

social reforms until the women are al-lowed equal suffrage, the same as men. Ic Indian missions, and contends that

papacy, but retained as divine the fraud-

JOS. RODES BUCHANAN.

resists ancient superstitions.

other symptoms of hysterical, hypo-

REGULATING PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.

On Friday evening, October 12, was held a meeting of the Cleveland Medical from Congregational and Presbyterian Society. Dr. W. J. Scott shadowed Indian schools. If that be so, it is just forth one of the main objects of the so- what ought to have been done long ago. ciety to be "for the purpose of obtaining The church should be separated from laws for the regulation and protection the State entirely, and this can only be of the medical profession." He said: done effectually by cutting off all such "In order to accomplish anything we must get hold of the legislature. Last winter our bill was emasculated until it done enectuary by cutting on the sporpri-ations of the people's money. The Plain-dealer says: "If any church, no matter had no backbone and no teeth; and then of what denomination, is willing to give it was defeated. A large sum of money a part of the money necessary (to edu-was sent to Columbus for the purpose of cate the Indians), there is no economic defeating this bill. The cash was con- reason why the Government should rewas the bill defeated? or oyster suppers. Where did the rest they wanted, Since the people have bewhere?

The last Ohio legislature had a debelieve that oyster suppers or money had aught to do in defeating the bill. It was the injustice of the bill itself that a speech in the House of Representasought to discriminate between different | tives, June 7, 1894, thought it time "to schools of medicine, giving the advan-tage to the "regulars." All such special tion's money to enrich the coffers of any legislation onght to be defeated, and I religious society." That is the true doc-caution the people to be vigilant and defeat all such nefarious legislation in the should be returned to Congress as long future when it comes up.

THE SALOON BUSINESS.

The Father Matthew "temperance people of all creeds and denominations,"had each of the years 1886 to 1893 inclusive: an immense parade in Chicago, in which The total for eight years is \$3,767,951. It is said 15,000 people participated. Of this immense sum the Roman Cath-Bishop Watterson, of Columbus, O., was olics got \$2,366,416; leaving \$1,401,535 to chief orator. "Francis Archbishop Sa-be divided among fifteon other churches tolli, Delegate Apostolic," sent a letter and schools. complimenting Bishop Watterson, and It is proper expressing "deep regret that so many that the Baptists, Methodists, Presbyte-Catholics are engaged in the saloon busi- rians, and the Protestant Episcopal ness, and hopes that this abuse may be churches have, in public utterances, de-mitigated, if not obliterated." Bishop cided not to ask for or accept any money business is not an evil in itself. At any rate, the Catholic church does not exrate, the Catholic church does not ex-communicate anyone merely because he is engaged in the liquor traffic. To sup-to secure the constitutional prohibition pose so is a mistake." He then censure Washington Hesing, a prominent Democratic politician of Chicago, for "intentionally or unitentionally mislead-ing the people" on this matter. He says: "The German Catholic Before voting for a representative, either of this country is a true son of his State or National, find out how he stands church, but is also a true patriot. He on one of the most important issues now can be both with an honest heart and before the American people. defend his rights." All of which means that the German Catholic can drink as much beer as he pleases, without any danger of being excommunicated. This ference, Steubenville, Ohio, the case of cunning bishop knows very well that to Rev. W. E. Thompson, Fostoria, Ohio, turn out of church all the beer-drinking came up. He had married a leading lady Catholics would deplete the church to worker in his congregation, knowing such an extent that there would hardly that she had colored blood in her veins be a grease spot of it left. The bishop The committee found that he had in some

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he whole reduction should have been taken from the same source."

The North American complains that appropriations have been withdrawu Jesus the Christ of old, as detailed in the holy scriptures. I hope she may have large audiences. GONE INSANE. "Miss Stella Snyder, of Wheeling, He said: done effectually by cutting 'off all such

W. Va., a music teacher, has gone insane over the subject of religion. She is a very bright and intelligent young lady, and on every subject other than religion her mind is all right. She thinks she is a missionary sent to redeem the deteating this bill. The cash was con-tributed by the quacks and midwives. I know what I am falking about How fuse to accept the assistance." That says, has been damned." Miss Snyder is I know what I am talking about. How will do to blindfold the people with. So not a Spiritualist, or her insanity could By oysters, far no church has been found willing to be easily accounted for(!) She has probwhisky and tobacco in part. It is hardly give a "part of the money necessary" for by been attending some Methodist or possible, however, that \$40,000 was spent the reason that they have had all that United Brethren revival, had the horrors of a "hell of fire and brimstone" of the money go to? Echo answers, gun to kick against this wholesale sys-

visited on sinners, and in that way has tem of stealing the public money, it may been unbalanced. I hope the poor girl The last Ohio legislature had a de-be that the churches having concluded been unbalanced. I hope the poor girl cided Republican majority; but I do not that "half a loaf is better than no has a big brother, who will give the preacher who has been instrumental in bread," are inclined to compromise. causing this calamity a sound thrashing. A few examples of that sort would have Congressman Linton, of Michigan, in a good effect.

> Several heathen peasants of the village Staria, near Mentana, province o Viatka, have been arrested, and will shortly be tried at Sarapoul, on the as he is willing to serve the people.

At a recent session of the M. P. Con-

charge of murdering and disemboweling Here are the figures showing the a man whom they sacrificed to their god amount of moneys set apart for various This was the news at St. Petersburg religious bodies for Indian education for October 25th. These poor, deluded peasants had no doubt been reading the 22d chapter of Genesis, 2d verse, where "God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him: Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him It is proper to state in this connection,

there for a burnt-offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. Of course these poor peasants had copie of the Bible given to them by the good, Watterson concedes "that the saloon from the Government for any such pur- if it was proper for Abraham to burn his pose. The Presbyterian General Assemonly son Isaać to appease the angry and the "jealous god," it would certainly be right for them to do so too, and they did so. Now, these poor, deluded Christians. of all appropriations of public money to "converted," no doubt, by the mission aries, will have to suffer the penalty of sectarian schools, either by the State or by the general Government." The Presthe law. Isn't it the missionaries who ought to be punished, not "the heathen peasants?" Of course, Abraham spared his son, at the command of the Lord, as the sequel shows, and sacrificed a poor, innocent ram that had been "caught i a thicket by the horns, and offered him SHE HAD COLORED BLOOD.

up as a burnt-offering in the stead of his son." But that doesn't help the case very much. It only goes to show that God, the unchangeable, that is "the same yesterday, to-day and forever,? had only changed his mind. That's all A SWINDLING CHURCH MEMBER.

J. A. Francis, teller of the City Bank "The Catholic church, besides her particulars been "indiscreet, but not of Hartford, Conn., has confessed to emother means of reaching the moral na-ture of her children, has one special way character." They decided unanimously tries in his cash account. The guilty which no other religious organization that "he must be more discreet here-has, of dealing with the individual consciences of those who do not withdraw the Holy Bible interdicting a marriage with the bank for thirty-five years. He

ocular demonstrations that the so-called lain of a penitentiary. Where I go ye has no reliable evidence to day that the dead can and do return and talk to their cannot come, but I go to prepare a place has no reliable evidence to any that the friends, and show their materialized for you, and may the Lord have mercy or acknowledged by Mark. forms as plainly and palpably as did on your souls. Good-bye."

C. H. MATHEWS. New Philadelphia, Ohio. P. S. --Since this article was prepared

the elections have retired a number of Congressmen who voted away public money for religious purposes, which they had no lawful right to do. Among the humber who were defeated was Hon. James A. D. Richards, in this (the Seventeenth) district, which has given nearly 5,000 Democratic majority at times,

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tion of their faith.

Copies of Hon. Wm. S. Linton's able speech on the Indian appropriation bill men, as anything more than the anoncan be had at 25 cents per 100 copies, of vmous production of a superstitious age, Messrs. Hartman & Cadick, 339 in which all miraculous stories were ac nessee avenue, Washington, D. C. It is a document that should be widely circepted, no matter how ridiculous. In the appendix to my Bible I find, as a portion culated. Now is the time to do "misof sacred history, that Saint John was ionary work." M.

NOT HAS, BUT IS.

For man to say he has a soul. Is not the truth to say; He has no soul, but is a soul, And has a "house of clay." Which house is but his transient home: Ere long he'll move away And leave it cold and tenantless, To moulder and decay. Were I to say I have myself, Twould be a phrase as fit As 'twould to say I have a soul," For I, myself, am it. This clay with which I now am clad Is not me, as some suppose; Because when shed, 'twill lie as dead As do my worn-out clothes. When I am gone, don't view my clay And think that I am dead; For what you'll see will not be me, But only what I've shed. If these right views were more impresse Upon the human mind, Man then would feel himself more blessed. And more to faith inclined. But while he thinks himself must die, And that his soul, not him. Is all that shall be borne on high, So long will death look grim. But when man learns he is a soul And that his cley alone Is all that dies, he'll then rejoice With joy before unknown. Death then will seem no sadder thing Than casting off the olay, To glide with guardian angels To the spirit-land away. May heaven haste the happy day When all shall comprehend That they themselves shall never die:

Shall never have an end. For when that heavenly day shall come All earthly tongues shall sing:

"Oh, Grave, where is thy victory? Oh; Death, where is thy sting?" G. W. SEEVERS.

San Jose, Cal. AT THE TURN OF THE ROAD. or acknowledged by Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Paul and Peter. The ablest biblical scholarship is quietly

The glory has passed from the goldengiving up such claims to authenticity, rod's plume, The purple-bued asters still linger in and so far as literary research and criticism are concerned, they appear as the bloom:

The birch is bright yellow, the sumachs anonymous productions of a credulous are red. The Encyclopædia. Britannica and its The maple like torches aflame overhead.

ablest theologian. Davidson, express the opinion that the gospel of St. John was past, written by somebody about a hundred vears after his death. I do not see.

blast? therefore, how the Testament can retain any standing among enlightened May, For my love is its sunshine-she meets

me to day!

turn to her nest? Will the needle swing back from the

considered a martyr (though he was not east or the west? killed), because at Rome he was thrown At the stroke of the hour she will be at

into boiling oil, to kill him, but it did him no harm, and he lived to an old age. The religious literature of that comes later + is ;

period abounds in more ridiculous stories When it is generally acknowledged

yet.

that the gospels are not authentic, the so-called Christian church must tumble down, having no authentic brook overflowed.

foundation - no other foundation than a literary fraud - a fact which is apparent the road. now, when we look at the results of the most faithful and complete investiga-

twines: TRUE CHRISTIANITY RESURRECTED.

through the pines; When this occurs, true Christianity haste by the bowlder, that lies in the

will have its resurrection. That resur field. rection is already apparent in modern Spiritualism, which has verified and re-Where her promise at parting was lovingly sealed.

peated all that was done in Jerusalem, Will she come by the hillside or round to the great satisfaction of the apostolic through the wood? Will she wear her brown dress, or her martyrs, who smile upon this resurrec

Then will appear the true history of mantle or hood? the primitive Christianity, which was The minute draws near-but her watch

crushed by the Roman priesthood, as they have ever since made war upon it.

It will be shown that the gospels and her so long? epistles, though mutilated and changed Why doubt for a moment? More shame

at Rome, were really written by their if I dol ঔ putative authors, and embodied in their Why question? Why tremble? Are anfaithful and simple history a pure and

gels more true? rational religion, liable to none of the She would come to the lover who calls objections which rational thinkers bring her his own

against the Roman frauds which have Though she trod in the track of a whirlmade it so repulsive to the best minds wind cyclone! 10111 in all ages.

The plan of the Roman ring of priests I crossed the old bridge ere the minwas to corrupt the gospels and change ute had nassed.

I looked; lo! my love stood before me at their spirit by interpolations, and to organize a system of vindictive hate and last.

ecclesiastical and political despotism, by Her eyes, how they sparkled, her cheeks, the forged epistles ascribed to Saint how they glowed, Paul, which are so well adapted to the As we met face to face, at the turn of the

baser elements of humanity, that the Pauline Christianity has everywhere road! DR. HOLMES. superseded the levely religion of Jesus, Hogarth liked good English beef and

the beauty of which is apparent, even in mutton. His common drink was beer. spite of the disgusting and obvious Moore hated onions. He said that a interpolations with which the gospels man who would eat onions would steal. have been crammed.

Any one who understands the true character. of Jesus and his brave, un- meal porridge, and his drink was water. | coat.

chrodriac, and neurasthenic affections is astonishing.

Although not merely imaginary complaints, they cease with the removal of the "auto suggestive cause," which may be effected by any change of scene banishing it from the thoughts or by heterosuggestion (Fremdsuggestion) on the part of a physician, who may impart it verbally or in the disguise of a dose of medicine. In obstinate cases, in which the auto-suggestion is firmly intrenched But what if the joy of the summer is in mental imbecility, superstition, morbid appetites and passions, inveterate And winter's wild herald is blowing his habits or abnormalities of character, recourse must be had to hypnotism. That For me dull November is sweeter than the great majority of mankind are capable of being hypnotized is shown by the experiments of Dr. Freiherr von Schrenk-Notzing, of Munich, on 8,705 persons of different nationalities, of Will she come? Will the ring-dove re- whom only 6 per cent. proved to be ehtirely unsusceptible.

The basic truths in this whole business are perfectly well understood by all physicians and not a few of their paher gate; -.... A friend may prove laggard-love never that this power can and will be successients. There are those who believe fully used in dentistry and the more Do I see her afar, in the distance? Not common cases of surgery. But whether this ever comes about or not, it is of the Too early! Too early! She could not for first consequence to know that it will get! When I cross the old bridge where the tics to which it is manifestly entitled. The good results directly flowing from She will flash full in sight at the turn of an intelligent use of this potent factor in the healing art will be at once appreciated by every one; while the remoter pass the low wall where the ivy en- effects, if the practice becomes settled and as effective as most of its advocates tread the brown pathway that leads believe, will be of tremendous significance to society.

It cannot be doubted that in this line the quack has had the field mainly to himself in the past, and has been able to deceive the patient and the public, to his own enrichment and to the disparagement and discredit of the general profession. More than this: He has made use of the most sacred names and functions of religion itself and dishonmay go wrong; My heart will be asking; What keeps of the simple forces of mind now just coming to be understood and invoked by the faithful seeker after truth. Let us hope that the ordinary fakirs will find themselves held at their real value and the educated profession take on the character it is entitled to bear. Tremendous responsibilities will come of such prodigious changes as seem to be foreshadowed by the probable early coming of general hypnotic healing. The above from the Los Angeles Her-

ald illustrates the importance of hypnotism as a remedial agent. It is a potent force, and if rightly employed, 'cannot' fail to do good. In the hands of a villain it can be made the instrument of much mischief. JUS TICE.

To prevent wrinkles, the ladies of the court of Catherine de Medici wore a forehead cloth tightly bound on their heads.

A cassock was originally another name for the garment now called a vest. It Allan Ramsay's favorite dish was out- was afterward applied to a long, loosa

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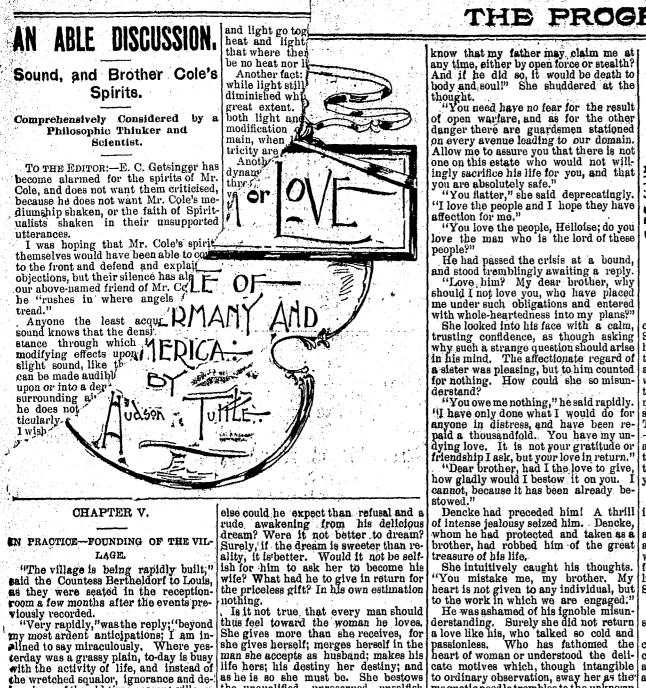
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bauchery of the old-time peasant village, there is neatness, order, health and general happiness. Oh, mother, it is a ictory for our cause."

"Are you putting in practice to their life of equally unselfish devotion. Jull extent the ideas of Helloise, isolating from the world?"

reach its highest attainments,"

"I thank the blessed Savior every day for the change wrought in you, transforming you from a destroyer to a savor of men. It is like the miracle should have thought you were away. wrought on Paul. I fear the interferance of the government, for the Church, as you well know, is greatly irritated.

tionable acts of injustice when inflamed

have military rule and the village is over all the world, fanned to repose by meaningless word! There is no always, the cool west wind. A hushed silence for like waves, things come and go, and

'My dear son, there is one thing of over the world, and they were silent.

know that my father may claim me at any time, either by open force or stealth? And if he dld so, it would be death to body and soul!" She shuddered at the thought.

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repay it by an equal surrender and a

Thought like these coursed through

The touch of her hand thrilled him;

cess. Who could have managed the ig-

"Why should I not be? The peasantry

willing to confine the light under a

Strange words destined to bear fruit.

"I am, perhaps, too eager for its ex-

desired to go away to foreign lands. She

place it on the house-top? Should not with him."

"You need have no fear for the result of open warfare, and as for the other danger there are guardsmen stationed on every avenue leading to our domain. Allow me to assure you that there is not one on this estate who would not will ingly sacrifice his life for you, and that

you are absolutely safe." "You flatter," she said deprecatingly. "I love the people and I hope they have affection for me." "You love the people, Helloise; do you love the man who is the lord of these

people?' He had passed the crisis at a bound and stood fremblingly awaiting a reply. "Love him? My dear brother, why should I not love you, who have placed me under such obligations and entered with whole-heartedness into my plans,"

He is deeply interested in the Ency clopædia of Death, and Life, in the She looked into his face with a calm trusting confidence, as though asking why such a strange question should arise in his mind. The affectionate regard of tion to THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER a sister was pleasing, but to him counted and 50 cents for the Encyclopædia. He for nothing. How could she so misun- would not be without the book if he had

to pay five dollars for it. If the book is derstand? "You owe me nothing," he said rapidly. not sold in connection with a yearly "I have only done what I would do for subscription to The PROGRESSIVE anyone in distress, and have been re-THINKER, the price is \$1.50.

paid a thousandfold. You have my un-dying love. It is not your gratitude or friendship I ask, but your love in return." the kitchen. There I saw him, but pretended not to know him. 'What are "Dear brother, had I the love to give, how gladly would I bestow it on you. I your rings?'I asked. cannot, because it has been already be-stowed." "Will they hold in the nose of Satan,

if I should find him? was my next.

else could he expect than reused and informed the guard, and unsystemed and taken as a and informed the guard, and unsystemed aream? Were it not better to dream? whom he had protected and taken as a and informed the guard, and unsystemed aream? Were it not better than re- brother, had robbed him of the great and chained him as they would a bear, with a long chain to his leg. Oh, he with a long chain to his leg. Oh, he Dencke had preceded him! A thrill She intuitively caught his thoughts. "You mistake me, my brother. My like a priest and vowing vengeance, heart is not given to any individual, but Spies are killed, are they not?"

"That is the law," replied Louis. "Then must he die," said John, with satisfaction. They had now reached the scene of commotion. A crowd of peasants were collected, intensely excited, shouting with the activity of life, and instead of life hers; his destiny her destiny; and cate motives which, though intangible and commanding in a conflict of opinions, the wretched squalor, ignorance and de-as he is so she must be. She bestows to ordinary observation, sway her as they slowly moved toward the river. When Louis and Helloise came there

was a murmur, followed by silence.

Was Helloise so absorbed in her relig-ion, so devoted in her enthusiasm, as to be unheedful of the feelings of common treaties, this wretch would have been life; or did her lofty purpose place these

consigned to the river.". There stood Martesq, like a wild beast, dragging a heavy chain attached to his from the world?" the mind of Louis, and had it not been beneath the iron heel of the spirit? She Certainly; we are to form a world for an accident his doubts would have did not comprehend herself or the sacriwithin ourselves, and supply all our own probably triumphed. The accident was fice she was making, and the bitter expe-wants. It is only thus our faith can that in turning an angle in the parrow rience of years was necessary to enable glowering on his captors.

that in turning an angle in the parrow rience of your and the lesson with shrubbery, he sud-path thickly set with shrubbery, he sud-denly met the object of his thoughts. of experience is learned too late, and with a smile she extended her hand: the weary traveler has gone so far past with a smile she extended her hand: the nethway he should have taken, that right to go where he pleases," was the Had I not learned to the contrary, I there can be no return. There is no insolent reply. should have thought you were away." straightening the tangled thread of life. "We acknowledge no Holy Church

"Thus far our lives have run tohere, nor the rights of her priests. You her voice was music, and to her uncon- gether," said Louis, "and to me separate came as a spy, and as such must die." the syou well know, is greatly irritated. Yesterday I saw our former priest, Lo-very opposite. He stammered an apolo-longed absence. He scowled with a fiendish hatred. He comes as a spy, and intends us evil, by reporting to his supe-riors." (What can the vdo? The king is just

"What can they do? The king is just and allows a wide freedom to his sub-"You know not the king nor the power of superstition. Rulers will do unmen-

She placed her hand in his: We will save the executioner further moon arose above a vale of sombre mist, us." tionable acts of injustice when innamed by bigotry. Still more do I fear the in-sidious power of the church, which ries strikes the deadly blow." Still less have we to fear that, for we There was a hushed and restful spirit fright came in her voice: "That is a that which belongs solely to the Lord." Turning to Louis, she continued, "I en-treat you, spare his life."

the new grows old and life is death; ac-"Spare! So we spare the wolf, and which I would speak to you, which to you is even of greater moment. I munication than verbal speech, by would see you united with a woman ca-pable of sharing these burdens with you of ethereal emanations, awakening ing evil, my brother. Will you, too, and called down with terrible exe he devours the lamb; it is better to be Martesq arose, foaming with passion, and called down with terrible execraand giving the support and sympathy thoughts responsive. The most refined change with the changing world, and tions the wrath of heaven on the here-you require." tics. "Not a word more, despicable wretch,

SPLITTING HAIRS. Splitting hairs, as a profession,

Flourished centuries ago; With their record in possession, The tide will never cease to flow.

Some special things we claim to know Without tradition's doubtful tale: The world existed long ago-Perhaps matured at Eden vale.

Some hairs were split so very fine To weave the gauzy web of saints, Tis difficult to now define

Or localize those without taints. The slimy path where Adam fell Is reproduced and trodden now, And we have many grades of hell, As the grave doctors will allow. All vital questions should be solved Ere the millenial dawning, Else all the sects will be involved

On that prophetic morning.

Their solution, they kindly say, Should not tax our feeble brain; That they will do it all for pay, Luther, Swedenborg and Paine.

When did the sun and moon stand still By command of pope or priest, And do you think they ever will Unless their power's increased? Whether 'twas Jonah or the whale That suffered most after dining, And whether he drank home-brew

ale, Or was it the effect of wining. Asses it seems were then loquacious, Discussing prophesy, of course, They are to-day kind and gracious, Always ready to endorse.

To their moral code and living We may interpose objection, Priests grew richer by their giving,

With no choice in their selection. This wondrous sphere-God's inven-

tion; Art with nature as a base, Was it not his kind intention To endow with love and grace?

From Confucius to Jesus, With all the later budding saints,

We have variety to please us, None need be burdened with complaints,

If God had made our duty plain, With Eden assigned to Adam, We'd all escape the fancied pain,

And the scandal of the madame. There's something wrong in all our

If he is the source and fountain Of all that earth possesses,

Need no prophetic guesses.

That admits a soul to heaven.

That God to earth has given.

No two agree; all have a plaint:

All deal in sugar-coated pills; Creeds are pierced and rent in twain;

And point you to their higher aim.

Directs you straight to heaven; No other route is given.

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With all the grades from brute to

saint, Who will assort and draw the line?

'Tis plain they never can combine. If Babel introduced these creeds,

Dogmas, the dungeon, and the rack, With ignorance on which they feed, They should be shunted off the track,

Each has a potion if you're ill,

The gilt index on their mile-post To hesitate, they claim, you're lost,

Reason sits peering through the mist, With science as hand-maid, search-

you require." "Indeed, mother, that would be desirtered; for there are no words for their cast me aside?"

ble, but whom can I secure? Who, in expression. The most perfect thoughts all' our wide circle of acquaintances, of the soul are like the fragrance of un-would join heart and soul in this work?" seen flowers, and words are coarse habil-"My blessed mot "There is one," said his mother, iments for their presentation, slowly.

with earth."

"You are led astray by your fancy, which measures the depth of your love, and mistakes the heart of woman. It is her dream of Eden to love. She, of all elevate the peasantry, can repay you." others, is the one to whom you should be united, and the day on which this is con-summated will be the happiest of my life."

The windows opened on the lawn, and through them they saw Helloise walking slowly along the pathway, lost in meditation to the affairs of the world. She entertain toward you? Ah, Helloise, we happier in your devotion, it would be owe all to you." "Nothing to me," she softly replied, was pale, and the lines of her face were more sharply cut and expressive, but these changes only brought out with clearer definition her wonderful beauty. She wore a plain blue mantle, belted at have been taught better needs of fiving. They are now united by common pur-poses and interests. Their moral na-tures are rapidly awakening, and the children are receiving proper education. John, and his voice indicated his excitethe waist; her hair fell in a mass of shining gold over her shoulders, and a straw hat, such as the peasants wore, shaded

her face. "Look," said the mother, "she is lone-ly, and is wearing out her life with her intensity of feeling. Of late you have kept aloof from her, as I have observed."

"I have, I confess; but, dear mother, I cannot trust myself. I fear I might confess to her a state of feeling incom- you satisfied with these alone? Are you patible with the exalted faith to which we are devoted, and she would scorn me.

"How you mistake! No true woman other like societies be established, not ever scorned the man who confessed his love for her. She would respect him al-been reading to day of the Indians of "To tie a stone to his feet and though she might not return his affec. America. Savages they are, but my him into the river; and right soon will tion. You ought, at least, not to neglect sympathies go out to them. I would it be d one who has no other supporter, and found societies like ours among them, notwithstanding the fervor of her faith, and through our faith bring them to a you." must be sad and lonely by the great higher civilization." changes in her surroundings."

"I thank you for your correction, and sweet as the orange, fragrant with its will make amends at once."

After he left her the Countess sat gazing through the window, watching as he relked rapidly down the path. "I have many blessings to be thankful "B have many blessings to be thankful "Why tion, and our enterprise you would ex-tend around the world." walked rapidly down the path.

for," she mused, "and I ought not to complain. No mother has a nobler son, tension in foreign lands. Should socie-tles be formed, as I hope they may be, I and were I to direct him I could not do shall have the opportunity of leaving so in ways more pleasing to me. To this country for another, where my life elevate our fellow-men and lead them to may be devoted to equally useful labor." higher views of life, is more laudable than to blast with agonizing war. If I answer to the question he had resolved could call Helloise my daughter, having such a son and daughter, my cup of hap- to ask, and came like a blow. She, then, piness would overflow."

was actuated by such loity motives she could not pause to listen to the desires Helloise, stepping in front of him. Louis walked - rapidly, fearing his resolve would be shaken if he delayed. of one beneath her. As the distance lessened and he saw Helloise pause to pluck a flower, and marked were absorbed in the work here, and her charming grace, his steps grew slower and he turned into a by-path to had no desire to leave it." rain time for reflection. Dare he ask "I am, I am!" she vehemently an-this saint to come down to the level of swered, "but do you not know that bere ordinary woman? Should he do so, what I am in constant danger? Do you not with rings and brooches for the service

"How can you ask?" he cried, starting said Louis. "Your doom is sealed; but we spare you for to night and to-mor-"My blessed mother came to me last row, for on that day our people hold

nents for their presentation, "You know not how happy I am at earth I never saw. She is an angel with ness must not be clouded by even the "Yes, one, only one, and to ask her would be to ask a saint to stain herself with earth." the success of our plans," she began, the angels of light. She, whose counte-would be to ask a saint to stain herself breaking the silence. "I have contrib-with earth." and she showed me a vision of the West dreadful for one like him to be "Can you not spare his life? Oh, it is dreadful for one like him to be sent to prayers, while you have sacrificed your lovely as an Eden, but a storm-cloud

my selfish pleading. Do as you prefer

bodings prove only the fancies of a too

"What is proposed by his captors?"

"To tie a stone to his feet and cas

"Well, my good fellow, I will go with

"And'I." said Helloise; "if you have

"Nothing; only it is best you do not

go, and I say so for your good." "Remember, John, we gain nothing

we always lose by our ignorance. Tel

the devil or his own son."

the Prince of Evil, I want to see him."

it be done if you do not attend."

cealed from me?"

here?

"nothing to me, but all to our Father. You are, then, pleased with the results?" May heaven shield you, and your fore-

bushel, when you are commanded to are wanted to say what shall be done

have been taught better ideas of living. highly-wrought imagination."

judgment," pleaded Helloise. "Had he not sought to injure you," re most cherished schemes of ambition. Only unbounded success of our plans to elevate the peasantry, can repay you." swiit-coming, devouring the light, and casting blackest shadows. I know not! I know not! Whatever may come, you plied Louis; "were he not here for the purpose of working harm to you, I would "My most sanguine hopes are being shall say of me, at least, that I was ungrant your wish, but as it is, your morey is bestowed on a tiger waiting to rend you. See that he is well guarded until

after the festival." "Aye, master," replied John; "hold me responsible, for, whoever else is "And that shall you say of me!" re norant peasantry as you have done, or plied Louis, carried above his personal bound them by such devotion as they desires by her exaltation. "If you are keeper, I will guard also. He is no common sinner, and we are not safe till despicable for me to wish you to yield to he goes to his master,"

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NEW YEAR'S OFFERING.

COURAGE

hold it sinful to despond and cry 'Gainst God's judgment meted out, Forgetting the bounteous providence that lie

children are receiving proper cuucation, sound, or other has been evoked from chaos, ment, "Here, John, here!" called the Count. In life's pathway all about. instinct, and happiness from misery." "Ah, I know there have been changes, but of these I do not speak. I mean, are deal not wanted. We have the devil."

do not dread his scourging reproof, Though oft my life in bitterness "True, we have had him here before." swayed; The silence of the starry heavens "We have him chained now, and you

...proof His love will yet pervade,

drink in an all-consuming fire

When most my life seems crushed and dead,

And rise from off the funeral pyre To find my night has fled.

Think not my heart is proof to pain Or stoical with dumb reserve; My rebellious tears like summer rain; "No, no, Mistress Helloise, you must

blossom, and bitter as the cup of gall touched by the lips of death, "Your benevolence knows no limita-tion, and our enterprise you would ex-tion, and our enterprise you would ex-tion, and our enterprise you would ex-tion of gall not," cried John in alarm. "Why not, good John?" "Why, why!" he stammered, tossing his cap, "you will not be pleased at the His golden banners let fall;... My thoughts like soldiers in bright sight of him," "What mystery have you to be con

There dawns the new-born year; Full-voiced with love and cheer.

from the stalks of the common maize.

is said to be thirty-six bushels to the acre.

maize with leaves beautifully striped with white.

Science, our strong mental fortress, Manned by modern engineers, Renders ancient logic worthless With armament to meet as peers.

INQUIRER. MR. GEORGE COLE.

Messages Written in Closed Envelopes.

TO THE EDITOR:-Some months ago I inclosed six sheets, securely sealed, inside of an envelope, and inclosed the same in a letter addressed to Mr. George Cole. There was no name or mark or scratch on either sheets or en-

velope. In due time it was returned, with each sheet written over, and two

their wedding day. Hence you see that mortal family ties are more pe-culiar to earth-life than Spirit-life. But there are, associations, loves and expetlences in mortal life which are never forgotten. In Spirit-life I am brother to every one. In mortal life I was

brother to a very few. This is one of the lessons a spirit learns. We feel proud of some of our earth-life deeds, and regret many more." (Signed the name of a brother-in-law.)

The other, a cousin, who passed over some fliteen years ago, in Kinsman. Ohio, wrote:

"If I were a politician I should say the Irish Roman Catholic element here has about ruined the country. Fortunately, the resources of the United. States are inexhaustible, and the country will re-cover. In the cities of New York and Brooklyn the Irish Catholic element has gained such an upper hand that the American element is boycotted-driven out of all political and mercantile employment. That is the reason so many Americans are tramping the western States in rags and hunger. "The Roman church, through political

influence, has filled all the political of-The native home of wheat is supposed to be the mountain regions of Armenia. A fair article of molasses can be made

and families Irish servant girls of Cath The average wheat yield in England this outrage. Americans should not import foreigners to rule them and drive them tramping in the country in

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fone beneath ner. "I had hoped," he faltered, "that you have Martesq!" "Martesq! Then, indeed, have you the equal of his master. How came he Japan has developed a variety of poverty and rags." "He came here disguised as a peddler,

Love's quickening thoughts preserve My sky grows luminous as the day array The victor's deeds recall. feel within new courage rise; A light is breaking from other skies.

Her words were taken by Louis as an me at once whom have you captured?" answer to the question he had resolved "Oh, my lady, do not ask. We have "There are creatures that would frighten me more. Speak!" commanded

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Yes, we want to learn, and I should

like much to have Mr. Cole's spirits ex-

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yearly orbit.

Sound, and Brother Cole's Spirits.

Comprehensively Considered by a Philosophic Thinker and Scientist.

TO THE EDITOR:-E. C. Getsinger has become alarmed for the spirits of Mr. Cole, and does not want them criticised, because he does not want Mr. Cole's mediumship shaken, or the faith of Spiritualists shaken in their unsupported utterances.

I was hoping that Mr. Cole's spirits themselves would have been able to come to the front and defend and explain my objections, but their silence has alarmed our above-named friend of Mr. Cole, and "rushes in where angels fear to he tread."

Anyone the least acquainted with sound knows that the density of the substance through which it travels has modifying effects upon it, and that a slight sound, like the tick of a watch, can be made audible by concentrating it upon or into a denser element than the surrounding air. Mr. Getsinger, while he does not dispute my statements pardark. ticularly, says I gave no proofs for them. 1 wish to remind him that the statements were so self-evident that I did not deem it necessary to go into any illustrations of them.

But, in heaven's name, what proof has he given that spirits can hear the scarcely audible whispers in a state devoid of atmosphere, and even of the prehistoric times? and that the speeches of our town orators are heard by the inhabitants of the spheres, in tones augmented by distance to the thunder of a Niagara? Oh, bosh! What a bedlam such a world of sound would be,

When air is suddenly compressed it is heated, and when suddenly rarefied it is cooled; and it does not follow that because air is compressed and therefore heated, that it should always remain heated. If I pour hot water into a basin containing cold water, it will attain a temperature modified by the amount of the hot water poured in. That is in accordance with the great and universal law of equilibrium, which the professor seems to ignore, as he wants the air or water once heated by compression to remain

Sound consists of wave-propagation; hence it must exhibit all the qualities of which means it has a chance to cool off, waves. They can be reflected, similar to light—sce echo of the mountain side; they can be refracted, as in passing from one medium to different densities, or elasticities. Sounds interface to wards and six months night at the poles, melts inforce each other, or counteract the and again builds them up by the absence force—just as two waves, when rising to of the constant heat during those sea-'a crest, will break each other's force sons, in the passage of the earth in her and produce a calm of the waters.

The length of a sound wave does not] from our earth, the colder we get; the iowest tones having long waves and the highest having the shortest waves, all depending on intensity of force. Thus, if the tone of A requires a certain force alter as it proceeds, and the pitch of a any demonstrable facts. and the string is immediately stopped in the middle, a tone A is produced with double the pitch and half the wave length, and a corresponding diminution plain how a force dispelled in physical of tone, as well as an increased amount and pushed out into spiritual life? and I of heat diffused, and this proceeds in a think Beethoven is the proper man to given ratio until the whole force is expended and total silence and absence of do it. There are no facts known to science which will resurrect a force lost in sound ensues. equilibrium, and continue it through

If a sound is produced in the air, it strikes out in perfectly developed glob-ular sphere waves, in all directions, and J. R. PERRY. not as a string wave, in a straight line, nor as a confined wave in an inclosed telephone tube, for long distance; and each successive wave is compelled to disturb When the leaves are off the bushes an' a larger sphere of air as it passes from the original point of explosion, or force, and as the air becomes lighter and less the higher it goes up, a man in a

A CRITICAL ANALYSIS, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.

spirit-operators to succeed in their en Another fact: Heat may be diminished deavors to manifest their presence and prove their identity. In last Friday's issue of Light the editor expresses the while light still remains. Light may be diminished while heat is retained to a great extent. Electricity will produce both light and heat. Electricity, or a idea that no reports of materialization seances should be published except those modification of it, magnetism, may reemanating from responsible persons and main, when light, heat and active elecof seances held under strict scientific test conditions. We cordially endorse Another fact: I can easily work a his suggestion. We regret that our dynamo in this city, convey the current columns have been used to' sound the through and over a cold wire and conpraises of people who have since been vert it into light in Chicago. I can detected in fraudulent practices, but the touch that wire anywhere between here and your city, if I do it so as not to con-duct any of its force through me into the reports supplied came from persons we knew, and attested phenomena under conditions which were eminently satis-factory to the sitters. The fact is, every earth; and it may be so cold as to freeze

my fingers fast to it, instead of killing seance must be taken upon its own me by the force it contains, should I merits, and should be held under strict come in contact with the great magnet, test conditions. To-day, with one set of It is possible, then, for the electro-magnetic current of the sun, which is a sitters the most successful results may ensue; to-morrow, with other sitters, no

manifestations may occur, or very sushighly-metallic body, to act upon the particles of dust, and atmosphere, and picious-looking phenomena may take place, yet they may be genuine. Another time the same medium, with other sitby friction of those particles produce both heat and light, and do it just in ters, may be influenced by skeptical peoproportion to the density of the atmosple, and unconsciously impersonate the spirit, or may, with premeditated de-sign, deceive the sitters. If the sugphere; while, at the same time, the medium through which it came to us was intensely cold and practically gestion Mrs. Britten makes in our con We have demonstrated that the temporary be carried out, that Mrs. Williams of New York should hold some ether is several hundred degrees below freezing. I am not prepared, however, to claim that the ether is totally dark, special test seances with experienced Spiritualists, under fraud-proof condi- The Subject of a Little Experience. for there may be a slight reflection of tions, it is quite possible, and very prob-able, that she would come out of the orthe atmospheres of the planets and their satellites, as or similar to the reflection deal with triumphant success, but unof our moon; but if the moon contained fortunately that would not dispose of the no magnetic force, it would not light up

our atmosphere at night. We see all planets and stars by the effects of their testimony that she was captured wearown atmospheres and the electro-magshe is a medium. In any case, we fully the subject of a little experience which educational blessing. approve of the suggestion, and would afforded him and a number of other recommend Mrs. Williams (Messrs, people considerable amusement. The netic effects upon us; for, while the sun is our principal governing body, we are affected by every other body in space, no matter how remote, and by many Huggins, Kenvin and Mrs. Davison also) to act upon it, and let us have main full and dispassionate examination before an We therefore do not receive the heat impartial tribunal.

and light of our sun by radiation, sim-The most satisfactory aspect of meillar to the heat from a stove; for, if we did, instead of space being cold, it would be warm, just as the parlor has become diumship is that of spiritual unfoldment; prejudices and lifelong teachings, she, of The development and conscious exer-cise by each individual of their own spiritual powers. The cultivation of the consisting our "superstitions" which ordinarily characterize people of by the radiation of the stove's heat into the aspirational and intuitional side of that pharisaic caste; and she very nat-

not depend upon our atmosphere, and its our nature, calling into play the psycho-varying density, the outside portions, if increase into the intervention of the appointment and chagrin when she found metric, clairvoyant, clairaudient, heal- appointment and chagrin when she found ing and inspirational faculties we all that her wayward consort, who for years as dense as it is near the earth, would possess. By self-study and exercise of had sat unmoved under her ovangelical these soul-powers the philosophy of man exhortation, had wandered off after will be comprehended, the purpose of strange gods, and adopted opinions which life revealed, and instead of depending she considered preposterous and heathburn like the flames from a heated furit not for the revolution of the earth, by

upon others for phenomenal demonstrations we shall recognize our own spirit- her quite seriously, for she feared that ual nature and destiny and enter into conscious relations with the spirit-people of the higher life.

A PERTINENT QUESTION. Is Mr. Kenvin Really a Fraud?

THE TWO WORLDS, OF LONDON, EX-PRESSES ITSELF PLAINLY-HONEST abandon his dreadful errors; and espe-

MEDIUMS HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR. cially importuned him to join her in her DEAR MR. WALLIS:--I am sorry to plous attendance upon the sanctuary, have to inform you that Mr. Kenvin, and there absorb into his darkened soul from Middlesbrough, was found to be such grand and luminous truths as re-fraudulently imitating spirits at a se-late to the condign horrors of hell, the ward another letter later. Yours truly, yet, in order to "insure domostic tran-

J. A. STANSFIELD. 0.0 OUR POSITION.

In reference to the above Mr. Wallis says in the Two Worlds: "We have in the past published reports of seances with Mr. Huggins and Mr. Kenvin from reputable people whose sincerity we had with which his new belief had defiled it. reputable people whose sincerity we had no reason to doubt; they gave their the quails begin to pipe, An' the hickory nuts are fallin' an' the nomena they reported were satisfactory

CULTURE.

The Broad Highway of Education

On the broad highway of education we are enabled to obtain a higher view and a better understanding of life and its manifold duties. Its acquirement is a bounden duty that we owe, not only to ourselves, but to our fellowmen and our as well. Education is the country mental cultivator: the better-trained mental cultivator; the better-trained mind we have the higher we rise in the scale of creation. History of the past proves that the most thoroughly-edu-cutod men of all ranks will do more and better work than the uneducated ones. An investment in knowledge is the safest, and one bearing a good rate of interest. A man may lose home, friends, and money, but the knowledge he pos-sesses is ever his own. Rich, indeed, is he who is rich in knowledge, It should be the aim of all to get not only a mouthful but a full meal of education. The disseminator of knowledge is the greatest benefactor of the human race. It is an indisputable fact that the ig-rorant man is inclined to be supersti-f coraft, hobgoblins, etc.; the more ig-novant the more suporstitious An exc. Thus The Connect the individual; of Boreign of The State tious—a believer in miracles, witch-toraft, hobgoblins, etc.; the more ig-novant the more suporstitions An exc. The The disseminator of knowledge is the storate the superstitions of Roise and Present and Free? The disseminator of knowledge is the storate the superstition of a superstities the superstites that the ig-propusations of the human race. The disseminator of knowledge is the storate the superstitions of Children is of State the Store of the superstities of State and the superstities the superstities the superstities of such children is the superstities the superstities the superstities of the more suporstities the superstities of the present the more suportities the superstities the super mind we have the higher we rise in the

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TO THE EDITOR:-A somewhat prominent resident of our progressive me- goddesses of mental liberty; where the tropolis, whose liberal and expansive human mind comes on rapport with eleing gentleman's apparel, simulating mind has lately become irradiated with vating, ennobling influences, making spirits, but it would demonstrate that the gladsome light of truth, was recently happier and nobler all who receive this

Note what some of our most prominent

"Education is the cheapest defense of tremely orthodox, and a devout wora nation."-Burke.

tions. In accordance with hereditary liberty than a standing army."-Ev-

"Open the doors of the schoolhouse to all the children of the land."-Webster. "On the diffusion of education among the people rests the preservation and perpetuation of our free institutions."-Webster.

it is ripe, so a man is not a man until he is educated."-Horace Mann.

"The whole land must be watered with the stream of knowledge."-Horace Mann.

her husband's eternal damnation (which | had capacity for knowledge, that I call

stern Judge of the world at the final putation, it does."-Carlyle." "An education is to unfold nature, to strengthen good, and conquer evil, to

ing to make her exhortations more for-Robertson.

have not been performed, especially in times when reading and writing were unknown."-Voltaire. Parents should not fail to impress upon the minds of their children the great value or importance of intellectual fraudilently initiating spirits at a se- late to the condign horrors of hell, the culture, nor should they neglect to give ance held in Nottingham last night, and anger of an offended God, the sacrificial them an education. May the sun of

gloom of mental bondage.

After a selection of operatic music, and Dr. William Britten passed away from names, and, to all appearances, the phe-other usual preliminaries, the minister, his home. The Lindens, Humphrey st., in the conduct of his part of the per- Cheetham Hill, Manchester, England, sure to snap an crack, An' you whistle to the setter an' the squirrel jaws you back— Ol them's the kind o' days for me to meet the risin' sun, With huntin' boots an' trousers an' a double-barreled gun; When the woods are full o' happy sounds of every sort an' type, An' the lawse and chart is printally give took a fresh start, but found himself on for every sort an' type, An' the lawse and task. Spiritualists are truthformance, arrived at the point where it and entered the higher-life, after a painvain for the forgotten words. Event-ually, after an interval of breathless and outstretched hand for everyone, silence, broken only by the hurried and none but his medical attendants and fumbling of leaves, and equally embarrassing to both speaker and auditory, he who pens these sorrowful lines, could managed to find a typographical pre- have ever known what weary nights and sentment of the elusive orison, and clum- days of anguish the kind, noble and sily floundered out of his curious predic- patient gentleman was enduring. ament. But the charm of the occasion When the bitter end came at last, had fled; the dampened spirit of the dis- good John Lamont of Liverpool came course found its pinions too heavy for by invitation to officiate at the spiritual flight, and the beneficent designs of the service, and though the carnest friends lady were entirely frustrated. that passed in were but few of them Since that disastrous occasion she has Spiritualists, all the throng there assemceased to urge him to leave his soul in bled were deeply touched by the beauty the dews of the sanctuary, and he re-joices in an atmosphere of spiritual free-sorvices given. The house was full, the ceased to urge him to leave his soul in bled were deeply touched by the beauty the dews of the sanctuary, and he re-joices in an atmosphere of spiritual free-dom such as he has never hitherto known. Not only this, but he has begun to try his hand at proselyting, and has high hopes that he may yet be instrumental in removing the scales from the eyes of his worthy spouse, and pouring upon her intellectual vision the glorious light that is now so rapidly illumining the scales from the socie in the tous is that to may be partice in the socie of the soci the soci the soci the soci the socie of the socie of the s eurred in this city a few weeks ago. In the lower part of the city is a Catholic church called St. Ann's. The priest, a lamented by all true Spiritualists. Docshort time after locking up the church tor Britton was a widely-traveled man, for the night, heard the bells ringing; he spoke many foreign languages fluentthinking he had locked some one in who ly, and with friends and helpers so un-selfish as those of Australia, New Zeatook this method to make it known, he returned to the church and on entering land, and some in America, might have saw two young girls standing by the been the great power in the world for bellrope. He asked them what they which it has so long and vainly waited. wanted, and they said their father was As for me, his lonely and forsaken dying in ward 18 at the Charity Hospital earth companion, I can but wait and and they wanted him to go there and see him. He said he would go right up, and asked them to wait until he donned watch for the echoes of his beloved voice, and to join him in the land where "the wicked cease from troubling and his street drcss and he would go with the wearv are at rest." them. Upon returning to the church



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people considerable amusement. The men have said in regard to this all-im-wife of this gentleman, though a most portant subject: estimable member of society, is ex-

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enish. Her conscience, also, troubled "That a man should die ignorant who

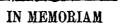
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reckoning day; and she, too, would be condemned to sizzle in the eternal give self-help, to make a man."-F. W. flames, as a righteous penalty for neglect-

vent and frequent; therefore, she began, "Name me one nation where miracles with renewed fervor, to urge him to

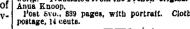
as I have been the means of his coming blood, and cognate tiemes. Although here, I feel it my duty to inform you of his mind had long revolted against those what took place, but I do not feel well unnatural doctrines, which so strongly wondrous emancipating power from the

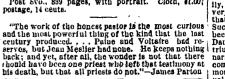
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balloon five miles above it, in the air, would scarcely hear it; while a person twenty or thirty miles away, upon a field of ice, would not only hear it distinctly, but would feel the wave of air quite easily, and the windows of his house would be shaken very sensibly from the force of it.

I have felt the force of a powder-mill explosion twenty-three miles distant, and the windows of my house were shaken as with a slight earthquakewhich, for the time, we thought it was. Under favorable conditions, sounds have been heard for two hundred miles.

The people of Earth have often seen meteors explode in mid-air, but seldom have heard much sound; but similar bodies have exploded when striking the earth, and the sound thereof has been heard for many miles around-all explained on the same fact of density of the medium of contact; hence, as the spirit himself stated, an inclosure void of air would produce no sound-a vibration might be made, but no sound would follow.

What the conditions are above our atmosphere, to produce sound-waves, we can easily conjecture. If they are possible at all, it must be on conditions not analogous to air, because we are sure none exists there. We are equally assured that where a perfect or nearly perfect vacuum exists, no heat and little light can exist.

More than twenty-five years ago formulated a theory of the interstellar spaces, of the cause of light and heat on this earth, and I published it at the time. Since then I published the same on several occasions, and I am confident that no scientist, up to that time, had ever published anything on the subject; but of late quite a number of thinkers have been studying upon my idea, or have possibly in some way struck it as I did and have been writing articles confirmstory of my original article.

that the sun is an intensely hot body, or comb, directors. we could not be warmed, etc.; also, that Haslett Park Camp will probat the interstellar space is filled with keep up their annual camp-meetings. luminous ether, etc.

Now to the facts of the case: There is an atmosphere encircling our globe, from fifty to a hundred miles in depth, composed of particles of matter, gases, etc., which is densest at the earth, and becomes less dense as we ascend, until, finally, it ceases altogether, as air. Another fact is that the nearer we are to the earth, the denser the matter and the greater the heat. The heat of deep valleys being much greater than on high mountains.

Another fact: The nearer we are to speaking, so that density of air, heat year.

An' the leaves are off the bushes an' the

quails begin to pipe. There's a kind o' freelike feelin' broken loose inside o' you,

An' you want to holler awful, but you know you dassen't to; Fer the frosty woods is allus full o' skeery-hearted things, From the fussy little partridge. whizzin', whirlin' wings, To the leapin', long-eared cottontail goes a skippin' hence, An' the frisky little chipmunk on the top rail of the fence, Where he giggles till he doubles up as if he had the gripe, When the leaves are off the bushes an'

the quails begin to pipe.

There's a sort o' dreamy sadness, too, a feller often feels, With his game-bag full o' pheasants an' the setter at his heels, As he plods across the medder at the settin' o' the sun.

An' he thinks o' them dead pheasants at the bangin' o' his gun, An' he has some queerish notions 'bout the souls o' birds an' men,

An' the happy huntin' grounds the everlastin' "when." Fer he's marked the day behind him with an awful ugly stripe When the leaves are off the bushes an the quails begin to pipe. EDWIN S. HOPKINS.

Resignations.

TO THE EDITOR :- The following no-To make this intelligent, it is neces-tice of resignations of officers of Haslett sary to state that the old corpuscular Park Camp was sent to Mr. John Hutchldea of light, by Sir Isaac Newton, or inson, vice-president, to-day: J. H. the undulatory theory of Huygens, and White, vice-president and treasurer; A. later men, asserts that we derive heat W. Edson, manager and secretary; A. from the sun by means of radiation, and B. Spinney, S. D. Emmons and A. Ans-Haslett Park Camp will probably

Island Lake Camp is not intended or ings. Respectfully yours, Port Huron, Mich. J. H. WHITE.

Bonnet was originally the name for a so used in Scotland.

every part of the maize plant. According to Pliny, the Roman wheat

had ears with 100 grains each. Millet is sowed by the Chinese Em-

seekers, and are bound in duty to 'set the truth aright,' to tell the truth about' what they observe, even if the telling of that truth appears to make against their claim. To tolerate fraud would be immoral and do more to injure Spiritualism than anything else could possibly do. The public will realize by-and-by that Spiritualists are not fools but honest people, who will not be duped if they know it. No one can regret these unhappy affairs more than we do, but it is our duty to keep the banner of Spirit-ualism unsullied. Honest mediums have good nothing to fear; it is only just to them that fraudulent practices, which would discredit all mediumship if permitted to continue, should be rigorously stopped, that genuine mediumship may flourish and not be choked with the foul growth of imposture. If Spiritualists keep their own ranks clean they silence their foes? Be it remembered we make no charge against Mr. Huggins, Mr. Kenvin or others. We simply open our columns to

the testimony for and against; readers must judge according to the weight of evidence. We have frequently uttered warning against promiscuous seances and continually urged that good conditions ought to be maintained. Sitters and mediums alike are blameworthy for not insisting upon satisfactory surroundings, but, apparently, experience alone will compel people to learn their lessons. "We exceedingly deplore the squabble which has arisen out of the 'Border

land' review of 'The Spirit-world.' Miss Marryatt has admitted that she was 'thoughtless' in publishing the ball epi-sode, Mr. Stead admitted there was 's sode, substratum of truth' in what she wrote. so that each has conceded the real points of criticism. The worst of all these attacks and replies is that everybody feels that they must 'set them selves straight with the public.' bitterness is engendered, things are said which were better left unsaid, recrimit nations do no good, and between the conexpected to interfere with their meet- tending parties, both demanding in jussoon afterwards, they were not to be seen. Thinking they had preceded him tice to be heard, the poor editor, wishful to be impartial, has to draw the line somewhere, and often succeeds in offend-Bonnet was originally the name for a ing both parties. We take no 'sides' in man's head covering. The word is still this matter. We believe all concerned will live to regret the whole business. Some valuable use has been found for It is by no means an edifying spectacle to non-Spiritualists, and as Mrs. Davies said last week that hers was the last Marryatt now has her last word, it is to

is a perfect description of my two notice she intended to take, and Miss daughters who died several years ago. be hoped our readers have heard the this incident, but some Protestants the earth, the more light, generally peror with a solemn ccremonial every last of this affair, and will be left to heard of it and it thus got out. "New Orleans, La., "FRED T. FIELD. draw their own conclusions;"

EMMA HARDINGE BRITTEN.

he started for the Charity Hospital, and on arriving there enquired for ward The alb, so often mentioned as a priestly garment, was a long gown, fas-18; he there found a man on his dying tened with a belt.

bed, and asking him if he had sent for him, he replied, 'No.' The priest then described the two girls he had seen at Bombast was cotton padding for the clothes, to make them stand out from the church, when theman said, 'Why, that

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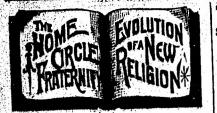
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False Witnesses Mix Facts and Fiction.

Writers on evidence say it is very rare that a false witness manufactures his dictine monk, living but little or no nition of the fact is a question of sanity nature. whole story. He employs a few facts, earlier than the introduction of learning or a "wheel in the head," there is no and mixes them with his fiction in such

manner as he thinks will best advance the interests of the party for whom he testifies. This habit of mingling fact and fiction is not limited to procedure in courts of law. It is common in biog-raphies and histories, as well as in social raphies and histories, as well as in could be original, and that the extant Greek the original, and that the stant Greek the original, and that the extant Greek the original, and that the stant Greek the original, and that the extant Greek the original and the vulgate. The original and the vulgate, the very never advanced any great truth the original and the vulgate. The original and one the vulgate or the effect of this hereditary teach-the original and the vulgate or the very original and the extant Greek the original and one the very never advanced any great truth. The original and one the the effect of this hereditary teach-the the effect of the hereitable to it.

this defilement. No name is too exalted take exception to these positions, and When a witness is found intentionally 'When a witness is found intentionally travention of facts," will do well to false in any statement, the old maxim of the civil law applies: "False in one thing, false in all things." His testimony the civil and access to have been written prior to the difficulties in the way of a more rational discussion of all these in operational discussion of all these in operatio thing, false in all things." His testimony professes to have been written prior to a more rational discussion of all these no progress unless there was a lower people. has little weight with an intelligent jury. the Crusados-persons, probably, who This principle rigidly enforced, then have not devoted one-tenth of the time much heretofore racognized as truths of and talent other scholars have given the heaven will be swept away with a breath. subject in their laborious investiga-Such were the reflections which followed tions. Modesty suggests suspension of the reading of Matthew 16:18,19: opinion until enlightened by long and

"Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I critical research. will build my church; and the gates of

hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee [Poter] the keys of They Are Welcome to the Glory. Some person who has been overhaulheaven; and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shalt be bound in heaven; and ing the records of the wasted centuries, whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth 88.y8: shall be loosed in heaven."

"In France alone, between the years We turned to the revised translation, to the Douay version, to the Greek Testament, and found them all substantially ravished; and 128,256 houses were the nature or first cause of things. in harmony. We consulted several Prot-estant Commentaries, in the hope they would be able to strip this powerful text from its base, and tumble it outside the the inheritors of the doctrines these sacred page; but, alas, save a world of awful crimes forced on the world. silly pettifogging, the text stands as firmly as any other passage of holy writ. purposes and dares profane the Spirit-Catholics claim the author of the passworld by shameful devices learned of the age was no less a personage than God crafty Paul, who conceded he practiced himself, who was clothed in mortal form. guile on his dupes, the preacher never stops to consider the source of these de-All evangelical Protestants take the ceptions, but charges it to the system.

"Yet so great is th nitarles of the church, If only her will is n was wholly monop-She is mighty to fly ABOUT OCCULT THINGS ble." But it is beyond conception that the "Infinite" can "reveal" itself to the (Though the stuf Trent was convened 1545. to meet the great long) 1545, to meet the great With the armies the Reformation. It re-If her soul be by t continuous session for There is nothing it continuous session for She has not bees. During that period "And so this frail fixed, and the question This dear, fait o what books were in-Forgets all her p and the state of the subject in a Mas-terly Manner. "During a stally alleged, why the With the toolf such action at this time? Long Define tools could be the word of the subject in a mas-terly Manner.

If there is one direction more than an-Long Pethe books voted as the word of Until, are Matthew, with the text quoted, other in which the undercurrent of mod- of this to in the four of new one and and the four of new one of the four of the four of new one of the four o

money. If the Pope can deliver souls from hell, why does he not do it without a price in gold? Forgiveness of sin can be obtained by the final in present fiction, while scarce a number of the leading magazines is a price in gold? Forgiveness of sin can a number of the leading magazines is more selfish than the average product be obtained only nom God, through without its "occult" paper. Public halls of our civilization, it has not yet been price, by means of true repentance and are filled nightly to witness "psychic" discovered, and of course its first quest obtained only from God, through

schools, Spiritualist circles, thought utter a truth that is born of the law of Learned scholars, who have devoted their lives to the research, declare that transference. mind-reading and theo- progress. Man cannot progress in all church histories previous to the sophical theories, astral shells, and a knowledge unless he wants to, and to rect ethics by which one ought to guide Council of Trent, all the writings of the whole glossary of kindred terms are used want to is to invoke the future. Let us his life. Buddhism, Christianity, and Council of Trent, all the writings of the whole glossary of kindred terms are used philosophize a little. so-called fathers of the church, as nearly everywhere and in all sorts of ways to What is aspiration? We can't aspire morals, and literature is full of it. every classical work, professing to be get round the central fact or aspiration to what is past or to what is presentancient, have the appearance of being underlying it all-the continuity, or, as can we? Then it is the future. Aspira-

monkish forgeries. They even claim it is loosely called, the immortality of tion is the mother of inspiration, and inthat the Holy Scriptures themselves are life. late productions, and were written to The Journal is asked daily by letter

these forgeries were as great as is things are not as worthy of discussion off or a wrision off is build of the prophecy based upon wish and judgment through H. P. B. are few, extraordinary according to Matthew" was forged at One reason, perhaps, is that the people that the nation will be benefited by in conception and scope, and easily recognized. that time, to meet the protest of Luther themselves seem to be afraid of the and his co-reformers? The earlier subject underlying and discuss it them-ideas as to the everlasting future. Is if ory, to-wit: Do not be so inadequate as if estations. translation of the New Testament into selves, as a rule, with a glance over the any wonder, then, that people who have to brush off the whole of Spiritualism English is denied. Jerome, who is left shoulder to know if they are over- been for centuries, ages even, trained to with one word: "All spooks and shells." credited with translating the Scriptures heard. As long as people are skeptical into Latin, instead of living in the as to the question whether they are fourth century, probably was a Bene- really alive or not, or whether a recog- Such things are just as natural as human and that men of science are material-

occult questions, The first difficulty is in the basic con-

'finite." Can man make a machine un-As Viewed By Col. R. T. Van derstand him, though it is his own handiwork? Then the mission of man is If You Do, You Will Be to know himself. It has ever seemed a strangely inconsistent thing for theology to teach "the knowledge of God," when it is told over and over again that it is

He Handles the Subject in a Mas-to get a knowledge of the Creator is to know man-the only way to worship him

is to minister to his image. A great deal is said about the "craze" for "occult" study, as to its reaching out for the future, that people always want The rate Matthew, with the text quoted, other in which the undercurrent of mod-inch clearly met the objections of juther's Protest, which contained these words: "Pardon cannot be obtained by ry H. Ford, which on the thread of "Ot. educational traditions than the fault of

sinhe's punishment after death." The Pope has no power to remit sinner's punishment after death." research societies, Christian Science Learned solotions who have devoted devoted of the societies of the societi

spiration "opens the door of the future." las. Attributing everything solely to Prophecy is the embodiment of aspira- the Mahatmas is foolish, as it is easily late productions, and were written to controvert claims which were set up in opposition to those of the church. If these forgeries were as great as is our theology and religion is based upon think along these lines of future better- You will be wrong if you do so, and the ment, should crowd "occult" investigar tions with the spirit of this ruling idea? Don't say that science

dictine monk, living but little or no nition of the fact is a question of sanity earlier than the introduction of learning into Europe, not the revival of learning for outside of a few scholars, it had never existed. It hing, and the agent of the most real-

Ignorance is the inspiration of argument This is simply one of the incidents of get ministers and congregations en and controversy the mother of persecu-growth. A hill of corn finds a constant masse to change into theosophists. The

condition and a higher one.

been almost wholly materialistic-the- cept as to what man is: The old ideal so is not proof. She may or may not be, Campaign-a campaign or work to make ology being the most so. The physical was that he was a made thing, perfect and either way the work must go on. body has been the man. Or rather and complete as a living organism, into most as if messages from the without it there was or can be no man, which life was breathed by a creator The story of a first man and then a first like steam in an engine—that created paper, the writing incorporated in the woman, beginning life as adults, and form being immortal as such—even after paper, and such child's talk, indulged in The story of a first man and then a first man and then a first like steam in an engine—that oreated woman, beginning life as adults, and form being immortal as such—even after is death and decay is an interregrum of decay. The new ideal, as related to the other only, is that is a living individuality, immortal mind is capable of forming. As long as it to any degree controls the minds of markind, "occult" phenomena will be the expression or instrument in the objective or material stage of a conting. mankind, "occult" phenomena will be inexplicable-cannot be comprehended. Under the interview of a conting be objective or material stage of a conting Don't think or say that the only true inexplicable-cannot be comprehended. Under the interview of a conting be objective or material stage of a conting be objective or be objective or material stage of a conting be objective or material stage of a conting be objective or be objective or

The mind that literally regards man Life and matter are not divisible, for no Western woman, a Russian, and that the laso have the Encyclopædia of Death for honor, she is the niece of our chief book-keeper, and for years she has been one all to spread the glory of the cross." Protestants and Catholics allke are the body is but a developed instrument Death is only the disintegration of matrix for matrix and the spread here in the west of the same price. Western woman, a Russian, and that the discretion of matrix was first concept that the body is but a developed instrument the integration of matrix for matrix and catholics allke are the body is but a developed instrument the body is but a developed instrument the body is but a developed instrument the integration of matrix for m so, is it not reasonable to supp for the objective use of an invisible in- ter in a given form-its particles are as the West has its occultists even though dividuality or intelligence. Yet that is active after as before. Scientifically hidden? Recollect also that H. P. B. When some church devotee has es-poused the cause of Spiritualism for vile things, and there is no use to debate ment, death its restoration to its normal fore witnesses Western men of occult fore witnesses Western men of occult such a question before an audience made such a question before an audience matter, up of such diverse mental concepts. There is only one way to reach a sat-isfactory solution of the matter, and that is by the effect of facts. Scientists have so long discussed the freedom. looking to India for help, from which they will get but little until the West is spirit and matter, that they are not men- can only be exalted human mentalities, farther on the road of knowledge, and itself full of wise students of occultism tally ready for the idea that there are no that continued life does not by any who know the meaning of being placed things in the discrete sense, but such that one is as eternal as the other, and means argue infallible intelligence. To by Karma in the West. The fact is that the one is but the objective form of be the ready sponge for the absorption again, that in the East the men are the other. The real original fact is the of any or all "occult" teaching is only to looking to the great Russian woman for stronger? And then the all-powerful the dying, writhing in fiames, have individuality of intelligence—given that hand yourself over to an imperfect auther were spiritual help that first sheed its thority, as we do to tie ourselves to a rays upon the West unmistakakably. and the rest follows as a mathematical demonstration. One individual intelli- narrow belief in the schools. Man was Again, there is extant a letter from the Mahatma K. H. to a Western man gence cannot make itself known to endowed with a mind to think and know for himself, and this independence wherein it is said that he should work another except objectively-any more than a spider can catch a fly without should never be surrendered to any auin his own land and forget not that making the mental desire to do so obthority, whether "occult" or whether in Karma so demanded. ective in its web. We hope this illusform of a human teacher. The fact of Don't teach that vegetarianism is the tration is material enough to get the tration is material enough to get the a continuity of me—or what is popularly rold to heaven and optimized by the desired intervention of the spider as the feet that wove people. But the extent to which the heaven being within, it did not come a continuity of life-or what is popularly road to heaven and spiritual growth. Was not the great Nazarene right when he intimated that, the kingdom of fact and its so-far-disclosed phenomena from eating or drinking? And has not should control our thought, or find ex- our old friend H. P. B. written sugges-, though it was once invisible. The human organism is but the work of the invisible being that needs it for use. pression in ethical teaching, is as yet in tively that cows and elephants are pure If there must be a "mystery" about a very nebulous condition, and will no vegetarians? Reflect on the fact that doubt remain so until the basic fact unanything to make men reverence or "worship," let this stand for it-at least some of the very best people on earth lerlying is by its wider acceptance enwere meat eaters, and that wicked or while we are discussing or investigating these things we call "occult"-and see abled to take the place of the educated gross thoughts are more hurtful than the conceptions of a fast-disappearing syseating of a ton of flesh. In fact, tem of dogmatism founded on the old how far we will get on the way to a com-Don't fail to exercise your common prehensible theory as to life. By this we can find a rational idea as to generation, cosmologic and theologic ideas as to the nature of man. Till then crudeness and sense on all and every occasion. W. Q. J. conception, birth, growth, maturity, detoo often proscription and antagonisms cline and death, as well as logical neceswill be the rule, the full-orbed student Sunday Meetings in Chicago. sity or sequence for immortality. And being only compelled to wait in patience we can as well account for the fact of the ultimate coming of the true knowl man's long darkness on this subject by edge. simply applying to his organic life the same law we find to obtain in all other Hall, 93 Peoris street. 2:30 and 7:30 P. M Fully one-half of the materializations in Tax the Churches. forms of living things-the law of development or progress. How can we conceive of an endurable immortality It is stated as a fact, that nearly all the Protestant ministers late in session and 7:45 P. M. save it be one of infinite progress? To in Milwaukee, favor taxing churches. If The Progressive Society, 3120 Fores be a state of sameness would be stagnatrue it shows returning sense among the avenue. Children's Lyceum, 1:30 P M. tion, and this is only another name for clergy. The State has no more right to Services at 3:00 and 7:30 P. M. death. Whenever a mind ceases to learn it is dead to living-existence is not en- exempt sectarian property from taxation First Society of Spiritual Unity, Cusjoyment. Change is life's phenomena from motion, which is the only way we ter Post Hall, 85 South Sangamon than it has to establish a State religion. street. Services at 10:30 A. M., 2:30 and can know life at all. To be immortal. 7:30 P. M.' Children's Lyceum at 1:30 then, is to grow, to unfold, develop, and we do this by knowing-or knowl-So thorough is the excellence of Ayer's P. M. The First Spiritual Society of the South Side, Auditorium Hall, 77 Thirty-first street. 2:30 and 7:30 P. M. Hair Vigor that it can be used with benedge is the proof we have as to immortal efit by any person, no matter what may

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Some Very Pertinent Suggestions From a Theosoph.

l'he circles are entirely different each The following article we clip from the evening and a great variety of phenom-Path, the organ of the Theosophs of the ena may be witnessed. Lights of every United States. It is from the pen of form and description appear and trave. W. Q. Judge, the vice-president of the about the room; a large music box is floated over the heads of the sitters and society. It is as full of points as a porsome excellent slate-writing has been cupine. They may not be as aggressive. done. One control who comes to the circle paints beautiful pictures on slates but they are fully as suggestive. THEOSOPHICAL DON'TS. The work is done in a few moments, and sometimes in the hand of some one in

The following suggestions arise from the circle. experience, and are due to facts in the Voices of Lincoln, Beecher, Dr. Rantheosophical world: Don't speak or write as if morality and ethics were unknown before H. P. B. wrote the Voice of the Silence. Some of our devoted band have been heard to A trumpet circle usually provokes crit speak in such a way that hearers thought cism because the manifestations occur the speaker meant to convey the idea in the dark and some of the skeptical- alone, the cost is \$1.50. that only in the Voice, or similar books of ours, could be found the high and corminded were disposed to think Mr

good Spiritualist one evening

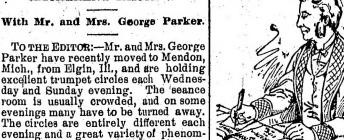
Don't say that all the theosophical doc-Mr. Parker, and grasped his hand, hold trines were first given out by the Mahatmas through their theosophical che-Don't explain everything by one the-

Don't say that science is all wrong.

teaching what ought to be common knowledge is beyond the grasp of ordi-to be found in a union of science with and some have had their faith materi-ally shaken. One of our local divines

Don't say that H. P. B. has been re-The first difficulty is in the basic con-coption as to life: Our education has study of the "occult" is the original con-study of the "occult" is the original con-able to prove it. To say that you think nate as the Publishing House Winter was that he was a made thing, perfect and either way the work must go on. the Publishing House a grand success. and complete as a living organism, into Don't talk as if messages from the Pass within your own mind the following

1500 and 1581, no less than 765,200 men were slaughtered; 12,000 women were ravished; and 128,256 houses were the nature or first cause of things.



He feels so happy over the contents of dolph, Dr. Abernethy, McCullough have spoken through the trumpet, and in the Spirit World, that he is writing to all some instances the messages given were his friends to be sure and obtain a copy, beautifully worded and gems of thought. The book is sold for 50 cents, when accompanied with a yearly subscription to the paper, both costing \$1.50.

A TEXAS MIND READER.

Victor Roy, of Boerne.

TO THE EDITOR:-It appears from the St. Louis Globe-Democrat of late date, that there is a young man named Victor Roy, 22 years old, living six miles east of Boerne, Texas, who is destined to become famous as a phrenologist and mindreader; in fact, his reputation already extends over the State of Texas. He is a native of Ohio, born there in 1872, but them on a farm. He is more than fairly well-educated, but has never attended school. His education has been gained from his mother, and by his own dili-

His gifts began to develope when he was five years old. It was observed that people who had not visited his home since he was two years old were not only since forgotten by his parents, told where they sat in the room, what positions they occupied at the table, etc.

looks into one's face for a minute or more, the person's whole character and antecedents loom up plainly to his mind. One of the most striking instances of his power was shown several years ago, in this way: A member of a large mer cantile firm in Galveston, employing one hundred or more clerks, was enjoying a hunt near Boerne, and hearing of performed in his store, wherever that was, as he didn't know the merchant was from Galveston. For a long time this same firm knew that they were being systematically robbed by one or more of their clerks, but they could not detect the guilty parties. They finally conoluded to send for Roy, and, a perfect stranger, he arrived at the store, walked through it, made one or two minor purchases of those he suspected, and wal'ed out. Returning to the firm's office he told them that the thefts were being committed by a young lady and a young man, and he pointed them out.

Every effort must be accompanied with titude. He was brought up in this store campaign; not.a war-like campaign; we would risk all we have with him. ing of cannons and the clash of arms. Mo, indeed, you may be a first-class mind-reader sometimes, but this time None of the agencies of war are to be you are mistaken." "Woll," said Roy, "I never was more employed. Peace, grand, beautiful, sublime, will characterize this effort. See correct in my life, and as these clerks how men respond in war. To try to kill are such favorites with you, you wouldn't each other seems a pleasure sometimes. mind giving them a month's vacation, Our Winter Campaign is one of peace, of and at the end of that time you can see love, of charity, of kindness, of good-will whether anything is stolen, and investitowards every one of God's creatures. gate and see that I have not wrongfully accused them." The firm was tired of We want to establish a Publishing the stealing, and after a while they con-House, and in order to do so we have instituted a Winter Campaign-a genuine cluded to give both the young woman and Winter Campaign; a campaign among man a month's vacation. They also comthose wholtake no Spiritualist paper. menced to investigate. They missed no money or goods that month, and during The field is a large one, as only one Spiritualist out of three hundred takes a the time found that the young lady, who Spiritualist paper. Now this Winter was working for a small salary, was supporting her mother and two sisters, all Campaign is intended to be a field for our present subscribers to work in, in living in fine style, and she had a bank account of \$1800. The young man was order to obtain one more additional subscriber. This Winter Campaign in- found to be a high roller, and one of the most reckless card players in the city. Roy received a fine gold watch for his volves no hardship of any kind-only a little vigilance is required. Exert that discovery. The firm furnishes him in season all the fashionable clothes he vigilance; keep your eye on the Publishing House. wishes, and every spring he goes down A. B. French. to Galveston and takes a mental inventory of the clerks in that house. We have a book containing the lec-As a handwriting expert he has never tures of this eloquent speaker. They made a mistake, and has proved it in a scintillate throughout with beauty, logic number of important cases. He has and tender pathos. They should be in been frequently sent for to testify as expert in such cases at San Antonio, Dallas, every family circle. Price one dollar. Galveston and other places where there For sale at this office. was a great deal involved in written documents. Exposures in England. He has been tested time and again in games of poker, and never loses. Many noted gamblers have called on him, and On our eighth page we give as a matter of news extracts from Spiritualist papers invariably put him to the test in games of poker. He eyes each player closely Sunday Meetings in Unicago. First Society of Spiritualists of Chi-tago, Hooley's Theatre. 11 A. M. Ulinois State Association. Bricklavers increases of mediums, than by exposures, out to the man who had a flush, straight, published in England, in reference to threes or a full, and tell him to take the North Side Society, Schlotthauer's this country are the basest frauds, and chips, as he has the best hand, and he Hall, Sigel and Sedgwick streets. 2:30 the honest mediums have to suffer in a never makes a mislake in doing so. A wealthy gambler from Denver offered measure therefrom. him \$5,000 a year and expenses to travel over the country and play for him. But Roy refused, saying that for him to play An almoner was the purse carried by ladies at their belts. poker would be nothing less than robbery Ruffles for the wrists were originally of his victims." called hand-ruffs. 'This young man is only a first-class psychometrist. The secular press has In Chaucer's time a woman's gown was not yet delved deeply enough into the called her cote. science of soul-reading to discover that English leather gloves were sold all there is a difference between mind-readover Europe in 1246. ing and psychometry, or mediumship; but by and through such agencies those The Jews made shoes of rushes, leather, linen and wood. who are prejudiced against anything smacking of the occult are enlightened Shoes were not made "rights and lefts" earlier than 1472. upon the subject when they would not listen to the naked truth itself; and the A woman's night dress was at one time fact that he will not prostitute his beaucalled a night rail. tiful gift by employing it for robbery, puts to shame many of the so-called me-The earliest form of the glove was a mere bag for the hand. diums, but greatly enhances the worth of the genuine. DR. T. WILKINS. Jewish women wore silver half moons in their shoes as ornaments.

Parker's voice did all the speaking.

mined to find out, for her own satisfac tion, the source of the phenomena, and accordingly she seated herself beside

ing it the entire evening. The manifes-tations continued just the same and the results were even better than before. This satisfied the lady but left room for doubt among the other members of the circle, so Mr. Parker was prevailed upon to wear a badge made of tin and covered with luminous paint. This enables each member of the circle to determine his whereabouts, and it can be readily seen that he has nothing to do with the man-

The trumpet work is through Mrs. Parker's mediumship, although Mr. Parker is an excellent automatic writing medium. He is also a powerful rapping medium, and gives sittings daily at his

residence. Mr. and Mrs, Parker may be addressed at Mendon, Mich., and will give private and parlor seances by ap-

The result in this place has been an awakening of the thinking people to the truth of our philosophy and the circles are largely made up of church members, ally shaken. One of our local divines recently preached a sermon exhorting his members to remain away from such trickery and deception, but his flock seems to be of the disobedient type. We believe the hour near at hand when people will throw aside prejudice, bigotry,

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Remarkable Powers Possessed By

was brought to Texas by his parents when an infant, and has since lived with

gence in study. readily recognized by him, but he re-peated bits of their conversation, long

Young Roy says that as soon as he

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same position.

Then we have God himself, the Su-Thank God, Spiritualism has never conpreme Ruler of the Universe, saying to fined its opponents in gloomy dungeons; Peter: "I will build my church on this no tortures have been inflicted to make converts to its faith: no scaffolds have rock and the gates of hell shall not prebeen reared, nor soaked with blood vail against it." Can language be drawn by its teachings; the groans of have the heavens been clouded by with power to bind on earth and loose in smoke from burning homes it has deseheaven.

crated; and lovely woman has no vow The Catholics claim the Pope is the registered in heaven against it for havcarthly successor of Peter: that the same ing assailed her chastity; neither have powers vested in Peter inure to him; whole kingdoms been desolated by those of its faith. But all these are crimes of hence the Pope, as the fully accredited churchmen in the propagation of their representative of Almighty God, has as creed. They are welcome to all the full power over men, and over the souls full power over men, and over the souls glory coming generations shall award of men, as God himself, to bind and them for their outrages in the name of loose on earth, and in heaven. More: he a crucified God against humanity. of men, as God himself, to bind and

claims authority to appoint sub-agents and clothe them with like power with himself; hence Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops, and Priests, each in their

season was the marriage, on December 5. sphere, are clothed with the same preof Mr. Thomas F. Rand, of Hartland, rogatives for which Peter was specially Maine; to Miss Viola A. Barrett, of Cacommissioned by Jesus Christ, otherwise naan, Me. Miss Barrett is the daughter God himself. of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Barrett, of Canaan,

Wedding Bells.

One of the pleasant surprises of the

and sister of H. D. Barrett, president of We might say this text, giving such power to Peter, was an interpolation in the National Spiritualists' Association. the Divine Word; but there is no au-Mr. Rand is one of the rising young men of the section in which he lives, and is thority for doing so. It is a part and highly esteemed by all who know him. parcel of Holy Writ, as genuine and The ceremony was performed by the bride's brother, Prof. H. D. Barrett, original as any other text in the New Testament. The selling of indulgences who was summoned from Washington for this express purpose. The happy couple will take up their abode in Hartto commit crime, and to pardon those already guilty, was what aroused the inland, Me., and will have the best wishes dignation of Martin Luther, and induced of hundreds of friends in all sections of him in 1520 to issue his famous address the country for a long and happy life. Miss Barrett is well known at Cassadaga to the nobles of Germany, in opposition to the action of Tetzel, who was farm-Camp, and this event will be a great ing out the sales of these indulgences, to surprise to her many friends in that section, who, we doubt not, will all heartily gain funds for the building of that magunite in extending their good wishes to nificent structure, the St. Peter's at nerself and husband. Rome.

The agitation following these sales convulsed all Europe, and threatened the holy church itself. Whole king- Seelie W. Knapp, Jr., and Miss Hattle doms threw off their allegiance to the Pomerene were united in marriage The pastor of the Cleveland Spiritual Pope, and Catholicism tottered to its Alliance, Mrs. H. S. Lake, performed very base.

very base. . Up to this time, without regard to what may be said to the contrary, the hands of either secularists or laymen. hands of either secularists or laymen. hands of either secularists or laymen. If it existed at all, which recent learned critics strongly controvert, it was in the be remembered.

In Collinwood, O., at the residence of existence. Is there anything "occult" Mr. M. L. Burnham, November, 28, in this? The reader will see in all this that the

question of first cause, of a creative power, or an Infinite intelligence, is not touched upon. At this late day none groom. A bounteous collation was pacify of the finite to define the infinite. spread, and the occasion was one long to Some vacuus mentalities tell us that with this Infinite "nothing is impossi-

be the condition of the hair, and in every case it occasions satisfaction and pleasure, in addition to the benefit which invariably comes from its use,

The boots of the time of Louis XIV vere often two feet broad at the top.

Many colored ribbons were worn on the hair of ladies from 1428 to 1500.

An English lady's state gown was, in the time of George I., called a cyclas.

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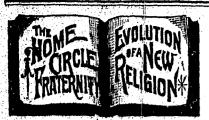
1:45 o'clock. The Spiritual Research Society, Or-pheus Hall, in Schiller Theatre Building; Randolph street, between Clark and Two hundred years ago the skirt of a Dearborn. Every Sunday at 3 P. M. and

17:30 P. M.

Shoes with heels were first made in Paris in 1527.

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THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.



THE GOSPEL OF HAPPINESS.

The Holiest Conception of It.

I. Seeking happiness seems to be the mission of people generally. The young lady, just blossoming into womanhood, and beaming with lofty aspirations, seeks happiness in a wealthy husband. The

young man, with magnificent anticipations of the future, looks for unalloyed happiness when he shall have succeeded in winning the hand of the one he ardently loves. The politician seeks happiness in an office with a good fat salary. where he is winning his way to victory. The thief is exhilarated when he succeeds in secreting his ill-gotten gains and escaping arrest. The minister is understand the Gospel of Happiness. It happy when through his eloquence he combines the grandeur of heaven with succeeds in captivating his congregation. the loftiest conceptions of the philan-

understood. The libertines is extremely ionaire only learns its first lesson when What the Veteran Worker. happy when under the influence of his he commences to assist the unfortunate mistress, and the capitalist feels exuber- in their struggles of life, leaving his ant when he succeeds in squelching a home-comforts in a measure, in his efrival, each misinterpreting the Gospel forts to make the world brighter for of Happiness and living the Gospel of some saddened heart. The true human-Selfshness. To the genuine reformer itarian has a correct conception of the and philanthropist there can be no hap- Gospel of Happiness, for he leaves his piness as understood by the average mor- sunny home to work a portion of his tal. Happiness, from a worldly point of time in the darkness and gloom of the view, consists of ease in life, content- lower walks of life. He or she who ment, with no anxiety as to worldly affairs-drifting with the tide and an. see the heroic struggles in darkened noyed by nothing!

II. The licentious man who covets his neighbor's wife, and whose happiness consists of bringing her to him and under his baneful influence, knows nothing fashionable thoroughfares, learned of of the Gospel of Happiness. Rev. Con- the sickness of an old servant one night rad Haney, of this city, though philo- when her parlors were thronged with it down; there is so much in it that I sophical, grandly eloquent and magnetic admirers, she suddenly disappeared in the tone of his voice and gestures, therefrom like a dazzling meteor that had as little conception of the Gospel of flashes across the sky! Her carriage Happiness as the wild Comanche Indian. | took her to the old woman's home, where | with many of us he is not far off, and we He was a lecherous villain, bubbling she was lying nigh unto death, suffering are becoming selfishly interested in the over with passion, and with a constant the agonies of fever. For two hours she undercurrent of amorous desires that led |sat by her bedside, and like an Angel of had been the expounder of God's words tered to her, and her magnetism, like at the Lake Avenue Union church. His flashes of light from the faces of Chervery presence was magnetic; his eyes ubim or Seraphim, seemed to illuminate glistened with an undertone of unre- the lonely room, as she sent forth divine tempestuous passion sweeping through might not be great, and the Portals of his soul. He could interpret the Bible Spirit-life would open, and that angel gospels-do it to the perfect satisfaction of his congregation-but he knew nothing of the true Gospel of Happiness. His motto was: "No Mission but to Help Hu- ministering unto her. She finally closed over, his life tended to degrade himself and others, and he sought carnal happiness-the happiness of vile lust; the just as the fashionable guests were re- have it. happiness that is derived from stolen tiring-she explained to them that she holy desires.

If only her will is strong, She is mighty to fight and conquer, (Though the struggle be dreary and long) With the armies of pain and of sorrow, If her soul be but pure and true, There is nothing through all the ages She has not been able to do. 'And so this frail little lady, This dear, faithful mother of mine, Forgets all her present weakness, In erecting a life-work fine, With the tools of sweet, loving kindness,

Long patience and tender care, Until, as the time flies past her; The structure grows wondrous fair."

VI. The Gospel of Happiness is the gospel of restraint, of love undefiled by lustful thoughts, of constant effort to elevate others, of fidelity to home, wife and children, and at the same time exerting one's self in endeavoring to elevate others. The Gospel of Happiness is not The warrior finds it on the battle-field a worldly happiness, not a selfish happi- for 50 cents. The subscriber can also ness, not a licentious happiness, nor the have it for 50 cents. Any one who dehappiness derived from lazy ease or sires the book can easily get a new sub-

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never leaves the brilliancy of wealth, to and crowd so much matter into it, for so subject. conditions, has yet to learn the true Gospel of Happiness.

VII.

When the philanthropic lady, Mrs. Carrie Vincent, living on one of the

him to trespass on his neighbors. He Love, a divine messenger, adminis- feels as he or she begins to feel his em-

fruits; the happiness that springs from the basic concerned of a dying taste of your "Encyclopædia of Death," the subjugation of a woman's will to his friend. She comprehended in all its fore the next anniversary of modern own; the happiness that comes from the beautiful details the Gospel of Happiness. Spiritualism. Hoping that you will meet emanation of impure thoughts and un- The poor as well as the rich were her something of the success you deserve, MOSES HULL.

friends, and she thought more of the am, as ever, former than the latter, for they her guardian care. BABY THE FIRST. Every reader should analyze the Gos-

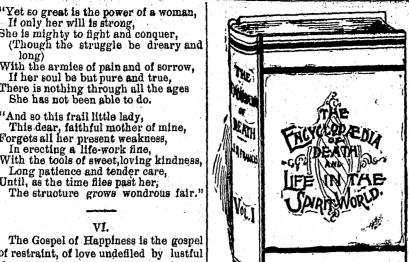
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The Scope of the Work.

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VIII.

The finale of a sad scene must be pict-



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Moses Hull, Thinks.

BRO. FRANCIS:-The older we get, the nearer we approach to the other shore, the more rational we become, and the It do for those it takes in its charge? When you handed me your "Encyclopædia of Death," I took it, wondering how you could publish so large a book, little money. I dared not only just glance at it a little, for I saw that I was going

to get interested in it, and that was just what I could not afford just now. The fact is, the printers are after me all the time, with the cry, "more copy," and I am doing all I can to silence them, so I dare not, at present, take too much in-terest in anything except my work.

To-day I picked up your book again, and, positively, I do not know how to lay have wanted for years, I shall read it, and re-read it, and mark it for reference. It is a library in itself.

The fact is, Death is after us all; and various questions concerning how Death comes, what he looks and feels like as brace; and just how we shall feel as we start on our journey with him. I am interested in the future volumes

of this work. I wish they were all out quited amorous desires, and while he thoughts, divine aspirations and prayers after I get my "Encyclopædia of Biblical was preaching there was a current of that the death agonies of the sufferer Spiritualism" off my hands. I hope your "New Departure" will be

Spirit-life would open, and that angel visitants would give her spirit a grand of Death" and other valuable works will reception, for she was the peer spiritualbe sent out from THE PROGRESSIVE ly of the favored child of earth who sat THINKER Publishing House. The fact is, the world is calling as it never has manity." Instead of doing that, how- her eyes in the sleep of death, her lips before for Spiritualism, and I am more than glad you are to spend your last days in publishing it and sending it out murmuring: "I see it is growing lighter." Mrs. Vincent returned to her parlors at so small a cost that everybody must

I am convinced that if the world had

PRACTICAL POINTS. Scintillating from Dr. Peebles' Pen. THE NEW DEPARTURE-HUDSON TUT-

TLE'S POSITION - SPIRITUAL MEET-INGS--EPISCOPALIANISM.

And so the "New Departure," it seems, means a Publishing House for Spiritualists to bring their manuscripts up out of chaos into the Kosmos of neatly-bound books like the "Encyclopædia of Death." Good, grand. May all hoped-for success be crowned by the most desirable con summation-the ideal becoming the real.

Pleased, greatly pleased, am I, with Brother Griffin's opening reply to me, relating to admitted Protestant and Catholic persecutions. Though not fully agreeing with all of his positions—a little matter considering the infinity of the universe-his method is systematic

his style lucid, and his spirit genial and fraternal. Several correspondents for THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER should sit at Griffin's feet and take lessons in courtesy, candor and culture.

Sound and solid, in my opinion, is the position that Hudson Tuttle takes concerning the existence of animals in the

Spirit-world-serpents and lizards, rate and mice, potato-bugs and fleas. All entities below man are but preliminary

scaffoldings, imperiect, misshapen frag ments, unfinished temples. It is the arch and the key-stone in the arch that gives permanence. And the key-stone that constitutes and crowns the arch in man

is the spiritual consciousness aflame with aspiration. Now, then, if animals aspire +consciously, rationally, aspire to a more our interest increases on the great grand, progressive immortality, where question, What is Death, and what does are the proofs? Will those who believe in beast and insect immortality question them upon the subject? Spirits, often not discriminating between the subjec-tive and the objective, differ upon this

> "How can we make our Spiritual meetings more interesting?" inquires W, H, Bach in the last PROGRESSIVE THINKER. Negatively, among the many answers that will be given, I suggest this: Keep self-sufficient ignoramuses off from the public platforms. Froth and foam rise-rise frequently. Wisdom is

retiring; scholarship and culture are modest. Only those can teach that know, and what they know should be told in decent, clean-cut and polished language. Chopping up logic, strangling grammar, and murdering our good mother-tongue

English, on the rostrum, is neither instructive to investigators nor edifying to believers,

And this criticism is equally as appli-cable to spirits as to mediumistic morwe see and feel his approach; how one tals. Time is too precious, human life too short, to sit in an audience and listen by the hour to some old back-woods

Methodist-exhorter spirit reeling off words and sentences, neither clear, coherent nor logical, through the lips of a now; they would be my first reading half-entranced medium. If spirits have not developed the sixth sense, they should have developed good "common sense," or keep their own side of death's

crystal river.

In making full confession in a previous based on a survival of medieval, rather article to my Episcopalianism, Unitarian-than apostolic Christianity, and had to ism and other church affinities, I entirely give way to a conception of religion forgot my enthusiastic brethren, the Salvation Army. It was only last Sunday, the principles of religion, and the field when walking down Fifth street, that I of ministerial interest as broad as life came squarely upon the Salvation Army itself. When the risen Lord said to the in uniform, full forty strong, two aruns, spostles, "The field is the world," he is the world, "he must have meant just what he said. It American flags (no Irish or Roman Cath-lis wholly indefensible to assume that so olio flags; I mention this for the comfort far from taking in the world he intended



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THE MULLALLY IDEA.

And it is a Very Narrow One.

A name hitherto unknown to the gen eral public has suddenly taken to itself wings and flown to a perch on the pin-

nacle of fame. It may prove a bird of passage more fleeting than ships that pass in the night, but just now the name of Mullally is side by side with that of

Parkhurst. The episode which has added this name to the roll-call of notorlety occurred in the New York Presbytery Monday afternoon. Just as that body

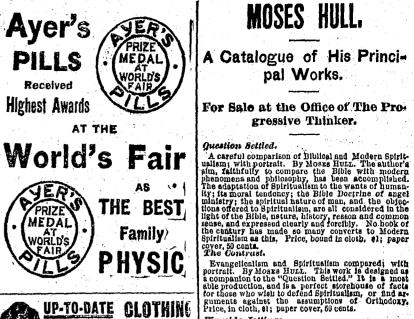
was on the eve of adjournment, some one moved a resolution of thanks to Dr. Parkhurst for the great and splendid work he has accomplished as a municipal reformer. No doubt the mover exup rose the hitherto obscure Mullally and objected, putting his objection on the ground that Christ did not enter into social reform movements, and the whole busiuess of Christ's ministry is preaching the gospel. That was his opening observation, and the closing one was of like character, for he declared that in visiting haunts of crime and vice

Dr. Parkhurst was not acting as an apostle of Jesus Christ, forgetting, apparently, that Christ himself visited even hell, and it is hardly possible that New York has any worse place that

that, The truth is that the Mullally idea is not new. It belongs to the eighteenth century, and the early part of the nine teenth. In those days the theory was that clergymen should confine their attention to expounding the Bible and advocating theological theories. Exegetical preaching was the only relief from doctrinal. The application of religion to every-day life was left to the individual, especially if the application bore in any way upon public affairs. But that old notion has become antiquated. It is

which makes all conduct amenable to of Brother Lockwood and his fellow that the preachers of his gospel should 'Americans"). Bowed to by one of the confine themselves to theology and the officers, a patient of mine, I joined the strictly cognate lines of discussion. No

ranks and marched to the music, which was as lively as "Fisher's Hornpipe" of sponsibility has the slightest justifica-Together with Portraits, Letters and Together with Portraits, Letters and Price, 5 cents.







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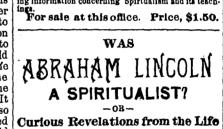
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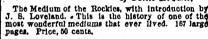
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III.

1V. As the octopus extends its tentaoles to secure its victim, so does the human iant but licentious minister of the gospel. octopus extend his magnetic influence, Rev. Conrad Haney of the Lake Avenue and winding it around some susceptible Union Church. Just think of the sad female, subjugate her to his will. The picture. Mrs. Brandt visited for the ministerial octopus is the worst of all, last time her palatial home, knowing for his profession enables him to carry nothing of the higher Gospel of Happion his perfidious work successfully.

ness, and with a show of affection, she One of Mr. Haney's parishioners said: bade her two sweet children good-by, "I would not be half so much astonished telling them that she was going away. at my doing such a thing myself as I am at Mr. Haney's doing it. He is positive-The little boy is only 3 years old and ly the last man I would ever have suscould not comprehend what his mother pected. He was small, unwholesome, was saying. To her daughter, 9 years and homely, and apparently destitute of old, as she kissed her for the last time, fondness for women. None of us ever saw in him the slightest indication of she said: "Mamma is going away to be gone a long time, but she will see you such a weakness and we trusted him abagain some time." Thus ends a sad solutely. His wife, to whom he was married before he went to Kankakee, is scene. Two homes wrecked; a libidinous a lovely woman. He was immensely popular and beloved, and fell when on woman, going forth expecting to reap the verge of the most splendid success a happiness, but who will henceforth repastor ever achieved. He had no money pose on a bed of thorns. and Mrs. Brandt had none. I suppose

they will soon become penniless as well as absolutely miserable. Wetl, there is nothing left us now but to hide our heads in shame."

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struggle with the vicissitudes of life. been contracted for and all will be sold. Two homes wrecked, and therefrom In fact, we expect to dispose of at least formed a third composed of the flirting 100,000 copies. In inaugurating our wife and the ministerial libertine, who Publishing House, we have presented knew nothing the true Gospel of Hap-piness trast them with the picture tion. Just think of it-what a sweeping drawn by Ethel Maude Colson of her reduction in price! The entire libraries of the world cannot furnish you with the

mother: "Such a weak, little, tiny body, To shelter so brave a heart, Such morsels of hands to labor so long, And bear such a valiant part In the battle of life, such diminutive feet To journey so far and so fast On the road which leads up from the glimmer of dawn

To the glory of sunset at last.

The poet may sing Like a bird on the wing, the proser accustom his quill the angel-world, and can feel, in a meas-And To a talented strain, ure, those upbuilding, divine vibrations But I mean to maintain That there's one thing which passes their skill. It has never been sung

By torrestrial tongue, It has never by pen been rehearsed. How ineffably prized And how much idolized

ured. Two homes wrecked by a brill. In the homestead is Baby the First! Not for Ossas of gold Upon Pelious rolled, Not for pearls to the firmament piled, Not for rubies galore, Or the great Koh-i Noor,

Would the mother relinquish that child She would brave the high fire Of a Didoesque pyre, She would patiently hunger and thirst,

If her sacrifice brave Could by any means save From one pang her sweet Baby the First, Oh! that dear little thing Is the queen or the king Of the house in which it had birth;

For the mother's strong love Simply ranks it above Ev'ry creature or object on earth. Yes, she fondly contrives To believe that its "hives" minister of the gospel and a pretty Is of earthly diseases the worst, soman going forth expecting to rean And its tiniest ache Will induce her to wake

All the night, beside Baby the First. Babies Second and Third Have no reason to "gird" At the motherly treatment they get; Bables Four, Five and Six, They are much indulged chicks. Each in turn is called "ma's 'ittle pet?"

But the babes who succeed Number One would, indeed, Pick a crow with mamma, if they durst,

Could they guess how much less is Is the love she possesses For them than for Baby the First! JUDY.

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when I was on in any of the recorded words of th my heels rather than my head. The hall reached, the prayers ended, the hymns and music tambourined by the plainolad sisters, I was invited to address the assembly, which I did, upon the goodness of God'as revealed in nature, upon immortality, the ministry of angels in all ages, and the present intercommunion press in the laudable efforts it is making between the two worlds. They seemed edified. And now, as I have never been

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The Spiritualist Society of Stockton. Cal., has been fortunate in securing, as its lecturer, Mrs. M. E. Aldrich, of Santa Cruz, and formerly of Philadel-phia, and who is widely known on this coast as one of the most able and intelincrease exponents in the cause of truth. doing more to instruct the people in She filled a provious engagement of three months for our society, but having engagements from other societies on the coast, the left to fill those and have the base of the local sectors."

returned and will remain as our lecturer for a month longer. Her lectures are among the grandest from the Spiritualistic rostrum and hold the audience in

gagements along the route from Cali-fornis, to Philadelphia; and those who sided, having reference only to a God are fortunate in securing her for an en-whom they do not know, whilst they ig-gagement will not be disappointed in nore man and his social relations, which hearing an intellectual treat, as her is the very thing that concerns us most. talents combined with sweetness and and is to be the working basis of the gentleness have attracted to her a noble new era on which we are now entering.

band of controls, who, in earth-life, were men of talent, and through whom the

world has been made better by their having lived in it while in the mortal form. In her they have found an able instrument through whom they still can convey their grand and noble thoughts. Hoping that societies along her route

Blodgett, of Davenport, Iowa, and Dr. and the blessing of the angel-world in William Britten. of England, have William Britten, of England, have the publication of THE PROGRESSIVE lately passed to Spirit-life. Both have THINKER, and also in your New Debeen instrumental in doing a grand work parture, I am sincerely your well wisher, MRS. J. B.

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in behalf of justice and morality. Dr. Westbrook, of Philadelphia, in his great work, "The Eliminator," says: "The secular newspaper is a missionlectual progress every day to our break

fast-table.'

He further says: "It was once said: 'The priest's lips

should keep knowledge,' but it may now be said that modern scientists and phil-osophers among the laity are the prin-cipal teachers of mankind, and that publications like the North American Review and the Forum" (and he might have said the Arena and THE PRO-

GRESSIVE THINKER) "and last, but not

Mullally stripe. They are the bane of society, and have been working since the third century to foster and perpetuate the social order, or, we should rapt attention. The contemplates a trip east in the writers and newspapers are trying to Spring, and will be pleased to fill en-remedy. Their theology is not, and

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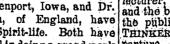
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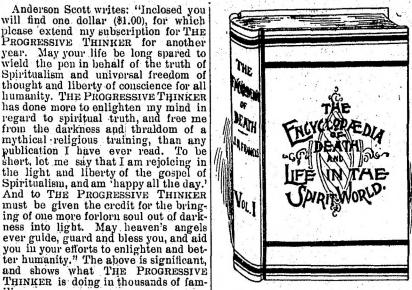
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people and surrounding country. The proved such a faithful worker and ex-present camps are so poorly supported that it seems a doubtful undertaking to as a good, genuine and honest trance, add another to the list.

Mrs. T. P. C. writes from Oakland, . T. P. C. writes from Oakland, Progressive Society, of Peoria, Ill., and "The Oakland Spiritual Society the First Society of Spiritualists of this has just closed a successful engagement city, also took part; her control enterfor the past three months with Mr. tained the audience in his ininitable Simpson, of San Francisco, a very tal-ented speaker. The friends of the so-recognized. The First Society is still ciety desire to return him their sincere taking the lead in giving the different notice. Open dates for next season's thanks, and wish him every success in phases of the phenomena and philosophy his grand work. We have also had Mrs. of Spiritualism. As the separation of Drew, of San Francisco, who also vol- the chaff cleanses the wheat, so should unteered her services and gave some pos- all tricksters be eliminated from any itive proofs of spirit return, assisted by chance of gulling the public. It is time other mediums. Mrs. Cowell, having just finished an engagement in San Jose, tion, and for this purpose this society will be with us again this month. A has a committee. Woe be the fraud, grand time is expected during the holi-days, as already some very fine talent is reach of its members. They believe in engaged. We have very fair andiences, driving away the parasites, so that honest and hope soon to increase our member- people can come in. The sooner every

society adopts a strict system with re-



Anyone who sends us four trial sub Bishop A. Beals, who is lecturing at scribers can have the Encyclopædia of Grand Rapids, Mich., writes: "The Death, and Life in the Spirit-World, beautiful story you inserted in your pabeautiful story you inserted in your pa-per, entitled 'Genius or Medium,' is delightful, and sends a thrill of joy into one's soul to know there are hearts and one be complete without it. minds in this world moved by the nobler

impulses to do acts of such generous kind-ness to aid and develop fellow-mortals. Mrs, T. J. Van Wormer writes from ness to aid and develop fellow-mortals. Grand Rapids, Mich.: "Mrs. De Wolf of is incomprehensible. Its light sheds The story had a fascination in it that Chicago, inspirational speaker and slate- lustre upon every dark mind that reads strengthens my faith in man and the re-demption of the world. I had a full more, beginning Dec. 16. Our society it, upon suffering humanity, and enhouse Sunday and a revival of interest is new but very successful."

"Farmer" Riley writes: "I have just follows of Dr. Carpender, now lecturing arrived in Detroit, and find the interest the Detroit Sunday Tribune has taken. Many of the old Spiritualists are suspicious that the investigation is not going to be impartial. Mrs. Minnie Carthere. Mrs. Carpenter's services are being sought after a great deal of late, and may the demand increase, as she is theory. The animal part of man was considered and not the soul. He said we are taught that man is by nature deworthy of the confidence of the people." praved. The idea of the sins of the Mr. Riley holds a number of seances in father being visited upon the son was Detroit and then goes to Port Huron. Justice writes from Milwaukee, Wis.: "The First Society have had Will C.

preposterous. It was a depraved doc-trine taught by the religions of the world. Every man stood on his own Hodge for speaker, presenting his hearbottom-was responsible alone for his ers with lectures which held the closest acts. This teaching through the ages attention of everybody present. He gave had brought us to the condition in which entire satisfaction here and will be en- we are found to-day, a nation of drunkgaged again as soon as possible. He is ards, prostitutes and murderers. a great thinker and well able to teach saw a pure river of the water of life prothe truths contained in our grand phil-osophy. It is to be deplored that this ceeding from the throne of God" meant from the throng of God in man. Man great and conscientious teacher is not was a city set upon a hill, and all knowlconstantly employed. His heart and soul edge flowed from him. The little vineal

are in the work, and I feel confident that H. H. Fross makes the suggestion that he will be in great demand all over the the soul of man. Science knew not of gland located in the head is the seat of Land be purchased at a near point in ln-diana, to form a camp for the Chicago people and surrounding country. The proved such a faithful worker and ex-proved such a faithful worker and ex-of life which bore the twelve kinds of life which bore the twelve kinds of life which bore the twelve kinds of lespise a hypocrite. I have more re-despise a hypocrite. I have more re-despise a hypocrite. I have more re-despise a hypocrite. I have more re-action to the the twelve kinds of life which bore the twelve kinds of life which bor fruit. Spiritualism is the ancient religion learned and taught by Christ. It test and business medium by the Peoria teaches the common brotherhood of man. He did not believe in a place of future punishment.'

> Mrs. Lora Holton-Hursen can be addressed at Rome, Georgia, General Delivery, for engagements, until further camp-meetings, as platform, musical test medium.

Dr. P. S. George writes from Lincoln, Neb.: "The hard times have not crippled us spiritually here. Brother and Sister Kates have been earnestly and successfully laboring for both our local and State Associations, holding meetings every Sunday for our local society, and

James Montgomery, of Omaha, Ne-braska, writes: ("Seeing that my supply Spiritualists of this place are awakening of the current topics of Spiritualism to the fact that an organization is much of the current topics of Spiritualism to the fact that an organization is much had failed to put in an appearance this morning, as it usually has done, I began to look around, to try and find out, if possible, what intercepted the light of spirit presence were produced. Much but the friends from the shore of the spiritual came to my aid and imparted to me the required information, and whispered gently: 'Renew your sub-scription.' And now I obey the kind voices, rather than wait to be admon-spiritual came to my ait to be admonvoices, rather than wait to be admon- speakers.

than a thinker; it is a talker also; talks to 40,000 people, and its secret influence courages it to live on and work on. tI

The Riverside Press, Cal., speaks as earth to cease their weeping, for the sized audience in Forester's Hall Sunday afternoon on 'The River of the Water to rest. after notional to the advanced compared to the state of the strength atternoon of the s change called death is a birth into the of Life.' He advanced some new theo- little snowdrop pass into the gloaming of ries as to the seat of the soul. Christ the unseen morning of spiritual light, had been from the time he was 12 years and says: 'Yony, loved, not lost, is ever of age until he was 30 learning the near you, waiting for a mother's recog-science of the soul. Most of the relig-nition.' So, Brother Francis, may you ions of to-day were built upon a false and your PROGRESSIVE THINKER be ever successful in every good enterprise. And when you have done your work on earth, of labor and of love, the accidents of the flesh will affect but little the immortality you shall at last put on."

Mrs. M. L. F., of Berlin, Wis., writes: 'I have been really amused at the controversy going on between Brother J. M. Peebles and some of his brother Spiritualists, and then to hear what this Frand Mogul of the Episcopal church says: 'The awful responsibilities of the priesthood;' forsooth, when they have knowledge of the awful responsibilities of fatherhood and motherhood, we'll have less need of priesthood."

John L. Moore writes: "I want a few copies of No. 259, on account of the doings of the Freethought Secular Confore." despise a hypocrite. I have more re-spect for a hell of a fellow than I have for a two-faced Christian." Mr. Moore is not a Spiritualist, yet he has taken THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER from almost the first issue. He is a justice of the peace, and a veteran Freethinker.

F. W. Scott writes: "I received your card notifying me of the expiration of my subscription. I answer the notice by enclosing a one dollar bill that I had laid by for a long time to renew my subscrip-

tion for the best and greatest paper I have ever read, THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER. I at a great loss to know how you can afford to publish so grand and glorious a paper as THE THINKER is for one dollar, as one can scarcely read over a copy without reading one or more articles that are well worth the dollar during the week in smaller towns ad itself. I shall do all I can to swell jacent to Lincoln during the week. I the circulation of THE PROGRESSIVE was with them all of last week at Seward THINKER. Consider me a life subship." A. J. Sweetser writes that the Sioux City Spiritual Society has had several opportunities to prove the genuineness of the mediumship of Mr. O. A. Smith, whom he recommends as a good test medium and honest worker. Mr. Smith's medium and honest worker. Mr. Smith's

ished because of my tardiness; so please continue sending along your messenger of grand thoughts, for in it is light to those whosit in darkness; its knowledge is to be found upon the mountains and in the valleys, doing its silent but eff

is to be found upon the mountains and in the valleys, doing its silent but ef-fectual work. In it we find the produc-tions of the varied minds of advanced progress—with a radical disagreement, it is turne but request the production of the varies of the progress—with a ratio at angle of the second long-felt want for good, that some day, in the eternities, beyond our own limited comprehension now, we can look back as we stand upon the eternal hills with a revealed and recognized. Could the smile of approval, and see the great lady have remained till the next night harvest gleaned from little seeds, often she would have received a full house. peath, and Life in the spirit-world, sown at random. There is no spiritual she would have received a full house. sent to him for 50 cents. Every Spirit-paper published to day that does so present, in her logical remarks, her free much moral and spiritual good as THE and easy delivery, and lastly, her re-PROGRESSIVE THINKER. It is more markable tests, all of which were recognized. One in particular excited much interest, being recognized by an ac-quaintance previous to the person it was given to. Her tests are certainly good enough for any one. I have heard many tests given, and what I have seen of Mrs. Robinson, I believe she will not give any prepared tests, which are the

curse of Spiritualism to-day." Prof. Dr. Balduff has removed to 439 West Lake street, third flat, where he would be pleased to see his friends interested in a social science home.

Prof. W. M. Lockwood will speak at National Hall, 681 West Lake street, Wednesday evening, the 19th inst., com-mencing at 8 o'clock and follow up his lecture with psychometric delineations of character, etc.

G. M. Kennedy, of Columbus, Ohio, writes: "I believe I have a new phase in

FLAVIUS JOSEPHUS, the Jewish historian-Spiritual phenomena On last Saturday night my daughter, who had passed over about fourteen years ago, wrote a message on a piece of music lying on the history-No such person as Jesus of Nazareth piano. The following was the message: | existed in the time of Josephus.

Dear one: I am here, and want you to CONSTANTIUS POGONATUS-The sixth coun-Florence.' Directly under this was written across the music the name of -Lamb worship changed to man worship-James H., he being a brother of my wife, and who had passed over thirty prohibiting the worship of the lamb on the years ago. These messages were written CTOSS.

independent, and in a room where no TITUS LIVIUS, a Roman Historian .one was, but it was in a room where birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ seances had been held for two months, as portrayed in the annual passages of the Sun and Florence's message was one she had through the constellations of the Zodiac. promised in slate-writing some time be-CARDINAL CÆSAR BARONIUS, Librarian of he Vatican.-The Hindoo god Chrishna, in

Abby A. Judson is winning golden reality the Christ of the Christians-Sworn to secrecy. opinions in the East. Her work in Wor-cester, Mass., and in Norwich, Conn., HORMISDAS, a Roman Catholic Pontiff .-

Destruction of the Pauline Epistles-Eusebius during October and November, gave great satisfaction. She is now in New a scoundrel-Jesus Christ worshiped in the Bedford, Mass. We shall not forget that form of a lamb-Romanism is Paganism she was developed as a Spiritualist and changed to Christianity. as a speaker in the West.

G. W. G. writes: "Mrs. Hamilton Gill Christos changed to Jesus Christ in the days of has just closed a five weeks' engagement Eusebius. with the Allegheny City, Pa., Society. STRABO, Historian and Geographer.-"If the

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The reference to Jesus of Nazarene fraudulently interpolated by some Christian copier of

medium and honest worker. Mr. Smith's December 16th, and meetings will be phases are trance and business test, also held regularly hereafter."

magnetic healing, and he would like en-G. A. Carr, of Detroit, Mich., writes: gagements in that vicinity. His address "The First National Spiritualist Society is 315 Sixth street, Sioux City, Iowa. of Detroit, Mich., resumed public meet of Detroit, Mich., resumed public meet-

Mrs. S. M. Sanford writes that the ings the fore part of October, with Mrs. said if what Brother and Sister Kates Spiritualists of South Grand Rapids, Minnie Carpenter, regular speaker or advocated was Spiritualism they wanted piritualists of South Grand Rapids, annual carponent, og an optimit and optimit and optimit and optimite and the south side spiritual been phenomenal, audionces increasing tigation all along the line of that which the name of the South Side Spiritual been phenomenal, audionces increasing Society. The officers elected are: Geo. Sunday by Sunday from 100 to about 400. H. Ferry, president; Mrs. Sarah L. Dal- We have one of the finest halls (Schwanton, vice-president; Mrs. S. M. Sanford, kovsky's Musie Hall) in the city, with a recording secretary; Mrs. Van Wormer, seating capacity of 500. We have jus corresponding secretary: Harry Dalton, organized a lyceum and elected an able treasurer; Mrs. Emma Blake, Mrs. Hen-

happiness, I think it sensible to take time by the forelock, so I send you an tinuance of the paper and 50 cents for the sensible to take started to investigate Spiritualistic phe-nomena. Mrs. Pfuntner is doing a good 82 Gratiot avenue eveny Sundament is a doing a good 82 Gratiot avenue eveny Sundament is a doing a good the paper and 50 cents for the sensible to take started to investigate Spiritualistic phe-nomena. Mrs. Pfuntner is doing a good 82 Gratiot avenue eveny Sundament is a doing a good the paper and 50 cents for the tinuance of the paper and 50 cents for

Baptist a few days ago about the much-swallowed Jonah, I being in my young days a sailor on a whaling vessel, I told her a whale could not swallow a man; except the sperm whale, and before the poor fellow could take up his home in-side the whale would make mince-meat of him. She answered; 'God created a rostrum in her absence." create all things in the so-called be-

ginning.' This was a stumper." T. Clifford writes from Cleveland, Ohio: "Mrs. H. S. Lake, under the auspices of -the People's Spiritual Alliance. occupies the platform at Army and Navy Hall every Sunday evening. Her lectures are of the highest order, and the character of the thought expressed is commanding the attention of the most advanced thinkers in Cleveland. In refutation of a rumor that the Alliance had engaged the services of Mrs. Kate Robiuson, the speaker and platform test medium, I de-

An aged Spiritualist writes: "Some Prof. Lockwood lectures to a class at before, and after hearing these never-

An aged Spiritualist writes: Dune time ago your postal came to hand ask-ing me to renew my subscription for your good paper, THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER. I would be glad to do so if I could reasonably do so, but I feel I must forego the hyper for a time at least. tiring workers for the cause they wanted to have them remain in their midst a week longer; so you see they have been awakened from their slumbers. They Winter is upon us, and a hard one it above number. must be to the poor in purse, and I am unfortunate enough to be one of them,

they call modern Spiritualism. The time seems to be at hand for the grand cnfoldment of this spiritual knowledge."

Mrs. H. Perrie-Hueyette writes from Forn Scott, board of directors; Edward medium, as conductor. Under the wise ing medium of this city. I have at-fory, Harry Dalton, committee on speak-ers. It is intended to organize a Ladies' Auxiliary. The prospects are bright. Dr. Geo. W. Carpender will lecture at Forester's Hall, Riverside, Cal., every Sunday at 2:30 P. M., sharp. Among his subjects is that of "Miracles of the Old Testament, as Looked at by Science."

work by holding independent meetings at 82 Gratiot avenue every Sunday evening. Many other independent meetings are twenty years ago. After conversing Alcazar, O'Farrell street, every Sunday, the book. My wife thinks it very, very held here, and we are, so to speak, hav-strange that I take your paper, when so ing a Spiritualistic revival here. Many the voice to join in singing a favorite ous speakers and mediums are not limmany thousands of Spiritualists will not mediums of national reputation are spend one cent to further the cause that they pretend to love. Talking to a lady Bantist a few days ago about the muchdium, farmer James Riley of Marcellus, which they sang with much eclat. This lifting humanity in the scale of being, He was here last September and gave medium deserves the patronage and The result is several short speeches He was here last September and gave medium deserves the partonage that several seances, which were not only good wishes of all honest investigators. These seances were given under strict music. Quite a number have made their first public effort in these meetings, who

pected within a fortnight, many of us O. L. C. writes from Derry, Kansas: can scarcely await the lapse of time. "I write a few lines concerning the Elk Mrs. Carpenter fills some engagements Grove Society of Spiritualists and Libbig fish for that especial purpose.' Then Mrs. Carpenter fills some engagements Grove Society of Spiritualists and Lib-Usaid: "This is saying that God did not mear home, Mrs. Pfunter occupying our erals. We are located four miles from Derry railroad station, of Gulf, Colorado

rostrum in her absence." O. J. H. writes from Nottingham, Ind.: "We are holding a series of circles at our residence, with Mrs. Tiffany of Mont-pelier, Ind., as medium, and are baving all that could be desired in the way of spirit-communion. Mrs. Tiffany is a medium of wonderful power, and her control is giving the people that attend our circles positive evidence of the presence of their suirtifurends. The means of communi-ting circles in many homes, and at this spirit-friends. The means of communi- ing circles in many homes, and at this cation is the trumpet, and most of the time we find at least one hundred Spiritsitters are skeptics, but the interest ualists, by a careful canvass. We have taken plainly indicates that the people been employed for the last three months

speaker and platform test medium, I de-sire to give circulation to the fact that Mrs. Lake is under engagement with the Alliance for the entire year, which will not end uutil July 1, 1895, and the trustees of the society, as well as the membership at large, are so highly pleased with the character of her lec-tures that they have no desire for a change. The trustees of the Alliance are with her heart and soul in her work of reform."

E. Klotz writes from Allegheny, Ps.: "The Society for Psychical Research and nearly seventy-six years old, with "The Society for Psychical Research very poor health. I can chore around has secured the services of Mrs. A. M. some, but have no show to earn much in Glading for the month of December. any shape. I have always tried to avoid To say that the lady is doing her best, becoming a subject of charlty, while I and is as eager as myself to make a suc-Kansas City, Mo.: "Mrs. Mary Powell is a trumpet and independent slate-writ- have been an outspoken Spiritualist over the truth. Her audience is composed

subjects is that of "Miracles of the Old Testament, as Looked at by Science." John L. Moore writes: "It will be services. From this source many are gral weeks before my subscription ex-pires, but as I want to try and learn what becomes of my nonentity after I get away from this place of pleasure and testines. This Aid Society is doing a sources. From this source many are started to investigate Spiritualistic phe-

Observer writes: "Mrs. F. A. Logan's and I hope that eventually much good will be derived from it."

Next Sunday morning Mrs. Richmond will speak at Hooley's Theatre, at 11 o'clock on the following subject: "The Comforter-The New Dispensation."

Perhaps it may not be known to many nediums and speakers that Hamburg, Iowa, has a fine large hall called the Lyceum, seating 400 people, and which was built in 1891 by Fred W. Toedt and dedicated expressly to the work of spreading the glad tidings of modern Spiritualism. The Spiritualists there are now lecturing successfully in several will be glad to welcome all good Spirit-

States in the Union.' David Haynes writes: "I began with the first number of THE PROGRESSIVE

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speaker and medium,

Hudson Tuttle. Address him at Berlin Heights, Ohio,

C. J.B., Ashaway, R. I.: Q. (1) In what is advanced Theosophy superior to ordinary Spiritualism? What is personal magnetism?

(2) (3) How may one measurerize one's (4) Is magnetized paper of any value,

as an aid to development of spirit-power? (5) What is inspirational speaking? A. (1) Theosophy is peculiar in the act that the more "advanced" it is the fact that the more "advanced" it is the less comprehensible and more errone-ous it becomes. All that is true in The-

osophy it has taken from Spiritualism, and to this truth it has added a melange of ancient theories and dream-fancies, entirely antagonistic to the modern methods of thought and scientific evidence. It is a sprout from the root of the great Spiritual tree, which furnishes the little sap of life it has.

(2) Every individual is surrounded by a magnetic sphere, differing from all others as his individuality differs, and thus impressing his personality on all who approach and are sensitive. This sphere is composed of the vibrations of ether thrown out by the spirit through the brain, and every faculty, emotion and thought are represented. Hence personal magnetism, itself, is not a constant quantity, but varies with the state of the mind,

(3) Self-mesmerism may be readily induced in those susceptible, by concentration of the mind. This may be accomplished by intently fixing the mind on a certain line of thought, or by intently gazing at a flame, a crystal, or any bright object.

(4) It is doubtful if magnetized paper or any other magnetized object has any appreciable influence beyond that oreated in the imagination. (5) In inspirational speaking,

speaker or medium is not entranced, but is more or less impressible to the thoughts of the controlling spirit. The term is loosely used with a wide latitude of meaning, from trance to the mere exaltation of mind produced by speaking.

The inspirational speaker, by the exaltation of his mind may become unconscious, in greater or less degree, to his surroundings, but does not present the physiological changes seen in trance. In the inspirational state, unless the controlling spirit has been long acous-tomed to the medium, the thoughts of the latter are shaded into those given by the spirit. The phraseology neces-sary is the medium, elevated by that of his mental exaltation.

But it must be held in mind that the inspirational state and trance are not separated by sharp lines, and the manifestations through both may be given in the compass. of a single discourse. Trance is only a more advanced stage of tensitiveness or impressibility.

E. S., Cape Girardeau, Mo.: Q. (1) Do Not seeing them in attendance. To this departed spirits retain consciousness of he gave the surprising answer: "Oh, they attend the Congregational Sundaythe affairs of this life?

(2) Is there any such thing as witch-praft, and if so, what relation has it to Suriritalism?

Spiritualism? A. (1) That the departed spirit retains full consciousness of its past life is a cardinal principle of the spiritual phil-osophy, and although the recognition is by different means, its perception of here the was encaged. Thus unwittingly pe-the provingly and pressing my lips together. Next 1 found Vesuvius in eruption. This was still more beautiful and 1 over the vocas. I turned another leat. This was better. It had white, red and the words, "There is no Death," were placed in beautiful design. A generous contribution of roses was sent from Dubuque—the gift of a society of which ing forbearanced. Thus unwittingly pe-the vas end theor.

the Pagan peoples were children of the evil one, and history resolved itself into a fierce and relentless struggle between God and the Devil. During the Middle Ages the Devil was supreme. He was regarded as the embodiment of intelligence and cunning. Every man who manifested superior skill was held to be in league with him, and even when Faust printed the Bible, it was referred to the black art, and the printer escaped This Department is under the manage- death by flight. Had there been a devil, ment of the distinguished author, printing would have been the last invention he would have given the world, for it has dissipated the reign of darkness and evil, as the sun the blackness of night. Not until the present generation has it been widely acknowledged that the evil god was a phantasm of the

midnight hours of ignorance. The Christian writers illumined the shores of the Greek Tartarus with the fires which burned the refuse outside the walls of Jerusalem, and the fervid

ignorance.

value to themselves?

as though rigorously excluded.

He has been deeply interested in The fancy of each succeeding generation added to the lurid glow, until the remorseless logic of Jonathan Edwards paved Spirit-World, and is now writing to an was the desire of the companion of my the burning pit with skulls of infants his friends to send \$1.50 to THE PRO-not a span long, and Christian mothers GRESSIVE THINKER office, and obtain it schooled themselves to believe that they and a year's subscription to the paper. If not sold in connection with the paper in season for the services, which had been announced to occur at ten o'clock less logic of Jonathan Edwards paved heaven in supreme joy, and see their the price is \$1.50; own children spitted on glowing forks by the evil one, and tost into the eternal flames. Oh, it is past! Humanity, thy martyrdom to the cruelty of priestly

dogmatism is ending with the night of

"Orient," Baltimore, Md.: Q. Why do not Spiritualists and liberalists give more attention to the education of their children in the belief and knowledge which they claim is of such priceless

A. Perhaps no question has been more often asked, and none more inex-plicable. With what overwhelming force it has come to my mind, with boding significance, as I have men with au-

diences of grey-haired men and women, where children and youths were as rare These veterans know only too well the

struggle it has cost to escape from the bondage of the faith they were taught in childhood, and rejoiced in their emancipation from mental slavery; yet they

made to believe the dogmas of the church." Perhaps; but let it he rememhe would take out one of these volumes and show me the pictures. The volume that pleased me the most was a very bered that the mind of the child to fifteen years of age is plastic, and impreslarge work, bound in red morocco, which sions then made are almost indelible. was on the highest shelf. It was en-titled "Pompeil," and treated about that The Catholic Church, in its cunning, while insisting on the parochial school for children to the age of twelve or fourteen, will then grant a dispensation allowing them to attend the public school, regarding them safe from Protestant in-

recent excavations, Having reached papa's studio, I at In a city where the Spiritual society held a lyceum, I accompanied the con-ductor to the session of the latter. so much. The principal square of Pompeii was the first to come into my left hand, while in my right I held mamma's scissors. That lithograph did not please me very much; it was ash-

colored. I turned another leaf. This

HE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

She Has Passed Beyond the Veil, to Spirit-Life.

TO THE EDITOR:—The announcement in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER of last week that Olive A. Blodgett had passed to the higher life, was a sorrowful mes-sage to thousands of Spiritualists, for the name of our arisen sister had become a household word among the hosts who,

over the wires to me, supplemented with a request to officiate at the funeral exer-black officiate at the funeral exer-clases, I was in Pennsylvania, whither I Thy soul is with the blessed.

had been summoned from Cleveland, on He has been deeply interested in The Encyclopædia of Death, and Life in the Spirit-World, and is now writing to all was the desire of the companion of my

He has been deeply intervention of Death, and Life in the processing of Death, and Life in the processing of Death, and Life in the processing of Death and a year's subscription to the period and the period is \$1.60 to the p

But mamma was arready beyond hear-ing, and for that day I must give up the thought of a visit with her. I soon con-soled myself, however, with the thought that I should be sole mistress of the that I should be sole mistress of the house, I sat down at my mother's table, an hour before the departure of the house and the hendly white a struggle for breath. As stated, about and in the Second Wisconsin Cavalry, the bar set down at my mother's table, and hour before the departure of the the set of the the mediumship of his com ouperion from mental savery; yet they appear indifferent to the weilars of their children, and furnish them no means of forming their ideas after the new light of reason. The young will have society of some kind, and will accept whatever they find to have accept whatever they find to have accept whatever they find to be avery thing on his birthday," when the idea occurred to ferment lies through the door of the haves he cannot be turned a side, and "Wo," it is said by the confident part the wrath of God, and the scorn of mean. "Oh," it is said by the confident part the wrath of God, and the scorn of mean "Oh," it is said by the confident part the wrath of God, and the scorn of mean "Wo, "A three means of the sole o

The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. At the head of the casket was placed an ample and exquisite floral pillow, with the word "Rest" in purple flowers, which was an offering from Mr. Blodgett. On the casket was a great variety of flowers, including Easter illies. The lilies and many of the cut flowers were offerings from Mrs. Frankie Steinhart, sister of oundeparted friend. At the foot of the casket istod a table completely covered with hyacinths, was placed an ample and exquisite fioral

Having reached papa's studio, I at completely covered with hyacinths, bers and organizing our forces that we once thought of this volume; I got it forms, smilax and carnations. These will be able to hold meetings as often as once in two weeks, by which means we to admire the lithographs that I liked. The table was mounted with a crescent expect to break the shackles and open of English violets, a token of tender regard from the Red Jacket Manufactur-ing Company, a firm with which Mr. Blodgett has been identified for a num-more rational and trustful view of that gard from the Red Jacket Manufacturber of years. Dr. O. G. W. Adams con- power whose plans and capacity for exetributed a superb floral star, in which the words, "There is no Death," were placed in beautiful design. A generous UNDER HYPNOTIC CONTROL.

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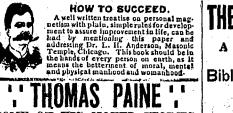
"Let me go too, to the lady's house?" "No, my child, I must go alone. She an invalid, and a noisy, restless child ke you would be harmful to her." "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a ittle kitten when it is fast asleep." "An ushed and the hand that blessed is par-"But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the point of our friend left its encase-ment on the morning of the 7th inst. "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the kitten when it is fast asleep." "An ushed and the hand that blessed is par-"But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-bar before she "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-bar before she "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-bar before she "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-bar before she "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-bar before she "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-bar before she "But, mamma, I will be as quiet as a the was her last illness. She suffered in-the protect to mamp, the was united in marriage with whoma very happy wedded life of their six children, two only survive. The removed to Kansas in 1800. He "But the she was the protect to the she the the she the sh little kitten when it is fast asleen." But mamma was already beyond hear-tensely until about an hour before she They removed to Kansas in 1860. He

Those wishing photographs of "Farm-er" J. W. Riley, of Marcellus, Mich., can get them by sending him 25 cents

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disrespect their beliefs, and at last came from my lips. themselves, and when they depart this "What good," said I to myself, "is all Aside from the mass of error and fraud in witchcrait, there is a portion of themselves, and when they depart this truth. The real witch was sensitive or mediumistic, and in an ignorant age the sense the wish that no gospel minister be called to dogmatize over their resupernormal intelligence manifested was referred to the evil one. In this light mains, how often do their children over rule this injunction, as though the dead it off with the scissors." witchcraft was an attempt, more or less had no rights which they or the church successful, by spiritual intelligences to

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communicate, but when they found that | were bound to respect. This question comes directly home to the superstitious masses were ready to every Spiritualist and every liberalist. torture whoever served as mediums, they Do you wish to have your children grow withdrew. The dreadful persecution of up to disrespect your belief, and also witches came entirely from the Bible. disrespect you for entertaining such and the first case recorded is in that If you do not, there is only belief? book. The witch of Endor, when she one method of preventing them from so called up Samuel, was a seer medium of doing: You must provide means for their education in the knowledge which is sathe first order, and her success has not been surpassed by the most gifted of tocred to you.

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 (3) How long before Christ did Christian people begin to preach a hell and a It gives its members the opportunity to educate others and themselves. It does devil?

of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER have fully given the method of seeking com- members. Instead of one article is instead of one a not depend on numbers for success. It munications from the Spirit-world. Belief is an inconsequential factor in the it has the accumulated wisdom of mankind, and the infinite universe. All that matter, and the honest investigator will is essential for the founding and success soon be on the believing side.

oon be on the believing side. (2) Heaven and hell, figuratively, are unselfish labor in its behalf. Numbers? conditions of the mind. We have the They always come. The zeal of the possibilities of both within ourselves, mother is commendable, who writes We have the They always come. The zeal of the and become unto ourselves an angel of from the wilds of the Northwest, that light or a fiend of hate.

isolated with few and distant neighbors As taught by spirit-revelations, the real hell is that of the earth-bound spirand none of her belief, she holds a lyceum session. every Sunday morning in her cabin home, with only herself and little son in attendance, and instructs him in the wonderful and joyous spiritits, who are chained after death to this sphere, by their passions, selfishness, and unappeased desires. Heaven is the spheres of light around the earth, where usl philosophy.

the infinite aspirations of the soul are gratified.

(3) There are evil gods in the myth-ology of all races, and in fact in nearly

other is there a hell and devil equal-ing in fiendish cruelty that of the Christ-

In this book the irrepressible author ian people. As there were no Christian who is so well-known among Spiritualists people before Christ, it was reserved for that people to evolve a hell and and social reformers, has turned aside from her usual prominent topic, and aimed to set forth her views on the land devil a long time after their so-called leader had vanished from the sepulcher, question. It is done in the form of a eclipsing all predecessors. The Jews story, to make it more readable to the ordinary class of readers. "'The home-less millions of the world cry loudly for' received their ideas of Satan from the Babylonians, but the evil one did not thrive in their monotheism, and was rethe land," is the motto on the title-page, garded as the Servant, yielding obediand expresses the trend of her senti ence, as the strangest story in all litera-

ments. For sale by the author at To-peka, Kan. Price 50 cents, paper cover. ture, that of Job, testifies. The Sadducees held to the Oriental belief, and the Christian father nursed the

myths into a living theology. To them

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cer. A letter of condolence was received per special delivery, from the president and secretary of the National

this white around the pictures? 'It is just the same way in the plates of the Journal of Fashions! It is entirely usefriends of the departed. less, and to make them better I will out

In less than half an hour all the plates were minuy their white margin, and I, seated upon the floor, was admiring them, satisfied with my work. I then wanted to out out the figures, and I did it so well that they might have per-formed in the little puppet theater which I was to buy with my savings at the approaching holiday. "Oh!" thought I, "how pleased papa will be when he sees the improvement I have made in his book!"

I was tired and sleepy, and after having swung my head a little here and there, I stretched myself out over the remains of wretched Pompeli, and with Vesuvius in eruption for a pillow, I

fell into a peaceful slumber. When I awoke I found myself in the and that there is no spiritual life until presence of a dark and frowning face. was the face of papa. I arose, ter-

rified. "What have you done!" he exclaimed, 'what have you done?"

"I have cut-I have cut-" I stammered, with trembling, for I had not the courage to say more, and burst into violent weeping.

Papa was usually moved by my tears, but now he was too much irritated for that.

"You have cut—1 know to, 1 see to the fore the funeral. No one know that one fore the funeral. No one know that the fore the best work of my library—a had given any directions as to the dis-position of her ashes. Before the serve that the fore the funeral. We ashes to the dis-"You have cut-1 know it, I see it! A work that cost forty dollars." "But I did not know," I sobbed out,

"I did not wish-"

cry, and after having given full vent to the will; I want you to open it before my grief, I ran into the adjoining room. A moment afterwards I returned, with but it was urged: so Mr. Blodgett and a little box in my hand, which I gave to

papa. "What is it?" he asked, still angry. in it a whole lot of money that was for my little theater-you can buy another

Pompeii with it." At these words papa could not keep that Mrs. Blodgett and her house that back a smile, that parted his lips, and panion were not only Spiritualists in an back a smile, that parted his lips, and panion were not only Spiritualists in an outward sense, but that it was their life: bit arms around my neck, he outward sense, but that it was their life: ompeii with it."

nearly smothered me with kisses. There were only two dollars of savings phy was demonstrated in every possible in my little bank, but there was a treas-

Washington, D. C.

The doublet was a close-fitting coat in-troduced into France from Italy about 1100.

Feathers, as an article of dress, were as the physical presence is concerned, at first only worn by men in their hel-Frieze was originally called falding. l mets.

Pickin.

Strange occurrences (says a special dispatch to the Chicago Tribune, of Dé-Spiritualists' Association, 'in Washing-ton, with an order that a floral design be cember 10, from Eau Claire, Wis.), the prooured on behalf of the Association. last forty-eight hours in connection with the Briggs-Pitkin case are just coming out. Mabel Briggs relapsed into what ordinarily would be called a state of The offering was appreciated by the

Regarding the funeral services, every modern conventionality was ignored. Instead of the family sitting in an upper nervous prostration Saturday night and room-as some think the proper thing-apart from the casket containing the declared she was under Dr. Pickin's control again and Alma Leonard would be form of their loved one, they were found in the same condition. In his endeavors to rouse Mabel from her lethar grouped around it, and assisted me largely in the performance of my work. gy Mr.Briggs, her father, fired two shots The first thing on the programme was from a revolver. A crowd gathered The first thing on the programme was the rendition of a beautiful song by a fine quartette, unaccompanied by an ina carriage to the Leonard residence, where Alma Leonard was found to be in strument, entitled, "Sweet Angel Voices." Then followed an invocation, "Sweet Angel

the same condition as Mabel. after which another song was rendered. I then felt prompted to read a selection Alma had been revived she operated by from "Wayside Jottings"—"Across the Way." This was a favorite with our mesmeric process on Mabel, who was brought to something like her normal condition again. Both girls, however, all day Sunday, from time to time, sufarisen friend. As soon as it was put in print, before the book was published, fered what seemed to be a nervous colshe committed the poem to memory, and lapse, but which they declared was the several times while very ill in her house hypnotic control of Dr. Pickin. To-day she sat by me and repeated portions of it, and often added: "We shall come they were somewhat better. During

back, darling, if we go away." According to her wishes, her remains

Mabel Briggs, with one hand on her forehead and a pad of paper on her knee, were cremated. She had expressed the rapidly wrote answers to all questions desire many times, and incorporated it in her will. In connection with the exasked her, and in this way described events which were occurring elsewhere pressed desire for the cremation of the in the city of which she could not possiremains, she added, "Scatter my ashes to the four winds." A convincing test bly have had knowledge by ordinary means. This is testified to by some of of her spirit-presence in connection with the most trustworthy oitizens of the the last request was given the family betown. The girl wrote from right to left, reversing the letters so that the writing could be read easily by reflection in a mirror. She notified the people present of the whereabouts and identity of perices, Mrs. Steinhart, who is a fine clair-"I did not wish-" But papa continued to scold, and I to her sister say: "I wish you would open sons who were approaching the house and made no mistakes. These things are creating a state of amazement which the services." They hesitated at first, it is hard to exaggerate. About fifty leading citizens are closely interested in the sister did as requested, and they found she had made a request not only the phenomena and have witnessed them. One of the cases against the Pickins will probably be called in the Circuit Court

that the remains should be cremated "Papa, it is my savings bank; there is but stated what she wanted done with omorrow. the ashes.

The above report exhibits something I have written thus lengthily, because I am desirous the world should know more than hypnotic influence by Dr. Pickin. In fact, the reports against the

Doctor may have no foundation whatever unless different evidence than the above can be presented. The phenomena manifested exhibits in a marked degree and when the ordeal came, the philosospirit control, and it is probable that way. Much could be said of her mag-Jesuitical spirits are engineering the whole thing in order to bring disrepute ure of love and repentance in my heart that subdued all of papa's anger. MARIA BRESERO. on Spiritualism. INVESTIGATOR.

The leather apron worn by the blackconsolations of Spiritualism through her instrumentality, will remember her and bless her memory. Her dear relatives and friends need no word from me at this time. They will miss "Ollie" in smith is mentioned by Pliny as in use in

The soldiers in the Assyrian army wore a sort of breeches, reaching down the home and in the social circle, as far to the knee.

but they are not walking with bowed Silk brocad heads in the valley; they are on the dress of men. Silk brocades were first used in the

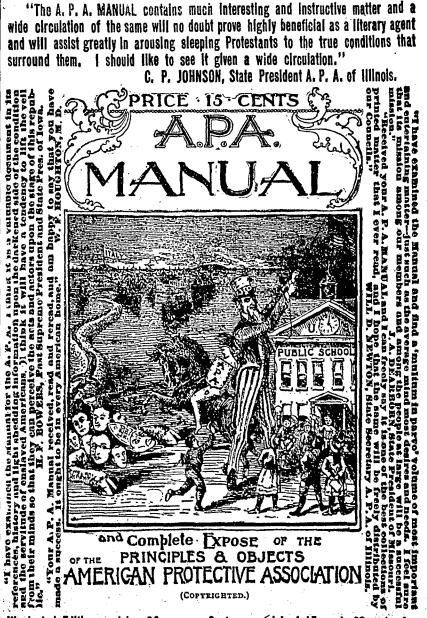
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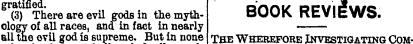
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BOTTOM FACTS.

The Spiritualists of England next few days, such conditions to be "The Two Worlds" an ingenious con-Are Trying to Get at Them.

Mediums.

ALLEGED EXPOSURE OF MRS. MELLON agreed upon, that the medium should be

form standing alongside at the same to the development of the phenomena. time, in view of the whole circle. We ported to have occurred on October 12, at Mrs. Mollon's residence, Waverly Road, Woolhara. We had hoped and believed that the reputation of Mrs. been guilty of similar wicked and hearttive's report:

"The room in which the seance took place was one of a suite of two, connected by folding doors, these being left lon taking the seat nearest the gasalier, for the purpose of regulating the light.

AN INGENIOUS CONTRIVANCE-HOW IT JUDGED THE BOGUS MEDIUM - HE spiritualistic point of view, and Mr. Mellon undertook that the tost seance WOULD NOT BE SEARCHED. so long contemplated should be held, Mr. T. J. Murday, of 55 Northburne under strict test conditions, within the street, Gateshead-on-Tyne, describes in

fixed by the Sunday Times representa-trivence, by means of which he detocted tive. It was agreed that it should take place at the Sunday Times office, on Wednesday, the 17th inst. at which it terializations. The seance was held in And in So Doing Expose Their was understood that all those present on Mr. Murday's own house. The circle Friday would be at liberty to attend. consisted of about twenty sitters, the

"As a result of the correspondence, major to and in accordance with the conditions day says: "Mr. Huggins placed two special "Mr. Huggins placed two special LILEGED EXPOSURE OF MRS. MELLON agreed upon, that the medium should be difference in a wire-netting cage, the pro-CONFLICTING STATEMENTS, AS placed in a wire-netting cage, the pro-USUAL, MEDIUM IN THE ARMS OF prietors of the Sunday Times had a and Mrs. Golightly, of Gateshead. A fraud; hope for angels' visits but provide an atmosphere of mistrust; desire gen-tion and practise action WAS ABSORBED BY THE SPIRIT FORM -EFFORTS TO GET AT TRUTH. Light, of London, England, says: "In Light, of feet square, and six feet in height, made came out frequently, and one of two got Light, of November 17, we reported a corner of the room chosen for the apparently about the same height. No remarkable seance with Mrs. Mellon, seance, and in front of it was hung a small forms were shown. Attempts were remarkable seance with Mrs. Mellon, seance, and in front of it was hung a small forms were shown. Attempts were above reproach, are themselves neither the residence of Dr. McCarthy, buir of heavy curtains, to be manipu-in Sydney, when Mrs. Besant was pres- lated by cords. The gas jet on the op-in Sydney, when Mrs. Besant was present, spoke to one of the "materialized" posite side of the room was fitted with resemblance to some of their departed forms, and shook hands with the me- an orange-tinted shade, that being the friends. Permission was given to some dium outside the cabinet, a materialized color of light said to be most favorable sitters, myself included, to feel the drapery, and I and others are positively "The medium having submitted herself certain that it was the hand of the megive this on the authority of a special representative of the Sydney Sunday Times, the correctness of whose state-Times, the correctness of whose state-iment was attested by the Rev. George Walters. On the same authority, it is now our duty to publish the description of a very different scene, which is re-ported to have occurred on October 12. locked and sealed in several places, and opinion. I then entered into a full ex-the koy was given to Mr. H. M. Evans. planation of the test to which the me-The curtains were drawn in front of the dium (unknown to anyone but two or was without reproach, and we are in-clined to hope so still, as the evidence against her is not altogether clear and conclusive. But if it should be placed beyond dispute that she has been really cheating, she must expect from us the the word were to the the an inquiry if beyond dispute that she has been really cheating, she must expect from us the been guilty of similar wicked and heartless deceptions. The following is an abridgement of the 'special representa-tive's' report:

and Drs. McCarthy and Plckburn went vanometer, causing a continual deflecinto the cabinet and reported that Mrs. tion of its needle. On someone sitting Mellon had fainted. She was taken out on the chair or standing by it within the fully open, thus practically constituting one room, although the company, with one room, although the company, with one room, although the company, with one exception, were seated in that in which the cabinet was placed, and which consisted, as usual, of a pair of which consisted as usual, of a pair of curtains suspended from a rod across the invalid and those in attendance upon of only a few pounds, and so long as the set themselves to play the part of spy one corner. Nearly a score of persons were present, in addition to the me-dium, and including Mr. and Mrs. A. G. bleeding from the mouth, semi-con-undisturbed. Now as to the results. I arum, and including Mr. and Mrs. A. G. D. Edwards, of Darling Point, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson (from Melbourne), five other ladies, Messrs. J. B. Mellon, T. S. Henry, C. L. Wallis, Hetherington Burble Labert and appearently guite insensible. Sat with the galvanometer under con-ing sitters. We do not say this with the needle was deflected, and remained bin science described to mellow. Rumble, Joubert, and two representa-tives of the Sunday Times. The com-pany was seated in two rows, those in pany was seated in two rows, those in front forming a semi-tircle extending across the room, and the others in the each sitter being indicated by Mrs. Mellon. The medium then entered tho cabinet, and the gas was extinguished in the room occupied by the sitters, and turned low in the other room, Mr. Mel-bon taking the seat nearest the gasalier. She was subsequently re-investion of construction of the sitters was subsequently re-turned low in the other room, Mr. Melrned low in the other room, Mr. Mel-i taking the seat nearest the gasalier, the purpose of regulating the light, 'Some other forms having appeared 's the variation of the seat that she was absequently re-'s the seat the variation of the seat the search of the s

"Some other forms having appeared for a time and then vanished, 'Cissie' was seen in front of the cabinet. The whole tigure, excepting the little black face, was enveloped in white drapery, and she came forward with a brisk, confident movement, kissing her hands to deny them in toto, with all the force of was to prove him genuine, not a fraud, kind! Then ask yourself, is it reasonfident movement, kissing her hands to the sitters. She was handed a box of chocolate creams, by someone, and com-menced rattling them. Several of the sitters asked her to shake hands, or intersting them and then found my left wrist is in the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form and the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form of the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form of the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form of the form of the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form of the form of the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form of the form of the form of the form of the form. I and Spiritualists is in the form of the fo give them some chocolates, when all at and absorb the form. I and Spiritualists ualism. I hope this will be a lesson to agnostic, worldly, cynical, excited, oredonce Mr. Henry, who was sitting in one of the front seats, moved forward. 1 at first thought that he was merely atwould be explained in the same way as be applied to prove that he or she is in mental and spiritual emanations are the passage of matter through matter, the cabinet while the forms are well outbut suddenly I heard a cry like 'Oh' re-peated two or three times, and then a round as of a struggle. Several of the Professor of Astronomy in the Uni-so bad that imagination plays a promiversity of Leipsic. I cannot reconcile Mr. Henry's action with his past ex-friends in the 'sheeted forms.' I shall most stupendous miracle of spirit chemfor a light. Then Mr. Mellon asked if periences and protestations in regard to be glad at any time to explain to any in-be should turn up the gas. Someone re-Henry being a tall, muscular fixing up the electrical test; it is simple wrong-headedness, or give a fillip to man, bent upon exposing me, had ample and absolutely reliable." Commenting on the above, Light, of "Oh Lord, oh Lord, what fools these London, says: "To expect spiritual results opportunity to take any mask, beard, Commenting shawl, or other article, and to prevent London, says: "We are glad to see that the editor of under such conditions is like orying for. Mrs. Mellon was still held by Mr. Henry, and that on the floor was a fancy pendage as the bustle in which he pre-bunge I concealed these articles. My My make fraudulent dealings impossible. such selfish demands. Sitters who'innosumes I concealed these articles. some one too quickly for me to see what some one too quickly for me to see what they were. Before a light was obtained mination at all hazards to expose, in courage, to insist upon the requisite pre-one of the ladies said: 'Mr. Mellon, pro-which Henry carried out his intention, big avidently presented with the horse-leech medium, with the horse-leech one of the ladies said: 'Mr. Mellon, pro-tect your wife,' and Mr. Mellon went forward and caught hold of Mr. Henry, amidst a scene of general confusion. In the meantime, Mr. Roydhouse had gone to the cabinet, and in reply to Mr. Henry tented that he had some a black Henry stated that he had seen a black of fraud in the articles which he states guard against the devices of fraudulent mask and false whiskers, and had hold were employed by me. Henry failing pretenders. Honest mediums cannot ob-of the latter. A pair of lady's stockings to produce these material proofs, 1 now, ject, and we do not doubt that we shall ect, and we do not doubt that we shall on my part, declare that when my medhave the cordial co-operation of our contime than it takes to describe, but it was to give, and shall, with God's help, give their imperative duty in the direction therminated by Mrs. Mellon retiring into the cabinet. "A general discussion then took place, Co-Operation. or iron cage, in the presence of reliable by Mrs. Mellon's friends in ex- and representative witnesses, non-Spir-It was a happy thought-our New Deitualists included."" At a subsequent meeting of leading Spiritualists, a number of those present at the interrupted Mellon seance drew up and signed the following statement: "We were present at a seance held at leave THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER and are really mediums who have been mis-Mrs. Mellon's house, Woolhara, on Fri-day night, October 12, 1894. We were of the world This New Departure is personating spirit-people. While consitting in the front row of the circle, sitting in the front row of the circle, and consequently had the best oppor-tunity for observing. At the time that Mr. Henry grasped the form, we all dis-tinctly heard the thud or sound of a fall, and no mistake We are making the the powers, act upon the adas if the medium had fallen off her chair. This corroborates Mrs. Mellon's statement that she was not on her knees when Mr. Henry grasped the form, but was suddenly drawn forward off, her Send in your yearly subscription, and was suddenly drawn forward off her Send in your yearly subscription, and Sargent, Hare, and others found that chair. We saw neither the false beard with it 50 cents for the Encyclonædia of mediums (when treated fairly and kludnor the shawl, nor the mask, but only the empty black bag that had been used Death, and Life in the Spirit-world. 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these? If there' is truth in "hypnotic suggestion," and the medium is really a sensitive, susceptible to impressions, affected by the psychic conditions provided, is there not a probability that be may be dominated by the thought sphere other column. of those who by their foar expect him to be guilty of fraud? and thus, by their

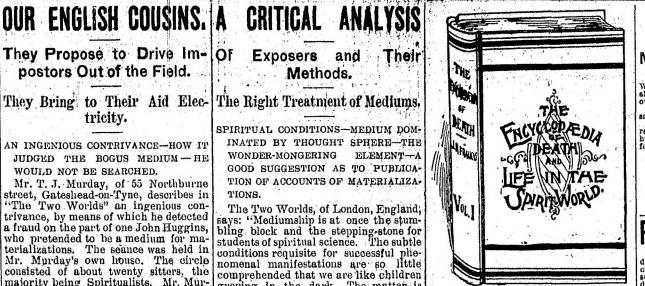
own conditions, may not the medium be psychologically overpowered and compelled to enact the part they have prepared for him by their deceit? That this has happened in some instances we know. Do we recognize when dealing with mediums and spirits the full pur-port of the fact that "we get what we make conditions for?" Is not a medium

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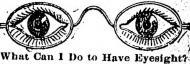
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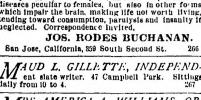
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