

Progress, the Universal Law of Nature: Thought, the Solvent of Her Problems.

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genial family.

munication:

to-be-forgotten visit.

the end of my journey.

Sherman.

"It is a question, in the first instance, of evidence; it then follows to explain, so

'far as we can, such facts as may have been established." So wrote the emi-

net English civilian and Prime Minister William E. Gladstone, October 16, 1878,

in respect to these phenomena.-Epes Sargent's "Scientific Basis of Spirit-

AT FARMER RILEY'S HOME.

Many hundreds of people have attended

"Farmer" Riley's materializing seances,

and witnessed marvelous manifestations.

but not all have had the pleasure of

spending three days and nights in his

household, and becoming in a measure

acquainted with his home life and his

fortune, and I propose to relate my ex-perience as connected with the never-

Many have asked me since my return

"Have you now become convinced of

Spiritualistic phenomena?" But I can only answer, "Wait and see what ye

only answer, "Wait and see what ye shall see." And this recalls to my mind a thought purported to come from the

Spirit-world by way of a slate com-

things." By this sentiment let us abide.

I left Detroit in the gray of the morn-

ing, and arrived in Marcellus about

2 P. M. I also left Detroit in the mist

and mud of a damp day, and found the air growing colder and the ground cov-

ered with a light fall of snow, as I neared

little village of about 1,200 inhabitants, and is located in Cass county, on the

Chicago & Grand Trunk Railway, thirty-

nine miles southwest of Battle Creek.

The distance from Detroit is 160 miles.

It stands in the midst of a gently-rolling

fertile farming country, and has "busi

noss" written all over it so plainly that

Marcellus is a handsome, enterprising

"Right, aided by time, conquers all

Such, however, has been my good

FARMER J. W. RILEY.

HE IS ANALYZED BY A REPORTER OF THE

panion.

DETROIT TRIBUNE.

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home. and step forth from this common, every day little sleeping-room, would be the last thought suggested. Only for the black curtain arranged to fall over the too much exhausted for farther demon-

An Investigation by Pruella Janet | piece of woods just across the road seems weirdly silent and mysterious in its will have them sealed," said Mr. Riley, wintry picturesqueness. The place is and if you desire to ask any question

somewhat lonely, must be beautiful in by writing on a slate, we may get some summer, and to one who loves nature in all her moods is also beautiful in winter. message in that way." A few friends had arrived, and preparations were made to form a horse-"FARMER" RILEY'S FAMILY.

Mr. Riley's family are, like himself, shoe circle before the cabinet. Slates cordial, pleasant and intelligent, and a shoe circle before the cabinet. Slates sort of restful harmony seems to pervade them and threw them on the bed, writthe household. Mrs. Riley is a slender ing downward. We formed a circle, a

the number being about eight. Mrs. Riley sat a little by herself in a rocking chair, and Mr. Riley's son brought his guitar to accompany his young and

net, in front of the bed, at the left of the

away into the depths of the cabinet be-That spirits of the dead should take fore I could fully realize that it had unto themselves their former semblance been, leaving a vague regret that I and step forth from this common, every; | could not express, and it came no more.

such a possibility. "In order to prove that no confeder-ates enter through these windows, we will have thom confeder-will have thom confeder-will have thom confeder-the back of the second second

"Did you have any manifestations?" he asked, and a full account was rendered. It may be here stated that dur-

> place, Mr. Riley is in an unconscious condition, completely entranced. "I was a little afraid," he said, "that

you would get nothing, for I have been up the last two nights very late, last night until 5 o'clock this morning. I am consequently tired out and need sleep.

WHEN SPIRITS FAIL: TO MATERIALIZE. "Why, what made you stay up like that?" I inquired, and he answered: "Because we did not get any results

and the circle dld not like to give it up. "No results at all?"

"Not so much as a rap."

"Was it the fault of the circle?" "I don't think so. I have sat for the very same people, and received the very best results. It is that way some-times. If the influences which control me will not come, I cannot force them. When I have put myself in a condition

to receive them, it is all that I can do. "Is a large circle better than a small one?

"Not necessarily. We have had grand manifestations with thirty people, and just as good with half-a-dozen. A peaceful condition is the most required. t is also well if all join in the singing, as the vibration assists in materialization.¹

MR. RILEY'S CONDITIONS. This may be a good place to state that Mr. Riley does not exact very strict conditions. The members of the circle They may step to the cabinet, if sum-mond. They may step to the cabinet, if sum-mond. They may step to the cabinet, if sum-mond. They may step to the cabinet, if sumread a slate message, if they desire, without danger of breaking the current. Sometimes Mr. Riley comes out from under the spirit influence and asks to have the curtain raised, when he will

do the same. Then he will go back and

upon the shelves. Oil shades and lace distinct as I could have wished; it was or three partitions, seen me hunting in an ideal guest chamber in a farmer's seemed to lack confidence, and vanished and said:

-Joaquin Miller.

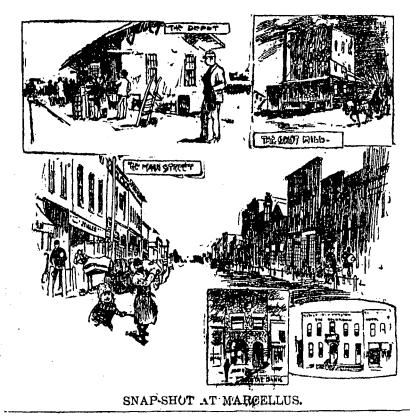
-Young.

"No, I did not; and even if I had, I Didst never think how souls have size, hould have-And weight, and measure, in God's eyes, So different from weight and span "Laid it to rats or mice," he supplemented, I laughingly bowed, and he So different from weight and span continued: "Of course you would. But And measure given them by man? without any joking, people have tried sleeping there, and claim to have been

Seems it strange that thou shouldst so disturbed by raps that they gave it live forever? Is it less strange that thou up, and vacated the room." shouldst live at all? This is a miracle; "Well, I don't think it strange that and that is no more.

people unacquainted with spirit phe-nomena should become nervous some-There lives more faith in honest doubt, times," said Mrs. Riley. "I know I did myself when we first began to have ma-—Tennysol

-Tennyson. "It was between nine and ten years ago ing the time that manifestations take terializations." These words dropped



into my mind like a little seed, which that we first began to sit for spirit man-blossomed into a most interesting chat with Mrs. Riley, later on.

A "SKEART" DARKEY.

Just then, as a fitting culmination to the conversation, a dark, weird face peered in at the window nearest the outside door, a pair of very wide open, black eyes rolled about for an instant,

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Riley."

brought yer kittle home, Mis'

There was a bang of iron ware on the

"That darkey is afraid to come near this house," said Mrs. Riley, in explana-

tion. "Thinks it is haunted, I suppose."

You could not hire him to come here

after dark, and if he should be forced to

pass the house at night alone, I don't

breath while he was near the premises."

stored it away for future use.

etc., and then I said:

think he would take more than one

It was a funny little episode, and I

Toward noon Mr. Riley said that he

must drive to the village for his mail

SENDS FOR REINFORCEMENTS.

"I wish Mr. G., of the News-Tribune,

who has been interested all along in

merry laugh all around.

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forms began to develop, and at last one night a full form showed itself. The name given was that of John Benton, and although he was not any one we had known, he assumed control of the cabinet and has retained it ever since. He usually shows himself once at every seance. I believe he can materialize himself whenever Mr. Riley is under control. But he will not continue to do so at the expense of keeping back others."

"And did your own friends soon begin to come?"

"Yes, after a while, and the friends of others in the circle. By the way, it was not here that we obtained the first materialization, but at the home of a neighbor. We have seen, at different times, nearly all of our friends who have

"Our little girl, who left us at the age of about one year, came at two different times. Once she sat upon the floor and once she stood upon her feet, as though to show me she was learning to walk. She wore a little pink dress, just like one she used to have, and looked per-fectly natural. Our son comes to us often.

THE SPIRITS SOMETIMES SPEAK. "Do they ever speak?"

"Sometimes-not often. Mr. Benton peaks more frequently than others. They do not seem to know how at all times. It has all been slow work; we have had to learn many things, and so

have that to rearring things, and to have the spirits." "I suppose it soon became noised abroad concerning these things." "Oh, yes; and people began to flock here from all around the country. Some came to investigate the phenomena, some hoping to see lost friends, and some out of sheer curiosity. We were so overrun with company that my health, nearly broke down from being up nights so much. And even now we hold seances nearly every night when Mr. Riley is at home. Things come to such a pass some times that he has to leave home for a week or two to give me a chance to get rested.

"I don't see how he endures it him self," I remarked. "I don't know myself how I do," said

my investigation of Spiritualism. "At first we sat alone, Mr. Riley and I, as Mr. Riley. "It is the wonder of the many evenings in the week as we could world why I do not give out."

"And all these materializations are, spare. It was slow, tedious work. 1 don't know why we persevered, but we lost to you, personally, you being undid. although it was six months before conscious at such times?

chat awhile with the circle, or get up as though locating some person, after thought we got so much as a rap. Sometimes we "Yes; the only way I can get anything the others to which a back eyes rolled about for an instant, we got so much as a rap. Sometimes we "Yes; the only way I can get anything thought we would give it up, but Mr. for myself in that line is to sit in a dark "Yes; the only way I can get anything which a loud but quaking voice called Riley seemed to be impelled by some circle with a few friends. We will sit strange and irresistible influence, 'a in the dark for half an hour to-night bestill, small voice,' he called it, that urged fore the people arrive, for the benefit him on, and it seemed that he could not of Mr. Courtright and yourself, if you doorstep, and the dusky vision fled. give it up. After we began to get raps wish to join us.' His disappearance was followed by a



"he who runs may read." Looking down its Main street, the first a well-filled book-case catches the eyes dropped the curtain and the light

woman, with a somewhat serious face gentleman from Marcellus sitting near and a manner a trifle reserved. But est the cabinet, myself next, Mr. Courtfurther acquaintance revealed her to be right, from Illinois next, and others, an interesting conversationalist and a most kind-hearted and agreeable com-Some of the sons and daughters of the household have flown to nests of their pretty wife, who played the organ. own, but four still remain at home, the Mr. Riley placed a chair in the cabioldest being about twenty and the

youngest, a girl, and the pet of the family, about seven years of age. The home is comfortably furnished without ostentation of any sort; a pretty cabinet organ stands in the parlor and The gentleman nearest the cabinet

round about, and for the stranger within its gates, for there are between fifteen and twenty groceries within its limits. It also boasts of a school furniture factory, a flour mill, cooper shop, sawmill, stave mill, foundry and machine shop, a private bank, and numerous special and general stores. More "transients" stop there than at any town in that locality, and more farmers trade there.

for by the fact that liquors may be obtained in Marcellus, and many farmers who feel the necessity of keeping a little stimulant in the house, in the country. a telephone, will drive right through hitch their teams in Marcellus.

Some of the buildings are very attractive looking, residents feeling especially proud of the bank. Of churches there asked. are the Baptist, the Methodist Episcopal,

panies.

Nor does it lack in its own weekly cellus News.

The "Columbian Hotel" rus a 'bus free me than I am of you," I answered, special rates are given by Adams' livery peep inside. to any one wishing to be driven to "Farmer" Riley's residence, three and

one-half miles west of the village. I had not been many moments in the hotel, however, when Mr. Riley himsel appeared, his cap in his hand and a smile on his face, and declared that he was happy to see me in Marcellus.

HOW MR. RILEY LOOKS.

Mr. Riley is so well known among the Spiritualists of the State that a personal description of him may not be needed for them, but to those who have not met him, a few words may not come amiss.

Rather tall and powerfully built, his appearance suggests strength and endurance. His face is decidedly square, forehead high and full, eyes deep set. penetrating, and quick to express emotions. His mouth is firm, lips rather thin, face smoothly shaven, and hair abundant and well streaked with gray His voice is pleasant, his laugh almost boyish, and his appreciation of humor keen. And beneath all this one catches now and then a gleam of that undercurrent we call sentiment. which betrays itself in the choice of books, or in some unexpected remark, allusion or quota-

though Marcellus means to provide in this line for its own, for the farmers this fathomless subject.

Mr. Riley told me, however, that he did not read as much as formerly, be- so, accompanied by the guitar and orcause whenever he strolled through the gan. It was my first experience in this woods or in any way found himself alone kind of a seance, and I hardly knew with nature he received impressions of whether I really expected much of anythoughts of men.

lor. and I observed that over a doorway for myself. There was a hull in the in one end of the room hung heavy, music, a few sharp raps were heard and This last may be partially accounted dark curtains. Presently Mr. Riley a slate was projected through the open-

raised the curtains and fastened them to ing between the curtains. one side, revealing a medium-sized bedroon "We use this room for a cabinet," he

where doctors are not within the call of said. "If we have any manifestations, they will be shown from here, after the surrounding temperance towns and which it will be assigned to you for a sleeping-room." and he looked at me with an odd little twinkle of the eyes.

"Do you think to frighten me out?" I "No," he replied. "I just thought I'd

the Evangelical, and the denominations tell you, as scores of people have refused

of United Brethren. There is a public to sleep there." hall with a seating capacity of 700, a "Well," I answered, recklessly, "I'll neat passenger depot, and the town is not refuse." and I mentally determined reached by the American Express and to spend the night in that cabinet if mathe Western Union Telegraph com-terialized spirits gathered and stood three deep around the bed.

"Would you like to examine the room? journals, two newspapers being pub-lished, the Patron's Voice and the Mar- hand and stepping toward the cabinet. "I believe you are more suspicious of

"Mr. Riley," said I. "I look at it like this-if it is all right, then it is all he was gone.

The vision left a strange impression right: if it is not, I should not be able to



detect where the wrong is. However, I | on me. Had I actually seen a material ization? If so, by what process had this will look inside."

THE CABINET.

The room was about 8x10 feet, and heard explanations of the process many chat, at whatever hour the family find it tion. The semi-darkness of a starry winter's was lighted by two windows. A bed oc-night had settled over the long stretch cupied the southwest corner, the side been accomplished within a few feet of "Did you sleep well?" of country road before we reached Mr. toward the door. A small dresser stood me, this was different. While yet I I assured them never better. Riley's home, which is a story-and-a-half in the northeast corner, and a couple of pondered, the curtains again separated "Did. you hear any strange sounds?" house with wing and long porch, flanked chairs completed the furniture. A and the figure of another man several asked Mr. Riley, looking across the by commodious outbuildings, and facing the heavy, finely-woven carpet covered the inches shorter than Mr. Benton appeared table at me, and again I observed that the north. Of a moonlight night the floor, and a clothes press opened off to and looked out, but not so plainly. Odd little twinkle in his eyes. Was he trees about the house cast their pen- the east. Some articles of clothing hung There was something about this form making fun of me, and had he, with his ciled shadows on the snow, and a long therein on pegs, and various articles lay that was unsatisfactory. It was not as powers of, perhaps, seeing through two Such harmony is in immortal souls;

impression one receives is that every of the book-lover. Many of the works turned down, not as low, however, as I try again, and last, but not least, they other store is a grocery. It seems as were found to be on Spiritualism, by the had anticipated, as we could distinguish need not sit in total darkness. In fact, Mr. Riley's conditions seem like his own

nature-easy and generous. We were requested to sing, and did After good-nights had been said, the family retired, and I was left alone for the night, it being past midnight.

"Leave a light burning," were the directions given me, and I obeyed unmore direct value than the printed thing. I had listened to revelations hesitatingly. So I set the lamp on a thoughts of men. After supper we adjourned to the par- my mind, was not enough. I must see throw a subdued light into my room, and prepared to retire.

As I did so I glanced about the room, and began to ponder upon the "appari-I had that night looked upon tions

What were they, and whence came Upon its surface was written: "Friends, we greet you all. "JOHN BENTON."

me? I learned that Mr. Benton, a spirit, is Mr. Riley's cabinet control. Within the darkened cabinet we heard the scratch-

they? Were they still lurking in their mysterious invisibility, somewhere near EXAMINED THE CLOTHES PRESS. That last one, who faded away so ing of a pencil and again a slate ap- soon, as though doubtful of a welcome, peared through the curtains. It was an was it the phantom of some one I had

intelligent reply to Mr. Courtright's known? And when I had lain my head question. This was followed by the upon the pillow, would he linger near. slate I had written upon, the answer to and maybe, touch me with spirit finger my question being quite apt, written plainly and signed "Mary M. Bagley." Directly more raps were heard, and I was startled to see the curtains part, much as a finger of it, I'd, just like to when the figure of a tall man in full see. I knew all the while that it wasn't dress suit with a great expanse of white there, but I wanted to make sure, and a shirt bosom and collar looked out upon I returned the lamp to the table, it sud us and bowed. denly occurred to me that I was on the His hair and mustache were brown, high road to nervousness. Then I said and his complexion looked clear and to myself, somewhat savagely: "You wax-like in the dim light. Evidently are a little simpleton. Get yourself into he was not a stranger to those present, bed and to sleep instanter, and let us of charge to and from the depot, and laughing, but he insisted that I take a for he was immediately greeted with: have no more of this nonsense, or the 'Good evening, Mr. Benton," at which next thing you know, it will be reported

he bowed again, the curtains closed and all over Michigan, and a part of Canada, that you went to Farmer Riley's and got

'scart. Holding this threat menacingly over my head, I crept meekly into bed, and within three minutes was as calm as I ever was in my life.

"So much for the power of suggestion," I thought, as I drifted away on a while I am here. May I not send for us. Still we kept on, and one night dreamless tide. Somewhat exhausted him?" Mr. Riley consented, and agreed to appeared from the cabinet. I tell you, by my journey, and the excitement of the evening, I slept well.

send a telegram. That would give Mr. after all our waiting and hoping, we Spirits may have come, and spirits G, time to arrive the following day, were yet thoroughly startled." may have cone: they may have wan. The day passed between visiting and "And what did Mr. Riley say when may have gone: they may have wan- The day passed between visiting and

dered about the room at their own sweet | reading, and the hour of twilight found | you told him?" I asked. will, and gazed upon my sleeping face, us gathered around a glowing fire, in "He would not believe it at first; for all I know. If they did, the influence one of those moods where retrospection they brought must have been a soothing comes as by magic to part of the group, one, for I only woke once, just long and the rest listen to tales made interwas glad."

esting by their strangeness. The conenough to give a wandering thought to versation turned upon Spiritualism, and that?" the two mysterious beings who had that

night looked dimly out from the cabinet. mediumship. and the wintry morning was far ad-But as this article is long enough. vanced when I actually realized that the will defer until next week the recital of night was gone, and maybe I would be my experiences, this and the succeeding late for breakfast.

evening, together with interviews with Mr. and Mrs. Riley, on Mr. Riley's de-But breakfast at Farmer Rilev's is not an uncomfortable thing of the dark and disembodied soul taken unto itself the learly hours. It is a meal served invelopment into a materializing medium. semblance of its former form? I had formally, and seasoned with smiles and Suffice it to say that while my first seance was somewhat disappointing, the other ones were full of excitement and

mystification. "Did you sleep well?" was asked, and

There's not the smallest orb which you behold

But in his motion like an angel sings, Still quiring to the young-eyed cherubim,

I assured him I did. His disappearance was followed by a laboriously spell out messages, ask ques-

PLAYING WITH A SPIRIT CIRL.

"Had you no knowledge of anything in the line of Spiritualism until you began to sit for development, Mr. Riley?" I asked. "Yes, I suppose I had," he replied,

seances. "In order to prevent monotony we de-'but I did not know what it was. As cided to meet at the homes of the diflong ago as I can remember, my mother ferent ones, and having gone the rounds one day shut me up in a room alone for begin again, and have our meetings sort a little while for some purpose, and of social. At last there came a message for Mr. Riley to sit for manifestation. there came to me a pretty little girl about my own age, and played around This astonished us and he hesitated, but the rest said 'try it,' and arranged to fix having a great time. We were having up some kind of a cabinet in each house. as good a time as two children could So he consented, and we began sitting for-we knew not what. "Then he began to be controlled and

tions, and get answers in the same man-

ner, and finally a few friends in our own

neighborhood became interested and we

formed a circle of ten and held regular

when my mother opened the door, Instantly the child disappeared. There, was a wide fireplace in the room, and I this subject, could attend one seance became entranced and this frightened always used to think that she vanished up the chimney, for 1 knew nothing then of spirits. I tried to tell about her, but my mother thought I had been dreaming.

"However, after my mother died, a few years later, she used to return and appear to me at night, and often lie down beside my brothers and myself. I could feel her, and knew that it was her, yet it frightened me terribly. Since I have found means of communicating with her these latter years, I have asked her why she came when she knew how it frightened me, and her answer is that her love for us boys was so great that it attracted her to us, even when-for my sake-she would fain have staid away.'

A DARK CIRCLE.

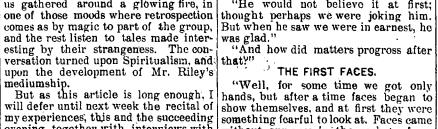
Twilight had deepened into night before the conversation ceased, and household duties called Mrs. Riley from the room. Immediately after tea, we prepared for a dark circle. A little table bout two feet square was carried into the parlor bedroom (the cabinet), placed while Mr. Riley was entranced, a hand at the foot of the bed, and four chairs placed around it. This filled up the space entirely. Mrs. Riley's chair back being against the footboard, Mr. Courtright's against the dresser, Mr. Riley's next to the clothes press, and my own against the wall. There was no opportunity for any one to walk about, and when seated, we were in very close quarters. Mr. Riley sat between Mr. Courtright and myself: Mrs. Riley opposite her husband. Mr. Riley laid his hands upon the table. and told Mr. C. "Well, for some time we got only and myself to lay a hand each, over hands, but after a time faces began to them. We did so, and Mrs. Riley, having extinguished the light, joined our something fearful to look at. Faces came free hands with hers. Thus all mortal hands were accounted for.

"Now," said Mr. Riley. "keep as fast

from which a part of the chill secure to have been broken away; crude, im-perfect faces; vacant, expressionless faces; horrible, terrifying faces. Then we would find Mr. Riley in such dead we would find Mr. Riley in such dead trances that we would be afraid he was going to die, and that would frighten us And did the surit's come? you worse than all the rest. Yet the spirits Well, I affirm that something came, and And did the spirits come? you ask,

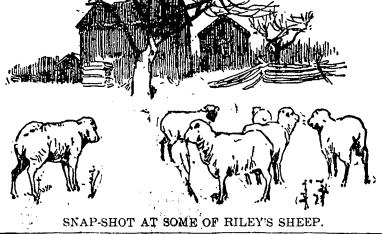
came quickly, and touched us with gentle touches upon heads and shoul-

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without any eyes in the sockets: faces rom which the nose was missing, or from which a part of the chin seemed to hold of me as you like."

now insisted upon it that things were improving, and that in time we would get something satisfactory. They had to learn how to use his organism, they



THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER



CHAPTER XXI.

The Messenger of Evil.

That night a canoe bearing two white men came in from the lake. They called at the lodge of the Old Man, and were greatly surprised to find it occupied by white instead of red men.

'We have crossed the lake," said one. who seemed to be the principal, "where we have been on a mission for the Holy Church, and desire shelter for the loise:

Man. He took some ears of corn in the There is nothing as deceitful as love." husk and buried them in the coals, and laid them on top. Quickly turning them family have settled below us, and are Louis. over, he took them off on a piece of clean sick and in want." bark; picked out the ears of corn and stripped away the half-burned husks ous manner. from the steaming keinels, and placed them before the guests,

"If you are hungry, it will relish," he id. They were hungry, and it rel-advancing waves of civilization, where hi Ra ished. In conversation the missionaries they broke on the savage shore, were ease and died, and we are too poor for at Pequotting were mentioned, and the hardy, restless, uncultured, and on to have another." new comers were deeply interested. the level of the savage. They were too place, and the next day, escorted by would occupy a tract of land near a returning home. "Their example is not Flammarion, ascended the river. They spring or for other desirable objects, were met at the door of his dwelling by clear a few acres of trees, plant corn Dencke. Passing a pleasant salutation enough for their immediate wants, and with Flammarion, who was in advance, his eyes rested on his two followers. s eyes rested on his two followers. ments or desert them. They tilled the John and Bige improvised a rude "What! Martesq and Lorenzo! Birds soil as slovenly as the Indians, and were litter, and brought Betsy to the mission

of evil, what brings you here?" They were as much surprised as he, food. and Martesq, who was adroit in expedients and equal to the emergency, reconstructed of poles, and as these were sponded by repeating the question. His of different lengths and had been awoke she opened wide her dark eyes features were contorted by his hatred notched wherever they happened to roll and asked, "Am I dead, in heaven?" and ill-concealed delight in having so into place, they jutted out beyond the "You are more comfortable he easily discovered those for whom he was

in search. "Do you not know us?" addressing Gertrude. the roof to hold the bark cover in place,

An exclamation of horror escaped her "Fiend!" she cried, "what new evil come you to bring on us? Must your revenge follow us across the sea?" sinister smile, "as friends."

corner-where she had concealed herself. She was sixteen, the age sang by poets for its prophetic sweetness. She was tall, thin, angular, with uncouth manners, and face sallow and expressionless except her eyes, which were dark and appealing like those of a hunted animal. A tattered gown of coarse material, her only garment, afforded her little protec-

tion against cold. "Git the brats together," continued her mother. "Why don't you eat? You need in the mineing 'round; it's that or nuthin'.

tive voice, "I am sick." .Her teeth chattered, and she tottered to one side and sank on the floor.

pointing to her husband, "has the bilyus fever. don't know."

The

dead; it was a blessing to 'em, oldest got killed by the Injuns." "That is dreadful!" exclaimed Helloise. "Dreadful! death is death. It don't bate Injuns.

make a pin's difference. I hate Injuns, tho'. They want killin', every one on 'em, and in time they'll git it. My man'll shoot 'em on sight." "Is this the general sentiment of the border people?" asked Louis.

"You can fasten to that. If there proper and improper, introduced her comes a chance they'll make quick work on 'em."

"Perfectly willing to come into the "I thought the people were Chriswild to teach the beastly savages," she tians!" he said, in surprise. would say, "if any mortal good would "So we be, but not one on us but has come of it. But I do not see that there at some time had friends killed by the

will. They are too lazy, thoughtless red devils and been hurried by them and shiftless. I'd rather see Helloise night and day. It's best to kill 'em and the wife of a good man, than all the In- then they are done troubling." dians of the continent converted." Helloise's sympathy was excited by

That was a wild statement, yet she the suffering of the girl, who sat leaning meant it. Then she would say to Hel- against the log wall. "Poor child," she said, "will you allow

night." "We turn no one away," said the Old knowledge of yourself before too late. | she can remain until well?" "I'm sure I don't care." "We will send for her and also send "Will you take a walk with me?"

cutting slices from a haunch of venison asked Louis of Helloise. "A pioneor some medicine for your husband," said "Obleged to ye," said the woman,

"Gladly," she replied, in her old, joysoftening. "Your babe should have milk instead A short walk brought them to a dwell-

of meat.' ing scarcely better than the wigwam. "I don't know about that. It likes The people who went forward on the meat, and we can't keep a cow. We had

'un down the river, but it got milk dis-'What a miserable life these people They expressed a desire to visit the roving to accumulate property. They lead," exclaimed Helloise, as they were

> encouraging to the savage people they face, for among the savages I have found honor, integrity, attention to famwearying would sell their scant improveily, and freedom from vice." ments or desert them. They tilled the

equally dependent on fish and game for house. She was delirious with fever. Helloise bathed her and had her placed The house visited had been hastily on a soft bed, and watched until the fever subsided and she slept. When she "You are more comfortable here,"

corners, forming supports for skins and said Helloise. "There, now, you must game. The rafters projected in the not worry. Take your medicine and be a same manner, as did the poles laid on good girl." In a few days medicine and nursing

The girl gave a quick glance and

"Stay with 'em?" replied her mother,

"I shall call you Augusta," said Hel-

Ignorant of the alphabet even. she

''I'll have no high-flyer advisin' me.

reminds me of my old, hateful life."

ened disgust for the old.

gladly keep you with us.

feed."

loise.

An opening was cut in one side, and a conquered the disease and the girl becurtain of skins formed the door. Light gan to move around the room. In the four-fifths of which says no word of imcame in between the poles, as well as plain dress she now wore, her hair mortality or the creeds, though claimed air. There was perfect ventilation, for smoothed and her face and form to be all the message sent from God to where we have been as friends." "And while you are such, go," said "And while you are such, go," sai

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watched with longing hope the course of Spiritualism, for some sure evidence of immortality that may stand the test of the most rigid scientific investigation.

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creeds as religion. They mock the Christ who calls them 'Christian." for he never taught a word

of them. They offer us a book called sacred,

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we were rewarded by seeing her open

her eyes, and knew that she would still

remain with us for a time. One has no



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They required no further urging, and taking the canoe rowed away. When out of reach Martesq turned to his companion, his face scowling with

hatred, and said: "I told you we would unearth them. Our mission for the church being fulducing a stolid expression relieved only by the vindictive gleam of her inflamed eyes. Her hair was tangled and matted, were by her side. The swinging of the bullent waves of doubt, and amid dark-were warded by steing her open filled in Canada, we cross the lake on another mission which, if successful, will by the vindictive gleam of her inflamed be more acceptable and bring us renown. The latter mission is in exact accord and her dress faded, torn and tattered,

with our desires. Ha, ha! we struck falling limp about her. "Heah ye, git out!" she said in a burning whisky, and none had been lo! these two thousand years, men have sharp voice. "Blast the dors! Here Sim, backward, even the boys being unable turned with new hope to Spiritualism, promising some message from those we the trail early and will soon bag the game.'

"What are your plans?" asked Lorenstart, can't yer? They'll bite 'em. Come | to stand. she resumed, assuringly. "they on.'

"You know there are white settlewon't bite! Don't let 'em scare you. ments on the Ohio which must be near Some folks are powerful afraid of being she had received of the new life awakthe main settlement of these heretics. bit and 'ems the ones who allus get it. We will instigate some of the Indians to A good dog will go miles to get a nip at make a raid on these settlements and em

make the sufferers believe it was the "My good woman," said Louis, "we stay. Oh, I can't bear to think of it!" tribe among whom the heretics are heard you were sick and suffering and located. Then the enraged settlers will called to comfort you." "Sick, guess we be! We came down

destroy them." "What of those who are here?" "We will learn what we can before we of fever. Come in. It's right good in me? I will return and ask them. leave, and should chance offer, carry you, and its blest little comfort I've had them away.' since I was born."

"Kidnap them?" exclaimed Lorenzo They went in. On a rude bench a man covered with a ragged blanket lay, in affright.

"Peace. fool! Suppose we remain in suffering with a raging fever, and dethis locality concealed and opportunity lirious. By an open fire, which filled the room with smoke, the woman was awaiting its possible revocation, she can be so caused, we must accept the offers, and you can wreak your vengeance on Dencke, and have that huzzy for a frying some fat pork in a skillet and wife?" baking a corn cake in the ashes. Hun- friends.

gry mouths were to be filled. As she

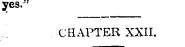
turned the meat she said: "I ask your pardon for bringing "I didn't tell ye my name: it's Crash. hither such unpleasant company," said Flammarion; "I knew nothing of them I know yer without tellin'. We've allus lived jest in this way. If we get hog and hominy we are satisfied." except the little I learned while conducting them here."

"Do not allow it to trouble you, for we do not blame you," replied Gertrude. "Come in and I will tell you who they served for a table. On it Mrs. Crash proceeded to set the skillet smoking are and why they seek us. from the fire. One of the most disagree-He seated himself by her side and she able odors to senses not blunted, is the

related the story of the past three years. nungent, swinish one from frying pork. When she finished he took her hand: She brushed the ashes from the corn visited her old home, but an impassable has taught, while emblazoned on its "Your trials endear you the more to

mé. and I hope to become acquainted a coal, and placed it beside the meat. with your friends. That will depend on Then she threw some rusty knives on a coal, and placed it beside the meat. family. Her mother plainly told her: you. Can you answer me?" the table and called:

"I am not sure of having a whole "Here, you varmints, come out of yer | can git it, that's our business. You heart to give you, but I answer holes and eat.



Gnadenhutten.

For Louis and Helloise there was a offered it. season of blissful rest. It was the quiet

"Want meat victuals, do yer," she after a fierce storm, overtaxing human strength. With him she felt secure, her tone, giving it a large piece of fat family. that no harm could reach her. She turned to him for aid, for strength, and | pork, which it ate with greediness. turned to him for ald, for strength, and point, which is descented as the ground strength of the strength and point, which is descented as the ground strength of the strength

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They were met by a howling chorus panied by Helloise, she visited her old I heard a prominent orthodox minister whom we have received letters, that swarm of children to the door, who, when they saw strangers, vanished like wild animals, some under the bed, others tance they heard coarse jesting and crept through an opening under the wall, and expressed their feelings with a wild cry like a war-whoop, and came back to peep through the crevices. A red-faced woman met them. Once

A red-faced woman met them. Once she might have been pretty, but ex-posure, sickness and care united in pro-ducing a stolik of the state-in a circle on the floor, could swing it been other, and each their unscientific and incredible state-bein a circle on the floor, could swing it their unscientific and incredible state-bein a circle on the state of the state-their unscientific and incredible state-bein a circle on the state of the the s

jug in her direction indicated that she ness of the shadow of death, from behad repeatedly helped herself to the yond which no voice has come to man. burning whisky, and none had been lo! these two thousand years, men have

promising some message from those we call dead, but whom it proves immortal ilar one, and the friends rejoiced with turned away. Already had the glimpses and still near us.

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months had exhausted all the chemical in body but living in spirit. properties with which her system must In the name of humanity I demand of "of course you may, you jade, and good Spiritualists so thorough and scientific riddance. There'll be one less mouth to tests of the phenomena called spiritual be imbued to produce materialized forms, and that she must hold no more tests of the phenomena called spiritual for at least two months. She recovered that it may be known beyond a doubt if her other powers very soon, and con-This heartless answer was received by they can possibly be caused by human the girl as a blessing, and without intellect, power or art. If all of them tinued her work, lecturing and giving tests each Sunday for our society, and

hurried away to join her new-found known cause instead of the unknown. begins to look and act quite like herself again. Thanking the friends for their For nineteen centuries the Christian many letters of inquiry, I am, as ever, world has accepted the supernatural in your friend, Christianity, which the highest reason "I wish you would," replied the girl and science now rejects. But the whole gratefully. "I despise the name which reminds me of my old, hateful life." tianity in its truth, spirit and effects. MENS SANA i CORPORE SANO.

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Prerequisite to a blessed life. with that came a new expression of fea- fought battles, from the slavery of super-In our competitive, sordid strife tures, a light in her eyes, and grace of stition—the grand service done the manner. The wild, uncouth girl became world in overthrowing its stronghold of Are such men fashioned? Can it be said a beautiful lady, as kind and sympa- error-the sublime ethical truths of huthetic as she was cultured. She often man brotherhood and mutual service it bred?

cake, which was burned on one side to gulf had opened between her and her banners have been the words that should be impressed upon all human hearts-To know the laws of life is wisdom-

If Crash and I drink whisky when we To obey them is happiness. If all the so-called spiritual phenomdon't appear to want a hard-working ena could be proven to be the work of

She snatched up the baby, who was woman to have a grain of comfort. It's embodied spirits, there would still recreeping over the dirt floor. It was little I have, and when I can enjoy a main the grand work of defending pale, or would have, been if it had been drink with the old man, you say it's a these great truths through the press. washed. It was born with malaria in sin! It makes me feel happy and I'll and organizations teaching youth units blood, and absorbed the poison with take the consequences. Crash says how doubting faith in spirit existence through an endless future, with progression and happiness man cannot now conceive-for which sublime destiny living here in obedience to all physical and spiritual law is the only preparation.

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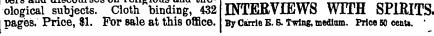
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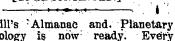
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every breath. Feverish and fretful, it if you get your head any higher, dogged robelled against the heated breast if he won't bring you home and set you to doing the work.' With the cry of a wounded bird. said, with a sort of pride expressed in Augusta left her hopelessly-degraded



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VI. that there were any "primitive Christians" except the monks, who, in the interests of their own system, declared war against "the established religions of Paganism." The words "pagan," "heathen," in the sense in which they have been employed for so long, are their invention; and they no doubt point to the fact that the old notions and beliefs were retreating to their stronghold in the rural districts. It was of course inconsistent with the pretensions bius," and others of the same gang, are geniously emptied church language of locality, and had forgotten the incident, of a system designed from the first to be as intolerant of rivalry as Islam itself to admit even the noblest forms of the **Roman Pantheon** to association with Roman Pantheon to association with Christ, who must be Dominus, Despot (so he is sometimes called), absolute monarch of the world. This despotic doan in his senses has ever faced his in heaven. The theological position of the Moslems seems always lucid and in-telligible. To them the Catholics were idolators; and there was supposed to be great sympathy between our Queen Elizabeth and the Sultan on that ground.

The zeal of the monks against idolatry was calculated. They chose to say that the "dæmons" or spirits were "the authors, the patrons, and the objects of idolatry." Hence the bad sense which has become affixed to the word "dæmon," which it had not in the days of Socrates. The monks deliberately enliberal and lofty temper encouraged un- men of our time. couraged and stimulated in every possible way the belief in and dread of evil der the old system of morality and re- I wish to write always with an eye to spirits, who "roamed upon earth to torment the bodies and seduce the minds of sinufl men." In other words, they in-sisted that what is now called "Spirit- while the Roman Res Publica endured. to its duty in this respect until it undersisted that what is now called "Spirit-ualism" was quite real, and had a malig-nant origin in the agency of "the devil." The New Testament, as everyone is aware, is committed to this theory, so that we cannot loyally accept the Testa-ment and disbelieve it. Epilepsy, mania, temporary abservations in thought 0," in temporary aberrations in thought or in morals, are all conveniently set down to we find an utter ignorance on the part d'etre? They will be no more compatible easy method of solving a great and pain-ful problem! And a very childish whatever has occurred, or is destined method. At the present day a Catholic to occur within the wide confiner of the bishor thinks it his and the present day a Catholic to occur within the wide confiner of the the score of "the devil." A short and bishop thinks it his professional duty to tell us what to think of so curious ans who have worked in this field since and seemingly innocent a phenomenon Bibbon's time have indeed pointed out and for truth in all their varieties. The or of the arrogant the list is answith the varieties of the innormal the indeed pointed out and seemingly innocent a phenomenon bibbon's time have indeed pointed out and for truth in all their varieties. The or of the arrogant the man who has lines of Spiritual Philosophy," a book "automatic writing," and the like: is of the devil." are very slight and obscure: but it can-dismissed, and will be replaced by the who thinks he knows too much to learn "It is of the devil."

It was a silly and childish device in not be said we have laid the foundations more realizable dream of mankind ititself, but it was greatly successful in of science in this department until we self, as the only true order or church, the actual constitution of the world. recognize that the pictures of the world whose ample confession is the Homo Grand Work at Fort Dodge, Iowa. given in Claudian absolutely exclude Sum of the Roman poet. The object was to induce the belief that all the bad spirits were outside the Catholic church, all the good ones in-side; moreover, that the greater might was with the young god of the nascent which gives an account of the Roman organization, than with those of the festivals for the first half of the year, older and effete; just as in our own day also to the compilation of "Macrobius." the heralds of the Salvation Army These works are valuable as giving an preached up their own god as a strong insight into the nature of the old annigod, in contrast to the weakling of the versary religion: the latter has, howold respectable sects. But the monks ever, been tampered with and interpohave done great mischief by their defa-mation of Polytheism. They have religions are annual, bearing reference How we start to catch their musicmation of Polytheism. They have religions are annual, bearing reference raked in the kennel for all the fifth they to the recurrence of the natural seasons; could discover to cast at the old wor- and the legends express the mystical ships; they have blackened and disfig- story of the people's life from year to ured the "fair humanities of old relig- year. "So artfully were they framed Any sweeping attack upon and disposed throughout the year that Polytheism is simply an attack upon superstition always wore the appearance human nature itself in the breadth of of pleasure, and often of virtue." says vitalities and its interests, the variety Gibbon. And admirably he continues: of its expressions of the yearning to be "Some of the most sacred festivals in at one with the secret mind of the the Roman ritual were destined to saworld. These were the blunders we lute the new kalends of January with call superstitions; there may have been vows of public and private felicity, to some pandering to instincts that need indulge the pious remembrance of the control rather than stimulation; yet dead and living, to ascertain the invionone but the blindest partisan could ig- lable bounds of prosperity: to hail, on nore the beauty and use of refined Ro- the return of spring, the genial powers man Polytheism as a means of sound, of fecundity. to perpetuate the two popular instruction. The people need persons, and impersition of the city and that of the republic. sonations, of moral ideas; and it would and to restore, during the humane still be more useful to erect temples in license of the Saturnalia, the primitive honor of common sense, of presence of equality of mankind." mind, of industry, and a multitude of I. for one, am persuaded they were other ideals, of civic or military and "the good old times" when such "innobusiness virtues, rather than for the cent and elegant practices" prevailed. commemoration of imaginary saints of Nor do I believe for a moment that they impossible and undeniable holiness. Gib- | were abhorred by "the trembling Chris bon has justly remarked how closely tians" as devilish practices, until the interwoven with every circumstance of monks had contrived to instill their business or pleasure, of public or pri- nonsense into the vulgar mind, and had vate life, were the old customs; so that bullied them into submission. Holding, to renounce them was to renounce the as I firmly do, that "Tertullian" is a commerce of mankind. In effect, the Renaissance writer, I infer that the old monks appear to aim at the emascula- | rites were still being observed to some tion of man, and the constitution of a extent so late as four hundred years celibate society as the only society ago: that the pretense of a "holy war worthy of the name: everything outside against the empire of the dæmons" was being classified as of the world, secular. a mere affectation, like everything else and belonging to the territory and do- in the system: and that all the zeal for minion of the Evil One. this warfare was little else than a zeal One of the cleverest men the monks, for self and sect, a rage for the destrucever had in their employ was the un- tion of everything in human science, principled scribe who writes under the art, manners, which yields a sensual or name of Tertullian against idolatry. He imaginative pleasure to the people, and may have been, so they pretend, a law- which would lead them to rebel against yer, and certainly his manner is that of a dominion so thoroughly founded on a paid advocate of very low morals. emasculation of the intelligence, and What can we think of the narrow-mind- the servitude to those very fears from edness, the vulgar ignorance, the spite which the philosophers had labored to against culture, of the faction who could | deliver mankind. teach that "the arts of music and paint-I wished to show that this zeal of ing, of eloquence and poetry, flowed which so much has been said was not a from the same impure origin: that good or pure zeal for human improve-Apollo and the Muses were the organs ment, but the narrow, interested, misof the infernal spirits. Homer and Vir- chievous zeal of a "Clerus"-a selfgil the most eminent of the devil's serv- elected class of impostors, whose tricks ants. and the beautiful mythology were of the lowest order of cunning, and which pervades and animates the com-positions of their genius was destined to that "nothing succeeds like success." celebrate the glory of the dæmons?" It The church was in its original idea a is the moroseness and ill-temper which militant organization, and zeal is a neclove of sect and party, and the corre- essary militant virtue. But, if the sponding hatred of that open-minded- cause be not humane, the relative virness which is the note of culture, en- tue becomes a positive vice. The church gender. Impossible, it seems to me, to is committed by its constitution to unoverrate the mischief that has been dying hatred of Jew. Turk, Saracen, wrought by these contemptible rhetori-cians of the monasteries in their defa-men of science, whom she is bound to Babbitt, M. D. 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they are to the light within them. Her members are bound to be zealous for "orthodoxy," although in one branch of knowledge after another her "orthodoxy" has been proved "false thinking." Now at last her history, the stronghold

an anachronism in our life and culture. Whatever enthusiasm for the church, as the church, remains, will be manifest more and more as an enthusiasm for domination, for privilege, for status and ping away from her.

One of the most powerful satires upon Religion, among the old Romans, was religious zeal and enthusiasm ever penned is to be found in the University taken seriously, to a great extent; but it never can have been taken so serimity to intellectual exertion. If you ley. This singularly attractive spirit, admit all the gods to public recognition, this lover of Montaigne, this skeptic in phenomena to an in you cannot be fanatical for any one; and the surplice, appears to have conceived interesting subject.

for social gatherings, a sign of fellow- multitudes which has been stimulated I am now firmly convinced it frequently ship, with philosophers, they may take by ecclesiastical life. How poor the rethe place of a fine phrase or illustrate an epigram, as in the last moments of teresting, how soulless the kind of char-Stoic. He sprinkles water from the acter it produces. It all "runs to stalk," Gibbon was mistaken in supposing warm bath on his nearest slaves, and rather than to good seed. He makes wander hundreds and sometimes thou-

It is an utter falsehood to pretend that serves all his admiration for simple, unthe common people were ever self-in- affected nature, for the "favorites of have a record of no less than seventeen flamed with zeal for Christianity and heaven," for those in whom the wells of dreams, which I believe to be authentic, against Paganism, if for no other rea-son than that they could not understand, by their unconscious goodness, con-visited places they had never seen or midst of your multitudinous duties as never have understood, the former; demn the poor products of sectarian never read about, and yet were able to editor, publisher, business manager and

while the latter was part of the long-descended customs of their sociality. I canno The tales of martyr-soldiers in "Euse-seems to I cannot approve the sophistry, as it seems to me, with which Mozley in- time or other read a description of the if illiterate people would insanely cast Christianity back into something like that I would like to see controverted. their lives away for the sake of a book- old Roman morality. He makes Tully "I refer to the case of a boy fourteen religion and the abstract propositions and Seneca preach from monkish texts, years of age, who lived in Philadelphia false; the tongues which told them were ganizations on principle, when he de-

tianity, he would have seen the impossi- launched from cathedral pulpits with bility of the tales in question. I regard no physical, but with great intellectual,

any such system as Judaism or Christi- the religious bodies must be a burning cording to the received chronology; and ers to defy, what will then be their raison of the poet, who is versed in the affairs with a reasonable constitution of social

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LITTLE VOICES

THE MYSTERIOUS.

The Soul's Journeys During Sleep.

The story of the Boston man who lost of her orthodoxy, is demonstrated a lie his individuality for three days and be-at the very heart and core; and she is came possessed apparently of the ego of another, related last week, brings this letter from Waterbury, Conn., says the New York Mail and Express.

"I have just finished reading of the experiences of Elias Springer, of Boston, endowments, and titles, in proportion as who dreamed that his brains had been intellectual influence is felt to be slip- drawn out through the crown of his head, and his skull cavity filled with the brains of another, which changed his whole nature for the space of three days. It is a valuable addition to the literature Sermons of the late Canon J. B. Moz- of dreams, and will, I trust, awaken those who do not believe in the study of such phenomena to an investigation of a most

ceremonies become an elegant perform-ance, a convenient symbolism, an excuse the excitement born of organization and dreams for more than forty years, and "I have been studying the science of happens that the soul and body temporarily separate; that the soul is still tethered, as it were, to the material body by a mental chain, and while it may

exclaims: "It is a libation to Jove, the the enthusiast look very small with his sands of miles, it is eventually drawn beliverer!" body which it animates and controls. I describe these places accurately. I have been told that the dreamer has at some

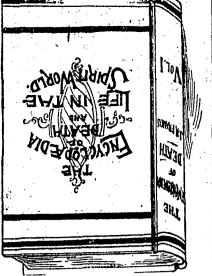
simply absurd in the face of them. As its proper force, and strove to translate but this I disprove by an illustration

sure, and he would afterward describe These prize essays are intended not set on fire from any celestial source. nounces the zeal and enthusiasm which did not associate with a class of people diums, who have not heretofore begun not set on nre from any celestial source. nounces the zeal and enthusiasm which Apart from general reasonings, if are their very life-breath. He shows Gibbon had imbued his mind with the teachings of the late poet, Claudian, who is dated on our present fictitious chronology some long four hundred years after the establishment of Chris-something terrible in the invectives tianity, he would have seen the imposed. mind has visited the French quarter of write up the doings of some meeting, on New Orleans, while he slept, and on the the spur of the moment. In these days the poems ascribed to Claudian as in force against the Christian system by day following he has pictured in minute of free schools and libraries, no young themselves sufficient evidence of the one of the most distinguished clergy-

has repeated several French phrases to put his thoughts in simple and gramthat were impressed upon his memory. matical language on paper. porary separation of mind and body.

not understand such things to talk about inclose postage for its return. This indigestion and heavy suppers, and to contest closes April 1 assert that Edgar Allen Poe ate lobster The subject is: "What Does Spiritual-salad and ice cream to make him dream ism Include?" The prize is offered by a or of the arrogant-the man who has lines of Spiritual Philosophy," a book not the capacity to learn, or the man of 28 chapters and 267 pages, by Rev. any more."

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She was indeed a lovely sight, of olive complexion, long, black hair and snow-white garments: TO THE EDITOR:-In your issue of filling every one present with love and February 2 you kindly published a comadmiration. munication from me in regard to suffer-Spirit after spirit came out to greet ing humanity in this State. I am in their loved ones, and all were recog- duily receipt of letters in regard to the nized. Mr. Thissell and daughter, of real situation in the districts where all this city, who passed out of the body kinds of crops were an entire failure. I some years ago, came and conversed am in receipt of a letter from an old with the wife and mother, who is now gentleman, 150 miles west of here, who seventy-one years of age. The writer gives me somewhat of a detailed account was also called to the cabinet by him, in his locality. Among other things, he and thanked very kindly for our labors says what is most needed now is some- A Compendium of Spiritual Laws. in her behalf. I knew him immediately, thing to eat and fuel. The farmers, in having known him in former years. former years, have shelled their corn Vickey" (Victoria), their daughter in and used the cobs to burn, but the ab Spirit-life. also greeted me. sence of this article as fuel has had a On November 22 a scance was held depressing effect. Many people have TN THIS VOLUME THE AUTHOR, Augusta W. Fletcher, M. D., in the thirty-nine chapters flacusses a wide variety of subjects per-taining to Spiritualism, from a spiritualistic stand-point. Site evinces the powers of a trained thinker, both in matter of thought and fine literary style. and capabily of thought expression. The subjects are well-handled with conciseness and yet with clearness. 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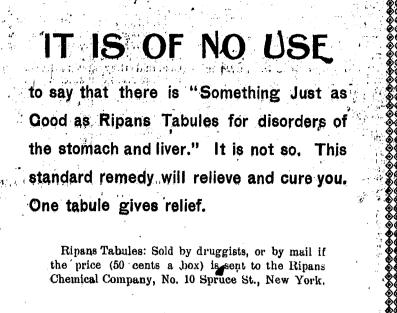
that quaint section of the old city, and can be excused from not learning how

bigion, and, at the same time, an ab-solute refutation of the opinion that come when the abolition or reform of City of the same time and the same time and the same time will that were impressed upon his memory. matical language on paper. He had never been in either Salt Lake My neighbor, Mr. D. P. Ashley, Di-City or New Orleans. He could not have mondale, Mich., has consented to reread about them, and it is scarcely prob- ceive these first essays, to read them able that he would come in contact with over carefully, to act as judge, and to persons in his daily occupation of 'off- decide on their general merits. He will bearer' in a brick yard who would know anything about these places, because ive THINKER, to be printed in due they were all as ignorant as he was. On time. If the next best essay is worthy, what other hypothesis can this be ac- its author will also receive a prize counted for if it is not on that of tem- Ten pages of manuscript will be the maximum limit. In sending the manu-

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Another Crusade Desirable. All should hail late advices from Jerusalem with joy. The Palestine Exploration Fund, so long engaged in trying to find ancient traces of Jews in Jerusalem, to confirm any Bible statement, have at last made a discovery, which its agents are heralding to all parts of the world, possibly to compensate those who have contributed to pensate those who have contributed to Its treasury, probably to secure further subscriptions to aid in carrying forward the glorious work.

From the display lines in the press vancing intelligence shows is born of headings of the announcement, it would knowledge, that truth and justice, in be expected they had come upon the a false bible and false teaching, will tomb of the veritable Jesus, or possibly finally prevail, but as we note time, the His strength was as the strength of ten the scourge with which he lashed the period is still distant. money-changers from the temple. But

no, more important than either, judging from the rejoicing. It is no less than finding the base stone of the wall sur- until the opposite can be carried into ef- so strange. "I call him a great man," rounding the city, and that only a few feet below the surface. A marvelous revelation!

The naturalist, familiar with comparative anatomy, will take a bone of an Catholic Review. animal long extinct, and, guided by his paleontologic knowledge, reconstruct Spain, for instance, where all the people brilliant imagination can rebuild the fallen walls; and if well skilled in sacred lore, he can weave a history of the peo-

war for Independence? this Constitution? The priesthood. Many of the

clergy fled from the country, and their estates were confiscated, because of their hostility to republicanism. They their hostility to republication. therefore, resisteth both men and women and its distinctive both men and women and its distinctive both men and to what we are the power resisteth the ordinance of object being to stand for what we are God, and they that resist shall receive apt to term 'the new thought,' that of

greater spirituality of life-though it is to themselves damnation."-Romans 13, really the oldest thought in the world. The government established in spite Boston is simply a network of clubs; almost every conceivable idea or aim is of church opposition, then the clergy set themselves to work to destroy all its the nucleus for a club of the people who

beneficent features. It must be revolu- cherish or champion it; still, when the tionized in the interest of priesteraft. ground is surveyed, not a single one of So in season, and out of season, by tricks all these clubs which represent social enjoyment, literary, artistic, ethical, which would outdo the heathen Chinee, philanthropic, or progressive ideas-not one device after another had been tried one of them has any idea for the proto re-enthrone themselves in power. mulgation of just that trend of thought They began by wanting to pray for to which it is proposed to devote the new Congress. Then they must have a spe-Metaphysical. The matter is in a wholly cial day in each week set apart to their nebulous state, however, just now; but among those who are taking an active interest in founding it are Mrs. Henry Wood, the author of that most admirservice. They acquired partial control of the judiciary, and gained decisions from that body in their interest. As numerous, and as destructive to human able book called 'Ideal Suggestion,' and rights, as an army of locusts to vegetaalso the author of 'God's Image in Man,' tion, they have advanced step by step, until now they insist on enthroning their 'Edward Burton' (a novel), and of 'Nat-ural Law in the Business World;' Mrs. mythical king to preside over the coun-Abby Morton Diaz, Mrs. Ole Bull, and

try, making the Bible, instead of the Constitution, the supreme law of the State. The outcome is in the future. Sunday-school boys, and girls in abbre-viated skirts, armed by the church with swords, bayonets and fire-locks, have a meaning.

Hope Is Distant. Occasionally gens of real worth are found cropping out from even the relig-ious press. Here is one from The Chris-ious press. Here is one from The Chris-ious press. Here is one from the role of the trained incalculable benefit." Hony, is only what any justice of the prese exercises. You are not ordained, is a wonder to me that the railroads higher spirituality of thought, in a so-cial and intellectual way, may be made incalculable benefit." Hony, is only what any justice of the prese exercises. You are not ordained, have not had you and some of your con-federates arrested for obtaining half-fare tickets under false pretenses. The tian Life, good enough for a spiritual paper, and just as truthful as if dictated by inspiration:

who is conscientiously wrong, and who can bring a clear text of scripture to his

"None is so hopelessly wrong as he

support. If, in addition, he has the commentators and the church to stand at his back, his position becomes almost hopeless. But truth and justice must eventually prevail, and the true light

In the Boston correspondence of the Chicago Inter Ocean, Lilian Whiting, That is the position always maintained in these columns. The child wrongly educated is "conscientiously wrong," because conscience is a creature future," savs: of education. Early false teaching, He is the kind of a man to eventually States. Meantime, his brilliant and ef-

we quote, closes with a hope, which adble forces working through Mr. Milholland that insure certain results. Because his heart was pure,

Choice Excerpts.

"Religious liberty is merely endured outlook on life, that Mr. Milholland is fect without peril to the Catholic world." said Emerson, "who inhabits a high propositions has e sphere of thought." Mr. Milholland Even Mr. Barre "Protestantism of every form, has inhabits that sphere, and there never agreed with me!

not, and never can have, any right where Catholicity is triumphant."lutely potent as now.

Heresy and unbelief are crimes; and in Christian countries, as in Italy and

Only one thing now hinders further communication by Mr. Putnam, in the

Metaphysical Club. In the Boston correspondence of The THE NATIONAL Inter Ocean, Lilian Whiting says: "A new club is now in process of ma-terializing, to be called 'The Metaphys-

ing, and it is believed that some special

Potency of Thought.

says the poet of Sir Galahad. It is in

An Impious Habit.

ASSOCIATION.

Dr. Westbrook Responds to and I propose to check your success, if Barrett.

Dear Mr. Barrett:-You certainly are personal innuendoes, but shake them as little rattled! Your craft seems to be "the lion shakes to the air the mists a little rattled! Your craft seems to be ^{ti}the lion shakes to the air the mists in danger, and you are naturally ex-shed on his mane." Whether I shall cited. (Acts 19: 25, 27.) Please do not think it worth while to journey to Washhold the almighty dollar quite so near ington to bring you into court, I have not to your eye that you cannot see. I shall yet determined. Your society is in its not attempt to follow your vagaries. I infancy, and may not survive the next would as soon attempt to paint the ec- summer. I hope you will not discover centricities of the kaleidoscope. You anything in this letter that seems de-"have not discovered any evidence of signed to "frighten" or "dictate" to you. my superior-wisdom;" but you have I would not in the spirit of unkindness called me "able" and "learned." I only lay a feather on your young and brawny claim to understand all about the shoulders; but when you are to be blamed ordination of ministers, and I claim to I must in all kindness withstand you to be master of the law of corporation; the face. After the most mature dewhile it is perfectly clear that you do liberation, I must here repeat every ma-not know anything about these subjects. terial charge I have brought against

Abby Morton Diaz, Mrs. Ole Buil, and it is hoped to enlist the sympathetic in-terest of Dr. Hale, Rev. Charles G. Ames, Mrs. Howe, Miss Whitney, and Mrs. Edwin P. Whipple. It is true that there is what may be termed a prevail-ing materialism, of the day, yet it is curlously responsive to all higher lead ing, and it is believed that some special You undertook in a private letter to your society.

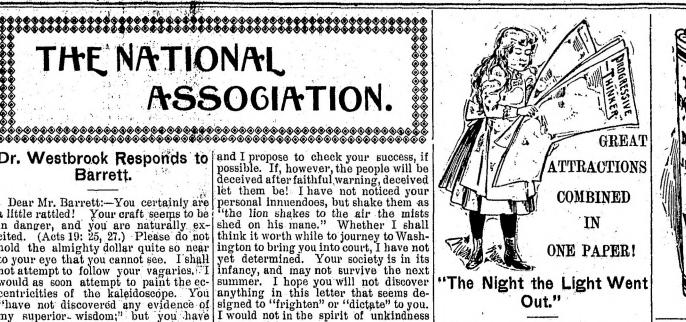
We are glad to countenance and en-courage every such movement as this, discussing the ordination matter here, because it is in the line of our own life- I regard it as a spiritual and ecclesibecause it is in the line of our own life-work and is the very highest work that a club can undertake, and because it leads to every other good work. The for a list of your ordained ministers, names attached to it ensure its success. recorded in your office at Washington;

but was informed by him that your board had forbidden it to be given to any one! Why?

I venture the suspicion that your ordained ministers are fraudulent, and in a eulogy on John E. Milholland, of the list to the daylight. I know that one of New York Tribune, as "the coming man your lady workers who was "ordained" in the national life of the immediate in Philadelphia might just as well have base-ball club! You say "that ordinabecome the President of the United tion should be under State jurisdiction." Not so. The State may sometimes have fective work in political organization and to decide whether a person has been oras first performed. Your suggestion have a law passed prohibiting the publishing of anything opposed to my views on ordination," is too infinitesimally small to merit notice: but my views on purity of purpose, in a noble and lofty the subject of ordination have been re-

peatedly published in all the great Spiritualistic papers, and not one of my propositions has ever been controverted. abdominal brain is to suggest that the Even Mr. Barrett pretended that he abdomen is in the cranium, or else that

As to my not having informed myself -pray, what could I do more than to was a time when thought was so abso-Those who grasp the occult and spirread your own voluminous reports, itual law are learning to control condi- which professed to give full, informations on the temporary and physical side. | tion? The very first thing in the Chi-The force of latter-day life is moral in- cago report should have been the the huge monster that wandered in the are Catholics, and where the Catholic tegrity and spiritual power, and this is authority by which you assumed to be a their branches; so with that foundation-stone from Jerusalem, a person with a prime with a crimes."—Archbishop of St. Louis. tion. The power of harmonious and dark closets. I suspect that you were out religion, and there can be no relig-ion without an Inquisition, which is ing. A very curious proof of this oc-upon you to publish the list of the soci-



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D. D. Glass, a most excellent medium, acts. All should read it. The last article, however, is the most Death, and Life in the Spirit-world, has thrilling, which appears on the 8th page of the paper, and was written by H Bidar Hagrard on the "Immuning"

Joseph Beals, so prominently known in connection with the Lake Pleasant Camp-meeting, says: "I have read The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit-world, with great interest, and to change our programme somewhat, on feel that it is a book well calculated to account of not being able to send any do missionary work. It ought to have a large circulation.

Clinton Camp-Meeting.

To all friends of the Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Association greeting: Mat-ters are progressing finely regarding the camping season of 1895, and the outlook selves of this offer: THE PROGRESSIVE for a successful season is cheering. Ar-THINKER will be sent to you for three rangements for lecture talent are comlore, he can weave a history of the peo-ple who lived in that ancient city, and make it agree with Bible story. Only one thing, now hinders further North and the promotion a

Who Shall Decide?

Mr. Ball, of Ohio, invites criticism of Octopus; It Is Winding Its Poisonous his views, and of what he considers his Coils Around Washington, D. C." It is discoveries. I have time to note only a full of startling facts.

few points. He says: "I have long since discarded the idea of reflex action of the sensory nerves.' Now, reflex action is a phrase not is that an impulse conveyed by the gestive.

sensory nerves, inward, is reflected back, outward, along the motor nerves, to some muscle or gland, and action of the muscle or gland takes place in consequence. Instead of this, the sensory

impulse reaches a nerve center, and in received the sacred function from a consequence, the nerve center thus addressed sends out a motor impulse. Nothing is really reflected back, but a new impulse is set up, which passes along a motor nerve to some muscle or purpose will be noted with interest, dained, but never exercises any original part. Thus, reflex action is not a cause There are certain invisible and invinci- jurisdiction in the matter of ordination, of action, but a mode of action. The invisible cause lies not in the sensory (intended to be cunning) that I 'should nerves, nor yet in the solar plexus, which our correspondent calls the third

or abdominal brain, but in the soul or spirit, acting through the nerve centers of the entire body. The brain, as de-fined in the dictionaries, is the entire mass of nervous matter inclosed by the cranium or brain-case. To speak of an

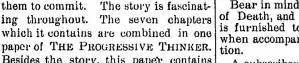
some portion of the brain has got displaced. Now, the discoverer of this third or

abdominal brain says that we have 'three distinct brains," or, in other words, three distinct crania, or, yot again, three heads, which we must admit is a remarkable discovery.

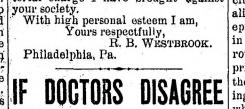
This third brain, he tells us, "is the power by which all nutrition is assimilated." We should say the soul or spirit is the power.

Again, he says the cerebrum, or upper portion of the brain, "is the storehouse

very well understood. The common idea for this poem. It is amusing and sug-



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stones of the great temple; and that is, the ring, every time, peculiar to Catholithe Sultan has refused to allow the re- cism. moval of "the flagging of the platform on which the dome of the rock now stands, or open the retaining archway in its walls."

It is too bad! Another crusade should be made on those pesky Moslems who evolution are unwilling to have their ancient walls destroyed, and they should be indiscriminately slaughtered, men, women and children, as was done in the former crusades, until they will allow revelation of God to man, as we Chrissuperstition to undermine the valuable tians know it, is a delusion and a snare." structures of the present city, aud overturn the foundation stones, to see if a ers said when the Copernican system of of the babe-in-the-manger was not hid- Rev. Mr. Jasper is still repeating it, den there.

Boys, Don't Copy After David.

"All men are liars," said the sweet singer of Israel, otherwise the good David, Psalms, 116:11, and thus gave utterance to what he conceived a great truth. Knowing his character, he judged others by his own standard. moments, with the vile conception he had formed of his fellows. At such a says: moment, the eyes dim, memory nearly gone, his hates should have been forgotten, in view of the awful change he knew was coming on him. He had called Solomon before him, whom he made his successor, and instructed him how to cated Catholics." conduct himself towards God, so he "Thou knowest Joab. . . Let not his white and Indian hunters. Said Mr. lioar head go down to the grave in Paleface: "You may have the goose and lioar head go down to the grave in Palelace: "You may have the goose and peace." Scarcely able to speak, he I will take the turkey, or I will take the store turkey and you may have the goose." the boundary have the goose." The speake is the speak is the speake is the him by the Lord, saying, I will not put | turkey to me at any time." thee to death by the sword, . . . but his hoar head bring thou down to the grave with blood." These were David's last and dying words. The narrative continuing: "So David slept with his fath-See 1 Kings, 2.

at least. Those kings of Israel must have been a bad lot.

They Have a Meaning.

The war of the revolution was in- glad to believe that in some things the The war of the revolution was in-spired and carried forward to success by those the clergy branded Infidels. The commanding that the hamstrings of Who opposed this Declaration? this punishment be true."

Truth Will Be Victor.

Andrew D. White, in the Popular Science Monthly; tells of a clergyman who was greatly distressed because of the teachings of Darwin in regard to

abide its revelations.

inst., said: Said the greatly-vexed preacher: "The confessional has been introduced "If the Darwinian theory is true. Senesis is a lie; the whole framework of the book of life falls to pieces, and the

That is just exactly what the preachpin used to retain the swaddling-clothes astronomy was given to the world, and priost of his church had just as much prominently figure, at an expense of culation, direction and assimilation. It and insists that "the sun do go round consecrate the bread and wine of the explain. A corporation is a fictitious the earth." There does seem to be eucharist Christ's body and blood." some discrepancy of statement between It may not be generally known that

science and revealed religion, but truth is in the ascendant, and we can well Wise as Serpents.

The Chancellor of the Chicago diocese, writing the Times, correcting that It is one of the obnoxious features of if anything-is a "religious" corporation, David was consistent, even in his dying paper's statement relative to a marriage Catholicism against which Luther very gation" in the District of Columbia. You between a Catholic and a non-Catholic, justly hurled his protests, leading up to have neither. You are posing as a Na-

"The law of the church requires that ever, came to the front, Bible in hand: the non-Catholic promises to allow the "Whosoever shall confess me before Catholic the practice of the Catholic remen, him will 1 confess before the ligion, and will also allow any children Father which is in heaven."-Mat.10:32. The Council of Trent acted upon the born to the union to be reared and eduquestion and affirmed the practice. That

We have in such action of the holy gospel of Matthew seems to have been sweat on his brow, the heart beating church an exemplification of the divis- a very opportune document in support of languidly, he turned to his loved son: iou of the turkey and goose between the infamous practices of a celibate priesthood. No wonder a violent suspicion exists that the book was an invention of the times, and by the persons who brought it forward to bolster a system of religion which was corrupt from

Good Words Well Said.

Dr. Thomas says: "Theology has made Parties are inquiring for Prof. Johnman a devil and God a tyrant, and filled son's books. They are only published in the earth with religious persecutions London. THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER capita tax on poor people. It seems to We pray our youthful readers not to and wars, and projected an awful des-is not keeping them in stock. Thus far, me that you are engaged in a most mer-copy after this David, who was a man pair into an endless future; but some-Dr. G. W. Brown, of Rockford, Ill., has cenary business, and l beg you to desist. after God's own heart, for revenge and how the heart of man has clung to God made a goodly number of orders for par-kindred passions should end at the grave as a Father, and hope has not died. "One of the severest things ever said ties, at the English publisher's prices, by the gentle Professor Swing, was, in substance, that the friends of the Bible, writing him, sending a postal stamp, the believers in God, should be only too will get a prompt reply. Write him.

Mrs. Jennie Moore.

Prof. Johnson's Books.

This highly-esteemed lady and gifted those the clergy branded Infidels. The commanding that the hamstrings of Declaration of Independence was drawn horses be cut, men, women and children medium intends at an early day to go to I would advise you to adopt as your claims to that effect. They tried the entitled "Speed the Worker."

tions with So-and-So. All this matter I suspect that the convention was made through which the finite mind expresses research in pursuit of the foundation Truthseeker, of Feb. 2, '95. They have could be easily adjusted in a spirit of up of the overflowings of the World's its thought. friendliness and love." Not many days Fair, and whoever said he was from a Again, we are told that we have until the First of April.

after a letter full of simple friendliness certain State or society was recorded as three sets of nerves, and that the third

tablish branches, sell stock, and do busi- matter, while the nerve, or nerves, are

proceed at once to extend the same to connect the ganglia with various parts for a two-cent stamp. There are thou-A telegram from Detroit, on the 11th the remainder as fast as possible; would of the body. In this sense, all nerves you call that a National or a local con- are ganglionic, because they are all

cern, and why?" Neither-unless author- connected with nerve centers. The Massiah. At yesterday's services he sell. Whydo you mention "stock," where openly advocated the institution from you only have charters to sell? What institution from you only have charters to sell? What is not now read, and thereby the pulpit, and urged communicants to do your innocent dupes get for their The writer tells us that the "great lay bare their sins and receive the ben- money? The privilege of representation sympathetic ganglia" (this word is efft of absolution. He declared that the in an annual convention in which you power to absolve sinners as he had to from \$10 to \$100, or even more! Let me person. When it attempts to go out of also the organs of generation. Hence it rate of one dollar per year. the State or District which created it, it is the most vital brain of the body." the confessional has been largely intro- at once becomes what the law calls a Now, if the writer of this language duced into the Episcopal churches in the laws of the State in which it desires "foreign corporation," and is subject to had not previously told us that we have three brains, and that the third was the England, and the habit is gaining to work. But your corporation is not of ground in America. Possibly it will be this kind. You have nothing to sell, no solar plexus, we might have thought that his "third set" of nerves was the come universal with that denomination. legitimate business to attend to. Yoursgreat sympathetic system, which Gall termed the "nervous system of the supposed to have a "society" or "congreautomatic functions," but even then. he would not be quite right, for the human will, through the pneumogastric nerves, the Reformation. The old harlot, how- tional Society, and profess to do work all and others, which do not belong to the was taken down, through independent over the United States, and you are imsympathetic, but to the voluntary or posing upon the common people, and cerebro-spinal system, controls in part the heart and lungs. We can breathe son James is in too much pain for us to when you ask them to "charter with us," if they understood you perfectly, many fast or slow, deeply or partially. of them would give you an answer more emphatic than polite. I have not gone cludes the solar plexus, bpt it includes into the legal aspects of the case, as it is always unsatisfactory to discuss law also ganglia and nerves in the chest, questions with laymen. You seem to be particularly obtuse on these matters.

neck, and, according to some authors, head: so that it cannot be called abdominal. In one matter we agree with our and are not a "foeman worthy of my correspondent fully, that the ganglia steel." Bring forward your "three eminent jurists, all living in the District of of the sympathetic system (if the writer Columbia," and see whether they will accept the amendment, and not not sustain every view I have taken of | confine it to the solar plexus or abcorporation law. If I am wrong, let them | domen) are the keys, as we express it, point out my errors, and I will gladly acknowledge them. By all means show us from your charter that you have a right to issue society and other charters at an exorbitant price, and levy a per

You are dining at first-class hotels at the expense of the people who hardly have bread to eat. You-I mean you and your Father Chiniquy was beset most persist- and another every copy, as soon as peassociates-are living off the proceeds of bently and impudently by Romish priests rused by me, and I design to make of the sale of charters you have no right to and female devotees of the church. It issue and a per capita tax you have no seems to be their plan, in his case-as it

right to levy. It is said that you are has so often been in the case of otherspaying commissions to your "mission- to get at him on his deathbed, and in his aries" on collections made by them. All weakened condition, bring him back

up by these Infidels; nearly all its sign-ers were Infidels; the first three presi-dents were Infidels; the convention that framed the Constitution was an Infidel interse and we might say the same the universe indices where in the interval and childen be space of the prices's offices, that I may isto is anno to be fit to framed the Constitution was an Infidel interval and the prices of business and the prices of business is an base of the prices of for money!" Money is what you are after, glory of God, and the church.

sational story, "The Night the Light Lockwood. With this array of talent Went Out." This offer will continue an intellectual feast of the highest order

Farmer Riley.

of Marcellus, Mich., is sick with in-

I am suffering terribly, but feel hope-

ful that in due time all will be well.

Here is a message received from my

angel mother, given the night before

control and give perfect manifestations.

Oh! how a mother's love and sympathy

flows out to her children who have to

I leave my blessing. RACHEL RILEY."

THE ENCYCLOPÆDIA.

slate-writing:

flammatory rheumatism. He writes:

We regrot to learn that Farmer Riley,

is assured. Mrs. Gladding and Mr. Bax-Those who are now on our list of ter are excellent test mediums, and with and cordiality was received from the best fields in the adelegate. person in question, who had, unquestions in the air of fill the vibrations in the air of the following. You ask: tionably, felt the vibrations in the air of the following. You ask: harmony and love. As a sample of your incoherent rig-marole, take the following. You ask: harmony and love. As a sample of your incoherent rig-marole, take the following. You ask: "Suppose a corporation to form and en-tablish branches, sell stock, and do busigether with the poem "St. Peter at the of first-class mental phenomena. The ness in thirty States at the outset, and formed of white matter. The nerves Gate," and the other articles mentioned, Aspinwalls and C. E. Winans, materializing mediums, are positively engaged for the entire month, as well as F. N. sands who will want "St. Peter at the Foster, the spirit photographer. Mrs. S. F. DeWolf, the reliable slate-writer,

in St. Matthew's Protestant Episcopal ized by the charter. This assumption solar plexus itself, which the writer the composed of order to extend the circulation of THE would imply that you had something to calls the third brain, is composed of order to extend the circulation of THE where the management have sparsed phases. The management have spared no pains nor expense to secure the very where it is not now read, and thereby best talent attainable, and they conmake the people familiar with our New fidently expect that 1895 will prove the Departure. It is made at a sacrifice to banner year for Mount Pleasant Park. the publisher. No one can renew a All mediums who desire their names to controls the lungs, heart, liver, stomach, subscription at this price, but must pay appear in our circular, should send the kidneys, spleen, pancreas and bowels, the regular price of the paper, at the their place of residence, to Will C. same, with phase of mediumship and

Hodge, 40 Loomis street, Chicago, Ill. All inquiries regarding the work of the association will be cheerfully answered by addressing the above number. All inquiries in regard to seance-rooms, tents and rooms in cottages, should be addressed to Solon J. Smith, Clinton, Iowa, care of Mount Pleasant Park.

WILL C. HODGE, Secretary M. V. S. A.

Sunday Meetings in Chicago. First Society of Spiritualists of Chi-

"My Dear Ones of Earth :-- My darling cago, Hooley's Theatre. 11 A. M. Illinois State Association, Bricklayers Hall, 93 Peoria street. 2:30 and 7:30 P. M North Side Society, Schlotthauer's Hall, Sigel and Sedgwick streets. 2:30 suffer the pains of the physical body. and 7:45 P. M.

He will suffer, but he has fortitude to The Progressive Society, 3120 Forest bear it. I will not rest until I can get avenue. Children's Lyceum, 1:30 P M. Services at 3:00 and 7:30 P. M. relief for him. My daughter [meaning my wife], care for James in his suffering.

The First Spiritual Society of the South Side, Auditorium Hall, 77 Thirtyfirst street. 2:30 and 7:30 P. M.

Spiritual meetings at Custer Post Hall, 85 South Sangamon street. Serv-ices at 10:30 A. M., 2:30 and 7:30 P. M.

TO THE EDITOR:-In truth I consider Spiritual Union, Nathan Hall, 1565 your newspaper well worth all the Milwaukee avenue. 7:30 P. M.

The Spiritual Research Society, Orpheus Hall. in Schiller Theatre Building, Randolph street, between Clark and Dearborn. Every Sunday at 3 P. M. and 7:30 P. M.

Chicago Fraternal Endeavor Society, Lodge hall, No. 11 North Ada street. Meeting 2:30 and 7:30 P. M.

Society Students of Nature, Kremer Hall, 574 Armitage and Campbell ave-nues, (near car barns) Sunday at 7:30 P. M.; Lyceum at 2:30 P. M.

Free Spiritual meetings are held every Sunday evening at the home of Mrs. L. A. Roberts, 107, South Leavitt st.

Band of Harmony, Thursday, 7:45 P. M. National Society of Spiritualists, 681 7:45 o'clock.

"A crick in the back," a pain under

body, over which an Infidel presided. |if the old orthodox theories of endless gave a poem dedicated to Mrs. Moore, for hire, and the prophets thereof divine is too mean for their ilk to do-for the ing in a derangement of these organs, W. Lake street. Wednesday evenings take Ayer's Pills.

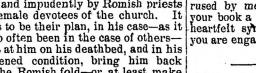
upon which the soul, conscious and subconscious, plays, and further, they are the handle of spirit, even of the Infinite. GEO. DUTTON, M. D.,

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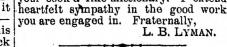
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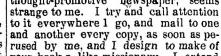
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your book a like missionary. I extend



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MARCH 2, 1895

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

FRANCIS BACON.

THE "WINDY CITY."

The Cause There as Viewed by

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His Youthful Vision More than 300 Years Ago.

It Instructed Him to Write in has been one of pleasure because of the many new friends made through my Cipher.

Sir Francis Bacon's cipher story, as disclosed by Dr. Orville W. Owen, of Detroit, is a stunning revelation. Ιt tells us that Bacon was the son of Queen Elizabeth by a secret marriage with the Earl of Leicester, and that the second Earl of Essex, who was beheaded for treason, was a younger brother of Bacon.

But without further statement of the astounding disclosures of the cipher strive to aid the unseen workers in their story, I will quote verbatim that por- efforts to bless humanity, and unite for tion of it which tells how Bacon came to this purpose no one ought to fear organproduce the secret history. It is in ization. blank verse, but I copy it without division into lines.

"And now, it is time for us to tell you how we found the way to conceal Give the officers of the National Assothese ciphers. One night, when a youth, while we were reading in the holy scrip-tures of our great God, something com-right, withhold it. It is not the true subtlety of the passage, As we read and pondered the wise words and lofty

And thus it spake: ""My son, fear not, but take thy for-tunes and thy honours up. Be that thou knowes that thou art; then thou art as great as that thou fearest. Thou art not what thou seemest. At thy birth the front of heaven was full of fiery shapes; the goats ran from the mountains, and the herds were strangely clamorous to the freighted fields. These signs have markt thee extraordinary, and all the courses of thy life will show thou art not in the roll of common men. Where is greatness [Twelfth Night, iii.2] I charge thee. Some men become great by ad-vancement and favor of their prince; some have greatness thrust upon them to glorious fortune. Omitted, all the ceum. voyage of their life is bound in shallows

La Grippe.

IN BOSTON.

Object Lessons at the Spiritual Temple.

The past week, though full of work has been one of pleasure because of the many new friends made through my work for the National Spiritualists' As-sociation. The interest in that body seems to increase because of the opposi-tion that is coming from various quar-ters. This opposition only serves to strengthen us because it calls out our strengthen us because it calls out our packed full at both sessions; there was ington, D. C., which was recognized, reserve force. So many seem to forget not a vacant seat at either session half an hour before the services commenced, and at both sessions they continued to anot to be a services commenced, and at both sessions they continued to anot to be a services commenced, and at both sessions they continued to anot to be a services commenced, and the services commenced, and the services commenced, and the services commenced, and the services commenced to a service services commenced to a service services commenced to a service service services commenced to a service se that the National Spiritualists' Association is only intended to be a business orand at both sessions they continued to crowd in so there were at each 500 to 600 standing up for want of seats. These attractive seances, given free by Mr. Ayers, are proving the most popular meetings the Spiritualists have over had. Mr. Keeler's style of manifesta-tions is well adapted for a large and promiscuous audience, because they are ganization and in no way seeks to control the Spiritualists in any way. So long as the officers and co-workers of the National Spiritualists' Association As one sincerely interested in the promiscuous audience, because they are pushing the movement. On the National Spiritualists' Association I would say to all Spiritualists: "Help us. Give the officers of the National Assopromiscuous audience, because they are are pushing the movement. On the

ciation your cordial support for a few tures of our great God, something com-pelled us to turn to the Proverbs and read that passage of Solomon, the king, wherein he affirmeth that the clowy of

every one hard at work, though not too passed through them leaving no hole. busy to extend to me a cordial welcome Anyone can have the liberty of examin-

courses of thy life will show thou art not in the roll of common men. Where is the [he] living, clipt in by the sea that chides the banks of England, Scotland and Wales, who will call thee pupil, or will read to thee? And bring him out that is but woman's son, will trace thee in the tedious ways of art and hold thee pace in deep experiment [1 Henry IV. iii. 1]. Be thou not, therefore, afraid of greatness [Twelfth Night, iii.2] Leharge

As 1 have said, Mr. Keeler's mani-Sunday morning I attended the serv-ices at Hooley's theatre, where Mrs. C. festations are admirable for a large pro-miscuous audience of investigators, very festations are admirable for a large pro-L. V. Richmond presides. At the close convincing of the fact claimed by Spirof the services I attended the Sunday- itualists, and prepare one to be interby the world, and some achieve great-ness by reason of their wit[Twelfth Night] school connected with that society ested in the more wonderful phase of ii: 5]; for there is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on South side to visit the Children's Lyproliminary seances by Keeler have so During the day I spoke in behalf of interested the outside public, making voyage of their life is bound in shallows and miseries. In such a sea art thou now afloat, and thou must take the cur-rent when it serves, or lose thy ventures [Julius Cæsar, iv. 3]. Thy fates open their hands to thee. Decline them not, but bet the ventures the societies with the result. In the societies with the result the societies with the result of the societies with the result. The public, making the south side where Mrs. Ada Foye is serving this month. I met enthusiastic bet the progressive suit the result. The pub-lic like experience and they service

LAKE HELEN, FLORIDA. Southern Cassadaga Camp.

and Canada. Will presidents, secre-A few lines through your valuable taries and conductors assist in this paper, would interest many who have work? asked us to report on our arrival at this

A large number of societies have reeently been thoroughly reorganized and are now conducting their affairs in a business way. The officers of the Na-tional Spiritualists' Association desire to emphasize the necessity of all societies conducting their business affairs so as to command the respect of practical people.

A chance to develop good results in many places has been ruined by "shilly shally" business methods. So let us all

MICHIGAN.

and phase of mediumship of all me-diums, to complete directory of same at

this office. We desire also to complete

register of societies in the United States

Cassadaga's Loss.

knows they are what they claim to be-number of rooms, and well-furnished at The Status of Spiritualism. FROM THE ROSTRUM. at reasonable rates. A dining hall is now being built thirty by thirty-six feet.

It will be completed in a few days. The TO THE EDITOR:-Some fourteen library building is now ready, sixteen years ago I made my first visit to this success then we will come in.' Help us then gives from fifty to one hundred by twenty-four feet: also a two-story provincial town as a pioneer worker on messages from spirits who are present, seance house, built by Mr. Clark, Meetread that passage of Solomon, the king, say, 'We will wait and if you make it a mean of spirit names, and then gives from fifty to one hundred by twenty-four feet, also a two-story or provincial town as a process with the glory of success then we will come in.' Help us success." This work is one that every one should read. It messages from spirit al platform, and was the guot with rare genes of thought, practice is unshifted in a large tent, that seats of Judge Wait, who a year ago passed the leaves handed out or thrown out from his home here to his spirit all was made at the office of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER. There I found the curtain, sometimes subtlet of the passage. As we read at work, though not too subtrivies the season, which runs five subtlet of the passage. As we read the season, which runs five subtlet of the passage. As we read the season, which runs five subtlet of the passage. As we read the season, which runs five subtlet of the passage. As we read the season, which runs five subtlet of the passage. As we read the season of the season o

ciation for the season, which runs five as I remember him, was a true, noble weeks, commencing Feb. 17. weeks, commencing Feb. 17. | specimen of a man, highly respected in Mrs. Emma J. Huff, corresponding business circles for his integrity of char-

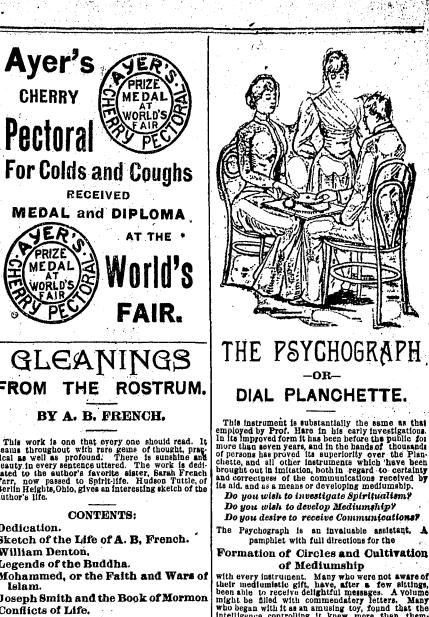
should by draw and podered the wise words and lofty language of this precious book of love, there comes a flame of fire which fills all the room, and obsoures our eyes with its celestial glory, and from it swells a heavenly voice that, lifting our mind above her human bounds, ravisheth our soul with its sweet, heavenly music. And thus it snake: And thus it snake: Mrs. Mott Knight, New York; inde- established a society and means and by pendent slate-writer, Dr. C. F. Figeurs, his assistance erected a fine brick Nashville, trance and healing; and my-church, the first spiritual church built. A self and wife. The camp will be a great success this year, and grand will be the coming ones. One-half fare is secured on the Jacksonville, St. Augustine & Indian River Railroad from all points on compete with it for able advocates and its lines, also other railroads in this zeal. A Dr. Smith also is still spoken

state. Trains are bringing in quite a of as one of the pillars of this society good many. A large attendance is ex-pected. O. L. CONCANNON. means in the promulgation of spiritual truths. His widow remains and when

to realize how great a loss Cassadaga born of experiences that seem to have Camp and Spiritualism has sustained in quickened the mind to the higher rea the recent death of Mrs. Marion H. soning and the broader view of life and Skidmore, whose spirit took flight Feb-destiny. Her presence is a benediction

terest in and establishment of the libra-ry and lyceum, her assistance and ad-means permitted, could not have given of vice in the careful selection of each their means sufficient to endow this soseason's speakers, and the arranging of ciety and make it self-supporting and a programme, combined with an intense memorial to their memory for coming interest and untiring zeal in all other time. As it is I find the society landirections for the advancement of the guishing for the necessary means to cause and prosperity of the camp, made carry on meetings and keep up expenses her services of incalculable value, tend- and prevent the cause from reverting her hands to thee. Decline them not, but serving this mouth. I met entitleaster lic like experience, and they seem to her services of incalculable value, tend- and prevent the cause from reverting let thy blood and spirit embrace them people at both societies with the result lic like experience, and they seem to ing more than any other one cause to back into the more popular Christian ing more than any other one cause to the success and upbuilding of Cassadaga camp. Though suffering physically, and visibly failing in health during the past three or four years, her singrige to have them units with them and turn [Twelfth Night, again], and climb the two charters were added to the get it, and after all it is experience the success and upbuilding of Cassadaga denominations. Already the small Uni-height of virtue's sacred hill, where end- number that the National Spiritualists' rather than argument that makes neight of virtue's sacred hill, where end-less honor shall be made thy mead. Re-member that the Divine Majesty takes delight to hide his work, according to the inno-cent, play of the sing progress in convincing that the Divine Majesty takes delight to hide his work, according to the inno-tent making progress in convincing the Spiritualists that there is need of a judgment and nue intuition remained over their church property to them of By Helen II. Gardever. One of her brightest, wit-unimpaired to the end, while her influ-ence lost none of its old power. During Unitarianism.' Some of the Spiritualists of this society are inclined to treat the unimpaired to and know her friends and en-the By Helen II. Gardever. One of her brightest, wit-tiest and strongest lectures against the Bible. Every where Bries is contained to the Bries is contained to the Bries is contained to the society are inclined to treat the

hide his work, according to the inno-cent play of children, to have them found out; surely for thee to follow the example of the most high God cannot be censured. Therefore, put away pop-ular applause, and after the manner of thy times, and fold it into enigmatic thy times, and counting mixtures of the the sociation. It was a delightful change she stopped for rest at the home of Mr. ing in their graves do not rise and proand Mrs. Lillie, where the transition test and sound the bugle notes of alarm, occurred among friends and loved ones. quickening anew heart and pulse, the The remains were taken to her home at slumbering energies of these few irresothe world (not in years, but in ages) a man whose pliant and obedient mind we, of the supernatural world, will take to be hoped that in her sunshing home and consider him the her sunshing home. town, N. Y., officiating, the addresses conservative class and be held by the and music being very impressive. A Unitarians. May the spirit of progress In the evening Mrs. Bliss gave full-form materializations, and they were better than ever I have seen them in so large an audience. The platform was vacant and the room light: while the people were gathering I could see the est worker for the cause of Spiritual- vacant and the room light: while the respects to her whom they would meet come together with fresh determination no more in the mortal. Numerous and to save the cause of Spiritualism from beautiful were the floral tributes, notico- falling into disrepute and decay. tion I attended the Session of the "Board the medium went into it the audience flowers over the casket, the loving ex- ley are the active workers here in the ably among which was an archway of Brother Rawson and Brother Cress Have you promised yourself the rare pleasure or reading this beautiful work by the good, old-time writer. Hudeon Tuttle? Price, 50 cents. Contains a fine portrait of the author. 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C. interest in Spiritualism, make a grave National Spiritualist Association mistake, as the frequent changes keep the society in an unsettled condition Note. and however good the work may be of Nothing succeeds like success. During the different speakers, they cannot make am sure it was he, and no mistake. Many things occurred of interest, but I tions for charters at this office have good as though they were made familiar been received than during any single with them on a social and society plane month since the National Spiritualists a factor in the home-life and heart-life Association was organized by delegate The desire to keep some sensational There is much discussion going on at among those people at every seance, convention at Chicago. In March we speaker or new novelty before the Spir There is much discussion going on at alloing broken below and the present about the bill now pending be-present about the bill now pending be-fore the Illinois legislature in regard to mediums. In conversation with Mr. Francis, he said that the Spiritualists ness of author. Price, 10 cents; twelve copies for \$1.00. I am a reader of THE PROGRESSIVE the passing of any such bill, and he as they are of the world, earthy, and this present month, and so go on in-I am a reader of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, commencing with the first issue. I have been a close observer of your thought-projections since the com-mencement of your laborious "Search After God," and I herewith send you this photo to confirm the statement I leave here on Sunday night to visit to me." I am surprised to see them truth when you shall be with the angels. minds of the people here, and a general Do your duty now by your children. awakening of interest and a deep inqui liberal paper that has been published has ever been made on Spiritualism. Ested, and so I am satisfied Mr. Ayers You remember your experience en- ry from all classes pertaining to the since the advent of modern Spiritualism. Now, Brother Francis, you may hang place, where I make an address on Mon-the place where I make an address on Montarded your true spiritual growth. Burr Oak, Brother Watson and wife Creeds, dogmas. etc., are not to be a gave me hospitable entertainment and this picture in your office for kickers to practice upon while the editor gets a rest; or you may hand it over to good Sister Carrie Francis to place in the nursery to exemplify habits of good nursery to the children. The final size in the future. Ed-sister Carrie Francis to place in the subject is treated with masterly ability; The children. The product of the children. in your successor have free course and | THINKER, and they hold it as their Bible | Outside the Gates, and Other Tales and give it a wide circulation in the community they live in. THE PRO-My next letter will be from the showing what the church has and has office to condense your letters and make GRESSIVE THINKER seems to be in not done for woman. 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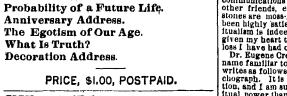
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fingers to sound what stop thou please: we point the way, will yield himself a konwn trumpet medium. Among those disciple of thine, and will search and present was Mrs. M. Clancy, an earnseek out thy disordered and confused strings and roots with some peril and unsafety to himself. For men in scornful and arrogant manner will call him mad, and point at him the finger of scorn: and yet they will, upon trial, the secret, by great and voluminous labour, hath been found out.'

'And then the voice we heard ceased and passed away.'

fact that Bacon wrote all the stage plays of William Shakespeare, Robert Green. George Peel, and Christopher Marlow: also all the works of Edmond Spenser, and the Anatomy of Melancholy by Robert Burton (first published, by the way, when Burton was only ten years old). The cipher story is made up of scattered fragments taken from all these works and from the acknowledged writings of Francis Bacon.

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Note From Constant Reader.

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this picture in your office for kickers to day evening. From there I intend to

IVE THINKER, its contributors and patrons, I am, most sincerely, Ă. A. DAVIS.

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sale at this office.

Yours fraternally, Thanks, Brother Davis, for the photo. It is most excellent. The prominent finest discourses by this eloquent orator that it is highly appreciated by you.

writings and cunning mixtures of the Association. It was a delightful change Mr. Keeler is one of the best mediums theatre, mingled with the colours in a from the crowded city to go to Rogers for slate-writing I have ever sat with. Mr. Keeler is one of the best mediums special heed, by all possible endeavor, she will soon recocover health and and I consider him the best I ever had to frame and mould into a pipe for thy strength.

In the evening Mrs. Bliss gave full-Wednesday evening I attended a and this man either led or driven, as scance given by Mrs. Hughes, a well- form materializations, and they were ism, well known among those who need putting up of the cabinet and that there her kindly ministrations.

Thursday morning through invita- was no chance for confederates. When of Trade." As I watched the proceed- were sure she was alone, as the platpractice and study of thy plan, see that ings I wondered how men of intelli- form was open and completely under of their time shouting and yelling, as if tempt to describe the forms in detail. The above extract ends at page 35 Vol. initiated it was all intelligible, and that him. He was a very tall man, probably I of the cipher story, and it thus appears they were simply seeing how much a foot taller than the medium. The money they could make each other lose. forms appeared in various sizes, some than 300 years ago, had a most remark-able spiritual vision, instructing him Mrs. E. N. Warne, at the meeting of dium, and I think all felt that they how to write the secret history of his the "Psychic Club." The evening was were witnessing spirit manifestations. In the secret history of his time. Already this letter to the Deci- spent in social converse, recitation, One form especially interested me, and

pherer has disclosed the astounding spirit messages and speeches. By re- that was the form of Charley Dudley. quest, the writer gave an account of my old friend, who was head clerk in the the work of the National Spiritualists' Banner of Light book store for twenty-Association and called attention to the five years. He looked very natural with necessity for a revival among Spiritual- his white face and black moustache and ists, and deplored the fact that so many whiskers, and his voice was as natural of our so-called Spiritualists, seem per- as in life when he said very auidbly: fectly content to cling to the churches, "How are you, John Wetherbee?" I even after they have been convinced of replied: "How are you, Charlie?" I the truth of Spiritualism, thereby giving a false impression to outsiders.

The meeting closed with an improvi- will not lengthen this article to go farsation by the hostess, which was well ther into details. I made it a point to move around received.

M. E. C.

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Mrs. Ada Foye will be at 77 Thirtyfirst street each Sunday afternoon at Bo'clock, and evenings during March, April and May. Her permanent address is postoffice box 517, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Lulu George writes that the Lysuggestions to the young any such person as Jesus of Nazareth.

W. G. Roberts, of Dayton, Ohio, has a good word for Mrs. Hazel Stoll. He says: "During my fourteen years' experience as a Spiritualist, and the witnessing of various phases of the phenomena, the results at Mrs. Stoll's seances are be-word courteen was taken sick. Mrs. Howe of the State Legislature. Of course, the to the base and to grind, and that was to further the course of the phenomena, the results at Mrs. Stoll's seances are be-word courteen was taken sick. Mrs. Howe is more comfortable this morning than he has been since he was taken sick. M. D.s had an ax to grind, and that was to further the course of the grind of the state Legislature. Of course, the to further the course of the grind of the state Legislature. The few who to further the course of the grind of the state Legislature. The few who to further the course of the grind of the state Legislature of the state Legislature of the state he was taken sick. The few who her remarkable mediumship. I have heard Jimmy Johnson, and Brother ple-even those given up for the sick with la grippe, taken two down of the planet. Pat, two of the band, talk out loud in broad daylight. Through Mrs. Stoll's netic treatment and other irregular powers, I received a slate-writing from | curative methods. my sister (independent of pencil) con-

M. R. Crilly writes: "I must have my taining 144 words, touching matters of PROGRESSIVE THINKER, even though I nicely." our childhood days, the medium not touching the slates. I also took with me It is certainly growing brighter, better a sealed envelope, containing this question: Will you give me the word agreed with every issue. Those letters of Prof. upon as a test of spirit return? I never Johnson are worth the price in themand more interesting and instructive nevealed that word, 'Prognosticate.' As selves." test it was to be given to me as 'Frog-

G. C. S. writes: "From the Muncie rosti-Kate,' and it so appeared in the (Ind.) Herald I clip the following of inwriting in the closed envelope, in the handwriting of my sister. This way of spelling the word was to be a test of terest to the cause of Spiritualism: 'At seven o'clock last Tuesday evening, Moses Hull officiated at a very pretty dentity. I never listened to a more inservice. He blessed a number of little telligent band. Alice is a sweet singer. children in the Spiritualistic faith as an Brother Pat is not only intelligent, but orthodox minister would baptize a child. a humorous type of an Irishman. He is is not only a good singer, but full of proud and happy parents. Mr. Hull mediumship is of a character that and medium ship is of a character that and mediumship is of a character that and medium ship is of a char mirth, and is entertaining. Mrs. Stoll's made a near little speech in such a sim-mediumship is of a character that en-ble manner that each little tot seemed to understand the mean that each little tot seemed to understand the mean that a sim-being engaged at San Jose this month, lowing the talk he placed his hands on and possibly next." nobles the mind, convinces the doubter, and her work is done under any reason-

able conditions called for by the skepprove to the Spiritualistic world a me-

Christian church and Moses Hull met in lectures over heard from woman. We are of local interest only. We extend a A correspondent writes: "Reformed Dr. Spurgeon's office in the Ball block. all think lots of her, and in the near cordial invitation to all speakers to send Catholic Mission under the charge of Dr. T. J. Bowles and Wallace Hibbitte future will have her here again for a were present. Rev. Treat and Mr. Hull entered into an agreement to debate in this city on the evenings of May 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23d. Two evenings will be given up to even up to the following will temple, and his other lectures to us be given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following will the given up to even up to the following to the follow be given up to each of the following sub-were of great benefit. Twenty-six number many more. A still more gratjects: "Modern Spiritualism in its phe- joined the society. Mrs. Isa Wilson ifying work has been the development nomena and teachings is sustained by Kaynor was also here all the time Mr. of mediums, of whom there are not less the Old and New Testament Scriptures." Hull was. Every afternoon she gave than twenty, three of whom are already

ena and teachings is condemned by the Old and New Testament Scriptures." Work. Mrs. Mattie Hull formed a ly-cum while here, and I will say for and Rev. Treat the Christian argument. In the Christian argument. Vite assess the feats of a medium named Will have Mr. O. A. Edgerly with us. Ieft the hall and wont to the Daily News office to meet Elder Covert. Each man Cummings Spiritual Association. This office to meet Elder Covert. Each man end of each lecture."

wanted to challenge the other, but as name was adopted in honor of the main control of one of our mediums, Prof. they became angry and engaged in an Chas. W. Steward. Our John Cum- argument, no agreement was reached mings is as noble a spirit as over mani- and Stevens returned to the temple. On fested at a seance and is the personifica- the rostrum was an ordinary cabinet, tion of truthfulness. Evidently he saw and in this cabinet Stevens allowed himthe article which appeared in your issue self to be securely tied to a chair by of February 16th last, referring to John Williams, Robert Mong and J. P. another spirit of similar name, for he Snyder. The cabinet curtain was closed requests me to say to you, and through and after Stevens had called upon his your widely-circulated journal to the spirit control, tamborines and banjos thousands of Spiritualists who probably were played, a man's watch was wound read that article, that he is not the John and other strange feats accomplished. The curtain was drawn and Stevens was Cummings who shook hands with Deity. 'Tell them,' he said, 'I have been in the found to be securely tied. He called Spirit-world sixteen years and have upon his spirit control to sing, and from never seen either God or Jesus Christ, a trumpet came the words of that wellknown song "Sweet Marie." A lady's handkerchief was passed into the caband though 1 have met many grand and noble spirits, some of whom have been inet and when it was handed out there

here thousands of years, yet I have never met with one who has seen either of appeared on it the picture of a woman's just been reading in your paper a comface.'" these personages. 1 passed out at Sioux

City, Iowa, and all my friends or kin-E. Bach writes from Aberdeen, S. D.: dred left on earth are now living near "W. H. Bach is still here. He lectures, Omaha, Ncb. The only God of which I and last Sunday he had an audience of know anything is the Great All, and nearly two hundred. He has a developcoum at Lincoln, Neb., is well-attended with that I cannot shake hands. I will ing circle, with prospects of another one and great interest prevails. Mrs. M. T. never knowingly deceive anyone, and starting, and there is quite an interest. Spiri Allen, while serving the Spiritual So-what I say to you is only that which I I announced from the platform a couple Spirit ciety, was a regular attendant, and made know to be the truth. There never was of years ago that this would be a Spirit bill." ualistic town, and they thought me nre.

to further the passage of a "Medical little and walks out of his room into the are left of the old workers were only Registration Bill," gotten up for the next. He has been very sick, but with gaining more strength and light, waitinconvenient habit of curing sick peo-ple-even those given up by the regu-Mr. Howe. Her little boy is having the two weeks, speaking to full houses, and lars as past all medical help—by mag-netic treatment and other irregular have been physician, nurse and house- all cases have been true. February 17 keeper, and am worn and weary, yet re-joice to see my dear ones rallying so nicely." we were more than favored. In the evening, Mr. L. Lowe (who is a brother of Libbie Lowe Watson), read a very

S. P. Cook, secretary, writes from interesting paper on 'Psychology,' after Oakland, Cal.: "A new society is here which Miss St. Omer took for her sub-growing up under the old name of the jet 'The Needs of the Hour; or, Spirit-Liberal and Spiritual Society. It is just ual Men and Women Needed.' The knitting together, as it were. We oc- audience was held spellbound by her cupy Fraternal hall. Our strength, in eloquence, logic and power, that thrilled

the main, is being directed to the de-velopment of all who come together into more perfect men and women, following as Marguerite St. Omer, whose soul is the natural law of development, from the inside toward the outside, first of is in."

spiritual, then of material things. There are a number among us who are well on the way to become good healers | conservative city of St. Joseph, Mo., and mediums. Because there is seemingly better general development with only our home developing mediums, we are not using any special talent at presuntil this winter. Ten weeks ago B. A. C. Stephens. a hypnotist from California and an ordained minister of a Spiritualist church, came here, and succeeded in

interesting 'the liberal element in hyptheir heads and invoked a blessing. Be-ing something of a phrenologist, he told in Muncie we have had a great feast, J. L. writes from Muncie, Ind.: "Here notism, and organized a society for psychical research. The members have what kind of men and women they would and a revival and house warming. We make. Music appropriate to the occa- had here this month Mrs. M. E. Cadbeen'led up to the higher phases of hypdium of merit, toward whom all can sion was rendered and closed one of the wallader, who succeeded in getting our point with pride as a medium and a prettiest services of the week. Wedness society into the National Association. notism, until a majority, before they prettiest services of the week. Wednes-day morning Rev. Treat of the First and also gave us one of the grandest were aware of the change, had become

readings and tests. She is good in her giving tests, and one has commenced

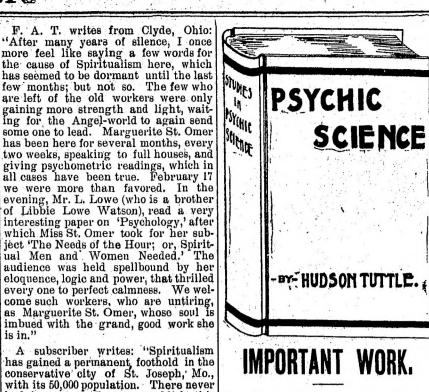
meeting, and mediums from elsewhere Mrs. T. D. Curtis, of Milwaukee, Wis., whose poems have created widespread are earnestly invited to attend and exer-interest, writes: "We received your cise their gifts. Meet in the evening. Encyclopadia of Death, and Life in the Spirit-world, in due time, and I will say that I find it intensely interesting. tion to your excellent paper. It simply Everybody should read it. The ingrows in my esteem week after week, in cidents narrated are striking and told the makeup of its matter, editorials and in a manner to fascinate the reader. I contributed and selected matter. know it will do a great deal of good." know of no paper more calculated to

build up a strong and noble citizenship, Mrs. M. C. Jacob has been giving seances in Washington, D. C., for a month whose activities are all permeated with past, with satisfactory results. Her cir- a distinctively spiritual essence, broad cles for independent voices and slatewriting have been well patronized. denouncing the wrong from a becoming tion, we have not only enlarged the Voices were heard speaking German, and elevated moral standpoint." French and English. She is expecting to go to California in the near future.

Mrs. Anna Ornellas writes: "I have

that he and the Spiritualists of Spring field were in favor of bill No. 70, in the low her audience. A pleasant evening Legislature. Perhaps he may be speaking for himself and half-a-dozen or so Mrs. Antoinette Muhlhauser, of Walton of others, but I can assure you, as an old avenue. Mrs. Nickerson exercising her Spiritualist, that the majority of the mediumship for the benefit of the Alli-Spiritualists here are opposed to the ance. A goodly number were present, and the seance proved a success every

way. Mr. Lyman C. Howe, who was to W S Decker writes from Musl



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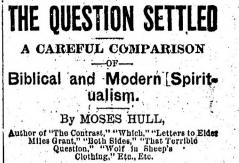
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J. S. Taylor writes of a seance held at ment upon yourselves. Here you can-Hamilton, O., by Mrs. Anna E. Thomas and Mrs. Hazel Stoll. The mediums' iquities, but will be seen and known as hands were held, and voices, independent and through the trumpet, were heard through the room, and the trumpet was taken to the ceiling, twelve feet high, as well as outside of the circle, in different parts of the room.

G. G. W. Van Horn, the magnetic healer and business medium, has removed to the first flat, 470 West Madison street, where his many friends and patrons may consult him, socially or otherwise, for an indefinite period.

and light seances in Indiana. He will given through the trance mediumship of now be in Akron, Ohio, for two weeks. W. H. Bach.

S. W. G. writes from Charlotte, Mich.: "On Tuesday evening last Thomas' opera house was literally power to do things that otherwise packed with our best citizens, to again would be foreign to their natures is to contained therein. In conclusion, he pressed their approval and satisfaction listen to an inspirational lecture from me a confirmed fact. During my ex-Mrs. Marion Carpenter, of Detroit. periences as a clairvoyant, I have had phenomena, and would not withhold a my mother,' 'It is my child.' The sing-Every available seat in this large opera one case that especially attracted my house was taken, while very many were notice. At a certain public assemblage turned away for want of room. In of people in a certain park, was one striking contrast was this vast as young man who was unacquainted with materialism. Any doctrine or theory standidg; his enunciation is wonderfully semblage to the meager one that greeted music in every respect. This young man that could do that must have some good distinct, and the full sentiment of the Mr. Starr the previous evening, at the would at certain times be controlled to in it.

same place. Mr. Starr and wife are sing most sublime and inspiring melotouring the State of Michigan, ostensi- dies. To the question, what the cause bly for the purpose of exposing Spiritu- of his trouble was, that would make the last two months worked for the alism, but really to feather their own him so peculiar on these singing spells, nest.

ualism as liars and hypocrites, but they had not proceeded far in their disreputa-ble business before it was made very withen to at least three-fourths of their hearers that of liars and hypocrites they were the chief. Mrs. Carpenter heald of neuralgia of the many possibilities and blessings grow. in gout of a firm beligf in this becautiful dootrine. She closed her lecture by giving a fine improvised inspirational setisfactory to those who received them mit. at Bronson, Mich. the 28th and closed her engagement by holding a large seance circle in the evening." F. M. Goedecke writes: "The First had not proceeded far in their disreputa.

attended and most harmonious."

people in regard to the Lyceum work and the necessity of training the youth-full mind, as set forth by the psychic in-fullgences. She has been lecturing at Omaha during February. but you will be required to sit in judgherents among the thinking class."

> discourses on "Spiritualism and Its Pheiquities, but will be seen and known as nomena," in the First Congregational ing." you really are, not as you try to make church at Oshkosh, Wis. Judging from your fellow-mortals think you are. And, a synopsis of his opening lecture, as pubagain, I say to you, be yourself; your highest self. Do good, be honest and fear lished in the Oshkosh Daily Northwestnot.' Evidently, Mr. Editor, this is not the same John Cummings who maniminded in his views-a decided contrast. fested at Winchester, Indiana."

By request of the Spiritualists of Aberdeen, S. D., arrangements were Spiritualism as the work of the Devil. entered into by which the spirits, Charlie and Walter Bach, gave their expe- has made, said that the general charac- hall was thronged. Scores were standrience before and after entering Spirit- ter of its adherents has been of an ed-

and religion were identified with it, and teresting and instructive, and at the James F. Hilling writes: "That many people are often influenced by spirit to its principles. He felt that Spiritual mistakable evidence of a power behind

fellow-men from the skepticism of a base were rendered with pathos and under-

Wm. H. B. writes: "Mr. and Mrs. W. Brockway, of Chehalis, Wash., have for uable adjunct to these services.' cause of Spiritualism in Southern Oresleight-of-hand tricks, but when they crazy, etc. My knowledge snowed to attempted anything pertaining to genu-attempted anything pertaining to genu-ine Spiritualism, it was a case of absolute spirit ine Spiritualism, it was a most misera-ble failure. They were very free to denounce all advocates of modern Spirit-ble spirit control."

Captain W. Wingett, noted as a hyp-

arge seance circle in the evening." ual society in our city and started up F. M. Goedecke writes: "The First our meetings again. We are a band of

Rev. E. H. Smith is giving a series of services of Mr. Bert Woodworth, of day, 17th, Mr. T. A. Thompson, a newly-

L. S. M. writes from St. Louis. Mo .:

"On Sunday, the 17th inst., Mr. F. A. Wiggin, accompanied by his solo singer, March Miss Marguerite St. Omer, a ern, Mr. Smith is very liberal and fair- Mr. Maxham, began an engagement of seven weeks with the First Spiritualist in fact, with most ministers, who are Association in this city. A large authe auspices of the Children's Progressready, without investigation or proper dience was present at the morning servive Lyceum." knowledge of the subject, to decry ice. Mr. Wiggin gave a lecture on Spiritualism as the work of the Devil. 'Selfhood,' which was listened to with

He spoke of the progress Spiritualism closest attention. In the evening the ing throughout the entire service, and C.J. Barnes has been holding trumpet the Park Place. The narrative was best-known names in literature, science Wiggins' address was particularly inbest-known names in literature, science Wiggins' address was particularly inhisage.

> scholars and thinkers the world over close he demonstrated his marvelous had not hesitated to give their adherence powers in giving tests, adducing unism had prevailed because of some good the throue.' The large audience exsaid he would be glad to learn of any as another and another responded, 'It is word of good-will and endorsement ing by Mr. Maxham was eminently therefrom that was calculated to lift his fitting and expressive. His song ballads

song is carried to the hearts of the people. His singing is a pleasing and val-

Wm. E. Kates, secretary, writes, to all of whom have entered the next life. a, but really to feather their own him so peculiar on these singing spells, cause of Spiritualism in Southern Ore-They did a few very clever the people ascribed it to being soft or gon. They have lectured and given tests ualists, of Dayton, Ohio: "Your commit- the Union. They have seven grandsleight-of-hand tricks, but when they crazy, etc. My knowledge showed to in Grant Pass, Medford and Ashland, tee beg leave to report the following children and two great-grandchildren.

> at Ashland, to crowded houses: numbers tation to publicly debate the questions olden days, and some of the most promnotist, healer and psychic, has been la-boring at Fort Worth, Texas, where he

Mrs Jennie Hagan-Jackson was to himself throughout this discussion to-

German Spiritual Society of Milwaukee, earnest workers and have been blessed speak at Saginaw, Mich., the last two ward a worky opponent. We believe higher life February 10, at his residence, Wisconsin, held its first annual social with the untiring efforts of Dr. H. C. Sundays of February, and March will that all such friction and manly con-Hotel Curtis, Ceylon, Ohio, at the age Tebruary 9. A bountiful repast was Andrews of Bridgeport, Mich., to build find her with the society at Grand Rap-flicts of thought, in the end redound to of 76 years. He was a nativo of Massa spread, and a good time generally was up an interest among us never felt be- ids. She will engage for week evenings. the advancement of truth, as well as chusetts, and for the past thirty years a

enjoyed. The society here is on the fore. His guides, through him, have She is now engaged for summer camp- to a more correct and proper under resident of Ohio. The funeral services highway to success. Our medium, Mrs. lectured, improvised and given tests meetings for 1895, also fall months. She standing of the true aims, objects and were held at the Church of the Congre-L. Hohenwald, is doing a good work. from our platform for the past two Sun-Last Sunday we held service in the days to our satisfaction. He speaks layed by her mother's transition, but motion, the report was approved and a Rood Tuttle singing some of her beautievening, and the meeting was largely under inspiration and always upon sub-stended and most harmonious." In the meeting was largely under inspiration and always upon sub-stended and most harmonious." In Spiritual Songs, and Hudson Tuttle February or first of March.

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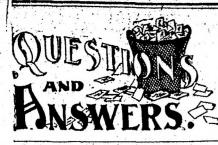
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E: L. K., Youngsville: Q. (1) How many spheres are there in the Spiritworld

(2) Do spirits ever return to earth after they have entered the fourth sphere?

A. According to the spirit-authors of the "Arcana of Nature," there are three spheres or zones surrounding this earth, which have a real and permanent value. Communicating spirits, in their attempt | has made it a ready and plausible means to convey an idea of Spirit-life, have by which spirits could communicate, and made many divisions into spheres and has been largely employed in such excircles, which are as arbitrary as such planation by Spiritualists. Yet there is divisions would be in the earth life. In not the least evidence to show that electhe division made by the three zones or | tricity is thus employed; on the contrary, spheres, which is geographical, there is there is every evidence against its presnothing to prevent the highest spiritual ence. The most delicate instrument for intelligence from passing to the lowest, the detection of that force, which would although the ascent of the low must be show its presence when so slight as by the slow process of growth,

H. P. W., Coleridge, Neb.: Q. Will the spirit always inhabit the spiritual body it is supplied with after death? Or will it change as it ascends from sphere to sphere?

A. The conditions of spirit-existence being fully met by the spirit-form evolved at death from the physical, there is no necessity for further change, even in ascending from sphere to sphere. This earthly life compasses the passions and appetites, which are outgrown by the spirit, and while the impress of the earthly distinction of sex is preserved, conjugal love becomes a refined attrac-

W. W. R., Thornburg, Va.: Q. (1) How would it do to introduce into THE PRO-GRESSIVE THINKER a phase of spirit manifestations readily understood by all; I refer to the 88,777,000 gallons of alco-holic spirits produced and sold in the United States every year? (2) Would not the spirit of Beethoven,

and all spirits interested in the welfare of the children of earth, prefer to have the wise men from the East and West use their brain faculties in the cause of temperance, eliminating the curse of whiskey, and let people of the far away "Planet Mars" solve their own problems?

(3) Is there any other light under the brilliancy of the sun, that would shine heavenward, and reflect as much credit, as to have our country forever free from the curse of alcoholic spirits, that darkens our world with black despair.

A. These questions' carry their answers with them. Spiritualists, as a class, are among the most temperate, while they make the least pretensions to giving pledges and publicly parading their virtues.

Perhaps for this cause their journals have not brought the subject of temperance prominently forward. There are, however, many periodicals, exclusively devoted to the subject, a political party and a host of lecturers. All of these have done little good, and because of their methods the Spiritualists have been unable to work with them. They

to the communicating spirits who encourage with such high promises, would courage with such high profilises, would say not only to this correspondent but to all who are told of their "wonderful mission," to make sure, by the plain rules of practical common-sense, that rules of practical common-sense, that they have a mission and have the qualifications to meet its demands, before they sacrifice their business to engage in its pursuit. Even under spirit-control, a writer or speaker is not of momentary

growth. It requires years-aye, a life-time-of patient, persistent, self-sacrificing endeavor.

current.

charges, dies.

Mrs. L. M. O.: Q. In a recent discus sion with one who claims to be well-informed in the sciences, he maintained that all spiritual manifestations were explained by electricity. What are the

arguments against this claim? A. One of the early and oft-repeated so-called explanations of spiritual phenomena was that of electricity. When it is considered that this force is not intelligent, more than air or water, the absurdity of claiming it as a cause is ap-

parent, and is no longer held by those the least informed. The mystery surrounding electric force

scarcely to affect a thistledown, is unaffected.". The table, however violently

moved, is not electrically excited, and the medium, writing or entranced, gives no indication of the force. It would be impossible for the human organism. constituted as it is, to generate an electric all my senses.

In all the beings that manifest electric Many other little things happened, strange and inexplicable, insomuch as excitation, its production is made an especial object, and specialized organs exist for that purpose. Not a single species of the higher order of animals are endowed with these, and thus far they ap-

tend to understand. pear to belong to the fishes only, and with them to be confined to five families. Of these the torpedo and electrical eel are best known. The power of the gymnotus is the strongest of the group, the discharge being sufficient to paralyze a horse, kill small animals, and deprive man of sense and motion. The shocks given by the torpedo are less severe, but are accompanied with considerable pain. The electrical power becomes rapidly

exhausted, and the fish may even die if continuously instated. It requires some hours' rest to restore its energies. The discharge has all the properties of electricity, yielding a spark, and effecting chemical decomposition and rendering the magnetic? The special organs producing this electricity are formed of two

hands on me." delicate partitions. The fluid in which

plied with nerves of extraordinary size, and if these be injured, the electrical power is lost. When the temperature sinks below freezing, the same result who has simply gone to another and more beautiful sphere to live. follows, and if raised above eighty-six, the torpedo, exhausted by repeated dis-

Normally the discharges are under the were given and other manifestations fol- duces headache."

nervous force. If the movement of the all, six men and one woman. muscles produce electricity, it disappears in mechanical power, and only in rare instances of great derangement is its

presence detected. Hence all the theories of spiritual phenomena taking electricity as the cause are untenable. That spiritual beings have any more direct connection with estly and then she suddenly began to shirt bosom, standing collar and black have any more direct connection with estimate that force than more direct connection with estimate the force more of us, but as the light fell estimate the force more formed of electric- was at the floor, and she was gone. was at the floor, and sho was gone. Among others a very old gentleman parted the curtains, and when Mr. asked if it was for him, the figure bowed. Mr. C. stepped hastily to the cabinet only in time to touch the out-stretched hand, when the curtains closed, covering the form from sight. Mr. C. came back and sat down beside ""Did you know him?" I asked anx-iously. "I think so," he said a little doubt-"I think so," he said a little doubtcelestial bodies were formed of electricity, as though it was a material substance, while it is without the least substance, being a force like heat or light. Electricity can play no more impor-tant part in the spirit spheres than on pression of force to this material sphere, and in the Spirit-world is represented by far swifter and more powerful forms of energy, as the celestial substance of

FARMER J, W. RILEY.

Then it tapped our heads a little Then spirits came for each of us, and one of great gentleness came for me, and rested its hand upon my head, and

smoothed my hair, and then I suddenly cried out: 'Something has been laid in my lap.' "What is it?" asked Mr. Riley.

or three younds."

that it had been there, and that and Mr. G. made mention in some way my lap was empty again. Mr. Riley of the "dark room." said that he thought this quite a "What do you go into a dark room strange happening, and suggested that for?" asked Mr. Riley. "Why can't you

handle, is usually carried into Mr. tinued his supper. Riley's dark circles. This time, in our haste to hold the circle before the light seance, the first thing handy, had been taken, and that was a tin basin. Some the dark room, wherein he could defacetious spirit seized this basin, and velop images of friends. rapped us lightly with it, put it over our As soon after supper as possible Mr. them, and did other elfish tricks.

that I seemed to be in full possession of former selves.

MORE MATERIALIZATIONS SEEN.

fact the half hour was filled full to the left. brim with demonstrations I do not pre-

seances, and it is a pretty sight to see little Minnie, the youngest child, bring to sing. Within three minutes the curher little rockingchair and sit quaintly

as they step from the cabinet. Once drew back a trifle. she said to me, in her childish manner: "I like to go in a dark circle, for then layers of membrane, between which is a whitish pulp divided into columns by my little brother comes and puts his disappeared.

these are immersed is a solution of alher innocent heart. To her all is nat- curtain was put aside at once." bumen and salt. These organs are supural and as it should be, and she waits in perfect confidence for the little same position as before, his hands still brother who, to her, is not dead, but full of flour.

control of the will, and correlated with lowed. This evening we had seven in

vous of phantoms, again composed myself to slumber.

REINFORCED.

The following afternoon Mr. G. of the News-Tribune arrived, accompanied by "I don't know, I'm sure," I replied, his camera. A few scenes of Marcellus 'but I should think it would weigh two and of the Riley home were not to be missed, and add materially to a choice This little phantom, or whatever it collection. Hospitality reigned supreme was, remained in my lap for some five and Mr. G. was soon quite at home. As minutes, while other manifestations we all sat around the supper table dewent on, and I was about to ask if I vouring biscuit and honey and many could let go and put my hand on it, other good things, the subject turned when I realized that it was gone. When upon photography, the length of time it or how it went I know not. I only knew took to develop different pictures, etc.,

it might have been a little spirit child. Whatever it was, I deeply regret that I did not lay my hand upon it before it vanished away. A guitar, or something the spirits can concealed it, and he industriously con-

faces, and dropped it with a startling Riley made arrangements to retire to bang on the table, pulled hairpins from his "dark room," and from there we also my hair, and pricked my hands with hoped might issue images of our friends, them, and did other elfish tricks. "Are you gure you are not hyp-notized?" asked Mr. Riley, and I could darkness, which transformed them for detect the mirth in his voice. I replied the brief time to something like their

A druggist and his wife from Marcellus. village were among those present on this evening, and this gentleman at-tended the cabinet. He sat at my right, no one's hands were free to do them-in and Mr. G., of the News-Tribune, at my

UNDER TEST CONDITIONS.

Mr. Riley sat down in a chair near the Mr. Riley says they were spirits. cabinet, and Mrs. Riley brought a saucer His wife and Mr. C. evidently believed it. While, as for me, in my skeptical, his hands and she filled them with the storm-tossed soul, I could only hope it flour, after which he closed them, and was true. I will say this much, how-thus hampered (if so I may call it) he ever, it was the most satisfactory dark circle I ever sat in, and I was sorry previously examined by request, and sat down in his accustomed place. I fancy The circle for the seance in the light I see him now, leaning forward, with his was formed immediately after the close arms resting upon his knees, his flour-of the dark seance. The family of Mr. filled hands dropping slightly downward, Riley all sit—if they choose—in his head slightly bent.

tains parted and the tall form of John down to watch for materialized spirits Benton stood before us. He bowed and

"Good evening, Mr. Benton," said several, and the figure bowed again and "Raise the curtain," came Mr. Biley's

No fear of the supernatural lurks in voice from within, instantly, and the puted.

There sat the medium in exactly the

"I have a fearful headache," said Mr. Riley. "Some one take this flour and Mr. Riley entered the cabinet, and bring me a glass of milk. This head-Mr. Benton, his spirit guide, soon ap- ache is because the influence came so peared. Then several slate messages quickly," he said; "then it always pro-

After a while Mr. Riley returned to the cabinet, and soon after the man-The appearing and disappearing of ifestations began in earnest. Nine difthis woman made a strange impression ferent spirits materialized that evening, on me. She looked out upon us with a some of them showing themselves more shadowy sort of face, and there was plainly than any had done the previous some kind of a bandage about her fore- evenings I had been there. One tall, old head. She seemed to look at us so earn- gentleman, dressed in black, with white

ward the silent cabinet, began to spec-ulate. But speculation was in vain, for although I sat thus long and thought-Mr. Riley told me the story of a young fully, I was no nearer; a conclusion of man who was very anxious to see some my subject at the end of an hour than friends who had passed over, and who when I began. I therefore retired to attended the seances frequently, without my sleeping-room, and in this rendez- once seeing any one he knew. He was about to give up in despair, when his

friends suddenly began to materialize, and they came, and continued to come. "They even came, my folks say," con-tinued Mr. Riley, "when they were not wanted-that is, when the young man was not there, and at the expense of keeping others back who desired to come. There is nothing like perseverance."

This was my last night in Marcellus, and Mr. Riley's young lady daughter, who had this evening returned home from a visit, occupied the cabinet with me. We slept sweetly, and I rose refreshed, ready for my journey home. Toward noon I bid good-bye to the

pleasant family, and Mr. Riley and his son drove me to Marcellus in their own buggy. I regretted that my visit was ended. I should much have liked to remain a number of days longer, and further investigated the phenomena I had witnessed, but this much I feel impelled to say that if there is such a thing as materialization, then one may see it at Farmer Hiley's seances, and I feel that I have been especially favored in having been allowed to spend three days and nights in his own home.

HON. A. B. RICHMOND.

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INTRODUCTION.

Ballou.

LIFE WORK -OF-CORA L. V. RICHMOND. COMPILED AND MDITED BY

to use against the retailer of the same. They have sought to reform the drunk-ard through his will, while, as is wellknown, he is a drunkard because his will is destroyed, either by his temperate indulgence or inheritance. What is earth, and in reality it belongs as an exmore, the temperance reformers have allied their cause with the church, and Sunday laws and temporance are united. All the good that has come of the affiliation thus far is that indirectly from edu- that world is more sublimated and recation. While the church temperance fined. reformers regard the sin of intemperance as an immorality, and see no wrong inflicted on the body, Spiritualists hold the wrong to the physical being equally reprehensible with that to the moral nature. While the churches hurl direct scorn on the drinking of a glass of wine Falls over all with sudden dearth, over a bar, they pass the same wine around the communion table, consecrated as the very blood of Christ!

It is well to agitate this subject from the high vantage ground of the spiritual philosophy, and educate the people into the ways of temperance.

But this reform must reach further than the surface. As long as the overtasked workers are depleted in vitality and poorly-fed, they will resort to stimulants. The man who, after a toilsome forenoon's work, snatches a cold dinner of bread and perhaps a bit of meat from his pail, will complete his meal with a pot of beer, or other alcoholic beverage. Bad cooking, or low diet, has made hosts of drunkards.

As long as the struggle for a living is so severe, the overtasked and depleted energy will be whipped into greater activity by the lack of stimulants.

Thus, as we look on the subject of intemperance, it broadens, assumes a new aspect, and we find that instead of one there are many ways to work for its suppression.

One thought more of which space al lows only brief expression. The saloon is the club-house of the laborer-the poor. They find comfort, even luxury provided for them, and social life.

Now it has often occurred to me that if the advocates of temperance would expend half the amount they now use in vain endcavor, in the tangible effort to open comfortable rooms where wholesome food and coffee were furnished at cost, and the social life of the saloon preserved without its poisonous influence, how much more fruitful would be the results.

"Mission." Q. The spirits are constantly telling me that I have a "great mission to perform," and urging me to leave my business, and devote myself to it. What is your advice?

sense, do we advise obeying the spirits. ful experiences in her investigation of his friends. wrought when we rely on any power repeats the words heard with her own come companion of the night we call kodak, he took a flash-light picture of known Father Chiniquy, reveals the de-outside of ourselves. We confess little ears; making an account more enter sleep must have slipped away with the the circle, and with expressions of grat grading, impure influence and results of taining than any novel, and far more in- departing guests. At any rate she did ification concerning the seatce and the he Romish confessional, as proved by

THE VISION OF A FACE.

As oft when night enfolds the earth With its somber, mystic veil, And hushed the sounds of joy and mirth From other lands I gladly hail The vision of a face With soulful eves and grace. And o'er my waking dreams

The light of heaven beams. There drops the light from other skies In starry splendor rare,

And o'er the landscape softly lies The brooding spell of dreamy sighs, Like whispered words of prayer, And thrills my heart the same -With the old-time love again, When all the world was mine And earth a blissful clime.

feel the touch as by my side With glowing looks and pride A face all radiant beams-The same fond look, and eyes As deep as summer skies, The vision of the past appears Through the mirage of my tears.

The echo of songs in rhythmic words Ripple in currents soft and low,

birds Up the isles of the long ago.

Frames an image in days of yore, And I see the vision of a face Artless and fair with girlish grace

dream and drift on the River Time, Through eddies cool and clear, Where mossy banks and ivies twine, And lilies bloom with a grace divine In heaven's atmosphere: And a touch that seems akin to pain Fills my soul with joy again, As comes to me, with loving grace The vision of an absent face. BISHOP A. BEALS,

Sturgis, Mich.

part the clouds that seem to hide The picture of my dreams;

A flower-wreathed cottage door

he went so quickly and it was so sudden-I wish I could have kept him a little longer." I was about to echo his wish, when the

cabinet curtains swayed and quivered mother." and something seemed weakly stirring to pull them to one side. An instant later it was accomplished and the same face looked out at the side nearest Mr. He immediately stepped to the cabinet again and took the outstretched hand.

"Father?" he said. The old gentleman bowed. "I am glad to see you," continued Mr. C., but the form seemed "Do you mean that you want more to weaken, drew back and disappeared. light?" asked Mrs. Riley. Again Mr. C. returned to his seat. Three raps signified yes. "I am sure of it now," he said; "yes, it was father. I am so glad I saw him the second time." This figure was not tall, and seemed sparely built, and trembled as he stood, increased light the curtains parted, and as with old age. Mr. C. stated that his a young man with a small, black father had seen ninety-two birthdays mustache and dark complexion, ap-

before he passed away. Others who appeared were different parently under thirty, stepped fully into view, and lifted his face slightly, proin appearance, some having dark hair jecting it forward eagerly, as though and some light, all being apparently anxious to be recognized. His attitude much younger than the one described. and whole expression seemed a mute Sometimes considerable time elapsed appeal for recognition, but no one knew between the manifestations, and again him, and he apparently sank into the And the homeward low of distant herds they would follow one another so floor, his head being the last thing Mingles and blends with the notes of quickly that one would hardly be gone visible.

before another form would stand in its One more form appeared after this place. and then the curtains were shaken, and

A SOCIAL AFFAIR. a signal by raps given to have them A couple of times Mr. Riley came out raised. The druggist stepped quickly of the trance condition, the circle was forward, and while the curtains were broken, chat indulged in, and once apples were brought and passed, the me-dium refreshing himself also. Alto-gether, Mr. Riley's seances, as held at nail. As the curtains were brought and passed the me-dium refreshing himself also. Alto-backward, as he looped them over the nail. As the curtains were brought and passed the me-backward, as he looped them over the nail. As the curtains were brought and passed the me-nail. As the curtains were brought and passed the me-them high at the same instant dodging backward, as he looped them over the nail. As the curtains were brought and passed the me-backward as he looped them over the passed the me-backward as he looped them over the passed the me-them high at the same instant dodging backward, as he looped them over the passed the me-backward as he looped them over the passed the me-them high at the same instant dodging backward, as he looped them over the passed them high at the same instant dodging backward as he looped them over the passed them high at the same instant dodging backward as he looped them over the passed them high at the same instant dodging backward as he looped them over the passed them high at the same instant dodging backward as he looped them over the passed them high at the same instant dodging backward at t his own home, are informal affairs, instantly sought Mr. Riley's chair. tending to make one feel comfortably There he sat, in his accustomed attitude. "What was the trouble?" asked some social, and doing away with many suspicions which arise when meeting a one of the druggist.

'Mary.'

strange medium in a strange place, un-known and unrecommended except, per-stood right by the curtain, and I didn't haps, through the advertising columns care to have a slate pushed into my of the newspapers. For in Marcellus face, as I had once before. I don't know Mr. Riley is certainly at home, having where he went to," he added, laughing "There Is No Death," by Florence a boy of ten years. That he is respected room door."

A. Only for well-determined reasons, Marryat. An intensely interesting vol- and to a very great extent believed, is I believe that Mr. Riley would have according to the dictates of common ume, giving an account of her wonder- evinced by the class of people who are sat for us once more that night, but it was already midnight, and Mr. G.

We, as mortals, have our individuality Spiritualism. She describes the scenes. It was about 1 o'clock when I once wanted to catch the 1 o'clock train for to preserve, and the greatest injury is she witnessed with her own eyes, and more found myself alone, but that wel- Detroit. So, hastily producing his Confessional." This book, by the well-

Haith in a mission which sends the laining than any novel, and iar more in-lueparting guests. At any rate she did ification concerning the seatce and the he Romish confessional, as proved by structive to one who seeks light in not seem to be loitering in my vicinity, visit in general, he said good-night; and he said experience of many wrecked is contrasting. Spiritualism. Paper 50 cents. For sale and I sat down in a low rocker by the left for the station. Spiritualism. Paper 50 cents. For sale and is and with now and then a glance to if the seatce afforded this office.

"I think so," he said a little doubt-fully. "I think it was my father. But recalled to mind something she had told and creation, and nature and religion, me. They occasionally sing the song, and all such things which he says are "Where Is My Boy To-night;" and often "where is My Boy To-night;" and often and all such things which he says are

their boy comes, and, looking out at to think for himself. It is possible that the thoughts em-bodied in this excellent lecture may them, sometimes says, "Here I am,

Slate messages were passed out, Mr. startle some of these turtles out of their stupidity, and if they can only be in-duced to put their heads out of their G. receiving one in answer to a question, but he could not call to mind the personshells for a moment or two, and look ality of the writer, it being signed about the earth and the skies, and see

for themselves what nature really is and SEEN IN A BLAZE OF LIGHT. what life really means, a certain degree Toward the last there came a peculiar of good will have been accomplished.

GEO. A. SHUFELDT.

PARADISE.

"Rap, when ready," said Mrs. Riley, going to the lamp. An instant later the Oh, not afar in distant skies raps came, and she turned on a great The shining hills of heaven rise. blaze of light. Instantaneously with the In loving hearts lies paradise. And loving words are keys that ope The portals to that land of hope. Oh, planning hearts that droop and

sigh . To watch the bitter days go by Heaven itself is alose and nigh. Ever about us angels go, Threading these toilsome ways be

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A BROKER WHO DROPPED OUT OF SIGHT The broker could not leave the city just SENT TO AN ASYLUM, AFTER BEING at that time without imperiling not only son is about five and a half feet in height, KEPT A PRISONER AT HOME FOUR his own fortune but the investments of with light brown, wavy hair, and smooth COVERED WHEN ARRESTED IN CHAT-HAM SQUARE.

spirit power in a not very pleasant man- home, giving rheumatism as an excuse, slate-writings. On Wednesday evening ner. It appears from a letter to the and conducting his office business by of this week several Spiritualists, who ner. It appears from a fetter to the telephone. Leader of this city, from New York, telephone. Naturally a man who is in such a con- bers of the local Spiritual society, made known in Wall street, and who had suc-cessfully operated in stocks until the summer of 1891. At that time he van-ished from financial and public view, and only a few family friends have known his menual misfortune has made the until the van-ished from financial and public view, and only a few family friends have the nature caused a watch to be kept closer their clothing be searched before the him a constant prisoner either at his than had before been considered neceshome in a street just off Central park sary. The result was that his attempts ess county.

The last known of the broker to his had sailed for Europe in July, 1891. As when the other mind dominated a desire amination. Both refused at first to have a matter of fact, he was advised to sail to kill somebody continually developed. Rockwell "examined." One gentleman by his physician, and his name ap- The effect of this was that he was be- claims to have heard Johnson whisper peared on the passenger-list of one of coming insane all the time, with alter-the big liners which left port that nating periods of suicidal and homicidal amination under any circumstances. Southern ports. She was a good vessel, amination under any circumstances. a good sailer, and the wind never blew month. Certain events made it seem mania. He was dangerous to himself Johnson then demanded, with other genunsafe to trust him on the steamer, even in one and to his attendants and rela- tlemen present, that Rockwell be exwith an attendant to act as a companion tives in the other. Physicians who were amined, and said that unless he would and we were in port several days loading and nurse.

not easily excited, so that some pecul- to an asylum, where the change of scene told by Mr. Penney, at whose house they invities at the time. They were due to the fact where he can be better guarded. that he became possesed of two minds or identities. The new one first began the doctors, "because the trouble is of present then asked that Johnson go into to trouble him early in the year, and his discovery of its existence not only wor-has set in, and it is only a question of ried him greatly, but landed him in the short time. The case has been puz-could do nothing, which seemed to in-Tombs: police court. Late in the after- zling to us in many respects. When it dicate that one could not operate without noon he entered a second-hand clothing first came under observation it might the other. The young men then left the store in Baxter street, and told the pro-prietor that his clothes were too good clarks advice had been taken. The pa-they had gone, some of their masqueradfor a laboring man, and he wanted to tient's efforts to save his fortune aggra- ing outfit was discovered behind a picchange them for something in which he vated the trouble. and his wife's death, ture in their room. would not feel embarrassed.

While his good clothes seemed suited had the effect of adding to the diseased to his appearance, the second-hand man condition of the overburdened mind. to a policeman and asked some silly symptoms. questions, which caused the officer to lock him up for safe keeping.

ing up Broadway toward the city hall, to his relatives, and that is one of the present at the time. and was at a loss to account for the pre- causes for his desire to end his life. That dent, and adding:

you're all right now."

had been rallied by friends for seeming to be absent-minded." Would it ever bound acting Would name discover happen again? Would people discover it? What might he not do without know-A Man Possessing Two ing it, while his body was guided by A President Who is Worthy Awakened From Sleep by a

some other mind? The medical conclusion was that the broker needed rest and recreation. He

TO THE EDITOR:-During the past two was a cog loose. It might be only temweeks two young men have been in the city who go by the names of Lee V. Johnson and Harry Rockwell, Mr. John-

YEARS-HIS CONDITION FIRST DIS others. Outside of a possible loss of face. Mr. Rockwell has black hair, dark identity occasionally, he could transact eyes, a small mustache, and is about five business as well as at any period of his feet and ten inches tall. They have also career, but it would not do to let people operated for some time at Bay City. TO THE EDITOR :-- Here is a case of know that he had such lapses. So he They have been giving trumpet and maprofound importance, which illustrates hired an attendant and remained at terializing seances and attempting to give an interesting story.

of the Name,

seance took place. Mr. Johnson, who casual acquaintances and business asso-clates was the announcement that he towards suicide, and during the spells in the spells murred, and persisted in refusing an ex-every word of it.

nd nurse. The broker was a temperate man and in charge of the case came to the con-clusion that it would be best to send him from him within a week. They were A MYST

he displayed caused comment may make some improvement, and were stopping, that unless they con sented to an examination they should "I do not expect a cure," said one of leave the house. One of the gentlemen

caused really by his own mental distress, They had also claimed to give slatewritings, but no one who hung upon their to his appearance, the second-hand man condition of the overburdened mind. slates obtained anything. In several in-made no objection to the change, and "Two different minds seemed to take stances, where the slates had been out of quickly had his customer clad in the turns in possessing him. One was his sight from their owners for a short time cheapest wearing apparel in the shop. An utter disregard for money and the the other was that of an illiterate, obmin's willingness to exchange good stinate and feeble-minded countryman. slates, tied them together, marked the dealer to think his customer's object was to disguise himself for some reason. The minds were as diametrically opposed in the house for a day or two, and one evenchange of garments transformed the broker into a countryman, and he acted very much like one. He wandered about viguality has brightened and become in the Bowery, and wound up in Chat-ham square about midnight. He spoke grown weaker and developed suicidal picked the slates up, he noticed that the slates had been changed about so that "It seems cruel to send him to an asy- the marks did not come together. This

lum when he is wealthy enough to have being suspicious, the slates were untied The broker recovered his senses be-fore he was taken to court. He had no recollection of anything since the previ-ment in the asylumn. Besides that, he look as though fraud was being pracous afternoon, when he had been walk- worries about the burden he has become ticed, but nothing was said to those In one of the materializing seances a

Voice That Called on Him to Save the Crew of a Sinking Ship.

Changed His Boat's Course.

The recent death of Captain Isaac S. Jennings, at Harvey Cedars, N. J., one of the best-known hunting and fishing resorts on the New Jersey coast, recalls

Captain Jennings was proprietor of the hotel at Harvey Cedars for many ears, and had been identified with the that commitment papers were signed a few days ago which sent to a private dition is apt to become thoroughly dis-asylum on Long Island, New York, all heartened. Constant brooding, which that is left of a man who was well could not be prevented, has lately caused to the total superstructure of the local super known in Wall street, and who had suc- a change in the sane-self of the patient, seen at other seances, that all things greeted the coming as well as the part- any other way. It resulted in the saving guest.

In speaking of his seafaring days, not ways been the source of satisfaction to long since, Captain "Ike" became reminiscent.

"I've got a vain to spin," he said, as he removed his slouch hat from his head occupies the cabinet, consented to an and laid it on the table, took a whiff or or in warm weather on a farm in Duch- to secure weapons with which to com- examination after some reluctance; but two from his pipe and settled back commit suicide were observed and defeated. nothing was found upon him. It was fortably in his chair. 'It may seem So it came that all the thoughts of the then demanded that. Mr. Rockwell be strange to you; you may not believe it;

"It happenea several years ago, when was master of a schooner that traded between New York and some of the was able to go around and do a good deal of work. I recommend Hood's too hard for her. On the trip in question our destination was Savannah, Ga., ford, Mo.

A MYSTERIOUS VISITOR. "While we were in port I was aroused

one night by a peculiar noise on deck that led me to jump out of my bunk and hasten forward. The noise was repeated, and, on looking around, I saw the oddest looking animal I ever saw in my life. It resembled a dog to a certain extent, but its body was longer than that of any dog Address Dr. E. J. Worst, Ashland, Ohio. had ever seen. Picking up a bung starter. I advanced toward the anima when it turned on me in a way that rather startled me, so I halted. After

gazing steadily at me for a moment, the animal turned and slowly walked to the bow, climbed over the rail and walked up the wharf, halting every few steps to turn and look at me until it was out of

sight. 'I must confess to being strangely impressed, and it was a long time before I could shake off a feeling of depression. For an hour or more I lay awake in my berth, thinking of my singular experience, and then fell asleep. The next

morning I asked the men on the piers if they had ever seen such a looking animal as I described around the wharves, but from the French. With numerous il-

Haughed at that. "We had had favorable winds, and were bowling along at a good rate, so I turned in just before midnight, leaving the first mate at the wheel. I was pretty tired, and soon fell asleep.

AN APPEAL FOR AID.

"Just how long I slept I do not know, but suddenly I was aroused by some one dicament in which he found himself. cause will be removed, and the change The policeman enlightened him a little of scene may drive out some of the mor-for an old gentleman, who went up to see was it that I felt it must be some one with whom was the inception of the by telling him the Chatham square inci- bidness which now fills his mind. In the the lady, who pretended to be his sister. in the cabin where I slept, so I was on modern Spiritual movement. She narasylum, too, the work of guarding him He slipped his hand up to her chin and my feet in an instant. The cabin was rates many incidents and spiritual oc-"You must have had quite a tussle will be less apparent than in his own found it covered with a sprouting beard, dark and all was quiet save the ripple of currences in the experiences of the Fox with the 5-cent whiskey, old man; but home, and while there will really be which he says he is sure his sister did the water against the vessel's sides. I family. Price, cloth, \$1.50, postpaid.

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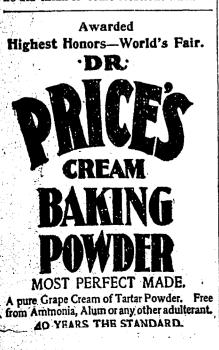
Clad in another suit, and much perplexed, the broker went down to his were hooted and sneered at, and even office. to the mystery. A young man was with them as they were Spiritualists. waiting for him, and asked to see him Now all has changed. Public sentiment alone.

the strange young man.

"Reward for what?" asked the broker.

the clothes, fearing that in doing so the story of his peculiar actions might be-come known. It was better to let it stand as it was, so long as he was not recognized.

would have been greatly worried. It was evident that without apparent The queerest case I have come in con-cause or warning the operation of his tact with was presented in this circle. A President of the First Spiritual Society was evident that without apparent own mind had been supplanted by that of another for at least ten or twelve hours. Had it ever happened to him before? Not that he could remember: but



Here is a case of obsession that could station clad in old clothes. It seemed easily be cured by any first-class medi-Will not the prominent Spiritual-

few years. Five years ago there was seance with such instruments, if their but one family in this city, and they coming out to see them. There he obtained a fresh clue the children were instructed not to play has reached a point where it is possible | fair but very severe test of their own to

"How much is the reward?" asked to get out quite a respectable audience to listen to a "crazy Spiritualist."

By previous arrangement, my two spirit brothers gave their experience in dium. Also that the medium be thorthe visitor; "a thief came into our.place how it had been with them since their gins. If Spiritualists will open their and left it last night. The police will and left it last night. The police will arrival in the new sphere of existence. never look for it outside of the pawn-shops, and you might as well give us the dox town, with church and church pa-

ences were in a demoralized condition Any person in the broker's position and required assistance, which they have received.

of Saginaw, Mich. young man had as a control a South Sea Islander, one of the Malay race. He was very strong and was against everybody.

It was impossible for anyone to touch he did think of some occasions when he him, as it seemed to burn him. He was Dr. Westbrook's communication, I should giving a treatment when a drop of cold like to ask the former one or two quesvater accidentally fell upon his hand, and tions of vast importance to the National it burned so that a white water blister Association and to all Spiritualists: resulted. These conditions have been overcome and he is now developing rap- sued by the National Association stand idly. So are a number of others.

will remain here until March 1st, litigation? then go back east, spending the greater part of the season at Cassadaga.

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had no such sister. Mr. Rockwell carried a large bulldog right.

Important Questions.

revolver in his pocket and a billy or slug "I concluded I had been dreaming, so whether the police station, the court and ists of New York take the matter in upon his arm, and claimed to be up in I went back to the cabin and turned in. the old clothes were real or a nightmare hand, and see to it that this man is re-until he reached home. Then he dis-lieved home is the second said that no spirits and dreamed I saw a dismantial discussion of boxing. He displayed the weapons and said that no spirits and dreamed I saw a dismantial dreamed I saw a di saw a dismantial dreamed I were pulled out of their seances, and off to the eastward with decks awash and ables, except his money, were missing. If anybody had robbed him, however, the money would have been more apt to be come than the other articles the money would have been more apt to be come than the section during the past the money would have been more apt to the come apt to the the come apt to the c

"'Captain Ike! Captain Ike! Help us. dearest friends are about them and We are sinking!"

"Then I went on deck again. "'Didn't you call me?' I asked of the The Spiritual Society of Saginaw now recommends that hereafter all Spirit- man at the wheel, in a manner that ualists and Spiritual societies adopt a showed I was very much in earnest. "' 'No Captain,' he replied, 'no one has

all traveling mediums: that such a test called you. I have been on deck all the be applied at the first seance given, and time, and nothing of the kind has octhat the test be not the test of the me- curred.'

ALTERED THE COURSE.

"This convinced me that the call I gins. If Spiritualists will open their eyes to the necessity of this action, they heard meant something out of the ordiwill find that a large number of pretend- mary, and I gave orders to have the vesshops, and you might as well give us the reward for our honesty." Then the visitor told about the thief changing his clothes for a poorer suit. It was all clear to the broker then. The bundred weople who attended listening

it was all clear to the broker then. The poorer suit was the one he had himself been wearing earlier in the day. For \$25 he got back his papers and watch, but did not try to effect an exchange of the clothes, fearing that in doing so the story of his peculiar actions might be vestigators by a dishonest person in and the mate turned on me with wonder masquerade. in his eyes, but said nothing. In a short

If any Spiritualist thinks that this time we were in hailing distance of the This New Star Study in Occommunication is written as a result of wreck. I went off in the small boat, accompanied by two of the men. personal prejudice, he may write to me

"As we came alongside the sight was for a list of names who will verify the pitiful one. The schooner, for such it had been, was a complete wreck.

Both masts were broken off close to the deck, on which was a tangled mass of

deck, on which was a tangled mass of rigging. The sea was making a breach over the deck, at the after part of which the crew, or what was left of them, were lashed fast to the broken stump of the mast. They were over-Seeing Brother Barrett's answer to of which the crew, or what was left of nual cor them, were lashed fast to the broken stump of the mast. They were over-

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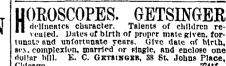
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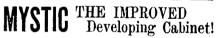
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