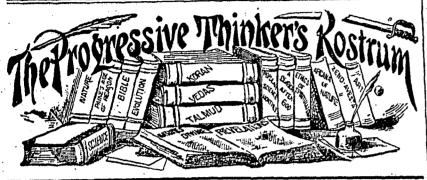
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certain Scotchman defined metaphysics know everything? If not, what he does to be: "When a man talks so nobody understands him, and he does not know may be the truth of Spiritual-lidea of the existence of a God—but no understands him, and he does not know may be the truth of Spiritual-lidea of the existence of a God—but no people was ever discovered who had any ten thousand more! Man outweighs them

I believe in one God, who is not outside of the universe, as a carpenter is outside of a house; but as Haeckel has ex--that is, that man is not a trinity, not a duality, not a unit. I do not accept the ordinary distinctions which are made in speaking of a man as consisting of a body and a soul. The body is not the man, the soul is not the man, the mind

these is material the other is immaling everything matter. If you ask me what matter is, I must answer: "I do not know," and the greatest scientist that ever lived must give the same answer.

But there are different degrees of refinement in matter. A block of granite is quite different from a steel rail, and a brick-bat does not compare | did find something in Spiritualism-and with the human eye, or even with the their testimony is entitled to respect. eye of the most stupid insect that burrows in the ground.

The pulpy grayish matter that we call brain (consisting mostly of water) does not compare with the thoughts that appear to burst therefrom, and are spoken, or written, or printed in a book. I can think of nothing separate from matter. Now please dismiss from your minds the quaint old ideas of mind and matter, and try to realize that all the words I use in this connection are used to represent the different degrees of power and refinement, in the one great entity of matter; and bear in mind what Prof. Tyndall said in his great Belfast speech, that every atom of matter in the universe contains the promise and potency of every form of terrestrial life-without pretending to account for the origin of that promise and potency.

I must now pay my respects to my friend, Mr. Charles Watts, of Great Britain. This gentleman delivered a lecture in this hall last Sunday afterand he also delivered it last month in Canada, amid "rapturous aplause," entitled: "Is There Life Besires many things which he never gets, yond the Grave?" He also delivered in this hall three years ago the same lecture, and the subject seems to be a favorite one with him. He must have never get them." become very fluent on the subject and worked the lecture up to the very highest degree of perfection. Fortunately I impossible and unattainable? He desires have a copy of the Canada lecture wealth, you say-but is there not such printed in Secular Thought, and as the thing as riches? He desires justice and one delivered here last Sunday was identical with the one I have in print, there is no danger of misrepresenting the sunday which he desires and

The most remarkable thing in the lecture is the fact that the lecturer desires—which has not a palpable existcalls himself an Agnostic on the sub ence? Now I throw this matter into the ject of a future life, and thereby form of a syllogism: tacitly admits that the doctrine is beyoud the limits of controversy. If he the impossible and unattainable. had any logical argument that could be used against the theory of a future life. would he not have produced it? He said that "he had never denied a future life:" that "we should not dogmatize shows that the less know the more ture life there is strong presumptive evidence that such a life is not only dogmatic we become. Mr. Watts says he "never denied the doctrine of a future life," and that "a denial would be illogical." (I quote, from the speech.) Now let us put this into the form of a syllogism:

1. To deny- the continuance of life beyoud the grave would be illogical. 2. But Mr. Watts denies it.

3. Therefore Mr. Watts is illogical! Did Mr. Watts deny the future life? You say, he neither denied noradmitted.

Well, then, he had nothing to say. He was silent! He acted like an Agnostic in it. and knownothing. Is this so? What did he say? What was he trying to do? beyond the grave has been the creed

Thinker's" Rostrum to Its 40,000 Readers.

he had studied Spiritualism for live years but found nothing in it. Well, what does this prove? Why, that Mr. Watts does this prove? Why, that Mr. Watts does his failure show that invented to conceal one's ideas," and a invented to conceal one's ideas, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and living in countries most refined and highly civilized, and livi what he is talking about himself!" Admonished by these hints, I must define, the meaning of a few words in the
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about inventing an electrical apparatus pressed it: "There is no atom so small by which to demonstrate the falsity of that God is not in it." I believe in man the spiritual phenomena—and he became a Spiritualist, and lived and died proclaiming his faith in a future life. Dr. Wm. Crookes, F. R. S., now living and one of the most learned chemists the world has ever produced, and the inventor or discoverer of many important is not the man; but it requires what intended by these three terms and much intended by these three terms and much in his own house and under circummore to make a man. Man is man—the in his own house and under circumstances of which he had the entire constant out and out and out. is not the man; but it requires what is principles and facts in chemical science. you will excuse the tautology) one. Tool, and he became an out-and-out to a feeling and a conviction that was that the conjugal relation continues in the man is made up of different parts—such as matter and mind, or the physical and that while one of and the spiritual, and that while one of S., the coadjutor, and in some respects and the spiritual, and that while one of S., the coadjutor, and in some respects and the spiritual and that while one of S., the coadjutor, and in some respects are specified and between the far superior to her husband in every specified and between the far superior to her husband in every specified and between the far superior to her husband in every specified and between the far superior to her husband in every specified and between the far superior to her husband in every specified and the spiritual and that while one of S., the coadjutor, and in some respects future life; and published the same to the world. Alfred R. Wallace, F. R. S., the coadjutor, and in some respects the superior of Darwin, is the leading terial. I make no distinction between Spiritualist of the world, and has written the immaterial and the material—the natural and the supernatural—as I do doctrine of a future life! I could mention scores and hundreds of similar to do to be your the heights; we cry aloud, and the only answer is the echo of our wailing cry. From the voiceless lips of the unreplynot know where to draw the line. I tion scores and hundreds of similar cases, but these three distinguished Englishmen are enough to offset the conclusion of Mr. Watts: "I found noth-

> Cromwell F. Varley, William Crookes and Alfred R. Wallace, all of England. to say nothing of hundreds of scientists and college professors on the Continent,

There is strong presumptive evidence of the future life in the fact that man so ardently desires it, and from the profoundest depths of his nature shrinks back and abhors the thought of annihilation. That great student of human nature and one of the greatest of English authors, Mr. Addison, puts into the mouth of Cato these words:

"It must be so. Plato, thou reasonest well Else whence this pleasing hope—this fond de-

This longing after immortality? nce this secret dread and inward horror of falling into naught! Why shrinks the soul back on herself, and

startles at destruction! Tis the divinity that stirs within us;
Tis heaven itself that points out an hereafter. And intimates eternity to man.

There may be a few exceptions to this "longing for immortality," this "dread of destruction," but they are comparatively few when placed side by side with the untold millions whose fondest desire has been life beyond the grave. But prove its existence. He says that man desires wealth and justice, and yet may

But hold a moment. Does man or the great mass of men desire that which is longs for an actual existence? Can you mention one thing which man actually

1. Man never desires and longs for 2. But he does desire and long for life beyond the grave.

3. Therefore, life beyond the grave is possible and attainable. I think I have shown that in this alon this subject;" and that "experience most universal desire for a personal fu-

> Hear him: "Did men know anything of hood and the failures of middle life and depends upon the brain, and that the organs are inert. They have no more such a life? No. Then how could they the decreptudes of old age and what relong for a thing of which they knew main? Then subtract the years of school- result in the destruction of personal upon which I walk, or the staff I hold in nothing? It was impossible:" When Mr. ing and apprenticeship, and sickness, consciousness. This assumption is openly my hand. I am sovereign. My physical was under the constitution of th Thought), I looked with curiosity to see all their attainments, acquirements and one says that consciousness cannot exist how it would be received by the audi-successes in their noble pursuits-and

the grave is simply this: a continuation of the present life—nothing—more, nothing less—and yet we are told that we can form no conception of a future life, and therefore cannot long for it. To state the proposition of the lecturer s to refute it, and to show its absurdity leaving one to wonder how a confessedly

fact that the great, mass of mankind now, and bring suffering and sorrow as

system of evolution and became an three wives (at different times, of course instinct—part of his very nature—or he or the wife three husbands," is scarcely gathered proof of immortality from worthy of serious notice. The question cause our modern agnostic to blush with

True, there have always been a few desire for, a future life, but the number be accounted for in various ways. Eventhat Prince of American Agnostics,

cold and barren peaks of two eternities. "We strive in vain to look beyond the ing dead there comes no word-but in the night of death, hope sees a star and brothers would be, in the

returning health, whispered with his ast breath, 'I am better now!'

"Let us believe, in spite of doubts and dogmas and tears and fears, that these ture life. He says: "They tell

future life has been unattractive because have souls also!" of the severe asceticism with which it Others have rejected the future life to no trouble with them "over there." life, then this life is not worth living." woman, even to gain temporary ap-science.

paratively) if there be no future life! from twenty-six of those addressed an-What is the average length of human swers were received. sands upon thousands of human beings speculations were various and contradictory. Thousands upon thousands upon thousands die in childhood and youth—nearly all agreed, viz., that there is snirit, that is athered. life to the majority is not worth living?
But take the other half of our race.

ence; and to my utter amazement it was after all, what is the sum total? Life is a with certain organic molecules (of the know and admit that we are surrounded with innumerable worlds and infinite possibilities, and the resources of the liberal League, occasioned by a lecture delivered by Charles Watta, of England.

\*A lecture delivered in Philadelphia, before than was given to any other assertion for bread. But suppose life is successful, and if he says it can, I must put the cognizance of our corporeal senses? Is during the evening. Now; life beyond fulfrom the cradle to the grave—crowned question. This shows that in the estimation of cause and enect sonality in man. Do not all scientists riously. There is ample time ahead with innumerable worlds and infinite by forces that are entirely beyond the cognizance of our corporeal senses? Is during the evening. Now; life beyond fulfrom the cradle to the grave—crowned question. This shows that in the estimation of cause and enect sonality in man. Do not all scientists riously. There is ample time ahead with innumerable worlds and infinite by forces that are entirely beyond the cognizance of our corporeal senses? Is during the evening. Now; life beyond fulfrom the cradle to the grave—crowned question.

"Is there no other life!

There is strong presumptive evidence excellence and a present reward. of the reality of "life after death" in the Selfishness and vice are degrading have not only longed for it but believed a consequence; and yet it cannot be in it.

has a most salutary influence. It endid he say? What was he trying to do?
Did he not use irony, satire, witticism and every form of ridicule to make the doctrine of a future life appear ridiculous and absurd? And yet he plainly says a denial of a future life would be illogical!

There Is Life Beyond the Grave.\*

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An Address from "The Progressive ing to solve the vexed problem, but says he had studied Spiritualism as professing to solve the vexed problem, but says he had studied Spiritualism for five years but found nothing in it. Well,

Nations most refined and highly civil
beyond the grave has been the creed of earth's vast population in all ages and in all quarters of the globe, is too well the dim lights of life. It gives new and sknown to need proof. The Druids, Scandinavians, Etruscans, Egyptians, Persians, Greeksand Romans, Brahmans and Buddhists, to say nothing of Christians, Catholics and Protestants—all, all have been united in this one faith of life beyond the grave has been the creed of earth's vast population in all ages and in all quarters of the globe, is too well the dim lights of life. It gives new and sknown to need proof. The Druids, Scandinavians, Etruscans, Egyptians, Persians, Greeksand Romans, Brahmans and Buddhists, to say nothing of Christians, Catholics and Protestants—all, all have been united in this one faith of life beyond the grave.

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phenomena with which those children he raises is, "whether such married persons would have an opportunity of Even our North American Indians hold exhibiting the compensating process, views on the future life which should whatever that is, should they meet in a future world?" He added to this re markably witty connundrum, that he "would like to see it!" That some men men who have had neither faith in, nor (not a few) have reason to dread a meeting with their wives in another world is has been very small, and the fact can not to be wondered at, in view of the manner in which they have wronged them during this life; but as the ob-Robert G. Ingersoll, while standing at jects of marriage terminate with this the grave of his brother gave expression world, it is not reasonable to suppose virtue and every grace, that she will probably occupy such a high seat in the

master will never get a chance to see her.

When the Jews asked Jesus whose wife the woman who had married seven between the the woman who had married seven between the there is intelligent intellig listening love can hear the rustling of a the grave, he is said to have replied that in that world they "nefther marry "He who sleeps here, when dying, nor are given in marriage, but are as mistaking the approach of death for the angels." This is my answer to those who are troubled on this subject.

Then Mr. Watts seems concerned lest the inferior animals might have a fudear words are true of, all the countless have a soul because we have a thinking principle; but this proves too much, as To some persons the doctrine of a this would show that the lower animals

Well, what a calamity this would be! has often been associated. To others a Suppose, for the sake of the argument, willingness to forego a future life has we admit that the inferior animals have existed, because of the miseries to which | souls (or are souls) and consequently they have been subject in this life. have a prospect of immortality. We Others have steadfastly refused to be- get along with them very well here, and ieve in the future life, because of the if the time is coming when "the lion fiendish pictures that have been drawn shall lie down with the lamb and a little of the doom of the majority of our race. child shall lead them," we shall have

get clear of the dogma of eternal tor-ture taught by all the leading orthodox entist, in his "Contribution to the Nat-theologies; and many sagacious persons ural History of the United States," adhave rejected it because it is the princi- vocates the idea that brute animals pal stock in trade of selfish priests, who have a future life. Coleridge has beauoffer to their ignorant dupes their tifully defended the same theory. The priestly services (for a consideration) to doctrine of "Eternal Monads," mainenable them to escape purgatorial fires! tained by the great scholar, Leibnitz, And yet the fact stares us in the face favors the immortality of all creatures. that the great majority of men in all Richard Dean published a genial essay ages and in all climes have had an un- on "The Future Life of Brutes," and bounded faith in a future life, and have Goethe, the renowned German poet and shown their sincerity in ways innumer- philosopher. wrote in a most attractive able. We presumptively conclude that manner in favor of the same view; so there must have been a solid basis for that if we believe in the future life of the faith that was in them. Mr. Watts inferior animals, we find ourselves in said that "men and women of both sexes very respectable company. It would -old women of both sexes-arrived at never do for our modern philosophers to he conclusion: that if there be no future admit that one fate awaits them both unless it be annihilation. The fact is, Mr. Watts is too old a man to ridicule it is easy to cavil and suggest difficulties, the aged, and has too noble a mind and and Mr. Watts' whole lecture seems to too womanly a heart to cast a slur on be of this sort. But let us turn to

A circular was recently sent out by a Now at the risk of being called an bright Boston editor to many of the 'old woman' of either sex—I take just most distinguished scientists of the this ground, and affirm that in my judgment this life is not worth living (comment this life is

dictory, but in one thing they all or the metal? Is there no such thing as hensible principle or potency, that is nearly all agreed, viz., that there is spirit, that is, ethereal matter, because superior to his physical organism, there glad to be alive, and so there are times while a majority die when they have nothing in science to show that immor- you cannot see it, taste it, handle it and is abundant evidence to show. When while a majority die when they have nothing in science to show that immorscarce entered upon the work of life. Is unscientific. On the other Now, do I risk anything in asserting that hand, several of these experts seem to ponent parts?

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They die at 40, 50, 60, a very small highly probable, while others think possible but highly probable.

They die at 40, 50, 60, a very small highly probable, while others think it does not follow that the ego perishes that science has nothing to do with the physical organs a something which is with the physical organs a something which is with the physical organs as something which is with the physical organs as something with the physical organs as something of the moving force. He says: I am, I with the physical organs as something of the moving force. He says: I am, I with the physical organs as something of the moving force. This would be no more marvelleft? Take the struggles of early manion that personal human consciousness I think, invent, reason. My physical ous than our development from an ovum science to render human immortality result in the destruction of personal upon which I walk, or the staff I hold in consciousness. This assumption is openly my hand. I am sovereign. My physione says that consciousness cannot exist except in relation of cause and effect sonality in man." Do not all scientists riously. There is ample time ahead

with everything desirable, it only lasts matter for from fluxity and the seventy or eighty years—and then it closes amid the weakness of puling childhood.

I know Tennyson has said:

"Is there no other life!

"Is there no other life! without making an external manifestabut what is mortality compared to imbut what is mortality compared to imsenses. What appears to be destruction

ity. Huxley was right in saying that prejudice and habit were sometimes so have every reason to do right now and habit were sometimes so have every reason to do right now and here without regard to the question of a future life. Virtue has an essential to see self-evident truths.

British officer in a naval engagement was struck on the head by a shell, when the without regard to the question of a future life. Virtue has an essential verbal order, so that the order was left verbal order. unfinished. Years afterward a surgical operation was performed, and the instant that the brain was relieved from the pressure of the fractured skull, the officer uttered in plain language the order which he left unfinished when long ago he was struck by the shell. dissected, put under the microscope, and The "persistence of energy" in the hu-Now what does this prove? Not that by chemical processes be reduced to its man personality must at least be equal stronger motives for right living, it personal consciousness had been depours sweet comfort into desponding stroyed, but that the means of expressing the thought had been interrupted, The thought was not destroyed, the power of thought was not destroyed, but the organ or instrument by which the organ or instrument by which thought is conveyed to others was rentered useless. The same power or cahead of its magnificent hospital. He ly "struggle" for its? dered useless. The same power or capacity for thought must have existed during the interval of the brain's dered useless. The same power or capacity for thought must have existed has published a great work on Oral Surpangement, and the case rather proves used as a text-book throughout the cival says: "Those who have accused physical says in the same power or capacity for the same power or capacity for thought must have existed has published a great work on Oral Surpangement, and the case rather proves as a say in the same power or capacity for thought must have existed has published a great work on Oral Surpangement, and the case rather proves used as a text-book throughout the cival says in the same power or capacity for th the independent, substantial, entitative character of the mind which held the order in abeyance and then communi cated it as soon as the only physical instrument of communication was proper order. When the telegraphic tions of nerve-cords and ganglia, made operator fails to communicate with his by the writer, in long experience as an fellow-operator at a distant point, he anatomist, resolve the complexity into simply concludes that the wire has been simplicity as follows: What a battery prokan or deranged. The brain is the and cords are to an electrician, that exhoughts to others, but it cannot be of it; again the nervous apparatus is to shown that the brain ever originated a the user of it precisely what a piano is single thought. All the blind talk to a composer or player. The underabout thought being produced by the standing to be conveyed is that the nerv"molecular motion" of the brain is the
ous system is simply, wholly, absolutebaseless assumption of modern material- ly an instrument. ism. There must be something back of "protoplasm" and "molecules." Force must exist before it can be correlated, and "natural selection," destitute of

intelligent and discriminating purpose, would be nothing but blind chance. Who can look upon the wondrous form wondrous philosophical achievements,

which is invisible, impalpable and incomprehensible. Prof. Haeckel, the senses." renowne? materialist of Jena University,

gether different, and of using words in- brain. But what are the facts? different meaning, viz., the words force and motion. He says that motion moves, thus making an effect a cause. There can be no motion without a producing force. The cause is substantial and en titative, a real something, but the effect is phenomenal. Motion is a process— universe, and in thought sees and hears fly is not visible in the worm, nor the the behavior of an inert body under the contact of an adequate agency. dreamed of in our philosophy."

Motion really affects nothing, only as it

From anticipating the future, he and a desire for a future life are strongmust be a force, an original, actual

and incomprehensible. Is gravitation less real than the universe which it sustains and propels in orderly motion? Their disquisitions, assumptions and puts in motion, even though a plate of ist!

Every man has an abiding conscious

with everything desirable, it only lasts mation of Prof. Huxley all the specula- doubted by science, that the real and most potential entities of the universe are the invisible and incomprehensible? That which moves an inert body must have a real and independent existence. It is the one fatal fault of science (falsely so-called) that it deals only with effects, not with causes. It seems to ab-hor the question of causation, and builds leaving one to wonder now a composed by able man could utter such a flimsy argument with such imperturbable gravers to perpetual existence? We truly life. Huxley was right in saying that years to perpetual existence? We truly have every reason to do right now and have every reason to do right now sumes that personal consciousness is the result and product of the automatic action of the molecules of the brain, but it has not one solitary fact to prove it. It assumes without evidence that the human personality cannot exist independent of a gross material mass, called brain, which can be measured, weighed,

> original elements. the anatomy and physiology of the brain, that the world contains: I refer to Dr.

He says: "Analysis of brain shows a construction of wonderful likeness to a telegraph system. Dissections of hunin dreds of brains and of their allied relamedium of communicating actly the nervous system is to the user

"A telegraph apparatus is means of expression, nothing else. A cerebral apparatus is means of expression, nothng else. Brain is mind-instrument. A brain separated from its user is little more than its bulk in water." Man says: 'I see, I feel, I taste, I smell, I hear. of man, and hear him talk, and laugh The man expresses himself correctly. and reason, and contemplate his Certainly it is not the simple lense called the eye that sees. A man never and then rationally conclude that all is thinks that it is his spectacles that look. the result of the automatic motion of What sees is the self—the I (personal the molecules of his brain? Where pronoun). I (personal pronoun) is idenprobably occupy such a high seat in the there is motion there must be a mover, tical with self-consciousness, that is rarified and ethereal, so unlike the heavenly spheres, that her late lord and and where there is thought there must with that which knows itself. "I am an grosser forms of matter cognized by our later than the heavenly spheres, that her late lord and later than the heavenly spheres, that her late lord and later than the heavenly spheres, that her later lord and later late

nover.

The arrangement of the component "The I, ego, self, differentiates and disparts of the brain may be precisely the same in two different persons, but the men see the ego? No mother has with attendant mentality may be very differ- the common eye seen her child, nor has ent, as every same man can change the wife in like manner ever seen her hus-direction of his thoughts at pleasure, so band, nor has sister seen a brother." that the molecular motion of the atoms Ordinary acquaintance with an ego, is of the brain must be regulated and di- alone what it exhibits itself to be in the more incredible than what has already rected by a personality, a cause which is acts of its environment. "There is, not automatic. Even the most pro- however, a something else; men see nounced physicists admit that there is visions when the eyes are shut, a Beesomething in and back of gross matter thoven hears sweet music though deat.

But the materialistic scientist will recognizes God's spirit and power in all tort: What do you know about matter? portions of our living organism." A this motion, there would be no intellisay of electricity, of light, of heat, of child can be made to see his fallacy of gent and varied mentality. It would be steam, of magnetism and of gravitation? confounding two things which are altouriform, at least in each particular Surely there are many things on earth gether different, and of using words in-gether different, and of using words in-terchangeably that have an entirely ego, the real man, is conscious of a voli-They are not supernatural, but supertion-a will-power that is master of and sensuous; and we learn that external apsuperior to the physical atoms of his pearances are not always sure guides to brain. Now he wills to indulge in truth. A grain of corn does not appear flights of the imagination-and mole- to contain the future harvest, nor are cules of the brain dance attendance, and there appearances of the majestic oak he soars to the boundary lines of the in the tiny acorn. The beautiful butter-

is itself affected. Back of motion there chooses to dwell upon the past, and est in his moments of greatest mental traces the history of our globe from the and spiritual exaltation. If this is an cause. And, as before suggested, the fire-mist of its beginnings to the present illusion, it is strange that it should be real and most potential agencies of the time. At pleasure, he is a poet or a particularly vivid when he is in his most universe are the invisible, impalpable philosopher, a musician or a mathema- God-like moods, and when he is most in tician, gay or grave. Is he not the in- love with the beautiful, the true and the dependent, intelligent personality which good. Is it possible for nature to thus simply uses the brain, as the type-writer trifle with and deceive and disappoint uses his instrument? You may put out man when he is most serious and which it passes? Is electricity less real my eyes, destroy my senses of hearing, ful, and when all the elements of his than the magnet and the metal which it tasting, smelling, feeling, and I still ex-

That there is in man some incompre- gross and perishing? were. But even if this cannot be proven, is seen in the clouded hour of perplexed would hold germs enough to populate the globe. After the decay of the ma- doctrine of a future life, and never apterial body the ego may enter into a stream of evolution, in this or some other world just as naturally as it began

ist's labratory and the dissecting room of the anatomist and pathologist. miracle of awaking into conscious existence (without any agency of our own) has once occurred, and it may be repeated on a grander scale in our second birth.

Nature cannot be so wasteful and improvident of her achievements in making man what he is, and then blot him out of existence; nor so cruel as to inspire immortal hopes, only to blast them in a moment. The "indestructibility of matter" held by scientists, at least sug-gests the indestructibility of that which is the essence, life and master of matter. If the "conservation of force" is a true principle of science, the spiritual, that is the refined matter, must be "conis the refined matter, must be served" as well as the grossly material, and so cannot cease to exist at death, dissected, put under the microscope, and | The "persistence of energy" in the huto the primary elements which environ There lives among us in this city one that personality. If "natural selection" of the most distinguished surgeons, in in the "struggle for existence" is a scientific fact, why may not this principle apply to continued future existence? future conscious existence who resolute

James E. Garrettson, the Dean of the Why may not those men at least have a plogy of tending toward materialism, have never duly weighed the charge they make, and certainly have never understood the arguments it can present."
In his profound study of "Cerebral Mechanism," that is, the construction of the human brain, he says that the agent which moves the physical object "may be determined from the effects, or results of that motion." If the optical apparatus be inert and without value save under the influence of light; if the auditory apparatus yields no result save un-

der the impressions of sound, and there is between these structures and the elementary structures of the cerebrum, a perfect analogy, the conclusion is inevi-table that in the well-known phenomena of thought and mentality, there must be an agent as perfectly external to the brain, and as independent of it, as are light and sound, and that agent is the soul-refined matter. There may be ergans in man so refined, so attenuated, so subtile, as not to be subject to material tests by the gross physical senses. We cannot conceive of spirit pure and simple, the very opposite of matter, but we can conceive of something called spirit which nevertheless is material, but so present dull senses, as to be essentially unlike it, having none of its apparent properties. That there is some such principle or potency in man is demonstrated by indubitable evidence. But even if this cannot be maintained, it does not follow that the human ego perishes with the physical organism. may pass into other bodies, or it may enter into a new body specially prepared for it. What we hope for man is no been experienced. We point to the admissions of science, that there are in nature, all around us many things that are invisible and impalpable, entirely boyond the range of our corporeal sensor. It is therefore superficial and unscientific to assume that man has only a physin Germany, speaks of "a monistic ask: What do we know about the ego, ical existence, and that there is nothing conception of the universe which or human personality? We might re- of him but what our bodily senses cogthe universe which or human personality? We might re of him but what our bodily senses cogrecognizes God's spirit and power in all tort: What do you know about matter? nize. The whole analogy of nature shows phenomena, without exception," and He replies: "By its properties and manithe absurdity of such conclusions. Why approvingly quotes Bruno as saying: festations to our external senses." We the air in which we live has a pressure "A spirit exists in all things, and nothing is so small but contains a part sciousness, and independent personality, of the divine substance within itself, by which it is animated." He affirms that senses, but to our internal senses beside. mosphere it becomes more subtle, until the life force that moves our bodies is Moreover if the molecular motion of at a certain height it becomes a luminifnothing but the complicated motion of the atoms of the brain were purely au- erous vapor to which the air we breathe the molecules of the brain, and other tomatic, and thought was the result of is as mud or tar. And what shall we

better nature are in the ascendant, and predominate over everything that is

There are times when every man is intellect. in the witching light of a lover's eye, and in the crimson blush that mantles the maiden's cheek. The internal man often photographs his finest features upon the rough surface of the physical encasement. The doctrine of 'natural selection" certainly favors the pears so real and so beautiful, as when we realize that as man progresses in everything that is grand and good, he voluntarily falls in with this natural law, and of choice not only selects that which is most to be desired, but by self-

denial and almost superhuman exertions Continued on 5th page.

he Liberal League, occasioned by a lecture elivered by Charles Watta, of England.

TO THE EDITOR:-I now read, Sunday, Nov. 5, 1893, in your yesterday's issue what is called a "criticism of the Illinois Medical parture from the true object, from true reason- of experience which, if it never reaches the Practice Act," by Dr. Robert Greer, While a portion of the criticism is just, there is much of it that seems to me to be unjust times calls for correction; sometimes it cures obstruct the pathway in our pilgrimage here dead, but living beings, and that they can and at least uncalled for, what I would name an itself, as when it is so very extreme that the below. For fifty years and more have I been do return to us under suitable conditions. We extravagance, and will work injury unless cor light of truth shines through, and there is a gleaner from the spirit side of life, and rected. Harsh expressions of our opponents, no shadow cast. Most of the rest of this many are the experiences which have never been even if true, generally do harm; if they are learned doctor's letter-address, I should have booked or spoken, one of which I will here tambourne, music-box, tablets, pencils, etc. not true, there will be a recoil upon the assailant and it will work great damage, and this character, but I thought, Mr. Editor, never- eastern Ohio, treating chronic diseases by blank. The medium sat in the circle with us, also if there is a want of fact, or bad use of theless, that here was possibly a place for me electro-therapeutic processes, when my attend we all holding hands, so that it would have facts, a want of logic in their attempted appli- to express my views on the "Extravaganzas" tion was called to a maiden lady who was been an impossibility for the medium to use cation, or an exhibition of an unjust judgment, that are before the country; the one the effort stopping at the same hotel, aged about 27 or his hands in any manner. All these, besides being unkind and unjust, of the regulators, that they will regulate all 28 years. The landlady (who was a relative will depreciate us with all the considerate and methods of obtaining licalth by their medical of the young lady) informed me that the girl the manifestations began. The music box

beyond, have our way too. I believe in the general principles and provisions of this Prace general principles and honorable young man; he will close by relating a little of my own in I will close by relating a little of my own and the provisions of this prace general principles. Escace and Holling Prace with those general principles and honorable young man; he will close by relating a little of my own and the provisions of this prace general principles. The law convinced me beyond the with several great mediums, and I hope that the law should provise that the law should provide that a countries of medicine, the man die he shall with several great mediums, and I hope that the law should provide that a countries of medicine, the man die he shall with several great mediums, and I hope that there will not a satisfaction the shall with several great mediums, and I hope that there will n

for any reasons.

or a low state of professional development

governing their conduct with the unlearned will soon be well. the truly learned will put their heads together all those thought to be incurable, would be they certainly ought to have the admiration and die without attendance, and none to give a and the thanks of the community. If they do certificate of death. so, it is no acknowledgement of their "professional weakness," but rather a demonstration of their "professional strength," and a desire to serve the community the best they can. To say that they are mercenary in this and who oppose them. The question is, or non-regulation.

of medicine as anomalous, even a monstrosity. Ous denominational and public schools, was It is not anomalous. Such a method obtains in our educational system. The learned examine novices, sit in judgment and give or dinal Gibbons, but the ablegate being the refuse certificates. In law, a candidate for pope of America and "standing in the place of commence a labor of leve to release the claims: the profession is examined, pays a fee, is ad- God," the more politic Gibbons had to yield "schoolmate" from the bonds of ignorance and So the schoolmate and the profession is examined, pays a fee, is admitted, and his name put upon the roll of and the circulars went out. So much opposiattorneys: the object being to save the peotion to the presumptuous proposal of the medple from loss and wrong by pretenders. dling foreigner so quickly developed that Gib any one seeks to obtain love under enforced If one goes into an office, say at the sign of bons ordered his priests and teachers to stop conditions; teach him understandingly this one it is best he should have such a guarantee as ther agitation of the school question for the be assured that all human spirits on this or can be given, that he has learning and skill. present. It is given by this system of examination and enrollment. This is one example; there are Romish schemer that Gibbons may te the many more. In fact there should be such in decrees of "His Infallibility" in the politievery department where practicable.

necessary than in any other department. Say at all for the purposes for which he is here. I go into a strange town; I feel sick; I go It would, however, be better for the country to a place where there is this sign up: "A. B., to call Gibbons off and give the infallible Doctor of Medicine." I have a right to have humbug all the rope he wants, for then we paper now published on the earth. The Proan assurance by the use of that sign that he might be assured that he would soon enough is learned in medical matters. So also in be hanged and Rome's chances of setting up When the demand is made, I will other lessons surgery, but even in a stronger sense. So the Inquisition in America would more quickly also with apothecaries. They should all know vanish into the thinnest kind of air. their business, and for the good of the community they should not be allowed to wear the name, or badge, or the sign, unless they have the approbation of those who know best whereof they approve. There will be, under any system, many errors, many things unhonorable mention, at least, till something bet | months for 25 cents.

The Illinois Medical Practice Act ter is found, while that which is not a necessary part of the system should be eliminated. EXTRAVAGANZA.

the highest truth, the best practice.

said "on the rostrum of THE PROGRESSIVE briefly outline, following with comment. THINKER, to its 40,000 readers," perhaps is of

is such as to throw contempt upon the whole grant all that; but the question is, how best prior to the closing up of the broken home.

Act, and not merely upon its objectionable can we right things? This is why I write. I Now comes the more remarkable part of the features, of which we have a right to complain, am very unwilling that such an unmitigated story, not then understood by any one she had or are absolutely disposed to complain, and tirade against the medical profession and the met. And this is what confused the dear, to make also most serious charges against law pertaining to the medical profession (the good girl, as I shall here relate. those who would maintain the act in general dispensers of medicine, mind you, athing that Study and study as she would, the answer the spiritual healers proper have nothing to would not come; and she was possessed of I will make one quotation: "The clamor for laws to govern the medical profession is a cordinate without a protest. Most of the medical professional weakness, cal healers are ignorant of the pretense and would be in the company of her said cousin, claims of spiritual healers, so-called among she would seem to be seized with such an us, and being ignorant, think them all a sham, ardent love for him that sha would feel there On the other hand, Mr. Editor, I take precisely the opposite view. Differentiation but it should not be thought that they are matches the happiest woman in the world; then, when comes of development, and the propriety of lignant and act from base motives. The spir- they were separated, she lost all that ecstacy organization and rules, come from learning. itualist healers are not hurt much yet, and if of love for him, and these conditions continued We do not ask for 'laws governing the medi- they will exhibit a little more patience and for months as they would meet and part; she cal profession"for their benefit, so much as laws show their claims good by their successes, all had never known such love for any other,

the people who are disposed to trust them, subject as well as I can in the time and space laws. are so numerous, their effects in use so varied, but as that is personal I let it pass; neither her, and with such to repress them and their injurious work, left to take care of each other as best they could

E. S. HOLBROOK.

# Hands Off, Pope Satolli.

TO THE EDITOR:-Pope Satolli, it seems, is beginning to carry out the policy of Rome in design to cover their ignorance, and to get the subversion of the public schools of this some unseemly advantage, can be met by a country, but, judging from the furore his latest halt for the present, and bide his time a little is, which course is best for all? Regulation longer. It now transpires that the circular calling upon Catholics in New York and Maryland to demand legislative action for the divis-Some talk of the regulation of the practice ion of the public school fund among the vari-"A. B., Lawyer," he has a right to have and distribution of the circulars and to cease fur law, and the obsession will truly cease; and

cal matters of a country with which he is one-be all; ask for humanity's sake. Show It is not often that it is practicable, but it much better acquainted than is "the bloody is practicable in medical matters, and more Italian" who has no business in this country

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## A Study of Obsession.

To THE EDITOR:-Since reading our Eclectic Magazine of October 21st, on the subject of Extravaganza: A going away from, a de obsession, I am impressed to write a few lines ing, and hence a failure to arrive at the best, English correspondent to do him good, may at least be a light by the wayside to teach oth-Extravaganza is always wrong and some ers how to dispel the shadows that sometimes

people with whom they deal, for the benefit of I guess, Mr. Editor, I have filled out my the problem of the fickleness of nature's

the girl to hover more closely about him.

eternities.

ness through selfish means.

And now a word to our brother across the selfishness; teach him through tender, unselfish love how great is his mistake when he or the other side of life are ever teachable when It is quite as well for the interest of the brought under the realm of love and sympathy, unselfish and pure. Do not presume to ask favors for your own sake; be more than

your love of God by your love of humanity. I hope the editor and readers will pardon the imperfections in this hastily-written article, while I hope it may prove a lesson to many who read the pages of the grandest GRESSIVE THINKER—as I verily believe. give from a half-century's gleanings.

Ottumwa, la. A. A. DAVIS, M. D.

# The Progressive Thinker.

Spiritualists, THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER leads, for leading minds send in their best thoughts, and they know by so doing they months.

## Seance with John A. Johnston OF ST LOUIS, MO., AT CLINTON, IA.

I wish to take up a little of your valuable space in order to inform your readers of my experience with John A. Johnston, the medium from St. Louis. Mo., and I hope it may be the means of convincing some skeptic or materialist that the so-called dead are not (the members of the circle) were seated around a small table on which were placed trumpets, a These tablets we were requested to examine to Some years ago I was traveling in North-satisfy ourselves that they were perfectly

will depreciate us with all the considerate and make against us if we come to ask for justice.

The reformers of a community who are still in a minority and are overborge, should still claim only what they want and dought to have, and every overclaim and every overc

If we labor for this, and this only, we will get it. If we strive for more than this, we will at least the longer fail to get what we ought to least the learned Doctor speaks, of letter that the learned doctor will agree to all this; that the learned doctor will agree to all this; then stand for the protection of the jimorant, deep and addent love that existed in the twain. So I she said to me she had never seen two lives so waited, hardly knowing how he would form or in what manner he would come to me. At they pretend to be, or appear to be.

I see that the learned Doctor speaks, of behalf of "Spiritualism and savs. among other higher life. This cousin was sent for to least they had the honor of addressing a large, elite at they had what seemed to be a little learned to be a little learned to be a little learned to the stript hand what seemed to be a little learned Theresen Theres it. If we strive for more than this, we will at least the longer fail to get what, we ought to have.

If cell away up high in my upper spirit, that the learned doctor will agree to all this; it is so clearly the common sense of the matter. If so, then my criticism would only be the fairly dealt with."

If the strive for more than this, we will at least the learned of the strip for those who trust on the string for those who trust on the strip for the strip f looked into his face and saw the well-known THINKER, features of my husband as plainly as I ever saw them in life. Looking down I saw that he seemed to be fully clothed in what appeared to be a black suit; he remained long enough for terror of society is the peripatetic hypnotizer, me to fully recognize him, and then stepped who, according to the European newspapers,

hence the confusion of mind in trying to solve Brother A. S. Hudson, of Stockton, Cal., has an article with the above heading, and I wish to use your valued space to criticise that arti-I am an advocate of such laws, and I think that are allotted me. I could take up the Now the matter is right here as I found it: cle just a little in a kindly manner. Brother looking young woman, she immediately falls the highest good of the community demands learned Doctor's statement as to how he does This lady knew little of Spiritualism; she was H. claims that "this earth-life is the forethem, and I reason thus: Experiment, learn not take bad cases, such as he knows by his unconsciously quite mediumistic, and this runner and the predicate of spirit." And. ing, observation, care, have placed in the "keen, searching, intuitional instinct," and spirit was enabled by and through the blend- also, "that the matrix of matter is the nativpharmacies an untold number of things that hence does not have deaths on his hands, and ing of their aura in the sick room to have ity of spirit;" also that "spirit is the outcome is difficult to say what can be done with him are of benefit to the diseased. Their qualities suggest that such course is not commendable; more than ordinary power to return through and offspring of the parent earth." But I when he is secured. He can scarcely be that it requires a great deal of learning to can I condemn it much, it smells so much of above, why would she not in this, her only obtained from the higher life, that all matter use them aright. What learning can be judged the Christian doctrine: "Let the dead bury demonstrable way to manifest herself to her is the product of spirit work and power; and of except by those who have learning? If the the dead." For the learned Doctor, as an ex- own, while the medium, unacquainted with this I would ask Brother Hudson if he does not unlearned will blindly deal out these medi emplar for all other doctors, "now being three law of intercommunion with loved ones gone know it to be a fact well established that cines, assuming to have knowledge and skill score and ten," would say, "Let all do as I on before, considered it her own soul-love go man's soul or spirit, or both, is a spark of life is really anything in the new form of when they have not, and injury follows; if do." Therefore, all the incurable sick, and ing out to its mate. In this manner the and intelligence from the great eternal founthe Evil Eye, it may become a source of moral spirit seemed to take full possession of the tain of all life, and that as there is but one girl to reach her own loved husband; then fountain of life, we must have existed somewhen they were separated the spirit-wife left where before we came into earth-life. So instead of matter being the source of spirit-life, Now, to be brief, I will say I simply taught he ought to have said that spirit was the her the law of life in the harmonies of perfect source, so far as we can know, of all matter love, which, if it is not realized in this mundane and of all spirit-life on earth. Man is a spark pilgrimage, will be ours somewhere in the from the Infinite source, passes through earthlife in contact with matter, and in the ages be-I also taught the spirit the error she was fore him will at last return to the eternal making, showing her the wrong she was do- fount from whence he came, and be absorbed ing in making another so very miserable, sim. in that fount and as an "individual," be lost forcounter-charge against the other doctors action has caused, he will be likely to call a ply to obtain for herself joys so incomplete, ever. As the mist that rises from old ocean also jeopardizing the life and happiness of an and drifts to the mountain-tops, and then other she also loved dearly. I taught her the drops down in refreshing rain, and, in time, law that ought to be better known and prac-rills back to old ocean again, so does man's tised by all civilized people, namely: You soul drift out from the great ocean of eternal cannot obtain permanent and perfect happilife, and in the end finds its way back to that

eternal fount, then to rest forever. This idea of at last resting in the "bosom water: If he would relieve the one so dear to of the maker" is often expressed in the pulhis heart, he must first forget himself and pit by our ministers. So the Buddhist ex-

> So the soul that is freed from the bondage of nature Escapes from illusions of joy and of pain,

And pure as the flame that is lost in the sunbeam, Ascends unto God and returns not again;

It comes not, it goes not, It comes not again. J. W. DENNIS.

Buffalo, N. Y.

The Egyptian artists knew nothing of perspective; chiaroscuro or composition. Rosa Bonheur has the reputation of the

greatest animal painter who ever lived. Sir Edwin Landseer was pre-eminent as an animal painter. His specialty was dogs. Perspective was first scientifically studied

and taught by Uccello, who died in 1432. The American school of landscape painting of Rome. was founded by Thomas Cole about 1825. The first caricaturist is said to have been

Antiphitus, an Egyptian, about 332 B. C. The architects of the Jewish tabernacle in the wilderness were Bezaleel and Aholiab. Early Christian art was wholly symbolic; the lamb typified Christ, the fish baptism.

The first painter in Rome was brought from Etruria by Quintus Fabius about B. C. 291. All the Egyptian paintings were executed priesthood.

## Spiritualism in Los Angeles.

To THE EDITOR:-Having promised your eaders an account of a seance held at our house a few weeks ago by Mr. Emmet G. Ord, I will, in as few words as possible, tell the story. Mr. Ord is a young man of about thirty, and a nephew of Gen. Ord, of our late war, who was a great personal friend of Gen. U. S. Grant. The subject of this writing has only been conversant with our philosophy for a short time, but his gifts are wonderful. At the seance held at our house, we first sat in the dark, but almost as soon as the lights were extinguished there were small, darting lights coming and going from the cabinet to the sit. ters, these lights resembling balls of fire. Soon soft, silky hands were felt in different parts of the circle, all at the same instant, thus precluding the thought of fraud on the part of the medium. No sooner was the light extinguished than

### The Peripatetic Hypnotizer. The New York Tribune says that "the latest

back into the darkness and was gone. Hoping I have not wearied your readest, with this rather lengthy article, I will bring it to a close. At some future time I may write again, and relate my experience with this same medium in a slate-writing seance.

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Chapter Fifteenti—Life under a Spiritual Religion.—General Divisions of the Human Faculties. The ligion.—General Divisions of the Human Faculties The ligion.—General Divisions of the Human Faculties The ligion.—General Divisi nature. A man with fascinating eyes is reported as haunting the Paristan omnibuses, and whenever he feasts his eyes on a goodto sleep. So numerous are the charges of this character against him that the police are now straining every nerve to capture him. But it of Various. confinement would only be to invite him to try his powers on his jailors. He might even succeed in sending to sleep the judge and the jury before whom he was brought for trial. danger and crime, and the laws of all civilized countries will have to be amended in such a manner as to grapple with it. In the meantime it may serve as a fertile field for authors of comic operas and screaming farces."

Benjamin West was a native of Pennsyl vania, but gained all his reputation abroad. Sir Joshua Reynolds was best in portraiture

nd history, and admirable as a colorist. In Greece art was essentially religious; the Romans adapted it to household decoration. The first great artists of the Venetian school

vere the brothers Gentile and Giovanni Bel-Down to the days of Apelles the Greeks

and noble line of English landscape painters.

Appollodurus, about 404 B. C., enunciated the principles and value of light and shade in painting.

Aristides, of Thebes, was, according to Pliny, the greatest ancient master of expression. The best examples of Christian art during

the first three centuries are in the catacombs Phidon, of Argos, 748 B. C., is believed to

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church, and realizing the fact that funerals have been a saloon or a Prohibition party. Toare extremely popular, and draw large crowds day Adam and his woman would still be trimto listen to the preacher as he tells them ming trees, picking berries and talking to the whether their friend has gone up higher to snake. But this rule does not apply to politi-play on a harp through the endless ages of cians. When living they are slandered, reeternity, or gone down below to float around viled and lied about. When they are dead on waves of hot brimstone, your parson has their virtues are praised, Congress spends determined that this church shall not be be many dollars of the people's money for drinks hind any other in a fashionable ceremony of and cigars while attending their funerals, and this kind; and as you won't any of you die so that monuments are erected to their memory by the your friends can make a popular show of your cones that are glad they are dead. Let the dead carcasses, and haul you off to your graves death of Adam, then, dear mourners, impress in a grander carriage than you ever rode in you with this grand and solemn lesson. dered to their friends over their dead had little use for fire and brimstone. carcasses.

brothers and sisters, was the first father any of theology to answer the question. you ever had, and were it not for him we 'There is no account that Adam ever re- Steam Baking Company, a concern doing a would none of us be here to-day.

'Peter Adam' makes no difference to us; as he that he ever held family worship or said grace was all the Adam living at the time, he did at his meals, or even dropped a small mite into has advertisements in almost all the papers. not need a handle to his name.

'Mrs. Eve Adam' when she was spoken of by Sabbath day holy, or refused to eat meat on Mr. Heilman, manager of The Western Cross, their neighbor, the snake. But, my dear Friday. How sorry your parson is that he a Catholic paper, with offices at 1106 Baltimourners, it has been said, truly: 'There is can hold out no hope to you' or word of com- more avenue—and a paper, too, in which Mr. nothing in a name.' So we will let that fort as to the present state and condition of Smith has been running an advertisement con-

father (away back), and as such relative, we Christ shall all be made alive.'. mourn for him.

live on 930 years, and then die and take his 'God.' chances of playing on a harp or wallowing iThe choir will now sing this verse in the around on 'waves' of hot brimstone. After most solemn manner: consulting with his wife and his neighbor, the "Hark, from the tombs a doleful sound! snake he chose to die, and your parson is here to-day to preach his funeral sermon.

"Your parson is real glad he chose to die, and poisoned himself the way he did, for had he not chosen to eat the gruit and take his chances, there would not have been a churchsteeple in America, and the Republican party would not have adopted 'prohibition,' and placed a 'school-house' on every hilltop in Iowa.

"Our deceased friend was the greatest naturknew the name of every bird, animal or reptile and fear of public opinion which exists in our which had been running for two years and on sight, and called their names all over in one own ranks, we are glad to say, our little soci more. day, even before he had ever eaten a meal of ety still lives. On Monday evening, Novemvictuals, or knew the difference between good ber 13th, we held our annual meeting for the ment remained in The American, Mr. Smith's and evil.

ing the children to sleep is wonderful to think Bonney, secretary (re-elected); Mrs. Stimpson, tisement was the only one in the paper, and Mrs. Richmond, and witnessing the phenom. of. There was not a church society, mission- treasurer (re-elected); Mrs. W. E. Bonney, that business men dare not advertise in that enal phases through several mediums at Cassa ary society, or even a mite society in the neighborhood.

have chewed tobacco, or sat and smoked his taking into consideration the call of the Na. not-reasoned with Mr. Hellman that such a and promises to help to lead not only the pipe, as do many of his descendants at Clear Lake to-day, and thus disgust and sicken held on Sunday, December 17, 1893. It was a right to advertise where and with whom he others who are eager to know of the new every one around him, it would not have been so bad, or so monotonous, or lonesome; or if that cards of invitation be sent out to friends in American to bulldoze and browbeat him in there had been a saloon near where he could the neighboring cities who have no society to such a way. have walked in from time to time and got come and help us. We, therefore, cordially Mr. Heilman's arguments and persuasions even attended a revival meeting, or listened knew nothing of the fashionable amusements in and help us. of to-day; he had no church creed; never was a candidate for office, and never had the fun of killing or burning a single heretic for his unbelief. As he and God had a falling out, and were not on the best of terms with each other, killing Christ, or the great good that murder would accomplish for his descendants.

"But the poor old man had to die at last; waves of the Atlantic Ocean. nine hundred and thirty years soon rolled around. Whether he died from the effects of the fruit he ate, or from the exposure to the weather-resulting in 'sciatic rheumatism'we are not informed. There being no doctors in the neighborhood at the time, we never knew just what his disease would be called in Latin.' But, dear friends, that doesn't matter now, as he has been dead so long we cannot have a coroner's inquest held over his remains, or his exact disease described by a

doctor of divinity. For fermality's sake we will suppose him Washington.

dead noc; that he lies down there before us in a hardwood coffin, with polished silver handles and rich trimmings. Then, let some of the sisters wipe their eyes and pretend to weep, or seem to shed tears; then when you all get in proper condition, your parson will talk to the mourners, and tender to them the consolations To-day the Tank House was crowded, and of the gospel for these cases made and pro-

"My dearly beloved mourning friends! It "Dear sorrowing mourners:—As there has was once said by a great man when preaching Christ, and John Rogers would never have "Under this state and condition of our been burned at the stake. There would never

while living, your parson, in order to be popu- "Had our father not died as he did for his lar and keep up with the times and fashions, will transgression, we never could have died for preach the funeral sermon of some of your ours; there would never have been a Christ to It is Squirming in Kansas City. religious and friends, who, dying in primitive die for us, or God's chosen people to kill him. times before grand funerals came in fashion, God would have been lonely with his four never had the consolations of the gospel ten- beasts in heaven, and the devil would have

"Your parson feels that he must do this in sermon. As a minister of the gospel we must Protective Association, to bring to your knowlorder to keep up with the times, and make this ask the sad question: Where is Adam now? edge existence of the following facts, namely: church and society as sensational as are the ''On this subject the books are all silent, and the great and extremely wise Doctor Tal-"In order to do this dramatically, we will mage has not expressed an opinion, his mind suppose there is a coffin down there before being so taken up looking after holy relics edged an A. P. A. paper. The editor thereof, us, and in that coffin a corpse, and the name for his Tabernacle. In this case, then, we in soliciting advertisements from business of the corpse is 'Adam.' The deceased, my must depend upon the Bible and our blessed firms in town, was given an advertisement by

"Whether his name was John Adam" or ever heard an evangelist preach in his life, or Twelfth street, the contribution-box.

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"As Adam and Christ were representative "He was not an old man when he died, be- characters for the whole human race—one in is going to injure you, and ruin your busi- Our marriage was only a sorry match; ing only 930 years old. He would have lived | hell and the other in heaven—they must have ness. longer had it not been for a boyish indiscre- great regard for each other. The one causing Upon being asked why, and to explain, tion that shortened his days somewhat. He by his act 'damnation,' the other 'salvation,' had two alternatives offered him: He could and from this reason your parson hopes they remain an idiot or senseless fool, perfectly are on the best of terms with such other, and naked, without a child to bear his name, or a from time to time call each such a stream.

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If you have put an advertisement in that are on the best of terms with such other, and have put an advertisement in that the solicited by the selection of the American, that the solicitor skins, help his wife raise children, and then wornout, old, sickly divinity they call

For Adam is dead and underground, ~ And we'll bid him now a sad good-by."

The audience went home sad and sorrowful, while the Tank House was draped in black as an expression of their great sorrow.

M. P. ROSECRANS, Reporter.

# Cherryvale, Kansas.

ter and unprincipled opposition by church that he then had an advertisement in the alist that ever lived on this planet, for he members and outsiders, and the indifference Catholic Western Cross, Mr. Heilman's paper, "How the old man passed his time away during the long, long years when he was not rock. Mrs. Dr. Applegate, vice-president; W. E. "You must take it out," and that his adver-spiritualism by listening to the guides of organist

On Monday evening, November 27th, a "Poor old father Adam! If he could only called meeting was held for the purpose of are not able to state whether an A. P. A. or tional Association for a Jubilee Day, to be course was not treating him fair; that he had children of Isreal into the new light, but many decided that our society celebrate this day; pleased; that it was not proper, right or religion. drunk, and then gone home and beat his wife invite all who will, not celebrate at home to here merged into threats, and he told Mr. for amusement (as many of his descendants do come and have a pleasant visit with us. We Smith if he did not take his advertisement out to-day), it would not have been so tedious for expect to have our lunch in the hall in picnic of The American that not a Catholic would buy him. If he could have gotten up sphorse style, to have music and singing, reading, a loaf of his bread, nor a groceryman who race, a prize-fight, gambled on election, or recitations and lectures, and a good all-cared to retain his Catholic trade would handle round social Spiritualist Jubilee. We extend a loaf; and further, that the Catholics would to some one at prayer—but no! the poor man an invitation to isolated Spiritualists to come boycott and ruin him; that he would publish

opposition, unscathed and unsullied by the protect his church. smoke and soot and fisme of rage which they heaped upon us, "bright as a new dollar."

it is not likely he knew of the benefits his race and the puny efforts of theological professors would have nothing to do, in a business way, in the future would derive from the Jews and orthodox newspaper scribblers will have with an A. P. A., or any one who patronized Bear this thought in mind. It alone is worth no more effect in keeping back the truth than an A. P. A. paper. a woman with a broom would have on the

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Very recently a paper known as The American was established in our city, with headquarters at 807 Main street. The paper is acknowl-B. Howard Smith, manager of the Smith pented, or even attended a revival meeting, or general baking Company, a concern doing a ing, general baking business at 109 and 111 East And all conjoined in a common mind

Mr. Smith is a very liberal advertiser, and

Within a day after the next issue of the paper having Mr. Smith's advertisement in it, Smith at his place of business, and said:

"Mr. Smith, you have done something that

ever, or he could eat a certain fruit, have his taught us at this grand era of civilization by made him a very low rate, and that as a matter eves opened, wear a new coat made out of the educated doctors of a poor, emaciated and of husiness he gave him the advertisement, and inquired how this was to injure him.

> Mr. Heilman thereupon informed Mr. Smith that he had received a number of communica- Which, Anna, I rather think you will, tions from Catholics—some of them very lengthy—wanting to know if this man Smith The sybil, she saw you, up life's hill, s an A. P. A., and whether he did not know that a great many of his customers and patrons were Catholics, and suggesting that if further patronage be given The American, grocers who had Catholic customers would be forced to stop buying Smith's bread, and further, that the Catholics would boycott him to a

man. Mr. Smith expostulated, replying that he To THE EDITOR:—In spite of the most bit. advertised in nearly every paper, etc., and

Mr. Heilman argued that if the advertise election of officers. Brother H. P. Dryden business would be ruined; tried to persuade of rare merit and interest to all Spiritualists

Mr. Smith, who is a Protestant—and we

the letters he had received that The American We are just coming out of fires of orthodox was anti-Catholic; that he had to, and would

Mr. Heilman has since sent word to Mr. Smith that his advertisement had been dis-Spiritualism has come to Cherryvale to stay, continued in the Western Cross; that they

> editor of The American, and he reported them to Council No. 40, and this committee, as above stated, was appointed to communicate the facts to you, and to every Protestant minister in Kansas City, and to every A. P. A. know, and their faith and devotion to American principles be tested by the same standard would be greatly improved if it could be established by the Catholics.

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The dishes gave not a clink nor clatter; She roused at last to a sharp surprise, And cried: "Oh, husband! what is the mat-Have you been dreaming of losing teeth? Or, worse than that, about snow-white horses?

Maybe an angel, with harp and wreath, Has talked to you about ghosts and corpses!" 'No, Anna, I have not dreamed at all; But Death may enter our humble dwelling, And you may answer his voiceless call—

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The good God is wanting me in heaven?" "I guess it will—settle the hash as well To tell it out without dodge or quibble, And take my chances for catching—well, I've been and consulted a female sybili She talked to me about 'atmospheres,' And the 'wearing out of old conditions,' But yet that it all lodged in my ears, I never had harbored the least suspicion,

'Until her messages seemed to work All through and through me, and set me thinking,
Till every place where a thought could lurk

A ghost uncannily peered out winking.
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That my conditions was needing treating. 'But, Asa, what did the lady say? You must forget that you have not mentioned

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If Death, as the sybil said, should seize you, 'd rather know, if you'll make it clear, Which of the graveyards best will please you Fate is fate, and if you must die,
And if I must rig for another wedding,

It's nonsense, Anna, to snuff and cry,
When we are near to our parting treading. "Fate is fate, and I rather guess

I will tell it all: I have seen the lady-The one to come after you—unless You go not down to the valley shady-Your hand on the jeweled latch of heaven."

Yes, fate is fate! and if you're to be The foolishest fool in the world, you'll be it! You did come home with a great idee, And lucky it is I'm here to V. it. Now, straighten up, and collect yourself! Assist that rosebud to leave your button! You'd better step in to the pantry-shelf And lunch on a piece of bread and mutton.

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### Do the Figures Lie?

The late census of the United States shows that Christian denominations of all sects in this country have an enrolled membership of about 20,000,000, less than one-third of the entire population. ship. Is it not a fact that those removed no sense idol worshipers. by death encumber the list for months exempting from exhaustive toil and in ing on our new civilization. the estimated certainty of a handsome pecuniary reward. The advancement of into account in the selection of a profession. Another class of members must in which we live. not be omitted, they who are loudest in prayer, and longest on their knees, whose zeal for the dear Jesus outstrips. cashiers of banks, they whose business capital consists of being good for speculative purposes. These swell the hosts of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Christian Endeavor societies a not inconsiderable number.

If a skilled mathematician will come to our aid, and eliminate all these are not as pleasing to the gods as true selfish elements, whose names so largely augment these twenty millions of Christians, and will oblige us with the result, then these can be subtracted from of the gods" 884 years before our era, the greater number. What is the product? It is believed the children alone will reduce the number one-fifth. Is it too much to estimate the other designated classes at one-fourth? Then we have a balance of eleven millions, almost wholly women, of good practical Christians in all the churches of the United States. These are led by an army of one hundred thousand preachers, who attempt to rule the country and direct its legislation in their interests, who in the name of God assume to voice the sentiments of the entire population-Such baseless assumptions deserve in dignant repudiation by all lovers of uni. versal freedom.

# What Shall the End Be?

We notice the tendency with clergymen who commence thinking, and who have independence of character sufficient to stand alone, is not to stop with the utterance of a single truth; but they advance step by step, until, finally, they repudiate the entire false system of bar- thusly: barian dogmas in which they were educated. The latest case attracting our attention is that of Rev. Howard Mac-proved false again? Two hundred more." Queary, an ex-Episcopalian, who for the last two years has preached to the Universalists at Saginaw, Mich. He has and the whole world may go to destruclately left that city to enter a liberal tion for aught the preacher cares. The church at Erie, Pa. If it were not for lawver seldom takes a case without the the bread-and-butter question the desertion of a sinking ship by rats would be paralleled by desertions from the

# Gone South.

Prof. Silas W. Edmunds, A. A. A. S. Ill. He left that city on the 1st inst., States. for New Orleans, where he has an engagement with the Association of Spiritualists to lecture during the month of December, when he expects to return North. Success to his labors.

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### Missionary Enterprise.

A new field of missionary labor, and one which it is hoped will be cultivated in the interest of truth, is our own America. The Orientals visiting the World's Exposition, coming in contact with Western wickedness and unbelief, seem to have determined to attempt conceive their better religion. Two Brahmans, Jinda Ram and Siddhu Ram, These twenty millions are made up of who, besides their native tongue, with a very discordant material. Every child knowledge of Sanscrit and Persian, have of nearly all the sects is baptized when a fine English education, remain in this named, and is entered on the church Brahmans, the Christian missionaries city and are instructing us that the roll, and aids in swelling the member- to the contrary notwithstanding, are in

Of the great antiquity of the Brahor years after they have ceased to be mans there can be no question. The sect is easily traced back to 1500 years before our era. It is believed by many is another long array of names who scholars that they are an offshoot of have identified themselves with the Zoroastrianism, who were carried by church, not because they have any waves of immigration from the great sympathy with the creed, but for family hive of the Aryans, in Central Asia, and social purposes. And there is still another very numerous class who use another very numerous class who use the church as an aid to business or to rupted, and took on forms which modern cover defects in character. Even intelligence has repudiated: Originally students in colleges are heard discussing in its love of life, all of which it esteems the merits of the several learned pro-than Judaism. It is this better faith fessions as money-making adventures, which has been revived in its ancient many choosing the clerical for the pe- home, which these apostles of the older ouliar advantages it has over others in thought are now desirous of engraft-

We own to sympathy for this movement, for its tendency is to demolish the walls of intolerance, bigotry and egotism religion of good morals is seldom taken and bring all the world into universal harmony and nearer relation to the age

# A Heathen Idea.

whose zeal for the dear Jesus outstrips. The Lacedemonians had a law among all the rest, and who have sought the them which required every one to serve incident in the continuity of life, and who have sought the them which required every one to serve incident in the continuity of life, and who have sought the solution of life, and who have sought the gods with as little every one to serve the manual outstrips. The Lacedemonians had a law among rialism, death, so-called, is but a mere the church—nay under the influence of uphill work for him to get justice—them which required every one to serve incident in the continuity of life, and increased general knowledge he is not justice is so tardy in this country. If the Central station came out, but no violation of the church—nay under the influence of uphill work for him to get justice—them which required every one to serve in the continuity of life, and increased general knowledge he is not justice. church and wear its mantle to cover a the gods with as little expense as possi- that "the future life is the natural out- merely drifting-with sails set and full multitude of sins. They are the forgers, ble. Lycurgus being asked the reason come of this," therefore his firm adher- head of steam he is swiftly coursing onthe absconding clerks, the embezzling for such a requirement, replied: "Lest ence to the principles of nature and rea- ward to the beacon lights of religious, of the covetouness of some, and the noverty of others will be wholly neglected. truer knowledge." Magnificent temples and costly sacrifices piety and unfeigned devotion on the part

of worshipers.' Are we any wiser today than was Lycurgus, who was known as "The friend when the above utterance was heard. Would not the world be benefited by returning to some of those primitive toms, which we in our ignorance label heathen?

# California to the Front.

The Mid-Winter Fair, to open at San Francisco, January 1st, writes a San Jose subscriber, promises to be a great success. Already eighty-three splendid structures are nearing completion, and the exhibits therein will be peculiarly fine, not excepting Chicago's grand Exposition. The site is an elevation in a spacious and beautiful park, just outside of the city and overlooking the ment. Golden Gate and the Pacific Ocean. Success to it, and to every enterprise which brings the nations and peoples of the earth into closer relation with each

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Dr. R. B. Westbrook.

He has something on our first page that will deeply interest our readers.

Ingersollism Viewed from a Spiritualistic Standpoint.

Col. Ingersoll says some very hard the time is reached to which advanced priests, popes and parsons, who are willpayments are made. We know money is | ing to pray for others, if others are willclose and hard to get. Newspaper publing to work for them. He is very spirthan others, because many persons un- haps, because he has given more attenwisely commence economy in expenses tion to intellectual than spiritual culby cutting off mental aliment. This ture. He is very skeptical to be sure, should not be. The trifling cost of THE but honest in it; and it matters little if PROGRESSIVE THINKER, but little more he does not accept spiritual phenomena than the blank paper on which it is so long as he is spiritual in principle, for printed, and the large amount of educat that is the main thing after all. Theoltional matter with which it is laden, ogy without religion is a faper; and spir-

What we like in Ingersoll is his moral If the reader is in straitened circum- courage, integrity and independence stances, and cannot afford to invest \$1 It may be said that every man cannot for a year, he can certainly spare 25 afford to be independent. Why not? cents and extend his subscription three As well say he cannot afford to be a man, months, until business resumes its wont- and if not a man, what is he? A poled activity. Then there will be no troon, despised alike by both honest break in healthful reading, no discour- men and Mrs. Grundy, before whom he agement to the publisher, and no re- obsequiously bows the knee. But, "A

will never be replaced, has escaped at- Mr. Ingersoll is not a Spiritualist in tention. The hope of the world rests the popular sense; that is, he does not with the well-read Spiritualist and Ag- fraternize with Spiritualists or follow their methods of promulgating truth Reader, let us share each other's bur- and developing character. Indeed, we dens as much as we can while these do not know where to place him or what financial embarrassments stare all in to call him unless it be simply Robert he still stands.

The Colonel has never been answered he may suffer as far as superstition is from that of his unfortunate predecessors; and he is doing his best to lift the odium theologicum off the fair name a reformation, by teaching us what they of the great patriot and advocate of human rights; but there are thousands of was that of Thomas Paine.

As to his spiritual status, in other words, and La Salle street of Jerusalem. pointed Christians who could not find it the rich and "respectable?"

to work out their salvation. march of humanit Our hero will find that netwithstand-horrible dogmas. ing his agnosticism and apparent matethe service of the gods be intermitted, son will place him in better condition in industrial and social freedom and justice If religion shall be as expensive in Lace- the after life than those who depend for demon as in other parts of Greece the salvation on the merits of another and gress. time may come that divine worship, out do nothing themselves but believe. "The false faiths are fading in the light of a

> We leave our friend to answer, by his we believe to be the highest truth.

# Snowball Sermons.

We take especial pleasure in calling attention to Elder Snowball's sermonsthe first of which is presented to our readers this week. While taking the serio-comic style to outward appearance, our readers will find that there is beneath the outward semblance of humor a serious lesson worthy of remembrance. Judge Rosecrans' burlesque on the silly gabble of the great Doctors of Divinity will afford instruction as well as amuse-

Once upon a time, it is said, a young lawyer who had no case was opposed by an eminent attorney. When it was the young man's turn to talk to the jury, he vent through all the motions and gestures of his eminent opponent, but said not one word-and won his case. Elder Snowball will imitate the silliness of eminent parrots in the church pulpitbut he will embody more sense in his humorous "motions and gestures" than they will in their high-sounding words and phrases. Fail not to attend the Elder's meetings in the Tank-House and listen to his discourses.

# Spiritual Consultation.

The guides of Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond have consented to resume the consultations through her instrumentality, on spiritual topics and mediumship, Wednesdays from 1:30 to 5 P. M., at 40 Loomis street.

The Christmas Number. The readers of our Christmas number will get dollars in value for cents of outlay-a paying investment, truly. Scattered broadcast, it cannot fail to bring a your order for a quantity at once.

It has become a recognized fact, and one that is causing much concern among ER is published on the cash plan, of things, about what "spiritual gentle- orthodox church people and pastors, course all names are, dropped as soon as men" have done, but he refers to monks, that what are known as working people, to a very great extent do not attend church services. In fact, it is becoming more and more the habit of worklishers feel the pressure more keenly itual himself, but does not know it, per- ing people to hold aloof from all connection with churches and church services. Of course there must be a reason for this-and the ministry in particular are

anxiously inquiring into the reason why. Inquiry among workingmen develops the fact that about three-fourths of the mechanics and laboring men of all sorts habitually stay away from church. The proportion would be larger still, were there no Catholics. Of those who stay away about one-third are indifferentand of the whole mass of workingmen about one-half are hostile to the church

The hostility arises from causes within the church itself. A knowledge of its history and its present attitude shows that through all ages since it acquired power and influence, its efforts have tended to uphold caste based on wealth and aristocracy; it has played upon the fears of the ignorant and credulous to keep them in subjection to their "superiors;" it has taught the right of the master class to rule and rob those beneath them in the social and industrial from the wrongs inflicted upon them by scale, and it has ever taught that the poor the deadly leeches who fasten themwhen public confidence will be restored soll, and he is not a Goliath either, for ignorant, credulous, toiling producers selves upon a too-confiding public, when public confidence will be restored soll, and he is not a Goliath either, for and prosperity will return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlive to a consist of residuely and prosperity will return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlive to a consist of residuely and prosperity will return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlive to a consist of residuely and prosperity will return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlive to a consist of residuely and prosperity will return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlive to a consist of residuely and prosperity will return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlive to a consist of residuely and return in an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexno slinger has ever been able to fell should outlined an an unexhim though many have tried hard, but should cultivate a spirit of resignation their schemes of swindling honest peoand contentedness with their condition ple out of money and other valuables, to be content with the condition which

thereby dragging the beautiful banner
of Spiritualism into disgrace. It is high and never will be, although like Paine, a wise and good Providence has assigned time a note of warning was sounded

were subjected.

Jesus preached the gospel to the poor

living witnesses who will not suffer the with the lowly-the "under dog in the name of Ingersoll to be dishonored as fight" of life. With them he mingled and had his associates, companions and We know it to be a fact that many of home. He felt drawn to them—his love the orthodox would like to capture and his spiritual blessings were bestowed Ingersoll's talent to bolster up their de- lavishly upon them.i They were the clining cause. As well, like Joshua, ones most dear of all to him. The rich. command the sun and moon to stand the proud, the arrogant, the "money still while they fight their ignominious kings" and aristocrats of his day-upon battle against human progress and spir- them he poured hot vials of wrath, in denunciation of their pride, their selfish We are satisfied that the Coloner, con- greed of wealth. It is needless to quote sidering his make-up, is in his proper his words of righteous condemnation of place, and is doing enough, for one life. the "money changers" of Wall street

his chances of immortal life-they are Do our modern so-called-they claim equal to those of Paine and Voltaire; to be God-called and heaven-sent, but and if there is any truth in Spiritualism "so-called" is the truer term-do these they occupy high positions in the spirit so-called ministers of the gospel of realm. Voltaire, by his satire, in which Christ, do as he whom they call "Lord," he was an adept in this life, has pointed "Lord," did? Are not the modern out the way of happiness to many disap- thurches mostly merely social clubs for

by their superstitious belief, and, Paine | Besides, the church by its creeds, i has sat in judgment on his reverend not by its pulpit, of late, teaches the old traducers, and they were glad to slink orthodox dogmas concerning religion away from his bright august presence to and human destiny-including depravity their own place, where they could begin and endless misery; and the steady march of humanity is away from all such

So the laborer is drifting away from -nor Church nor State can stay his pro-

# Vicarious Atonement.

What is called an odd Hindu custom own pen, the charge of talking for the has been brought to the attention of money there is in it. We talk every reading people by a student of life and week, through THE PROGRESSIVE manners in the Punjaub. He was sur-THINKER, to an audience many times prised at the very large portion of very unlism—outwardly angels of light, but invalve crowding out of employment. larger than his (3,000) for almost noth-old men in the Indian jails. In the inwardly devils. The one who victiming, for the sake of disseminating what prison at Mooltan there were last year ized him will find apologists, even if seventeen life prisoners whose total archs of upwards of 80. This remark- defend the rascal, and that encourages able fact is attributed partly to the him to go on with his nefarious work. ing to justice. Thus the old and feeble world. There is a loud and noisy minor- these sleep-disturbing sounds there are younger and more able-bodied.

cially comfortable place in the shape of to a higher plane. good food, ample clothing, a special dietary, the lightest of work, and a society not entirely uncongenial, awaits the old man in the jails. A case is cited in which a man had been strangled. The person to whom the crime, by his own confession, was brought home, was a lyzed in both arms for twenty years, and who could not have committed the witnesses," the old man went cheerfully firm conviction." to jail and lies there still.

This is certainly a very interesting presents to the student in social ethics for the guilty is a puzzle for an adept in far and wide as Brother Wolff is doing. metaphysics and moral science.

problem may ostensibly be solved, and sinful nature passing down from progen- Clarke.

Why Don't They Attend Church? iters to posterity-which would render the father in a manner really the cause and source of the crimes and wickedness of the son who inherited his evil propensities-and thus the aged, feeble, helpless old "reprobate" might justly be

> the son. But-and it is a very big and important "but"-the justice of the "substitu- was impossible to walk from one en- voked considerable discussion recently, tionary atonement" will depend wholly trance to another without treading on and two important contributions, to upon the actual fore-guilt and real moral pre-responsibility of the atoner. If o'clock it was found necessary to open during the present year. The most rehe be, as progenitor, the cause of the the basement to the homeless wander markable, and the one to create the crime, he may justly, perhaps, atone for ers, and 300 were soon crowded just as most widespread sensation, was written the same; but if he be innocent, where near to the furnaces as it was possible by a distinguished Catholic theologian is the justice?

The answer does not fall to the Spiritualist, but to the "orthodox."

## THE NOISY MINORITY.

He Has Been Victimized.

TO THE EDITOR:-Knowing that THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER is established integrity, admiring also the bold and fearless manner of its denunciation toward all forms of rascality, and its should seek through its columns redress able to detract from his high moral en. It has ever tried to keep the slaves the enemies who defile the purity of its wrongs and grievances to which they retard the cause on the onward march his heart and sympathies were for and THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER to sound A VICTIM.

While Spiritualists in the aggregate are the best, the most intelligent, and are tricky mediums; that there are mediums and their controls who will, if Spiritualism as well as elsewhere, and no mistake. For 35 years we have known that, and yet we entertain a roseate view of Spiritualism, because, in the aggregate, Spiritualists are the most moral people on this earth.

will dishonesty disappear—in practice at least—when there ceases to be any victims. Of course this is poor consolation to "A Victim," and does not afford him any relief. He may have lost all by any close the may have lost all by any close the may have lost all by the may have lost all by the may have lost all by the course the may have lost all by the may have lost all swindled by a medium or a publishing company, "A Victim" will find it disturbance. difficult to get any relief. Just see the victims of the old Religio-Philosophical Publishing House of Chicago, and the Better Way Company, of Cincinnati.

of the stockholders? Alas! how?

"A Victim" will learn that it is not an easy matter to rout the horde of irresponsibles that have for 45 years folrotten to the core, and if he tries to get home in the city would agree to take in ages were found to amount to more than justice he will find it uphill work. A during the winter one unfortunate, all 1,100 years—two of them being patri-small but noisy minority will always this suffering might be avoided. great improvement in the economy of The only way, as we have said before, Indian jails since the exposure of their to purify Spiritualism is to so educate mismanagement some years ago, but the masses that there will be no victims more directly to the prevalent practice | \_\_being too sharp; but better still for when a crime has been committed of humanity it would be to eliminate from and insanity to those living within their handing over the least useful member each rascal his tendency to wrong-doing; hearing. We venture the opinion that Township Board of Education, and that of the family as a sort of vicarious offer- and that indeed would improve the for every cause of lunacy produced by go to jail to atone for the crimes of the ity who make it a practice to defend a hundred cases produced by pulpit fogrottenness and dishonesty; but that fact The inspector-general of Indian pris- does not discourage us in the least. It latter nerve-distracting noises are of no ons observes that confinement is less is only a question of time when that practical utility; while the former takes one to the aged than to the young: trait will cease to exist; but it can only guard the lives of those who go down irksome to the aged than to the young; trait will cease to exist; but it can only moreover, the people know that a spe- be when the masses shall have advanced

> One Hundred and Thirty Names. Jos. Wolff writes: "Herewith please find postal note for \$1.50 and a list of something over one hundred and thirty names, with proper addresses, to whom

you will please mail each a copy of the Christmas number of THE PROGRESSfeeble old fellow who had been para- IVE THINKER. I cannot think of a more effective way of doing missionary work among the benighted, and I confidently believe that your mark of 100,000 copies crime. But as his family all said he of that issue of the paper will be much did it, and as there were plenty of "eye- exceeded. At least, that is my present

While we realize that times are hard, no one should allow THE PROGRESSIVE feature of Hindu life and custom, and THINKER to stop, thus depriving themselves of spiritual and intellectual and economics a subject for thought, food. All should aid in elevating the How the moral idea and sentiment of world to a higher plane, and that can justice can be reconciled with the pun- not be better accomplished than by cirishment of the innocent as a substitute culating THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER

We see but one way whereby the beath, to a good man, is but process. The bound into any tered broadcast, it cannot fail to bring a problem may ostensibly be solved, and dusky room of his father's house into anwhich comes of it may not be an unrich harvest of good to the cause; and it that is, on the old orthodox theory of
other that is fair and large, lightsome mixed evil; but praise soon suggests costs so little. See the terms, and send inherited depravity or sinfulness—the and glorious, and divinely entertaining.

### The Battle for Crumbs.

According to the Chicago Tribune, one thousand men sought shelter from the weather in the City Hall one night last Hope, on West Eighty-first street, deweek. Some slept on the stone floor, others actually slept standing up, lean livered a sermon to his congregation, made to suffer and be a vicarious atone- ing in bunches against radiators and in saying those very words. He said that, ment for the crimes actually done by the doorways to the various offices not in his opinion, there was neither a idler being almost three to one.

BLOWS STRUCK IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

large enough to accommodate them, possible, swindle you out of your last Here they intended to eat their meal. fections, and exists in the ranks of panions talk of sandwiches they were even more hungry.

RUSH FOR THE FOOD. .

being victimized, and to-day may be a was sitting half way down the corridor spiritualistic idea. pauper in consequence; but it will prove when the trouble arose. He hastened ence was nece

Earlier in the evening five or six men in the south end of the hall nearly became engaged in a fight over a sandwich. One man had come in with two sandwiches wrapped in a paper. When How can you reach the two gaings he opened it they were snatched from that squandered the hard-earned money his hand.

The above is a most pitiable picture in this, the nineteenth century of "Christian civilization." Never before has such a scene been witnessed in Chicago. It will be repeated probably many times tinually, crowding out of employment the native born, what better state of affairs can be expected? If each affluent

The Fog Horns. The medical journals say the foghorns, ever sounding along the shore on foggy nights, to warn seamen of danger, are a fruitful cause of nervous diseases horns, warning the sinner to flee from an imaginary "wrath to come." The to the sea in ships. Let the pulpit fog-horn nuisance be first abated, then it may be discovered the injuries to the nervous caused by the roaring along the sea-beach, were, practically, of small

### Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond's Books.

The books of the guides of Mrs. Cora . V. Richmond on sale at the office of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER are "The Soul in Human Embodiments." Price

"Psychopathy or Spirit Healing," by Spirit Dr. Benj. Rush. Price \$1.50. "Heaven's Greeting to Columbia," poem by Whittier, Longfellow, Tennyson and Whitman. Price 15 cents: extra binding 25 cents.

Also a few copies of "Ouina's Canoe, or Christmas Offering." Price \$1.00. Any of these books would make a rare Xmas gift to a friend.

It takes a great deal of grace to be able to bear praise. Censure seldom does us much hurt. A man struggles up against slander, and the discouragement pride, and is, therefore, not an unmixed good.—Spurgeon.

### There is Happiness in Hell. According to the New York Advertiser

there is happiness in hell," The Rev. E.

. Bolles, pastor of the Church of Eternal

in use. Early in the night the long cor- heaven nor a hell, in the general acceptridor was so completely filled it almost ation of the term. The question has proan outstretched leg or arm. By 10 literature on the subject were made for them to get. They were not all and entitled "Happiness in Hell." tramps, the proportion of "laboring This essay contained ideas that were men out of a job" to the professional highly creditable to the author. According to the tenets of the older and They were hungry, too, and the sight sterner church there was a hell not only of sandwiches purchased by some of the for the wicked who defied God's commore fortunate ones almost caused a mandments in this life but also for riot. For a moment it looked as if the others who, through no fault of theirs, 600 men who were camped in the main were unable to fulfill certain conditions. hallway and stairs in the north end of This writer in his essay set forth the along the lines of strictest honesty and the building would engage in an en-doctrine that the latter class did enjoy a counter, but the appearance of the po- certain happiness, and that their lice officers prevented trouble. The greatest misery lay in the fact that they nonest endeavor to protect, as far as men were hungry, and when a few of could not enjoy the beatific vision. Such lies in its power, its many readers, what them entered the place with sandwiches souls, it was maintained, could be happy, more natural than that said readers there was a rush for food, and those who though the highest happiness was not had bought it were sorry they did not within !heir reach. This sensible and eat their supper outside. They lost all humanitarian view of a complex questhey had, and this was what caused the tion was severely assailed by other trouble. The sandwiches were passed Catholic writers, and the heretical from one hand to another. orthodox cats, so that the world is now made aware that such is not the doctrine In an instant there were 200 men on of the Catholic Church. But there was their feet, and blows were struck in all also contributed to literature recently, directions. No sides were taken in the by an American woman, a drama which them, looking for their reward in Heav- along the line to take up arms and rout matter except the twenty who had pur- gave an idea of hell that was fully in chased the food, and this accounts for accordance with the speaker's, of that worth; but he lives in a different age of toil in quiet and willing subjection to folds. Our only hope is through the the fact that the trouble was easily most dreaded place. It represented a their masters, notwithstanding the spiritual press—without its aid we can suppressed. No one knew against whom man in a dream talking with several of he had a grievance, and when officers his departed ancestors. One of these told commanded the men to remain quiet the young man that he was in hell, of progression. The writer of this artithey obeyed, and again took their places though there was no such place as cle is only one of many who appeal to on the cold stone floor to sleep. cle is only one of many who appeal to on the cold stone floor to sleep.

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER to sound There was a small amount of money was commonly understood. This man's among a few of those in the north end hell was a condition or feeling in which of the hall. While some could not have he had no interest in anything. He felt bought a single sandwich, the entire no enjoyment, no ambition, no pleasure, amount was enough to purchase three no passions, no desires. He could go to or four dozen. A collection was taken heaven, he said, if he liked, but he had the most moral people, it doesn't sur- up, and soon twenty had combined their no desire. He was not interested in anyprise us in the least that there are money for the purpose of buying food. thing he might find there or anywhere whiskey-soaked mediums; that there While two went out to make the purpose. This picture, Dr. Bolles said, was chase the others cleared away a place awful in its impressiveness and ought to contain a warning against evil indulgenees and the violation of God's laws. What could be more appalling than a dollar. That condition of affairs is the legitimate outgrowth of present impersections, and exists in the ranks of panions talk of sandwiches they were or passions, a wicked man who could no longer enjoy anything? This condition was to an extent exemplified in club life, in society, and in the general lives of When the two returned with the food the rich and idle. They have exhausted each carried a well-filled box. They every source of enjoyment and tapped had no sooner placed it on the floor in all fountains of enthusiasm. The Prince front of their companions when others of Wales, it is said, has indulged so much rushed in and seized the food. There in vice and pleasure that he has become "A Victim" is indignant. He is right was scarcely a crumb left for those who affected to such an extent with ennui in being so. But there will cease to be had furnished the money to buy it. The that hardly anything can afford him dishonest mediums in practice when skirmish aroused others, and soon every pleasure. New schemes have to be conone along the line in that end of the stantly provided to stimulate his appetite they cease to find victims. Man's ancestral caudal appendage ceased to exist because it found no employment. So will dishonesty disappear-in practice at but few succeeded in getting anything dition without hope, feeling, ambition

# It Never Pays.

It never pays to fret and growl The better bred will look ahead And strike the braver blow. Your luck is work, And those who shirk Should not lament their doom, But yield the play, And clear the way.

That better men have room. It never pays to wreck the health In drudging after gain, And he is sold who thinks that gold Is cheapest bought with pain. And humble lot.

A cosy cot Have tempted even kings, For station high, That wealth will buy,

Not oft contentment brings. A Black Spot in Ohio.

Word comes from Columbus, Ohio. that State School Commissioner Corson has received a report from D. E. Daniels, appointed to investigate, to the effect that in sub-district 1, Marion township, Mercer county, the Catholic national series of books are in use in the public schools, but were not adopted by the on certain days the parish priest listens to recitations from the catechism. The investigation was started because of charges that the law was being violated. Mr. Daniels says the investigation shows that the charges have been sustained. This black spot in Ohio should be wiped

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### Do the Figures Lie? The late census of the United States

shows that Christian denominations of all sects in this country have an enrolled membership of about 20,000,000, less than one-third of the entire population. named, and is entered on the church roll, and aids in swelling the membership. Is it not a fact that those removed no sense idol worshipers. by death encumber the list for months or years after they have ceased to be actors in the great drama of life? There is another long array of names who sympathy with the creed, but for family hive of the Aryans, in Central Asia, and social purposes. And there is still southward by that branch invading Hindoostan. There in contact with the another very numerous class who use the church as an aid to business or to cover defects in character. Even students in colleges are heard discussing the merits of the several learned professions as money-making adventures, many choosing the clerical for the peculiar advantages it has over others in exempting from exhaustive toil and in the estimated certainty of a handsome pecuniary reward. The advancement of religion or good morals is seldom taken into account in the selection of a profession. Another class of members must not be omitted, they who are loudest in prayer, and longest on their knees, whose zeal for the dear Jesus outstrips multitude of sins. They are the forgers, cashiers of banks, they whose business capital consists of being good for speculative purposes. These swell the hosts of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Christian Endeavor societies a not inconsiderable number.

If a skilled mathematician will come to our aid, and eliminate all these selfish elements, whose names so largely augment these twenty millions of Christians, and will oblige us with the result, then these can be subtracted from the greater number. What is the product? It is believed the children alone will reduce the number one-fifth. Is it too much to estimate the other designated classes at one-fourth? Then we have a balance of eleven millions, almost wholly women, of good practical Christians in all the churches of the United States. These are led by an army of one hundred thousand preachers, who attempt to rule the country and direct its legislation in their interests, who in the name of God assume to voice the sentiments of the entire population. Such baseless assumptions deserve in dignant repudiation by all lovers of universal freedom.

# What Shall the End Be?

We notice the tendency with clergymen who commence thinking, and who have independence of character sufficient to stand alone, is not to stop with the utterance of a single truth; but they advance step by step, until, finally, they of the zeal of the average pulpiteer repudiate the entire false system of bar- thusly: harian dogmas in which they were edu- "What makes all doctrines plain and clear? cated. The latest case attracting our attention is that of Rev. Howard Mac-Proved false again? Two hundred more. Queary, an ex-Episcopalian, who for the last two years has preached to the Unithe bread-and-butter question the desertion of a sinking ship by rats would be paralleled by desertions from the

# Gone South.

Prof. Silas W. Edmunds, A. A. A. S. Ill. He left that city on the 1st inst., States. for New Orleans, where he has an engagement with the Association of Spiritualists to lecture during the month of December, when he expects to return North. Success to his labors.

### Expiring Subscriptions.

The period of expiring subscriptions s on us. - As THE PROGRESSIVE THINK-

gret that invaluable matter, which man's a man for a' that." will never be replaced, has escaped at-

the face. Only a few months more, ampled manner.

### Missionary Enterprise.

A new field of missionary labor, and one which it is hoped will be cultivated in the interest of truth, is our own America. The Orientals visiting the World's Exposition, coming in contact with Western wickedness and unbelief, seem to have determined to attempt conceive their better religion. Two Brahmans, Jinda Ram and Siddhu Ram; These twenty millions are made up of who, besides their native tongue, with a name of Ingersoll to be dishonored as fight" of life. With them he mingled very discordant material. Every child knowledge of Sanscrit and Persian, have of nearly all the sects is baptized when a fine English education, remain in this city and are instructing us that the Brahmans, the Christian missionaries to the contrary notwithstanding, are in

Of the great antiquity of the Brahmans there can be no question. The sect is easily traced back to 1500 years before our era. It is believed by many scholars that they are an offshoot of have identified themselves with the Zoroastrianism, who were carried by church, not because they have any waves of immigration from the great native Siva worship, it became corrupted, and took on forms which modern intelligence has repudiated. Originally in its love of life, all of which it esteems divine, it seems a less offensive religion than Judaism. It is this better faith which has been revived in its ancient home, which these apostles of the older thought are now desirous of engraft

ing on our new civilization.
We own to sympathy for this movement, for its tendency is to demolish the walls of intolerance, bigotry and egotism and bring all the world into universal

# A Heathen Idea.

the absconding clerks, the embezzling for such a requirement, replied: "Lest ence to the principles of nature and rea- ward to the beacon lights of religious, the service of the gods be intermitted. If religion shall be as expensive in Lace- the after life than those who depend for demon as in other parts of Greece the salvation on the merits of another and time may come that divine worship, out | do nothing themselves but believe. "The of the covetouness of some, and the poverty of others will be wholly neglected. Magnificent temples and costly sacrifices are not as pleasing to the gods as true piety and unfeigned devotion on the part of worshipers.'

curgus, who was known as "The friend of the gods" 884 years before our era, when the above utterance was heard Would not the world be benefited by returning to some of those primitive customs, which we in our ignorance label

# California to the Front.

heathen?

The Mid-Winter Fair, to open at San Francisco, January 1st, writes a San Jose subscriber, promises to be a great success. Already eighty-three splendid structures are nearing completion, and the exhibits therein will be peculiarly fine, not excepting Chicago's grand Exposition. The site is an elevation in a spacious and beautiful park, just outside of the city and overlooking the Golden Gate and the Pacific Ocean, Success to it, and to every enterprise which brings the nations and peoples of the earth into closer relation with each

# The Reason.

Butler's Hudibras explains the source

The two hundred pounds withdrawn versalists at Saginaw, Mich. He has and the whole world may go to destruclately left that city to enter a liberal tion for aught the preacher cares. The church at Erie, Pa. If it were not for lawyer seldom takes a case without the certainty of a generous fee. The priest is fired by a similar impulse.

# Five Hundred Copies.

in humanitarian work at Rochester. Ind., have subscribed for 500 copies of of Cleveland, O., has recently given a the Christmas number of THE PROseries of lectures with universal satis- GRESSIVE THINKER. Orders are flowfaction to the Spiritualists of Rockford, ing in from all sections of the United

# Dr. R. B. Westbrook.

He has something on our first page that will deeply interest our readers.

### Ingersollism Viewed from a Spiritualistic Standpoint.

Col. Ingersoll says some very hard ER is published on the cash plan, of things about what "spiritual gentlecourse all names are dropped as soon as men" have done, but he refers to monks, the time is reached to which advanced priests, popes and parsons, who are will payments are made. We know money is ing to pray for others, if others are willclose and hard to get. Newspaper publing to work for them. He is very spirthan others, because many persons un- haps, because he has given more attenwisely commence economy in expenses tion to intellectual than spiritual culby cutting off mental aliment. This ture. He is very skeptical to be sure, should not be. The trifling cost of THE but honest in it; and it matters little if PROGRESSIVE THINKER, but little more he does not accept spiritual phenomena than the blank paper on which it is so long as he is spiritual in principle, for printed, and the large amount of educa- that is the main thing after all. Theoltional matter with which it is laden, ogy without religion is a farce, and spircommends it to the thoughtful every- itism without spirituality is no better.

What we like in Ingersoll is his moral If the reader is in straitened circum- courage, integrity and independence, stances, and cannot afford to invest \$1 It may be said that every man cannot for a year, he can certainly spare 25 afford to be independent. Why not? cents and extend his subscription three As well say he cannot afford to be a man, months, until business resumes its wont- and if not a man, what is he? A poled activity. Then there will be no troon, despised alike by both honest break in healthful reading, no discour- men and Mrs. Grundy, before whom he its history and its present attitude shows agement to the publisher, and no re- obsequiously bows the knee. But, "A

Mr. Ingersoll is not a Spiritualist in with the well-read Spiritualist and Ag- fraternize with Spiritualists or follow Reader, let us share each other's bur- and developing character. Indeed, we

and never will be, although like Paine, he may suffer as far as superstition is them, looking for their reward in Heavworth; but he lives in a different age of toil in quiet and willing subjection to the odium theologicum off the fair name were subjected. a reformation, by teaching us what they of the great patriot and advocate of huwas that of Thomas Paine.

clining cause. As well, like Joshua, ones most dear of all to him. The rich. command the sun and moon to stand the proud, the arrogant, the "money itual liberty.

As to his spiritual status, in other words, and La Salle street of Jerusalem. his chances of immortal life-they are equal to those of Paine and Voltaire; and if there is any truth in Spiritualism pointed Christians who could not find it the rich and "respectable?" by their superstitious belief, and Paine traducers, and they were glad to slink

to work out their salvation. Our hero will find that notwithstanding his agnósticism and apparent matefalse faiths are fading in the light of a truer knowledge."

We leave our friend to answer, by his Are we any wiser today than was Ly- week, through THE PROGRESSIVE manners in the Punjaub. He was sur- lowed in the pathway of modern Spiritwe believe to be the highest truth.

# Snowball Sermons.

We take especial pleasure in calling attention to Elder Snowball's sermonsthe first of which is presented to our readers this week. While taking the serio-comic style to outward appearance, our readers will find that there is beneath the outward semblance of humor a serious lesson worthy of remembrance. Judge Rosecrans' burlesque on the silly gabble of the great Doctors of Divinity will afford instruction as well as amuse-

Once upon a time, it is said, a young awyer who had no case was opposed by an eminent attorney. When it was the young man's turn to talk to the jury, he went through all the motions and gestures of his eminent opponent, but said Snowball will imitate the silliness of eminent parrots in the church pulpitthey will in their high-sounding words listen to his discourses.

# Spiritual Consultation.

The guides of Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond have consented to resume the consultations through her instrumentality, on spiritual topics and mediumship, M. Bitters & Sons, leading co-workers | Wednesdays from 1:30 to 5 P. M., at 40 Loomis street.

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Why Don't They Attend Church? Itors to posterity-which would render

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one that is causing much concern among orthodox church people and pastors, that what are known as working people, to a very great extent do not attend church services. In fact, it is becoming more and more the habit of worklishers feel the pressure more keenly itual himself, but does not know it, per- ing people to hold aloof from all connection with churches and church services. Of course there must be a reason for this-and the ministry in particular are anxiously inquiring into the reason why.

Inquiry among workingmen develops the fact that about three-fourths of the mechanics and laboring men of all sorts habitually stay away from church. The proportion would be larger still, were there no Catholics. Of those who stay away about one-third are indifferentand of the whole mass of workingmen about one-half are hostile to the church.

The hostility arises from causes within the church itself. A knowledge of that through all ages since it acquired power and influence, its efforts have tended to uphold caste based on wealth tention. The hope of the world rests the popular sense; that is, he does not and aristocracy; it has played upon the fears of the ignorant and credulous to their methods of promulgating truth keep them in subjection to their "superiors;" it has taught the right of the dens as much as we can while these do not know where to place him or what master class to rule and rob those befinancial embarrassments stare all in to call him unless it be simply Robert neath them in the social and industrial G. Ingersoll, for there is only one Ingerwhen public confidence will be restored and prosperity will return in an unexhim though many have tried hard, but should cultivate a spirit of resignation their schemes of swindling honest peoand contentedness with their condition The Colonel has never been answered -to be content with the condition which

cessors; and he is doing his best to lift wrongs and grievances to which they retard the cause on the onward march

living witnesses who will not suffer the with the lowly—the "under dog in the and had his associates, companions and

still while they fight their ignominious kings" and anistocrats of his day-upon denunciation of their pride, their selfish We are satisfied that the Colonel, con-greed of wealth. It is needless to quote sidering his make-up, is in his proper his words of righteous condemnation of place, and is doing enough for one life. the "money changers" of Wall street

Do our modern so-called-they claim to be God-called and heaven-sent, but "so-called" is the truer term-do these they occupy high positions in the spirit so-called ministers of the gospel of realm. Voltaire, by his satire, in which | Christ, do as he whom they call "Lord," he was an adept in this life, has pointed "Lord," "id? Are not the modern out the way of happiness to many disap-thurches mostly merely social clubs for

Besides, the church by its creeds, if has sat in judgment on his reverend not by its pulpit, of late, teaches the old orthodox dogmas concerning religion away from his bright august presence to and human destiny-including depravity harmony and nearer relation to the age their own place, where they could begin and endless misery; and the steady march of humanity is away from all such horrible dogmas.

ble. Lycurgus being asked the reason come of this," therefore his firm adher- head of steam he is swiftly coursing on--nor Church nor State can stay his progress.

# Vicarious Atonement.

What is called an odd Hindu custom own pen, the charge of talking for the has been brought to the attention of money there is in it. We talk every reading people by a student, of life and THINKER, to an audience many times prised at the very large portion of very seventeen life prisoners whose total archs of upwards of 80. This remark-Indian jails since the exposure of their more directly to the prevalent practice of the family as a sort of vicarious offeryounger and more able-bodied.

moreover, the people know that a spe- be when the masses shall have advanced cially comfortable place in the shape of to a higher plane. good food, ample clothing, a special dietnot one word—and won his case. Elder ary, the lightest of work, and a society not entirely uncongenial, awaits the old man in the jails. A case is cited in Elder's meetings in the Tank-House and lyzed in both arms for twenty years, and witnesses," the old man went cheerfully firm conviction." to jail and lies there still. .

feature of Hindu life and custom, and THINKER to stop, thus depriving nyson and Whitman. Price 15 cents; presents to the student in social ethics themselves of spiritual and intellectual and economics a subject for thought, food. All should aid in elevating the How the moral idea and sentiment of world to a higher plane, and that can justice can be reconciled with the pun- not be better accomplished than by cirishment of the innocent as a substitute culating THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER for the guilty is a puzzle for an adept in far and wide as Brother Wolff is doing. metaphysics and moral science.

We see but one way whereby the sinful nature passing down from progen- - Clarke.

It has become a recognized fact, and the father in a manner really the cause and source of the crimes and wickedness of the son who inherited his evil propensities-and thus the aged, feeble, helpless old "reprobate" might justly be made to suffer and be a vicarious atonement for the crimes actually done by

> the son. But-and it is a very big and important "but"-the justice of the "substitutionary atonement" will depend wholly trance to another without treading on and two important contributions to upon the actual fore-guilt and real moral an outstretched leg or arm. By 10 literature on the subject were made pre-responsibility of the atoner. If o'clock it was found necessary to open during the present year. The most rehe be, as progenitor, the cause of the the basement to the homeless wander | markable, and the one to create the orime, he may justly, perhaps, atone for ers, and 300 were soon crowded just as most widespread sensation, was written the same; but if he be innocent, where near to the furnaces as it was possible by a distinguished Catholic theologian is the justice?

The answer does not fall to the Spiritualist, but to the "orthodox."

# THE NOISY MINORITY

He Has Been Victimized.

TO THE EDITOR:-Knowing that THE integrity, admiring also the bold and fearless manner of its denunciation toward all forms of rascality, and its from the wrongs inflicted upon them by the deadly leeches who fasten themselves upon a too-confiding public, posing meanwhile as instruments for the Spirit-world, the better to perfect ple out of money and other valuables. thereby dragging the beautiful banner of Spiritualism into disgrace. It is high time a note of warning was sounded able to detract from his high moral en. It has ever tried to keep the slaves the enemies who defile the purity of its folds. Our only hope is through the of progression. The writer of this artiman rights; but there are thousands of —his heart and sympathies were for and THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER to sound A VICTIM. the note.

While Spiritualists in the aggregate We know it to be a fact that many of home. He felt drawn to them—his love are the best, the most intelligent, and the orthodox would like to capture and his spiritual blessings were bestowed the most moral people, it doesn't sur-Ingersoll's talent to bolster up their de- lavishly upon them.i. They were the prise us in the least that there are whiskey-soaked mediums; that there are tricky mediums; that there are mediums and their controls who will, if battle against human progress and spir- them he poured hot vials of wrath, in possible, swindle you out of your last legitimate outgrowth of present imper-Spiritualism as well as elsewhere, and no mistake. For 35 years we have known that, and yet we entertain a roseate view of Spiritualism, because, in the aggregate, Spiritualists are the most moral people on this earth.

"A Victim" is indignant. He is right in being so. But there will cease to be dishonest mediums in practice when they cease to find victims. Man's ancestral caudal appendage ceased to exist least-when there ceases to be any victims. Of course this is poor consolation to "A Victim," and does not afford him any relief. He may have lost all by being victimized, and to-day may be a was sitting half way down the corridor So the laborer is drifting away from pauper in consequence; but it will prove when the trouble arose. He hastened The Lacedemonians had a law among rialism, death, so-called, is but a mere the church—nay, under the influence of uphill work for him to get justice— down the hall and commanded the men all the rest, and who have sought the them which required every one to serve incident in the continuity of life, and increased general knowledge he. is not justice is so tardy in this country. If the Central station came out, but no viochurch and wear its mantle to cover a the gods with as little expense as possi- that "the future life is the natural out- merely drifting—with sails set and full swindled by a medium or a publishing company, "A Victim" will find it disturbance. difficult to get any relief. Just see the son will place him in better condition in industrial and social freedom and justice victims of the old Religio-Philosophical in the south end of the hall nearly be-Publishing House of Chicago, and the Batter Way Company of Cincipnati Better Way Company, of Cincinnati.

How can you reach the two gangs he opened it they were snatched from that squandered the hard-carned money his hand.

of the stockholders? Alas! how? "A Victim" will learn that it is not an easy matter to rout the horde of irresponsibles that have for 45 years folualism-outwardly angels of light, but eign hordes flocking to this country conlarger than his (3,000) for almost noth-old men in the Indian jails. In the inwardly devils. The one who victiming, for the sake of disseminating what prison at Mooltan there were last year ized him will find apologists, even if rotten to the core, and if he tries to get home in the city would agree to take in ages were found to amount to more than fustice he will find it uphill work. A during the winter one unfortunate, all 1,100 years—two of them being patri- small but noisy minority will always this suffering might be avoided. defend the rascal, and that encourages able fact is attributed partly to the him to go on with his nefarious work. great improvement in the economy of The only way, as we have said before, to purify Spiritualism is to so educate mismanagement some years ago, but the masses that there will be no victims -being too sharp; but better still for when a crime has been committed of humanity it would be to eliminate from handing over the least useful member each rascal his tendency to wrong-doing; and that indeed would improve the for every cause of lunacy produced by on certain days the parish priest listens ing to justice. Thus the old and feeble world. There is a loud and noisy minorgo to jail to atone for the crimes of the ity who make it a practice to defend a hundred cases produced by pulpit fogrottenness and dishonesty; but that fact The inspector-general of Indian pris- does not discourage us in the least. It ons observes that confinement is less is only a question of time when that practical utility; while the former irksome to the aged than to the young; trait will cease to exist; but it can only

One Hundred and Thirty Names. Jos. Wolff writes: "Herewith please find postal note for \$1.50 and a list of something over one hundred and thirty but he will embody more sense in his which a man had been strangled. The names, with proper addresses, to whom humorous "motions and gestures" than person to whom the crime, by his own you will please mail each a copy of the confession, was brought home, was a Christmas number of THE PROGRESSand phrases. Fail not to attend the feeble old fellow who had been para- IVE THINKER. I cannot think of a more effective way of doing missionary work who could not have committed the believe that your mark of 100,000 copies crime. But as his family all said he of that issue of the paper will be much did it, and as there were plenty of "eye- exceeded. At least, that is my present

While we realize that times are hard. no one should allow THE PROGRESSIVE a poem by Whittier, Longfellow, Ten-

Death, to a good man, is but passing problem may ostentibly be solved, and through a dark entry out of one little dusky room of his father's house into anthat is, on the old orthodox theory of other that is fair and large, lightsome mixed evil; but praise soon suggests inherited depravity or sinfulness—the and glorious, and divinely entertaining.

## The Battle for Crumbs.

According to the Chicago Tribune, one thousand men sought shelter from the weather in the City Hall one night last week. Some slept on the stone floor. others actually slept standing up, lean ing in bunches against radiators and in the doorways to the various offices not in use. Early in the night the long cor- heaven nor a hell, in the general acceptridor was so completely filled it almost ation of the term. The question has prowas impossible to walk from one en- voked considerable discussion recently, for them to get. They were not all and entitled "Happiness in Hell." tramps, the proportion of "laboring This essay contained ideas that were men out of a job" to the professional highly creditable to the author. Acidler being almost three to one.

of sandwiches purchased by some of the for the wicked who defied God's commore fortunate ones almost caused a mandments in this life but also for riot. For a moment it looked as if the others who, through no fault of theirs, 600 men who were camped in the main were unable to fulfill certain conditions. PROGRESSIVE THINKER is established hallway and stairs in the north end of This writer in his essay set forth the along the lines of strictest honesty and the building would engage in an en-doctrine that the latter class did enjoy a counter, but the appearance of the po- certain happiness, and that their lice officers prevented trouble. The greatest misery lay in the fact that they honest endeavor to protect, as far as men were hungry, and when a few of could not enjoy the beatific vision. Such lies in its power, its many readers, what them entered the place with sandwiches souls, it was maintained, could be happy, more natural than that said readers there was a rush for food, and those who though the highest happiness was not should seek through its columns redress had bought it were sorry they did not within !helr reach. This sensible and eat their supper outside. They lost all humanitarian view of a complex questhey had, and this was what caused the tion was severely assailed by other from one hand to another.

BLOWS STRUCK IN ALL DIRECTIONS. In an instant there were 200 men on of the Catholic Church. But there was their feet, and blows were struck in all also contributed to literature recently, directions. No sides were taken in the by an American woman, a drama which along the line to take up arms and rout matter except the twenty who had pur-the enemies who defile the purity of its chased the food, and this accounts for accordance with the speaker's, of that the fact that the trouble was easily most dreaded place. It represented a worth; but he lives in a different age their masters, notwithstanding the from that of his unfortunate predetheir masters, notwithstanding the do but little to down these vipers who he had a grievance, and when officers his departed ancestors. One of these told he had a grievance, and when officers his departed ancestors. One of these told commanded the men to remain quiet the young man that he was in hell, they obeyed, and again took their places though there was no such place as

and spread clean papers on the floor. Here they intended to eat their meal. dollar. That condition of affairs is the All around them, however, were hungry man alive and yet dead, a human being men, and when they heard their comfections, and exists in the ranks of panions talk of sandwiches they were even more hungry.

### RUSH FOR THE FOOD. .

each carried a well-filled box. They front of their companions when others rushed in and seized the food. There was scarcely a crumb left for those who had furnished the money to buy it. The skirmish aroused others, and soon every one along the line in that end of the corridor was attempting to get a portion of the food. In their eagerness the men because it found no employment. So trampled the sandwiches under foot and will dishonesty disappear—in practice at but few succeeded in getting anything at all. Those who had purchased the food resented the steal by striking several blows, and more than one in the hall received a bruised face.

Thomas Cusik, the night watchman. ience was necessary

Earlier in the evening five or six men sandwiches wrapped in a paper. When

The above is a most pitiable picture in this, the nineteenth century of "Christian civilization." Never before has such a scene been witnessed in Chicago. It will be repeated probably many times during the winter. With ignorant fortinually, crowding out of employment the native born, what better state of affairs can be expected? If each affluent

The Fog Horns. The medical journals say the foghorns, ever sounding along the shore on are a fruitful cause of nervous diseases and insanity to those living; within their horns, warning the sinner to flee from an imaginary "wrath to come." The to the sea in ships. Let the pulpit fog-horn nuisance be first abated, then it may be discovered the injuries to the nervous caused by the roaring along the sea-beach, were, practically, of small moment.

### Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond's Books.

The books of the guides of Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond on sale at the office of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER are "The Soul in Human Embodiments." Price

"Psychopathy or Spirit Healing," by Spirit Dr. Benj. Rush. Price \$1.50.

"Heaven's Greeting to Columbia," extra binding 25 cents.

Also a few copies of "Ouina's Canoe, or Christmas Offering." Price \$1.00. Any of these books would make a rare Xmas gift to a friend.

It takes a great deal of grace to be able to bear praise. Censure seldom does us much hurt. A man struggles up against slander, and the discouragement which comes of it may not be an unpride, and is, therefore, not an unmixed good.—Spurgeon.

## There is Happiness in Hell.

According to the New York Advertiser

there is happiness in hell." The Rev. E.

C. Bolles, pastor of the Church of Eternal

Hope, on West Eighty-first street, de-

livered a sermon to his congregation. saying those very words. He said that, in his opinion, there was neither a cording to the tenets of the older and . They were hungry, too, and the sight sterner church there was a hell not only trouble. The sandwiches were passed Catholic writers, and the heretical mouse was quickly disposed of by the orthodox cats, so that the world is now made aware that such is not the doctrine on the cold stone floor to sleep. heaven and hell in the way in which it
There was a small amount of money
among a few of those in the north end hell was a condition or feeling in which heaven and hell in the way in which it of the hall. While some could not have he had no interest in anything. He felt bought a single sandwich, the entire no enjoyment, no ambition, no pleasure, amount was enough to purchase three no passions, no desires. He could go to or four dozen. A collection was taken heaven, he said, if he liked, but he had up, and soon twenty had combined their no desire. He was not interested in anynoney for the purpose of buying food. thing he might find there or anywhere While two went out to make the pur-class the others cleared away a place awful in its impressiveness and ought to large enough to accommodate them, contain a warning against evil indulgences and the violation of God's laws. What could be more appalling than a without ambition, enthusiasm, desires, or passions, a wicked man who could no longer enjoy anything? This condition was to an extent exemplified in club life. in society, and in the general lives of When the two returned with the food the rich and idle, They have exhausted every source of enjoyment and tapped had no sooner placed it on the floor in all fountains of enthusiasm. The Prince of Wales, it is said, has indulged so much in vice and pleasure that he has become affected, to such an extent with ennui that hardly anything can afford him pleasure. New schemes have to be constantly provided to stimulate his appetite for pleasure even a little. Hell, concluded Dr. Bolles, was this condition carried to its extremity. It was a condition without hope, feeling, ambition or desires, one of the most horrible states in which any man or woman could

be placed. The Doctor assumes that one makes his own heaven or hell, which is the spiritualistic idea.

# It Never Pays.

. It never pays to fret and growl The better bred will look ahead And strike the braver blow. Your luck is work. And those who shirk Should not lament their doom, But yield the play, And clear the way.

That better men have room. It never pays to wreck the health In drudging after gain, And he is sold who thinks that gold Is cheapest bought with pain. And humble lot, A cosy cot

Have tempted even kings, For station high, That wealth will buy, Not oft contentment brings.

# A Black Spot in Ohio.

Word comes from Columbus, Ohio, that State School Commissioner Corson has received a report from D. E. Daniels, appointed to investigate, to the effect that in sub-district 1, Marion township, foggy nights, to warn seamen of danger, Mercer county, the Catholic national series of books are in use in the public schools, but were not adopted by the hearing. We venture, the opinion that Township Board of Education, and that these sleep-disturbing sounds there are to recitations from the catechism. The investigation was started because of charges that the law was being violated. latter nerve-distracting noises are of no Mr. Daniels says the investigation shows that the charges have been sustained. guard the lives of those who go down This black spot in Ohio should be wiped

# Bear in Mind.

Bear in mind that in sustaining THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER you not only get the Spiritual food that it contains, which is worth far more than the subscription, but you enable us to give a dozen persons employment during these hard times. By withdrawing your two cents per week paid for the paper, you not only lose the spiritual food it contains, but, in a measure, withdraw assistance from those who need employment. One object we had in view when we first started THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER was to give employment to those who needed it, as well as to dispense grand Spiritual truths. Not only renew your own subscription promptly, but try and induce your neighbor to subscribe, and thus aid in the good work. If not able to send a dollar for a year's subscription, send 25 cents for three months.

# Remember.

Remember, please, that the Christmas number will be sent to any address vou may furnish, at one cent per copy, where ten or more copies are needed.



for that. A few lines explanatory of the good work being done are always acceptable. A great deal can be said of a meeting in a dozen lines, giving a "general survey" of the glorious work being done.

Bers of the churches. The author, Kev. S. Weil, identifies the religion of the future with modern Spiritualism. The work is already in print.

E. Armburg, magnetic healer and

A correspondent writes that Mrs. A. Sheets served the Southwestern Emerson avenue, this city. Michigan Society of Spiritualists at their regular quarterly. A successful pure golden coin. We meeting is reported, with good attend, F. Ravlin here soon."

him than that he teaches progress after thor's "mysteries." death. Mrs. L. E. Altaffer is an earnest investigator and healer. Mrs. Anna to organize this week and give an entertainment publicly in one of the halls of Deadwood at Christmas, at which Mr. John Hart will give tests, and Mr. Dix and Mrs. N. F. Tnompson are engaged as inspirational speakers; the proceeds buy spiritualistic literature to send broadcast to the heathen in our midst.'

Paul A. Smith, of Whatcom, Wash.. is working for the cause in that place. A Whatcom paper says: "As a speaker no man in the State stands better with all classes than earnest, eloquent Paul A. Smith.'

month Indianapolis has had the presence York," who was "brimful of wrath and of some very excellent mediums, includ-cabbage." He gives vent to his pious ing Dr. A. W.S. Rothermel, who is now feelings by writing us a letter. He at Crawfordsville, Ind., and Prof. F. says: "I take the Bible as my sole W. Taber. Their materializing seances teacher and guide, and as your paper is have been very successful. Mr. Winans, in the interests of the arch-enemy of God of Cincinnati, gave one seance and left and places the human reason above the

Words from the Spirit-land were given, and twenty-five to thirty tests at each meeting, so true and convincing that the most skeptical were convinced. At Turnwater, on a stormy night, the hall was crowded. Dr. Wilder is now at Tacoma. Wash. Tacoma, Wash.

anniversary meeting March 31st to or the pattern by cremating his children pressure put upon it. ganize a State association.

Mrs. G. W. Kates will speak and give | G, G. W. Van Horn will be at Staples. tests for the Spiritualists of Pittsburgh, Minn., during December, where he will left a brilliant red mark bordered on Pa., during December. Address her lecture and give tests. there at 8 Kirkpatrick St.

January 1. Every lecture seems to open tures on Fsychic Science. This was up new thought for every hearer, her signed on behalf of the class by K. C. with needles, which caused the bleeding. The bleeding it is true, was not very great, but was sufficient to give an experiment of delivery is something. M. D. as her, manner of delivery is something M. D.

feels he must give it out to humanity. Passing through Indianapolis he made things will be in good shape. inquiries for a good medium, and a prominent State official spoke in high platform test medium, is prepared to ar-human interference upon the back of a te-writer and trumpet dress, 31 Fell street, San Francisco. medium and her in full daylight, the gold and son in writing, also at the same time heard the voices of his wife, of an old friend who had been in Spirit-life twenty of the medium's control.

Mrs. M. writes: "The First Spirit-lualist Society of the South Side will give a musical and literary entertainment, assisted by the celebrated Beasly children of California, on Wednesday even-

"more neighbors," and sets forth the and other entertainments which are to especial advantages of his locality. He be given during the winter at 77 Thirtysays: "We have all that Bro. De Pew first street." has—and I will go him one better. I We are informed that the Spiritua will answer all questions and give all Research Association, conducted by needed information to anyone that will Mrs. S. C. Scovell, trance speaker and TRINKER for three months.

Field writes from Colorado Springs, Col: "Mrs. G. W. Kates has given efficient labor here, as a lecturer and tranced, some to sing, some to give test medium, since June. She has left tests others to speak, etc. us for a month or two to fill eastern engagements. We shall keep up the

Mrs. Mary A, Jeffreys will lecture and give tests on the North Side at Schlotthauer's hall, corner Siegel and Sedgwick streets, every Sunday afternoon. Services commence at 3 o'clock sharp. Mrs. Jeffreys is a talented speaker and medium, and worthy of a large audience. Mrs. McBaine will act

C. P. Longley writes from San Francisco, Cal: Mrs. Longley and myself are interested in our work on this coast —it promises to yield good results for the cause. Mrs. Longley was publicly ordained as a minister of the gospel of Spiritualism by Dr. Ravlin, under the auspices of the Society of Progressive Spiritualists here last evening, November 26. er 26. The ceremony was very beauti-

The Arena Publishing Co., of Boston, is about to publish what promises to be an important addition to spiritualistic Remember, everyone, that on account of our large edition, we go to press early Monday morning. Short items only will be inserted if received on the previous Saturday. We take pleasure in publishing the movements of lecturers and mediums. Meetings, which are decing a grand work, are of local interest only, hence we cannot publish long reports with reference to them. They are too numerous for that. A few lines explanatory of the good

an important addition to spiritualistic literature, under the title of "The Religion of the Future, or Outlines of Spiritual Philosophy." The work is written especially for all who are perplexed by modern doubt, and coming from one who is a friend and not a foe ing a grand work, are of local interest only, the churches, is likely to prove especially valuable as a missionary among members of the churches. The author, Rev.

E. Armburg, magnetic healer and trance medium, has removed to No. 4

J. L. Baisley, of Los Angeles, Cal. Lawton recently, the occasion being writes: "Your paper has the ring of the pure golden coin. We are to have N.

Rev. J. C. Marple, of Elm Grove, W. Mrs. Nina F. Thompson, of Deadwood-South Dakota, writes: "We have no South Dakota, writes: "We have no after the lst of January. He is an infound to be in some way unworthy of organization yet, but have been holding spirational speaker and healing medium. their alleged divine origin and used organization yet, but have been holding seances regularly, and think we have mediums of as much ability as older places. I wish to name some of the more prominent, and their particular phases of mediumship: First on the list is Mr. John Hart, of Terraville. His gifts are truly wonderful. He is clair-voyant, clairaudient and healing. He has foretold coming events with an accuracy truly startling. He is a spotless and stainless gentleman. Even the critics (orthodoxy) can say no worse of him than that he teaches progress after

Frank T. Ripley writes under date of December 4, from Ionia, Michigan, that Mr. Dix, of Terraville, and Mrs. N. F.
Thompson, of Deadwood, are each psychometric and inspirational. We expect remains there during December.

J. W. Dennis writes from Buffalo, N Y., that he is a regularly ordained minister of the denomination of Spiritualism, and is ready to officiate at weddings, funerals, or to lecture, anywhere within reach of his abiding-place.

Some good friend desiring the enlightenment of a poor benighted brother has caused THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER to be sent to W. P. Woodward, of Carpenter, Pa. Brother Woodward, we regret to state, does not appreciate the gift. He is filled with holy anger and pious wrath, as it were -like the Dutch-G. C. S. writes that during the past | manin "Knickerbocker's History of New for Terre Haute.

Dr. Wilder, the spiritual revivalist, after closing his meetings at Seattle went to Olympia. Brother Barnes, a pioneer Spiritualist, gave the use of his hall, and a series of meetings were held. Words from the Spirit-land were given discouraged because in this instance the discouraged because in this instance the G. W. Kates, Manitou, Col., would in hand. It is quite proper that Bro. like to hear from the Spiritualists of W. should cremate THE PROGRESSIVE him, reason and religion will walk hand Colorado, with reference to holding an THINKER—since his Almighty God sets time the impression of a figure or other in hell-fire.

ciety of Modern Spiritual Thought, Turnbull's lecture on "Monad to Man." The Doctor pressed his hand upon the Minneapolis, Minn., writes: "Our society It was thought to be the best he had yet back of one of the subjects and wrote is doing nicely under the direction of delivered. The class which attended Mr. "Satan" across another, both of which Mrs. Helen Stuart-Richings, who com- Turnbull's private lectures gave an un- quickly became blood red and remained menced her engagement with us on solicited testimonial, expressing high so. He then made a mark upon the side October 1. She will remain until praise and thanks for his course of lec- in the nature of a wound, and when it January 1. Every lecture seems to open tures on Psychic Science. This was had swelled, he punctured the swelling

marvelous. A lover of truth and justice, she lives what she preaches. We have writes that the Lake George Camp Asso-Oscar A. Edgerly for February and ciation is organized, with Henry J. possibly for March, and with Willard Newton, president, New York City; J. Hull for April and May, will, we James D. White, rice-president, Albany think, prepare the people for one of the S. H. Smith, secretary, Lake George, grandest camp-meetings ever held in and E. L. Seeley, treasurer, Lake the Northwest, now that we are con- George. They have purchased thirty acres of land at Lake George, are selling Geo. R. Raugh is so full of joy he lots right along, and building cottages, a hotel and stores, and by next summer

Mary C. Jacobs, an in- range camp-meeting dates for 1894. Ad-

ing, December 13th. We hope for the E. A. Marsh, of Oak Hill, Fla., wants patronage of our sister societies at this

send twenty-five cents for a new sub-test medium, assisted by Prof. M. Hoff-scription for The Progressive man, is doing a good work in the cause TRINKER for three months.

Will C. Hodge is engaged with the Marshalltown Society, Iowa, for December. Letters will reach him directed as meetings, Mrs. Scovell is conducting on usual to 471 West Madison street, Chishe terms a test developing circle on the same hall, what she terms a test developing circle on the same hall, what she terms a test developing circle on the same hall, what she terms a test developing circle on the same hall, what she terms a test developing circle on the same hall, what she terms a test developing circle on the same hall, and the same hall to the same hall the she terms a test developing circle, or school of psychometry. Last Tuesday evening a number of students were en-

P. C. Norton, of this city, writes: "Several of us came together Sunday interest by socials and circles. Mrs. afternoon and evening, December 3, at at the same time rebuking the priest of Kates appeared before the Colorado the Lakeside Hall, Indiana avenue, just the district for encouraging what the Springs Psychic Research Society a few south of 31st street, and made a sub-Bishop pronounced to be a deception. nights ago and gave them an interesting stantial start toward the formation of a A more recent case occurred in Vien-

# THE STIGMATA.

Christ's Wounds on the Cross.

Alleged Instances of Stigmata in Mortals Shown to Have Been Due to Deception.

HOW THEY MAY BE MADE ARTIFI-CIALLY,

One of the most remarkable of divine manifestations in human beings has always been considered that of the stig-



HCLY STIGMATA

mata, says a writer in the New York World. Alleged instances in recent years have in almost every case been

finally the influence which this peculiar mark had upon ignorant worshipers led designing people to utilize the super-stition for their own ends.

An essay recently read in Paris by Dr. Barthelemy upon this and kindred subjects gave some remarkable incidents of the impositions practiced in the Middle Ages by means of false stigmata. Of these probably the most curious was the Stigmates du Diable. Dr. Barthelemy showed photographs of men and women who had been pictured in the Middle Ages as either gifted or afflicted, suffer ing or rejoicing in the evidences of Divine indorsement or Satanic approval. In the one case, they were revered and powerful in their neighborhood; in the other, they were persecuted and frequently hounded to death. The doctor explained that in some nervous tempera ments the skin would retain for a long



STIGMATA OF SATAN.

Several subjects were so susceptible

cuse for the claim that the bleeding proceeded from the wound itself. From this experiment the readiness of the people to accept the phenomenon that the insignificant effusion of blood might be made into an excessive flow could be

easily understood. The illustrations are photographic reproductions of the examples shown by the Dogfor, with the exception of the hand beneath which there is a rough cross. This mark was descended from mediaeval days, when it was claimed to stigmatist.



ANOTHER FORM.

About two years ago a case of stigmatism appeared in western Pennsylvania, and the woman who claimed to have re-ceived this distinctive mark caused much sensation in the small town where she lived, and it bade fair to precipitate a genuine revival. Finally the Bishop of the diocese visited the woman and caused her to put a stop to this manifestation,

The police took her to the hospital, where her sides and hands were bound n cloths to prevent scratching or rubbing, and the wounds were treated daily with healing cintment. When the first Friday came around there was no bleed ing, but on the Monday following the woman's side bled very perceptibly, but it was discovered that she had rubbed the wound against the edge of the bed. The authorities threatened to lock her up if she persisted in her deception; the healing applications were continued. and in a short time the wound disappeared. The woman is now in an insane

tion of one of the great frauds perpetrated by the Catholic Church. It is purely the result of natural laws, and has been repeatedly produced by celebrated hyp-

ignorance and superstition on to the broad plane of truth? That consummation will be attained when Spiritualism, pure and undefiled, shall have penetrated every human soul.

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strives to attain the highest ideal of his heavenly aspirations. When crowned by the glories of his home; when contemplating the wonders and beauties of

nature from mountain-top or seaside looking up into the blue sky at noon day, or into the deep vault of celestial splendor, in the calmi silence of midlight—when contemplating a great work of art, or when o'erwhelmed with the harmonious strains of classic music, man feels more distinctly than he can ever clod about to drop into everlasting noth-All the scientific twaddle about

cient fetichism and inherited faiths from early ancestors, and other baseless assumptions, can never shake the innate convictions and immortal hopes of mankind. Then every cultivated man realizes as age increases that his attainments and successes in this ephemeral life fall far short of, and are absolutely inadequate and disproportionate to his inherent powers, and it is irrational to conclude that his very existence is to be lotted out and life itself become utterly extinct just as he has learned what life is. A future life and an immortal one must exist to enable man to reach that perfection to which he aspires, and feels himself bound to attain, as the only end worthy of his being, and which during the brief space of mortal life, is never reached, even by the most virtuous.

Moreover, if human experience and testimony are not utterly worthless, then there have been phenomena observed in thousands of instances and under the most crucial tests which demonstrate the continuity of life beyond the grave. One fact is worth a million of assumptions; and facts proving the future life of man are as numerous and as well-attested as in any other department of huthere is nothing genuine.

Herbert Spencer says, somewhere, in substance, that the persistency of a faith is generally in proportion to its truthulness. Everywhere, among all classes n every country upon the globe, and before historic times the conviction has prevailed that those whom we call dead, do sometimes return, and hence I must sincerely disavow the expression, "'Modern Spiritualism." The facts presented in all ages are of such a character as not to admit of any other explanation than the one claimed. Some things appartrickery and sleight-of-hand, and there are optical illusions and psychological influences of which little is knownsuch as "mind-reading." Then we have mesmerism, and telepathy, and hypnotthat a mark drawn across the flesh with ism, but these will not account for the the large round head of a bonnet bin phenomena upon which life beyond the grave is predicated. There are cases Address her lecture and give tests.

On Sunday evening, in Toledo, O., a swelled up in a few moments and remained thus for twelve hours.

N. C. Westerfield, president of the So- fine audience listened to Mr. Coulson unknown to all present and can only be verified after months of waiting and patient investigation, and where messages received are in learned and strange languages, which expert linguists only can translate.

It generally requires more credulity to accept such explanations of these phe nomena, as are sometimes offered, than to believe that they are just what they profess to be: communications from beyond the grave.

Now, until science shall find out some rational solution that shall cover all the conditions of the phenomena, it is rational to conclude that at least some of them are genuine. It does not help the opposition if we assume that these strange things are sometimes produced by the psychological power of the psychic. If man hampered by flesh bones can produce such wonderful phe-nomena, independent of his grossly ma-Mrs. Maggie Waite, the California have appeared without any earthly or terial environments, how much more platform test medium, is prepared to archimental human interference upon the back of a reasonable is it to conclude that he can more easily and freely exercise those body? There are ten thousand incontrovertible facts which conclusively prove that man's conscious, personal exsterice by no means depends upon his present gross physical organization. and if he be not immortal, he has a right to be, and deserves it. I could continue these suggestions indefinitely, summarize this evidence.

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After having thrown off through materializalife. he became conscious of his surround-

confession.

the barrel, we requested him to inform us what stead of injuring me, you did me a kindness. the barrel contained. For a long time we I can now see in what direction my life was Or the church and the state in amity live. could get no word out of the man, other than tending, and I am thankful to be spared the Their books must be burned and their canons be his prayers that the barrel be taken from his great suffering which must have resulted from sight; but after promising that if he would tell such a life as mine would have been. The should be taken away, and impressing upon tried to reach and make you feel all that, I am him the fact that its removal could only be now telling you, but you have been so lost in effected in that manner, he told us that conyour sufferings through remorse that I could Dark and sad then must be proud America; cealed therein was the body of a man.

After he had once begun his story he told it share with us the secret that had caused him so much distress. It seems that a quarrel had to follow the bright and beautiful path of Concealing the fetters that ever must be concealed to the fetters that ever must be conceale arisen between an acquaintance and himself, progress, which leads upward toward the seat Under methods that paralyze soul and mind, and, being goaded beyond self-control by the of love, truth and wisdom. taunts of his companion, he seized hold of him and before he fully realized what he was doing he had strangled the man who had angered him.

Then fear of detection took possession of him, and to conceal the crime which he had and wife and their daughter. They were per- Italians, Bohemians, Irish and Poles,

Our questioning which brought forth the recital of his story was prompted, not by curi. of their passing from mortal to Spirit-life. osity, but by a knowledge that he could not be released from the condition of darkness and tation was confined chiefly to materializing vote, distress which surrounded him except through and dematerializing, but we conversed with For American laws they care not a jot. released from the condition of darkness and his voluntary confession. Hence we did not them long enough to learn that they had been In this country so free, with our public schools attempt to locate the affair, to ascertain his name, or to find out through what agency his had been situated in the district laid waste by They tell us they're anxious that children be spirit had been released from its mortal tene- the fire. ment. These details would, no doubt, have They had no understanding of that which made this narrative more complete, but they had befallen them, nor did they realize where

Sufficient it was to us to know that a stranger extended them was genuine, and toward gain- So they are preparing each effort to strain, was present who was in great trouble, and in ing their confidence. The husband came bearsore need of sympathy, love and instruction. ing his wife in his arms, and they were at- This would cripple our schools all over the land After having listened to his self-accusation, tracted to us by being impressed with the idea United we now must undauntedly stand, we assured him of our sympathy and desir, that they were entering the office of a physic For our birthright, our schools, lest they be laid we assured him of our sympathy, and desir- that they were entering the office of a physiing to fully gain his confidence, asked if the cian who would render medical assistance to barrel had disappeared as we had promised the woman. When we ascertained what it that it would do if he followed our advice. was that they desired, I requested the wife to He answered that it had gone, and seemed immeasurably relieved that it was so.

that in the 'life beyond the mortal" oppor- band to test the truth of my assertion by gettunity would be afforded him to overcome and ting him to place his hand upon me, and note outwork all the errors of his earth-life, and las the result of such contact. When he found our teachings were at variance with those that that he was strengthened by touching me, he in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER for eight Atlantis," published in THE PROGRESSIVE had been imparted to him in his early days, urged his wife and daughter to do likewise, weeks, and excited wide-spread interest, will THINKER last spring.

he asked what authority we had for our belief and both of them came and placed their hands be sent free to all new yearly or trial sub. Following. Wyhona, as we had expressed it to him. We explained upon my shoulder and arm. to him that we were in frequent communica- At our next sitting they came again, and is worth the price of a subscription. Induce country as the late president of the Glens tion with those who had been our friends and were better able to converse with us from their your neighbor to send 25 cents for a trial sub. Falls Insurance Company, took control of the companions in this life, and who had passed experience at the previous meeting. on into the Spirit-world, as well as with many I asked the man if he knew there had been others, who, in mortal life, had been well- a great fire. He replied that his wife had known and highly-respected individuals; that told him that she noticed a bright light, and the prothises of future usefulness and happi- that she thought a big fire must be raging in from ancient spirits. Appollonius of Tyana, ness which we had given him were based upon the city. This conversation had, he stated, the Jesus of Nazareth, St. Paul and John, the the teachings imparted to us by those who had taken place after he had returned home very revelators of the Christian Scriptures, return experienced the truth of that which they had tired from a hard day's work, and he had eaten to earth as a spirit, and explain the mysteries our people pander the ministrations of Mrs. taught us.

ing God to fear, he must seek the forgiveness wife about the fire, being too tired to keep awake. evry valuable book. Price, \$1.50; postage, with this faithful servant of the Angel-world of all persons whom he had wronged. And We subsequently learned from a member of 12 cents. last, but hardest of all, he must earn the for- the spirit band that the fire had swept down giveness of his own accusing conscience. We upon their home while all were asleep, and Ingersoll. One of the best papers Colonel Inexplained to him that as each individual ex- that they were suffocated in their beds, with- gersoll ever wrote. In paper cover, with tended that forgiveness which he must seek, a out being aware of their peril

that would enable him to rise higher and later, and that, perhaps, one at a time, after

his confidence in us acquired through the full life which you have entered without a sorrow fillment of our promise relating to the removal for loved ones left behind. You and Mary of the barrel, seemed to lighten the load of and Aggie need worry no more for fear that trouble that had pressed so heavily upon him you may suffer from hunger and cold, for you And when we suggested that he call upon have entered a life where you will be surman whom he had slain to come and forgive rounded by loving friends and companions; him the great wrong which he had done, he where you will be taught how to live that the and higher aspirations can be met and grationly hesitated while we informed him that the most enjoyment may be extracted from your fied. Its religion is the religion of the stars. conditions existing with us were such that his daily experiences. If you will closely follow old friend could and would come to him if the instructions which will be imparted to you

At a seance held some time ago, there was the wrong I did you? I was crazed with beauty and happiness of the life which you brought to us a spirit, who, being in a dazed anger, and knew not what I did until the act have entered, and may peace and love go with condition, seemed not to notice our presence. which has caused so much misery was com- you as you journey onward and upward." mitted! If you can hear me, if you can undertion certain conditions consequent upon the stand what I have suffered, I pray that you manner of his passage from mortal to Spirit will not withhold that forgiveness which I so sincerely crave!"

members of the circle, an object claimed his he so earnestly desired could not be granted, We were made aware of this fact by his im- from the bottom of my heart! It was I who friends, for all that you have done for us." ploring us to remove "that barrel." The drove you to it, with my gibes and taunts! I barrel seemed to be ever present to his vision, angered you beyond endurance, and the fault and his anxiety to rid himself of it was an in- was mine! It was well for me that I went dication to us that a crime had been com- when I did, as I was only growing worse and American Home Rule vs. Papa mitted, and that the remedy in his case was worse each day, and had my life continued in the grooves which it then followed, I should As he continued to ask for the removal of have become unfit for anything useful. InThe wolf with the lamb to lie down will be seen. us what were the contents of the barrel it great wrong was done to yourself, and I have not gain your attention."

After a little more conversation between the Assaults on her liberty never will cease willingly and rapidly, seeming anxious to two, they thanked us for our assistance, and By those who come here speaking soft words

# VICTIMS OF FIRE.

At near the end of one of our seances held When of high education they make a pretext, clung to them in consequence of the manner

At their first meeting with us their manifestation was confined chiefly to materializing

were unnecessary to the work which we had they were. Our energies were bent toward They'll lose their religion in our "Godless making them feel that the welcome which we was that they desired, I requested the wife to And the tiger turned sheep we never shall see place her hand upon me, explaining at the So of bishop and priest, with insidious snare, we have the same of the same same time that I cured the sick in that man And cardinals gorgeous, now let us bewares We encouraged him with the information ner. But I had first to prevail upon the hus-

his supper and gone directly to bed. He had that have concealed the theological deception Reynolds. We told him that as there was no unforgiv- not paid much attention to the remarks of his of the Christian hierarchy. 608 pages. A newholds. The hands of all our prominent citizens who have had private sittings

at would be removed from his conscience After slittle I explained to them that they copies for \$1.00. For sale at this office.

had made the change from mortal to Spiritlife, but for some time could hardly convince them that such was the case, as their experigiven them. When at last I had shown them that they were indeed outside the mortal form. smile at his ideas of death, and could underthe future life with any degree of confi-

that you are peculiarly fortunate. I gather from the conversation which we have had, that you were a poor man, forced to labor very hard in its broad arms "the Fatherhood of God and to procure a scanty subsistence for yourself and the Brotherhood of Man," coupled with the family. Your life, then, was one of trial and mottoes, "Love, Charity and Toleration." privation, and there was little prospect of We are all quite agreed as to continued existbrighter times in store for you. Now, let us ence after physical dissolution; and of intersuppose that either your wife Mary, or your communion between spirits and mortals; also daughter Aggie, or both, had been taken, or that both inspiration and revelation are the that you had been taken and the others left, inheritance of all peoples and in all ages and would that have been better than what has climes. We recognize the universal law of taken place? Or if you had even lost your evolution and progression; and that the true little home and its contents, escaping with object of life is to develop to highest manyour lives, would you have been any more hood and womanhood attainable in physical fortunate? Here you are, a whole family who life. Man is a social, intellectual and relighave passed over the dark river together. You lous being, and to attain to the highest exwould have had to make the change sooner or higher and higher on the ladder of progres-long and painful illness. As it is, none are of those. left behind to mourn. You are still united. Our sympathetic interest in his behalf, and and can enjoy the experiences of the beautiful by the kind spirits who were instrumental in

He had closely followed all that I said, and when I had finished my remarks, he said: "I had not looked at the matter in that light, but can now see that it is as you have said bet-For a time no answer came, and the spirit ter that we are all together. Oh! it would Simultaneous with his perception of the was beginning to fear that the pardon which have been terrible had a part of our family all our lower appetites and passions; saved been taken, and a part spared. I thank God attention which caused him great uneasiness. when a voice said: "Henry, I forgive you that we are still united; and I thank you, kind

E. T. WASHBURN. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

# Domination.

changed, Their system anew must be freshly arranged Before cardinal, pope, with bishop and priest, From underhand scheming will ever have

In chains stronger than steel the intellect bind With wonder we're asking, what will they say

just after the great Milwaukee fire, there was As with impudence cool they've boldly ignored brought to us a family consisting of husband They've sent us from Europe an ignorant horde

committed, he dismembered the body, placed it in a barrel, and set it affoat.

mitted to manifest that they might throw off their priests thought it safer their duties to tell, Their priests thought it safer their duties to tell, Their priests thought it safer their duties to tell, Their priests thought it safer their duties to tell, and set it affoat.

Than to teach them to read, to write or to spell To free institutions the priest is a foe, The church reigns supreme, the state is below:

And though they are getting the right here to

taught, But all our best methods with danger are

fraught.

A division of funds that they may obtain;

At the feet of our crafty, soft-spoken foes, For the leopard a leopard always will be,

"A Witch of the Nineteenth Century.

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scribers. Bear this thought in mind. It alone father, R. M. Little, known throughout the scription.

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Letter from a Veteran Worker.

TO THE EDITOR;-It is truly gratifying to all Spiritualists who have the cause at heart, ences were different from what they had been and who have passed through the many trying led to expect through the religious teachings ordeals of the past, to at last find ourselves in the midst of such earnest and able effort to secure to our cause the rights and recognition the man began to lament that they had suffered which belongs to it. It has taken Spiritualists a such great misfortune. At first I had to long time to be made fully aware of the necessity of organic effort. Without legally organstand how little there is in the teachings of ized societies we have no rights which sectatheology that is calculated to make a man face rian ignorance and bigotry are obliged to respect. With it we secure equal rights with the adherents of all religions, and will com-"Why," I said to him, "it seems to me mand their respect.

Binding creeds and long drawn articles of faith do not belong to our religion. It embraces pression of those characteristics, he must have opportunities which will appeal to all

The demands of the present hour are, that Spiritualists secure to themselves such opportunities, and rights, as will appeal to their higher needs. To this end, all Spiritualists should perseveringly work.

After long years of waiting and working al at last found in the Court and Temple of the Magi an avenue through which all those needs Its creed is, that law rules, controls and manipulates everything in the universe, from minutest atoms to revolving planets, satellites "Earl!" he called, "Earl, will you forgive bringing you here, you will soon realize the and remotest suns. It accepts as a fact, "that all are parts of one stupendous whole, whose body Nature is, and God (The Infinite) the Soul. Its teachings are that for men and women to attain to highest manhood and womanhood they must aspire to their highest ideal and work as well as pray for its attainment. Knowledge is the watchword, and

through that alone can mankind be saved from from ignorance, vice and crime; saved from bigotry, superstition and intolerance. Through knowledge, coupled with scientifi-

cal data and demonstration, men and women can be brought to realize and understand the secret forces of Nature and their own being, and can so order and regulate their lives that outgrowth of their attainments.

The present generation will not be satisfied with a religion which is not based on reason, philosophy and science. Men and women everywhere demand demonstrated facts. The time has come for the proper application of those time-worn injunctions: First, "To livea reason for the faith that is within you;" second, "Prove all things and hold fast to that which is good." To this and hold fast to that which is good." To this and are the Court with the medium.

There were some very good tests, such as raising an umbrella to the top of the cabinet, and holsting it over those that were near the curtain, and at the same time whirling it rapidly and dropping it in the circle; handing a large chair over the curtain to the sitters, and which is good." To this and hold fast to that which is good." To this and are the Court when the facts are the court in the circle in a manner that making paper or farments by use of the cabinet. and Temple laboring, and as living testimonials, they are the peers of the best institutions. socially, religiously and scientifically, to be found on earth to day. It is truly gratifying, one received trumpet messages from relatives after so many long years of bickerings and and friends. Tim, the medium's control, conuniting their efforts to try and bring unity out manner. of chaos. Every Spiritualist should give them freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, freedom to use for the benefit of humanity their psychic gifts, and freedom to worship their highest ideal of the Infinite!

To this end I shall, as I have done in the past, continue to labor and to wait.

A. J. CHAMPION.

Lansing, Mich.

# New York.

One year ago the Liberal element of this place organized a "Psychical Society." The members are mostly Spiritualists; we have, however, several freethinkers and a number of "church people" in our organization.

Mrs. Revnolds has been with us for a month past, and her work has been so satisfactory that we have engaged her for December. Sunday last was a regular field-day with us. pre-historic spirit, Wynona, Princess of Atlantis, controlled Mrs. Reynolds, and delivered a magnificent historical and philosophical address. The gentle and dignified demeanor of the medium while under control, indicated clearly that the spirit addressing us was "every inch a princess." It was her first attempt in addressing an audience through a psychic, and resulted in an unqualified success. This ancient denizen of a sunken continent was This remarkable story, which was continued the original prompter of my article on "Lost

Following Wyhona, my recently deceased medium, and addressed the large audience. His remarks were so natural and so effective that at the close, when he gave his full name as the spirit addressing them, a large portion of the audience, who had known him for many years, were in tears.

A great interest has been aroused among published, it would create a sensation in this gun in Egypt. MEREDITH B. LITTLE. Glens Falls, N. Y.

Collodion was first used in photography in 1851 by Archer. .....

**COULSON TURNBULL.** 

Good Words from a Fellow-Worker.

TO THE EDITOR:—1 desire to call the attention of the readers of your splendid paper to one of our young and rising workers in the cause of truth, than whom there are none-no, not one, more devoted than he. I have known him for nearly three years, almost two of which we have been as brothers; and among the many gentlemen I have met and blended into the bonds of friendship, none have come so closely into my atmosphere as my devoted friend and brother, Coulson Turnbull.

He is a young man of unquestioned integrity, of profound learning-having received a high collegiate education—a practical and successful teacher, and combined with these qualifications he is deeply intuitional and a grand medium. His studies and research into occult science, astrology, etc., eminently fit him for the great work before him. He cast my horoscope nearly a year since, which is as true of the past as truth itself.

In any of the fields above mentioned, as well as a faithful expounder of the Spiritual Philosophy, he is rapidly taking a front rank.

As he is now laboring for the Toledo Spiritualists, I congratulate them upon having secured so able a teacher and lecturer; for I know that his intensely profound and highly inspired teachings cannot help reaching the heart and soul. Knowing the path of the young medium and teacher is difficult and often discouraging, I speak these words as encouragement, realizing that wherever Bro. Turnbull is called to labor in the great and promising vineyard of truth, both his students and hearers may recognize the honesty of purpose, integrity of character, and spiritual purity of one who has, like myself, consecrated his life to the grand and noble purpose of endeavoring to speak the truth and uplift humanity. PROF. SILAS W. EDMONDS.

## Lifting the Veil.

The Spiritualist Society of Andrews, Indi-

The Spiritualist Society of Andrews, Indiana, met at my residence on the evenings of November 27th and 28th for an interview with the Spirit-world. We were highly entertained by J. B. Johnson, trumpet and physical medium, of 731 Thayer street, Toledo, Ohio.

The results of the seances were beyond description, but I shall attempt to enumerate some of the most interesting phenomena. His light seances were very convincing to the most skeptical. He sits in front of the cabinet in plain view of every one in the audience, while the invisible inhabitants were making a grand display of their power behind the curtain. Instruments were beautifully played; questions were asked by persons in the circle, and answered in the cabinet; hands were materialized and extended, and touched those sitting in front with the medium.

There were some very good tests, such as duty, charity and harmony will be the natural questions, were asked by persons in the circle,

which is good." To this end are the Courts making paper ornaments by use of the scissors, which were put into the cabinet, etc.

At the conclusion of the light seance the dark one was instituted, in which nearly every after so many long years of bickerings and strife, to see so many able and active workers versed freely on different subjects in a jovial selection the partial rending to the partial rendering to the partial re

Mr. Johnson is a complete success as their best efforts in co operation that they may trumpet and physical medium, and we consuccessfully carry into practical effect that gratulate ourselves in securing his services, which will secure to them and their posterity and would recommend him to any society wishing seances of that nature.

> S. J. DERBYSHIRE, M. D. Andrews, Ind.

### The Woman's Progressive Union. of Buffalo, N. Y. TO THE EDITOR: -Your correspondent lately

made a social call upon the president of the above-mentioned union. I found the presi-Mrs. Tillie Reynolds at Clens Falls, dent, Mrs. N. W. Hunt, a woman of business; a bright, vivacious, talkative, earnest worker for the work on hand: That is, raising funds BECAUSE-It sheds much light on the books of the for the purpose of building a Temple for the use of the Spiritualists of Buffalo. Mrs. Hunt is not a masculine, coarse woman, by any means, but an intelligent, educated lady of good manners, and rather retiring in her disposition. From her conversation I take it that she is in love with the natural law around her, and an admirer of the Spiritualist societies of our fair city. Associated with Mrs. Hunt is Mrs. Dr. J. H. Mathison and the Hon. J. J. Johnson, whom, the president considers a true and noble gentleman of the old school, who is at all times ready to assist in the good work to the extent of his ability.

The Progressive Union is an incorporated society, composed of ladies only, yet at some future time gentlemen may be admitted to membership. If that time comes, then I take it to be a foregone conclusion that the Hon. Mr. Johnson will, at some future day, occupy the president's chair, for he is a great favorite among the ladies of the Union. The Union has purchased a lot on which they intend to build a Templey as Mrs. Hunt expressed it, "If it takes fifteen years to raise the funds:" but with the workers associated with her, and with the gentle persuasive way that the president has of talking to people, I think that it will be only a few years before a fine temple will rear its spire heavenward and the structure will be one that will be a credit to the promoters thereof. All hail to this trio of workers! Good luck to them now and forever, is my J. W. DENNIS. heartfelt wish.

Sculpture is commonly believed to have be-A Comment of the Comm In 1877 composite portraits were first taken

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Ask Him to help you to more, and still more, And thank Him for all you have got—

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While gorging your stomachs with turkey and

Thank Him for what they have not.

Lead your God out to sewer and street,

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pie, And sauces—the best in the land,

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As many who clean up your rot.

You in your palace, so warm and so cheer,

Let us be thankful to God for these times

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Wealth for themselves—for others but dimes-

Lovers of Jesus who pay; Then call His attention to table and bed

Of His unemployed ones to-day.

### A SCHOLARLY ESSAY.

In Which the Shakeeperean Enigma is Considered.

BY MORRIS M. BOSTWICK.

A Chicago Tribune of recent date contains a paragraph referring to the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy now going on in the Arena. The his age, or he insane enough to waste his years Tribune seems surprised that such a contro- laboring in behalf of posterity; and Francis versy is still going on, and speaks of it as a Bacon and his father before him both worked dead issue whose ghost it is but folly to seek for Prince Posterity, and there were few of to revive. This arrogant assumption that the their contemporaries who could comprehend whole matter is settled on the part of those such an aim. Of the few learned men who upholding Shakespeare's title with a blind reverence, is very amusing to one conversant with through their lack of caution. Campinella, the results of the latest researches concerning Ochino, Galileo, Servetus, Bruno and many Bacon's claim to the honor.

The controversy in the Arena as well seems to be carried on by persons ignorant of the replaintiff has overlooked and one which has

See the little volume by Head, on "Shakebeautiful tributes to sleep.

But when we look into the stolid, heavy face fering from insomnia, we must confess the effort a failure. It is difficult to believe that fibered, delicately constituted being, who suffered from ill health well nigh all his life; a amount of its vitality. Here we find favorable conditions to produce troublesome insomnia, and, indeed, we find proof that he was so wakeful nights, and advises him to take ale posset to make him sleep.

It has been discovered recently, by the microscope, that the apparent lines which form are made up of minute cipher writing. It has also been discovered that the books of Balis not at present known. con's time are full of secret signs which connect many of them with each other and which are evidently put there to identify them and also as a guide post to the initiated.

There are sixteen volumes of Antony Bacon's correspondence in Lambreth Place, much of which is written in cipher and in foreign languages; but there is enough written in English to show that he and Francis were leaders in some great secret reform movement. Take the 1614 edition of Raleigh's History of the World. You will find the face of the author engraven on the title page. Compare this Meditate on this awhile and then you will have an eye open to find a score of Bacon's disguised portraits when you are looking over old under them.

Then meditate on the fact that it has been discovered that the first three editions of the tants, and by this means at length to destroy the harmonious development of the physical, folio of 23 are exact fac similes, as much so all learning. Whenever a learned man would intellectual, and religious faculties of the die they would seek to buy up his library, acholars, and the preservation of their individphotographed one from the other; either they would seek to buy up his hibrary, uality; to educe all the good that is in them, were all printed at one time and dated difference, they could, of course, easily secure it. ently or some secret society saw that the exact arrangement of the text was precisely followed. The fourth edition published in 1885 is entirely different. The guiding hand was no longer there. It is very difficult to make a summary, in this case in a few short lines, owing to the fact that there is not so little, but so much evidence, to consider-much, by the way, which the plaintiff has not made use of.

This controversy is no small matter in fact. but relates to a very grave epoch in history which concerns not only the Shakespearean plays, but a vast amount of other literature: "The Origin of Modern Freemasonry;" "Rosicrucianism;" "The Royal Society of Great Britain." and a dozen other literary, historical and scientific societies; the founding of great libraries over the length and breadth of Europe; the origin of our dictionaries, ency- had the help of this society. clopedias and other great works of reference; the simultaneous rise of the theatre in France. and Spain, and England, and Italy, all playing a class of plays which held in contempt the roles on which the drama had hitherto been composed—the unities of time and place were attention of the National Association, Washcompletely disregarded.

in the length and breadth of, Christendom, and the National? also peer back some distance into the past, and grasp its meaning before we can really be charter for Ohio or any other State which can gin to comprehend the meaning and mystery be recognized in case of litigation? of these plays.

The result of all, a compendium of all, a sign-board by which those who run may read. one word, "Shakespeare."

umphantly and defiantly in the face of the foe; prosecution of any of our mediums? waved triumphantly at last, by an art so complete that the enemy could not read the mys- society? tery, but accepted it like the uninitiated for what it purported to be; for all these Shake ment to all our people, and if we join any spearean plays are written with a double mean- society, we want first to know what we are to ing, of which the exterior meaning is the fic- expect and receive. We want to be reasonan art akin to the art with which the creator ualists. hides himself in nature, and which divine art this author was eager to imitate, and become a God of art in the mimic world of the stage, expressed and yet concealed in his works in the same way that God is in nature.

Here we have one of the very logical read degree of perfection. sons why Bacon was anxious to conceal his authorship; but this was not the only reason; art photography in 1864.

there were other and far more weighty ones. The age in which he lived was dark and dangerous; poison and the aseassin's dagger and the prison-cell lay in wait for those who knew too much, or attempted too much, or who even were suspected of as having any political designs. The morals of the age were too low for any one to believe, outside of a very circumscribed circle of learned men, that a man could have any disinterested desire to improve another bear painful witness to the truth of our assertion.

sults of the latest researches and discoveries and Antony, however, were the soul of caution, Sir Nicholas Bacon, and his sons, Francis concerning the matter. One fact which the Medioca Firma was the father's motto, and much significance is to be found in the evineither of his sons ever forgot it. As we have dence that Shakespeare was troubled by inabout to creep over all Christendom.

The Netherlands were red with the flames speare's Insomnia." This proves quite clearly kindled by the Inquisition. Sir Nicholas and that the writer of the plays must have been his good wife had themselves experienced the troubled greatly by our modern affliction of horrors of the times of Bloody Mary, and the sleeplessness, and from thence arose all those frail thread of Elizabeth's life was all that lay between them and the repetition of those horrors; and frail and insufficient it must have

a man of his type ever lost a night's sleep, but cret societies flourish, when men band them as soon as we turn to Bacon, how completely selves together to seek mutual protection, and do the facts fit the man. Here we have a finethe occasion of their difficulties.

We look about Sir Nicholas for evidences sensitive, nervous nature; a large, active brain of such a society, and we find proofs in plenty which sapped the feebler body of an undue that such was the case. Lack of space, however, compels us to make but the merest reference to them here.

The facts, however, seem to show that Matroubled, in his mother's letters to him, which sonry in a crude form was well established in are still extant, in which she worries over his England, and that lodges at York and London were in operation, and furthermore that Sir Nicholas was at the head of some society of arts and printing, doubtless for the furtherance of sponses, Funeral Services, Programs for Sesthe doctrines of the reformation. Whether sions, Parliamentary Rules, Instructions for the face of Shakespeare in many pictures, this society was a branch of Masonry or not

> Sir Nicholas had a great deal to do with the paper mills and printing houses. In 1540 he was in the Netherlands and from that date the gressive Lyceum, a Spiritual or Liberal Sociegreat printing houses in the Netherlands ty may be organized and conducted without took their rise and seem to have been deeply interested in all renaissance movements which

We find Sir Thomas Gresham, Sir Nicholas' of choice readings and responses such as no brother-in-law by his first wife, and also through the marriage of his son Nathaniel to other selection contains. It gives a practical Gresham's daughter, building paper mills in a system of graceful calisthenics, every step of stream which ran through Osterly Park. We which is made plain by engravings. It gives find the letters from Gresham's confidential instructions how to make the badges and banagent, Richard Clough, who resided in the ners and instructs in marching. It shows how portrait with all the extant pictures of Ra-Netherlands, full of hints and half concealed to establish a Band of Mercy as auxiliary to leigh and Bacon and then you will find that you will have to admit that it is a picture of the Lyceum, and has all the most beautiful movement which was being carried on. The songs which have been gathered up by that Bacon; Bacon's face it is in every lineament. letters of this Clough, by the way, show him movement, to have been a most remarkable man, and far in advance of his age.

> The main object of this society, in my opin-James' time) to buy up and destroy all ical literature, out of the hands of the Protes-

Sir Nicholas and his friends had evil dogma is taught in the school, except in entire dently discovered this conspiracy, and had subordination to the first principle of evolving organized this society of arts and printing, original thought and encouraging individual to so multiply classical works, and all others freedom, Freethinkers and Liberalists of all

The existence of this society also at once clears up the mystery, which has often been pondered over, of how men like Bruno and Lyceum work which has been widely felt. Ochino, and the like, were able always to at The most earnest effort has, too often, been once find a publisher, no matter where they only half successful for want of such means might wander.

Any man who has attempted to publish a book, even in these days, without securing the manded containing plain directions for its espublisher against loss, will realize what a miracle it was to go about, like Bruno did, appa- music, lessons, recitations, and yet of moderrently publishing his work wherever and when ate size, and cheap enough to be within reach ever he felt disposed. Clearly, he must have of every child as well as adult member. It

(CONCLUDED NEXT WEEK.)

# Light Wanted.

To THE EDITOR:-Will you please call the ington, D. C., to set forth in clear terms what zation. The size of the Guide' gives small We must widen our horizon until it takes benefit State organizations can have by joining

How can the National Association give a

How many members constitute National?

Can an organization chartered under the is voiced and crystallized for all time in the laws of the District of Columbia or any State of doing so much good in our public schools, our Union, grant a charter for another State Church Sunday-schools, and counts its socie-An intellectual spear of defiance, waved tri- which will be valid in case of litigation or

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Now, these are all questions of deep mobut for societies which desire an aid in conduoting meetings on the Lyceum plan." pare a book of this kind, and the great expense titious and unreal one. They are created with able people, even if we are despised Spiritof its publication, has hitherto prevented the urgent demand of Lyceums and Societies from W. F. BALL.

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Oh, Godly and God-loving man,
And ask Him to scatter His blessings in meat bell's rooms on Bishop Court. Four ladies son Lionel. and five gentlemen comprised the circle. 25 by 30 inches in size, was passed around dictated by the spirits. In this way the world his hands on the front of the canvass for a ism when quite a young man. It will be interesting to see what light the present Lord Tennyson will throw on this subject in the biography he is preparing. It is a text-book, it is a faccinating as work of fiction. A marvelous work. Though concise as guite possible, however, that the public will be amazed to see the curious facts quite possible, however, that the public will be amazed to see the curious facts quite possible, however, that the public will be amazed to see the curious facts and discovered power of the many discovered power of the human mind, which will resolve a though concise as a work of fiction. The reader will be amazed to see the curious facts the present intention of the family to omit all reference to the present Lord Tennyson will throw on this subjects now this subject in the biography he is preparing. It is a text-book, it is as faccinating as a work of fiction. The reader will be amazed to see the curious facts the power of the human mind, which will resolve a thought of the party of the poet's character is, it is said to be the present Lord Tennyson will throw on this subjects now this subjects in the biography he is preparing. It is a fact book, it is as faccinating as a work of fiction. The reader will be amazed to see the curious facts the power of the human mind, which will resolve a thought of the party of the party of the family to omit all reference and Discoveries.

\*\*BY WM. AND ELIZABETH M. F.

\*\*BY WM. AND ELIZABE the night of Dec. 1st. Each one of the party ence to it. - Cor. Cincinnati Tribune. examined the canvass and found the portrait roughly filled in, giving promise of a final, beautiful picture.

Friday night last the circle was again formed, the canvass examined and found in the condition in which it was left two weeks before. The conditions of this sitting were similar to those of the former one, and lasted A Manual of Physical, Intellectual and not longer than thirty minutes. The result is a most beautiful piece of work, a perfect somewhat inclined to the poetical. She is reproduction of the head and bust, full lifesized, of a Chaldean Ancient. The view is COMPILED BY EMMA ROOD TUTTLE full front; the head is enclosed in the turbanlike drapery of white that falls in graceful folds about the shoulders, dividing to disclose the tunic gathered in plaits about the firm neck, just showing underneath the white beard and moustache. All this detail is worked out most carefully, the lights and shadows and the artistic treatment admit-

Marching; Banners, Standards, the Band of ting of no fault finding. Of course the charm of this work of art lies in the face, and here description fails. The eyes, dark brown, deep and full of thoughtful frankness, follow one and meet the gaze of each observer. The face, an ideal expression of matured, manly beauty, truth and beneficent love, enchains the attention and wins the heart. As an artistic production the portrait is wonderful and would be a surprising result if accomplished in weeks of labor under the hand of a portrait artist. It was painted and finished in not more than one and one-fourth

hours, as any one of the circle will attest. Chicago, Ill.

Two Notable Mediums. To THE EDITOR:—Owing to advice from our spirit friends, we think it our duty to inform the public, through the medium of your devoted labor in the Lyceum. The book is paper, that we have in our town a truly remarkeminently prepared for the task by years of able medium: Mrs. Ellen Hirschhiemer. She The main object of this society, in my opinbooks. Those who have had opportunities to
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by being entranced. This was ten years ago, by being entranced. This was ten years ago, tion of spiritual songs set to soul-inspiring and since then she has held seances twice a music, adapted to families, private circles and l week and has become a truly wonderful medi- societies. They are properly named "Echoes um. Although she knows not a note of mu from the World of Song," because they are as sic, when entranced she sings the most beauti- truly an inspiration as any of the bibles of ful melodies. She is controlled by Emma the world; and no Spiritualist will have to Abbott, Litta, Jenny Lind, Berseelas and reject any of them for being ortho-heterodox. Brignola, the great tenor, and an Italian bari. Some may object to the form of the volume tone, whose name is Signor Vensinni. They as being unhandy for general use, the pages office. freedom, Freethinkers and Liberalists of all denominations may safely allow their children to avail themselves of its advantages.

"To further this object I offer The Lyceum Guide," and hope it may supply a need in the Lyceum work which has been widely felt. sing music from the Spirit-world. A younger being 11 by 9 inches; but that will be made to so multiply classical works, and all others of value, that the attempt of the Spaniards would be futile.

The province of song and music is, not only to avail themselves of its advantages.

"To further this object I offer The Lyceum of the singers in a purely professional style. They have been criticized by profest to harmonize, but to excite the emotions, and themselves; and some who heard Emma Ab. not always indulge in beatific visions of our bott while on earth, recognized the same beau- heavenly home, because we have to fight for tiful voice and her characteristic attitude, the redemption of the world from superstition The most convincing fact is, the singers sing and all its train of woes as well as the oppres-"In the working of a Lyceum, a book is dein the Italian language, which the medium is sion arising from the selfishness of undeveloped entirely ignorant of. Mrs. Hirschhiemer has mankind; and we want more of such songs as in her band a number of prehistoric people the "War Song of Progress," on page 86, and who call themselves the Lobites. They are "Freedom's Reveille" in the December Arcna. of immense stature and great strength, and by James G. Clark, in which he says: when holding a person's hands can give them has been my aim to produce such a book; so an electric shock. Her chief control is a little plain in all its directions that wherever a Ly-Danish girl, who speaks in her own native diaceum is desired it will furnish all required inlect and also the Danish language, of which formation, and those who are to act as officers the medium has no knowledge. She has percan, by its assistance, go forward without the formed some wonderful cures through her expense attending the procuring of an individmediumistic powers. Hundreds have been convinced by these two mediums, although they have never appeared before the public and their seances have been strictly private. "I have endeavored to make the work cosmo-They are both controlled by lecturers, who politan and the selections such as convey the have delivered some very beautiful lectures. Madame Adersley, an elocutionist, comes through Mrs. Hirschhiemer, and has given us "It will be noted that directions are given for several stirring recitations. establishing that powerful auxiliary to humane WM. PIEDMORE. education, 'The Band of Mercy,' which is

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The best specimens of alabaster carvings Villeme in 1863. being answered. Yet the publishers have have been exhumed at Nineveh. The British school of water-color painting is

and societies, that the price of the "Guide" (deemed the best in the world. has been placed at fifty cents, mailed free. It | Salvator Rosa was one of the earliest and contains about 200 pages square, 8mo, neatly most vigorous landscape painters.

The revival of arts in Western Europe dates form of statuary. Venetians in 1204.

Tennyson a Spiritualist.

It will interest and surprise most people to know that he late Lord Tennyson was an armay come must give us pause;" so Hamlet dent Spiritualist. None of his readers could argued after he was convinced there were be ignorant of the poet's profound spiritualmore things in earth and air than were ity, of course, for that is apparent on almost every page of his works, but there is nothing Who of those in this better, higher thoughts, in his poems to indicate that he was a genhere in Chicago, has not heard of Mr. A, uine believer in what is known to day as Campbell, the favored medium of "Azur, the Helper." In hundreds of homes are the oil his belief in the Spirit world, out of deference paintings given through his mediumship, to the strong feeling of his wife and family on They are sources of much discussion and the subject, but he entertained on various occasions during his life professional spirit Azur had promised a portrait of himself for mediums from London, and during his later his medium, and on Friday evening, Nov. 17, years he expressed an eager desire to establish the arst sitting for it took place at Mr. Camp. spiritualistic communications with his dead

These interesting facts have been known Across one corner of the room was placed a only by his family and immediate circle of folding screen, behind which were a chair, an friends, for the poet rarely alluded to his beeasel, a little pot of colors and a vase of flow- lief. Like Victor Hugo, he even refrained ers. The stretcher, already primed and dried, from using poetry which he thought had been and examined by each one carefully. It was has, no doubt, lost many a noble line, for void of color of any kind. Each sitter placed Lord Tennyson became a convert to Spiritualmoment. The gas jets were lowered to a dim It will be interesting to see what light the

Good Words for a Worker. Permit me to give a brief detail of a visit my husband and myself enjoyed at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Seth King, of But-

ler, Michigan. Mrs. Emily King is a good medium, possessing a fine organization for the inspirations earnest and reliable in her mediumship, often giving tests to honest seekers after the light and truth of spirit communion, and those who listen to the practical lessons she gives cannot but be benefited mentally, morally and spiritually. Her improvised poems upon any subject one may give are fine indeed, and all who hear them as they flow in sweet and impressive rhythm cannot but be interested and inspired by them; they touch the chords of our better nature.

\*\*A Luanem Stand the interest of the Fox ramply, spiritualistic and otherwise, could not fall to be ville. N. Y., including the experiences of the Fox ramply, and the interest is intensified when that necount is written by one of the Fox Staters. Such is the fact in this Instance, the volume having been written by A. Leah Fox, after her marings with Daniel Underhilt. The scenes, experiences, trials and triumphs of these ploneers of the Fox ramply, and the interest is intensified when that necount is written by one of the Fox Staters. Such is the fact in this Instance, the volume having been written by A. Leah Fox, after her marings with Daniel Underhilt. The scenes, experiences, trials and triumphs of these ploneers of the Fox ramply, such that necount is written by one of the Fox Staters. Such is the fact in this Instance, the volume having been written by A. Leah Fox, after her marings with Daniel Underhilt. The scenes, experiences, trials and triumphs of these ploneers of the Fox ramply, such that necount is written by one of the Fox Staters. Such is the fact in this Instance, the volume having been written by A. Leah Fox, after her marings with Daniel Underhilt. The scenes, experiences, trials and triumphs of these ploneers of the Fox Staters. Such is the fact in this Instance, the volume having been written by A. Leah Fox, after her marings with Daniel Underhilt. The scenes, experiences, trials and triumphs of these ploneers of the Fox Staters. Such is the fact in this Instance, the volume having the countries of the Fox Staters.

hardships, she has developed a truthful and self-reliant character, and has done much to advance our cause in her vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. King are earnest, devoted workers, and, what seems rather uncommon, their family, consisting of five intelligent men and women-two sons and three daughtersare outspoken Spiritualists, and through their efforts a grove meeting for some years past has been held in their vicinity.

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A Seance with A. Campbell.

TO THE EDITOR:-I wish to acquaint the readers of your valuable paper con-cerning a marvelous spirit picture. There appears to be a new phase in this line of work which has been overlooked, from the fact that there are hidden beauties that are not revealed to the natural eye. Wonderful, indeed, is the work that the angel world is producing,

truth and human liberty.
To preclude all possibility of deception, Mr. Campbell requested me to ex-amine the table and its contents lying less similar conditions have existed at servants a number of garments had been thereon, and also to assist him in clean-several other points in the now poverty-stolen, and disappeared without any examined, as the light in the room was mines were being operated actively the ample for that nurrose. During the mines expend good weres and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good weres and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good weres and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good were and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good were and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good were and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good were and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines expend good were and spent cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and this road many the mines are the cover the thiot and the cover t ample for that purpose. During the miners earned good wages and spent cover the thief, and this vexed me the she resided, and Mrs. S. A. Saunders, sitting the medium and myself remained them lavishly on strong drink. Now more, as in my opinion one of my own who resides in New York. Mrs. Worth seated at the table. After cleaning the they and their families are menaced servants must have committed the retained her faculties to a remarkable four slates that lay before us on the ta- with starvation, unless the charitable crime, since on that day in question no degree—with the exception of memory ble, two of the slates were pushed aside come to their aid. Of course there are stranger had visited my camp, and dur-tof recent events, one might say they and two remained directly in front of us. exceptions to the rule. A few among ing the night no one was allowed to en- were unimpaired—and she did not grow and two remained directly in front of us. exceptions to the rule. A lew among ling the digital with ler declining years. She the workers were wise and prudent ter the camp grounds. Fortunately I childish with her declining years. She never belonged to any church; was a his upon the slates to magnetize them: 'rainy day,' and these are now doubly the Liewascha; I, therefore, paid a visit this occupied about 60 seconds, when the thankful that they did not spend their to the King of Schoa, and told him what medium took a porcelain plate from a money in the saloons. Doubtless some pile on the table, and we magnetized of them are helping others who are that in the same manner. This being called "less fortunate" than they, when done, Mr. Campbell requested me to the only difference was that between to my request, the more so as a few days flower-encircled doors, unlocked by the done, Mr. Campbell requested me to the only difference was that between the place the porcelain plate between the saving and dissipation, except that the ago I had not hesitated to express my noiseless hand of death, the kind and gentle angel who conducts us to those magnetized slates and hold them up for wives and little ones of the spendthrifts incredulity concerning the boasted dexhim to place bands upon them. We then are not responsible for their own misery. jointly held them under the table for perhaps two minutes, when Mr. Campand lower sides of the slates.

is none other than my mother.

Right here I want to say that the slates were not out of my hands an instant during the sitting, and until we unbound them in the reception room. I saloons and other bad places does not which I and the Liewascha were sitting, to pronounce the work fine in both pictures is putting it mildly. The portrait aloof while the innocent wives and chillooks as if it grew out of the slate, as it dren of these spendthrift debauches into a larger vessel, drew from a leather still glistening upon it.

part of it I wish to call the reader's atnatural flowers, with all the tints and matter. shades and colorings of nature's own. So perfectly true to nature are they that they look as though one could reach out and pluck them. The scene is a Southern one and consists of a lovely lake environed on one side with cypress trees and evergreens and clinging vines and dense undergrowth. In the foreground is a bank of flowers, easily recognized as to variety. In the lake is an island which to the natural eye seems only ordinary work of art, but when the glass is focused on it it appears to change to that "Mystical Isle in the River of Time," so true to nature it appears, with grassy lawns and wide spreading trees, a place fit for the gods to dwell and apparently be contented To the right of the island in conjunction with the wooded shore of the lake, a stream flows on its winding way and is lost in the hazy distance.

It is oh, indeed! a summerland scene typical of that which the name implies: you see it but dimly with the natural eye; but the mists are cleared away when you see it through the glass, and the beauties that are hidden reveal themselves in all their magnificence and charming splendor.

I was of the opinion that Mr. Camppell was not aware of the real beauty of the work, hence I wrote him in regard to it, and in reply he confessed that he knew nothing of this phase till I informed him of the fact, and that to convince himself of the truth of my state- to understand this mystic work. ment he procured a glass and verified

work. Who did it? It would be a great address in the world on receipt of the credit to the Devil to be accused of do- price, \$1.25. Address this office. ing such work. Think of it, will you; the idea of such beautiful conceptions of the idea of such beautiful conceptions of the Summerland! No, that would be adding new laurels to his crown. Reason into, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25ca bottle tent, in order to hide it there. He then Summerland! No, that would be addteaches us that an artist, if he can do this, can command more than the small pittance of three dollars for this magnificent work, and it places the bigois time, untied to measure and untuned to who will not believe, "between the Devil and the deep sea" as to who produces such as high such work, for it is in plain contradic-

tion to all laws regarding work in oil; and it appears to be conclusive evidence within itself to show us there is a higher intelligence in the Spirit-world that makes use of sensitives of earth to give us proof positive that spirits do return and that instead of death ending all. life is eternal and of endless progression.

B. E. RIGGS.

# **INTEMPERANCE.**

The Duty of Spiritualists.

Last year the saloon-keepers of Iron King Melinck gave me a very friendly Mountain, Michigan, paid \$30,000 to the reception this time, trying by all means that should prove to all intelligent Mountain, Michigan, paid \$30,000 to the reception this time, trying by all means seekers after truth, beyond a possibility State for licenses, and more than \$50,000 within his power to make up for the evil and that progression is ever onward and upward, as is evinced by this example of high attainment of art. During October and expect since have much exceeded to remembering high attainment of art. During October and expect since have much exceeded the had done to me during that cambridge after, he seemed to ignore everything that had occurred during the whole high attainment of art. During October and expect since have much exceeded the remembering had account two nours. algh attainment of art. During October and cannot since have much exceeded the opportunity of hearing wonderful last I was favored with a sitting with 10,000, the total vote east there a year things related about an officer of the handed to him by the Liewascha. Mr. A. Campbell, of Chicago, and it was ago being 1,774. Supposing the number king, to whom the faculty was attrib"We are portis elad in yell: through his mediumship that I obtained of adult males to be double the number uted of easily ferreting out thieves, which this picture along with other work at that time. I am of the opinion that the average, \$23 last year to pay salon, "Liewascha," or "thief-catcher." The anything that is new and of interest to rents and livenses alone, besides what it reports I heard seemed so incredible to investigators should not be hidden, es- cost the keepers for liquors, lighting me that I looked forward with intense cu-

of the story of dire destitution that wish was soon to be satisfied. From a Sixty-two saloons in Iron Mountain was at the rate of one for every 160 bell placed his finger in the cup of mis- residents, counting in women and chil-

cellaneous colored paints that were on dren. It was one for every 28½ voters, the table, which I transferred to my fin- and all these saloons were prosperous. ger and placed the paint on both upper The report says the same thing is true of all mining towns in the Upper Pen-At this juncture Mr. Campbell bound insula of Michigan. The amount that the remaining pair of slates to those al- was paid to the groggeries last year ready bound, and after perhaps ten min- was double what went to the grocer and the work was pronounced finished, butcher. The money received for wages and we repaired to the reception room was spent as if the weekly or monthly and unbound them. Wonders on won-supply was inexhaustible. The average ders! On the porcelain was a beautiful miner made no provision for possible landscape in oil, and on the inner slates sickness or otherwise enforced idleness. that held the porcelain was a message He may not have participated in the on the one and a portrait on the other. wild orgies which made Hurley a stench had really been stolen from him. Then The message purported to be written by in the nostrils of all good people a few my mother who died when I was a small years ago, but doubtless other forms of child. The language used in the mess- vice besides drunkenness were rampant, asked for some fresh milk and a waterage plainly indicates that the portrait and the pimp and the gambler throve upon their ill-gotten gains.

The fact that the great majority of the was perfectly amazed and delighted, and put them outside the pale of sympathy. while the Galla boy took a position beis nearly colorless and dimly outlined, are starving for lack of bread and fuel. bag two packages, and emptied their had plenty and now are dependent on one part was poured into a goblet; with Undoubtedly such work as I received charity for continued existence. It is a the other, however, instead of water, is of common occurrence with Mr. thousand pities that those who fattened the nargileh was filled. Then the boy Campbell, but it is to the mysterious upon the vices of the workers and pan- had to be stripped of his clothes, which dered to their depraved appetites cannot was done with difficulty, for, as I obtention. In a few days after the sitting be made to disgorge at least a portion of served, the little Galla trembled all I returned home and was proud to show the plunder. It is a burning shame that over, and dreadful anxiety was exmy pictures to believers and skeptics the relief must come from out of the pressed on his face. were the comments savings of many men and women who passed upon the beauty and strangeness now would have nothing to give had robbed servant was fastened around the vania railroad, where he had been of the work. But a revelation was to they been equally reckless in the past come of which none had dreamed. I as were the iron miners on the Upper the loose end, and was commanded not mission. He was a thorough Spiritu gan. I find many who take THE Prowas impressed with the idea of taking a Peninsula. But to extend succor now to let it slip. The Liewascha then alist from his youth, and when scarcely GRESSIVE THINKER, and esteem it very magnifying glass to see more plainly is by far the least of two evils, and pertached the goldet to the boy and comtant thing has it may be said that there is more to do while I had the glass would be to look at the landscape also. I was more is so rittle deserved by the great male of the boy between his hands. and constantly contributed valuable

marvels of hidden beauties that the natural eye could not see. The landscape Tribune illustrate the evil of intemper-draught, put the mouth-piece of the took place on Sunday, November 26. The appears to be a perfect picture without ance. There ought to be a law making nargileh handed to him by the Oddfellows officiated, but the Masons the stamps that my wife, Mrs. Emily the aid of a glass, but a transformation it a misdemeanor for a working married Liewascha into his mouth, drew a few were represented by a large attendance, takes place, and where were but mere man to spend his money for liquor specks of paint were now perfectly Spiritualists, your duty is plain in this ily he soon threw it away. DIVINE WRIGHT.



The "Religion of the Stars.

This wonderful occult book, by Olney if he were carrying some stolen burden. H. Richmond, Grand Mages of the An-Thus he went about a hundred paces cient Order of Oriental Mystics for the and topped in front of a rock below by United States, is filled to overflowing which there was a hole, probably dug with knowledge that all light-seekers out by some beasts of prey. Then he and Mystics should be in possession of. went down and acted as if he intended

paper. It contains all the sixteen old With a rock lying near by he then cau-"Temple Lectures," with fifty pages additional, devoted to lectures on the he returned into the tent, lay down and Soul Under Environments; Objections feigned to sleep. After awhile, howto Reincarnation Considered: Evolution ever, he woke up again, left the tent, of the Astral, etc. It tells of magical and at a distance of about fifty paces

studied manner for which Prof. Rich- the women. As soon as the Liewascha mond is noted. It is not necessary for observed this, he announced that the

my assertion.

Here is a nut for non-believers to crack. Mortal artists have not progressed up to the attainment of such gressed up to the gressed up to the attainment of such gressed up to the attainment of gressed up to the attainment of such gressed up to the attainm

CLAIRVOYANCE.

A Hypnotic Seance in Africa.

FROM DR. ANTON STECKER'S EXPLOR-ATIONS IN AFRICA.

Having returned at the end of 1882 after the war between Schoa and Tods-ham from the southern Galla countries to the camp of the Emperor Ioassnes of Abyssinia, I had the good luck to meet the King of Schoa, Melinck, who had come there at the command of the Emperor loassnes for the purpose of arranging the peace with Todsham.

King Melinck gave me a very friendly

down the barriers of false theology and bigotry, and add laurels to the cause of truth and human liberty.

The Respers for Industry, lighting international fields and attendance, and the sums they put riosity to an occasion for witnessing one of by as net profits after meeting all the these performances of the Liewascha, in order to expose the frauds which I was truth and human liberty.

That statement explains a large part sure were at the bottom of them. My

had occurred, and asked him to order

time after the Liewascha made his appearance, accompanied by a little Galla boy of about eight years.

After the exchange of the lengthy

phrases and ceremonies of the courtesy usual among the Orientals, I told the thief-catcher what I knew about the robbery, not omitting to flatter him by stating how happy it would make me to become an eye-witness of his wonderful gifts. The Liewascha, visibly pleased with my compliments, had now called the robbed servant, questioned him about the theft, and had him swear by the Emperor Ioassnes that the clothes the thief hunting immediately com-menced. First of all the Liewascha pipe (nargileh). As soon as the articles had been furnished, we left the tent. The whole corps of my servants was

After some convulsive motions of his fallen asleep. He lay motionless on the floor, his staring eyes closed gradually, and the only signs of his being alive were the deep inspirations which from time to time heaved his chest.

This book contains 320 pages on heavy to hide the things stolen in the tent wonders, Magnetism of Stars, Governing
Forces, Law of Vibrations, Study of
Infinity, evolution in all its phases.

All this is told in the simple, unone to be a university graduate in order thief was certainly to be found among to understand this mystic work.

We can confidently affirm that owners crouched into several of the servants'

After having been occupied in this way for a few minutes, he went again to the hole above mentioned, acted as if he O grand old poems of the ancient ime, untied to measure and untuned to hyme; sweet aspirations such as high olds raise, the heart of beauty and the older of praise.—Anon.

The then the third invited.

We would inform all persons interested in Spiritualism, psychical rested in S

night, and to having concealed the things in the hole, aud then hidden them in the daytime in the hut the boy had indicated. The boy had, therefore, imitated everything which the girl had per--in one word, he had followed her every step.
When the boy awoke about two hours

"We are spirits clad in veil; Man by man was never seen; Chicago, Ill. All our deep communings fail
To remove the shadowy screen." Wishing THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER 25,000 new subscribers, I am Very truly yours, INVESTIGATOR.

Passed to Spirit-Life.

On November 24th, Mrs. Caty Worth bassed to a higher life from her home in North Loup, Neb. Mrs. Worth was born in 1800 and is the honored mother woman of wonderful strength of character and self-possession. She will be a welcome addition to the company of the friends of her youth, who have most of Francisco. we love, All hail! blessed, darling I returned to my camp, and a short mother, we will soon join you over time after the Liewascha made his aptrime after the Liewascha made his aptrime.

> Passed to the higher life on Thanks-giving morning, John R. Dufur, aged 79 years. His wife passed on seven years ago. Both were Spiritualists of many years' standing. The remains were taken to Chelsea, Mass., for interment of which he was formerly a resident and held the office of both councilman and alderman. His integrity and business ability won for him the high regard of his fellow-townsmen. W. J. INNIS.

> Jonathan Koons, of Athens Co., Ohio, passed to Spirit-life January 26, 1893, in the 83d year of his age. It was at his seances the first musical manifestations were produced by spirits. There are but three remaining of those who were members of that circle. Nahum Koons his son; Ezra Tippie and myself.

WILLIAM ELLISON.

David Anthony passed to Spirit-life at his home in Ross Co., Kalamazoo Mich., at the age of 85 years and 5 months. He was one of the pioneer yet still a perfect piece of art. Could I The latter should be helped generously, believe my eyes? Scarcely. Upon the porcelain was a landscape in oil, fresh ought to be exercised in the aid of those settlers. In all the sixty years of his as a rose plucked with the morning dews who threw away their money when they solving in the milk. Of this mixture his family and friends, of strict integrity and moral uprightness. Funeral services by Mrs. C. S. Cowles, M. D., of Battle

George Wilson departed for the right that the friends in other parts Then one end of the body-girdle of the and efficient mail clerks on the Pennsylamazed than when I first received the pictures. Here was the revelation! I region. Those who have hitherto been trayed the greatest fright, refused to No man had more and stronger friends, found that I had only seen the outlines dependent upon them must not be allowed drink, and could only be brought to do and despite the deep snows and stormy as yet in the oil painting. Here were to die of starvation in a land of plenty. It by promises. He hastily grasped the weather, the church was crowded to its puffs from the pipe, but breathing heav- and the Daughters of Rebecca, to which Mrs. Wilson belonged. Aside from his sible, and we will follow up your treatactivity with these brotherhoods, Mr. ment as long as we can get the money to whole frame, the boy seemed to have tion to the Humane Society. Mr. Hudson Tuttle gave the address, and with James Kinneman, to send for your med-

which the clothes nau seepped right up to the spot where the robbed servant had slept. Cautiously he pulled out three tent-poles, reached with his hands into the tent as if taking something into the tent as if taking something wetracing his steps as "Is that Spiritualism? Then I have no Abiaction, but sincerely hope it is true." which the clothes had been stolen in the carried the church with him by showing that he was a well man, and felt as well preceding night, and stepped right up that the teachings of Paul were the as he ever did at any time in his life. It is just what I want to comfort me.

# GENERAL SURVEY.

CONTINUED FROM 5TH PAGE.

D. Phillips writes: "Please say to the many anxious inquiries from Western friends as to Prof. Lockwood's

Society will celebrate the 17th of December by a supper in their hall Friday evening, the 15th, with music and lecture by Hudson Tuttle. At the lyceum session on Sunday Mrs. Emma Rood Tuttle will address the children and Mr. Tuttle the society, and in the evening

W. E. Bonney writes that 'the Spiritualists of Cherryvale, Kan., will celebrate Jubilee Day December 17th. Services in Alliance Hall from 10 A. M. till 9:30 P. M. Dinner at 1 P. M. Friends

females who sat opposite to him, gave her three blows in the neck, and in the partment of psychical knowledge, will find in Mrs. Bullene a trance speaker of find in Mrs. Bullene a trance speaker of analysis and atremarkable powers of analysis and at-The Liewascha, glowing with joy, then announced to me that this maid tractive presentation of general truths was the thief. She was one of my servints, and, indeed, at once confessed have chometrist, Mrs. Bullene has secured a manufacture by the confessed have ing committed the theft in the previous | marvelous and fascinating history of the Cliff Dwellers, obtained from contact with relics of that flerce prehistori people of Mancos Canon, Colorado, and is prepared to give lectures upon that subject, or will instruct classes in psyformed, from the moment of stealing up chometry. Mrs. Bullene considers this to her being caught, or, as she had at least confessed, he had visited all those places where she had remained some time. scientists. By its active operation the blind have long been able to distinguish colors, and its culture will improve human perception in business relations and social life: while the physician who will master its possibilities may make the moment when the milk had been correct diagnoses of disease now subject 30 conjecture only. For appointments address Mrs. Bullene, 3701 Ellis avenue,

"Well-wisher" writes: "Mrs. Ida P. A. Whitlock has just closed a most successful engagement with the Spirit ualist Association of Providence, R. I. Whenever she speaks here many of her old friends and co-workers attend the Spiritualist meetings, and express themselves as very much pleased-in fact, many of her friends in the church are not strangers to the Spiritual seances. It was the first venture of the society in engaging a speaker by the month, but the experiment proved highly successful. She merits all that can be said of her as a woman, speaker and good test medium.

Dr. J. M. Temple has closed his engagement as platform test medium with the Progressive Spiritual Society of San Francisco, where he labored in cooperation with Dr. N. F. Ravlin and Mrs. Shelhamer-Longley, of Boston, as ecturers. He has been called to Los Angeles for a few months. His permanent address is 503 Turk street, San

### Bay City, Mich.

TO THE EDITOR:—I began my work s this most beautiful city the first Sunday in this month, and was greeted with fine audiences both morning and evening in spite of the severe storm. I met many new friends, as well as many of the campers of Haslett Park, as many of the friends attend the camp from season to season. There has been no organized work here in Spiritualism for many years, but the truth has kept growing, so much so the friends de-termined to see what could be done in forming an organization: so Tuesday evening of this week a goodly number met in G. A. R. Hall, and formed an organization with the best constitution it has ever been my lot to see. Mr. M. A. Root was chosen president; Mrs. Howey, vice-president; Mr. Howey as secretary; Mr. John Broughton as treasurer; Mr. L. Souvereign, Mr. Rossman and Mr. Ferris as trustees. The society starts out with a fine set of officers, and a membership at their first meeting of thirtysix, which is doing well. Thusday afterndon, at the residence of Mrs. Root, the ladies met and formed themselves into a ladies' aid society, known as the Spiritualist Willing Workers of Bay City, Mrs. Augusta Ferris as president; Mrs. De Reamer as vice-president; Mrs. Anna Broughton as secretary; Mrs. Gould as treasurer. The ladies are determined to do what they can in helping the society along, and in aiding those who need assistance. Next Sunday I am going to

try and arrange a lyceum.

Much credit is due here to L. Souver eign for getting the meetings started. He is ever on the alert to see what he can'do to advance the work.

higher life from his home in Chardon, O., of the State will awaken, put their Nov. 24. He was one of the most trusty shoulders to the wheel, receive their charter from the Michigan State Association, as this society is to do, and help G. H. BROOKS. Bay City, Mich.

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