday evening, atings; and though they have no Index tended by a good-sized audience. While giving positive information as Expurgatorius, the average churchman absolutely refuses to read, else seem | to Kingsley's methods of gathering incapable of comprehending what is matter for his spirit messages, Dr. Warne gave it as his belief that the taught them. former was the notorious Jules Wal-We hoast of the freedom of sueech

and of the press in America; but here | lace himself. Hagaman came in for | is a quotation from the statute books some direct shots based upon Moses investment. of Pennsylvania enacted in 1700, and [Hull's portrayal of him during the be-

## SPIRIT : RETURN. The Secular Press Its Counterfeiter---Legerdemain.

Spirit Return is one of the grandest truths that ever came to this earth. The good it has accomplished in enlightening mankind in regard to the spirit world and future existence is so great that IT CAN NOT BE ESTI-MATED BY THE USE OF THE ENG-LISH LANGUAGE. Notwithstanding this important fact, there are millions on the earth to-day who are in darkness with reference to its truthfulness, and who are still hugging to their

bosoms old superstitions and traditions of the past, and who are in a most lamentable state of ignorance. Those composing this class, when they once see the light, and begin to recognize its importance, and get a glimmer of knowledge in reference to the celestial regions, and understand that they can communicate with their departed spirit friends, are often brought in contact with the trickster, and led astray, and often ruined. . It has been estimated and rightly, too, that it COST'S AS MUCH TO TAKE CARE OF CRIME AND CRIMINALS EACH YEAR AS IT DOES TO RUN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT THE SAMB LENGTH OF TIME. The trial of a single murder case, frequently

costs from \$75,000 to \$100,000. So numerous are those who stand ready to commit any crime in order to augment their earthly gains, that it is no wonder that they have been, attracted to the phenomena of Spiritualism as something that can measurably be imitated, and in proportion to their skillfulness, just in that degree will they be able to deceive the people, and make money thereby. Their ingenuity in imitating various spirit phenomena, is most remarkable, and their pretensions are monumental, and their uccess is just in proportion to the gullibility of those with whom they are prought in contact.

Legerdemain, often bewilderingly lextrous in its manipulations, has been brought into requisition, both in private circles and on the stage, and the eyes and the understanding of people have been deceived and led astray. The magician, like Kellar, has his spirit cabinet, and the way the 'spirits materialize and dematerialize" in the same-apparently-battles all descriptions. Not a half-dozen in the audience can even imagine how the deception is done, it is so complete, so beyond their comprehension or the range of their intellect. On the stage when practiced as legerdemain only, and is recognized as such, it is strictly legitimate as illustrating the wonderful skill of some in deceiving the eye and understanding.

To imitate the genuine spirit phe nomena HAS BECOME A REGULAR PROFESSION, and the same pays exceedingly well, or it would be at once relinquished as impracticable as an

Take for example the

# The Excellent Work It Is Doing for Spiritualism.

Dr. I. K. Funk, the distinguished author and investigator of psychical phenomena, sends us the following from the New York Herald, as illustrating the trend of the secular press in its treatment of Spiritualism, showing a disposition to deal fairly with it. The Doctor writes: "I am sure that the critical attitude of Spiritualists like yourself and the conservative investigators along scientific lines is having a very excellent effect on the public mind. A few years ago it would have been very unlikely that so friendly an article as the enclosed, which appeared in the Herald, would have been published in a paper of this character. The Spiritualists themselves should be the most exacting critics of spiritual phenomena. day than ever before. It is true that the number of its followers has long Moderation on their part will have a very excellent effect on the public mind."

Spiritualism to-day celebrates its the Christian Science following is inafty-ninth anniversary. Fifty-nine significant as compared with that of years ago to-day Modern Spiritualism, Spiritualism in the years between Spiritualism in the years between destined to become one of the mest 1848 and 1867. For it is now a matpopular and far reaching religious ter of record that the idea formu-movements of the nineteenth, or, in- lated by the two illiterate young girls deed, any other century, had its incep- in that little house in Newark was to tion in a little wooden house, which is grow and increase so rapidly that in that little house in Newark was to within two years the Spiritualists of the United States should number more still standing in the Hydesville road, near Newark, N. Y. than half a million and that, according In one of the two rooms of this little house there sat in the pleasant March to the Encyclopedia Britannica, they sunshine of the late afternoon a should have increased by the year 1867 to more than eleven millions in couple of young girls, Kate and Margaretta Fox. They were sewing car-the United States alone, or two-fifths pet rags, and as they sewed, discussed of the entire population at that time. of the entire population at that time. with much mirth the various April The Rochester Period.

Although Spiritualism was conceived

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fool jokes which they intended playing upon certain of their young friends on the following All Fools' Day. The girls were alone in the house, their and born in the little house in Newark, it was in Rochester, N. Y., that it was to develop to its eventual proporfather and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Abra-ham Fox, having gone to do the family tions. Hither the Fox sisters came to live with their sister, Mrs. Fish, sevmarketing in Newark that afternoon eral months after the incident narrat-And because they were all alone their ed, and so Rochester became in time merriment was allowed to flow regarded as the Mecca of Spiritualism, unrestrained by parental injunction. just as Concord is to-day regarded as In this merry fashion the afternoon the Mecca of Christian Scientists. It was drawing to its close, when sud-denly a loud knock upon the wall inwas after the removal to Rochester terrupted their flow of fun. The knock was so loud and imperious that Modern Spiritualism. both girls, allowing their carpet rags to drop to the floor, sprang instantly to their feet, both asking in the same breath who was there. They received no answer, but the unexplained knocking continued even louder and harder than before. The girls made a thorough examination of the prom-

The Fox sisters began to give what ses, ultimately convincing themselves vere known at first as seances, or spirthat the noise they heard was not becircles, at which lost relatives and ing effected by any visible human deceased eminent men and women agency. Finally Kate Fox, the elder were communicated with. The earliof the sisters, conceived the very origest communications were carried on, inal idea that the knocker, although invisible, was intelligent, and she as they had been in Newark, by means of raps or "percussive sounds." The notorious asked him to rap once for the letter novement spread like an enidemic

that its victims were only too glad to give it in every case the benefit of the doubt One of the most notorious of these frauds is of comparatively recent date and involved a series of lawsuits and litigation which are still pending in the courts. The case referred to was the exposure of Mrs. Ann Odelia

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Diss De Bar in the spirit picture fraud which she perpetrated upon Luther R. Marsh, a famous and very wealthy, New York lawyer. Those spirit pic-tures, for which he paid fabulous prices, were supposed to have been, painted by supernatural agency, just as the so-called spirit photographs are to-day supposed to be effected. The pictures which the Diss De Bar woman succeeded in paiming off on Mr. Marsh were not only believed by him to have been done by a mystic hand, but they purported to represent the various personages portrayed as they appeared in the spirit world. The personages included among oth-ers, the aged lawyer's deceased wife, and the late Adelaide Nellson, Mr. Marsh's "spirit wife."

But not all the sensationalism reregarding Spiritualistic - phenomena has been illfounded. The last decade of the pineteenth century witnessed some truly remarkable cases of mediimship, the most famous of which is that of Mrs. Piper, of Boston.

The Modern Trend.

Indeed, in spite of all the outrageous frauds which have been from its very inception perpetrated in the name of Spiritualism, in spite of the fanaticism of its zealous followers and the ignorance and superstition to which its more unscrupulous and dishonest apostles appealed, neverthe-less Spiritualism as a cult stands upon a more respectable footing to-day than ever before. It is true that since been reduced to a comparatively modest figure as against the eleven millions of 1867, but nevertheless the Spiritualists of to-day represent a class of people who as a rule are firm in their conviction. Within the last few years the Spiritualists have be gun to build their own churches and have organized themselves into co The largest herent religious bodies. of these churches is that known as the First Spiritualist Church of Brooklyn, the congregation numbering more than fifteen hundred.

There has also taken place within the same period of time a very great change of attitude toward Spiritual ism on the part of scientists and metaphysical scholars. The tendency to ridicule, or even to lightly regard the alloged phenomena of the Spiritualistic seauce has almost entirely disap peared on the part of the truly cul tured and enlightened. Where they do not evince a frank interest or absorbing concern in these phenomena the majority of scientific men to-day confess themselves in that respect as agnostics. They state that in face of the many strange things which they cannot understand and from which they have eliminated every possibility of fraud they cannot conscientiously deny that the Spiritualists may not be upon the eve of discovering some thing which has thus far eluded the grasp of organized science,

that the Fox sisters formulated and developed the cult now known as Indeed, Spiritualism numbers was here among its enthusiastic investigators that they first essayed the character of to-day some of the world's greatest Spiritualistic mediums and established scientific authorities--men like Proan alleged process whereby it was befessor William Crookes, Alfred Rus-sol Wallace, Professor William James, of Harvard University; Dr. Weir ieved that communication could be arried on at will between the world of the living and the world of the Mitchell, Professor Zollner, Sir David Brewster, Sir Oliver Lodge and a long list of other distinguished names. Among these there is perhaps, no better cultured or more scientific observ er than Br. Isaac K. Funk, of New York. Dr. Funk has been for a number of years devoting himself to the investigation of Spiritualistic phenomena, and one of the most aston-Those who sat at the seances of the ry was his "Widow's Mite and Other Fox sisters were often found to be-Psychic Phenomena," issued in 1904. - The Spirit of Beecher. The incident of the "Widow's Mite." which happened to be one of Dr. Funk's own personal experiences, has been and is still being a matter of discussion among scientists in evory portion of the civilized world. In the early part of February, 1903. Dr. Funk heard of a woman in Brooklyn, who, on every Wednesday even-ing, gave Spiritualistic "sittings" to Men her family and a few invited guests. He obtained an invitation and one evening attended. During the pro-gress of the seance the "control" through whom the medium supposedly communicated with the spirit world, asked abruptly: "Has anyone here got anything that belouged to He repeated the Mr. Beecher?" question several times, when sudden-Rochester, were perfecting the system ly Dr. Funk remembered that he had had discovered, and now were able, so a letter in his pocket from the Rev. Dr. Hillis, the present occupant of Mr. Beecher's pulpit. Dr. Funk informed him of the fact, but the con-They now began to detrol insisted that it was not a letter from Mr. Beecher's successor that Dr. Funk had in his possession, but, much followed the appearance of lights, to the latter's astonishment, he desounds clared that Mr. Beecher was much concerned about an ancient coin, "The Widow's Mite." This coin wat out of its place, the spirit declared and should be returned. Dr. Funl was the only person in the room who had known Mr. Beecher, the latter having been his life-long friend Naturally, he was astonished, at men tion of "The Widow's Mite," becaus( he remembered having borrowed it nine years before from a gentleman human in Brooklyn, a close frien nd of Mr. Beecher, and who had died four years before. Dr. Funk had borrewed it while the publishing house of which he was and is the head was making the Standard Dictionary. The man who loaned it to him cautioned him at the time that being so rare it was worth some hundred dollars, and that it was to be returned to the collection to which it belonged just as soon as it had served the purpose of the il-1852, when Mrs. Hayden, a profeslustrator. Dr. Funk had returned this coin, or so he believed, as soon as Within a month of her arrival it had been used, and he promptly, informed the control to this effect. The control insisted over and over again that it had not been returned to its owner, the name of whom the control was not able to state. Dr. Funk the next day called into sensationalism and variety by that of anything to do with "The Widow's Mite," each of whom was firm in the belief that it had been returned long When they had reyears before. tired Dr. Funk himself went to the Funk & Wagnalls safe, opened several drawers, and in the bottom of one of them, under a pile of papers, he found an envelope neatly labelled. "The Widow's Mite," to be returned immediately to Professor Charles E. West." Inside the envelope was found the coin. Dr. Funk-immediately made a thorough investigation. with the purpose of climinating ev-(Continued on page 8.)

Absurdities of Christian Teaching, A God who made the boundless universe, with more than fifty millions of suns, in a wrestling match with one of his creatures .-- Gen. 32:24. That same God talking face to face

with Jacob.-Gen. 32:29, 30. The route to heaven, a ladder on which angels ascend and - descend .---Gen. 28:12.

The sulphurous flames of a burning hell that never flamed. -

A God-made devil to keep alive the eternal fires of that hell. A Jewish maiden metamorphosed into the mother of God and Queen of

heaven. A supper in which the flesh of a God

is eaten, and his blood 15 drunk. An altar on which sacrificed victims are roasted, yet have ceased to smoke. A baptism, otherwise purification, Quentin prison to determine the which never cleanses.

'A Savior who never saves until a falsehood is believed. -

A Redeemer who never redeemed. Death on a cross for the sins of the protracted experiments in Boston world by an agonizing God at the have made the rounds of the secular hands of men.

A Prince of Peace directing his fol- in the subject. lowers to bring his enemies to be A prisoner was to have been exeslain before him.

ment of his disciples, consisting of a we may receive a report before we go sleeveless tunic, a sort of shirt in fact, to press; but we apprehend may rebe sold to buy swords. And then promising those broth- source will not prove satisfactory: Beers, or sisters, or father, or mother, or sides it would seem difficult to perwife, or children who have forsaken form so desirable an operation from their houses, a hundred fold and ever- the scales to the gallows, then from lasting life .- Matt. 19:29. A teacher of "love your enemies," requiring the multitude to HATE variation is expected.

father, and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yea, his own life, else he could not become his disciple! -Luke 14:26. made before the question is permitted These are enough of the Christian to rest.

absurdities for the present. They It was fortunate Prof. Larkin pubshould be thought over . at leisure, lished the facts in regard to corpuscles and be eliminated from the holy book, which science has demonstrated at the and from popular belief. time hnidid.

re-enacted in 1860. Sec. 32 of that bate with W. F. Jamieson. Slatewriting by Mrs. Ruddick and messages by Mrs. Throndsen followed the lecture.

-All of this commotion is drawing "If any person shall wilfully, prethe Spiritualists of Indianapolis closer meditatedly, and despitefully blaspheme, or speak loosely and profanely together; past differences are being of Almighty God, Christ Jesus, the forgotten; former misunderstandings forgiven and old jealousies buried. In a mysterious way the spirit world brings about its ends. Truth can never be permanently unhorsed. Superstition on a Rampage.

chain" having been formed by our good Christian brothers, and that the wit: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin, which were protected by the Ordinance of 1789, were not,

and could not be cursed by such a "chain" has just come to light. Here statute as we have vrecited, hence is one of the letters: blasphemy is unknown to our Illinois "Dear Friend and Christian :- Belaws. Thanks to the influence of low is a prayer chain just as it was Thomas Jefferson. - This fact has alsent to me. So I send it to others. for lowed Chicago and its press to publish I do not want it broken in my hands. what Boston, New York. Philadelphia May God bless you and others to keep it going: and Washington can only publish un-'O, Lord Jesus, we implore thee, O der the shadow of the penitentiary.

The Liberal press in all the original states is necessarily careful to not take us to live with thee eternally." place-itself in danger of criminal prosecutions by criticising the junior God. his Spook associate; or the pretended Jewish history.

The Weight of a Soul.

Late news from San Francisco said an-attempt was to be made in San

weight of a human soul. Dr. P. Sumsaid he who would write this prayer ner, the prison physician determined would be delivered from every calamto superintend the work in the interity. Please do not let this .stop in est of science. The reports of the your hands. I have written this just as I received to others. Sincerely, "OHRISTIAN."

Look at that prayer: "O. Lord Jesus, Eternal God!" If that is not press, and all the world is interested idolatry, where shall we find-it? child March 22; for murder. He Think of a Jewish mother giving birth That same Prince directing the gar was selected for a subject. Possibly to the Eternal God, nursing him, dandling him on her knee, and caring for him through all his infantile years, sults gained through a criminal then his dying on a cross! And this science.

> But it carries a lie on its face. It says "Bishop Lawrence of Massachuthe gallows to the scales so as to setts dictated it." Bishop Lawrence avoid trifling errors, when so small a indignantly denies he ever commanded or authorized the prayer, and he de-General attention having been arnounces it as "a practical joke, or the rested by the publication, an abundwork of some insane religious enthusance of observations will now be inst."

> > The postal authorities have tried in vain to break the chain. It has be- ful as applause for sin -- Anon. come an exasperating nulsance to the postoffice department. Recipients beg the government officials to break the chain; but it grows stronger each

'Rev." "Dr." Moore, the materializing medium of New York. During the whole of his eventful career, it is alleged that legerdemain of the most

bungling kind has been his chief instrument in deceiving . the insatiate gullibles that flocked to his seances. The Light of Truth, the special organ of all the fakes in our ranks, extolled Moore to the very skies, and he hustled for subscribers for that paper, and completely ignored The Progressive Thinker, and for which he is entitled to our special thanks.

It is wonderful how the little fellow Mention was made several months with a modicum of brains only, sucago in these columns, of a "prayerceeded in hoodwinking his sitters, as the extreme, and pronounced by an ex- the murdered pedler departed, leaving movers were hopeful of converting the world to their creed through its in- pert who saw through the deception, as the veriest rot imaginable. It is a strumentality. The nature of that sad commentary on the intelligence of a certain class that they should be so were naturally filled easily misled.

Startling as the assertion may eem. YOU-CAN NOT BY ANY POS-SIBLE MEANS AT YOUR COMMAND outburst of amazement to consider BID SPIRITUALISM ENTIRELY OF THIS FAKE ELEMENT-you can Eternal God, to have mercy on all mankind; to keep us from all sin, and only hold it in check, and thus preinfluence in our ranks. No sooner "This prayer is dictated by Bishop Lawrence, \_of Massachusetts, He is one fake medium exposed, than ancommands that it be written and sent other at once appears before the pubto nine other persons. He who will lic. Take for example LaMott, a manot do it will be afflicted by some misterializing medium of Stockton. Cal. fortune, and persons who pay no attention to it will meet with a terrible He held in perfect subjection his large accident. He who will write this and influential circle of extreme gulprayer for nine days and send it to libles, some of whom were wealthy, nine others, commencing the day you receive this (only one each day) will and they contributed largely to swell after nine days experience some great lils bank account to the sum of \$35,-joy. At Jerusalem at the feast, it was 000, and then exposure being at hand. 000, and then exposure being at hand, he fled to other sections with the amount. "They Stockton Evening Mail alleges there was a plot among some as I received it. Now, please send it of the mombers to murder certain parties who were loud in their dennneiations of them LaMott scheme. But more about this will follow.

month, and absolutely burdens the mails. "The threat that he who receives the letter and neglects for nine days to copy and mail to nine persons "will be afflicted by some misfortune," prayer, in this age of learning and and they who, give it no attention will meet with a terrible accident." stimulates the superstitious to push on the work. Ignorance and supersti- are now called "mediums." tion have joined hands, and the fool. chain will not be broken for years.

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

Beecher. Platitudes against sin are as harm Man alone is and shall be our god Feuerbach. Where all are selfish, the sage is n better than the fool, and only rather more dangerous,-Froude.

the letter on. The Murdered Peddler.

ome mediums themselves, and their in their turn developed mediumship in Much to their amazement, not to say terror, the mysterious knocker reothers. Indeed, it seemed that the sponded to the suggestion, and within mere reading of accounts of seances, a phenomenally brief time communica- a subject treated of at great length in ] tion was established. The rapper in the press of that day, was sufficient to this way introduced himself as the develop the peculiar susceptibility in spirit of a pedler. He declared that some persons, while others, who bemany, many years before he had been came mediums ultimately, did so only murdered in this very house in which after prolonged and patient waiting. The result was that spirit circles the Fox family now lived and that he had been buried in the cellar beneath sprang up all over the country. they and women of all classes, and of all their feet, where he declared might find his bones any time they degrees of culture and intelligence,

might choose to dig for them in the became interested in the phenomena. In certain communities every family corner which he indicated. Having delivered himself of this established its spirit circle, which consensational statement, and indicating vened at regular hours each day for some jewelry which they would find; the purpose of holding communion his devious methods were bungling in the knockings ceased and the spirit of, with deceased members. Meanwhile, the Fox sisters, up in

the young women in highly wrought nervous condition to await the homeof spirit communication which they coming of their parents. The latter, returning at nightfall, they believed, to obtain results by more complicated means than the earwith astonish-

ment at the story related by their lier "raps." daughters. They were incredulous, velop myste velop mysterious powers of "table turning," the ringing of bells and and, due to the proximity of All Fools' Day, were inclined after their first playing of musical instruments. Later themselves merely the victims of their quasi-human voices, musical produced supposedly without instrufun-loving daughters' somewhat exaggerated sense of humor. Mr. and Mrs. ments, the materialization or presence Fox would have been perfectly willing in material form of what seemed to be vent it from having a full controlling to let the matter go with this explana- human hands, faces, etc., and ultition, but their daughters were firm in mately of complete figures, alleged to asseverating the truth of their story. be not those of any person present, Not only that, but to prove it they sug- and sometimes claimed by witnesses as gested tearing up the floor of the cel- deceased relatives. The Fox sisters also began now to lar and producing the bones of the . The Fox sisters also began now to murdered pedler. This Mr. Fox re- experiment with "psychography." or

fused to listen to, but his daughters "direct drawing and writing," supwere so insistent that eventually, in posed to be done without order to dispose of the matter once agency. They also gave manifesta-and for all, he decided to grant their tions of their ability to unfasten request, and the next morning found cords and bonds; elongation of the the entire family engaged in digging medium's body; handling of red hot up the southeast corner of the cellar. coals, and apparent passage of solids They had dug but a few inches through solids without disintegrawhen they made the startling discov- tion. Meanwhile, as interest in the new

ery that bones were buried there and a few minutes afterward they had un-cult spread in this country, it also earthed the dismembered skeleton of travelled to Europe, though little ina man whom the girls identified by va- terest was manifested there until rious articles the spirit had mentioned. an old-fashioned watch and a brass sional from Boston, went over to Loning, as the bones of the murdered don. pedler whose spirit had spoken to Spiritualism spread like wild-fire not them the day before. Only over all England, but all over the

hem the day before. Naturally the news of this remark-| Continent as well. So great, indeed,

able thing spread rapidly all over the was the furor caused by the Boston and was at that moment in a drawer neighborhood and finally reached New- woman's demonstrations that it is in a safe under a lot of papers. Where ark and New York City. The result said on eminent scientific authority this safe was to be found the control was that a great many people came to that, in the year 1853 table-turning did not knew. All he could tell was the Fox house and communicated with was the all-absorbing interest in ev- ) that Mr. Beecher wished it returned the spirit in the same way, Kate and ery middle class and aristocratic fam-Margaretta Fox acting as agents be- ily in Europe.

tween the world of the dead and that There followed everywhere, both Dr. Funk the next day called into of the living. Thus the now famous here and abroad, an interest in occult his office everybody connected with Fox sisters became the first of what phenomena which is unequalled for the publishing house who had had It is doubtful whether the Fox girls any other age. What part of this had sufficient imagination to even phenomena was genuine will never be dream of the furor which their al- known, but that a considerable pordream of the furor which their alleged discovery, was shortly to make, tion of it was, as afterward proved, not only in America, but all the civ-ilized world. And, indeed, it is al-been a matter of record. As is the most equally doubtful whether we of case in the organization of all other the present day can form any ade- religious cults, Spiritualism naturally quate conception of that same furor attracted a preponderance of morbid which raged more than fifty years ago. 1y curious and weak-minded constituents. The very nature of its phe-The fact that Christian Science has nomena made Spiritualism a most more than one million followers in the United States to-day is regarded as a convenient avenue for the perpetraphenomenal thing, in the history of tion of all manner of fraud-fraud, present day religious movements, but too, of such a fascinating character

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# The Kingdom of the Spirit. What Spiritualism Is Doing, and What Spiritualists May Do to

Promote It.

Lecture Delivered by Thomas Grimshaw, Before the Illinois State Spiritualist Association's Mass Meeting in Chicago, and Reported Expressly for The Progressive Thinker. by Louise M. Foxcroft.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen :- The theme | which exists in various degrees of intensity in the human upon which we propose to discourse this evening we mind. It is a changeable condition. A man may believe would entitle "The Kingdom of the Spirit; What Spirit- a thing to-day and cease to believe it to-morrow. What nalism is Doing and What Spiritualists May Do to Pro- Spiritualism is trying to do is to help the individual to realize the fact that he is a spiritual being and that he is immote it."

There is no gainsaying the fact that the conditions of mortal. Once this realization is born, once men know bemortal life are to many undesirable. Nature has im- youd peradventure of a doubt that they will live after planted within the human an instinctive love of life, but death, they will begin to think seriously of the relationalmost every day you read a long record of suicides, men ship between the life beyond and the life before death. and women who have destroyed their choicest gift, not be- Whilst the intelligences communicating through mediums cause they did not love life but because they rebelled present different ideas regarding their condition in the against, or despaired over the conditions they were com- world of the hereafter, they are united in declaring it is a sequential state; that they are what they are and where pelled to meet.

The Christian world has been preaching the brotherthey are, comfortable or uncomfortable, happy or unhood of man for two thousand years. Every Christmas happy because of the lives they have lived and the motives time the carol singers go forth and proclaim the glad tid- which dominated their acts in life- In other words, the ings that a king is born, that peace and good will have only passport to happiness in the world of the hereafter is been brought to earth. But the real fact of the matter is conduct, good conduct. Live right and the consequences the Kingdom of Peace seems as far away to-day as it was of that living is sure to be productive of good.

two thousand years ago. Crime, poverty, wretchedness One great trouble, if not the greatest trouble with the and injustice still exist in this world, What are we going people of the world to-day is their inshillty to realize their to do about it? This is proclaimed as a utilitarian age, an spiritual selves. They are spiritually blind, their souls age when reforms are springing up on every side. Numerare buried in the senses, the physical has been exalted; ous panaceas are being presented but evidently all of them when they speak of self they are usually thinking of the fall short of accomplishing the work their promoters had body. The mind and spirit are but appendages, something intangible, unreal. It is perfectly natural whilst in in view.

Modern Spiritualism is here; we believe it has come to stay; its advocates proclaim it is the reform movement. most real, to seek for wealth, power, personal aggrandizewhich embraces every other branch of legitimate reform. ment.

They declare that the movement has been inaugurated in But, ladies and gentlemen, if they could only be order to bring more of the joys of heaven into the present brought to realize the fact that the permanent in the man life: that it is a religion which proposes to teach man how was the spiritual, that the physical was transient, conto live, not how to prepare to die, for if we live right we of the body are in a state of flux, coming and going, that may fearlessly approach death, assured it will be followed by Eternal Life. you do not have the same bodies you had a year ago, that

the abiding part is an invisible principle, that which for Let us briefly summarize the teachings of Spiritualism as they relate to the particular question we have chosen want of a better name we call the spirit. Here is where the work of the Spiritualist comes in. for consideration.

This work of enlightenment requires more than preaching. The first and most emphatic declaration Modern Spiritualism makes is, that man is more than a creature of It requires demonstration. That demonstration is fur- that will sometime rise out of the fogs and dargness and nished by the phenomena of Spiritualism, this phenomena flesh and blood, more than a thinking animal, an Immortal Soul destined to live after the destruction of his physneeds to be fostered, not merely witnessed but studied, ical body. It proclaims, nay more, it demonstrates studied with a view to discovering the laws under which for a million years, or you can go there by lightning exthrough its phenomena the continued existence of the they are produced, and the best conditions for their manithinker after the change called death. This is not a conditional immortality but the birthright of every human investigation (the use of mediumship for entertainment but you are the one to determine when. If you want to of a winged monstrosity, but as if they were going to live soul. That means you, it means your neighbor, the black purposes) and work to provide a positive scientific demonman and the yellow man, as well as the white man. There stration of the reality of spirit, and spiritual phenomena. is no color line; no distinction of sex. Men live after You may tell a man he ought to be good, until doomsday, it will make very little difference to him. You may death not because of their superior intelligence, or social standing, or beliefs, but because they are human beings. tell him he will go to hell if he is not good; he may be now as it will be after death. Just as easy for you to with new meaning, its purposes will be better understood We further deduce the fact that men are spirits now. Dossessing spiritual capabilities, latent spiritual attributes looking. But if with the next breath you tell him he may that you say, You don't have time; that your duties and waiting for the opportunity of unfoldment and expression. The religious world in the past has invited people to be-

lieve they were immortal, believe they were children of mercy will forgive and grant the sinner a choice seat in your spiritual interests?" You are mistaken, my friend, I will be alive, conscious, thoughtful, marching along the God; but mere belief is not enough. Belief is a something the kingdom of glory, nine times out of ten he will go on you have been laboring under the false impression that pathway towards a higher and diviner life.

doing wrong and take advantage of the eleventh hour your spiritual interests and your material interests were Remarkable scheme of redemption. Whe doctrine of vicarious atone-i antagonistic to each other. We want to tell you that a ment has stood in the very of the establishment of the i man's real spiritual interest, and his real material interkingdom of the spirit in this world. ; ests are never really antagonistic. The great teacher of two thousand years ago said, "Seek

The Christian world has declared that the only way mankind could be saved has by coming to Christ, but they first the kingdom of heaven (we would say the kingdom of have confounded the Christ principle with the man Jesus, the spirit and its power) and all else needful will be added and the people have been coming to him and laying the unto you."

burden of their iniquities upon the shoulders of an innowork; I will do as little as possible."

Spiritualism-has proclaimed all down through these of heaven. If you have anybody you are raising hell. If fifty-nine years, that man was bound to render an equiva- you want heaven to come to you, start in a simple rather lent for the good which he received; that he was bound to than a pretentious way. Learn to love somebody. Love earn his right to glory, and until he was ready to pay his your husband or your wife. Why not? A young man

sage, work your way, or are you coward enough to want someone else to suffer in your stead?

ture, a narrow road leading to the kingdom of heaven. On the other hand visit a house where the woman is jeal-Man must walk that road alone, Jesus beckoning him on, ous of her husband, or the husband jealous of his wife, he must neither look to the right nor to the left, nor be- and you have found a choice location in the kingdom of hind, but keep his eyes fixed in front. If ever such a man hell. succeeded in reaching the gates of glory, by the time he reached there he would have a soul so small and insignificant it would not be worth admitting. We prefer to go to heaven by the broad path arm in arm with those we love.

What is the good of going to heaven if you are to be there all alone? They used to tell us there were no marriages in heaven,

no giving in marriage. What a strange place! We do not know how you gentlemen may feel, but we declare we. would rather go to hades and have the company of a good woman, than go to a literal heaven and be compelled to

live alone.

The so-called religious people have been so busy getting religion and trying to save their souls, that they have neglected to study themselves, get acquainted with their spiritual natures. They have placed so much dependence upon somebody else, sung so repeatedly, "Oh, to be noththis frame of mind to chase after the things considered the ing," they have really some of them almost become nothing. As a man thinketh so is he, and if he thinks of him-

self as a worm of the dust he will become a cringing, crawling sycophant. If he thinks of himself as a mere beast, he will become beastly in his conduct. But think of yourselves as children of the Infinite, repositories of stantly changing. Science teaches you that the particles great power, angels in germ. Think of every person as your brother or sister in spirit. :

> That little boy on the street to-night barefooted and in rags, selling papers, is an angel in germ and sometime he

hallelujahs, and playing a harp, but with a smile on his fasting, a sickly body is no sign of spiritual growth. face and glory in his heart. There is no person so low but say someday. You can either keep yourself out of heaven festation. Abandon your present haphazard methods of that divinity has determined you will get there sometime, linger by the way, it is your privilege; if you want to has- on and on and be themselves forever. ten the time when you may experience this joy it is your prerogative.

It is just as easy for you to start on the way to glory frightened and only do wrong when he thinks no one is commence your education here as hereafter. What is and become more glorious. do wrong and then at the eleventh hour go down on his obligations in this life are so great and numerous that you the heavens, when the stars no longer run their course, knees and pray God to forgive him, and God in his infinite cannot afford to spend any of your time bothering about when the earth has ceased to revolve in its orbit, you and

Roy Boyden, a little

Mrs

He spoke of Jesus and of ancient

What are dollars if they do not bring happiness to the cent man. They have said, "Jesus suffered and died to life of man? What are horses, carriages, automobiles, pay the penalty for my sins. I am perfectly willing that castles, etc., if they do not bring happiness? It is the dehe should," then they have turned around and said, "If velopment of the divine attributes of man's nature that Jesus can save my soul and suffer for my sins, pay my just | brings happiness, not lands and money, and this happiness debts to God, I am going to see if I can't get someone to is as easy of access to the poor as the rich, more likely pay my debts in this world, get someone to do my share of to be found in the humble cottage than the mansion. When you love somebody you get a foretaste of the glories

passage he would have to remain out of heaven. Spirit- and a young woman consider it eminently proper to love ualism asks you to-night if you are ready to pay your pas- and manifest their love for each other before they are married. Why not afterwards? Go into a home where a

husband loves his wife and the wife loves her husband, The old scheme of salvation presented a strange pic- and you have found a corner in the kingdom of heaven.

Love your children; you can not waste time in devotion to a child. If you want to know something of heaven, have a little darling throw her arms about your neck, and put her soft, velvet cheek against yours, touch you with that tender touch that innocent childhood alone can give; you know then that life is worth living. The old bachelor is blind. The old maid has not found heaven yet; but she will someday, every soul shall find its mate and sometime reach that state of bliss the Creator destined it should find.

Get closer to one another; remember the friendship of a good man is better than fine gold. Try to remember that every man is your brother, every woman your sister; spend more time in trying to help humanity, and less in trying to do somebody. It costs little to give a friendly clasp of the hand, or to speak a word of encouragement, to throw out a kindly helpful thought, and yet thousands fail,

pine away and die for just this kind of help. What do you say? there is too much sentiment in all this, that the advice is not practical, that it will interfere with your worldly ambition! , Then let your worldly ambition die; it is false, it is leading you not to happiness but to darkness and despair.

Your real material interests do not conflict with, but contribute towards your spiritual welfare. The body is the tool of the spirit; it is yours to use not abuse; you cannot afford to neglect it, through it you may accomplish will walk the highways of the heavenly world, not singing much good. There is no virtue in poverty, no holiness in

Once more we repeat, the kingdom of the spirit will be born when men come to a realization of their spiritual bask in the sunlight of a glorious spiritual life. Note we selves, cultivate their mental, psychical and spiritual powers, think of themselves in the light of eternity, follow more spiritual ideals, live their lives not as if they express. There is a divinity which shapes your ends, and pected to be snuffed out of existence in a few short years, or be changed in the twinkling of an eye into some sort

Then the trifling trials, troubles, and tribulations of mortal life will sink into insignificance; viewed from the standpoint of spiritual consciousness, life will be invested

Think of it, my friend, when the sun has faded out of

cried.

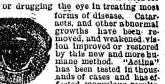
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of incongenial relations of the planets to each other, and of adverse relations of the planets to the constellations. There are periods in which certain classes of disasters occur more often than at other times. We know that at times there are waves of criminal-ity, insanity, disease, etc. Why is it? I am of the opinion that it is because we are all magnetically related. not only to each other, but to all life in the universe; yes, to the univercoe-lum; that being parts of the infinite whole, there is an infinite relation to

that whole. Seven years ago, Saturn, Jupiter, Venus and the earth were all at once in the constellation Capricornus, with the sun in the opposite constellation, passing through Cancer to Leo. The result of these four planets and the sun being in line, was the intense heat of that summer. . It was no wonder that the ancients held that when the planets all arrived in the sign of Scorpio, the same time the earth' should be destroyed by fire. Such a Entration of electrical force, and such a battle in the sky could not help being disastrous to our earth, and also Venus and Mercury. The past three years have been re-

markable for spots on the sun, some of them of immense size. One now visible to the eye through a smoked glass, is 30,000 miles wide, by 118,-000 miles long. Figures are. apt to pass through the mind of an ordinary reader without leaving any impression as to their magnitude. Our earth is not quite eight thousand miles in dieter, and yet when we have traveled several days in crossing the continent of America, we get a very good idea of the vastness of our territory; and yet it is only about half the distance we should require to travel, if we had a railroad through it to the other side, as Pluto had a road to his dominions. But you could put fortyjix of our earth or planets the size of bur earth end to end and side to side in the spot now afflicting our sun and they would not touch each other. There are generally and at all times spots on the sun, but they often seem to be unimportant as to size. Once in about every eleven years they reach their maximum. I don't know whether the period of eleven years is exact, as it has been so long since I read it. I found it in a book entitled "Force and Nature," I think the name of the book was, but which I Jent with other books to the Morris Pratt School Library. When these boots reach their maximum there tomes a time of seismic disturbance, which is also shown in that book. But what of these spots-what are they? In "Recreations in Astron-" by Henry White Warren, D. D., Dmy, a spot is described which Professor Young of Princeton College described TAS follows:

"On September 7, 1871, he was ob-Fring a large hydrogen cloud, by the fun's edge. This cloud was about 100,000 miles long, and its upper edge was some 50,000 miles above the sun's surface, the lower side some 15,-000 miles. The whole had the appearance of being supported on pillars of fire, these seeming pillars being hydrogen fets, brighter and more active than the substance of the cloud. At half-past twelve, when Prof. Young

oped itself, shaped much like a thunder head.

"But when Prof. Young returned, taken place, and that a very remark-able process was actually in progress. 'The whole thing had been literally blown in shreds,' he says, 'by some inconceivable uprush from beneath. In place of the quiet cloud I had left, the air-if I may use the expression--was filled with flying debris, a mass of de-tached vertical fusiform fragments, each from ten to thirty seconds (i. e. from 4.500 to 13.500 miles long, by two or three seconds (900 to 1350 miles) wide-brighter and closer together where the pillars had formerly stood, and rapidly ascending. When I looked some of them had already

reached a height of nearly four minutes (100,000 miles); and while I watched them there arose with a motion almost perceptible to the eye, until in ten minutes, the uppermost were more than 200,000 miles above the solar surface. \* \* \* The velocity of ascent, also,-one hundred and sixtyseven miles per second—is consider-ably greater than anything hitherto recorded."

Commenting on this, Dr. Henry White Warren says: "If we call these movements hurri-

canes, we must remember that what we use as a figure moves but one hundred miles an hour, while those move one hundred miles a second. Such storms of fire on earth, "coming down upon us from the north, would, in thirty seconds after they had crossed the St. Lawrence, be in the Gulf of Mexico, carrying with them the whole surface of the continent in a mass not simply of ruins, but of glowing vapor in which the vapors arising from the dissolution of the materials composing the cities of Boston, New York and Chicago would be mixed in a single inextinguishable cloud.' '

An electric disturbance such as the present sun spot is, cannot but have a disturbing effect not only upon the earth, but upon everything upon our earth. It would bring-unusual conditions as to cold and heat, storms, etc. Such violent storms in the sun can but intensify\_everything connected with the planets. Not only will it affect atmospheric conditions, but it will affect the health and vitality of every living thing. It would be the most marked in eccentric characters, ing them more than ordinary, and ev-ery other person is liable to depart from the line of abnormality. While it has this effect on extremists, it is also likely to have an exhausting effect on some persons, so they will feel unusually tired with very little labor. There should on this account be two. engineers on each train, two pilots on each vessel sailing in the , waters. The casualities that are occurring in such unprecedented numbers, are but the natural consequences of the condi-

tions forced on our planet by the electrie disturbance in the sun. When will these disturbances cease They commenced about three years

ago, and probably they have reached their maximum, but it may probably require three years before they cease

bear in mind that the sun has not way for us to grow.

been so eccentric in any period of its Mrs. S. C. Cunningham gave some spots as it has this year, so we should remarkable tests. Asking for strangabout half an hour later, he found probably not find the same intensity that a very wonderful change had as we should expect in those born ers in the audience, she gave fine tests as we should expect in those born which were recognized, and then said this year if there is any reliance in to them, "remember, then, that here is special to be the something to testi-this speculation. I give this hint year you will have something to testi-without expressing any opinion, as fy to, that Spiritualism has meant tata, for those who are curious to in- more to you from to-day." this year if there is any reliance in More to you from to day."
 Mrs. N. J. Willis spoke of the significance of the meeting and of the

I am of opinion that crime is more rampant, especially in uxorcide, and good that was accomplished in coming malicious murders, but that I do not know. D. W. HULL, M. H. together at these times; of the dear loved ones who had been with us in Olympia, Wash.

earth life only a short time ago, and how they were rejoicing with the mortals to-day. The meeting ad-journed with singing "Auld Lang ANNIVERSARY 'OF SPIRITUALISM.

It Is Celebrated by the First Spiritual-The evening meeting opened with ist Ladies' Aid Society, of Boston. song by Mrs. Haidee Hall, after which Mr. R. F. Churchill spoke on "Immortality." Roy Boyden, a little

The First Spiritualist Ladies' Aid Society celebrated the 59th Anniver-sary of Modern Spiritualism on Friboy, gave a recitation. Mrs, Barker sang a beautiful song. Mrs. Carrie F. Loring, treasurer of the M. S. A. gave day, March 29, with three sessions. greeting to the friends, spoke of our The platform was decorated with the Arisen workers and gave messages stars and stripes, and many flowers during the afternoon. and potted plants; the meeting opened Rev. F. A. Wiggin also spoke and said in part that the infidel has always thus realizing their is only a curtain with the audience singing "America. after which the president, Mrs. Mattie been the leader of advanced thought; and has established the line of growth. E. A. Allbe, greeted the friends in a

most cordial manner, bidding them welcome to our society. Mrs. A. F. Butterfield, and Mr. He-

Little Bernice Abbott-gave a very bron Libbey, two of our principal workers, were seated upon the plat-form. Mrs. Butterfield said Spiritfine whistling solo, accompanied on the piano by her sister, Miss Elizabeth Abbott of Lawrence. They were well ualism had brought happiness to her; it had sustained her through trials and shadows, and she was proud to be received. Mrs. Chapman spoke at length and

gave messages. Mrs. Alice Whall also gave messages which were well a Spiritualist; she had been a member of the Ladies' Aid Society for 48 years received. Miss Otto Willis recited a

and she had never regretted it. Mr. Hebron Libbey said he was noem that had a fine moral to it. Miss Maude Litch gave messages, proud to say he was a graduate from Lewis sang an original song which was very beautiful. Mrs. S. C. Cunthe Baptist Church. He had been a Spiritualist for over 50 years, and he ingham gave some more convincing inessages to strangers. Mrs. M. J. Butler spoke of the beauties of our re-ligion and of the truth of the mess had never regretted the step, he had taken. Spiritualism to him was as pure as the lilies, and he was a spiritualist. sages. Mrs. N. J. Willis again spoke Mrs. Morgan sang two selections briefly, giving a message from Mrs. Sarah A. Byrnes, Dr. Bishop voiced messages which were well received, and Mrs. B. W. Belcher and Mrs. which were well rendered. Mrs. Alice S. Waterhouse another nioneer, voiced choice thoughts in regard to Spiritualism, and spoke of the Anniversary time and of its meaning Chapman made remarks? Dr. Hale,

spoke of the newspaper he was inter-ested in, and asked for the support of to us. Dr. Prentiss gave an Invocation and the Spiritualists for "The Herald of Truth."

spoke of the light which had come to Mortals 59 years ago. Mrs. Hattle C. Mason shig, after, Thanks are due to Mr. J. E. Haywhich she spoke briefly and said this was an occasion for rejoicing, the ward, Mrs. A. F. Butterfield, Mr. Prentiss, and Mrs. Bennett for flowers: to Mrs. Waterhouse for flags, and to Mr. 59th Anniversary of the birth of our J. B. Hatch for fags and signs; also, thunks to all who, in any way assisted in making the moeting a success. Mrs. Mary F. Lovering presided at the grand religion of light and truth truly we should be happy and seek to shed the light along the pathway of sorrowing mortals. She spoke of piano, and the following message to the picture of our arisen sister, Mrs. the Spiritualists from Mrs. Sarah-A Sarah A. Byrnes, and said that she Byrnes was written by her. knew that Mrs. Hyrnes in spirit was glad to be-remembered.

C. L. HATCH.

Mrs. Nellie Abbott of Lawrence. Message From Mrs. Sarah A. Byrnes spoke briefly and voiced messages of by Mary F.-Lovering. love to the friends which were well

Mrs. Mary F. Lovering :--- With the permission of your spirit guide, I ap-

Mrs. Belcher spoke briefly and gave messages. tessages. The afternoon meeting opened with thought, and voice a few words from singing. Mr. R. F. Churchill, presi-dent of the Greenfield society, was the last evening at the Ladles' Ald Socie-

these vast realms of knowledge and power. I sit at the feet of these wise teachers and drink in the sublime to them, "remember, then, that next | truths- and past experiences through

some of these arisen ones whom I try, have met: Moses Hull, Jennie B. Ha- Until one day he resolved to die gan Brown, William H. Banks, Prof Of the filthy life that he had led, Buchanan, Prof. Hildreth, Nelson To follow the Better Way instead. Cross, Ellen Colby, H. B. Stover, A. L Hayward, Jacob Edson and many

saw the lad again to-day others. They gave me a grand recep-Still walking in the Better Way, tion, and a welcome to my spirit home. His step was firm and his eyes were Many friends of the past, Mrs. Love bright,

ring, are encircling you with their presence this morning and say to you, An inspiration to everyone's sight.

aged me in my earthly mission; they

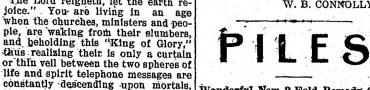
have assisted me into the heights of

learning, for I am only a student in

do not be weary in well-doing, press on, let your light shine, and always Let your bad habits die, my friend, testify to the truth of spirit return, And you will feel a real God-send for it is destined to fill the earth with That will make you what you ought to such a vivifying influence that all

tongues and languages will exclaim, "The Lord reigneth, let the earth re-W. B. CONNOLLY. W. B. CONNOLLY.

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the divine love which penetrates through all space, and spheres of light, which brings a healing power on wings of love. Much more would I say to you as time moves on and I gain more knowledge. I will often wend my way earthward and give out crumbs of comfort to the friends. I thank the spirit friends near, who have assisted me in giving this short message.

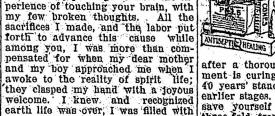
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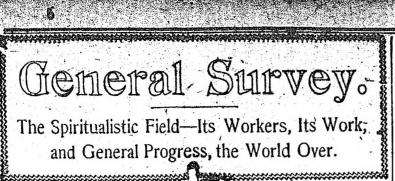
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B. G. Sweet, in renewing his subscription, writes from Empire City, Kansas: "I see by the tag on my pa-per, the grand old Progressive Think-er, that my subscription will expire with 009, and as I have been a subscriber for about fifteen years to that staunch exponent of PURE SPIRIT-UALISM. I should feel lost if a single number should be missing. 'I enclose \$1 for renewal. I see that some writers in a certain other paper claiming to be an exponent of true Spiritualism. infer that the editor of The Progressive Thinker is an enemy to mediumship, but so far as I have read The money and temper.

Hattie G. Webster writes from Columbus, Ohio: "The West Side Spiritual Church, Columbus, Ohio, McDowell street, near State street, celebrated the fifty-ninth anniversary of Modern Spiritualism, March 31. The church was beautifully decorated with palms, ferns, aspidistia and cut flowers, and presented a fine Easter appearance and as usual we were greeted with a large and very appreciative audience. church was never more harmoniour or more prosperous, adding new members all the time. We still hold the banner for Ohio, and the celebration of such events as last Sunday has started the North Side Lyceum. Yesa glory with it that can only be appreclated by those who experience the influence of the spirit attendants upon them.

Mrs. Helen Stuart-Richings lectured at Meadville, Ba., March 31 and April She lectures there again the 14th.

Mrs. Nina D. Challen of Toledo Ohio, writes that she has just returned home from a trip in the eastern part of the state, having visited several cities by request, holding meetings which were well attended. ~ She can be addressed at No. 2540 Foraker avenue, Toledo, Ohio, for engagements.

Mrs. H. E. Smith writes: "The First

BEAR IN MIND that the editor of THIS GENERAL SURVEY DEPART MENT IS ONLY INTENDED TO CHRONICLE THE ENGAGEMENTS CONTINUES AND ME CONTINUES. He may, or may not,

Mrs. Georgia Gladys Cooley arrived NOT BE PUBLISHED, AS WE HAVE Thursday evening from St. Louis. Mo. where she has been attending Brothen Grimshaw's Anniversary meeting, and has wisely concluded to take a much needed rest of a week or so be-fore going to aid Brother Brooks in the three days' meeting of the Wisconsin State Association. The recent

mental strain passed through and the long journey have told on her, as it naturally would, but with a little rest she will again jump into the harness for the summer.

Ada M. Came writes from Cam bridge, Mass.: "The Cambridge Spirit-ual Industrial Society held its regular meeting in Cambridge Lower Hall, March 22, when Mrs. Katie Ham was the speaker. The largest audience of the season was present and gave gen-erous applause to all of her efforts. The next meeting will be April 12, and come. Mrs. Putney will be the speaker."

Joseph W. Lyon writes from Can-ton, Ohio: "I wish to record the tran-sition, also a portion of the life-work of a good man, a true, medium and Progressive Thinker, the editor is in hard worker in the cause of Spiritualfull accord with ALL TRUE MEDIUM-SHIP, and his effort is to separate the The medium and worker to whom I Shift, and his effort is to separate the the mentum and worker to whom a chaff from the pure grain, so that those who are seeking light in Spirit-ualism may not be compelled to yade through a stack of chaff and become higher life from his home in that city, SUFFOCATED WITH FRAUD before at the age of 68 years, Feb. 1, 1907. they obtain a grain of truth. Every He was a natural born medium, since person knows that many articles of the at the age of five years, a mere child, food we buy are adulterated for gain, he was frequently controlled by an and that gold, silver and paper money eminent spirit physician, who through is counterfeited, but if we do not him as an instrument diagnosed varicritically examine it when received, if ous diseases for Cincinnati physicians. counterfeit, it is a loss. Just so in At the age of 18 he began lecturing, Spiritualism; if we do not use common | was a trance speaker, also a test medisense to learn if a medium be genuine um, having the power to give full or a fraud, finally learning that we names and accurate descriptions of have been humbugged, we lose time, spirit friends. In addition to his lecturing for societies, he for some years

lectures and gave tests delivered weekly in his own home, 931 Armory avenue, Cincinnati, where he could comfortably seat 175 people. At his funeral, Mrs. Hattie Radcliffe of Cincinnati, officiated. The attendance, which was composed mostly of his oldtime friends, numbered over 300. His body was interred in our family lot in the Methodists' cemetery.

G. W. Bush writes from Minneapolis, Minn .: "We have two lyceums in Minneapolis, now in good running order. I started the Progressive Lyceum two years ago, and now I have terday we had a good showing. Our two and the St. Paul lyceum were at the North Side Society's anniversary of Modern Spiritualism. We had crowded house all day.

J. W. Gill writes: "The 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism, espe-

cially the evening service, held by the Christian Spiritualists, at Van Buren Opera House, Madison street and Callfornia avenue; was greeted by a large audience. Our speaker was warmly applauded. Mr. Ray gave us a violin solo, and sung one of his own compo-sitions. The, English and German speaking controls of Mrs. Hamilton

Gill gave some excellent spirit mes-Church of Spiritualists, Williamsport, sages, quite a few strangers receiving Pa., celebrated the 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism by a beautiful I think these anniversary services display of flowers and a special mu-sical, and by the young people reciting ory of the old pioneer mediums now

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

The Ladies' Lyceum Union meets in Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont street, Boston , Mass., every Wednesday. The Ladies' Industrial Union meets in Dwight Hall, 514 Tremont street, every Thursday.

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

W. J. Elmo Writes: "Spiritual Alliance Society in Vincennes Hall, No. 3514 vincennes ave., cor. 35th and Cottage Grove. Services is held at 3 and 8 p. m. Afternoon meetings will be a general conference. Evenings, during the month of April, will bring forth lectures on a trip through the Orient and the mediumship displayed there. Mrs. May Elmo will give tests and messages at each meeting. Our social and dance held every Saturday evening is enjoyed by a large attendance. All are wel-

Wm. Hassmann writes: "The con-cert given by the North Star Spiritual Union at its hall, 1546 Milwaukee ave-nue, March 31, was a grand success. The hall was packed with friends of the above society. Brother Winter opened the services with a beautiful lecture, explaining the life of Christ in a masterly way. After the audience sang 'Nearer, My God, to Thee,' Miss Musika opened the exercises for the evening with a zither solo followed by recitations from Miss Jos. Gasalle, Miss Eva Dolebeson, Miss Emma Van Shiel, Master Orval Eddy, Miss Musi-ka, Miss Grace Acree, Master Walter Hassmann and Miss Amy Gulling. Great applause was given to the chil-dren. Sister Winter, Sister Musika and Sister Golden aided the society by giving spirit messages. Sister, S. Mueller, the medium for the above society, is recovering rapidly, and will be with us again in the near future." Thos. Wardall, a veteran Spiritualist of Los Angeles, Cal., writes: "I have been a subscriber to The Progressive Thinker ever since the first number was issued. I am nearly 92 years young, but can read The Progressive Thinker without spectacles." Correspondent writes from Detroit, Mich.: "Sunday evening, March 31, the First' Church of the Soul, 46 Grand River avenue, celebrated the 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism with a special program. The hall was crowded to the door to witness the beautiful rites of baptism administered to Baby Jeffrey of Windsor, Can-ada. Her life was consecrated to Love, Truth and the good of humanity, by our pastor, Laura L. Crawford. assisted by the lyceum children. Miss Gladys Waterland sang "Angels Ever Bright and Fair." Then came the ly-

ceum children's exercises, followed by a lecture by Mrs. Crawford; her sub-"The Message of Easter," folject, lowed by messages. In the absence of our pastor, Mrs. Minnie Sharlow will occupy our rostrum."

H. T. Allier, Chicago, writes: "The Christian Spiritual Society, conducted by Miss Sarah Thomas, held its last meeting Sunday evening, March 24, and closed with a great success. . The developing class, which she formed of 240 members, many who had previ-ously been visitors of her meeting, and have never believed in Spiritualism, have been converted, and are no longer skeptical, and numbers have ton. Following her for the month of December, came Dr. Geo. A. Fuller, giving us a rich treat of intellectual ent."

inspiration. Following Dr. Fuller came the poragues for a two months' engagements their earnest work and genial presence added very much to W. J. Colville bas lately delivered numerous lectures to excellent audi-ences in San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda, and other places. Sunday

our season. During April 14, he begins a term of work in March the well known trance speaker and message medium, Oscar A. Edger-Toronto. His address until further notice will be 162 Cowan avenue, ly, served pur society. Mr. Edgerly's Parkdale, Toronto, Can.

guides gave a series of every eloquent The Society of San Diego, Cal., have and instructive lectures, a notable feature of his work being the answers issued the following circular in connection with the work of Mr. John given at the morning meetings to W Ring: "Spiritualist Temple, 7th st., questions propounded by the audience. between A and B, under auspices o the answers were in every case wonthe First Spiritual Society. Mr. John derful in their elucidation of the question asked: With Mrs. Longley, W.Ring will address meetings on dates and topics as follows: March 26, at 8 o'clock, "Entering the Gates With Dr. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Sprague and Oscar A. Edgorly we feel that our ros-Thanksgiving;' March 29, at 8 o'clock, trum has presented as able a coterie of workers as the field of Spiritualism 'The Message From Spirit Land;' April 2, at 8 o'clock, subject, 'The Efaffords. In common with other Spirfects of the Message;' April 5, at 8 itualists of our city, we regret the o'clock, musical and literary enterseeming untimely transition of our tainment, under auspices of and ben friend and benefactor, Theo. J. Mayer. We feel, however, that he is still with efit for Children's Progressive Lyce-Admission 10 cents. Mr. John um. us in spirit and by his kindly inspira-W. Ring is a young man of national reputation-he having held the office tions will aid us in our future efforts. The season has been notable for many f National Superintendent of Lyceum social functions, that have been not Work.' only pleasant but conducive of creat-

Lily M. Thiebaud writes of the aning a desirable harmony among our niversary from San Bernardino, Cal.:

"The local papers were-very generous in printing programs and other notices Mrs. A. J. Quinn writes: "The services of the 59th anniversary of Mod-ern Spiritualism were held at Maccaof the meeting. Mr. Will C. Hodge of San Diego, was to have been with us, but owing to a severe cold was unable to come. Mr. Arthur S. Howe, presibee Temple by the Truth Seekers' Spiritualist Society of Dallas, Texas, March 31. At the afternoon and night dent of C. S. S. A.; Dr. Adah Pattermeetings, Rev. 'Isa Wilson Kayner deson, director and Mrs. Lamont, Miss Maggie Potter of Riverside, assisted livered short but interesting and appropriate addresses. The invocations were given by Mrs. Quinn and the muby myself, were the workers in these meetings. On Sunday there were a sic was under the direction of Miss Miriam C. Campbell. We were fanumber of visitors from Riverside and Redlands. Much interest was manivored with the duet by Mrs. Bachelor fested throughout the services. and Mrs. Rendlauy. Mrs. Phillips as-sisted Mrs. Kayner with the message Spiritualists and non-Spiritualists who were present expressed themselves as work. A number of the members told of the proofs of spirit return. Mrs. well pleased with the lectures and messages. At our late annual meet-Craig of Portland, Oregon, brought greetings from the West, and gave in part an interesting account of how the ing of San Bernardino Spiritualists Society, I was invited to accept a position of pastor indefinitely, which I did grand movement of Spiritualism had with the proviso that I might call to spread over the country since the my assistance, at intervals, other knowledge came through the three lit-tle girls in Hydesville, N. Y. Mr. Morworkers. This was agreed to, willingly. The conditions here are very harris, president, and Mrs. Morris, treasmonious. Respect and appreciation urer, and the committee on refreshby the citizens are shown us, all of ments were very zealous in serving the which strengthens and encourages. supper to the many persons who re-My best wishes are extended to The mained at the Temple to enjoy the evening service. Everyone appeared Progressive Thinker and my many friends in the East." to be happy over a well-spent day.'

C. L. Hatch writes from 9 Appleton 'Mary B. Hill writes: "The dolstreet, Boston, Mass: "The First Spirlar experience meeting of the Band of itualist Ladies' Aid Society met Harmony, April 4, was a decided sucusual with the president, Mrs. M. E. A. cess. There were many very amusing Allbe in the chair. The evening was experiences related as to how the doldevoted to speaking and singing. Mrs. lar was obtained, and the number of Alice Waterhouse was the first speakdollars that rolled in far outreached er. She always opens the meeting all expectation. April 1, being the birthday of Mrs. Lucinda B. Chandler, with some choice thoughts. Mrs. An nie Morgan sang and then gave mes-sages. Mr. Elmer Packard spoke the ladies of the Band of Harmony appreciating her ability and true worth, briefly of Spiritualism, and the satispresented her with a magnificent bofaction it is to receive the message quet of roses. The next meeting will from our loved ones. Mr. Edminster be held April 18; in Hall 512, Masonic told of his experience with Spiritual Temple, this being the last one in the Mr. Beekman told of hall for the season, also the the anniism. ences that brought him into Spiritualversary week of the pastor's birthday, ism. Mr. Bakstron closed the meet a very pleasant and enjoyable session is anticipated. No farther comment is Meetings are held every Friday ing. evening. Friday, April 19, we will have a Colonial Party and a social time will be indulged in." necessary as all know what these anniversaries mean, and none should feel they could afford to miss a single one Bring your supper and invite your

Rev. David A. Leisk writes from San Diego, Cal.: "The First Spiritualist Society of San Diego, held especial Samuel A. Huntington, Malden, Mass., writes: ""Malden's Anniversary Easter and Anniversary services. on Sunday, March 31.\* The Rev. John of Modern Spiritualism was held on W. Ring was the speaker at both the Thursday afternoon and evening, afternoon and evening sessions and March 28, and was a very successful affair. The following speakers took part, in the order named. Dr. J. Noble of Washington, D. C., address; Mrs. Smith of Lawrence, Mass., adthe invocations were given by the A special feature of the afwriter. ternoon service was the raising of a white silk banner, inscribed with the words, 'Peace unto the Nations.' in dress; Mrs. Nellie E. Abbott, So Lawgold lettering. This was the carrying rence, Mass., messages; her daughter, out of the suggestion of Mr. W. J. Col-Miss Bernice Abbott, whistling solo; Mr. J. B. Hatch, of the Massachusetts ville, when he was in San Diego a few weeks ago. Owing to a delay at the State Association, address; Mrs. B. W. post office in the delivery of a letter Belcher of Marlboro, address; Rev. F. containing a poem sent by Brother A. Wiggin of Boston, gave a very fine address on 'Spiritualism of To-Day'; W. J. Colville, written especially for the occasion, it was not received in time for services. However, Brother

Ring's inspirers were equal to the oc-

casion and gave through him some

very beautiful verses of poetry. Brother Ring had designed a gate dec

orated with flowers, which on opening

automatically displayed a white silk

banner bearing the inscription, 'Peace

Unto All Nations.' The Temple was, on this auspicious occasion certainly

one of the best decorated places

San Diego, and the crowds attending

the, afternoon and evening sessions,

fully testified to the attraction of the

service. Brother Ring, at the even-

ing service, spoke on the subject 'Counting our Trophies,' exposing the

orthodox absurdities of belief in a

very sarcastic and clever address. Brother Ring will serve the society on April 2.7.9, and 11. I will serve

Mr. Ring and I are working co-ppera-tively together for the best interests

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Mr. Andrew Merkel writes: "The Spiritualistic Church Students of Na-ture, 461 W. North avenue, corner Robey street, celebrated the 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism, the was beautifully decorated with Easter lilics and cut flowers. Miss A. Kern-ner, the elocutionist, favored the society with an eloquently delivered disspirit world." course. The children were given colored eggs as a token of rejoicing and resurrection of all life from its wintry sleep. The pastor gave tests, and all were well pleased."

Ferd C. Sahrer writes: "The 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism the society genial, kind and sympawas most fittingly observed Sunday, March 31, by the Fraternal Order of the work of my guides. Spiritualists. Our spacious hall with presence of the president, Mr. F. A. accommodations for 300 was filled to Wood, on the rostrum, in my opinion, overflowing by an audience expectant is sufficient to furnish good conditions and happy, many coming from suburb-an towns adjacent to Chicago. The interior of the hall was appropriately and Mrs. M. T. Longley furnish a codecorated with white and yellow bunt- terie of workers of which any society ing, while the rostrum was adorned might well be pround. During my by palms and white and yellow flow- stay in Washington I have been enterers. The invocation by our three tained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. youngest mediums, Misses Helen Har-L. Collins, constituting, indeed, a true vey, Winnifred Thompson and Grace home for mediums. By the way it Kaiser, was a prominent feature of the might be well to announce that Mrs. afternoon. Rev. Thos Seeley War-her's address was brief but contained here in Washington in government much wholesome advice worthy any- employ, is about to return to her work sealed letters by Mrs. Hilbert, Mrs. She is a very competent medium, and Bloom, Mrs. Caird, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Sexsmith and Mr. Chas. A. Thompson New York State Spiritualist Associawas a revelation to many, and succeeded in chasing away the clouds of guides will soon be widely employed, sorrow that seemed to surround many. and that to the benefit of Spiritualism. Easter greeting by telegram, sent by Lynn Spiritualist Association of Lynn, Mass., was received and read from the the news stand, seems to be well patplatform. The singing of Messrs. R. | ronized." V. Fessler, Hugh Craig Anderson and Nicholas G. Prester was excellent, all being soloists of reputation, and it is difficult to say who was the most popular of the three. A larger number than usual remained for supper and evening. At our concert at 7 "o'clock, Prof. Singer added to his laurels as a master of the violin, while Miss Gordon's close acquaintance with the piano was demonstrated to our delight. Mrs. Henrietta Lichtig and Miss Caroline R. Mills, as readers, added considerable to the enjoyment as did also the soprano solo by Miss Mary Smith, Mrs. Cora L. V. Rich-mond's address in the evening was listened to with a growing interest as proceeded with her discourse. which was uncommonly appropriate Warne's remarks were peculiarly fitting and found a responsive audishee ready to welcome him at any time. Sunday, Amil 14, all who have joined the society will be initiated. This will be public, and all who wish to become members can do so at that er for the spiritual philosophy. time."

of most of our speakers seems to tear down, and not to build up, to decry the phenomena. I, should like to know where the movement would have been to-day if it were not for the phenomena. The tiny rap at Hydesville has set the whole world thinking. Mrs Hamilton Gil has done a great work in a quiet way. Any deficit we gladly made it up, and have never asked our history of which was given by our pas-tor, Mrs. M. Schumacher. The hall the usual collection for our expenses. audience to contribute a penny outside As long as Mrs. Gill's health keeps good we shall continue these meetings, and try to reach as many as possible with loving messages from the

> Oscar A. Edgerly writes: "During the month of March I filled a most pleasant engagement with the First Association of Spiritualists of Wash-

ington, D. C. I found the members of thetic, supplying ideal conditions. for The very holds papers of endorsement from the tion. I am confident that she and he A. Averill, secretary of the represented at the hall of the First Association. Miss Fielding, presiding at

Mrs. Alice L. Kane writes from North Topeka, Kansas: "The Spirit ualists and New Thought Triends joined in an anniversary meeting Easter evening at my home. The speaker was one of Topekks-old-time mediums, Aila A. McHenry, who of late years is a resident of Excelsior Springs, Mo. Subject, 'What Relation Have Modern Spiritualism and New Thought and Christian Science to Christianity." Mrs. McHenry showed that if people got any good out of the Bible it was from a Spiritualistic viewpoint. A lecture on the 'Divine Awakening was given by her at the same place last Friday afternoon, to a good ceived audience, showing Topeka to be still alive to spiritual thought. We have unable to report the doings.". small ' societies' that several around each week - under different names, which are usually well attend ed. One under the name of Mystic Circle, is beneficial in individual development. Topeka is a progressive city, full of good people who are always ready to do their part for a true work-

been controlled by spirits. Many outsiders from Kankakee, an strictly church members, became so enthusiastic that, upon their return home, they concluded to form a spiritual among themselves and are now strong believers in the faith, and have thrown their doors wide open to Miss Thomas to come to their home and hold circles in their parlors in her evangelical way. She is now forming a class in Kankakee, and will organize a meeting there April 7, and also in other cities on the following dates: Troy, Michigan, April 14; Lansing, April:21; Michigan City, April 28. It speaks well for the intelligence that controls her brain. I myself as a business man was once one of the greatest skeptics that she ever converted, and I am no longer skeptical." Mrs. Marian Carpenter, lecturer and

test medium, writes from Cuba, where she has been spending the winter: will reach home April 15, and will be ready to answer calls. for funerals, weddings and other engagements. We have spent a most delightful winter. My health is very much improved. We have enjoyed The Progressive Thinker; it has reached us every week, and kept us in touch with the work and workers. My home address is No. 58 W. Columbia street, Detroit, Mich."

W. R. Cooper writes: "Truly a faithful servant to our cause—five years consecutively, every Sunday evening-such is the record of our little home meetings at . 320 Flournoy street, officiated over by Sister Mary Hill. Easter Sunday was made doubly important, being the fifth anniversary and as in all the past, the flow of inspiration was at its best, giving us full proof of invisible workers or guides. There-was complete harmony, and owing to that fact, we had a royal treat in inspirational work from many. The one that appealed to me the most was given by a Mrs. Campbell to our teach-er, Mrs. Hill. It was truly apropos to the occasion, and fully represented the angelic nature of the donor, and a glowing tribute to our teacher. I also wish to say that Mrs. Hill never neglects an opportunity to put in good word for The Progressive Thinker, which it fully deserves."

Correspondent writes of the Psychic Research Society of Rockford, Ill.: "On Sunday afternoon, March 31, the society celebrated the 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism. Mr. Church, a very gifted young gentle-man, a member of the society, gave the address, which must have been prepared with great labor, and was generously applauded, eliciting complimentary remarks from all who heard it. Mr. Church merits a prominent place on the spiritual platform. The lecture was followed by messages from the unseen, by Mrs. Cleveland, of Chicago, which were generally well re-Your reporter was not present at the evening session, hence is

H. D. Morgan writes: "I am pleased at this time to report a very successful season for the First Association of Spiritualists of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Mary T. Longley was our speaker during November. It is unnecessary for me to comment on her work, as she is always a favorite in Washing-

Waterl one of Spiritualists in New England, address; Mr. Chas F. Hewitt of Boston, åddress and messages; Prof: J. M. Temple, address and messages. Speakers at the class evening meeting were Mr. Litchman of Boston, address and messages; Mrs. Annie R. Chapman of Brighton, Mass. address and messages; solo, beauti-fully rendered, entitled 'The Scent of the Rose,' by Miss Cousins; Mr. Hall, president of the Brighton Society, address; Mrs. A. M. Whall, of Everett, remarks and messages: Mrs. Butler of Lynn, also Mr. Bishop of same city, address and messages; Mrs. Raulett of Boston address and messages. Sunday services, March 31 were very interesting, many taking part at the 3 o'clock circle. At the evening meeting, Mrs. Annie R. Chapman of Brighton, was the speaker and mes; sage bearer. She gave a fine address and many messages. The Rev. F. A. Wiggin, Thursday evenings, April 4 and 11; Sunday, April 7, Prof. R. A. Macurda, of Lynn, Mass., and Mrs. R.

friends to the feast."

E. J. Trott writes; "A church social A. Swift of Haverhill, Mass, the 14th.' was held at the home of Mr. andMrs. David A. Leisk has been lecturing Harvey Redding, 202 Main street, Everett, Mass, on March 29. Many n San Diego, Cal., on the following important subjects: Spirit and Matter were -the Dual Action of Life; The Veil good time. We were entertained by Miss Lottle Abramson, who sang, Rent in Twain; The Evolution of Consciousness; The Use and Abuse of Soul Force; Fate, Free-Will and Destiny; 'Sing Me to Sleep," beautifully, and several other songs, accompanied by Life Eternal,-Can We Earn Immor Mrs. Grace Reader. Mr. Irving Simtallty?; The Future of San Diego Spirmonds made remarks appropriate to itually Considered. . the occasion. Mrs Minnie Soule con-Dr. G. B. Warne, President of the

tributed to the pleasure of the even-ing. The Sisters, Carrie and May Illinois State Spiritualist Association, and Vice-President of the N. S. A., visited Indianapolis, Ind., last week, Hughes, gave duets and solos on the piano. Miss Ruth Cole recited comto assist in the work of defending the ic pieces in her own inimitable way. mediums there who had been unjust The evening passed with music and ly arrested. merriment.'

E. J. Trott writes of the American Psychical Research Society: "Our last Spiritualistic-meeting of the season LETTER FROM GEO. H. BROOKS.

was held at, 200, Huntington avenue, Boston, Mass. We had very success-ful meetings, Mr. Redding as President and speaker has been an Orna

ment to the platform. Mrs. Red-ding has been his constant companion, The party and dance given by the thereby adding good will and harmo-State Society in Severance Hall, Saturny to the meeting. The president has been assisted by different mediums, day, March 30, was a grand success, not only socially, but financially. as follows: Mrs. Abbie N. Buchanan recording secretary of the society

mental questions), Mrs. Knight and

Lydia Chase writes: "On Thursday,

March 28, in Trent, N. J., by Rev. J. Morgan Reed of the M. E. Church, Miss Etta Marle Prettyman, of Park-

land, P., was matried to S. Robert Dunlop, M. D., of New York City:

The bride, Miss Prettyman, had been for one year physical director of the

Parkland Progressive Lyceum, and on anniversary Sunday, after exercise of

the Lyceum had been concluded, some

of the members gave the happy vis-

others."

Sunday afternoon and evening anniversary exercises were held. whose eloquence is well known; Mr. the afternoon various speakers took and Mrs. Osgood F. Stiles, Mrs. Pye, Mrs. Stackpole, Mrs. Williams, and part, among them Mr. M. Hoffman. others. The season has been success

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Hitt. at both services. President, Harvey Redding, 202 Main street, Everett, Mass. Mr. Redding's messages satisfy all. He is assisted by Mrs. M. E. Dean (who answers

ful socially, financially and spiritually, and we look forward to another opening with anticipation of continued success. Thursday evening cir cles will continue at the home of the

There was a good attendance

tests. After the messages I ordained to the spiritual ministry Mr. F. L. The state convention meets in Eth-

sary address. After the address Mr. Hoffman gave some of his marked

April 16, 17 and 18 and it is to be

hoped there will be a large attend-

ance. There is a fine program ar-ranged and the prospect is there will

be a good attendance. The ladies are to serve meals in the hall, and good

meals they will be, too, I assure you.

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to be remembered. I also wish to inform my many

friends that we have disposed of our home and on the first of May we leave

good, orthodox Wheaton. We now in-

tend to locate in Milwaukee, but may

In the evening I delivered the analyer

Spiritualist Association, do instruct ical Hall, 558 Jefferson street, on you, Carl A. Sollinger, secretary of the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, O. S. A., to call our next annual con-

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A. V. Metcalf: Q. Shall we preserve the home circle?

Fifty years ago it was a common practice in many families in this town and other parts of the state, to hold be unqualifiedly recommended. There and other parts of the state, to hold regular meetings of this kind. A few are but 51 pages, yet these contain all of the interested neighbors would be invited and often mediums would be developed where the gift was not pre-vlously known. Now it is very rare to would he interested neighbors would be invited and often mediums would be practicing healer, and professional hypnotist. The book might have been padded to ten times the size, been padded to ten times the size, Shear of a spiritual circle in this vicin-ity, and most of the younger people hardly know what Spiritualism means. without adding one lota to its value. This fact I deplore and suggest that it might be a good idea for some one to write a few simple rules and regulations for forming these circles and urge the importance of a revival along urge the importance of a revival along he condensed all he had learned by these lines. I would suggest that they years of practice into these pages at a be printed in a tract, costing only a nominal cost. broadcast.

The Progressive Thinker has A. constantly urged the, formation of home circles, as the most successful method of investigating and gaining a gardless of money consideration. magnetist should be also clean of nerknowledge of Spiritualism. The reson and of spirit, of sweet temper, sults with those who have availed themselves of this means, as reported modest and unselfishly devcoted. have been highly satisfactory and ofgiving direct and clear instruction, ten astonishing. Of course the mani-festations are not as startling as those not think it absolutely necessary for a healer to eschew meat, but as health of professional mediums, or the manifestations reported of those afteris an important consideration and its wards detected. They are, however, of genuine worth, and as the means are ready to hand may be sought at any convenient time.

A tract of 8 pages was prepared for just the purpose designated by Mr. Metcalf, with the title, "What is Spir-itualism; How to Investigate, Form Circles and Develop Medumship; A list of Names of Eminent Spiritualists and What They Say of Spiritualism." I published this tract for missionary and sent out 4,700 copies, using

the profits on those sold to pay for the free distribution of others. board of the National Spiritualists' As-

sociation I gave it into their hands, and it is now distributed from the office of the Association. A German ransiation was made friends to greet by Wilhelm Bessie, a Leipsig (Ger-What has seemed so complex and mys-(many) publisher. terious here. Mediumship and Its Laws, which I Will there be explained and all made have since published, explaining as it clear. does, all the more pertinent questions, phenomena and manifestations which God's ways, we've been told, are past may arise in pursuing investigation finding out, And yet again, ask and ye shall realong this line, is a more helpful guide than the tract, the information in ceive. which is necessarily exceedingly con-densed and brief. We've conned history's pages in years. past and gone But still cried, "More light," or we T. S. Erwin: Q. Where can I find a history of the Celts? What was their religion, language, origin? could not believe. We've prayed and listened to the still small voice, A. The history of the Celts or Kelts, is diffused through that of other peoples, and I fail to find any especial And ever its answer: "Seek wisdom while here. If you'd know of the home that's just historical work on that race of manout there The angels will teach you; O\_ list kind. Of the great waves of immigration which came through the gates them so near." the Caucasus from Asia into Sometimes for good wine the worm-Europe the first appear to have been the people whom are now known by wood we drink, Mayhap in future we'll know the their lingering representatives, as Iberians, Finns, Lapps, etc. Another reason why; wave of a more developed people poured in, and pressed this primitive is children like too much sweets for their good, So we like life's pleasant paths, the people to the north, and into mountain thorns we pass by. fastnesses where they could protect themselves from the invaders. This last race are known as Kelts. They When to us this great truth came, how great was our joy, The raps, and whispers, the voices spread all over Europe and remained until the ancestors of the Aryan races, of yore; the Indo-European, pressed them to We live, O earth loved ones, and are remote and undesirable regions. The with you, so near; We bring you glad tidings and our Kelts did not apparently absorb the primitive people, as the Aryans did the Kelts, though in many regions the love evermore.' type has been preserved in purity as in the Highlands og Scotland, Ireland, No Death's cold fingers held us fast in his grasp. But joy, and sweet freedom, and the the Isle of Man, Wales, etc. I quote from "Origin and Antiquity friends we thought lost; of Man," page 184: "The origin of the Kelts extends be-yond the reach of history and must be So ring out the joy bells this anniversary time And proclaim the glad tidings from read by the light of fossils and linthe angelic host. guistic researches. Their language is We live on forever, and never grow considered by many scholars, to be of old; Our work is not finished, or our la earlier date than the Sanskrit, belonging directly to the ancient tongue bors.complete. from which the Sanskrit also was de-To teach all earth's children who in rived. The hypothesis of Myer accounts for the facts connected with the migration of this people in a very clear and satisfactory manner. He supposes that they entered Europe in error are bound That our heaven, or the shadows, we surely must meet." HARRIET W. HILDRETH. Worcester, Mass. two streams, one passing through Syria, Egypt and along the northern Mediterranean, entering Europe at the "A Conspiracy Against the Republic." By Chorles B. Waite, A. M., au-thor of "History of the Christian Re-Straits of Gibraltar; the other passing to the north of Europe. Authentic ligion to the Year 200," etc. A conhistory finds the Kelts from northern Scotland to the extreme south of Italy. densed statement of facts concerning the efforts of church leaders to get In the third century they captured the efforts of church leaders to get Rome and entered Greece, Macedonia and Thessaly, ravaged Asia Minor and attacked the Scythians. The Kelts were a noisy and warring Control of the government. An im-portant work. Paper, 25 cents. "Immortality, Its Naturalness, Its Desile attacked M. D. PK D. Contellas The Meits were a noisy and warring Possibilities and Proofs." By J. M. people, elastic but unenduring, with the restless folly of childhood, with the address rejected by the Philosoph-mat hopes and few joys. With swift ical Society of Great Britain, with lest they overran Europe, and subju-Introduction and Explanatory Letter. juited or destroyed the Turanian Price ten cents.

tribes which preoccunied that country They met the ocean when it interrupt-ed them, with arms, and shot arrows at the lightning. Never to flee was a point of honor; and often they would not leave a house on fire, but perish in An Interesting Account of His Experiences in the flames. Of enormous appetites, their feasts seldom ended without a quarrel; for the thigh belonged to the bravest at the board, and to determine who was the bravest was a source of

constant dispute. No people held life cheaper. They would sell their lives for a little wine or piece of money. Next to fighting and feasting they

It is unnecessary to say that since loved tales of other lands, and would

The Pilgrim In Ceylón.

India.

Higgins, a well-known Spiritualist lec-turer, passing to the higher life from the older portion of the cinnamon superstition, Every family has its fields.

It is nearly thirty years since I first pamphlet in London 'entitled "Bud-

I. O. M.; Q. Can you recommend any book on magnetic healing? Or dhism and Christianity Face to Face." It embodied a sharp debate between a missionary and a Buiddhist priest, the latter getting the best of the argu-ment. This I shall enlarge and re-isis there any book on that subject? A. Yes, there is a little book, a pamphlet, by Daniel W. Hull, a mag-netic healer, brother to Moses Hull, sue upon returning to America. Tam proud to say that I have twice contributed (liberally) financially to the support of this school. On one corner of these school grounds a Buddhist temvisits this school twice a week to hear the girls chant the Buddhist precepts. There is one room in this fine brick ed-

He has prepared this pamphlet from a sense of duty. He felt that he had ifice enclosing a court, called the "pilmore to teach than the "professors" who advertised, "institutes," and courses of lessons, and instead of ask-ing from \$25 to \$100 for the course, grims' corner," It is my Ceylon home. Yesterday I addressed this body of

lege, in number about 500, Buddbist oung men, and Saturday at 3 o'clock I deliver an address in connection with a Buddhist priest and the pres-He exemplifies his teaching that the first requisite for successful healing ident of the Ananda College, upon the life-work of the late Col. H. S. Olcott, must be unselfish desire to heal; ,a deep sympathy for the suffering, re-The

sky at the Eddy mediums' home in Chittenden, Vermont. Madam Bla-There are in all twelve lessons, all Spiritualist.

On Saturday evening I meet a, little from England. sea voyage of seventeen days with fa-

with her 300,000,000 of people, and the original fountain of the six great

philosophies, For several weeks I re-mained in Calcutta, lecturing upon Spiritualism in the Fagore King's palce. In the Star Theatre. the Theatre Royal, twice before the Calcutta Liter-

ary Society, and before', other' socie-ties upon Spiritualism. At Hoogley the crowd was immense, and all Hindus.

-ilt 111: 19 The Daily Englishmany the fairest leaving Battle Greek last October, I and ablest conducted journal in Cal-have written very little for the Spirit- cutta, published the following in its

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ualist press of America but a good issue of February 12: k, ndeal for the English and Colonial "The attacks on Dr. Peebles and his press as far away as Australia, and vehement replies thereto drave induced New Zooland

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Press as far away as Australia and vehement replies theretaday in fuduced New Zealand. You see by this circular heading sides. We regret we are mable to that I am in Ceylon, termed by the poet, the "gem of the sea" and the pearl of the ocean," and among a pearl of the ocean," and among a pleases, and only man is vile." Five days on the Palawan steamer, held at Tagore Castle on Monday and crossing the uncertain Bay of Bengal, about fifty Europeans, and Indians

and I reached Colombo, Ceylon, a city were present. The society is to hold of 180,000. You see by the heading meetings, to discuss Spiritualistic matof this circular sheet that I am at Cin- ters and arrange for seauces. The sonamon Gardens and a guest of the Mu-sueus School for Buddhist girls. The lady at the head of this school is Mrs. In the fact that the day following the Maria Higgins, the widow of Anthony inaugural gathering was set aside for

the first meeting of the society." It would astonish Americans to Washington, D. C., some thirty years know of the intelligence, the research ago. This school building is a very and metaphysical acumen of the high-large, brick edifice, located in a beau-tiful grove of palm trees that shade masses are steeped in ignorance and

idolators. They do not worship these brass and stone gods, They are only visited Ceylon, forming the acquaint-ance of several Buddhist priests. Just after this I published that large forces of nature or of the invisible gods and spirits. They are monothe-ists, declaring that over and above all there is one infinite and omnipotent being, invisible yet manifest in all na-

ture. My labors in / India, in receiving calls, in lecturing in halls and theatres and writing for the press, with the heat, were arduous enough to relieve me of seventeen pounds of flesh, but the world being my parish I press forward, believing it better to weat out than rust out. J. M. PEEBLES, M. D.

Musaeus School, Cinnamon Gardens Colombo, Ceylon, ;;

IN MEMORIAM.

A Prominent Modium Passed to Spirit Life,

Passed to spirit life, on March 27, 1907, Mrs. Rosalia J. Rood, beloved mother of Hattie F. R. Peet, at the ripe age of 83 years. For more than thirty years Mrs.

Rood has been a member of Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond's congregation, and was one of the charter members of the

was one of the charge members of the Church of the Soul, disc a member of the Band of Harmony. do: Three loved children gwaited her entrance to spirit life; one daughter, Mrs. Hattie F. R. Beet, gurvives her, also two grandsons, Harry T. and William W. Peet, and two grand-grand-daughters, Lillian and Agna Peet. Transition services were held on

daughters, Lillian and Anna Peet. Transition services, weng held, on Friday morning, March 29, Rev. Kelly and Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond offici-ating. Mr. Kelly spoke from the words, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his spints." Two sweet hymns were suit, "The Lord Is My Shepherd." and "Atiffe With Me," the latter chosen by Mary Bood, patere her transition. Mrs. Richmond's Words were full of pathos and beauty as she spoke of the pathos and beauty as she spoke of the

The glitter and the gorgeousness of life beyond, the king's palace beggars my powers The day before Mrs. Rood passed The glitter and the gorgeousness of the king's palace beggars my powers of description. The chandeliers were hung on chains of sliver. Those pres-old ent at this meeting in the palace hall old more invited by card. 300 in number, shining ones!" These words formed the theme of the impromptu poem, which closed Mrs. "Richmond's adand constituting what was considered of Calcutta. There were but few laby the latter, were worth their weight in gold, and will ever be appreciated dies present and these were English. dress. and never forgotten by the bereaved Long as I remained in this country, I "I almost caught a glimpse of glory!

MY MOTHER. Lines From Georgia Gladys Cooley Upon the Life and Recent Transition of Her Mother.

On the morning of March 4, I re-celved a telegram which read "Mother ill with pneumonia, Doctor says she cannot recover," and in a few hours I was speeding westward on the lim-ited, and while the train made its

usual time each revolution of the wheels seemed to me to be made by some living, groaning, fired being bent on a rest. However, we reached out destination four hours late, to find husband waiting at the depot with the cheering news that "Grandma is bet ter.'

She had asked for me and counted the hours when I should have arrived, but growing weary with waiting, had fallen asleep and was enjoying na-ture's sweet repose for the first time in days, when I crossed the threshold of the old home.

Fearful of awakening her I frained from entering the room, but softly stepped to the door to see her resting against the faithful nurse' preast with a respiration that mean dreadful times to the poor sufferer. On awakening her first words were "Has Georgia come?" and in a few moments we were embraced in each

other's arms. Naturally, we had hoth prepared ourselves for the meeting, as we knew. the least shock, meant danger to the sick one. Following our meeting she began to improve rapidly and was pronounced out of danger by the phy-sicians, and I myself was tempted several times to almost set aside the information given by my faithful guides, that "she would soon be with them." Every day she grew in strength and was happy in the thought that all the family were with her; but this week of happiness was the crowning week of her life, for just as the morning of March 16 was making her how to the world of earth, the dew drop of death imprinted its kiss of neace upon mother's brow, freshend ing her spirit as it withdrew from the withered house of clay, and wafted

its way to a more congenial clime She gave up the shadow for the true substance of real life, and will wait for us on that eternal shore where there are no delays of trains, and where our barque will carry us to the home we have built by deeds, words and actions.

To each and everyone our own mother is the dearest and best, and I

will always believe mine was, and confirm it by the words of a good friend who knew her well, and whose letter reached me shortly after I ar-rived in the West: "Sad news for you, but glorious news for her whom w all loved, and if ever a saint lived on earth, your mother was one. What a beautiful life she lived: so sweet and endearing to all who came into her life; surely when she passes into the 'Father's House of many mansions. not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, there will be accorded your dear one a reception from the many loved and dear, who have preceded her, in 'the Home of the Soul.' We see only 'in our visions and dreams, this home will then, to her, have become a reality. You, my friend, were separated from your mother by miles. After the passing only the thoughtforce will be necessary to have her with you at any and all times; so there is a great advantage for both, but the greater will be for the risen spirit." AND I HAVE FOUND IT THUS.

The funeral was held at the old home and was conducted by Rev. Dr Bliott, of the Unitarian Church, and Rev. G. C. Love of the Spiritualist Association, both being old acquaintances and friends of our dear one. The words at the grave as pronounced

the-sweetest voice by Mrs. Love and

Mrs. Campbell, who knew and loved

mother for her real worth. A large

concourse of friends came to nav their

respects, in fact the home grew too

small for the numbers, and every

room as well as the yard was filled

with those who loved her well, and

ings were silent tokens that spoke

more than words of the esteem in which our darling mother was held by

When All Alone.

I feel sweet zephyrs falling in upon

mp, And they fill my being with a sense

feel strong arms folding close about

me,. As if to shield and protect me from

And yet. friends tell me there is no

That they sense no zephyrs and no arm they see.

That brings unto my hungry soul such

from wrong. GEORGIA GLADYS COOLEY.

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of calm;

all harm.

one near me;

sadness-free.

than this

perfect bliss.

the large and numerous floral offer-

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vatsky then was a wonderful physical medium and the Colonel was a devoted

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perfect enjoyment is not compatible with a flesh diet, he strongly favors a voring sea-currents. But I have said nothing about India

purely vegetable diet. The book is, indeed, a treasure for those seeking information on the sub-ject on which it treats. O, GLORIOUS TRUTH.

0 glorious Truth, I am glad it is mine, That life is unending. and. always will be. That those who have gone we shall

meet again When we shall cross over the crystal sea.

When our journey is ended, our work

Mr. Hull is a vegetarian. He does

here complete, Our hearts are made glad our

justice.

Buddhist school-girls. To-morrow I address the students of Ananda Col-



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never saw a Hindu wife or mother. I saw the shining bres! Those walking in the narrow streets How beautiful to tell the storywith jewelry in the nose, the ears; and That when the passing earthly scenes upon their ankles are considered as

outcasts. The hiding of women, with Were fading from her sight away, caste and child-marriage, are the She almost saw the bright new day! curses of India. 'I almost caught a glimpse of glory!

As has been often said and written. I saw the shining ones the Hindus are all Spiritualists, that is if Spiritualism means converse with the dead. Their Shastras, Upani-shads and other religious and philo-Spring-time succeeds the winter hoary As Time his course forever runs:

How sweet to meet the Spring-time sophical books abound in trances, ecthere. Greeted by loved ones true and fair! stasies, visions and apparitions. The

the community in which her last life more materialistic among them cry 'I almost caught a glimpse of glory! was lived. aloud for physical phenomena. Hindu She saw beyond the human sight The Living Land—woven in story—

priests and the forest yogis oppose the practice of spirit communion, on the ground of its being dangerous. This The realm of the eternal light! Ready to cross that narrow stream. is a common objection in all countries. The last two weeks of my stay in And pass from earth's dim shadowed

dream! India I was the guest of Mr. and Mrs 'I saw the shining ones," she said, The loved ones who had gone be-Armitage, the latter a fine medium, and both excellent people. The Ar-mitage family has a full set of Andrew fore;

The ones long-mourned, and miscalled Jackson Davis's books. Two of my books are in process of translation books are in process of translation into Bengali and Hindustani, A por-tion of the "Seers of the Ages" was dead, Came near to welcome, and to pour

Cheir strength and help, like baim on translated into Hindustani a quarter Who miss her from the mortal view.

With such protection I would e'er be shielded of a century ago. Herein lay the se-cret of my call to India. Old Mr. Ritter, an octogenarian I almost caught a glimpse of glory! From sortow's blast, and from all I saw the shining ones! Spiritualist of Allahabad, came to see

They greet her at the shining nortal." me. He sat in some of Judge Ed-monds' circles and in many of Mrs. Such zephyrs and such touches to the They scatter blossoms on the way. And those with senses dulled and eyes When you, too, join the band immor

Conant's in Boston. Our conversa-tion of old times in Boston, New York bedimmed-not strong-Must needs have grosser contact far They'll welcome to the Eternal Day and Philadelphia, of Dr. A. J. Davis The loved form, beautiful even in death, was laid to rest at Forest Home, by the side of the son, George

William White and others was, per-petual for the day. He was a great admirer of A. E. Newton, and, the Spears, somewhat erratic, but consci-T. Rood, who passed away in 1897. O, how grand, to have such conscious entious, self-sacrificing pioneers, who, persecuted and slandered, never turned the back to their foes. The history of Spiritualism and of Spirit-

And naught of grie! or care Shall she know now-nor ever burness of life, For in such consciousness ever we grow strong. know those calm zephyrs breathe the breath of love, dens bear; For far beyond the darkness was she

ualists is at my tongue and pen's end A biographical book will ere long lift this and show the balancing scales of Until at last, by Life's great fountain And that love will ever lead away

She breathed the estimate of eternal air When it was announced in the Indian press from Bombay to Calcutta, In heaven's fields; in the bright valthat I had come from America, a phy-sician, an author and a Spiritualist There is no sorrow and there are no that.I had come from America. a phy dead.

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There are those who claim we should not look to the spirit world for any assistance along material lines. But if not, then why not?

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We have a physical make-up which needs food, raiment and shelter. Ingersoll said that man is what he eats, If he eats coarse food he becomes coarse.

No one can come up half-fed, half-clothed and half-sheltered, and be that the Legislature of this state should exempt by an unconstitutional right morally, mentally or physically. measure these residences. Their oc-cupants claim police and fire protec-That race is stunted that is brought up under this regime. tion, and yet are contriving to shirk their share of the costs to keep up

We cannot sow seed on a barren soil and expect a rich harvest. The plant must be given rich and appropriate soil, sunlight, warmth and moisture to develop into a rich and beautiful bloom. And yet, because of the need of money, we eat such foods as lack everything in the way of nourfshment. And not only this but such as are ruinous to our health of body and destructive to our peace of mind. For no one with broken health can be normal. No one suffering with dyspensia can be an agreeable companion at any time. The old Romans were wise in their generation when they took this for their motto: "Mens sana in corpore sano." In other words they recognized the

fact that to be sound mentally one should be sound physically. -We need good homes to live in and good clothes to wear if we would develop the best that is in us. We largely come up to our surroundings. If our surroundings are good we are bettered because of this. "Poverty makes strange bed-fellows." Poverty develops a cringing spirit. It dwarfs and cripples and maims in every way. Therefore we should shun it and if possible work out from under it.

'Familiarity breeds similarity," and when we are well-equiped financially we are brought in touch with the best things in life. Not only the material things-but we are brought in touch with those who are mentally strong and capable because of the advantage in an educational way which money gives, hot only in the schools and colleges, but also in travel.

Young Patterson, the millionaire socialist, says, "Money is self-respect and the respect of everyone else."

The world has no use for us when we are poor. It may throw us a sop of sympathy and then pass on. But pity is another word for contempt, and the proud, sensitive spirit does not want it.

No one can do good work along any line under the stress of poverty. Mediums, no matter how well equipped for the work, because of strong mediumistic gifts, cannot do good work while the hungry wolves of poverty are hounding their footstens. They are worried all the time, and

worry unfits us for work. The great cry raised against Spiritualists and mediums by the outsider is that they are so many times in such hard straits financially. Their publications go under for lack of patronage, and mediums are forced many times to give up their work before the public and seek other callings in order to make both ends meet.

is distinct from morality. It is well enough for those who have plenty to sit in the background and tell those who are poor that they

#### mercy." No doubt also they were SHE SPEAKS FOR HERSELF. largely successful because they earnestly called upon the spirit forces for

Mrs. Alice D. Green Has Her Views of the Man Who Wrote About Spiritual Phenomena in the Green Household.

To the Editor :--- For personal reaons of my own I wish to write this tribute to the worth of Marion- G. Shall They Be Taxed the Same as All Scheitlin. In reviewing his mental Other Property?-The American capacity. I am filled with a lofty de-Secular Union and Freethought sire to publicly acknowledge his ge-Federation Says "Yes" Most Em-phatically—A Document That All ings, and round up details is superb, and while I am compelled to look up Spiritualists Should Carefully Conto his dome of thought (he being two and a half feet taller than I). I note To the Members of the Illinois Legwith sincere sorrow his inability to deslature:-Protest of the American scribe a country woman. Although Secular Union and Freethought Fedaware of her presence, he saw her

through the smoked glasses of city life. I could give him many points in his description, and beat him in the game. Regarding my humble self, he writes, in his article concerning spirit-

ual phenomena in the Green household: "She is a hard-working farmer's wife, with black hair streaked with gray; chin strong, even to masculinlty; rules household; uneducated," etc., etc.

Now in view of the fact that this article really introduces me to hundreds and thousands of valued readers, would it not have been more thoughtful and kind to have polished the smoke from his city glasses, and to have described me from a standpoint of country simplicity along these ruthful lines: She is 56 years of age, with wavy brown hair, brown eyes; genial smile, fair, rosy complexion, slender face, well educated along the times of all that is practical or useful, as is well attested by the numbers of books and musical instruments everywhere displayed. I would expect this much as a result of casual observation.

beliefs as of vastly more importance than morality, and if they should dis-I can add many notes , regarding this education, or rather the lack of it. cover any new facts which are contrary to the prejudices and opinions I know but little regarding the rules of their employers , they must keep of ping-pong of 'lawn 'tennis. and would be completely lost in the art of them to themselves (thus shutting the door to all progress), or they will making up a pretty face; but I know how to fill my home with an atmoslose their jobs. Do they recognize the phere of peace and rest, and how to start a little song in sorrowing hearts. moral obligations demanded by the Cesar (or the state) the things that I know that two and three makes six, are Cesar's, or rather in this case are because as the Jewish father said, they not utterly repudiating the de-"you have one to fall with."

I know where the Philippine Islands are situated, and also know that if the mands which their Christ commanded in Matthew 22:21. More expressly in Matthew 17:27 we find: "Notwithmoney expended in holding them were standing, lest we should offend them, spent in irrigating and redeeming the go they down to the sea and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first arid plains of the West, America could furnish homes for the brave in the land of the free.-

cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find a I know how to make good old-fash-ioned "salt-risin" bread, and lye piece of money; that take and give hominy, and maple sugar, and -soft There was no excuse made here on soap (for the city dudes) and rag car-pets and quilts, and feather beds, soft, the ground of moral teaching but it was simply an act of justice expressed and such as our dear old mothers used in the words, "lest we offend them." Do they not in this case utterly repu-diate his express command, "Render to make. I know how to compose a tune that will bring tears to my own eves (and also to the eyes of every unto Cesar the things that are Ce one who hears it). I know where the sar's," in attempting to have their red-bird builds its nest, and the just taxes on their residences exemptbrown thrush rears its young. I know ed; or do they regard it as a fish each limpid pool where sportfve fishes play, and where the softest mosses The exemption of these places from grow, and many is the happy hour I taxation would be a gross evasion of spent with microscope in hand tracing the well-known principle which underthe dainty flowers and tiny trees, that are peopled with living creatures, pos-sessing many of the attributes that lies the Constitution of the United States as also of the several states. With reference to the question of reseem a part-of our noble (?) selves, ligion there are express provisions viz., a struggle to outdo the others. against donating any of the public and absorb most of the Juxuries of moneys for the support of religion, or their fairy planet. I know the music ndeed for the recognition of any reof the woodland, and many golden ligion; whether Jewish, Christian, Mohours are spent with old God Pan. I hammedan or Mormon, as this exemplie with my face by his shaggy hoofs, tion would clearly be so much money and together we revel in the musical notes that ripple through the reedy given to the support of religion, which pipes on the willow stream. To-day

What a glaring injustice it would be we heard the great pulsing heart of if these residences were exempted Mather Earth, as she awakened the from taxation when their occupants daisies and violets and cool anemones, any help in a material way, but should look for their reward in the beyond. This is foolish and selfish talk.

#### PASSED TO SPIRIT LIFE.

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The transition of Mr. Chas Schwenker of 98 N. Front street, Columbus, Ohio, occurred March 20, in the 77th year of histage. He was a staunch Spiritualisti, a noble man of moral worth and excellent character, as well as one of Columbus' most influential and wealthy citizens. His funeral was conducted under the auspices of the West Side Spiritual Church, Rev. H. E. Boerstler, officiating, and was largely attended. The floral tributes were grand in the extreme, typical of the glorious Easter Sunday on which the funeral was held.

HATTIE G. WEBSTER.

Passed to spirit life, from Northboro, Mass., March 21, Silas Howe, aged 79 years. He had been an ardent Spiritualists for more than forty years. He was much respected by all who know him. The funeral took place Sunday, March 24, and was conducted by the writer, and the Masonic

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lodge to which he belonged. Its quartet rendered beautiful selections JULIETTE YEAW.

Passed to spirit life, from Worces-

ter, Mass., March 24, Mrs. Sophia E. (Parker) Cheever, aged 78 years. She

Passed to spirit life, from Fitch-

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ery possibility of fraud or telepathic influence, and with excellent results. He proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that the incident of the borrowing of this coin had been forgotten not only by everybody concerned, but even by himself and the gentleman from whom it had been borrowed. Just why Mr. Beecher should concern

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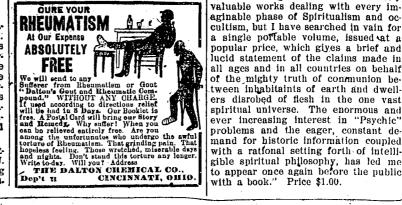
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Would the name of "Christ" have gone ringing down the ages if he did no more to establish the cause of Christianity than we do in the present day to establish the cause of Spir-Christ demonstrated beitualism? yond a doubt the power of the spirit over material conditions. The blind were made to see, the deaf to hear and the lame to walk. And he, himself said that greater things than he did we should do. The God that ruled in Moses' time is just the same to-day. Then what is the matter with us?

Putting aside the miraculous gifts, can-we not at least demonstrate the power of the spirit world to help us over the rough places in life? And to those who say we should not seek assistance for material needs, I quote the prayer Christ himself taught, us, the "Lord's Prayer." wherein we are taught to pray, "Give us this day our daily bread."

Again he says: "Ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you.'

No doubt, because of our very un-righteousness of living we are sadly out of tune with the divine forces, and herein the whole trouble lies, for do we not read in the Bible, "the prayer of the just man availeth much.'

Speaking with a leader in Christian Science along this line, a woman of rare capabilities, she said to me: "The cattle on the thousand hills belong to God; all the grain in the granaries be-long to the Lord, and all the gold and silver in the treasury belongs to God. You are the daughter of the Kingask and ask largely for all your mate-rial needs." And do not the Christian Ecientists manifestly apply this principle; for taking them as a whole they are a prosperous people with beauti ful temples scattered over the country wherein to hold divine service. Their yery prosperity attracts the attention and admiration of the outside world. They believe in demonstrating the power of the spirit over matter and material conditions; and the sogner Spiritualists come into this way of thinking the better.

"Nothing succeeds like success." and when the Spiritualists can gain such a foothold financially as to be able to erect beautiful schools, and universities for study, and magnificent temples for worship, then, and not till then, will the world look on and apapplaud, and many who are now al nost ashamed to ally themselves with the cause of Spiritualism' will then gladly enter the fold.

William E. Curtis, writing for the Record-Herald, says that the Japanese before going to battle with the Russians burnt incense at the shrines of their ancestors who were warriors and statesmen, and implored their assistance on the field of battle. And be-cause they defeated the Russians they command the respect of the world to Hay. How much of respect would the world show the Japanese had their armies been defeated. "Defeat finds no

with their small incomes find it diffipay taxes on their humble homes, and ity. if they are not able\_\_to meet them, their homes are sold for taxes to sordid tax sharpers.

Let no one say we have not a union of church and state in this country when these pretended followers of a tax commanding Christ are allowed to escape their just taxation on their resi-

dences. President Garfield said: "The divorce between church and state should be so absolute that no church property anywhere, in any state or in the nation, should be exempt from equal taxation."

Gentlemen of the legislature, seriously consider this matter before you allow yourselves to countenance such an unconstitutional and unjust measure, which is clearly class legislation

Yours for absolutely equal taxation The American Secular Union and Freethought Federation.

E. C. REICHWALD, Secretary.

FREEDOM.

Oh! Freedom Fair, immortal word, Whispered in heaven, and by us heard;

Thou art a star along our way Bringing gleams of a better day.

Gleams of a day when hand in hand Men as brothers shall walk the land; Brothers in word, and heart and

Working together for every need.

Humanity has pitifully cried aloud," But her voice was hushed by the mad

dening crowd. Our awakened souls now hear her

And will carry her sorrows, as our own.

A mighty love must surge each heart If we are to heal the wounds that

smart: Love that can ache for another's sor

row, And show him the dawn of a bright

to-morrow. ALICE L. HOLBROOKE. Rockland, Me.



gate, Umatilla county, Oregon, July, 15. 1006. \$2.000 reward if he is returned alive, or \$50 for his body. DESCRIPTION: Complexion very fair. Bosy Checks. Small nose and mouth. Light brown hair. Round face and best trumpet mediums on the Coast. A lawyer by profession, he abhors lip. Small feet and hands. Very bright. Talks very plain. Height about 3 feet 6 inches. Five years of Information wanted by R. L. age. Brittan, 117 East Main street, Walla Walla, Washington.

To the Editor :--- Please impart the above information to some of your best mediums. They may be able to find our child, and if so they can get the reward. This message comes from the heart-broken parents. MR. AND MRS. R. L. BRITTAN.

"Discovery of a Lost Trail." By Chas.

B. Newcomb. Ercellest. in spiritual bay.

"Thank God and I said in my heart, cult to make ends meet, are obliged to for this beautiful simile of immortal-

And while mine ear has grown dim to the gossip of petty affairs, it has grown strangely receptive to the voices of angel whisperings that come with messages of love and cheer, bidding each hungry, sorrowing heart look up with joyful gladness to the Summerland of the after while, where united with the loved and blest, we will mingle our voices in anthems of praise that will ring and reverherate

through the vaulted dome of heaven. ALICE D, GREEN. Hamilton, Ill:

FROM THE PACIFIC COAST.

The Work of Mrs. Patterson --- A Law yer Trumpet Medium.

The Spiritualistic meetings being held at the residence of Mrs. W. S. Patterson, 933 Taylor avenue, Ala-meda, each Sunday at 11 o'clock, are Mrs. awakening increased interest. Patterson, in conjunction with the soclety known as the "Sisterhood," has fitted up the basement of her residence into a neat liftle hall. Pictures and other decorations, together with a plano, go toward making it a cozy home for those who believe in pro-gression, with Truth as the standard bearer. That Mrs. Patterson is an en-thusiast along Spiritualistic lines is evidenced by her work. The present speaker is Mr. B. F.

Sliter, of Alameda, who has, in the opinion of the writer, no superiors and but few equals on the Spiritualfstic platform of to-day on the Pacific Coast.

The 59th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism was celebrated at this hall on Sunday, March 31. Singing was rendered by a trio consisting of was rendered by a trio consisting of Mrs. Eileen Allen, Mrs. B. F. Bliter and Mrs. O. A. Ward. Mr. Sliter gave one of his forceful, philosophic lec-tures, which I wish time, and space would permit reporting in full. He commented in brief upon the remarks of Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, who said if one. wanted authority to fight, or kill the wives and children of an enemy, they have but to go to the Old Testament Mr. Sliter, in addition, said that it was  $\varphi L_{j}UVU$  NL WAND. Cecil A. Brittan taken from the toll and chained to the superstitions of past ages. That for almost every known crime, vice or degradation, excuses could be found in that book. I wish to state a fact, not generally known, that Mr. Slylter is one of the A lawyer by profession, he abhors commercial Spiritualism and the publicity connected therewith. To a few of his personal acquaintances he allows the privilege of private seances, where, in very dim light, trumpets can be seen floating about the room, voices loud and clear emanating therefrom. It is interesting to read in the San Francisco secular press of the opinions of certain noted London scientists favoring the possibility of true psychic phenomena, when we have right here in Alameda, wonderful physical dem-onstrations along Spiritualistic lines, that can be obtained by any earnest truth seeker by simply crossing the

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