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EXPLORATION OF THE

WORLD INVISIBLE
Glorious Words from the Eminent

have been told by telepathic communications, in visions, in apparitions, subjectively or objectively, called by voices they distinctly heard by songs, noises and movements and impressions of different kinds. We can have no doubt of this point—the soul can act at a distance.

Mental suggestions seem equally certain.

Psychic communication between persons who are living is also proved by a large number of cases that have

been observed and reported. There are psychic currents as well as aerial and electric currents.

Telepathy is nothing new; it helps a foremost place in ancient literature. Ure, Homer, Virgil, Lucan, Ovid, Virgil and Cicero often bring forward cases of manifestation from the dying and the dead.

We may see without eyes and hear without ears, not by unnatural excitement of our sense of vision or hearing, but by some interior sense, psychic and mental.

The sixth, the interior vision, may be not only what is passing at a great distance but it may also know in advance what is to happen in the future. The future exists potentially determined by causes which bring to pass

Positive observation proves the existence of the psychical world, as real as the world known to our physical senses, and I shall never give up this exploration of this world, which I hope to carry to an end if the time is indispensable to the work shall be finished. I shall not be satisfied until proper and prudent not to give oneself up exclusively to occult subjects for one might soon lose the independence of mind necessary to form an impartial judgment.

There is no reason on such studies as but not one's main object in life, but as revelation of a superior order of the most curious and interesting. These are foods and drinks which it is most

On the other hand, our earth turns very quickly, and days pass away like dreams. I hope, nevertheless, to give myself the scientific pleasure of studying a portion of these mysteries, at least, and to make out of them what I can. I shall be done by others. Every one must bring his little stone to assist in the construction of a future pyramid.

I ask my readers and friends to lay up knowledge, to work and know, to be ready for the day of the new world, in which forces are at work which we know very little, and to agree with what we know about the limitation of our physical senses to the phenomena of nature.

THE END OF THE MATTER

SUGGESTIVE THOUGHTS.

Toleration and a Decent Respect for the Opinions of Others is the Crying Need.

Would that there were more advanced leaders with courage to state truths along the ages, for Progression is the "watchword." The stain of the "Old Salem Days" is in the past, and in these days, despite much fraud, no one denies but that the "new" is the "right."

God places health-giving herbs right at our very doors, and leaves it to man to determine their use and abuse. No one person possesses all the wisdom, whether any one, holds

There is so much to be learned from the life of Prof. Edison says, "that perhaps in five hundred years we will just begin to suspect."

The Peace movement is a giant stride toward bringing the Kingdom of Heaven upon the earth, but it

Congress of Religions is of no local or vital import.

Tolerance and a decent respect for the opinions of others is the cry of the hour. There can be no surer way of keeping humanity from coming to greater truths than attacking the kindly beliefs that they have grown into with their growth. And they will not relinquish the faith that has sustained them through affliction and bereavement; but add knowledge to their faith and they will gladly accept it.

Many lives have been sacrificed and millions expended in foreign lands and now an Oriental comes among

us teaching a better way to come
"Tune with the Infante," finding
joy of right living by discontinu-
ing the paths of petty vices, that ver-
may spring up, eschewing the
that that health and strength may
given—at peace with all mankind
of, powers can unfold little dream
of love, our Maker, who is a God
of Love.

MARY E. MALLETT
Lee, Maine.

The glory of science is that it
freeling the soul, breaking the men-
manacles, getting the brain out

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

They Border on the Miraculous, and Illustrate the Universality of Occult Forces; or the Power of Ascended Spirits, as Set Forth in the Occult Review by Ojc Kulekun.

fore by the Diviner-Detective, and who all this while has been in charge of the authorities, is brought forward. But not yet will he be subjected to the test. As in the proceedings of the Palm-Oil cult, some of those tacitly declared innocent of the crime are first subjected to it; i. e., two or three of the villagers present com-

Let us now deal with another section of the Occult in Africa; this time it is in relation to the healing art. The negro doctors of the interior accomplish at times wonderful results, that where the Western doctor thinks that only amputation of a limb can do his patient any good, the negro doctor can heal the limb so com-

tion with this rubbing; it must always begin from the knee, and descend the limb to the toe-extremities; it is always a downward movement; never an up-and-down rubbing.

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THE N. S. A. CONVENTION.

Full reports of the proceedings of the late N. S. A. convention in Chicago can be obtained by addressing Mrs. Mary T. Longley, 400 Pennsylvania Avenue S. E., Washington, D. C.

G. W. Brown, M. D. at Emporia, Kan.

The Emporia, Kans., Gazette says that city was greatly honored at her semi-centennial celebration, July 8, Dr. G. W. Brown, of Rockford, Ill., who was president of the town company that founded Emporia, February 20, 1857, was present and talked to the Old Settlers of the work of the beginnings of this town. Dr. Brown is eighty-seven years old, but his clear, vigorous memory holds much of Kansas history.

The good Doctor has had an eventful history. He was captured by a pro-slavery mob at Kansas City and passed through many exciting incidents, for days expecting at any moment to be shot. He finally reached Leocompton, May 20, 1856, the day before his office was first destroyed. He was held for four months, indicted for high treason, guarded by a regiment of United States troops, Governor Robinson, General Deitzler, Judge Smith and Gaines Jenkins, his companions. They remained until September 10, when, without trial they were discharged on their recognizances.

Major Giotfelter, who presided at the meetings, in a short speech introduced Dr. Brown, who gave the address of the afternoon. The Doctor was president of the town company which located and founded Emporia fifty years ago. As the editor of the Herald of Freedom, an anti-slavery paper published in Lawrence during the fifties, he played an important part in the early history of the state, and as the only living member of the company which founded Emporia, it was especially fitting that he should be there to address the citizens of the town on the fiftieth anniversary of its birth.

Dr. Brown is now 87 years of age, and is a picturesque figure, with white hair and beard. He is still strong and hearty and in his sixtieth year as an editor.

Sabbath-Breaking and Rock-Breaking.

A revivalist down there in Georgia almost beat his twelve-year-old boy almost to death for playing base ball on Sunday. When arrested for the offense, to justify his brutality he said he had prayed to God with the boy before using the lash, and gained the divine will to punish him severely. The court sent the offender to the rock-pile for six months. Will God interfere in the premises, and set his servant free? He should, if he approved of the act; but some people entertain the opinion such claim is a priestly fabrication. God and the Devil are the scapegoats of Christians, on one of whom is piled the vices of the entire church fraternity.

A Penalty Unknown to Law.

"We, the jury, and that Miss Hattie Briggs and Miss Dorothy Tillotson should each be taken from this court room and well and truly spanked."

Such was a verdict rendered a few days ago by a jury in our neighboring city of Aurora. The girls were some 16 to 18 years of age, were daughters of respectable parents, and had been guilty of some trifling misdemeanor. The justice wisely set the verdict aside and discharged the prisoners.

A Punishment of such a character should be inflicted by the defendants on the jurors.

Judge Landis Tells Youthful Defendant That He Must Shoulder His Own Sins.

If you should chance to be haled before the august bar of justice, don't fancy you can issue a subpoena for this

Satanic Majesty and transfer the onus of your wrongdoings to the shoulders of that flegmatic abstraction.

The learned members of the Chicago judiciary all admitted, on July 10, that they had not encountered the Arch Fiend since they threw aside the well-thumbed school text of "Paradise Lost" years ago.

As for summoning him in court to appear as a witness against himself—well, there are limits to human courage even if Judge Landis did stretch the limit last week by inviting John D. Rockefeller to appear as his personal guest. And listen! This is a secret. They don't all of them believe in him, anyway.

The truth is that psychology has about ended the efficacy of his Satanic Majesty as a witness in a court of law. Science has erased him from the judicial slate. Wouldn't that grieve the soul of the good Cotton Mather? Just fancy how the starch in his collar would crinkle.

Here is a case in point. Ignorance of the changed judicial attitude involved Samuel Bergh and his clergyman father, Rev. Hans P. Bergh, of 272 Grand avenue, in a controversy with Judge Landis, and brought forth the awful secret. Young Bergh admitted that he had forged a money order on the Chicago Medical College. Judge Landis fixed his fine at \$200 and arranged to have him pay it in weekly installments.

"Your honor, I don't believe the boy was responsible," interjected Rev. Mr. Bergh. "I'm sure he must have been in the hands of the Devil. He has always been a good son."

"Now, young man," said the Judge, with his yowling majestic air, "Don't you get into your head that the Devil is responsible for your predicament. It is your fault and not the Devil's, so you can't shift the blame onto him."

Judges who have occupied the juvenile bench, and probation officers who are in the business of exorcising personal Devils, approved of Judge Landis' outspoken position. They said it was no use trying to give the Devil a blacker name than he had already.

Hear Judge Richard Tullith:

"No, I can't say that I ever had the Devil invoked in court before me, although a good many of those who came seemed to have him in 'em. Of course, I don't care to go into any theological discussions, but seriously, it seems to me that the only way to achieve good is to train youngsters to recognize their personal, moral responsibility."

"Pedagogically, it is certainly unwise to teach them that they are helpless agents in the hands of some external evil force; to teach them that they can compound their quarrels with their conscience by blaming their wrong-doing on Satan or anyone else. They must be taught self-reliance. It is remarkable how young they will seize the idea that you expect them to do right and act on it."

"As regards the theological phase of the situation, I cannot do better than to quote 'Bobbie Burns': The fear of hell is a hangman's whip. To haunt the wretch in order, But when you feel your honor grip Let that 'be your border.'"

Henry W. Thurston, chief probation officer, added his condemnation of using "bogey men" to frighten children into being good.

"I fancy that the Devil has a black enough reputation without gratuitously blaming him with other people's faults," he said. "I can't say that I ever heard him personally invoked as a scapegoat in court. Most of the boys will try to lay the blame on the other fellow, but their imagination doesn't often stretch as far as the Devil."

"The only hope is to eradicate in the boy the idea that he is not a free moral agent. He must be told that he can be good if he wants to and that if he isn't it's nobody's fault but his own. That is the very basis of moral growth in a boy."

The above from the Chicago Record Herald presents a splendid object lesson for the whole world to consider. In due time the Orthodox Devil will be completely extinguished.

Too Good for Earth.

A late forest fire in Wisconsin, easily controlled in the beginning, was allowed to run its course because the property owners were Adventists and would not labor on the true Sabbath day—Saturday—to extinguish it. Their action proved they were loyal to their creed, but such men with such principles are too good for this earth.

It is related of the Jews that they would not resist a public enemy on the Sabbath, but allowed themselves and families to be slaughtered rather than break their Sabbath, which was as sacred to them as is the "pig tail" of the Chinese to them.

The Jewish Sabbath became a feature of these people while slaves in Babylon. And the pig tail of China is also evidence of their being dominated and enslaved by the conquering Tartars.

These marks of degeneration in time become sacred.

The whole Christian system owes its existence to a reconstruction of Paganism, which was forced upon an unwilling people. Scholars know this, and the masses are learning the facts.

Platitudes against sin are as harmful as applause for sin.—Anon.

An Astounding Statement.

John Wilkes Booth, Who Assassinated President Lincoln, Was Not Killed, as Asserted at the Time—The Psychometric Reading by Miss Margaret Gaule.

The following remarkable account of a "Psychic Test," made on Sunday afternoon, June 23, 1907, was taken down in shorthand by C. L. Cox, and afterward submitted to Mr. Hubbell, for revision, and may be relied on as accurate and truthful in every particular.

Walter Hubbell, the actor, who has been playing King Herod in "The Holy City" in California and the west this season, while playing in Enid, Oklahoma, on January 23, 1907, went to see the body of David E. George, who died January 14, 1907, and of whom it is alleged that he was John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated Abraham Lincoln, April 14, 1865, and escaped instead of being shot as recorded in history.

Mr. Hubbell, being personally acquainted with all of Booth's brothers, and particularly with Edwin and Dr. Joseph A. Booth, was particularly impressed with the resemblance of the body to the Booth family. Without any solicitation on Mr. Hubbell's part, Mr. Penniman (who has the body in his keeping) presented him with a lock of the alleged assassin's hair. At the time it was cut from the head, no persons were present in the room except Mr. Penniman, Mr. Hubbell and Miss Lillian Alexander, a member of Mr. Hubbell's company. Mr. Hubbell placed the lock of hair in an envelope and never mentioned to any person that he had such a gruesome object in his possession. Miss Alexander also kept the matter secret.

On his return to New York he determined to test the fact of its being the hair of John Wilkes Booth, at the hands of some well-known psychic or medium.

On June 23, 1907, he went secretly to the home of David E. George, in Columbus Circle, and attended a meeting of the "First Association of Spiritualists," for whom Miss Margaret Gaule is the medium. He does not know Miss Gaule at all, never having seen her before. On entering the hall, Mr. Hubbell placed a small wooden box containing the hair on the table where objects and letters were placed for "readings," but it was not taken from the table by Miss Gaule.

In passing from the hall, he accidentally met Miss Gaule at the entrance door, surrounded by a number of the members of the Society, and said to her, rather abruptly, perhaps, "Madam, this box was in the center of your table, and though you 'read' articles

and objects all around it, you passed it over every time. It is perhaps of great importance and I am very sorry you did not 'read' it."

The lady hesitated for a moment, and then said: "Give it to me now and I will go with you." She held it for a second in her hand and said:

"I see a large audience room—a building brilliantly lighted, crowded with people. There is music—laughter—all is enjoyment and pleasure. Suddenly there is a crash—somebody is thrown to the ground. There is confusion—officers in uniform—Washington—Lincoln—And yet how can it be Lincoln, for this object I hold in my hand did not belong to him. This should have been buried; it has a subterranean aspect. It has been buried, or should it be buried? What is it? The owner of it died a suicide. 'It is perished. What you have in this box came from the center of the head.'"

As a matter of fact, Mr. Penniman, who has possession of the body, which is now in a petrified condition (or rather a mummy), at the present time, and neither of them have been in New York for a number of years, if ever, and neither of them know Miss Gaule or have any connection with Spiritualism; nor has Mr. Hubbell.

Mr. Hubbell's communication with the ghost of John McCullough some years ago, has been published in the "Life of John McCullough," by S. C. Clark, and has also been published by Dr. Funk, in his recent work "The Psychic Riddle."

David E. George, was really John Wilkes Booth, as positive evidence now in the hands of reliable persons in Tennessee, Texas and Oklahoma, seemingly proves, it is probable that Booth, assumed the "David E." in memory of his accomplice, David E. Herold, who was hanged and the surname "George" after George Washington, Washington City being the scene of his bloody deed.

It is needless to add that Mr. Hubbell is an expert in testing mediums and getting tests that will bear so-called "Scientific Investigation."

The foregoing statement has been revised by WALTER HUBBELL, New York City, June 4, 1907.

Information.

Two new battle ships are to be built by this government to cost twenty millions of dollars. Instead of laboring to prevent national slaughter, the wealth of the world is being wasted in preparing more destructive methods for human butchery.

COMPETITION IN RELIGION.

That Is What Is Contemplated at the Present Time.—A Revival Christian Science.

That Christian Science is making headway among the other churches has long been evident, but until now the other churches have given no sign that it is aware of it. In Chicago they have seen five large organizations gradually grow into being, but they have not acknowledged their existence.

But at last there is an indication that one of the churches, at least, of the other churches has given sign that it is aware of it. In Chicago they have seen five large organizations gradually grow into being, but they have not acknowledged their existence.

A convocation in the diocese of Los Angeles has petitioned the council of that diocese to memorialize the general convention of the church in favor of that revival, and this action has awakened much interest throughout the country. It is argued by those in favor of it that the sacrament is a divine institution that should never have been allowed to fall into disuse. They believe that the power of healing was given by Christ to the apostles, who transmitted it to the bishops, as is shown by that part of a bishop's commission which instructs him to "hold up the weak and heal the sick." That bishops do not now exercise this office is due to lack of faith. If they believe that it is still theirs, they could perform miracles to-day as well as the early churchmen.

Nothing is more certain than that Jesus practiced healing all through his ministry, or that the apostles were physicians of the body as well as of the soul. They shall as hands as the saints and they shall recover. Christ is reported by St. Mark as saying, and all through the writings of the disciples there is evidence that the promise was fulfilled.

Nor is it inoperative to-day, as is shown by the cures wrought in the Roman church, which continually performs miracles in every part of the world. There is no doubt that the Protestant Episcopal church can avail itself of the same power, if it will do so.

All that is needed is a revival of faith among clergy and people to keep members of the church from seeking relief in Christian Science, which grows because orthodox churches have lost belief in their own teachings.

The above from the Chicago Journal indicates that active competition between the various churches and Christian Scientists will become a prominent feature in the future, resulting, no doubt in great benefit to the world.—Colorado.

People may outgrow natural ignorance, but ignorance carefully cultivated, polished, propagated, and called divine truth, can rarely be outgrown, because it paralyzes the power of growth.—Monroe D. Conway.

Much of the religion to-day is only respect for the religion of the past—investigator.

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

ANNALS OF THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

REFLECTIONS.

As They Come From Bishop A. Beals, of Summerland, Cal.

To the Editor:—I read a great many interesting and instructive articles in The Progressive Thinker from week to week, and from the pen of able, progressive minds, and upon all subjects, and in a spiritual paper that is now really the only radical exponent of our philosophy and the cause of spirit communion.

Among the many able writers none has more merit and interest than the writings of Brother Wilkins, especially his poetic productions, and at this writing I wish to mention and commend him on the recent poem entitled "When I Return."

So much has been written and said on this mooted subject of "Re-embodiment," pro and con, of repeated lives on the earth plane, that his poem comes in appropos, and covers the whole debatable ground and gamut of the subject, and teaches a sermon on simple life and the law of growth here and hereafter.

A lady subscriber of your paper said to me once, speaking of Brother Wilkins' poems: "I never read one of his poems that I do not feel an impulse to write him and thank him for the good they do me."

Now, as thoughts are said to be things, may it not be these appreciative thoughts from the many admirers may not find wings, and react unconsciously by the objects of their admiration, and are the silent means of stimulating, aye, of inspiring the writer to do his mental work for the etheric waves are the bearers of messages, and from the living sources we little dream of?

Beliefs and theories on doctrinal subjects are often the cause of bitterness to the adherents when contested by the unbelievers, and discord and antagonism cause estrangement of feeling instead of a union of brotherhood as should be.

It is the province of true poetry to lay before the eyes of reason the simple truth, and in such attractive forms that all bigotry of feeling is disarmed, and the dispassionate mind feels the mysterious cause of a divine spirit leading the mind into the subtle process of nature's laws whose cause and effect are operative—not distant and transcendental, but wise and ever near at hand.

It is a good thing, Brother Francis, that our spiritual philosophy is not built on a myth, but stands upon the foundation of eternal principles, and breathes the divine whisperings of the "Over-Soul," as Emerson puts it, that it dispels darkness through the open door of reason, and makes our lives here under the doom of blither flappings the stepping-stones to success in some future and fairer world.

The seething turmoil of our spiritual Cause at present, is portentous of much good eventually, inasmuch as we can see the winning process going on, eliminating from our ranks the fraudulent element that had become so rampant, and threatening the destruction of our Cause, and hampering the arm of our workers, reformers, honest mediums and lovers of spiritual truth.

Mr. and Mrs. Lillie have been working here and at Santa Barbara the past winter—and up to the present time, holding one Sunday meeting a week, and the Cause has prospered, and had a revival and uplifting that it has not had in years before. There is not a more efficient and faithful exponent of our Cause than Mrs. Lillie, nor one more worthy to bear the crown of "well done, thou faithful sister! Enter thou into the glories of thy spiritual inheritance."

It is a pity there are not more who have ample means to come forward to the support of our Cause, instead of masquerading in the so-called liberal Christian churches as they do, notwithstanding the acknowledged fact of spirit communion, and that too, by the intelligent members of nearly every Christian church to-day. Yet they fight shy of the spiritual platform, and hold themselves aloof from the movement, and do not encourage it in any way by their presence.

But all great movements and inventions have had their humble beginnings and exponents who have given their lives to establish the truth for coming generations that they might reap the benefit.

Inventors as well as simply stewards of the divine mysteries of nature are given them, that the world may be the better for their living in it.

But our workers one by one From Life's labors depart, Leaving the work they have done And the pain and smart. But in the ages yet to come Their inspiration will impart.

BISHOP A. BEALS.

H. SPENCER LEWIS.

He Is Not the Man Who Wrote the Offensive Letter.

In explanation Mr. Lewis writes as follows: "Mr. Barrett says that there appeared in the Washington Post an attack on Spiritualism, written by me. This he promptly replies to in the same paper. Now, Mr. Barrett is an editor, and he had had a large field for a few hours and investigated the article in the Washington Post, he would have found that the Post has clipped the article from another paper, which is recognized as the most prejudiced against Spiritualism in this country. If he had investigated a little further he would have found that the article was never written by me at all and further, that I never authorized such statements as were made."

"I do not blame Mr. Barrett. He is doing an excellent work in defending the cause of Spiritualism and even though I do not receive pay for doing so, I never lose an opportunity of defending the cause and principles of true Spiritualism."

H. SPENCER LEWIS.

above all station, above the noble—the robbed and crowned—rises the sincere mope. Happy is the man who neither paints nor patches, tells nor veneers! Blessed is he who wears no mask!—Ingersoll.

When any one of the prouder passions are hurt, it is much better philosophy to let a man slip into a good temper than to let him in a bad one.—Thomas Paine in Crisis.

Some impose upon the world that they believe that which they do not; others more in number, make themselves believe that they believe, not being able to penetrate into what it is to believe.—Ingersoll.

The practice of self-restraint and renunciation is not happiness, though it may be something much better.—T. H. Huxley.

Thought controls the universe, Controls your life and mine.

A Spirit's Explanation.

The Reception and Transmission of Thought Explained—Spirit Writing in a Sealed Envelope.

Much has been written in pursuit of this marvelous influence, or philosophy of the intellect.

Whether we stand on the side of the pros or contras as to belief, or opinion, cannot be evidence conclusive of its operative influence; its existence, or non-existence. Scientific research alone can deduce the facts in the case, and spirit manifestation the proof thereof.

As the telegraphic instrument possesses both the receptive, and transmitting influence, or force, whereby thought is symbolized, by sounds and tracings; so the human brain is qualified, by which means the individual consciousness receives, and discharges thought.

As the telegraphic line is necessary over which the vibration extends to convey thought, or intelligence to a given point; so are spiritual chords necessary over which thought vibrations reach a distant sensitive intellect.

In the latter part of 1894, the writer had a seance with Mr. George Cole, of Canarsie, Kings Co., N. Y. (now deceased), whose phase it was to receive communications within sealed envelopes.

On this occasion I enclosed blank paper, addressed to my guide, on the top sheet of paper, requesting him to give me a communication, he to choose his own subject. I folded the paper, placed it in the envelope and sealed it perfectly, and awaited the manifestation. When he had finished, I took the envelope, which remained in exactly the same condition it was in when I placed it for the manifestation, opened it, and found it to contain the same sheets of paper I had placed there, upon which was written in regular order the following message:

"Good Brother in Mortal Life.—The wisdom of the past is about to dawn again upon the world. The thoughts originated in the brains of mortals will again be transmitted to the farthest ends of the earth, and be read more intelligently than if conveyed in the sound of the voice through the modern telephone, which latter is but the precursor of mental projection."

"In pre-historic times, mortals were obliged to guard their thoughts, else the privacies of the domestic circle would become as public as the daily issues in a modern newspaper."

"There will soon be another thummin' such as used by Moses, the Israelite priest, as a means of communication with spirit messengers."

"This thummin' is a mirror of light and knowledge; and the thoughts will be carried in the future, as in the past, by the magnetic currents which carry the mental vibrations on the spiritual chords, which radiate from every mortal to the four points of the compass."

"Mortal light is red, spirit light is white, which form these chords; and the electric current conveyed into space, attracts the opposite or negative current, and these currents are reciprocal in attraction, and produce an equilibrium in consonance with mental balance."

"By such means you can send your thoughts to the most distant points of the earth, where the mortals you desire to make mental thought communications with, will be enabled to understand as well as if they were in the same room, listening to your verbal expressions."

"In certain parts of East India, this science as a principle, is still understood, having been handed down from generation to generation, for many ages past, and the cave-dwellers of the Himalayas, are adepts in this science, and send their thoughts to their friends at great distances."

"During the Sepoy Rebellion, intelligence was conveyed in this manner, and the English were ever at a loss to understand how natives could convey intelligence of intended army movements, when such natives were under strict guard, and by trustworthy sentinels."

"The poor, despised Sepoys descended from an illustrious, and great race, were more intelligent than their presumptuous masters."

"Good brother, then, develop your soul resources, there is more knowledge hidden in its recesses, and imprisoned by false theories, and foolish aphorisms, than would rule a great empire."

"Solomon of Judea, was well versed in this art, and it is the foundation of religion, as by it, if understood, you can commune with the great Infinite God who fills all space."

"As a prayer in thought is as powerful as a prayer in words, and herein lies the foundation, or fundamental principles governing the whole range of silent mental telegraphy."

"In conclusion, good brother, you in your profession of music, may think in a melody, and melody, and rhythm can be understood by a friend to whom you may wish to project your thought, though he were thousands of miles distant."

Your brother and guide, SAALAMBO OF SHEBA.

From the fact that this communication was wrought inside of a sealed envelope, by mental force, that controlled the material part of the manifestation as well; it might be of interest to the reader to know the process employed by the manifesting spirit to the ultimatum. This can best be given by quotations from a description given by a spirit who was manifesting to her brother at one of Mr. Cole's seances, which was published later in one of the New York papers. It is to-wit:

"How do I write inside this sealed letter? This manifestation of independent spirit writing inside of a sealed envelope, by a spirit, is mysterious to mortals, because the manifestation is not understood. I will endeavor to explain: At seances, a spirit approaches the table upon which is a closed box; in which is found an envelope, and three or four different kinds of lead pencils, well sharpened. By waving my hand over the box in which the letter lays, I detach lead from the pencil in the air, and bring it out in the atmosphere of the room, where it is brought in contact with the negative principles, sulphurated hydrogen gas extracted from the atmosphere; it then becomes sulphide; but it is still palpable and ponderable. By treating it with the aeriform principles of sulphide of ammonium, and extracting all organic principles, the substance becomes reduced to air, in which state it is waved inside the envelope, and directed upon the sheets of folded paper, materialized in letters and word forms, in obedience to the thoughts to be expressed in language, and the substance and color restored by the inversion of the method adopted for reduction. This is to say, when I have selected the pencil and commenced to wave the hand, the lead is being extracted from the pencil, brought into the atmosphere, and treated as described, at the same distance its air is waved into the envelope, materialized in letters and words on the paper, and the substance and color restored on the paper to their normal condition the following instant. A wave of the hand to the right performs one part of the process, and a wave to the left the other, and so on alternately—a word being written, or materialized at each wave of the hand. This is the manner in which all spirit communications are written inside sealed envelopes."

Signed, SARAH E. BUTLER.

It is not the purpose of the writer at this time, to dwell upon the nature of transmission of thought in all its phases; but simply to call the attention of the reader to the existing forces of Electricity and Magnetism, or, the positive and negative, as responsible influences, whose co-operation is ultimately resultant of motion. In that motion establishes vibration, which in turn is conductive; therefore, a transmitting influence existent throughout space.

That man is possessed of a mental organism capable of receiving, and discharging thoughts in accord with his individual vibration of forces. That his power to do so is conditioned by spiritual and material development, which limits his spiritual, or material terminals.

Secondly: That Nature is a great laboratory of chemistry, whose laws are common to beings spiritually, are beyond the control of mortal brains; but, are better understood by developed spirits who use them to aid in their manifestations on the material side of life. A profound subject, the consideration of which will be as lasting as life itself.

Buffalo, N. Y. J. BEN LESLIE.

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General Survey.

The Spiritualistic Field—its Workers, its Work, and General Progress, the World Over.

THIS GENERAL SURVEY DEPARTMENT IS ONLY INTENDED TO CHRONICLE THE ENGAGEMENTS AND WORK OF SPEAKERS AND MEDIUMS. A REPORT OF WHAT THE VARIOUS SPEAKERS SAY WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED, AS WE HAVE NOT SPACE SUFFICIENT FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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The Song Cards for sale at this office at \$4 per hundred, by mail \$4.50, are the help you need in society work.

Mr. John W. Ring wishes to announce the marriage of his niece, Miss Anna Grace North, to Alexander Bourne, Thursday, June 13, 1907, Colorado Springs, Colorado. At home Crystal, Green Mountain Falls, Col.

W. P. Brittain writes: "I have read in The Progressive Thinker the opinions of various writers on lecturing with a forced stick. I have seen such a method practiced by different parties for over fifty years, and find as many or more failures than otherwise. I have practiced the method, and the stick would turn either way held tightly. The whole thing, as far as finding water with the stick is concerned, is a fraud, pure and simple."

Emma A. Ellis writes: "The next Social of the Band of Harmony will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tressness, 379 N. 51st ave., on Thursday, July 18. The afternoon will be devoted to cards and tea-gup readings. The evening entertainment will consist of music, etc. Score cards are 25 cents, and coffee checks 10 cents. Those attending, bringing their own supper. Everyone is cordially invited. It would be considered very unkind by the writer if mention of the last social were not made at this time. The ladies who went to Elmhurst and enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Stone are loud in their praise of the lovely time, and delightful entertainment."

Mrs. C. Northridge writes from San Jose, Cal.: "Dr. and Mrs. Noyes of Utica, N. Y., have been with our First Spiritual Union Society several weeks, and Mr. Noyes, as he stood before us with a face radiant with divine light, poured forth words of inspiration and truth that touched the hearts of the audience. Mrs. Noyes followed in her usual way. I have been pleased to find in her one of the very best mental medium mediums that I have ever met. Her readings are unsurpassed. Dr. and Mrs. Noyes are on their way to Galveston, Texas, to fill a fall engagement, and will stop at Santa Barbara and other cities on the route for short engagements."

Mrs. M. C. Jacobs, president of the Ladies' Aid, writes: "The Chesterfield Camp opens July 26th, and continues until September 1st. I will call a meeting of the Ladies' Bazaar for Monday, the 29th of July, to elect a Secretary to fill the unexpired term of Sister Adella Dowell, who passed to the higher life June 26. Any friends of the camp who may desire to send donations for the Bazaar can send the same to my address, 322 North Illinois street, Indianapolis, Ind., and the same will be thankfully received."

The Lynn Spiritualist Association sends the following: "Spiritualists and honest investigators of Psychic Phenomena will take notice that the Rev. May S. Vanderbilt, formerly Mrs. Pepper, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has, after much persuasion by her friends, consented to conduct services at the City Camp Auditorium, Saugus, Mass., on the following dates: Saturday, July 27; Sunday, July 28, and August 4. Good solists. Seats will be reserved if notified by responsible parties. Good protection in stormy weather. Fifth Annual Fair, July 25th, 26th and 27th."

Ferd. Schurer writes: "Inquiries concerning the Fraternal Camp Association are being received from people in Illinois, who have been waiting for some time for just such an opportunity and we feel elated with the results thus far obtained. Our officers who are more or less acquainted with the speakers of note, are very anxious to have them at the camp, and we take great pleasure in announcing that Miss Elizabeth Harlow of Columbus, Ohio, one of the ablest speakers in our ranks, has finally been induced to come to Chicago, and address the camp and its friends on the evening of Wednesday, August 28. Miss Harlow has many friends here who will be pleased to learn of her coming visit, and we expect our hall at 406 Ogden avenue, (top floor) crowded. Those who wish to join our large chorus are requested to send their names and addresses to the writer, 95 Loomis street, which we may arrange for a rehearsal early in September. Our young people are also busy organizing a social club, and will give entertainments during the coming winter. The first meeting was held Friday evening, July 5th, at the home of Miss Loretta Miller, 95 Hermitage ave. We meet again Saturday evening, July 20, at the home of Miss Pearl English, Ogden avenue, and 48th st., and all young people who would be interested are invited to attend, as we will combine business with pleasure. Those who are interested in Lyceum work are requested to send their names to Dr. Alexander Caird, 598 W. Monroe st., as we intend to take care of the little ones also. Repairs in our hall will be completed in time for our opening in October, which will add much to its appearance and the comfort of our members and friends."

Frank T. Ripley has the Sundays of September open for engagements to lecture and give messages. Terms reasonable. Address all letters to P. O. Box 278, Wrentham, Wis. Virginia Barrett is now located at Bonfield, Ont., where she can be addressed.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Demorest of Pittsburg, Pa., has just closed a very successful engagement with the East Liverpool, Ohio, Spiritualists. After another four weeks engagement in Pennsylvania, she leaves for Lily Dale.

Services will be resumed by the Worcester, Mass., Association of Spiritualists September 22, with Mrs. N. J. Willis of Boston, as the speaker.

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A large and much interested audience heard the closing lecture by Dr. B. P. Austin before the Spiritualist Society in Meadville, Pa., at the Odd Fellow's temple. The speaker, after giving a brief survey of the principles of modern Spiritualism, related a number of strange experiences that he had personally met with in psychic research. Spiritualism, he said, is a revival of New Testament Christianity. No great religion of the world was ever founded without miracle and prophecy, and these are to be found in Spiritualism. Miracles are not a violation of law. They seem to be a disturbance in nature's order, because they are not understood. They result from a higher law, temporarily displacing a lower law, and in this sense miracles are coming in more and more. Spiritualism is a scientific religion, because it requires no more belief from any man than what can be ratified by facts. No other religion in half a century has ever won the allegiance of so many brilliant minds. No doubt this is due to the fact that it is based on verification more than on faith. However, there is need for faith even in the life of a Spiritualist. The faith of to-day becomes the knowledge of to-morrow and this faith must ever be the forerunner of knowledge. The address was followed by spirit messages, through the mediumship of Mrs. J. S. Steele, of Pittsburg.

Stuart L. Rogers writes: "I wish to make a statement regarding one of the best all-around mediums it has been my pleasure to meet. In my 50 years investigation of Spiritualism, I refer to 'Rev. Mary C. Ward,' who has been sojourning in our midst for the past three or four months. Mrs. Ward has made it her headquarters in this hall, and filled engagements in Erie, Pa., Buffalo, and several smaller places, and is at this date filling an engagement in Middlefield, Ohio, where she has been engaged many times in years ago."

Mrs. Dobson-Barker writes from San Jose, Cal.: "The First Spiritualist Union of San Jose, Cal., held meetings during the month of May, Mrs. Mattie E. Hull being engaged for four Sundays previous to her return east. We have just closed a month's engagement with Mr. and Mrs. Noyes, from Nebraska. Mr. Noyes lectured on every meeting. Mrs. Noyes followed with spirit messages and many good tests. They are both good, earnest, honest and faithful workers. We wish them success wherever they may go. July 7th, 12 m., a membership meeting was held and a motion was made and carried that the F. S. U. take a two months' vacation. The Sunset Lyceum Mutual Helpers, both auxiliary societies to F. S. U., have also taken a vacation. July 7, at 7:30 p. m., Mrs. R. J. Stone gave a very interesting lecture, followed by Miss Thillie Gunderson with spirit readings. We will renew our meetings again September 15, 1907."

Mrs. E. Duncan writes: "The members of the First Spiritual Church of Elwood, Ind., are honored by two very interesting lectures, delivered by Mr. Ernest Amberg of New York. The lecture on 'The Spiritual Conception of Jesus Christ,' June 30, was to the point, and highly appreciated. The tests were good and all recognized."

Dr. T. Wilkins writes: "The Sunflower Club Picnic and boat ride to Michigan City were all right and the success was pronounced by all who attended. There was some disappointment about the boat on the outward trip, though all went well in the main. There was no formality used or seemingly desired; it was a free for all picnic, and good social time, and everyone enjoyed it to the limit of their individual capacity. The ride was cool and refreshing to Michigan City and return, and the little city was in its prime. On Saturday, July 13, and no ill luck to the little party was experienced on this supposedly lucky day. About 100 tickets were sold by the Club, and those not in attendance missed a good time long to be cherished in memory. Your correspondent feels just like adding:

Peace to the spirit that strives to give
Some sympathy here to those who live
In sorrow's deep throes, in sickness
And pain;
Without relief in mercy sent.
Peace to the hearts that throbb for
Peace
Hard-pressed by Fate and clinging
Ghosts;
Peace to the spirit of harmony;
Peace to this and the life to be.
Peace to the ladies whose hands pre-
pared
The islands of sweetness so freely
shared;
Peace to the mothers, companions
and wives;
May Sunflowers bloom over their lives.
Peace to the lovers who still are
unwed;
Peace to 'old bachelors' and maidens not
dead;
Peace to the children; peace to all
things;
Peace to the shelter 'neath Nature's
wings.
Peace to the paths of men to-day;
Peace to their spirits; peace to their
glad;
Peace to the power that makes them
mad;
Peace to the power that makes them
glad.
Peace to the man with red hair on his
coat;
Peace to the zephyrs on which hairs
float;
Peace to the widows and widowers too,
Peace to all to whom peace is due.

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The Illinois Sunflower Club will have an excursion and picnic to Michigan City, on Saturday, July 13, on the famous new steamship, Theodore Roosevelt, Chicago's greatest ship. It leaves Chicago 10 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Leaves Michigan City 4:20 p. m. and 7:45 p. m. Tickets, only 75 cts. round trip. Children, 5 and under 12 years, 40 cents. Get your tickets early. Docks: South end Clark St. Bridge. Tickets can be purchased of Mrs. Belle Curtis, 615 Otto street; Mrs. A. W. Bloom, 1118 Lincoln avenue, on the North Side; Mrs. J. R. Cross, 500 E. 53rd street, and Mrs. C. B. Wilson, No. 6 East 47th street, on the South Side. Mrs. E. J. Bloom, 800 Turner avenue, and Mrs. J. R. Francis, 40 Loomis street, on the West Side, and also at the boat landing. We expect a delightful time, and invite everyone to come and join us. Remember the date, July 13, in the sultry summer time, for what is so healthful and invigorating as a day spent on beautiful Lake Michigan.

Opening of the Lily Dale Assembly. The first blast of the trumpet and the echo by the big base drum announced the opening of Lily Dale Assembly on Friday afternoon, July 12th. The grounds never looked nicer nor the weather ever any finer. It was indeed an ideal day.

There are more people on the grounds and there was a larger attendance than there has been on the opening day for years. Dr. Geo. B. Wagne delivered the opening address. It was a masterful effort. He showed how great strides the cause of Spiritualism had made all over the country, and the victory won through the affirmation of the State Supreme Court of Illinois in the Crampton case. He said that the largest sum of money ever will be paid to Spiritualism.

He admonished his hearers each to do their best, that harmony and good will might prevail, calling their attention to the harm often caused through unkind criticism, and said that each would receive exactly in proportion to what they brought and gave to others. The entire address was permeated with an spirit of earnestness and sincerity which deeply impressed his hearers. Mrs. Annette J. Pettengill followed with messages. She gave several very convincing tests and spiritual messages, which brought comfort to hungry hearts.

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DEATH IS A BLESSING. Why should mankind, with bated breath, And fear and trembling look on death? There must be some good reason why All things that live are born to die, And when that reason we can see 'Twill banish fear and mystery.

If it were true that "death ends all," 'Twere good excuse for creep and pall; For if it be "eternal sleep," 'Tis fit for all to wall and weep; If this short life is all there be 'Tis but a farce, a mockery!

Death is a loan to mortals left— Of loving smiles and words bereft; The friends we've lost, we cannot see, Nor hear their voices audibly. And when our hearts are freshly torn, It is but human we should mourn.

But consolation we should draw From Nature's grand evolving law Which shows, when rightly understood, That every change works out a good. 'Tis even so, as Scripture saith, With this great change we mis-call death.

'Twas not designed that we should stay Forever in this form of clay, For flesh and blood are much too gross, And longer stay would be our loss, So Death comes in and sets us free To have a larger liberty.

Death was ordained in Nature's plan Long ages ere the birth of man; It was the method God employed What lesser creatures then destroyed, To make the earth a fitter place To start another higher race.

The change they'll find, when mortals die, Like that of moth or butterfly. 'Twill give a form of finer mould, That's ether gets, firm, and ne'er grows old. And for its wants finds full supply From elements that round it lie.

Each mortal sinner that we see Is destined yet a saint to be, But earth conditions are averse, And off he goes from bad to worse, So death removes him to a home Where earth's temptations "cannot" come.

What then is death? 'Tis second birth Through which we leave our Mother Earth, And as freed spirits then arise To find our "mansions in the skies," There's naught to fear, but much to crave, Let mortals face it and be brave.

Then mourners all, cease tears to pour For those not dead but gone before, What'er their state in spirit sphere, They're better off than they were here; "To die is gain," St. Paul once said, Then by this truth DEAN CLARKE.

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THE LAST CALL! The officers of all local spiritual societies in the United States, who have not made their reports for the year, are requested to do so in this issue. This is the last chance. The time is now short and they are earnestly requested to forward the cards they have in hand, filled according to instructions, at the earliest possible moment. The reports will close July 20, and it is hardly probable that any society whose report is not in hand on that day, will be recognized after that time. Assemblies less than one-half of the local societies that are supposed to be in existence, or are known to have had an existence, in the last seventeen years, have thus far reported. It becomes the duty of all delegates to attend to this matter at once. Spiritualists and friends of the cause, will you not interest yourselves in this very important matter? Now is the time to act. Let us hear from you at once. If you have no society to report, please send me your dates of organization, membership and how divided, and I will fill the cards for you, giving you credit for having furnished the information. Remember this is the last call! Further delay is dangerous!

Yours for Spiritualism, HARRISON D. BARRETT.

Luke Brady Camp. The meeting of July at Brady Camp was a success, fair weather, a fair audience and fine speakers. Mrs. Slaughter, Mrs. Judson and Robert Charles have been engaged for the season to lecture on the subject of music, piano, violin and cornet.

The president, Mr. Hunger, who is a photographer, has donated a picture of the Fox Sisters; he has put them together in one group, and has a copyright on it, so anyone wishing a copy must get it from him. Dr. Knowles, the Chairman, opened the morning session by reading a poem, "A Gentle Creed," by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Mrs. D. A. Morrill, the speaker for the day, took for her topic, "How to Unfold," handling it in her usual masterful way. In the afternoon the lecture was on nearly the same lines. This concludes her engagement at Brady for this season, to the sincere regret of her many friends. Trusting she may be with us again next season, we wish her God-speed in her work.

The new rooming house is full and the dining hall well patronized. MARY L. BETTES, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

Vermont Spiritualist Convention. The Vermont State Spiritualist Association held the Semi-Annual Convention at G. A. R. hall, Montpelier, Vt., June 15 and 16, 1907. The following Vermont State speakers were present: Mr. A. F. Hubbard, Tyngsboro, Vt.; Mrs. E. C. Chapman, Cambridge, Vt.; Mrs. Laura Cummings, Hardwick, Vt. The president, Mrs. Emma Chapman, in the chair. The opening session was taken up with short speeches from different ones.

Mr. Hubbard presided of the opening day. He spoke of the twentieth century, how it brought us in touch with the higher life and the angel world; what progress had been made in the last century, and still more to follow in this. He gave a short account of his southern trip to Lake Helen, Florida, what he saw and heard there, and what enthusiasm was manifested there in relation to our cause. He spoke of a little incident that happened on his trip back, about a ship in distress, and then sending out a message by wireless telegraphy for help.

Mr. Barker is a very able speaker and his lectures are very interesting and instructive. Music was furnished by Miss Pansy Severance, of Montpelier. She is a fine solist and her music was very inspiring.

Mrs. Chapman is a fine lecturer and she has a very pleasing way of giving spirit messages, with the best of satisfaction. May she live long to bring comfort to the sorrowing ones of earth.

Mrs. Cummings lectured twice. Her subject was "The Creed to Be," and "The New Religion." She handled the subjects in a way that showed she was in touch with progress and the higher life. The fairest of weather and the best of harmony made our convention one long to be remembered.

MRS. E. J. FALLON, Sec'y. Montpelier, Vt.

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Day sessions, at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., will be devoted to business only. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these business meetings, to which no admission fee is charged. Evening exercises will consist of grand programs of varied and entertaining numbers, including vocal and instrumental selections by talented artists; Lectures and Spirit Messages; and a variety of other interesting and instructive platform workers of the country.

Among those who have been invited and who expect to be present and participate in the evening services are W. J. Colville, Mrs. H. P. Russeque, Mesdames Clara Watson, R. E. Little, Zella B. Kates, Elizabeth Harlow, Elizabeth Lowe Watson, Messrs. Dr. Geo. A. Fuller, J. Clegg Wright, Oscar A. Edgerly, Albert P. Billan, speakers.

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PASSED TO SPIRIT LIFE. [Obituaries to the extent of ten lines only will be inserted free. All in excess of ten lines will be charged at the rate of 10 cents per line. About 7 words constitute a line.]

John Ray, an old-time Spiritualist, passed to higher life, July 2. Rev. G. E. Chesbro ably officiated. Mrs. Maud Chesbro, inspired by the ardent brother, gave appropriate remarks to the friends and to the brothers of his lodge, F. U. A. The sweet voice of Arthur Howe, president C. S. A., soothed the audience with his soliloquy. An onlooker said: "That kind of service brings peace and hope, and shows us our duty to our fellow-man here and hereafter."

FRANK WERNER. Passed to spirit life, at Ft. Wayne, Ind., Charles A. Burchard, June 22, 1907, age 55 years of age. The deceased was a staunch Spiritualist for many years, his wife being a fine medium. Spiritualistic services were held at the home of the deceased, and was largely attended. H. Brindle officiated.

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