

Life.

And Their Mischievous Effects the world's order of matrimony will find Upon Offspring Viewed from a more lions in the way than in any other Medical Standpoint.

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BEING AN ADDRESS FROM THE ROS-TRUM OF THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER TO ITS 40,000 READERS.

We live in an age of reason and observation, and as guardians of the public my heart. 'regard it as the foundation health, true to our trusts, it is our duty of society and the basis of all solid as physicians to consider all matters of worth, virtue and intelligence, and convital importance affecting human life sequently the most useful and sacred in-and human happiness. A spirit once stitution of human social life; but our said: "Woe to him who comprehends the truth and speaks it not." As a physician, therefore, and student of Nature, cruel, unnatural and revolting, and need I claim a right to discuss all questions reform. relative to the vital interests of the hu-

more than mere pecuniary gain, mutual should ever maintain the most natural advantage or companionship; for upon conditions favorable to the accomplishmore than mere pecuniary gain, mutual advantage or companionship; for upon it is founded the inexorable law of heredity, which stamps upon all the ingoing or evil. Heredity has no merey-good or evil. Heredity has no merey-good or evil. Heredity has no merey-therefore, as we plant so we must reap; therefore, as we plant so we must reap; therefore, as we plant so we must reap; the stand mere pecuniary gain, mutual should ever maintain the most natural without any intent or design on the patient, but not begins at the wrong end. It deals only primately endowed with causes. It without any intent or design on the patient, but not to produced was so enormous that there are often considered an unwelcome therefore, as we plant so we must reap; the form into existence at random. But Christianity, like other reforms, without any intent or design on the part the with outers with causes. It with the same was a wonderful manifestations, and that in her sustences at the without any intent or design on the without any intent or design on the without any intent or design on the title also only primate intention into insignious and that in her sould state when the part the without any intent or design on consequently there is no subject of such of him who invents the machine. The vital importance, none so far-reaching ln its effects upon mankind, as that of sponsibilities depolated and unwelcome presence. What I argue is that all women aspiring to matrimony should be adverted in therefore, as we plant so we must reap; in its effects upon mankind, as that of sponsibilities, devolves entirely upon

and love and harmony cultivated in the home, better children would be born; for one for marriage is the lever which would elevate mankind, diminish hereditary elevate mankind, diminish hereditary elevate mankind, diminish hereditary elevate mankind, diminish hereditary elevate mankind, described to each of the exposure, and to the guage, or universal tanguage. At this born child the best conditions possible for her labor equal compensation to many seance, which on account of short notice, claims that the Spiritualists all swallowed her manifestations as gospel, when in reality we are the ones that those of the finest watch. This spirit guide, General Slough, asked the brought about the exposure. elevate mankind, diminish hereditary it is born is worth ninety-and-nine not would not then be compelled to marry sonal disease, lower the death-rate, and re- well born and cared for as they should for the sake of a home. When woman of us. duce the breed of criminals. For if the be. law of heredity operates for the transthe same law also works in the transpelled to expend her energy in a life of she will then be independent and average and noble qualifies of the same law also works in the transpelled to expend her energy in a life of she will then be independent and average and noble qualifies of the same law also works in the transpelled to expend her energy in a life of she will then be independent and average and noble qualifies of the same law also works in the transpelled to expend her energy in a life of she will then be independent and average and noble qualifies of the same law also works in the transpelled to expend her energy in a life of she will then be independent and average and noble qualifies of the same law also works in the transpelled to expend her energy in a life of she will then be independent and average are an established fact. They starting was caused by that person's mission of good and noble qualities of

The mission of Spiritualism is to discuss all great questions, in the light of reason, with a fearless regard for truth, and to serve the best interests of hu-

With this object in view, I offer for the public good this plain talk on marriage and heredity, believing that the fant life so precarious? The time is fully ripe among Spiritualists tical question, I will answer. for an advanced movement along this line of practical thought, in the science

Emerson says: "To reform a man you must begin with his great-grandmother, their parents; and one of the leading with the married relation. There must street, San Jose, Cal., the occasion being or one hundred years before he is born;" therefore, to promote social reform in defective constitutional endowment of tem involving so much jealousy and so prise to Mr. and Mrs. Moses Hull, of the next generation, you must begin offspring, by the parents, in the transwith the present.

The mawkish false modesty which made other generations ashamed of the It is simply impossible to estimate the look gloomy and discouraging for any surprise to the honored guests and creative functions—the holiest functions | ravages of these deadly diseases. Their of our nature—and even alraid to listen victims are everywhere—in the manor speak of the responsibilities involved therein, is, thank heaven, gradually tages of the poor. But the burning wearing away under the influence of shame that binds low the bereaved physiology, psychology, and hygienic parents is a consciousness that they are intelligence. Surely, what the Creator, suffering retribution—that their child in the greatness of his wisdom and love, has paid the penulty of their vices, or has created, no man or woman should be the vices of their ancestors. ashamed to learn and know. The sexual law is indispensable to every form of life, and is the great creative principle of the improper care of the mother of the universe; without it there would during pregnancy.
be no life, and all intelligent dissertaHuman improprieties at that sacred tions on sexual science, or causation of life, from an educational standpoint, are tion of natural law, and I say to parents

in the highest degree important. In this review of the sins of married people there are none of the insane doctrines of "free love," or an unnatural promiscuity; but the reverse. It gives no legal sanction to human improprieties, either in or out of married life. On the contrary, it inculcates the very highest order of virtue among woman. and chastity among men. In fact, it is matrimonial compact of the sexes is not the study of matrimony from a new understood. Diseased parents daguerrestandpoint-religiously maintaining the otype their infirmities upon their off-

have no voice to demand it. Is it not strange that while man has made some rapid strides in inventing new devices for rapid transit, for laborsaving and time-saving purposes, and drinks and tobacco, like disease, are other great and useful discoveries, he transmitted from father to son; imhas done nothing in the way of effort to bruted minds in imbruted bodies repro- precocious youth, a brilliant child, and reception and courtesies they had rediscover the best nutrition for the prevention of disease, or the support of the vention of disease, or the support of the right marital infelicities, as well as matri- kind of people. If his father was not, that a long acquaintance with Dr. and body; nor has he labored in the right marital infelicities, as well as matri- kind of people. If his father was not, that a long acquaintance with Dr. and direction to reform or improve human monial irregularities, and other ante- his mother was. Had he been conceived a right of this party and the great line. direction to reform or improve human

effort that can be made by man. It may we receive much of our first and most year only or for more that will be quainted with them as we are you will appear impossible, but we should aim at powerful impressions: Indeed, it is well | wholly optional with the woman; for it by regular gradations. Florists and known that the various qualities of woman then will reign as queen over fruit-growers have tried their skill on mind and body are transmitted from one her own person: she will not then, as San Jose Daily Mercury. flowers and trees, and working with generation to another, and no one can now, be subject to the man; woman will nature, have succeeded in rendering overcome the innate depravity, of his not then be held a slave in the bonds of them more beautiful and more luscious. | nature without a terrible effort on his matrimony, nor in any other bonds; law

the breeds of domestic animals; but confess that my best hopes for solid aid in the direction of improving human nature depend more on woman than on They Are Thrown Upon Sins man. It is to woman, therefore, I apof Ignorance in Married the nature and effects of the marriage bond and the marriage relation. But, unfortunately, the woman who

dares to call into question the wisdom of line of reform; therefore, let her prepare herself for the martyr's cross and crown of taunts and jeers, for whoever she may be-maid, wife or widow, and however pure and noble, the finger of scorn will be raised against her.

Now, I do not wish it understood that want to repudiate marriage; I only bject to it as a matter of method.

True marriage I believe in with all

The proper object of the conjugal reman race, and for that reason 1 shall lation of the sexes should be none other offer no apology for projecting upon the air, at this time, the sins of ignorance in many figures and the object of her existence by the many figures and the object of her existence by the solutions. We had heard in the mean-air and the object of her existence by the solutions of the laws of procreation would help it of the sexes should be none other than child-building, or the creation of souls. Such, indeed, is woman's mission ill-formed and defective. Conditions to stay the diseases which have so long showed in the object of her existence by the solutions of the sexes should be none other. Under our present marriage laws we greater good; for a universal knowledge days ago a young man living in the vicin-air, at this time, the sins of ignorance in the mean-air, at this time, the sins of ignorance in the object of her existence by the solutions of the laws of procreation would help it of the sexes should be none other. Under our present marriage laws we greater good; for a universal knowledge days ago a young man living in the vicin-air of the mean-air, at this time, the sins of ignorance in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. Under our present marriage laws we greater good; for a universal knowledge days ago a young man living in the vicin-air of the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes which have so long the solution of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. We had heard in the mean-air of the sexes should be none other. The sexes should be none other of the sexes should be none other. The sexes shoul and the object of her existence by the Creator; and for that object woman are thrown into existence at random, But Christianity, like other reforms, genuity and skill. The fundamental liquor, she would give good and reliable liquor, she would give good and reliable liquor, she would give good and reliable liquor. Marriage, to the thoughtful, is surely Creator; and for that object woman

But what woman can properly endow

frightful.

A glance at the vitalestatistics of an.

If hereditary transmission is a law of nature, as every naturalist knows it to rally there will be no cause for jealousy, be, then the defects of children—the larger or rayenge. physical defects-mirror the defects of mission of constitutional diseases, such as syphilis, scrofula, consumption, etc. sions of the rich as well as in the cot-

But this is not all. There is the creation of a faulty constitution, as a result

or persons contemplating matrimony, that it is a crime-unpardonable crime -to bring children into the world, if they cannot properly endow them with vigorous vitality; and the sooner these facts are forced home to married people the sooner there will be a decrease in

infant mortality.
Unfortunately, the influence of the rights of the unborn—the coming ones, spring. The scrofulous mother poisons who have the right to be born well, but the blood of her infant, while it is yet a part of her own organism; the consumptive father bequeaths to his child a heritage of woe: depraved habits and deprayed appetites, as for intoxicating duce a living reflex upon themselves.

Matrimonial incompatibilities and natal conditions, are responsible for and born at any other time, his parents they had enjoyed. It is nothing new, he nature.

To attempt the improvement of human nature is the grandest and noblest that now exist, as it is from that source the same human pair will unite for one quainted with them as we are you will Our farmers, too, have steadily im- part, or, as the pious superstitionist then will not give legal sanction to un- the wife being dismissed, in the second,

she stamps the quality of her thought with jealous care the natural law of and photographs the characteristics of reproduction, and make the most ample features of the human face, or as clearly human form divine.

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graduates many degrees.

It is said that labor well begun is labor young of other animals.

So, like the inevitable law of cause and if the human race did | So, like the inevertable law of

underlies the weal or woe of all society.

is untrammeled by want and poverty,

solicitude in behalf of the rising and A glance at the vitalestations of any city or State is appalling. Why is induced advise all persons in the married relations life so precarious? This, a practions to live naturally and teach their life so precarious? rising sons and daughters to do the same. When human beings live natu-

all social sweetness in married life.

day—a day of radical change, when fully and elaborately decorated with marriage will be a pattern of perfection foliage and flowers. At an early hour

and reason will rule supreme.

name." The women then will do all the McMeekin.

courting. And as there is a time for everything, there must be a time to marry, and I a few appropriate remarks on behalf of presume the springtime, the sprouting Mrs. Dobson, presented Mr. and Mrs. and budding time, would be the proper Hull each with an appropriate souvenir time to marry. Jesus of Nazareth must of the Golden State. Mr. and Mrs. Hull have been a spring conception, for he each responded, assuring the friends of was born in the winter, and he was a their appreciation of the gifts and of the a perfectly natural man.

His parents must have been a smart proved and are still steadily improving, would say, without the special assistance natural lust and passion under the name her leaving was voluntary.

of divine grace. For that which is of matrimony, for matrimony then will taken in with the body only goes out be solely for reproduction, and woman with the soul: in other words, faults will be independent and free and

contracted with birth disappear but rightly appreciated.

That nation or people is blind to Woman, indeed, forms the character; its best interests which does not guard reproduction, and make the most ample her own mental physiology as truly as provision for woman's competency and the camera of the artist transmits the woman's independence to that end.

Woman should have the broadest as the chisel of the sculptor carves from liberty and the greatest freedom of the crude marble the figure of the moral action in the choice of a man worthy to be the father of her children A true marriage, therefore, might not and being independent of man and self-only be a model human factor, but a sustaining, such a woman's children high school of morals, ranking foremost would be strong as well as healthy. among the educational institutions of society; for the intelligent, pure-hearted helpless little creatures they now are, morther could impress upon her uppor labour of their vitality, but like the mother could impress upon her unborn shorn of their vitality, but like the child more real talent and genius and young of other animals, they, too, would mental and moral immanence and emmore real exalted moral character than be able to arise and help themselves as anations of their being. For their very could be otherwise done in an ordinary soon as they were born.

Under present circumstances, they school would extend an influence of are unable so to do for lack of vital everlasting good, and confer upon its energy, and this is why the human babe requires more nursing care than do the Euch paints his own likeness, true to

but understand these antenatal laws, and effect, is, also the inexorable law of find the fulfillment of Burns' prayer: live in accordance with the laws of hereditary transmission. Hereditary nature, we would develop a more transmission is a fixed law of the unihealthy and harmonious generation of verse. It belongs to all the kingdoms of nature and the sight may not be pleasant, nor mankind, a generation which would not nature, and all the kingdoms of nature and the sight may not be pleasant, nor

If the 100,000 pulpit orators of the Our laws should be made to compel United States would go to work upon this human beings to live naturally, and if line of investigation, and consider well present marriage laws or other laws its dread consequence, and talk more MR. J. C. Underhill: In The ProWatertown, on her way to New York, present marriage laws or other laws of other laws of nature, the should be ever allowed to conflict with natural laws or the laws of nature.

MR. J. C. UNDERHILL: In the Frommer Configuration of souls before dependence, and talk more dependence, and talk more dependence, and talk more dependence and souls before dependence and signed by you. It interested me had returned from New every much, where you speak of a writer very much, where you speak of a writer dependence of Mr. Henry J.

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In conclusion, the intent of this article is to agitate the marriage question and ing to matrimony should be educated in to draw attention to its monstrous In its effects upon mankind, as that of marriage. Was better understood, If marriage was better understood, and love and harmony cultivated in the home, better children would be born; for one home, better children would be well-born; for one in the marriage was better upon mankind, as that of monstrous who some two years ago was in an illustrated to draw attention to its monstrous who some two years ago was in an illustrated in the come, which she dially writing to materially sponsibilities, devolves entirely upon who some two years ago was in an illustrated in the come, which she dially writing to the come, which she dially writing to the come, which she did not the come, which she did not the spirit lands there is and occupations should thereby awaken public attention to the offects upon the human race, and the come, which she is," to which Mr. Paddock marriage.

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and is not compelled to sell herself or riages of the sexes should be abolished. come in it would start to work. The with the manifestations. He replied, "in draped to the Temple with her curtains and give herself away to avoid starvation, Marriages are an established fact. They starting was caused by that person's some respects he was satisfied." The she will then be independent and ex- could not be dispensed with. I ask not magnetism or aura; it would first probelied to expend her energy in a life of toil and drudgery, in pain and weakness, poorly clad and poorly fed, and with not vigor enough to serve her own purposes?

But this is not all. What are the causes of so much infant mortality? The mortality among infants is simply frightful.

She will then be independent and excould not be dispensed with. I ask not magnetism or aura; it would first produce his picture, then a "ticker" would duce his picture, then a "ticker" would be regulated. What I want is, that start and print all his thoughts and deeds, in fact give his entire character. By that time the people would be much our marriage institutions, and that mandard normality among infants is simply frightful.

She will then be independent and excould better duce his picture, then a "ticker" would duce his picture, then a "ticker" would be regulated. What I want is, that start and print all his thoughts and deeds, in fact give his entire character. By that time the people would be much of the so-called spirit guide said: "Well, you prepare the cage and we will produce the medium under test conditions." to which the so-called spirit guide said: "Well, you prepare the cage and we will produce the manifestations in the time structure, then a "ticker" would be regulated. What I want is, that they be suppressed, but that they duce his picture, then a "ticker" would be regulated. What I want is, that they be suppressed with the so-called spirit guide said: "Well, you prepare the cage and we will produce the suit him," and he said: "By putting the medium under test conditions." to which the so-called spirit guide said: "Well, you prepare the cage and we will produce the suit him," and he said: "By putting the medium under test conditions." to which the so-called spirit guide said: "Well, you prepare the cage and we will produce the suit him," and he said: "By putting the medium under test conditions." to which the so-called spirit guide said: "Well, you prepare the cage and we will produce the manifestations in the soluti the sake of reforming and improving told me far more about this machine, the human race.

### A Surprise to Moses and Mattie Hull.

anger or revenge. Friday evening at the residence of Dr. top of the car that drew the electricity. There is too much jealousy associated and Mrs. A. B. Dobson, 236 North Sixth right out of the air. This time, he said, causes of so much infant mortality is the be something radically wrong in a sys- a farewell reception in the way of a surmuch tragedy. Jealousy spoils intensely Chicago, who have been ministering to the Spiritual Union Society here for the Although the present aspect may last nine Sundays. It was a genuine great radical reform, still, I believe we seemingly thoroughly appreciated by are at the dawn of a brighter and better them. The beautiful parlors were tasteand purity.

the guests began to assemble, and not When that time comes the conjugal until the house was well filled did Mr. embrace will only be for reproduction. and Mrs. Hull know what was in store Human disease and pain and sorrow for them. They were stopping with will be unknown, and human life will Mr. and Mrs. Dobson's son-in-law and be greatly lengthened. Labor then daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ringlep. Promiwill be emancipated from the thraidom nent among those present were Dr. and of capital, and there will be no wealth Mrs. Dobson, Mr. and Mrs. Hull, Mr. Human improprieties at that sacred time in a woman's life are a direct violation of natural law and I say to parents.

Save personal perfection, moral examples and Mrs. Ringlep, Mr. and Mrs. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Unglish, Mr. and Mrs. Unglish, Mr. and Mrs. Unglish, Mr. and Mrs. Wissman, Mr. and Mrs. An nd reason will rule supreme.

When that time comes, too, it will Dr. and Mrs. Bentley. General and Mrs. not be proper for man to propose to Gage, Dr. and Mrs. Hunt. The follow-woman; on the contrary, he will have ing programme was extemporized and to wait until he is asked. The woman carried out: Instrumental solo, Mrs. then will invoke the man. Then the Frost; instrumental piano duet, Mrs. scripture will be fulfilled which says: Frost and Lola Frost; vocal solo, Miss 'In that day seven women will take Ray Young; piano solo, Miss Daisy Garhold of one man, saying: We will eat nett; vocal solo, Miss Ada Unglish; our own bread and wear our own ap songs and remarks, Mr. and Mrs. Hull; parel, only let us be called by thy remarks, Mrs. Griffin; piano solo, J.

At the conclusion of this programme General Gage stepped forward and with ceived since they had sojourned in this State. Mr. Hull assured the friends that a long acquaintance with Dr. and always be found in every good work .-

# "WHAT NEXT?"

### Wonderful Inventions Fore-Shadowed.

PSYCHIC'S VISIONS-AN AURA-CAM-ERA AND PRINTING-MACHINE THAT TAKES YOUR PICTURE AND PRINTS YOUR THOUGHTS AUTOMATICALLY-EDISON WILL BE A BACK NUMBER AND SPIRIT PHOTOGRAPHY OUTDONE. Folks should hurry up to become good

-good in thoughts, intents, purposes, desires-in all the innermost recesses and in the outgoing influences-the printed by the action of their own positive telltale aura, that will never tell a lie, never flatter, never deceive. life; true to truth. Others will see and read us as we are, and we, too, shall

"O wad some power the giftie gie us, To see ourselves as ithers see us,'

Read this letter, and ponder the won-

etc. is not, this young man on the seen in her seances, and at the close she same thought plane as Mr. Keely, of was generally thrown through the wire Keely motor fame? I should like to see the seen which she sat. As there were saying: "I guess not."

Keely motor fame? I should like to see the seen who had never seen such "You had better come," said Mr. these two minds brought together!

There is a young Swede living here who some two years ago was in an illumachine would stand in a house facing chairman of the board of trustees, Mr. I do not argue, remember, that mar- the door and as soon as a person would but I could never repeat it all. When in this illuminated state he could travel wherever he wished to.

He also saw all the electric streetcars run without that wire overhead, An enjoyable social event occurred on in place of which was an apparatus on

### was not so far off. EDMUND J. BROSE. Tacoma, Wash.

by this psychic genius, being operated by one's own aura automatically, must tell and picture the exact truth. It "will maught extenuate, nor set down aught in malice."

That this young Swedish psychic has received spirit-given previsions of coming inventions may well be believed. Inventive geniuses in Spirit-life impress mortal sensitives with their ideas. and where one with the capacities of an Edison is found possessing suitable mechanical ingenuity as well as receptivity of thought, invention sometimes leaps forward with amazing bounds and the outcome seems like a new creationlike the making of a new world.

Wonders have been wrought in the electrical inventions; sound, heat, light have been proven to produce physical effects-to possess force-that once would not have been within the range of human belief. The experiments of Professors Hare, Crookes, Zollner and other scientists have demonstrated active force produced by so-called intangible entities proving themselves possessed of intelligence and claiming to be spirits of those once known as mortals on earth. In view of what has been done-the little machine of the Swedish psychic's dream must not be regarded as an impossibility, nor even an improbability in due time-and then "What Next?"

By the way, I notice that some scientist genius has discovered a way to get rid of chinch-bugs. He inoculates a few of them with an infectious disease, and turning them loose, they convey the infection to others of their kind-and thereby the chinch-bugs are exterminated. Now, if some one will discover a way to inoculate sparrows, locusts, mice, cockrosches, fleas, bedbugs, etc., so that they would carry destruc tion to their fellow-kind, there will be fame and fortune for him. This process might not accord with the teachings of Buddha, but it would be eminently The Greeks had two forms of divorce; Christian, and would commend itself sending away, going away; in the first to orthodox and liberal alike. What J. C. UNDERHILL.

Chicago, Ill.

## THEY WANT THE TRUTH.

And Not Bogus Spirits. And So They Caught on to the Trick of the Wire Cage.

And Mrs. Etta Roberts' Occupation of Fooling People is Gone.

FRAUD AND IMPOSTOR OF THE LOW-

Recently I sent you a copy of our daily Watertown Standard, which contained the complete exposure of Mrs. Etta Roberts, and according to my promise I now send you a personal description of the affair, for publication, and the statements contained in this article will be substantiated by any number of people, if necessary, who were at the exposure.

Early in April, I, as corresponding secretary of the First Progressive Spirrequire regeneration.

It is a great mistake that human is the key which unlocks its own and those who constantly wear the white beings are not educated in natural science and made to follow the example declares that we are just what our pear beautiful in the photograph taken of nature in an important matter which parents made underlies the weal or woe of all society. It is increased to be a wonderful by the spirit kodak.

Resulting may not be pleasant, nor secretary of the first Progressive Spiritual Society, who hold meetings in their temple on Davis street, in this city wrote a letter to Mr. Allen, of Buffalo, N. Y., making inquiries about Mrs. Robot the spirit kodak. materializing medium of wide reputamany here who had never seen such phenomens, and who were anxious to witness them, we finally wrote to her to a fraud, and are going to expose her to-

F. R. Mattison, how he was satisfied some respects he was satisfied." medium." She replied, "Make it,"

wire, including a door in front.

night, April 21, everybody seemed to be satisfied with the phenomena as being wonderful and of a large variety, from one to three forms appearing at the same time (aither one of which related to the bour appointed the manufacture of fraud.

At the bour appointed the manufacture of the property of th same time (either one of which might have been made by simply holding up a piece of white cloth, and which many at the time thought to be the cook her seat in the cage, and was looked in the cage, and was it was removed from the temple. My first discovery was a bone hair-pin, which came to light when I removed the had the common sense to have given up the 'attempt, claiming, as she did hafore to be ill and have taken the her I concluded to wait until I had. Following Mr. Grimshaw's lecture seance.

At the time it was thought by many, and is now, to be genuine: but although exposed her, but there was another surwe furnished the slates, and I can dis- prise awaiting her, and the Spiritualists cover no way whereby she could have as well, for one of the newspaper men. practiced fraud, yet I am positive such hearing the noise, and knowing that she was the case, and I have reasonable evidence in the writing itself, which, purporting to come from different spirit just after her first appearance in the friends, and claiming to have material- circle as an Indian maiden, he grabbed. ized at one of the seances, etc., and not a spirit, but Mrs. Roberts, who was would again the following evening, we out at the back of the cabinet, trying to now know to be false. In fact, the write fix the wire where she had got out. The ing is no more or less than indorsing lights were then turned up, and there, Mrs. Robert's materializing. We now stood Mrs. Roberts half dressed. Some know, and possess the proof, that she is of her paraphernalia was afterwards an unmitigated fraud as a materializing discovered, composed of wigs and gauze medium, and why may we not reasonably suppose from the evidence that her slate-writing is the same?

Mrs. Roberts proposed to go to New York, and come back and give a public seance, and divide with the society. It

was proposed by some that we invite a committee from the daily papers, and as she raised no objection, they were invited to witness the covering of the cage with new wire, which was put on differently and more firmly, and in such a way that Mrs. Roberts would have no chance to tamper with it without its

showing.

Mrs. Roberts insisted upon draping the cabinet herself, and while draping it she loosened many of the staples on the back frame that held the wire covering over the top. This was discovered and securely fastened before her EST TYPE - AFTER SUCCESSFULLY eyes, just before the seance Monday FOOLING THE PEOPLE FOR NINE dished in her fraudulent practice for YEARS—AMONG WHOM WERE SOME that evening. However, she took her OF THE MOST EMINENT MEN IN THIS seat in the cage, and was looked in. COUNTRY—SHE GOES TO WATERTOWN Sitting some thirty minutes, she began coughing, and claimed to be sick, whereupon the door was unlocked, and she was let out and treated by Dr. Burnham (magnetic healer), which she re-entered the cage, but with no better results than before. After awhile the voice of her so-called spirit guide, General Slough, said:

"We think it better to postpone the seance until Wednesday evening than to try to get manifestations through a sick

All of the friends acquiesced cheerfully, we being convinced in our own minds of the cause of her sickness. The seance was then postponed until Wednesday, May 2. The next day Mrs. Roherts removed

the drapery from the cabinet in order to hold a seance at the residence of Mr. Paddock, to a select party. This seance, like the former ones, was rather a dead give-away on Mrs. Roberts. Mr. Burnham, who was with her at the Paddock's, discovered her handkerchief in the room she used for a cabinet, with the corner tied up, which, upon examining, disclosed several staples, which might have been extracted from the wire stretched across the door, or some she had to use when necessary. Nothing wassaid or done, however, to arouse her

Burnham, "for we think the woman is

brought about the exposure

At 5:30 Wednesday Mrs. Roberts went general then asked "how he could better seance. After draping it, she sewed the as wire and solids are no hindrance to spirit." Mr. F. R. Mattison candidly told Mrs. Roberts, after the seance, that if she was a fraud, she was the biggest fool he ever met, for said he: "We shall build a cage that it will be impossible for you to get out of, unless you are what you claim to be, a genuine materializing medium." She replied, "Make it," is make her stlent escape at the evening seance; but as soon as she returned to her stopping-place (which, by the way, was at F. R. Mattison's, 26 Main street), I went to the Temple to make an examination of the cage before the seance. I found what I was satisfied I should find, that she had been removing the staples from the frame on the back of the cabinate which had secured the wire netting. net which had secured the wire netting The cabinet was constructed by mak- to it, and which permitted it to be ing a regular frame of pine strips and raised with the hand, disclosing an nailing them together, making when opening through which she could make finished a frame 6 feet long, 3 feet wide her escape to the other compartment, The aura-kodak, as foreshadowed by this psychic genius, being operated by one's own aura automatically, must partie one of the comparation of the parameter of wire, so that one of the comparation of the parameter of wire, so that one of the comparation of the parameter of wire, so that one of the comparation of the parameter of wire, so that one of the comparation of the parameter of wire, so that one of the comparation of the parameter of wire, including a door in front. At the first seance held Saturday fastened it down, determined that if

> the time thought to be the case). At the close of the seance the medium was apparently thrown through the door of the The singing commenced, and she wire cage; but I was not satisfied. The started on her journey for the other next morning (Sunday) I reached the compartment, but when she attemple in good season, determined to tempted to open her skylight she found thoroughly investigate the cage before it once more securely fastened with curtains from the frame of the cage, before, to be ill, and have taken the where it was carefully tucked away. where it was carefully tucked away. first train in the morning for Builalo, to Being rather suspicious by that time, I recuperate, with the promise of returnmade a closer and more careful examina- | ing to give a seance later in the season. tion of the wire which I had put on, and she would have saved herself an exfound where it had been tampered with; posure, for awhile at least: but being under the influence of some narcotics, she was bold enough to continue the

> Everybody in the room distinctly Sunday afternoon, April 22, she gave an exhibition of her so-called slatewriting. frantic efforts to get out. This of itself gowns, etc.

owns, etc.

Her game has been to break out of the cages, by drawing staples, or otherwise, and fixing the same afterwards, before the close of the seance, and de-

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# THE PSYCHOGRAPH.

It Communicates with an investigator,

And Gives Some Startling Answers to Questions.

TO THE EDITOR: -Some time ago I promised you to give "Some Experiences with the Psychograph," which I have neglected to do, pwing to lack of time. I now send you herewith some cullings that I have gleaned from my memoranda, made from time to time, which you are at liberty to publish all or in part, in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, as you may see fit. But before I proceed with the psychograph I wish to make a preiminary statement to same.

Less than three years ago I was startled into independent methods of seeking for truth. Prior to that, I was a "skeptic and unbeliever," with no positive knowledge of immortality, although I would have considered myself an average Christian, but not identified with any church.

In the month of September, 1891, I heard the Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage, of Boston, Mass., deliver his lecture, in this city, on "Immortality and Modern Thought," I at once became much interested in his startling utterances, and began to quietly investigate as the first communication was from my sister, thoroughly as my time and limited means would allow. I attended some meetings to get rid of my surplus prejudices, and soon became a student in the school of "seeking immortality" here and now. In October, the same year, I attended one of Miss Fay's famous public seances, which was very interesting to me; but all this time I was longing for some test, some proof-that, and that alone, would be conclusive evidence to me, no matter how plausible the philosophy seemed. nor what others saw or heard. In March, 1892, I attended the meetings of the fortyfourth anniversary of modern Spiritualism, in this city. Mrs. Ada Foye, of San Francisco, formerly of Boston, delivered lectures and gave tests. There were about five hundred people in the hall—the medium a total stranger; in fact there were not more than two persons in the hall that I knew, and those only slightly. On two succeeding evenings I was given tests that were all-convincing and undisputable. I became intensely interested. The next day I called on a traveling medium, then in the city, a total stranger, by the name of J. G. Leonard, who told me what I had seen and heard the evening before was true. He gave many other tests.

I began to read and study and try various tests. I visited several mediums. I tried to be as independent in my search as possible, and was none too anxious to grasp every husk or chaff that seems to blow in the way of every seeker of truth; for, if there is any other thing a student in this school of knowledge needs and must have, besides good common sense, it is patience and perseverence.

With all these experiences I was not yet quite satisfied, because of "certain scientific" explanations of these phenomena; so, in December, 1892, I got the names of some liberal and progressive papers, and sent for some sample copies, in which I noticed the cards of a number of mediums. I wrote to several at different times, on plain paper, enclosed in plain envelopes, and from these I got some remarkable readings; from one, a physician and healer, I received a diagnosis of my ailments, and who, for a small fee, cured me of one. catarrh and liver trouble. He also aided several of my friends, who were very reluctant in communicate? following my "silly advice."

In the meantime I attended several seances, one of which was given by J. Stanley Brown and wife. I had, however, attended one of Washington Irving Bishop's remarkable mind readings some two years prior; but it was not until June 8, 1893, I attended my first materializing seance, at the home of Mrs. Mabel Aber, in this city, she being the medium. This was a very remarkable and intensely interesting event in my life. There were from thirty to fifty forms which appeared on the floor during the evening, both male and female, and several at a time. They walked and talked, danced, made lace, perfumed the this life? atmosphere, and did many remarkable things.

Was I in fairyland or in heaven? One, both, either or neither?

I simply saw a glimpse of life—this, eternal life. And I said to myself, I never before knew what life is. I was just beginning to realize a profound truth. The dawnings became actual facts, and this last was the capsheaf in this vital shock of knowledge.

I then said, what others can do, I can do. and I began sitting in a darkened room all alone, three times a week, and it was not long before the table at which I sat began to tip, and I could hear a few tiny raps. One evening in a totally dark room I saw a number of out when these communications were given: bright outlines come and go, appear and disappear, etc. I then got a planchette, and. soon after, a psychograph, and continued the sittings. I would frequently use both in the same evening-first the planchette, then the psychograph. It was not long until I wrote with the planchette, first making zigzag lines, then some initial letters, and finally some words and sentences. I then discarded the planchette and wrote with the pencil alone. doing quite well.

On August 13, 1893, I began with the psychograph, from which I now give you some extracts.

Inquirer. Any spirit friends present? Answer. Yes.

I. How many? A. Nine.

I. Who? - rand others who gave A. Sister full names].

L. How old are you now according to time?

Forty-four years. Can anyone else communicate with me?

Who, please? A. E— H— [name in full].
I. Who are you? Who are you?

Mother of A. C. H. What age did you pass out? Sixty-eight. Where is your son now? A. In Chicago.

Is he married or single? Married. What is his age? Forty-two.

Shall I communicate this to him? Who next can communicate? Big Sow, an Indian chief.

What can you do for me? A. I can elo-quote for you. I. Anyone else? A. M. C. Gave full name. Had passed out recently. Had seen this spirit only a few

months before in the east before passing out.] I. Can someone else communicate? A. T. M., of this city. [Had passed out

about a year before.] I. Can A. give me a message?

A. Yes. I. Please do so. A. Be a good man; be faithful. Can you give another?

A. Eat good food. Inquiry on own accord: Can't you go to Chicago? Be sure and go next week. By way of explanation I wish to say that

who had passed out about eighteen years ago, and who answered many questions, all correctly. I knew all these parties except E. H., and the Indian chief. I knew E. H.'s son well, and what she said was true, although at the time I did not know where he was, neither one for humanity in this age? did I know her age, nor her given name. In reference to the food message, I will say that I had been reading up on proper food and right? diet: and in reference to the last inquiry, I A. No. had been debating about going to Chicago to attend the "World's Congress of Psychical Research." I am only giving a few hints, as many of the communications are of a private

Aug. 19, 1893. I. Can anyone communicate with me? A. Yes.

I. Can you give your name? A. A. B. [Full name.] I. Any communication? A. Yes. I. Please give it.

A. Start for O. September 12. Then followed in detail where to go and what to do, which was explicitly predicted and closely followed in this journey, which lasted about six weeks. The advice was remarkably good, and worthy of all acceptation. The trip was extremely hazardous and fearfully dangerous, yet I escaped without a sin-

gle scratch, or a hair of my head being

I. Any friends present? A. Yes. I. How many?

harmed.

Nine. Does any one wish to ask me any ques-

Yes. Who? A. A. B. Please ask it.

A. B. Do you believe there is a god?

A. Yes; Big Eldorado. Indian chief?

Yes. What is the communication? As you sow, so shall you reap. Can anyone else communicate?

Yes; C. B. I. Did I know him in life? A. Yes.

I. Where? A. In Illinois. I. In what place?

1. How many years since you departed

A. Four. I. How old were you? Thirty-two.

Did you attend my school? Yes.

Where?

Were you a sister of May's? Yes. What was your other sister's name?

Emma. I. Were you the youngest? A. Yes.

I was not aware that this person had passed neither could I at first locate nor identify her, but afterwards fully identified and verified the above. The same form came to me in a materializing seance about three months after. Several others were identified in the same way and information given to me that I did not know at the time; and which I verified afterit requires patience and perseverance, but it is book is well printed and illustrated, and easy, simple, and practical, when once you for \$1 per copy. For sale at this office. understand what to do and how to do it. The itself. If there is any reality in the universe

these proofs are some of the realities. Aug. 27, 1893. Sitting as usual with planchette and psy-

chograph and pencil. I. Any spirits present? Yes.

How many? Six. Can anyone communicate with me? A. Yes. I. Will it be a good seance?"

What shall it be about? Spiritualism and mediums. Is there any truth in mediumship?

audience facts? A. Yes.

I. Is materialization real and true? A. Yes.
I. Can you come to earth when you wish? A. Yes. Can you go anywhere in space? I.

Can you go to the other planets? I. Are the other planets inhabited? Yes.

I. Can you see God? No Oan you see Jesus Christ? Can you see St. Paul and St. Peter?

A. Yes. I. Do you know more about God than we Yes. Is there a heaven? Yes. Where is it?

Is there a hell? A. Is the world progressing? Is Spiritualism making great progress

Did not say definitely. ]

A. Yes; we will learn more about it in the next fifteen years than we did in the last fifty. I. Is Theosophy true?

Is the Roman Catholic religion a proper

Is the Christian religion, as now taught Is Spiritualism the true one?

Yes. Shall I continue these sittings? Yes. Will I ever be a medium?

A. Yes.
I. What phase would I develop most

Clairvoyance. Any communications from anyone else? D. W. F. [Name in full.] Where did I know you in life? N-, Illinois. When did I first meet you? A. Eleven years ago.

How long since you departed this life? Three years ago. I. Where? A. I. T.

I. What was your occupation? A. Soldier.

The above was a classmate of mine and the answers are correct. There were a number of other communications of a private nature given which were practically verified; but it is useless for me to take time and space in feions, are to day verifying for themselves. As stated before, anyone who is interested, and that each one should seek for himself or herself, and that is so much more satisfactory
than hearsay evidence. "The proof of the
pudding is in the eating." The proof of
mortality is in the reach of all. Whether you that line of work, and greater good, than ever, mortality is in the reach of all. Whether you Most assuredly; why do you ask that? will make this proof your own or not is for A. B. It seems to me you doubt there is you to decide. As for me, I am satisfied of the truth; but this does not end my labors.

> Practical Ethics. It doesn't pay to be too good-But, then, few of us are, In fact, most of us do not reach The standard mark by far. We criticise our neighbor's faults-Mostly behind their backs-But who sets out to find what he Himself most sorely lacks?

J. B.

It doesn't pay to be too good-But, then, who ever knew A man who really was too good? Such folks are mighty few. In most of us there is a streak-As fat is streaked with lean-Of something that unprejudiced

Observers would call mean. It doesn't pay to be too good-Just good enough will do, It answers pretty well for me, And it will serve for you.

Don't fret about your neighbor's faults-It isn't right you should-And, bear in mind, they try as hard As you do to be good. -Somerville Journal.

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# Haslett Park Camp-Meeting.

The Twelfth Annual Camp-Meeting of the I. Are the phases clairvoyance and clair. Heslett Park Association will be held at Haslett Park," commencing Wednesday, July 25, and closing Monday, August 27, including five Sundays.

PROGRAMME. July 28, 2 P. M., address of welcome by Mr. G. H. Brooks; 2:30 P. M., opening lecture by Mrs. A. L. Robinson; July 29, 10:30 A. M., Mrs. A. L. Robinson, lecture and tests; 2 P. M., Mrs. A. L. Robinson, lecture and tests; July 31, 10:30 A. M., conference; 2 P. M., Mrs. A. L. Robinson; Aug. 1, 10:30 A. M., read. ing circle; 2 P. M., Dr. Fred Schermerhorn, lecture and tests; Aug. 2, 10.30 A. M., conference; 2 P. M., lecture by Mrs. A. L. Robinson; Aug. 3, 10:30 A. M., reading circle; 2 P. M., lecture by Lyman C. Howe; Aug. 4. 10:30 A. M., children's lyceum; 2 P. M., Dr. Fred Schermerhorn; Aug. 5, 10:30 A. M., inspirational lecture by Mrs. A. E. Sheets; 2 P. M., inspirational lecture by Lyman C. Howe; Aug. 7, 10:30 A.M., conference; 2 P. M., lecture by Lyman C. Howe; Aug. 8, 10:30 A. M., reading circle; 2 P. M., lecture by Lyman C, Howe; Aug. 9, 10:30 A. M. and 2 P. M., memorial service, Lyman C. Howe; Aug. 10, 10:30 A. M., reading circle; 2 P. M., lecture by Mrs. H. S. Lake; Aug. 11, 10:30 A. M., children's lyceum; 2 P. M., lecture by and they think it is a new religion. Theology Hon. A. B. French; Aug. 12, 10:30 A. M., Mrs. H. S. Lake: 2 P. M., Hon. A. B. French: Aug. 14, 10:30 A. M., State Asssociation; 2 P. M., Mrs. H. S. Lake; Aug. 15, Woman's Day-10:30 A. M., Mrs. May S. Knagge; 2 P. M., Mrs. Emily B. Ketchum; Aug. 16. 10:30 A. M., reading circle; 2 P. M., lecture by Dr. A. B. Spinney; Aug. 17, 10:30 A. M., conference; 2 P. M., lecture by Mr. D. P. Dewey, Aug. 18, 10:30 A. M., children's lyceum; 2 P. M., Edgar W. Emerson, the noted test medium; Aug. 19, 10 A. M., Edgar W. Emerson, lecture and tests; 2 p. M., Edgar W. Emerson, lecture and tests; Aug. 21, 10:30 A. M., reading circle; 2 P. M., Mrs. Julia A. chick whose tender beak can be heard rubbing Walton; Aug. 22, Pioneer Day; Aug. 23, 10:30 A. M., conference; 2 P. M., Mrs. Minnie Carpenter; Aug. 24, 10:30 A. M., reading cir-

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cle; 2 P. M., Mrs. Julia A. Walton; Aug. 25,

10:30 A. M., children's lyceum; 2 P. M., Mrs.

Minnie Carpenter; Aug. 26, 10:30 A. M.,

lecture by Hon. L. V. Moulton; 2 P. M., Os-

chosen were largely Emerson, Ruskin, Bella- said in part:

I. No, indeed; I do not. Can anyone else In fact they have just begun. We all need to Park an educational center, and certainly there know more of the laws that govern our lives is no better field for that work than the chilbe effected, and the uplifting of humanity be children, and let them enjoy the advantages complete; but will be ere this season of the camp closes. The officers, as far as remembered, are: G. H. Brooks, conductor; Mrs. Tillie Higbie, guardian of groups; Mrs. Lucy Owen, secretary; Mrs. Nellie Roe, musical director; Mrs. Titus, Mrs. Owen, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Skeets and Mrs. Chappel were the leaders of groups. The other names of officers are forgotten, but you can see by this the lyceum is well officered, and will, as it has done, do a most excellent work. The lyceum is for the old as well as for the young, and let us heart and begging for your support." this year work to make the lyceum a greater success than ever.

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How I love their sweet communion! For to me they are so true, So divinely true and tender, Those that long ago I knew, When the morn of life was glowing And the grass was wet with dew.

And on me they smile so sweetly, And they move their lips in speech; Tho' I do not hear their voices, Yet a thought for me has each, And some lesson pure and holy They seem prayerfully to teach.

Truly death is not extinction, 'Tis not even present loss; Narrow, oh, extremely narrow Is the bound'ry line they cross, They whose precious dust is sleeping Underneath the velvet moss. GEORGE W. CRAFTS.

Religion to Suit All Men.

Truly "the world do move." The combusti bles are in readiness for the touch of the fagot, to fire the souls of men with a new something is fast dying; the mildew of its own stagnation is fast smothering it to death and it craves something, but is grasping the wrong straw. It is not a new religion that is wanted, but a broader liberality, a little spirituality, some philosophy, and a higher unfoldment of the brain into a condition of independent thinking. They want to throw off the shackles of creed and preach and live the truth that keeps pounding at the door of reason. They need to make their field for research for knowledge limitless. Their spirit is outgrowing their hidebound shell, and they feel lame, and blind, and full unto bursting. Like the unborn inside the shell, they want out into this broad beautiful world, to mingle with the free and intelligent kindred upon this plane of action, and they are crying for a new religion, and that stepstone is bound to be reached; and many more also.

at the camp that which was called a "Reading spoke on the subject: "Is There a New Re-Circle." Some one chosen each day by the ligion? If So, What Is It?" After acknowlchairman, who would be appointed to read a edging his indebtedness to all existing religselection from some author, and then invite ions and ascribing to them much virtue and criticism on what was read. The authors inestimable good accomplished, Mr. Jones

my, Carlyle and other writers whose names 'A new religion is no more improbable or have slipped my memory. From the first wonderful than a new light in the heavens. there was much interest manifested, and there New things are to be suspected, but new ochas never been any meeting on the grounds casions teach new duties and require new that has been more productive of good than methods of treatment. It will take more INGERSOLUS GREAT ADDRESS ON the reading circles. It has given all a taste than a hundred years to estimate and realize New York City. Price, 6 cants; ten copies for 50 cents. cording something that thousands, if not mill- for a high class of literature, and there has the enormous magnitude of the late congress for a high class of literature, and there has been evolved from the circle clearer thoughts of religions held in Sinai temple. There is a and a wider acquaintance with authors that new religion coming in upon us, the scope of the control of the Freethinker's Magazine thinks of him. Price, 4 cents; twenty-five copies for the control of the control of the freethinker's Magazine thinks of him. Price, 4 cents; twenty-five copies for the control of the freethinker's Magazine thinks of him. Price, 4 cents; twenty-five copies for the control of the first of him. willing to seek, can find. But I think it best are not only spiritual but historical. The last which is as wide as from Christianity to Buddhthat each one should seek for himself or her-

bring out its characteristics to the old. The first prominent feature of this new religion It is the sim of the camp to make Haslett is a new estimate to nature. Nature includes human nature. And this new religion is on a plan as wide and as various as human needs. on the various planes of existence, so that dren, in the line of lyceum work, where all We hold that man is not less teachable than better and more harmonious conditions may parents who can are requested to bring their the lion or more controlled by his passions than the tiger. These have by careful, pamore speedily accomplished. This today, of the lyceum. The lyceum has improved tient training been taught to become as peaceperhaps more than ever before, is our mission. from year to year, and is gradually gathering able as a lamb. The new religion looks upon material to do with. It is not as yet quite man sympathetically and measures him by his ideas and is tender toward his shortcomings. Its teachings are as wide as the gap between Darwin and Plato, or between Inger-

soll and St. Paul, "This church will be a home for the infidel the atheist and believers of every description, who will come in to work for the good of humanity. This church seeks to rise within your midst. It is no longer an absolute or a subjective dream, but it is a concrete fact and already stands rapping at the door of every

Their hope to catch the infidel or atheist with any kind of religious lasso with a worshipful God in its twist or fabric will be seriously blasted in the first swing. Their "religion" is the breeder of atheism, agnosticism and infidelity, and to all minds that dare to think, these are names that mean much of that liberty and freedom that has ligion means mental and spiritual bondage but this cry for a religion to suit all men, while an utter impossibility, as its contradictory title would suggest, means a craving for something else, and that craving is but a coming event casting its shadow before. DR. T. WILKINS.

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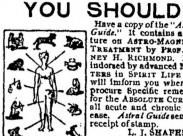
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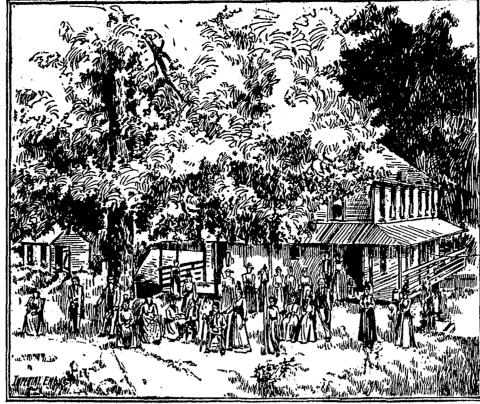
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### Crime and Education.

Our brother, J. C. Patterson, of New Orleans, has placed THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER under obligations for an article from a correspondent of the New Orleans Picayune, giving the cost of crime in Louisiana, and how it is influenced by education. The communication is full of interest and instruction. besides being suggestive of great reforms. We have not space to do the subject quarter justice, for what are facts in Louisiana are probably true of every other State in the Union, as every country on the globe, and that cause of false teaching, for the great crime is lessened by education, and is mass of crime which fills the penitenincreased by ignorance.

Gov. Foster, in his late message to the Legislature of Louisiana, gave the figures on which the statement is based. He showed that in thirty-seven parishes and, as in France during their revolufrom whence he had full reports, where tion of 1789, church property would be \$115.716.54 were expended for school purposes, there were paid to magistrate. court and sheriff fees connected with restore that property to the vampires He found the largest amounts expended | property of the people. for punishing criminals were in those parishes where the least money was expended for education.

It is noteworthy that in districts found, the people were the best educated, and the school system was well developed.

\$400,000,000, while he places the total cost of public schools, colleges and unithe fullest possible extent?

says the population is largely made up offal may be deposited." of French and Spanish. They are been taken to ascertain the genuineness priests, is made to play second fiddle to the parochial schools under church

These parochial schools, whether South or North, are purposely designed to suppress knowledge, and enhance the interests of the church. General education and priestcraft are incompatible. religious demagogues are of no avail. priests only who are banished, and reis what distresses them.

### Damnable Laws.

Though the Inquisition, with all its bloody horrors, is silenced, so far as the general public is concerned, both Catholic and Protestant churches have so debauched legislative bodies that they placed a large floral wreath upon the the soil was parched with thirst. have filled the statute-books of all countries where they are dominant, with laws fitting the age of the Inquisition. In our own District of Columbia, at the capital of this proud nation, there is a the Church." The Catholics were who proposed the construction of irrigatlaw still in force, inherited from the State of Maryland, making it a penal down. The police interfered and order and the homeless, those boundless offense, punishable by fines, imprison- was restored. ment, and even branding on the forehead with the letter B, for "wittingly, ma. liciously, and advisedly, by writing or speaking, or denying our Savior Jesus Christ to be the Son of God, or shall deny the Holy Trinity, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, or the Godhead of any of the persons thereof." conviction he shall suffer death, without

benefit of clergy. Clothed with power, such were the Ga., writes: methods the church employed to perpet-Constitution and all these obnoxious, ob-solete laws would be revived to punish

Dr. Jose Llunas, of Barcelona, Spain, the editor of La Tramontana, has just been sentenced to three years' imprisonment, for publishing anti-religious ideas. the book." The law was a relic of the Inquisition, such as are those of the District of Columbia.

### Productive Church Property Taxable.

The city attorney of Milwaukee, in answer to a question of the Tax Com- The Views of a Veteran Jourmissioners, has rendered a very important decision in regard to the taxing of productive church property. The principle may be as applicable to other States as Wisconsin, and should engage the attention of the tax assessor: THE IDLE-A SUGGESTION FOR EMPLOY-

"The city attorney holds that all church property from which a revenue is derived must be taxed the same as in our article of last week is traceable opinion upon the fact that taxation is that brought the matter to an issue, and it is understood the congregation and church society do not object to paying taxes. It rents stores in its buildings and expects to pay taxes.

question, however, involves various other institutions, and will probably lead to the taxation of such Catholic church property as is used for school purposes, where tuition is charged. It will also bring in the Lutheran schools, but it is a feeling of large element in the Lutheran church that these schools should pay taxes. Commissioner Brown will make a number of innovations this year, and a great deal of property which has heretofore escaped taxation will be listed. It is expected the assessed valuation of Mil waukee will be increased \$5,000,000 by his means alone,'

### Churches and Their Builders.

A church structure is in process of building in New York, to cost \$10,000,000. If a man could earn and save from his abor \$1 a day, excluding Sundays and holidays, he would accumulate about \$300 in a year. Then \$10,000,000 represent the toil and savings of 33,333; men for an entire year. Those who gave the money to build that church did not acquire it by labor. It has been wrung by the greedy hand of Wrong from the scanty purse of Want, who is now wandering penniless over the country, and of seduction being charged to her. is begging bread. If the starving multitude could see the

facts as they are, millions and thousands of millions of dollars piled up in palatial churches, paying no revenue to the State for protection, idle six-sevenths of the time, and the other seventh breeding a superstition which is filling our insane asylums with wrecks of humanity; which is really responsible, betiary, the large majority escaping punishment because the guilt of the offender is covered over by the church mantle, then maybe the war would be made on the system which breeds such corruption: confiscated to the State. It is hoped if such shall ever prove the case in America that no Napoleon will spring up to the punishment of crime \$205,866.54. Who have been so long preying on the

### Is It a Genuine Quotation?

Ironclad Age of the 16th ult., credited to cape, as the destructive work of the where few indictments for crime were the Chicago Catholic News. Is it possible we have a viper so foul, so deadly, so hellish, as to pen and publish such a bestial article in regard to our public monster his enemies represented he The writer estimates the cost of schools, and the youth educated in would have declared war against someoriminal prosecutions, the maintaining of penitentiaries and the support of consuct the United States, at raged children thus grossly insulted be victs throughout the United States, at raged children thus grossly insulted be justified in kicking the pious libeler from the country? But read:

"Let the red schoolhouse peacefully versities at \$160,000,000. With such remain beside the parochial or private disparity in cost between educating the school. On every farm there is a mapeople and the punishment of crime, nure pile for the disposition of all does not common sense suggest that worthless material to be placed there knowledge be pressed upon youth to for decomposition. There is plenty of material amongst the American youths which is neither fit to enter a private One very discouraging aspect of the nor parochial school, but there is still a educational question in Louisiana is regood dumping-ground left, the public ferred to by our correspondent. He schools, where all this trash and refuse

chiefly Catholics, and the public school of this quotation. If it proves such, we system, through the action of the have something further to say in this connection.

Since the above was in type we have seen a letter from the editor of the Catholic News, wherein he says the above item never appeared as an editorial in that paper, and that it does not reflect the sentiments of its editor. We hope The masses educated and the wiles of the honclad, from which we copied, will take the pains to trace the origin of the They complain of the banishing of God paragraph to its source. If a canard the from the public schools, but it is the author should be known. If the Catholic News is in any way responsible for it tired to private life. The prospect of the whole press of the country should be being relegated to labor and usefulness aroused and denounce it, for our common school system is the pride of the Rebublic.

### A Double Lesson.

Deputations from various Masonic statue of the Maid of Orleans, which adorns the street of the Pyramids. In-

This affair shows that the Masons of plains of the Salt Lake Valley?

Paris have placed a correct estimate on Every dollar expended in such an the past history of Catholicism, and it enterprise can be returned with comreveals at the same time the true spirit of the church, who dislike to have their by long-time leases from the governpast actions blazoned to the world.

## The Best of Them All.

Bernard Brady, Esq., of Savannah,

"I have read Dr. Brown's 'Researches uate their damnable creeds. God in the in Oriental History' three times, and structive work I have ever read through. I have a large library of our ablest Liberal publications. I wish every family in Christendom could read

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nalist and Author.

Thoughts for the Thoughtful.

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any other property. He bases this in part to other causes than there given ment to vast numbers in the past, and the killing of each other in battle, have all been mostly abandoned during the last | Scriptures as the underlying authority ring. It is not so small a one as may be supposed at first glance.

Reference is made to the countless over as lovely woman. She has discovered that she has qualifications counter in the salesroom; her deft fingers are running the typewriter, and As cashiers and bookkeepers she has been found trusty, accurate and faithful. For a time she was content to copy the lawver's brief, but she soon discovered that she could expound laws as well as her brother, so has set up for herself. And though Paul would not allow a woman to teach, and the church indorsed him, she has filled our schoolrooms with teachers and ascended the pulpit, and thus far we have heard of no cases

Instead of contriving to furnish subjects for the dissecting-table, she has determined to turn the tables on man, and make him contribute cadavers for her anatomical museum. Her soft touch pathos, which the sterner sex culls from imagination.

Enter our manufactories: The girls are experts at the spindle and the loom, wherever faithfulness and skilled fingers are required. And, worse than all, she has got it in her head that she can execute the laws and hold office as well as "any other fellow," and has half made up her mind to try her hand at law-making. All these places occupied by her have been vacated by men, and they are partly at sea in con-

A lesson from the old world: When Louis Bonaparte saw the restless, turbulent spirits overrunning France and threatening a revolution, he precipitated We find the following quotation in the and got fleeced." France did not escommune followed.

When the rabble appeared at Versailles in 1779, and implored the king for bread, had he been the unfeeling have waded through flame and seas of blood to immortal fame.

he will engage in dishonest pursuits. pyramids was not so worthless a device as we in modern times have supposed. Neither was the great wall of China without its uses. Both gave employment to countless millions of toilers. Peru, under the Incas, terraced up the mountain sides thousands of feet in height and immense distances in length, and constructed gardens, which, watered by the eternal snows on their been barren rock. This could not have or authority. been the work of private individuals. It represents the labors of many years, by an industrious people, under the

auspices of a parental government. Much of Holland has been reclaimed from the sea, by a system of dykes, and American States, by ditching and most important movements in the Chrisdrainage, have given the agriculturist tian churches for three hundred years. his most productive lands. The annual The tendency of this movement is the floods of the Mississippi, so destructive in their consequences, must be stayed by dykes, and deepening the bed of the river. Egypt set the world an example, which subsequent ages will converted

May we not take these illustrations as scribed on the wreath was, "To Joan of Washington" cry; think of the proposi-Arc. Abandoned by Royalty, Burned by tion of Gen. Kelley, we believe it was, deserts, as the Mormons did those sand

> Every dollar expended in such an pound interest to the national treasury, n.int, else absolute sales; and in that way homes can be made and employ-ment in the interim given to all that idle class who give excuse for their mendicancy, that they cannot find any thing to do. G. W. BROWN, M. D.

Of 1,549 marriages contracted in Prussia in 1889 between blood relations. 1.422 were between cousins, 110 between uncles and nieces, and 16 between aunts and nephews.

In California a defendant husband was

# CRITICISM!

The Higher and the Lower. A Critical Analysis of the Same.

By COL. R. T. VAN HORN In the Kansas City Journal.

(PUBLISHED BY SPECIAL PERMISSION.) Our reference to the "Higher Criticism" was a passing matter of news comand that the law cannot be construed as exempting church property which is used to gain revenue. It was the case of the Summerfield Methodist church that brought the matter to an include in the construction of the matter to an include in the construction of the matter to an include in the construction of the soil, the building of cities, the grading and construction of and inquiries disclose, and to please that brought the matter to an include in the construction of the soil, the building of cities, the grading and construction of the matter than a discussion of the underlying questions, but our readers don't seem to be content with that, as letters and inquiries disclose, and to please them we refer to it once more than a discussion of the underlying questions, but our readers don't seem to be content with that, as letters and inquiries disclose, and to please that brought the matter to an inquiries disclose, and to please the content with that a service in the content with that a service is the content with t lower, not in an offensive sense, but as the best for descriptive use.
There are two ways of looking at the

> few years and closed employment to of the churches—the letter and the spir men, another element has entered the it. Theology, or ecclesiasticism, began in an age when despotism was universal in government. So we had a genealogical tree, running from Adam down to Reference is made to the countless Abraham, and from thence to David, numbers who throng every place of And in the New Testament this is follabor, and are known the wide world lowed down to Joseph. The peculiar fact that it seemed necessary to have Jesus of a royal, or the royal, line of descent, seems to us modern democrats which fit her for other duties than play- as peculiar, without stopping to harmothings for men. Her easy, winning ways have driven the men from behind the was of the "house of David," when it was Joseph alone through whom the descent could come. But this mystery is out of the discussion here. But the making shorthand reports. She sets other fact is plain—it would not do in type with the speed, correctness and that age of kings to have even the God endurance of the most skilled typos, of all born out of royal lines altogether roval.

modern knowledge, a "lower" form of thought than that which characterizes the so-called higher criticism? It is Is not this, in view of the lights of the so-called higher criticism? It is the very leaven of the higher criticism. making spiritual things a matter of chronology rather than of conditions days and holidays rather than of light a thing of property at the same as sacred and knowledge in house the same at the same a and knowledge in harmony with the higher conception of an infinite power.

This is the great dividing line between the old and the new interpretation. But there is one controlling fact, or necessity rather, running all through this socalled historic part of religion—it is the only authority for the priestly class. Take it away and there is no ecclesiastical order left. The hierarchy, the "anointed" teacher, is as much a dewith the pencil has converted her into seendant from this chronological system an artist. With her pen she describes as is the Prince of Wales of the Guelphs. scenes from real life, full of beauty and What else than this royal descent can authorize a callow youth with a diploma from a seminary to be a shepherd over a flock of Darwins, Huxleys, Gladstones and Salisburys, to say nothing of Harrisons and Clevelands? But under the ight of modern knowledge and criticism, this is all the bearing the chronology of the Scriptures can practically have on the question. The higher criticism relegates all this to its proper place -an effort on the part of the compilers to meet the universal mind of the age in which they were written-that royalty and royal descent was an essential of greatness and authority.
One of the best illustrations of this

difference in the two forms of criticism is in relation to that remarkable production, the Sermon on the Mount. The higher criticism does not even regard it as essential whether it was delivered at all as Matthew records it, but its sublime ethics is the governing fact-that in a rude, warring, barbarous age this godlike utterance was made is the great fact, showing that even then a divine nature equal to its spirit was possible way he would have saved his throne and detracts from the higher influence it head and swelled the list of heroes who otherwise exerts over the minds of men. It is an axiom that real religion cannot exist in or through controversy-which Man is a restless creature. He must at best is but mental warfare.

have employment, else he will seek it Now, for example, on this very subfor himself. If not given an honest task | ject-some of the ablest intellects of the modern world do not believe it was ever Perhaps the building of the great orally delivered and reported, and they come to this conclusion from the fact that as a narrative of the incidents embraced in the four gospels Mark is the most unbroken and was the groundwork of the others-and that it is really the oldest. Again, it is held on what so far is uncontradicted data that the ethics of this wonderful sermon as well as all the gospels antedate our era. But the higher criticism does not regard this summit, but for this service would have fact as impairing either their excellence

These illustrations must suffice to give the reader an idea of the differences that have grown up in the modern church and which are embraced in the so-called higher criticism. It is not proper here to decide between or to take the waters were drained by enormous sides, for what is said is in the spirit of pumps which stillcarry back the leakage review and for purposes of recital, that to the source of supply. Many of our the reader may get an idea of one of the American States, by ditching and most important movements in the Christhe reader may get an idea of one of the

important thing, for it portends a radi-cal change in not only the thought of the world as to religion but as to civilization itself in its social and economic relations. The religious idea heretofore has been Lodges in Paris, on the occasion of the waters of the Nile were stored when in essentially autocratic, monarchic and anniversary of the death of Joan of Arc, excess, to be liberated by degrees when cratic, republican, individual and free. That it has been as stated even the nomenclature of the Scriptures attests. object lessons, and when we laugh, as even their chronology was not needed well we may, at the silly, "On to to show that the God-incarnate was of Washington" cry; think of the propositive and King," is the refrain of theology from time immemorial until to-day. If the church had been born of a "platform" in a free government there would have been no such literature connected with it. All that is needed to bring about this change is to have the religious concept based on the freedom of the individual and of the Creator in a parental relation instead of wearing a crown, and the evo-

lution is an accomplished fact. The thinking reader can at once de-The thinking reader can at once detect from this point of view exactly delphia, she being a great favorite where the heresy of the past and the where the heresy of the past and the where the heresy of the past and the present attaches. It is as to the view taken of the Creator or the creative mother. She lectured there June 10th. It is something more—he is every taken of the Creator or the creative mother. She lectured there June 10th. Mrs. Lillie made an eloquent appeal for the animal nature by direct evolution As long as the kingly idea obtained and the attributes connected with that concept acknowledged, the entire staff organization became legitimate and subject: "What shall we do to be saved?" necessary—for a king must be "ap-proached," and to be so must have inter-proached," and to be so must have intermediates and exponents of his pleasure and purposes. But if the despot is transformed-in ideal-to the parent, these appendages disappear as an obadjudged guilty because he did not pro- stacle or obstruction to the new relation vide water at his house, neither would of children. This is what the present

not the business of those outside to intervene, but it none the less interests the whole intelligent world.

In one sense and at times the church has been an important factor in human progress, and it always will be, for the reason that it professes to deal exclusively with the sentiments of men-the moral, spiritual and emotional in human-ity. The duties of life must ever be divided as they are now—the civil and the moral, the material and the spiritual —for their union in one source of power has always degraded humanity. fact above all else in human affairs would justify war to prevent—the priest with a sword has been the master scourge of all history. It is of the last importance, then, that this religious division of society should be in harmony with the freedom of the individual, and as far removed as possible from the kingly concept of the creator-for that idea is essentially despotic. You cannot execute the will of a despot in a democratic spirit, neither can you rule from a despotic ideal by the methods of freedom. Of necessity, theology is dogmatic and decrees written thousands of years ago and held infallible to-day must in their enforcement by irresponsible power breed tyranny over the minds of And here in the trend of the higher

ing change in the attitude of the modern mind to the sanctions of religion and the traditions of the spiritual authority. Ecclesiasticism has guarded as the citadel of its power the fact that it holds the keys to the interpretation of Scripture, and that the evidences on which Abraham, Joseph, Moses, David, Jesus, Peter and Paul based their teachings and of all born out of royal lines altogether men's minds that the providences of God—in their manifestations—are as eternal and ever active as laws that gov-As soon as the average mind gets to know its own rights and responsibilities or the food it buys, it will soon realize evil, than we had before. that its own God is the true one, and "For his successful p short cut as through six thousand years of others' thinking. Or, in other words, it can't see how the common father of clous destructiveness, when his anger self to slaves in Egypt four thousand years ago and not to slaves in America forty years ago. Nor can it understand why Paul should hear voices, see visions and heal the sick, and nobody since. And why this should be so it cannot understand, when the same principles of right and wrong prevail now that did then. There being no change in God's laws or in the rules of right and wrong, why should there be any in the relations of man to the infinite? If Abraham, Saul, Paul and Silas could get instruction from the sources of truth, why not the same providence be open to-day? In the last analysis of the present agitation in the religious world, that is all that is to it. If a future life can once be demonstrated to anybody who really seeks to know, the question of the ages is settled and a new civilization is born.

The higher criticism is quickened by the scholarship of the age, of which the World's Congress of Religions last summer was one of the fruits. Its influence has not fairly begun. The important fact is now the property of all readers, that the ethics of the Old and New Testaments antedate these scriptures as far does not discredit a single text of the bible, nor does it weaken a single sanction of the moral law, but it does affect in To attempt to stay this order is

The time has come for the intelligent. of some offense when looking at these questions in this eclectic sense is no we have it, or a discovery made to the same effect in Thibet or Egypt, there is enough of intellectual integrity in a enough of intellectual integrity in a the method of progress, but that its lost about it without endangering his soul. And a priest has the same right. Thus when Talmage says he is disturbed in the animal world to the supremacy of his mind over the verities of the religion brute force—of courage, strength and he has been preaching all these years, and that he is going to hunt for the truth in the home of its origin, and will may, why should it create a "sensation?" introduces restraint and control of the The fact that he is in doubt is the important one, and not that he may change his mind.

These things all indicate the influence as well as the inspiration of the higher criticism, and they also throw a flood of light on the limitations of that lower criticism that makes chronological order in royal descent a factor in the acceptance of our God as the true one, and orders our religion as the revelation of have not acquired any faculties beyond eternal wisdom according to dates like a those which make them obedient slaves thing of the almanac. This is no more to environments, while man is in some to be accepted as the finality of the infinite by the enlightened mind of the future race.

"What Is Spiritualism?" That noble medium and lecturer, E. W. Sprague, thus speaks of the abovenamed tract:

tracts ever printed in the cause of Spiritualism. If I was able I would be happy to put one of them into every home in the United States.'

Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader writes enthusiastically in reference to the ministrations of Mrs. R. S. Lillie, in Philathe National Association. The Spiritual Conference Association considered the Mr. Hugh Moore has kindly offered to ing for the National Association, as every medium is greatly benefitted by that body.

Darwin says that 430 per 10,000 marriages among the English nobility are he repair the house to make it com-fortable. agitation—we had almost written con-fortable. lt is really cent of such marriages are childless. between blood relatives, and over 19 per

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s that growing out of the purely materialistic conception of evolution. This repugnance felt by the latter for the meets the moral philosopher engaged of the human mind. in researches into the spiritual, and the two come into direct and apparently irreconcilable conflict. The antagonism have attempted to show what this scihas been glossed over, and the logical inferences which flow from evolution, as understood, have not been drawn with clearness, or held in the obscurity of the background. It has remained for Prof. Huxley in "Evolution and Ethics" to enunciate the extreme conclusions in an incisive manner which none have before dared. He is not troubled about the spiritual side, for he has no spiritual insight or inclination. Creation to him is a machine working for purely macriticism we come to the great impendterial results, and morality has no part or place in the conduct of life.

Confronted by the problem of good and evil, which has perplexed mankind in all ages, the explanation of suffering and pain, Huxley cuts the Gordian knot with the sword of evolution with a single thrust. He says:
"Brought before the tribunal of ethics,

the cosmos stands condemned-but few authority are no longer available. Once let the possibility take possession of or none ventured to record that verdict. "As the immoral sentiments have no less been evolved (as the morals) there is, so far, as much natural selection for teach us how the good and the evil tendencies of man may have come about but in itself it is incompetent to furnish any better reason why what we call a thing of property as the dollar it owns good is preferable to what we call

"For his successful progress, as far that the mind is as open to truth by the as the savage state, man has been largely indebted to those qualities which he shares with the ape and the is roused by opposition.

"Civilized man brands all these ape and tiger promptings with the name of sins; he punishes many of the acts which flow from them as crimes; and in extreme cases he does his best to put an end to the survival of the fittest of former days by the ax and rope." Then he goes on to prove that man's ethical progress is the result of direct

the cosmos.' With complete resignation to these views, Prof. Huxley gives utterance to the most terrible affirmations—equaled

only by the dogmas of theology. "I deem it an essential condition of unpropitious environments) that we should cast aside the notion that the

escape from pain and sorrow is the proper object of life." tiger to kill as for the deer to crop the herbage; it is as right for the savage, the human tiger, to murder as for the dependence, and are in existence to Samaritan to bind up the bleeding prove themselves. This fact of itself wounds. The terrible mandate, as an the claim of discovery and exclusive ing. To attempt to stay this order is of society to treat the assumption of cannot escape pain and sorrow, and we must be outside of the cosmos and in

direct conflict therewith. It is well that a leading scientist of onger tolerable. If a manuscript is the world, one whose name is often placed found in an old cloister on Mount Leb- with that of Darwin and Wallace, has anon, which vitally affects the record as boldly expressed the logic of evolution factor, the spiritual state of man, has been ignored or entirely misconceived. It is all well to refer the advance of

cunning. This may apply to savage man. Yet even in savage man these are not everything. Awakening intellect passions and appetites. In the struggle yet alive. for existence such restraint would count, in longer individual lives, and tribal strength. The cosmos is the all in all.

hence there can be no opposing force, no existence by man against its laws. These laws are immutable and perfect. The various processes of creation are attempted adjustment to their decrees. The fact that the ape and the tiger

measure the creator of his own character, proves not that new forces are introduced, but that he has arisen to their sphere of influence.

It may be natural and "right" for an ever answered. His reply:

animal to display uncontrolled ani-"I think it one of the most useful little and hence, in his case, if they are not lessness, it is a crime. Why? Because of the passions is not for the welfare of the community, nor of the individual. The law, briefly expressed, is: The higher faculties shall control the lower. The moral and spiritual shall control the animal.

Hence, a different code applies to man than to animals. Man is an animal, and he is something more-he is everythe animal nature by direct evolution has come the angel. The spiritual being overlaps the brute. Hence in anything that goes to make the progress of man, the more active the spiritual faculties, the more pronounced that progress

There is an escape from sorrow and pain. It has been sought through all nor do anything she was told. ages, and the myths of evil wrought to

Man fighting against the cosmos? He woman."

is a part of it, borne into being by its laws; its ripe fruitage, and his spiritual being, a still higher and choicer product, That spiritual nature makes him in part a creator. Having it, he is able to change his environments, avail himself of advantages, and avoid unfavorable conditions.

The laws of the cosmos act as a whole. not in part. They sweep from the nadir to the zenith and reach out to the coastand unfeeling view of the world and man lines of space. They reach from the foundations of matter to the realm of alistic conception of evolution. This spirit. There is only one universe, and has been felt by those engaged in moral there is nothing outside of that. Hence and spiritual culture, and perhaps the it is that the moral and spiritual nature of man is a part of it, and it is an error theory may be thus explained. The to say that the cosmos has no ethics, evolutionist coming up from the animal when they are within the organization when they are within the organization

Prof. Huxley shows what material science is at its best, its floodtide; we ence becomes when illumined by the clear light of the spiritual philosophy. Then we have the perfect unity, the coalescence of the diverse and conflicting phenomena of matter and of spirit in one harmonious whole, which may with absolute truth be called the

### Shall We Rot or Ripen.

We have a very interesting letter from a friend who spent a day in a large city cemetery lately, in company with a medium. In this city of the dead were resident a large number of friends and acquaintances of our correspondent. Through the sensitive. many tests were given of the real presence of those whose bodies were buried there. Several suggestions were made by the unseen, and among them a regret that they had allowed their bodies to rot into dissolution. instead of ripening up to the best and most perfect form attainable. Then having extracted from life the last possible drop, to have quietly put it away without the intervention of disease.

This idea is certainly worthy of thought, for it is generally conceded at the present time that, as a rule, we are making the poorest possible use of our bodies.

Incidentally, it might be remarked that it seems strange that our spirit friends should be found lingering "on call" about so gruesome a place as a city cemetery, when there are so many other bright, beautiful and happy places the freed spirit could travel to if it had the option. But perhaps the action of the friends in earth-life has deprived it of that option, until, as occultism teaches us, the bodies have crumbled into the conflict with the cosmos, or creation. dust. If this is true, then how much 'The history of civilization details the steps by which men have succeeded in better to burn the body at once, than to building up an artificial world within have it burn slowly, through all the rottenness of slow decay. Taking for our analogy the fruit

hanging on the tree, we can see that which falls during the process of growth is always rotten. The rottenness comes the realization of that hope (to modify from some abnormal conditions set up from outer causes, a bruise, a worm, or climatio changes. Rottenness is not a result of the inner forces. The whole Clearly stated, then, evolution has no unfolding of the tree tends only toward system of ethics. It is as right for the the perfecting of the fruit to its utmost. So of our bodies; if we in the interior dwell on the higher spiritual planes of light and life, we do not put forth into our bodies anything but the life-giving impulse, that will build up our physicals into fit temples for the whole of our spirit (sometimes called the holy spirit) to dwell in. In this state we are willing to hear the whole of the truth; not pie authority to teach them. That is the Charities, public or private, are vain child picks out plums from a cake, beefforts to avert the inevitable and susupright, moral and respectable member tain the unfit, who ought to perish. We ment. But we are willing to listen to of society to treat the assumption of superiority on the part of those who hold to the despotic form of religious thought to the despotic form of religious the despotic fo to the despotic form of religious thought we fashion beyond these brutal forces, to complain of our brother, who does not see as we do; and still less likely to try to coerce him into such a position. Thus we can go on, ripening and spiritualizing our bodies, until they have yielded up the last atom of energy they possess, and we can cheerfully lay them aside, as one goes to sleep, which is so

often done. But if we dwell in the physical, and submit to all its changeful caprices of the outer, we shall soon find the spirit hedged away from the body in its influence, by a screen of thorns, and there is set up the reign of excessive indulgence, and a living dissolution. It will be well for us if our bodies are not, like Herod's, "eaten of worms" while we are

Continual contemplation of and surrender to physical conditions will surely bring untimely rottenness; while the search after the things of the spirit will elevate us into the realms of ripening perfection for even the body. There is no other way to learn to grow old grace-

To be a leader on this pleasant and oyous path is the aim of THE PRO-RESSIVE THINKER. W. P. PHELON, M. D.

A Practical View of Prayer. A colored brother was interrogated as to his opinion whether prayers were

"Well, sah, some pra'rs is ansud, an mality, for it has no higher faculty; but some isn't; 'pends on wa't you axes fo'.
man having intellectual and moral fac- Just arter de wah, w'en it was mighty ulties, these should control the passions, hard scratchin' fo' de cullud brederin', 'bsarved dat w'enebber I prayed de Lo'd controlled, and break away in wild law- to sen' one o' Marse Peyten' fat chickens fo' de ole man, dere was no notice took experience has taught that such action ob the partition; but wen I pray dat He would sen' de ole man fo' de chicken, de matter was 'tended to befo' sun up next mornin.'"

> In Minnesota a decree was given to the wife because "the defendant never cuts his toenails, and, being restless in his sleep, scratches this plaintiff severely.

There is apparently some ratio between divorce and suicide, as in most countries a correspondence is observed between the numbers of the two.

A Connecticut man got a divorce because "the defendant would not get up in the morning, nor call this plaintiff

A Michigan woman was released beaccount for their presence in a world of cause the husband would not provide joy. The escape is through the gateway the necessaries of life, saying "he would not work his toenails off for any

## WOMAN!

She Claims Her Proper the distinguished scientist, in 1882-83, Church.

At the organization of the American Congress of Liberal Religious Societies without, or moreomar change in the without, or moreomar change in the which seems to have been projected by in, that promotes electro change in the the dominant sex, Rev. Caroline J. Bartlett, pastor of the People's Church at Kalamazoo, Mich., was called upon to speak on "What Woman Can do in in Wisconsin but more recently in sev Uniting the Culture and Religious Forces of Society."

Her address, while it was highly pertinent to the subject, was nevertheless a scathing rebuke to the neglect of woman in the past and the tardy, not to ment claiming that there is no evidence say forced recognition of her in the present. She said:

"From her obscurity as a seldomcommented upon member of the genus homo, woman has been suddenly evoked by the spirit of the nineteenth century, which discovered her, and invited everythe background of the regnant sex; and it may be confessed that she has reit may be confessed that she has responded with no undue coyness and a breath of warm air, a puff of cold air, general movements, which will be read by at least 40,000. We go to press early

"In all the past of theology men have been at the front; have led the church militant; have led the great controversies, made the great schisms, formulated the creeds, hunted and impaled they had been closed for some time, pro-the heretics, set the standards and done duced considerable deflection, as did June 3, to crowded houses. We are inthe preaching of the world. And let mental efforts, like calculation." But formed that the excitement there is runme ask, in passing, have you ever ob-Does not this suggest a hitherto unutil- vanometer, but they promote sensations ized means of bringing both nearer to

which it is but half.

"If it be time for the various branches of liberalism to quit outlining them-selves severally against each other and against the background of orthodoxy and set at some constructive work for the world, is it not time for men and women as human beings to do the same? determined to refuse in this case until I when touched by the Divine brooding in eties everywhere. His lectures peneall and over all.

'Shall man execute this long-delayed justice? or shall it be that woman must, at least, sadly assert her own discredited divine prerogative, take up that crown of humanhood and crown herself?

But men and women are natural allies. This artificial separation in the higher provinces of life is based on false principles which it is the glory of this congress to transcend. And thus, out of the logic of the spirit of this congress, there will come, as I hope, and also believe, that day—infinitely better for us all—when there shall be no Jew nor Gentile, Greek nor barbarian, male nor female, but all shall be one in the renaissance of that Christ-spirit which even now dawns upon an expectant world."

The reading of this paper, of which we have given a very brief extract, was frequently interrupted by loud applause was publicly acknowledged by the secretary. So much for woman.

ligion, in which her disabilities are not vancing at personal sacrifice as long as the rights she claims before this august are advancing. assembly, and which we hope and believe it will accord to her, are in direct opposition to the plain letter of the scriptures.

### Who Will Imitate the Firefly's Light?

It is estimated by Prof. Langley of the Smithsonian that the waste of force in producing light by means of gas is over 99 per cent. of the energy expended, whereas the firefly wastes none at all. chemical action which scientists are trying to imitate. They have an idea that there is a combustion of a sort of fuel secreted by the phosphorescent animal. Life has nothing to do with the production of the light itself. The eggs of firein a mortar, they still give out light when moistened. The luminous beetle is still luminous twelve hours after being killed. The flashing of electricity through rarefied gases is our only means of producing a light that resembles the firefly's glow in being unaccompanied with heat. Ordinarily we relight, but the most delicate thermometer detects no heat in the most brilliant phosphorescent substance. The chemist who can discover a process for the and all circumstances. manufacture of the Cuban oucujo's illuminant has a fortune in prospect.—Baltimore Sun.

Dr. A. B. Spinney, of Detroit, Mich. was in the city last week. He is doing a grand work in Michigan, where he is constantly employed in the duties of his

Irwin, 3133 S. Park avenue.

The Position of Prof. Lockwood

the Scientist, Confirmed. In lectures given by Prof. Lockwood Place in the New American in various places in Wisconsin, he announced that from experiments made he had reached the conclusion that "every human being was a sentient electro-galvanometer;" that "any impulse from without, or molecular change from withnervous structure of the human, would influence or deflect the galvanometer needle." This statement made not only eral of the Middle and Western States, serve, and in many instances criticism, by the scientific mind—the opposing elethat the electro-states belonging to the human or to life were of the physical Whenever a change is made in speak-character that operates physical instruments like the galvanometer. But re-cent experiments made at St. Peters-long reports will not be used. Meetings burg, Russia, by Prof. Yaschanoff, in are of local interest only. We extend a where to define herself sharply against the interest of medical science, discov- cordial invitation to all speakers to send ers "that a slight tickling with a brush, in their appointments to lecture, and the prick of a needle, the phenomena of Monday morning, and items must reach needle. Merely opening the eyes, after they had been closed for some time, proupon the nervous structure of other peo-"This, this is the solemn truth: that ple, hence with a correct understanding we never once have had, and that we of this fact, the sensitive can not only

never will have a natural religion, a re- trace the disease or impulse of another, ligion of humanity, till the two co-ordinate elements of humanity mingle to cause or source, but he can get accurate Mott, Jr., by the spirit band, in full view Man and woman may separately strug- data as to the cause or causes as well. of the large circle, numbering over forty gle free from many of the errors of the This principle applied to psychometry people. Mr. and Mrs. Mott were placed past, but neither sex can separately rise above its innate capacity to express in terms of itself the whole of humanity of metal or fossil, or any article of social environment, also transmit to the sensitive the picture of location, and the character of the article with which the it from evil influences. The infant's sensitive comes in touch. Prof. Lockwood demonstrates this truth in his lec- dipped her fingers in water and sprinkled tures by the introduction of so many the child. Then a tall Indian chief held physical experiments, as well as psychic, as to interest and instruct his auditors toward the ceiling, and descending in the explication of each Natural's most in the supplication of each natural in the each natural in What can woman do to unite the culture in the application of one of Nature's most and religious forces of society? They subtle energies, viz., how modes of election of themselves and their tro-motion evolve thought and how the tro-motion evoke thought, and how this achievements and possibilities (as I had principle of sentient motion connects the spheres of life visible and invisible. thought of a few things I would really labor like to say). They can resolutely labor to make mere sex-distinctions as obsolete and Minneapolis camp, and at Clinton. to make mere sex-distinctions as obsoleted to the spirit and work of a congress like lowa, will hear something to think this as are the terms Unitarian, Unitarian, Unitarian all swallowed up and forthat is grand beyond conception. We and Minneapolis camp, and at Clinton, that is grand beyond conception. gotten in the task set, the ideal striven take especial pleasure in recommending for by the common humanity in us all Prof. Lockwood to the attention of soci-Prof. Lockwood to the attention of soci-

# GRAND TEMPLE.

for engagements in care of this office.

We hereby notify all members interested therein, that the Temple closes its regular Convocations on Sunday, June 17, 1894. This is one month earlier than the regular time of closing our season's work, and we fear that many persons will be discommoded thereby, but circumstances have ren-dered this course necessary.

We have had an enormous amount of from the congress, and the castigation work during the past year, and our gretting the illness of our sister, Mrs. tions, that I shall be at Muskegon July which the committee richly deserved officers are completely worn out with it. They must rest during the hot weather

The exceedingly disturbed financial moral courage to look on the bible as an taking of degrees somewhat burdenimperiect record of an imperiect re- some to many of our less wealthy memonly allowed but commanded; and that the classes to which they are attached

> our ranks. Temples in other jurisdictions have been very prosperous. Michigan State Temple No. 1, at Lansing, has been doing a good work under the leadership of A. J. Champion, G.

Minnesota Temples No. 1 and No. 2. are doing excellent work; the former

hope to ern and Eastern coasts. From the closing announced herein, or two.

up to July 25th, or even a few days later, we shall be able to confer a limited number of special degrees. quire 2,000 of heat to produce a white Arrangements for these can be made by etter or by a call on us before closing. Our address remains at 1910 Washington boulevard, as heretofore, under any

Certificates of membership will be issued as usual, books mailed and circulars sent out just the same as if the Grand Temple was open in full.

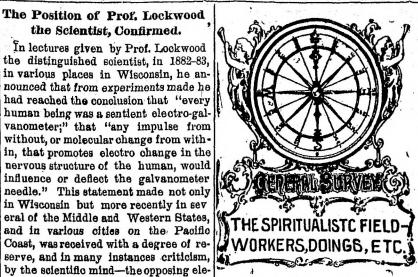
O. H. RJCHMOND. G. M. of Temple.

onstantly employed in the duties of his profession. He has engagements to lecture at South Haven, Bridgwell, Lake Odesse, Grand Ledge and Hastings.

The Progressive Spiritual Society has decided to lease the Lakeside Hall, corner Indiana avenue and Thirty-first to the medium. He took his seat in front of the cabinet, in a good strong street, for future meetings, and will take possession on Sunday, June 17th. All first-class speakers desiring to make arrangements for any of the fall or winter months are requested to correspond with the corresponding secretary, C. E. Irwin, 3133 S. Park avenue.

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Will C. Hodge has just concluded a successful engagements: Orion, Mich., 25th to 23th of June; Haslett Park, Mich., 29th of June; Haslett Park, Mich., 29



Bear in mind, please, that we cannot publish weekly reports of meetings.

Mrs. Jennie Hagan Jackson informs us of this principle. He affirms that not their feet. The notorious Hageman has lessly reaching) they are precisely the only do these electro-changes in nervous been there, but he was fully exposed by qualities attributed to the ideal woman? structure deflect the needle of the gal- Hon. L. V. Moulton, who is equal to any

> M. K. writes that Aaron S. Willis, of Cincinnati, Ohio, gave some remarkable materializing seances at New Orleans, whereby many were convinced. A notin front of a small table near the center of the room. Mr. Willis and a few friends of the parents formed an inner circle about the table. Spirit forms appeared, relatives, who caressed the child and promised to watch over and guard grandmother appeared, and smilingly graceful curves, handed the babe to Mr. Willis.

> A subscriber writes: Wisdom Seekers thought knowledge brought nature's wealth to secure. Progressive Thinkers' Teachers meetings daily. Come, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. All welcome. 277 W. Ran-

Mrs. Virginie Barrett, lecturer and psychometrist, will serve the New Orleans Spiritual Association during the terly productions. He can be addressed dianapolis, Ind.

can be addressed for engagements at Mich."

399 Lafayette St., Grand Rapids, Mich. W. H. Bach writes that he will be at Lake Brady the first three weeks of July and at Cassadaga during the entire The quality of our membership has camp. He will hold two developing cirbeen first-class, as heretofore, we having cles daily and give private sittings for received many eminent Mystics into development. He would like engage-

coming season.

A correspondent writes from Milwaukee, Wis.: "The German Spiritual Society here is doing remarkably well. It has been organized but a few months, yet in that time has been obliged to get a larger hall. We wish them all the success which their energy and perse-verance deserves. They will continue their meetings every Sunday evening during the summer at their hall, south west corner of Third street and North avenue. Mrs. Emma M. Nutt has been their speaker for the past month, and will continue with the society until September. Mrs. Nutt's address is 634 Jack-

M. H. Prince writes from Onset, Mass.:
"This bids fair to be one of the most brilliant camp-meetings ever held here, and those who have not visited this Eden March, but on account of poor health of modern times will, when they do, find she has had to give up her work here enchantment in every spot they traverse. and go home. Our society was very I am inadequate to the task in describ-sorry to think they had to let her go home, as she was building up our orthe rostrum have been arranged equal ganization, and she made many friends to the latest improved open-house orduring her stay here. Mrs. Jennie chestra circle. Benches of the best Hagan-Jackson, of Grand Rapids, was now in use, and capable of seating two with us during the month of May. She thousand people comfortably, have been is as brilliant a speaker as ever went on put in position. The 17th instant will the rostrum. Our society expects her be opening day, when the programmes back here through the month of Sepwill be issued for the season. There has tember. Prof. Wm. B. Wilds and his been erected by the Wigwam Associa- little family of five children furnished tion a fine large building in the form of the music for our society. They are a Wigwam, which will be dedicated the finest musical talent for their age shortly. It is for the exclusive use of there is. Prof. B. Wilds, first violing

Dr. A. B. Cooper, of Marshalltown, Iowa, writes: "Mrs. S. M. Lowell, of Anoka, Minn., whose ministrations for the M. S. A., of Marshalltown, Iowa, during the month of May, has given such excellent satisfaction, has been engaged for the month of June. We can ieartily recommend her to any society wanting to engage a first-class Spiritual lecturer during the fall and winter. Address during June, 115 N. Second street, Marshalltown, Iowa." J. C. Edward Marker writes: "Con-

erence meetings are being held every Sunday afternoon and evening at the First Church of Spiritualists, of Allegheny, Pa. Mediumship is being developed and we feel fully satisfied in the served that where anyone names the qualities of the ideal church (which under the present regime we are hopeognition and respect which is its legitimate due. Miss Emma Utz, the girl medium, who possessed so much popularity at the camp-meeting last year, is the handled without hesitancy. She will go to camp-meeting this summer as usual, where her control 'Daisy' will prove what Spiritualists claim to be facts."

Dr. J. S. Cooper writes from Marshalltown, Iowa: "I wish to say to the many readers of your valuable journal that we have had Dr. and Mrs. S. N. Aspinwall, of Minneapolis, Minn., with versal'satisfaction. They left us Saturday, the 2d, for Topeka, Kansas, to visit the Doctor's daughter for a few days. They then return to their home in Minneapolis, to prepare for the camp season. We hope to have them with us again this fall for a short time."

Bishop A. Beals is at Muskegon, Mich. The attendance at the first Sunday meetings was large, and the expressions of approbation very flattering and encouraging. Mr. Beals will attend their camp-meeting in July.

S. Walbert writes: "The Spiritualist leans Spiritual Association during the month of October, 1894. She has open dates for 1895. She would like to correspond with societies desiring her services for summer months. She has July and August open. Will make easy and angust open. Will make easy and angust open.

still in Grand Rapids, and is open to en- and will fill engagements to societies. Now we shall see if she will have the condition of our country renders the result of the condition of our country renders the Mrs. Jackson, who is an untiring worker, me at 20 Turner street, Grand Rapids,

W. W. Ricker and Mrs. Ricker. of Cincinnati, Ohio, spent the month of May at Keokuk, Iowa. He writes: "We went among them total strangers, and during the one short month we spent with them their many hospitalities and the whole-souled feelings of brotherly ments with societies or circles for the love that flowed forth so spontaneously and could not be misunderstood, struck a chord of feeling in us that will never "Chairman" writes from Rochester, cease to vibrate whenever we think of Ind.: "I write you to sap that Mrs. Isa them, and wherever late may lead us in Wilson Porter, of 544 W. Van Buren the future, we shall never think of them street, Chicago, occupied the rostrum at save with feelings of pleasure. We had Temple Hall, in this place, two Sundays the pleasure of attending two materialwith Sister R. A. Wadsworth, in the and gave us two midweek meetings. izing seances at the hospitable house of His light is without heat—a cold light. East; the latter, located in St. Paul, Her brief lectures delighted all hearers Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thompson, that It is the result of some sort of obscure presided over by Bro. Fred White, late and her platform tests were superior to lady being the medium, and we must of Chicago.

Bro. W. S. Cheney, G. M., is advance Rochester. The temple was well filled of time they remained visible, and in ing the cause as presiding officer at Los with good people at each meeting and it all the points that go to make this form Angeles, where a grand work is destined to be done in the future.

Was difficult to get the audience out of spirit manifestation so popular, we the hall after a two hours' service. We have never seen them excelled. Inde-A great demand for the labors of the cheerfully recommend her services to pendent voices were often heard singflies become luminous if moistened under certain conditions. Dried and powdered in a mortar, they still give out light Chief of the Jurisdiction of Terra has all societies wishing to attract large audiences. We do not intend to employ circle, and on two occasions voices were a speaker until in the fall, but should heard singing alone in the cabinet. coming year to fill this want, and we any good speaker or test medium come Take it all in all, the seances were be able to visit both the West our way we will do the best we can in very highly appreciated by those who the way of entertainment, for a Sunday attended them. In conclusion we will say that we were highly gratified, not only with the numbers of the audiences that greeted us on each night we occupied the platform there, but the assurances we heard from all that our labors were appreciated."

There will be a musical and literary entertainment, stereopticon exhibition and dance for the benefit of Father Williams, at National Hall, 681 W. Lake street, on Thursday evening, June 14th, commencing at 6 o'clock sharp. A very entertaining programme has been arranged. It will be under the direction of Mrs. L. P. Simmons and Prof. Clarke. Admission 25c.

healing the afflicted. There is a fine lyceum here, with a class of thirty to forty pupils all the year round, which compares favorably with any similar lyceum it has been my privilege to visit.

More anon."

There is, Froi. B. Wilds, night violini, Grace Wilds, pianist, 12 years old; Nina, second violinist and vocalist, 10; Arthur, violoncello, 9; Nellie, cornetist, 7; Ralph, triangle, 6. Our society can heartily recommend Prof. Wilds and his children to any society that wants a first violing. first-class musical entertainment. They will furnish music for camp-meetings at reasonable terms. They are a drawing card. Try them."

Prof. Carl Sextus, of Chicago, writes: "I was present at the meeting last Sunday evening, May 27, at No. 11 Ada street, where the well-known medium, Frank T. Ripley, appeared as the main feature of the programme. The hall was packed with an appreciative audience: for those that arrived later there was no seat, and they were glad to get standing-room. Mr. F. T. Ripley was a remarkable proof of the power of inspiration. During a light trance he delivered an instructive lecture that kept the crowded audience spellbound. In the course of the evening he gave still more evident proof of his wonderful ability, which prevails during his sensitive condition." Mrs. Rogers writes: "The friends got

together and had a very fine meeting at Star Lodge Hall, on Sabbath evening. Dr. Carpenter gave an address. Some main speaker at each meeting, her guides speaking followed. Then Mrs. Gillette using her most intelligently. The sub- gave slate-writing. Music was interjects which her guides may chose are spersed. The same programme will follow June 10th, evening, 7:45. We want to organize a permanent society. Come and help us.'

Julius writes from Clinton Camp, Iowa: 'I found the park more beautiful, if possible, than ever before, with its rich and varied foliage. The friends of Spiritualism living here seem alive to the great questions of the hour. A picuic us for the past two weeks, and have had was held on the grounds yesterday (Suna feast of spiritual truth. Mrs. A. is a day), and a very enjoyable and entertainfine inspirational speaker, and gave us ing occasion was the result. B. B. Hart, four lectures that were simply grand, as an old worker in the cause, gave an able well as her test circles, which gave uniaddress. Subject, "Nature's Divine Epic of Man." It was handled from a scientific standpoint. The occasion was enlived with soul-inspiring music by Mrs. E. Hulser and Mrs. Frankie Cole, of Chicago, and fine recitations by Mrs. Davenport and Miss Ruth Poole, of Clinton. All on the grounds, including Miss Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, worked with a will to make the entertainment a success, and did so financially beyond their most sanguine expectations. Dr. J. C. Phillips (psychometrist and healer) and wife are now located on the grounds, where they may be addressed until the close of

grove (forty rods south of Armstrong's meetings held in the Spiritual Temple, ices for summer months. She has July and August open. Will make easy terms within reach of societies. Address for the present, 158 E. St. Joe street, In-Elgin, Ill., will be the speaker. Other o'clock of each day. G. H. Brooks, of ration Day, May 30, Mrs. Lyman deliv-Elgin, Ill., will be the speaker. Other speakers and mediums will be present. exercises held at National Hall, and on Refreshments will be furnished in the May 31 she addressed the Band of Har-

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PROGRESSIVE THINKER. It is the best paper I ever read. There is hardly a number that does not contain an article number that does not contain an article worth many times the subscription price for one year. In our little city of 3,800 inhabitants, two years ago there was not a pronounced Spiritualist. Now there is at least one-hundred investigathere is at least one-hundred investigators, and four circles that meet regularly, and several that meet occasionally.

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Mrs. E. H. Evans writes that during the past winter seven ladies of Bolivar, N. Y., have been sitting for develop-ment with Mrs. Kittie Lestre as medium. She has nearly all phases except materialization. At a recent circle there were very fine rappingslike four hands playing a quartette together. This occurred in daylight with the shades raised and all sitters clear away from the table. Good tests

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# THE TRUE SPIRIT.

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Have you any idea of the infinite power of-God? Have you ever thought of the intelligence displayed in creating this world? Has it never dawned upon you that it was a benign, all-powerful ruler who designed and created all this? To create means to have an intelligence in the background. Answer me this: How could an egg produce the bird, if the mother bird, with her intelligence, had the governing or controlling true spirit, to quence, laid his orthodoxy and Adventism since I asked space in your widely-read colnot foreseen what was necessary for her to do in order to produce her young, or that bird? The progeny of that bird can be traced back laws that governed the Greeks will they be to the beginning of this earth, then God, with his own divine intelligence created the first Greeks did not understand these laws perfectly, bird or pair of birds; for he created them male and female, two distinct birds. Man, and every form of animal life, he created the same, male and female, and from that beginning has the world been populated, not only mostly means selfishness and greed. It is upon the land, but in the air and water as like the groveling worm which is content to

Now, if God in the beginning showed such divine intelligence in creating all animal life, and provided them with a beautiful world to love and benign forethought, has not provided a home for the spirits of all that animal world. Do not think that God created this world as a plaything, and that after he has displayed gressed wonderfully under all of these benign has reached the full zenith of his power, I will cut his mortal and eternal cares short," and thus sends death to take all this from him. Oh! no. He has simply given him his primary schooling here in this world, and puts a to prepare for this other world, for life beyond the grave is inherent in the human breast of all nations and colors. Nothing ever dies in nato another. Then why should man die and he does not die; he simply lavs aside the mor-The world will soon begin to understand that center of all. Life is reproduced in that world according to the heights of perfection when man passes to his home beyond, like attracts like, and nothing more. He can reach the highest perfected state, if he wishes, by progression, which means, in the Spiritual world, unalterable faith in God, to elevate It seems that mortals as they run are mighty him to that high moral plane.

It is not given to man, in his ignorant understanding of the spiritual, with the most vivid of the Spiritual world and its perfection.

The Spirit-world represents to a degree something akin to the mirage of a city which upon the water, where oftentimes the ship is the sky will be seen the mirage or picture of and to the eye they are such a reality that they have frequently been taken for real cities, mountains and forests.

to the material senses. The mirage is nothing but a reflection, and does not exist except in the reflection; but the Spirit-world does exist and is everlasting.

Now, this idea may seem ridiculous to the world at large, but it is nevertheless true. Everything in nature has a spirit—the trees, birds and fishes and everything that partakes The tradesman labors day and night, and well of life. The Arabs of the Sahara desert will why do they know that to be so? because they are, in every sense of the word, true children of nature, and nature, which is God's laws, shows them that nothing really dies. I lived He should not say, in times like these, he is among them when in earth-life, and from them I learned many valuable lessons, which they had derived from studying nature. These wise old men of the East or Orient, who have solved the mysteries of life, will tell you that everything has a spirit, for spirit means life. Take the spirit away from anything and how soon does destruction or disintegration set in.

All understand thoroughly that the sun is the life of the world; hence it is the spirit worlds without number. The sun is nothing more than the radiance or atmosphere of God penetrating all life, for its rays of light are life within it escapes the benign influence or life-giving strength thrown out by the sun.

· The present generations look upon the Ancient Greeks as an idolatrous people, worshiping the sun as their God, and yet can you show me a race of people that has ever reached the height of perfection that was attained by them. How well they understood life even in their modes of dress, which are at the present time regarded as the classic. Read the history of the Ancient Greeks, and you will see how well they understood the laws of government. With what God-like knowledge they ruled and understood life. All of this divine knowledge was derived from studying and living close to nature. They had their Radical ideas. Paper, 25 cents. seer or prophet, as he was then called, who examined the head of every male child born. and whatever were the indications of the phy- trated, by Watson Heston. A series of amus siological formations of that child's head, he ing cartoons illustrating the Bible texts was educated to that and nothing else; no Price in strong, board covers \$1. Cloth matter what wealth or standing he held in the \$1.50.

community. If his father was a ruler and the child's head read a stonemason, for a A REMARKABLE PRODUCTION. stonemason he was educated. In this way were they able to reach such heights of per-

A governor or statesman was not called from the low ranks of life to day and given the sceptre of control to morrow. They attained that position only by lifelong study and application.

How can a nation prosper in its government yet with only their faint ideas of the truth and adhering to that truth, look at the result. The

Be like the bird, soar into regions of thought unknown. Do not follow or be content to follow the old beaten tracks of centuinhabit, which provides for all material wants ries. Look up and strive to understand creand desires of man and beast, then how can ation and God, who is love, and learn to know the infidel say that God, after displaying such the within of yourselves better. The Grecian era will repeat itself ere many centuries have rolled around; but it will then be upon a grander and broader scale than that attained by the Greeks, or Ancients. The such intelligence and benign forethought in new era will more thoroughly understand the providing for that man and animal world, spiritual, but will, like the Greeks, live close that he would say: "Well, the man has pro- to nature. Then will the misery of the large cities be lessened and done away with, for this communication. For the past twenty- Dr. A. S. Hudson is an able and frequent coninfluences that I gave him, and now that he they will then be looked upon as places to be one years, I have passed from the study of tributor to your paper. He has a twin brothdespised, and the greatest perfection will not the old theology, "the hell-fire trust," the er; these brothers are in the seventies, and then reign in the city, but in the country, close to nature.

I predict that America will be the first man will more thoroughly understand that to I do believe it. SIR PERCIVAL JOHNSTONE,

### Never Satisfied.

Elizabeth.

hard to please, Always finding something wrong, and ever ill

at ease; imagination, to conceive of the limit or height Annoyed by petty trifles which are met on

every side, We never cease complaining, and are never

holds his reign,

comes again; a most beautiful city, mountain and forest, For then 'tis sure to be too hot to either walk or ride.

satisfied.

he plants again, There'll surely be an early frost, too dry, or lies. I now know of no better way to cele- this city. Our residence while here will be

too much rain; He's always looking far shead for something to betide.

And when his garners all are full, he's scarcely satisfied.

matures his plans, tell you that their horses have a spirit, and To save his stock, to treat all well, and meet all just demands:

And should kind fortune favor him, and he still stem the tide, not satisfied.

and discontent, 'Twould seem that all the evil hosts are to this

country sent To stir up strife and anarchy, our laws to override,

be satisfied? that governs and controls the world, and The power that works incessantly to curb the rights of man

concerted plan,

dear beside, mortified?

May we not live to see the day when this fair land of ours Shall be controlled by alien hosts, or yield to

other powers; Be they king, or queen, or pope, we want no foreign guide,

He who would wrest from us our rights, is never satisfied. A. E. BENNETT.

A Sex Revolution, by Louis Waisbrooker

Old Testament Stories, comically illus-

Moses Hull the Recipient of a Great Biblical and Historic Painting.

TO THE EDITOR:-I would like to inform you and the world, through your widely circulated Progressive Thinken that I have been MESSAGE FROM THE HULLS when men are put in the high places who lated PROGRESSIVE THINKER, that I have been know more about raising hogs and grain, but made the custodian of a very fine painting. who do not understand even the first requi- Mr. H. L. Suydam, of Geneva, N. Y., at They Have Moved Their Forces to sites of a statesman or ruler. Nothing but about the age of seventy years, was made the confusion will ever result from a government happy recipient of the most convincing evirun and founded upon such a basis, for it lacks dences of immortality, and has, per conse produce a satisfactory result, and only when aside. As an Adventist he painted a chart of umns to chronicle our work along the line, produce a satisfactory result, and only when the world begins to understand the spiritual the history of the world—especially those portions of it that were spoken of in the Bible. work in San Jose, I desire to make a report. able to live in peace within and without. The These historical facts he now, believes to be Communications from that quarter have given as important to Spiritualists as he thought they were when he used them to try to prove terest in the cause of Spiritualism in that that all things earthly were about to wind up. beautiful garden spot. I would only say in He now sees that it was only the event that reference to the meetings, that the interest trouble with the world to day is that it cultivates nothing but materiality, which now teacher; it was all the time wiser than its auwork was concluded Sunday night, the 27th thor when he made it. With a little altera-ult.; on that occasion many were compelled to tion he has made it fit Spiritualism. Now stand, and a large number went away because to see his painting go where it will do the hall. most good; so he has—whether wisely or not In addition to the two sessions every Sunremains to be proven—presented it to me.

ter, and my reply:

GENEVA, N. Y., April 26th, 1894.

To Moses Hull, on the wing:—My dear

To Moses Hull, on the wing:—My dear plead an excuse for my troubling you with hospitably entertained by the Drs. Hudson. I have fully made up my mind to rest upon the courage of their convictions everywhere country to adopt the new era of enlightenment, the Spiritualistic platform, which says: "Ye and on all occasions. spirit within him which diotates to him right for Americans are a restless people, always are all of God;" and also: "We are the off-and wrong, and which keeps telling him how seeking for something beyond, and not conspring of God." Acts 17:28, 29, and that tent with the present; they are quick and keen. "God is no respector of persons." Acts 10:34. Jurbs of San Jose, but there is a marked difwitted, and ever ready to adopt anything new Knowing that the person who made these as- ference between the two places. Santa Clara that will better their condition. They are in- sertions had seen Jesus, the greatest medium is almost entirely under the dominion of the ture; it simply passes from one state or form dependent and will not be hampered by old who ever breathed the breath of that life Catholics, therefore non-progressive. The forms of government. May God speed the given him by the Father of all Spirits, as well little hall was well filled on the occasion of be completely obliterated. No, kind friends, day or the dawning of their new ers, when as the spirit of life, I for one must believe it; Mr. Hull's lecture; there was a large delega-

hands of a more competent person.

ne. He said he was the little boy who, when wave of sadness passed over our spirits, concluded to place it where it will do the most things of the evening was the delicate repast And be it sunshine, snow or rain, we are not good; and as we are told in the "Beatitudes," served by the hostess and her assistants. On the lighted candle is of little use under the this occasion Mr. Hull and myself were recipexplain the spiritual aspect of the other world The farmer knows his crops will fail whene'er bushel, and as we are commanded to let our lients of pretty souvenirs of the Golden State. light shine, I wish to obey as far as my power brate my seventy-second birthday than to 439 O'Farrall street, where our friends will commence to do good. It now becomes my please address us. We remain here the Sunpleasurable duty to present this chart to you, days of the present month. Moses Hull, praying that the father of all truth. Yours truly,

> San Jose, Cal., May 28, 1894. H. L. SUYDAM, Geneva, N. Y .- Dear Brother: I am in receipt of yours of April 26. Accept my congratulations that you have at this advanced stage of your earth-life been In all the various walks of life there's doubt led out of Orthodox and Adventist darkness, into the light of a knowledge of an endless life. You have traveled very much the same road as myself.

> While I have a brotherly feeling for all who walk in the light of modern Spiritualism, I Could they succeed in doing this, would they feel especially attracted to all who have traveled the same road to find it that I did.

How can I properly express my thanks for the confidence you have reposed in me, in Will soon control this government by some making me the custodian of your great Biblical and historical painting? Though I have never hundred, to close the edition. Send at once far-reaching. Nothing that has the spark of And when our liberties are lost, with all held seen the painting, I have heard that as a work to THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, 40 Loomis of art it is very fine, while, as a descriptive street. Will those who sit supinely by be pleased, or and historic painting, it will serve as an aid in teaching those who receive truth through their eyes as well as through their ears.

While I feel my inability, as a public teacher, to do justice to the thoughts you have fastened on canvas, I doubt whether you could have presented your great painting to one who would have appreciated its lessons more, or who would strive more earnestly to 50 cents. make them tell on the world. As it was said of Abel that "being dead he yet speaketh," so I hope that through that painting you may talk to the world many years after you have gone to "shine as the stars of the firmament," in consequence of having turned many to

righteousness. Dear Brother, I accept the gift, in full appreciation of the spirit in which it is given, and I shall make an effort to make the great ed Phenomena; etc. By Carl Sextus. A very painting preach at some of the eastern camps, interesting presentation of a most interesting even this summer. May I hope to meet your subject, by a practical hypnotist. Cloth \$2.

good wife and yourself at some of them? Ever yours in the cause, MOSES HULL.

I will have the chart meet me at the Lake Brady camp, and will probably have it with me, at the Onset, Mass., and Ashley, Ohio,

### camps. As ever, MOSES HULL.

San Francisco.

To THE EDITOR: -Some weeks have elapsed your readers something of an idea of the inthat he is "old and full of years," he wants there were no accommodations for them in the

emains to be proven—presented it to me.

That the chart is valuable as a work of art always worked jointly with Mr. Hull (I conis proven by the fact that insurance compaducted the music besides), I addressed "The nies have been glad to insure it for \$400. The Spiritual Union Circle" three Sunday mornfollowing is Bro. Suydam's characteristic letings. This meeting is usually conducted as a conference and seems to be doing a great

brother: Please let the exigencies of my case ond series of meetings in Stockton. We were Second Advent, as held at present, and the doing vigorous, intellectual work. Dr. A. T. "Restitution of all through the two Adams." Hudson has a large practice. These men have

tion from San Jose. A few nights previous tal or material envelop of this world to be live in the true spirit of God is a simple thing born anew into the spiritual world beyond.

Throw off the old material to place some of the results of my study on to a genuine surprise in the Dobson home. self, and let the spiritual of the within dictate canvas, that others might see, study, and Our room was in the house of their daughter, everything that partakes of life in this world its mandates of the true spirit. Look up and learn for themselves as I had done. I pro- next door, and we had received no hint of the is reproduced in light, ethereal or spiritual beyond, where regions of light are waiting cured a piece of artists' canvas eighteen feet affair, until about eight in the evening, when forms in the next, which is several planes of for you to simply gaze and ponder upon, and long and four feet high. I spaced it off into a continuous ringing of the door bell and a space surrounding this earth, with God for where true springs of living waters are laved ages, and have placed thereon over one hunconstant inpouring into the Doctor's house out generously to the weary seeker after truth. dred Biblical scenes. But here my work as made us know that something unusual was on an instructor ceases. I find, on account of the programme. We were called; told a the spirit attained in this spirit valley, for Member of the House of Peers under Queen failing health and the infirmities of my age, couple of friends wanted to see us, etc. that I, of myself, can do little or no good When we entered the beautiful parlors we with it, and have resolved to place it in the were at a loss to know whether we were really on earth or had been transported to some fairy To celebrate the forty-sixth anniversary of land; there were flowers everywhere; foliage the spirit-rappings at Hydesville, I, in com- hung from pictures and portieres. The rooms pany with my wife, made a pilgrimage to the were filled with people, many among whom shrine, examined the house in all its minutiæ, we recognized as those who had made themtook notes, and made a sketch of the dwelling, selves known in our meetings, and there were through the kindness of an old gentleman, some strangers. As we looked into their who gave me his name, but it has passed from smiling faces and received their greetings, a only eight years old, had the rope tied under realized how soon we were to exchange "good one often sees, especially in certain latitudes We do not like the frosty air when winter his arms, and was let down into the hole byes," and take up our lines in other places. where the peddler's body was found. I then An interesting programme was extemporized, hundreds of miles from land, and yet there in We do not like the burning sun when summer procured from THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER consisting of vocal and instrumental music, the likenesses of the three Fox girls. I have speeches, recitations and songs; games were introduced them all on this chart. I have introduced, and not the least among the good

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The first conditions to be observed relate to the persons who compose the circle. These should be, as fan as possible, of opposite temperaments, as positive and negative; of moral characters, pure minds, and nor marked by repulsive points of either physical or men tal condition. No person suffering from disease, or of debilitated physique, should be present at any circle, unless it is formed expressly for healing purposes. I would recommend the number of the circle never to be less than three, or more than twelve. The best number is eight. No person of a strong positive temperament should be present, as any such magnetic spheres emanating from the circle will overpower that of the spirits, who must always be positive in the circle in order to produce phenomens.

ment should be present, as any such magnetic spheres emanating from the circle will overpower that of the spirits, who must always be positive in the circle in order to produce phenomena.

Never let the apartment be over-heated, the room should be well ventilated. Avoid strong light, which, by producing motion in the atmosphere, disturbs the manifestations. A subdued light is the most favorable for spiritual magnetism.

I recommend the seance to be opened either with prayer or a song sung in chorus, after which subdued, harmonizing conversation is better than wearisoms slience; but let the conversation be directed towards the purpose of the gathering, and never sink into discussion or rise to emphasis. Always have a pencil and paper on the table, avoid entering or quitting the room, irrelevant conversation, or disturbances within or without the circle after the scance has commenced.

Do not admit unpunctual comers, nor suffer the sir of the room to be disturbed after the sitting commences. Nothing but necessity, indisposition, or impressions, should warrant the disturbance of the sitting, which should warrant the disturbance of the sitting commences always extend to one hour, even if no results are obtained; it sometimes requires that time for spirits to form their battery. Let it be also remembered that circles are experimental, hence no one should be discouraged if phenomena are not produced at the first few sittings. Stay with the same circle for six sittings; if no phenomena are then produced you may be sure you are not assimilated to each other; in that case, let the members meet with other persons until you succeed.

A well-developed test medlum may sit without injury for any person, but a circle sitting for mutual development should never admit persons addicted to bad habits, strongly positive or dogmatics. A candid inquiring spirit is the only pro

which to sit for phenomens, the delicate magnetism of which is made or marred as much of mental as physical conditions.

Impressions are the voices of spirits or the monitions of the spirit within us, and should always be followed out, unless suggestive of wrong in act or word. At the opening of the circle, one or more are often impressed to change seats with others. One or more are impressed to withdraw, or a feeling of repuision makes it psinful to remain. Let these impressions be faithfully regarded, and pledge each other that no offence shall be taken by following impressions.

If a strong impression to write, speak, sing, dance, or gesticulate possess any mind present, follow it out faithfully. It has a meaning if you cannot at first realize it. Never feel burt thy your own person, nor ridicule your neighbor for any failures to express or discover the meaning of the spirit impressing you.

Spirit control is often deficient, and at first imperfect. By often yielding to it, your organism becomes more flexible, and the spirit more experienced; and practice in control is necessary for spirits as well as mortais. If dark and evil disposed spirits manifest to you, never drive them away, but always strive to elevate them, and treat them as you would mortais, under similar circumstances. Do not slways attribute faisehoods to "lying spirits," or deceiving mediums. Many mistakes occur in the communion of which you cannot always be aware.

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Unless charged by spirits to do otherwise do not continue to hold sittings with the same parties for more than a twelvemonth. After that time, if not before, fresh elements of magnetism are essential. Some of the original circle should withdraw, and others take their places.

Never seek the spirit circle in a trivial or deceptive spirit. Then, and then only, have you cause to fear it.

Never permit any one to sit in circles who suffer from it in health or mind. Magnetism in the case of such persons is a drug, which operates perniciously, and should be carefully avoided.

Every seventh person can be a medium of some kind, and become developed through the judicious operations of the spirit circle. When once mediums are fully developed the circle sometimes becomes injurious to them. When they feel this to be the case, let none be offended if they withdraw, and only use their gifts in other times and places.

All persons are subject to spirit influence and guidance, but only one in seven can so externalize this power as to become what is called a medium; and let it ever be remembered that trance speakers, no less than mediums for any other gift, can never be influenced by spirits far beyond their own normal capacity in the MATTER of the intelligence rendered, the magnetism of the spirit be brain, and, like s hot-house process on plants, forces into prominence latent powers of the mind, but creates nothing. Even in the case of merely automatic speakers, writers, rapping, and other forms of test mediumship, the intelligence of the spirit is measurably shaped by the capacity and idiosyncrastes of the medium. All spirit power is limited in expression by the organism through which it works, and spirits may control, inspire, and influence the human mind, but do not change or re-create it.—EMMA HAR-

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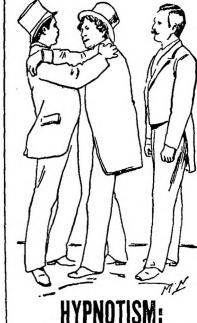
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H. H. HUTCHESON.

RESPONSE BY PROF. BUCHANAN.

I refer with pleasure to such questions as these, though I thought I had made my doctrines sufficiently intelligible.

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To live in love with all mankind-in harmony with heaven, and in possession of inspiration, fearless of all hostility, was the teachor since. He taught it practically by doing it, with the smallest possible number of precepts and theories.

Words are cheap and abundant. All nations have fine expressions. Jesus could add nothing new to the fine sentiments so often expressed in vain; but he taught by example; and alas, how few follow his example.

The expressions to which you refer in the Apostles that could not bear the strictest scrutiny of modern criticism.

dence that the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke true." Honest investigation is not a thing to to unite a couple who were not adapted to each after thoroughly advertising the fact in our and John were written by them. Davidson, the theological authority of the Encyclopedia it? Britannica, believes the gospel of John was the other gospels, after the times of their supposed authors.

Laying aside all such uncertain documents. I lead my pupils into a personal knowledge of him "If he knew on which floor was located lessened and in time ended the first trouble. some of them.

Jesus, can go through the Testament and find full, majestic, North of Ireland height, he a great deal ascribed to Jesus which he could majestically replied: not have uttered, and a great deal more ascribed to St. Paul, much of which is coarse and vulgar.

Whence came these forgeries? these interpolations and frauds?

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by St. Paul and St. Peter in the time of Nero, gospels for a hundred years, silenced the sin had never been committed." primitive Christians, never allowing them to And we are laughed at and ridiculed by the violin and piano duets by Mr. Henry White be known by the people, nor even by priests priestcraft, the preachers, and their blind, and his talented little son Herbert; short adwho were not in the ring—(for even Justin bigoted, ignorant followers. Why? By the dresses by Mrs. Holcomb and Messrs. Buding- be read by every woman and every man. Es-Martyr (A. D. 150) knew nothing of them, rank and file of the followers through ignotion and Peck; songs by Mrs. Grace Colby, and produced them only in the last quarter of rance and superstition, mainly, instilled into Miss Lida Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Wightman the second century, for there is no trace of them from earliest childhood by the priest- and Mr. Peck; quartettes by the excellent their recognition any earlier.

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"Why not?" said I. "I am surprised. ualism; you attended the camp-meeting; you clairaudient medium and repeats to us the change without notice, practically give a full attend the meetings here in the city; you are somewhat telephonic-like words of the com- programme for each and every day of camp. interested in the phenomena as shown us municating spirits, we have learned the spirit. and as far as possible it will be strictly adtament, which is about all the record we have through mediumship; now, why don't you ual side of this romance. take a good, liberal paper?"

> on my part. I did take THE PROGRESSIVE | would frequently hear some spirit mention his any previous attempt in the Northwest, and THINKER for a while, but people would come postoffice address, showing that his controls we earnestly advise all our friends to make a in, notice the paper, look it over, ask ques. were cognizant of the affair and were watching special effort to be with us for the full term of tions about it, and ask if I read and believed its progress. When he called, mother did not camp. From present indications the attendin such stuff, until I got ashamed of having it like his make-up; and, as his visits increased, and will be very large, many friends from around, and discontinued it. I like to read it, she disliked him and was not satisfied with distant States having expressed an intention though, "

at and called crazy." For shame! Be an told her if she did not like him or was not man or woman who won't investigate Spirit- satisfied with him, but I had refrained from test medium, will be with us and give daily ualism, or any other sublime truth, because taking any adverse step until mother spoke of seances in the large pavilion. he or she is afraid of being called crazy or of her opposition; then I seconded her efforts. being laughed at. Would you stop for ridi. As the young man departed we wished him cule in what you were convinced was a good good luck and happiness. At first my sister business opportunity that presented itself to was much grieved. His spirit controls came you, even though your friends did laugh at about to win her in spite of our efforts. She ness a secret because you were afraid of being They did not like to see me happy, and they distely forwarded. boldly and show our colors in the investiga. sister. Shortly, another medium came to our tion of the sublime truths of Spiritualism? house and I played on the organ some. This Let every true Spiritualist don the badge and medium was controlled by one of S.'s coning of Jesus as no one ever taught it before wear it boldly, and in plain sight. In union trols, and acted out her hatred of me, saying there is strength. Liet us tell all honest in that she could rap my knuckles when I tried enough to be afraid of ridicule. Be honest, asked her if she had no better way to improve tack upon our philosophy, denouncing all true and upright. We do not ask you to be. her time than to interfere in the happiness of Spiritualists as workers in the Devil's ranks, lieve what cannot be proven to you, demon. others. I did my best to reform her, and she and all our work as the work of the devil and strated to your sense of seeing and hearing. soon felt sorry and owned her fault. Of his imps, closing his sermon with the remarks: We invite the closest investigation and scru- course, the medium lent her will power in re- 'No good ever has or will come from Spirit-New Testament were never uttered by Jesus, tiny, and do not ask you to accept what you forming the revengeful spirit. There is nothing in the lives of Jesus and the cannot understand "by faith," nor say to you, Through the medium we were told that the immoral." After this sermon, no doubt the God, in his infinite wisdom, has not revealed; to have revenge. Their actions showed that cincts of his study and chuckled over the man-In the higher criticism of recent times it but you must accept it; you must not doubt they had not yet outgrown their earthly condi- ner in which he had downed us poor deluded has been shown that the New Testament has it; you must believe it or be forever damned, tions, their passions and desires; if they had mortals; but he did not down us worth a cent, no historical authority—that there is no evi- because the Bible (or the preacher) says its been bright spirits, they would not have tried and on Sunday, May 27th, Dr. J. A. Marvin,

Who are they that ridicule Spiritualism? proached by two young ladies who inquired averted any such rash step on her part. of him where a certain block was located. He the hall in which the Spiritualists were hold-Whoever learns this, the true character of ing meetings." Drawing himself up to his

> "No, ma'am, Oi do not. Oi 'ave done Spiritualist Society of Greenwich, Mass., has accomplishing a great work for the good of mony cra-azy t'ings in me loife, but Oi never made it a custom to invite the Springfield So- humanity, more than could be accomplished Spiritoolists."

The story is simple—the four evangelists to keep away from them. He was undoubt- tained. In order to reciprocate, in a measure, The control was a powerful one and handled did write four books, but they were seized by edly "cra-azy enough" to go to mass, to par- this kind attention, the Ladies' Aid Society of the question like a veteran, and seemed very take of "holy" communion, believing, in his Springfield tendered a special reception to the unwilling to give up his medium. The Doc-Unfortunately a church was started at Rome sublime ignorance, that the bread he ate and Greenwich friends at our cosy hall in this city. tor has without doubt gathered some very the wine he drank were the actual body and The latter, to the number of forty or fifty, ac- intelligent spirits about him and his band. when Rome was a foul center of crime and blood of Jesus Christ, transformed miracu- cepted the invitation and were met at the de- doing good work here, making converts and corruption. As soon as these apostles died, lously by the touch of the priestly hands, and pot and escorted to the hall where dinner was spreading the philosophy of Spiritualism. May and even before the death of John, scoundrel that the priest had the power to absolve him served. The afternoon was spent in viewing his good work continue. Dr. E. A. READ. priests in Rome organized a plan to conquer from any and all sin he had committed, no the city and in social converse. Supper was the world by their hierarchy under a Pope and matter how vile, so that, as one Irish woman served at 6 o'clock, and the evening was dein the name of Jesus. They suppressed the put it, "It was just the same as though the voted to a musical and literary entertainment A lecture delivered at the Freethinkers' Inter-

hood. By the priest, because it is his busi- Spiritualist Choir, accompanied by our excel-The gospels thus produced are a set of corness, his bread and butter, to keep the masses lent and faithful planist, Mrs. Merrill; amusand that unless he keeps the masses well in that can boast of as much first-class talent,

atand out and show their true colors. Weak age, yet he bids fair to become a second "Ad- true and fabulous theology, too well known to

the true Christianity of the apostolic age, the coverers, and inventors, but they were men Mr. Palmer, of Greenwich, tendered the were murdered, and the origin of that gigantic "laughed at," and the world is better for their tertainment furnished them, and invited our fraud which crushed Christianity, assumed having lived in it, and been bold, honest and people to be on hand as usual at their annual

what he finds that is good, pure and elevating, that will make a better man of him, discarding all that is otherwise; lay aside prejudice, overcome diffidence, fear of ridicule, and of To the Members and Friends of being laughed at or called a crazy Spiritualist. P. W. ARTHUR.

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these matters, but I don't like to be laughed ure. Mother had asked my opinion, and I coming. more importance, then, is it that we come out endeavor to play on the organ annoyed my

be ridiculed; but if it is ridiculed, what of other. Revenge does not linger in the local papers, "that he would reply to Brother

thoughts of good spirits or mortals. Those revengeful controls of S. tried to manner to walk upon his coattail. The audiwritten more than fifty years after the death These cowards are afraid of the ridioule of have my sister elope with him. They worked ence was a large one, and among them was of John, and various dates are conjectured for such people as the big Irish Roman Catholic upon her mind until she thought seriously of quite a number of leading lights of the Methopoliceman, who, standing on a corner, was ap doing so; but we, and friends of the family, dist church. Dr. Marvin gave an eloquent

psychometric investigation brings me into the politely pointed out the block and the street sirable, of better qualities, and more kind- not only from our friends but from the Methoreal lives of the men of the apostolic age, and entrance; then one of the young ladies asked ness, made her acquaintance. Their marriage dist brethren as well. H. E. MARTIN. Dimondale, Mich.

Spiritual Festival.

was fool enough to go among them cra-azy ciety to visit and participate in the annual by any other means or in any other way. June festival at that place, at which times we Probably the "Father" had commanded him have been most royally received and enter- his hearer were evidently much interested. furnished by members of the society; exquisite national Congress, Chicago, Ill., October,

frauds upon the authority of the Catholic hier- honest investigation of Spiritualism will result ble programme. It is doubtful if there is struments of torture used by churchly inquisiarchy alone, with no evidence whatever of in belief, brought about by absolute proof, another society of the same size in the country tors to convert or destroy heretics and infidels. That gigantic fraud was the greatest crime hand his occupation is gone. If one of his musical and dramatic, as can be found among

You may ask me how I know all this; but indeed must be the man or woman who gives miral Crichton." He plays the piano with need its character here stated. Paper, 25 \* would take a large volume to report my in such a flimsy excuse as that they "are afraid remarkable skill, recites with the intelligence cents; cloth, 50 cts

festival-which they designate as "Children's Let us, then, profit by their illustrious ex- Day"-on the last Sunday in June. And, as we recognize these gatherings and mutual Let every investigator take a good, liberal visits as a "means of grace" and of cement paper, read it, study and digest it, retaining ing us together in the bonds of spiritual fellowship, we all hope and expect to be there as

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Some five years ago my sister became ac. Our list of speakers and mediums for every "Well, to tell you the truth, it is diffidence quainted with a young man, and mother phase will be found, we think, to far exceed him. Being sensitive, she felt his surround- of being with us. An advance order for one Now, what kind of a man is that? It has ings, his controls, and their make up in gen- hundred tents has been placed, and we confibeen my experience, and I presume the experience. She thought that S.'s love was tinged dently expect to have to duplicate that order rience of nearly every Spiritualist who is bold with a little too much passion; that he was before the close. When you have decided and honest enough to let his belief be known, quick-tempered, a little spiteful, and that he that you will be with us, and when, write imthat many people come to us to ask about would knock even his wife down if she did mediately to the secretary, giving size of tent these things—to learn what we have seen and not yield to his ways and desires. When he required, and whether you wish a floor in it or heard, and when you say to them: "There are made his last visit, mother asked him if he not, and your order will be filed and tent ready meetings held so and so; there are such and thought he could not give up her daughter or for you on arrival, and then a couple of days such mediums, of such and such phases; why any claim to her. He thought he could, and before you leave home for the camp drop a don't you go to see and hear for yourself?" there was no arguing or pleading. He did postal so that if you should arrive late in the they will say, "Well, I am curious about not cry or grieve visibly, but took his depart- evening preparations may be made for your

Don't miss being with us the first week of honest man, whatever you are. Out upon any satisfied to tell him so. I was not very well camp, when Edgar W. Emerson, the noted

A complete change of programme every

Bring the children along. Special efforts will be made to instruct the young in the beauties of our philosophy. Do not depend upon you, call you crazy and ridicule the business? had a dislike for me; she did not love me as a my having your right address, but send a Would you hesitate, hide and cringe, and sister should; her feelings, as she was medi- postal card with a request for as many probarbarians. A group of twelve such men has want to keep your connection with such busi- umistic, were intensified by his controls. grammes as you desire and they will be imme-

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To THE EDITOR: -On Sunday, May 20th, quirers our experiences—what we have seen, to play on the organ. This spirit control even the Rev. Mr. Pattison, of the First Methoheard and know to be true; and you that have said she could shoot me if she had a revolver. dist Church, of Lansing, Michigan, paid his not yet become fully convinced, don't be weak I talked kindly to the revengeful spirit and respects to Spiritualism in a very bitter atualism, and its teachings are misleading and "O, well, my dear sir, that is something that controls of the young man S. also took a vow Rev. Mr. Pattison retired to the narrow pre-

> lecture, full of argument, and made many Fortuitously, another young man, more de- good points that brought node of approval It was conceded to be a complete refutation of the charges made against Spiritualism and its adherents; also an unanswerable argument that modern Spiritualism came to the To THE EDITOR:-For several years the world as a means of good; that it has and is

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Such silent thoughts are mamed a pleasant memories of bygone people and scenes, the associations tokens of regard that may have passed between friends now separated by the lonely tomb-may have withered, decayed; been destroyed or misappropriated, but the sentiment which actuated the donation can never Waterto be forgotten, either in the mortal or

pression of feeling, silent in itself, but sent you by the Spiritual Society of of obligation felt for favors, carries with suffer as we have. Gratitude involves a debt which is ever ability, but in a case like this, where a THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER. liquidated in one form or another, and whole society, without a dissenting voice the truth that there can be no cause your silence. without its effect; no act of kindness without an obligation, and no reciprocal for publication (again last night) the

relations without affectionate regard. spiritually every thought entertained by very important point in the expose. The mortals in the deep silence of solitude is articles, consisting of wigs, moustaches. noted and conveyed to friends in the gauze gowns, gaure cloth, a man's black spirit world, who are rejoiced to hear silk shirt, lady's black silk under-vest, from their dear ones in mortal life, even through the channels of unexpressed, phorescent chemicals, small wax tapers, silent thoughts. A mother will no doubt tacks and staples, of different sizes and think of bygone days when the bright kinds, a large number of poker chips, smiles of a loved child gave sunshine to probably two hundred. These were not the family home, and the mere sugges- sound at the Temple, where they might tion will awaken a train of memories have been thrown by her enemies, but that will embrace many an act of filial were found at Mr. Mattison's residence, affection that will give a longing desire under the bed that Mrs. Roberts had to be with the loved one again, to hear occupied during heretay, and where none the pretty speech, to note the confiding but his family and Mrs. Roberts had the pretty speech, to note the confiding but his family and Mrs. Roberts had dren Teething" softens gums, reduces inflama manner and, above all, to hear the beau-scess. Besides these articles, she had tion, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottletiful name of mother spoken again, as others of like character on her person,

only a child can speak it.

Such thoughts, though unuttered, are not lost; they are carried lovingly to the spiritual realm, and given to that child in token of the remembrance of an earth-

prent.

How fruitful how sweat then include from like trouble, and it seems to us we

communion in the solitude of the chamber, with recollections of happy seasons with loved ones who have gone to the beautiful shore

passed beyond the river.
I speak not thus to those who are in

communion with their spirit friends, Mr. Ripley will remain there during who receive communications from them, and have thus opened the way to re-as period with regard to the effects of a sociation, though part may be of one wealthy dominant priesthood and intolerant theological requirements as those mortals who in the "battle of life" are immersed in the cares and trials of ambition and who from their materialrendered servile by an overbearing istic surroundings and associations have ecclesiasticism and the bold and un-become hardened and brutalized in a istic surroundings and associations have become hardened and brutalized in a Mouroe, Wis., where she seems to be spiritual sense, deeming the finer and doing an excellent work: "I am at presmore pure affections of spiritual regard as too effeminate for manhood.

Can such mortals not spare a brief moment of reflective recollection of some relative or friend on the spiritual side worldly possessions than in the care of life to whom they may be independent of persecution and torture was resorted for much they may enjoy? Can they lay aside the cares of mortal life even for a side the cares of mortal life even for a place upon it even a forget-me-not?

Such mortals in turn must become spirits, and then frivolous excuses for It may thus be conceived that from a neglect will not keep current, the shams one week from this ensuing Sunday. One week from this ensuing Sunday. It may thus be conceived that from a neglect will not keep current, the shams one week from this ensuing Sunday. One week from this ensuing Sunday. Mr. Scovell assists in the class work, neglect will not keep current, the shams one hand, and a dissolute, brutal and into spirit life and the insane selfishness of the "first person singular" will lie in the grave, soon to be forgotten.

It is amazing that mortals can, one day in the week, in the house of God,

Ah! well, it is but an evidence of the sincerity of faith they profess; and here

### THEY WANT THE TRUTH

should be punished, and banished from the ranks of Spiritualism, have laid the case before the grand jury, and expect to secure an indictment, which will be used in case we know of her holding any more of her so-called materializing seances.

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the other in reciprocal relationship, unless thoroughly satisfied of their relithus the status of mortals demonstrates comes to you, we cannot understand

In reading over the article sent you thought occurred to us that there was a Thus as to mortals with mortals. But chance for a misunderstanding of one that she exhibited at the Woodruff

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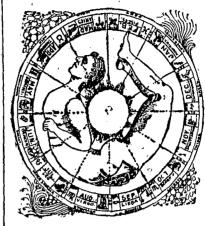
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