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SPIRITUALISTS SADLY DEFICIENT IN HUMANITARIAN WORK.

SPIRITUALISM.

What is its Humanitarian Work?

Something in Which It Is Sadly Deficient.

has a good time, banquets, sends forth practicability of doing much of the until it is evident they are in earnest, its voluminous reports, and makes a work originally contemplated. In its when employment and a more desirable place has arisen the necessity for work place of residence is provided. The misand overspreading guardianship.

and overspreading guardianship. I am in favor of organization. It is no new thing; it is as old as Spiritualism tsteelf. Every home circle is an organitself. Every home circle is an organization; every seance is an organization; every meeting of Spiritualists is an organization; every camp-meeting is an organization-in fact, organization has always existed among Spiritualists, though they might not have so considered it. In connection, however, with largely inflicted by other women, and street. Frequently a lunch is served.³ the 10,000,000 of Spiritualists in the must be redressed by women. This In making a plea for donations Mrs work has been done. Comparatively agency. nothing!

There are hundreds of organized sociasked. eties in the United States holding meet-

"That suggests the all-important theme of money, which leads me to say we are in need of contributions to carry ings weekly, but very little effort is made to do a practical humanitarian work. While the National Association on the work. We have a fund from the was banqueting-feasting in Washing-ton-and having a jolly good time over a richly-laden table, one of God's best mediums was assigned a home in a Christian benevolent institution in this pity, and the undersigned contributed big mice work. We nave a lund from the membership board, each representative of which pays yearly \$100. This board includes...delegates from each depart-ment of the Woman's club, the South Start the undersigned contributed Kenwood Evangelical church, besides his mite to buy her a place there, for members quite independent of an organthere was no other, home for her. ization." There she will live; there she will die! One has but to sit in the, office a few It is not a bad place-it is a good place hours to get an idea of the cases con-

-a humane place-a place where the aged can live, and then, when the end comes, pass on!

worker in the agency, said to a reporter | NEW RESCUE HOME FOR CIRLS-IT IS for the Tribune yesterday, speaking in IN THE HEART OF THE "LEVEE" AND NEEDS FINANCIAL SUPPORT. reference to the work:

"Beginning with fear and trembling, In the very heart of the notorious with but a dim idea of what was in-"levee" a rescue home for girls was tended to be accomplished, the agency opened a fortnight ago in connection with the Open Door Mission. The ac-commodations, to be sure, are not attracthas become an institution peculiar to Chicago. With no precedent to guide, it has done a work that has not been achieved or even attempted in any other ive, but to the penitent Magdalen it is

infinitely better than her old haunts. city of the world. The enthusiastic projector, Mrs. Carrie "The purposes of its founders were O. McClellan, has engaged this flat on originally to protect women and girls faith, she says. So that anything-, Modern Spiritualism is 47 years of originally to protect women and girls faith, she says. So that anything-inge. It boasts of 10,000,000 of ad-from all assaults upon their virtue, to money, furniture, or clothing-will be herents. The National Association protect them in financial matters, and acceptable if sent to the mission, No. 129 claims that about 150 societies have to redress wrongs. To a great extent, Custom House place. The refuge is only been organized under its ample folds. the work has followed these lines, but intended as a temporary abiding-place. It meets at Washington once each year, experience has demonstrated the im- In other words, the girls are protected

world to look upon. In fact, Spiritual- scarcely dreamed of-a work which is sion itself is noteworthy. It was opened ism is becoming respectable, it is only now beginning to take hold of the four months ago, during which time 275 claimed, through its benign influence intelligence of our most active workers. persons have been reformed.

and whose lives are so restricted as to veloped into an evangelist and opened a prevent that broad knowledge of affairs mission in Indiana, while a third has necessary to protect from the oppression entered the ministry. of the unscrupulous. But the injustice "And what is more. "And what is more," she continued, of which women alone are the victims is "the mission shelters each night from peculiar to their sex. It is an injustice 10 to 175 men who have no home but the

In making a plea for donations Mrs. United States-how little humanitarian work is now the peculiar function of the McClelland quotes: "A hundred thou-"How is the agency supported?" was

and Congo, and not a red cent for the levee." Then she asks: "Is this right?" FOR SOCIAL PURITY - CRUSADE TO HELP FALLEN WOMEN AUSPICIOUSLY BEGUN.

The cause of that unfortunate outcast rated at Williard hall at noon March

for the good of which he has given so freely and generous. It is from that species of sin which is considered so essentially hopeless that he strives to recall the victim. While pleading to all sinners alike to turn side, the stories of saved, ones which he told pathetically were nearly, all of these who had sinned against, purity. The was the prodigal daughter rather that the prodigal sou for whom he asked, impassion and ten-derness. He speak apply yet plainly, and his addresses an arrung with touch-ing stories of rescing ones with whom he has come in contact since he himself was rescued, as he tells it, twelve years ago.

Was rescribed, as no icers it, twerve years ago. The surroundings for his special work in Willard hall are strikingly appro-priate. Just back of the speaker is the fine painting of white-robed purity, while Mercy is pleading and staying the hand of armed Justic The men in the addience were asked to take cards inviting tempted women to the afternoon meeting and to give them to those women who might address

them to those women who might address then on the street. The singing was of the touching kind. Mr. Greenwood led the congregation and sang one or two solos—"Drifting" and "Twas Love Found Me."

Consider the above, Spiritualists. There is a genuine divine lesson therein. You-each one of you-should in a measure enter into this work. Organize yourself into a huminitarian at once, and by that method and no other can you become respectable.

JUS TICE.

Q. E. Winars in Ohio.

TO THE EDITOR:--We were favored, last week, with a vise by Brother C. E. Winans, of Edinburg Indiana, the ma-terializing medium, The manifesta-tions were wolfderful. He held three sand dollars' worth of gospel for Michi-gan avenue, but not a nickel's worth for Custom-House place. Millions of dollars for missions on the distant Hong Kong He held three light. The demonstrations were draw-

world, and four een were recognized. It was a beautiful sight. All came out from the cabinat in plain view of the of society the taken stands, hav at from the cabinet in plain view of the are but the means chosen to make the tached to fiself a, new enthusiasm in audience, the ladies dressed in white, chicago. In fact, a three weeks' social and the gentlemen in their dress suits God's right hand to the left, so is evil to purity crusade was auspiciously inaugu- greeting their friends with kisses, patting their cheeks, giving their earth-7th, under the auspices of the Central friends words of comfort and advice.

sidered. In fact, there is always some It was an interesting gathering of men Dr. C. K. Hisey, a dentist of this place,

POETICAL WORDS FROM THE PILGRIM. | fresh and fair, culled from the garden M. PEEBLES, M. D. of the gods; a wreath corresponding in mystical language to the lilacs and clover, to lilies and orange blossoms, to His Dreamy Birth-Evening holly and woodblne, and sweet eglantine. Her white breast I festoon with rose-buds and butter-cups, ivy and everlast-Musings.

ing; a crown of olive leaves upon her head. I fasten to her tiny feet the violet, the daisy and the myrtle, and under

her snowy wings I gently fold geranium sprigs and flowering forget-me-nots, and say: "Go, messenger-bird, and scatter these flower gems of sunshine into the I am a pilgrim on the road; queer and | hearts and homes of men. Go, bearing

ing the presidential chair. J. M. P.

to all hope, trust, faith and sweet love memories that shall prove immortal as the existence of the infinite oversoul. at the base and tapering as they arise God is good." My crosses have been many, my

heavenward; brains active, sensitive, crowns few; and yet life has been richly inviting angel fingers, and craniums worth the living. My library of 2,000 with cavities. Comparing the multitude to forest volumes was burned, the ashes serving

trees, these are tall, graceful, aspira- as seedings for newer and better books tional; those balloon-winged, blotched in the better-land of immortality. Nothing is lost. The refuse of the yard and swollen. Some stand upon the mountains, kissing the sunbeams, dancing makes the grass greener, and the flow-with the winds, and casting their long ers to bloom more beautifully. God is with the winds, and casting their long good and angels are helpers: all is overshadows in summer time, bless the grazruled for good. Sorrow is an educator, ing herds. Others are nearly all trunk, bark, roots, and mostly under ground at pain a prophet, and death a trumpet-that. Few reel and bend 'neath the call to come up to the highlands of im-

mortality. burden of mellowing fruitage, and yet, 'tis well. Beautiful is diversity; effecttheir right to vote and hold office, reive the shadows upon the picture; necessary the clay, mortar, hammer and scaffolding in erecting the editice. Angardless of their religious convictions, under the Constitution of the United States, I shall take up and make a final disposal of, when the "nuts for Dr. Pee-The manifesta- gels are polishers, and God the infinite artist. God is good.

Benevolent deeds are the living stones in the soul's temple. Kindnesses, voiced by the way of toleration and fraternity in tones tender as the angels use, be ing of pictures, writing of messages, and physical demonstrations. The first seance was held or Friday evening. Twenty people came from the Spiritmortal or immortal.

Sufferings are masked scraphs; evils good. We clasp them both. God is

good-we are brothers. The buds of April ache as they swell article which appeared in your journal the 9th inst., comments interestedly and Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Among the most notable, the father of under the laughing subbambeams that slide kindly on a few thoughts in the writer's It was an interesting gathering of men Dr. C. K. Hisey, a dentist of this place. down the shifting sky-path to caress them article "I Did My Best" which recently one in the ante-room, waiting to tell a and women, notwithstanding the fact came-an elderly gentleman with gray into blossoms. Stripped aside the rust-pathetic tale of woe. The deserted wife that the New York millionaire reformer, hair and beard—and was readily record. ling husks reveal the golden corn, as quests, as we interpret, replies to certain

any one of them were the Nazarene reembodied, we can only say he is lamentably retrograding instead of progress We agree with our friend in believing 'if Jesus could speak to us at this day, he would pull down the pedestal upon

which he has been placed and rebuke us for our adulation." His incomparable teaching should awaken in the hearts of his followers something more desirable than fleeting glory, and the theatrical display of worship which they support in the name of him who taught lowliness of spirit, and had not where to lay his head.

GERTRUDE MARIE BUCKLIN,

MRS. ADA L. FOYE

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And the Grand Work She is Doing.

TO THE EDITOR:-The grand worker whose name heads this communication needs no tribute from my pen; but for those who have not availed themselves of listening to this medium, since she has been in this city, these lines are written.

Last Suuday was truly a "red letter day" for the First Spiritual Society, South Side. All of the exercises were interesting and of a high order, but I desire especially to mention two re-markable tests that were given during Mrs. Foye's scance. When the secretary passed through the audience to gather up whatever names had been This matter of Roman Catholics and written on little folded papers to send up to the platform, a lady asked him if she would be allowed to write a name in German. "Certainly," was the answer, and as Mrs. F. was picking up the papers (several messages had been previously bles to crack" are all in. A few nuts given) raps were distinctly heard, signifying that a spirit bearing the name that had been written on one of the pieces of paper which was closely folded on the table, was present. Mrs. Foye immefrom the tree of charity would be devidedly acceptable. I was glad when the woman wrote-wrote so clearly, sensibly and logically, and I shall be infinitely diately returned to some of the slips she more glad when this woman, and all touched before, saying in each instance: "Is it this one?" Soon the response women, can vote, some one of them graccame; she could not pronounce the name, but seizing her pencil, wrote a name that she said she should think cor-"Come, Let Us Reason Together." responded to the one that had been given TO THE EDITOR:-The author of an her clairvoyantly. She passed the writing to a gentleman, after inquiring if there was anyone in the audience who could read German. The party receiving it, the moment his eyes met the paper, said: "It is German," and gave the German pronunciation. A lady it mediately said: "I wrote that name." Then Mrs. Foye handed the slip of paper said to contain the name to another party, and they were the same. This was as convincing a proof of the identity of a spirit and presence of the same as could possibly be given. Another instance was that of a gentleman (an engineer on the Santa Fe road), who responded when a certain full name was given. He said: "That is my brother in Spirit-life. I wrote him would meet me at this hall to-day. I wanted he should give me some advice on a certain business matter. He promised to come, and he has fulfilled his promise." The spirit brother then engaged in a natural, common-sense conversation in regard to a matter of busi-Unmoved by the dulcet smiles of the we all, comparatively speaking; and his anxiety. He referred to several inness over which he was having some In closing this hastily-written communication, I would submit one quesspirit brother, that a brother or a friend s constantly in attendance, knowing not is it to be supposed there would be so understand that some dear angel was watching, who supposes the little boys Such mediumship as Mrs. Foye's can but convince those who hear her that Spiritualism is that kind of belief, if called a religion, that reins us up to virtue, and makes us realize that we are come in touch with each other. The never alone; that even at times our "most inner room" is invaded and our thoughts known. If this is so, let us strive to live so we are willing to be watched and companioned at all times

Spiritualists, become humanitarians, is sure to frequently appear. The hus- Mr. Charles N. Crittenton, failed to ar-Spiritualists, become numanitarians, and do a philanthropic work. Stop thinking of becoming respectable by sending delegates to Washington each 10,000,000 of Spiritualists. Stop, we say! 10,000,000 of Spiritualists. Stop, we say! Compute numeritarian! Compute nume is a worthless dog. Such a Spiritualist, involving a thorough knowledge of law who cannot point to a single heart he on the part of the agency. (or she) has made lighter during the year by humanitarian work, is badly off -sadly off-clear off from the main specialty of divorces, and I want the vited in for a cup of coffee. These poor On Sunday evening another materialtrack, and had better cover up his defects statement refuted," by finding fault with everybody else. Holt. "A divorce is rarely secured-in stay all day. Here is an object-lesson-an example-a pattern-a model-something that is di-

the Chicago Tribune. Spiritualists in served for the children. the country; Spiritualists in the cities: Spiritualists everywhere. if you want to agency gives more than temporary asbe respectable, engage in humanitarian sistance. For instance, last autumn, an work! Some societies have joined the Austrian woman with five children ap-National Association, to become re- pealed for aid. Her husband, who posspectable, while they engage in no hu-sessed \$75,000 in the old country, had manitarian work whatever. They pay developed into a spendthrift and a boor, their per capita tax and \$10 for their The woman, having been used to a life charter, and then say: "Look at us: we of ease, was simply distracted when re-are now 'respectable.' We have organ-duced to penury. The result of it all Great God! No one who is able | was that the man was arrested, and the ized. to do a humanitarian work and does not do it, is respectable—far from it. Just with a weekly allowance. Through the ter from a now prosperous woman living dium. Mr. Norman is his companion. read and re-read this divine lesson of humanitarian work, and pattern, in some respects, after it: Austri**a**.

TO PROTECT WOMEN AND CHILDREN DONE BY A UNIQUE SOCIETY IN CHI-CAGO.

Unique in the history of Chicago for Women and Children. It is, in a Another woman's grievance was that a women. Its objects are threefold-to secure justice for women and children, to give legal advice free of charge, to tales. extend moral support to the wronged and the helpless.

This noble organization had a noble mother-the Chicago Woman's Club. he attempted to tell why he should not Eight years ago the question of protecting women who were insulted, or standing debt. "and that is to intercede girls who had been led astray, began to for women whose salaried husbands fail the agency, which now has a suite in husband usually makes an allowance for the Chicago Opera House building. his family, or is released from his posi-The present officers are: tion.

President, Mrs. F. J. Howe: vicepresident, Mrs. H. W. Claud; recording secretary, Mrs. H. J. Lewis; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. H. Rand; treasurer, Mrs. Agnes N. Metcalf; Mrs.

L. J. Dreier, agent; Mrs. G. M. Moulton, assistant agent. , Not a day passes but many defenseless women, oppressed with wrong, come to any woman, not working

the agency to seek redress. In fact, merely." something of the great scope of the work can be gained by a resume of the first seven years. During this period the Protective Agency is the broad ex-7,197 cases, of all degrees of complaints, were entered, and \$12,496 of small amounts were collected.

Mrs. Charlotte C. Holt, a member of greatest enemy." Rather, it is the be-lextent along the line of the rescue work ities which our fellow creatures love and the Woman's Club, and a prominent ginning of the sisterhood of womankind. in which he is so much interested, and respect. Sydney Smith.

Spiritualist who is not a humanitarian taining to law comes up for discussion, Florence Crittenton Anchorage.

"It has been said that we make a Bond, "and girls on the street were in- had any knowledge of. continued Mrs. fact, only when the woman's life is en- would ask: 'Where can we go? We have Mrs. Husted's father came and was dangered by living with a brutal hus- no home?' The result of these appeals quickly recognized: and then Mr. Bunvine, for Spiritualists to consider, from band. or when property must be pre-

> An illustration will show that the without money and without price. woman given a home on the South Side, assistance of the Austrian Consul the woman probably will be sent back to drown herself in Lake Michigan several, as honest, intelligent and refined. They

As in every work, queer cases arise from time to time. Not long ago, a wo- only one illustration. In fact, during we never had the honor of entertaining. -A COMPREHENSIVE WORK BEING man who had escaped from Dunning the last year we have sheltered ninety- They also gave a number of private wrote a history of her grievances and two young mothers. In conclusion, I readings, which were very satisfactory. presented it to the agency. Inasmuch want to extend, on behalf of the hunis the story, closely written, covers 185 dreds of grateful girls who have found a

pages of paper of generous proportions, real refuge in the home that bears his philanthropy is the Protective Agency it has not yet been considered in full. name, a welcome to Mr. Crittenton." Mrs. Charlton Edholm, writer of that word, a distinctive woman's work for prominent woman indulged in slander- widely-read book entitled "Traffic in ous sayings. So continue, in unending Girls," was the next speaker. In reply story, the semi-humorous, semi-pathetic to the often-heard query, "Is the work among abandoned girls not a hopeless

"There's another thing which we do," one?" 'many pathetic tales were told to show that rescue work is anything but aid Mrs. Holt, after an unworthy man had been taken severely to task when hopeless.

On behalf of the ministers of Chicago, be sued by a certain woman for a long-Dr. P. S. Henson spoke of the work of rescue. The story was told of a finelooking woman who chanced, when rebe agitated in this well-known club. to provide for them. In such cases we moving her glove on the street, to drop The discussion resulted in the birth of write to the employer, and the derelict a diamond ring into the filthy gutter. Turning back the delicate lace from her arm, the woman searched with her hand n the mire until the lost was found. So

"Are there not organizations similar in the slums, said Dr Henson, are there to the agency?" ewels if we only look for them.

"The Bureau of Justice is similar, but Three meetings will be conducted it secures justice for men rather than daily by Mr. Crittenton-at noon, 3 women. In New York there is the o'clock in the afternoon and 7:30 in the 'Working Woman's Union,' but the evening. In addition to the usual 'girls' the time for talks with young agency is so much broader, offering, as hour,"

it does, legal advice or moral support to women who are in trouble will be held hoped, as an outgrowth of this rescue field. In a word, probably the most gratify- crusade, some plan for the much-needed ing and permanent phase of the work of permanent home will evolve.

While the meeting at night was intension of a spirit of justice and tolera-tion among women. Indeed, it refutes general in its nature, the bent of Mr. Manners are t

Organize yourself into a humanitarian! domestic difficulties, which are, if pos-Appoint yourself as president, secretary, sible, settled outside the courts. The tended words of welcome to Mr. Critten-future existence, He was called up and work the flinching marble that you and treasurer, and go forth doing a and treasurer, and go forth doing a landlord who has been unjust to a work for humanity, uniting your efforts with otherword like spirit. A well-to-do consideration. In fact, everything per- well-known Chicago refuge called the years or more came and was immedi- Poverty, bid winds whirl the rags that man's anxiety (?) would not be inappliately recognized, kissing and caressing thatch the poor. Sickness, sorrow, suf- cable at this point in the interest of the "Eight years ago a reading-room was, him in an affectionate manner, telling fering: ring your changes on nerve and present discussion. In other words, the a letter yesterday, and asked him if he

started on Fourth avenue," said Miss him of things that himself and her only women would come by the score and izing scance was held, which was even the ocean of his love. I've no enemies | We think it is reasonable to believe When night came they more wonderful than on Friday evening. to punish; I love my fellow-men-Catho- that the coming of the Nazarene was infor protection was the opening of a nell, one of the cabinet controls, came brothers and sisters.

refuge on that avenue. In the spring of and made a number of yards of fine lace, 1887, however, a more commodious home spreading it all over her, and took it to charmer: untearful, untouched by the guoted statement "Before Abraham was spreading it all over her, and took it to charmer: untearful, untouched by the guoted statement "Before Abraham was stances where he had warned his brother was opened at No. 125 Plymouth place. each one in the audience for inspection, grouns of the agonizer, steel-coated, I have been in the audience for inspection, grouns of the agonizer the inspection the inspection. was opened at No. 12) Plymouth place, each one in the audience for inspection, grouns of the agointer, steercoacta, if this, has woon minut a larger and To gain entrance all a girl had to say putting it in their faces and patting journey on-journey, singing the in-broader meaning than its liberal inter-their checks with his hands. This was spired song of the soul: "All is well: or 'I am in trouble.' Thus we progressed one of the most beautiful sights I ever compensation comes with scales of jus-tion and the party in the stated, as did the party in for four years, when financial embarrass-beheld. My wife, Mary, came and tice, and God reigns." Yes, singing, ment overtook us. It was then that Mr. kissed me and gave me words of love though the greatest sufferer of all, Mrs. Foye before. Crittenton, who was a visitor in Chicago and encouragement. I took her arm buried under sands, scorched by siroc- reincarnationist be true. at the time, gave the Anchorage a mu- and walked out to the audience, and cos, and burdened with the draped garnificent gift. So to-day it is open all the gave them all an introduction. Re-ments and the powdered bones of mo- a contradictory statement? Before his tion. That is: If every business man time, and whosoever will may come member this was all done outside of mentary triumphs-singing because embodiment. he was, as we all were, a could know, as did the gentleman who the cabinet in plain view of the people. night is the mother of the day, winter part of the All-spirit-God. if you choose spoke so positively of the presence of his "Only a few days ago I received a let- Mr. Winans is truly a wonderful me- of the spring, and earth, with all its -unindividualized. History records no on the coast-a woman who was about to These two gentlemen I will recommend resurrection-time. when mortals, freed tious as he: this may or may not account only their actions but secret thoughts,

years ago to hide her shame, but for- made their homo with us while here, tunately drifted into our hands. This is and more kind, companionable guests Wellington, O. JAMES HOWEY.

Eloquence is vehement simplicity.-

Cecil. Mercy to him that shows it. is the rule -Cowner.

Algebra is the metaphysics of arithmetic.-Sterne.

Good order is the foundation of all good things .- Burke. Opposition inflames the enthusiast

never converts him.-Schiller. What's gone and past help should be past grief. - Shakespeare.

Let France have good mothers and she will have good sons.-Napoleon. The less we parade our misfortunes. the more sympathy we command.-O.

Dewey. Individuals may form communities, but it is institutions alone that can create a nation.-Disraeli.

Modesty is proportioned to the occasions of life, and strongestin youth when passion is so too.-Jeremy Collier.

A proper secrecy is the only mystery of able men; mystery is the only secrecy women each afternoon from 2 to 3 o'clock. It is of weak and cunning men.-Chester

> A fool, indeed, has great need of a title: it teaches men to call him count or duke, and thus forget his proper name of

Manners are the shadows of virtues the saying that "woman is woman's Crittenton's mind made it run to some the momentary display of those qual-

San Diego, Cal.

ogy of casual occurrences!" muscle; blessed ministers are you all. great rock of human character, the safe-Are not medicines good? Do not storms guard of life, is sense, judgment and the purify the air? God is good. I swim in faculty and desire of getting at facts.

lie and Protestant: Christian and Infidel: | voluntary--so far as having any personal Spiritist and Materialist-all are my will was concerned. He was sent to fulfill a duty, as are

Would Jesus.knowing this. make such hidden stings and pains, prophet of the one who was as modest and unostentafrom shells and shadows, shall rise like for his remark: "Why call ye me permeet in holiest friendship the loved but it is more reasonable to accept his crime? If even whild could be so gone before; meet to walk along aisles statement; for was he not like all mentufted with velvety grass, through tempted of the devil? Even though he vales perfuned with the fadeless flowers resisted, many others whose names are and girls would skulk on street corners of the evergreen edens, going up at will recorded in the book of life, though per-on the moss-carpeted and magnetic-illu-haps never written for mortal gaze, have

mined mountains of the "beautiful"; done the same, no doubt, with limitaand as if wearying with this wealth and tions, and we make this comparison only magnificence of scenery supernal, bath- with the thought that the devil could ing in the apocalyptic river, and against not approach absolute perfection even the white pillars of the heavenly throne. | near enough to tempt it. They cannot God is good.

A softer, diviner baptism now: the spheres of "All-good" and "All-evil" mantle aside, we say to you, whoever are from a scientific standpoint uninteryou are: "Peace: my peace I give you. communicable.

Where we said: "None before Jesus" lifts and greetings I send you; greeting of fraternal love and fellowship, with time, nor since, ever obtained perfective by our unseen friends. fervent prayers for your prosperity and tion in the material sphere," we spoke eternal progression. God is good, and not so much for argument nor to express.

the ideal Christ-life afar in the future." perhaps, a personal belief, as to refer to Forty-Seventh Anniversary of the Come, reader, your hand touching a prevailing idea in acceptance of his mine, eyes looking into eyes-listen to history.

the declaration: "I love you as the sons, But if our respected friend can refer as the daughters of God, and heirs of us to any character in all the annals of

the infinite; love you as one banded history whoever achieved perfection. brotherhood and sisterhood of trav- we will be greatly indebted for the enelers and inspired workers in the har-lightenment: and this, too, notwith Chicago, of which Mrs. Cora L. V. Richvest-fields of humanity: good, all good standing the fact that our globe has mond is the regular pastor, holding its and noble in your central beings. Oh! been inhabited for untold centuries, how divine this love: these broad, un-'giving, one would think time enough Hooley's Theater, is making extensive selfish, universal loves. It is as natural for something like perfection occasionfor souls, divinely unfolded souls, to ally, if constant re-embodiment is neclove, as for stars to shine, or suns to shed essary for its achievement. their shimmering sunbeams. "Love," If Christ was less than God, he was In addition to their usual speaker there said the ancient apostle, "worketh no not perfect, and if reincarnation is one will be brief addresses by well-known ill to its neighbor." God is good. of the divine laws, he must necessarily speakers and mediums. The musical God is good. Gladly do I now let loose this soul-im- be repeatedly seeking expression in exercises of the united lyceums and Sunprisoned carrier dove of mine with a materiality, to achieve perfection. message of love. It is Platonian and It is remarkable to us, reasoning along direction of Mr. Chas. H. Bushnell, asuniversal. I send this dove swift on this line, that none since his time have sisted by an able corps of teachers; It quivering wings, bearing sentences of appeared who were equally good with is certain that this occasion will be a sympathy and encouragement, precious, him or better. To be sure, every few real union of the Spirits of both worlds. gifts of friendship and love. Around years we have new Messiahs (?) springher neck I twine a wreath of flowers, ing up all over the country, but alas! if

MATTIE E. HULL,

Advent of Modern Spirit-

ualism.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST.

The First Society of Spiritualists of services every Sunday morning at preparations for a grand union celebration of the Forty-Seventh Anniversary of the advent of modern Spiritualism. The musical day-schools will be under the efficient MRS. CAROLINE CATLIN, Sec'y. First Society.

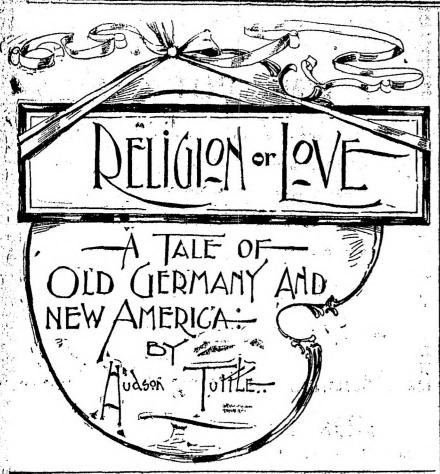
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CHAPTER XXVII.

Father Lorenzo Meets His Fate. the village and at a favorable moment carry her away." He laughed aloud with delight. The last night before reaching the village he chanced to find a great oak In the body of which fire had humad out

In the body of which fire had burned out about," replied Guy. "It was you who a hollow which admirably answered for sought by treachery to destroy us at Bera tent. He rolled his fur blanket thelsdorf. You are here now as a spy, around him, and lay down in the narrow and I propose to put a final stop to your quarters, and was soon sleeping as career.' soundly as though innocent as a guiltless child. would be exceedingly dangerous. There grasping the post with his hands. was no alternative but to stay where he earth. He satisfied his hunger, which began to be keenly felt, on the parched corn with which he was provided.

His narrow lodgings became uncomfortable, and the sun went down into the forest to die, or did he gain on the longest and most irksome strength to reach a friendly tribe? None day of his life. When the shadows of can say. His fate remains unknown, evening gathered, he left his hiding- and he drops out of the current of my place, and started on his desperate un- story. dertaking. He was acquainted with the ground, and knew that an hour's walk would bring him to the village. He went briskly forward, through the long lanes, or openings between the great trees, keeping well in the shadows. The Drifting, drifting, drifting, drifting, full moon arose, flooding the landscape Into unknown shadows, into night with silvery light. and revealing the Hopes blasted sink into the grave; gnarled branches which stretched up Friendships take wings like clouds; against the sky like the arms of Titans. Dreams go by with the night, An owl, calling to its mate with demoniac voice, made him start and shiver with On mysterious currents, affright. But he turned not from his Deep, unfathomable, eternal, purpose, and no angel voice whispered Out of night flowing, onward into night, in his heart of the crime he premedi- Into the unknown. tated. As he approached the village he Old landmarks vanish; beacons grow dim heard the shouts of the players, and In the mists behind, knew thereby that some exciting game Or in the mists before. was being played on the public ground. He was rejoiced at this fortunate pre-ocvite his superiors to visit his northern cupation which engaged their attention, mission reached Gnadenhutten in the and drew still nearer, and paused in the evening. Louis was conversing with dense shadow of a tree. Should he Helloise, and Lady Margery was taking venture still nearer, and expose himself lessons of Pegasowin in the delicate art to greater risks, or wait for a better opof embroidery with colored quills of the portunity? His inborn cowardice reporcupine on soft deerskin. The arstrained him. Presently he heard voices rangements of the room were rude and spproaching, and he shrank closer in primitive, yet neat and tasteful. the shadow. They came sufficiently near for him to distinguish their words, and to his unspeakable delight one "You are careworn," said Louis; "you must have change, though what it can be I cannot devise, for here life is a called the other Gertrude. She was, monotonous round of duties." then, there, with only a woman for escort. If there was a providence it had prefer to refer to failing health rather favored him. She, with her companion, than loss of zeal.' were out strolling along a path leading into the forest. They would come not making greater sacrifices than are nearer, and he enabled to execute the demanded of you?" grand scheme, he had in fancy already "Hush!" she said. "The ways of many times accomplished. common life are sweet to me, and I shall rebel against the will of Providence if Alas for expectations! A dog accompanied them, and an Indian dog is ex-cessively vigilant. He is trained to persuaded in my weakness." There was a rap at the door and the scent danger to his master, and no sentinessenger entered. He shook off the nel was ever more watchful at his post. leecy snow that was falling, and said: The dog began to bark furiously, and a 'I am from Pequotting and bring a dozen more hearing his warning, rushed writing." pell-mell from no one could say where. "Let me take your wet blanket, my They formed a circle around the tree, brother," said Helloise, "and sit by the yelping and snarling encouragement to warm fire. If you come from our dear each other. The Indians came running kind of game, "It's only a hedgehog," cried one. "It's a raccoon," said another. "A bear," called out another. As they friends you are worthy of every kindness. Did you leave them well? "Five suns ago," replied the Indian. Louis read the letter aloud. It excame near they were astonished by hearing the voice of the priest shriek with terror: "Call off your dogs!" "The bear has a voice," muttered a

gauntlet. A post was set up on one side of the grounds, and from it, reaching

nearly across, were ranged in two lines all the men, women and children, with Trusting to luck for favorable turn in heavy clubs in their hands. The conhis affairs, Father Lorenzo started for demned must run between these rows, Pequotting. "God will protect me," he everyone giving him a blow as he passes said to himself. "What I intend is the If he succeeds in gaining the post he is punishment of heretics. They have no free, and if he have courage to start at rights, and the church demands of me, once when told to do so, he will receive at all hazards, to destroy them. If I little injury, but if he falters a single can take this Gertrude away to the Inmore. dian tribe that has proven friendly, she Guy brought the culprit to the may be reclaimed to the true faith. It end of the column and told him that will be an easy affair to watch around through that lane was the way to liberty,

> dream: Oh, bird of passage down the lowering The deep-toned gladness of your heart

While he continued to plead and im-As with swift wings above the storm There came a fearful tempest in plore, Guy called an Indian, who was the night. The winds howled through armed with a thong, and ordered him to the forest; the lightnings flashed in the apply it, until the miscreant obeyed. heavens, while thunder responded to He found that he must take the chances, thunder until the very earth shook in or be beaten to death where he was, and affright. Lorenzo aroused for a moment exasperated with the sting of the blows. to congratulate himself on his good for-to use in having found such snug quarters, ing lane. The movement was so sudden and fell asleep. Nor did he awake that he went some distance without re again until the broad daylight streamed ceiving a stroke, but then they fell thick from the east. This quickly brought and fast. He redoubled his speed, and him to his senses. He was now so near had reached the last of the line, when Pequotting that to go out in the daylight he received a stunning blow, and fell, "Free!" shouted the villagers, leaving was until night again brooded the him, as they supposed, dead, and retired

for the night. In the morning he was not there. "The evil one has taken him away," said the red men. Did he revive and creep 》,在人民大学学生的"这些东京中书"在任文 THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

begged the privilege of going that he tions hoping the blackbird would volunmight assist in drawing the sledges. tarily speak of him, but as he did not, Four braves volunteered, and on the and he was determined to know what third morning the little party were was said of him, he put the question diready to start. At the last moment rectly. The blackbird did not wish to Death Agonies from Fire, Augusta came and with tears pleaded to offend the jay, but thus forced to speak, taken. he said:

"I fear to stay if you are away," she aid. "I will walk; I do not intend to tioned." 'Never mentioned? replied the trouble you; but, oh, I pray do not leave jay, who ought to have known that his harsh voice would never be spoken of in

While they hesitated, Webakaso said connection with the sweet songsters of the wood, 'Never mentioned? My voice here was room with his wife and he preerred to draw both than leave her. speaks for itself, and it is envy that de-Then they began the journey, sound almost directly northwest, following well-worn trails over what is now a his barred wings and flew away." "A capital fable, John, and you shall the second provide the s Then they began the journey, going prives me of my well-deserved fame.'

they were overtaken by an Indian from be excused from singing to-night. It is the Mission, carrying, carefully in his time we rest for the morrow's journey,' arms, a bundle tightly rolled in deer. Thus the evenings in camp were Thus the evenings in camp were pleasantly passed, and the days were

"It is my babe," he answered to infilled with incidents. quiries; "you know we came from Pe-quotting, and when baby died yesterday through the snow carrying the body of

we wanted to bury it on the banks of the his child, Sagosowin would say:

The light snow did not impede their until at night, when he would wrap it in

traveling, and the sleds were easily furs and rest by its side. Heathen superstition! Yes, charming drawn. Lady Margery could not walk, but the others enjoyed walking the superstition! At first the journey was greater portion of the time. At night pleasing to Lady Margery, but she bethey reached a sheltered ravine, cleared came weary and at last petulant: "What away the snow and spreading small can be your object in plunging yourself boughs on the ground, they made a floor and your friends into these wilds, Helover which poles were bent, skins thrown loise, I do not understand," she said; "I over and comfortable shelter provided. am sure we are all disgusted with the A fire was started and supper prepared. business." Fleecy snow was falling from the leaden

There is no silence more profound sky, whitening the tree-tops and bendthan that which reigns in the wildering the overladen boughs. Far above ness in winter. The snow muffles all they heard the calling of a flock of wild sounds. One scarcely hears his own geese winging their way toward the tread in the fleecy drift. Not a note of sunny south. The sound heard in the bird or cry of animal echoes among the bird or cry of animal echoes among the solitude, with the gloom of night falling trees. At long intervals the howl of around them, was deeply suggestive and the wolf, the scream of the panther, or saddening. As they sat at supper Helthe sepulchral notes of the owl may be loise remarked: I never saw a sight heard, making the silence more weird or heard a sound which affected me and profound. Covered with snow the

most familiar objects become spectral "It flows in measured strains and sets and strange. The dark trunks of the itself to music of the wail of the wild trees and branches sharply defined north winds. It is the cry of a spirit against the sky, the depth of shadow,

the fantasy of drifting snow, offer a varying yet monotonous landscape. The Lady Margery was not supported She closed her eyes for a moment, and then raised them to heaven with the beatific expression of one entranced, and in by religious zeal. She had no pet a low monotone chanted, as one in a scheme. She came because her mistress

> came, and her life was a sigh for the old home and the friends she had left. Dencke and Guy came, with a company, a day's journey to meet them.

They found them encamped for the night, and the mutual greetings can be appreciated only by those who have

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Just across the line,

Just across the line!

Just across the line.

Just across the line!

Just across the line,

Just across the line!

Just across the line,

Just across the line!

Just across the line

All will disappear,

Lies a broader field

Unto us revealed.

Just across the line!

-Just across the line,

Just across the line!

Just across the line .

Just across the line!

Just across the line,

Just across the line!

Just across the line

Just across the line!

Just across the line,

Just across the line!

No captivity

No infirmity

Loving friends now wait,

Standing at the gate.

We shall surely meet,

With a welcome sweet,

We shall find a home

That shall be our own.

We shall there renew

Age will cease to be,

Truth will ever reign.

Free from fret or pain,

Doubt and dread and fear

Gold will count for naught,

Souls cannot be bought,

Woman, too, and man

Must renounce all sham.

Peace will dwell serene.

Love will rule supreme,

From this earthly fray,

Stands God's higher way,

Shines our beacon light

That shall lead us right,

Broken threads will meet.

From life's centered source

All will be complete,

Flows a loving force,

Life is broad and free,

Friendships that are true,

To seek a home in softer atmosphere. been for long periods of time away from civilized society. The hunger for the society of friends grows in intensity, and In icy chains our rivers fast are bound, A glittering surface spreads above our when at last gratified, words are so inadequate to express the feelings of the

thought he:

lakes, By chilling snows our zone is girt around, And life for death the joyless scene forsakes.

The rushes by the stream are crisp and sere, The wild rice flaunts no more its em-

erald plumes, The murmuring waves have frozen with

the year. And winter's king again his reign resumes.

Go bird, oh spirit of the dying year! Go to the clime where joy and life

And leave us with our forests brown and sere,

ground.

A farewell to us from your lofty

BURNING,

Not as Great as Generally Supposed.

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TO THE EDITOR:-A statement coming through the instrument called "Ouija," at a circle for spirit messages, and published in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, No. 223, contains this question, asked of woman who had been burned alive: "How long before death did the pain

cease?" The answer was delayed for some moments, as if in consideration, then came:

"As near as I can judge, some thirty minutes." Another question: "Did people who were burned alive

live so long a time in the agony of burn-"Oh! yes," was quickly replied.

It seems to me this inquiry was awkwardly conducted, and may have led to incorrect answers.

It is of small consequence to know how long before death the pain ceased But a great question is, how long did the agony: last? Instead of letting the victim, in answer, give the length of time, the question embodies a half an hour, and asks if it was that long? "Oh yes," was the immediate reply.

Another question was at once needed, namely: Was it longer or shorter than that? As it might have been, according to circumstances.

It is my opinion those spirits on the other side of life are mistaken in their attempts to measure time. Indeed, we have been repeatedly informed they have no means of measuring the passage of time. They estimate time by events. This method is anything but definite. Therefore this thirty minutes anguish in flames is extremely doubtful. No doubt it seemed that long.

A case came under the observation of the writer which affords us a correct means of determining this point, so far as one case can determine.

A little girl four or five years old, in the farm district of the State of Illinois, had her clothes set on fire while standing near the cook stove, which was out of doors near the kitchen. The mother had gone for a bucket of water a few rods away. The screams of her child hastened the mother's steps, and the burning clothes were at once extinguised.

I was immediately called to visit the unfortunate. Thinking she must be in terrible suffering, all reasonable haste was made. Nearing the house I listened to hear the cries of the child, but heard nothing.

To my great surprise, on arriving at the bedside of the patient, she was found soul that it sits down in the silence of its ying quietly in bed, without the least exquisite delight. By the blazing fire they related the sign of physical suffering. The burned surfaces had been covered over with wheat flour. But it is doubtful if this history of their work since they parted; their discouragements, with bright opihas or had any effect whatever. The sodes woven into the monotonous patpulse was beating over 120 a minute. tern. Dencke, who had bravely strug-gled to overcome selfishness and jeal-This indicated a profound shock upon vitality. The accident occurred about ousy, saw that with Helloise his rival five o'clock in a windy October afternoon. stood on the same cold, fraternal ground and the poor child died at 11 o'clock that night, and gave no more evidence and had no advantage over him. Yet of pain. "Why should I care, or be disturbed?

Here was an instructive case. The What is she to me? I shall neither lose length of time of actual suffering of the nor gain. At best, to me, it is a blank." child, as stated by the mother-that it ceased crying as soon as the flames were extinguished-could not have been over one or two minutes, say three minutes at most.

> and other places were burned and blistered so the cuticle of the skin peeled

Rich Red Blood

about 18 pounds of blood. ments, small round corpuscies, red and been badly white, in proportion of about 800 red to 1

white one. If the number of red corpuscies becomes diminished and the white ones increased to remove the symptoms instead of the the blood is impure, thin, lacking in the sources of them, much of the poison was nutrition necessary to sustain the health and nerve strength of the body.

Scrofula, Salt Rheam, or others of the long my blood, up to a year ago last winter, when and disposition, attack the victim.

The only permanent remedy is found in on my body. I then purchased a bottle of a reliable blood medicine like Hood's Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after using that Sarsaparilla, which acts upon the red cor- and a half of another bottle, the sores and puscles, enriching them and increasing humor disappeared. I attended the Christ," their number. It thus restores the vital ian Endeavor Convention in Montreal and fluid to healthy condition, expels all im- also visited the World's Fair in the hottest purity, cures Nervousness, That Tired Feel- weather of the summer. Was on the goal ing, Scrofula and all other diseases arising the time, but from or promoted by low state of the blood.

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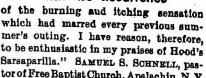
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JUST ACROSS THE LINE. My heart rejoices at your clarion note,

And cry farewell, oh bird, speed on

height,

sky,

I hear.

you fly

gaze upon you floating as a mote

abound, Our leaden, sunless sky and snow-clad

brave. "Who are you?" asked Gertrude.

"Lord of mercy, do you not know me-Lorenzo? Oh, have your dogs called off! We can not leave her, and she is too They will tear me in pieces!"

aged to go." "You should not call me aged," said "Good friends," said Gertrude to the Indians, who were laughing, notwith-Margery, half offended; "I am as strong standing their superstitious fears, "this as I ever was, and I want to go with is a white man and he fears the dogs." you."

The dogs were restrained with diffi-The next day when it was known that culty, and Lorenzo, a pitiable object of the journey would be taken, Webakaso abject fear, came into the light. The came and said: "Segosowin told me that met a jay. 'I suppose you heard all Indians shouted, the dogs barked, the you were going to Pequotting and she manner of words about us woodland children laughed, and the whole com- desires to go. She is homesick. We songsters when in the city,' said the jay. pany moved toward the village, the will make two sledges, one for the lady 'Yes,' replied the blackbird, 'they were priest in the center. and her mother and one for Segosowin, praising the mocking thrush.' 'Ah,

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his fate. Dencke was on the shore of the lake with a fishing party, and Guy was chief in his absence. If he waited Dencke's return, he knew the miscreant would be set free, and hence he would dispose of him himself. The judgment bear-skin was thrown in, affording a soft greater fools they. pronounced was, that he should run the seat, and other furs for wraps. John

Visit to Pequotting.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

your flight. We, too, are birds of passage, and when death Congeals our vital streams, our flight will take

Where we no more shall feel the blighting breath, Nor home within our hearts shall sor

row make. For through the mists we see a gleam-

ing shore Beneath whose purple shade the angels

stand; The messenger sent by Dencke to in- The sky is golden, and the pearline floor Melts into azure on the blooming strand.

The angels garbed in robes of woven light,

We hear their voices echo through the spheres,

Ecstatic with the sweetness of delight, Regret we not the swiftly flying years Which bear us to life's changeful autumn

bloom. The falling snows of winter's early

time; "I confess to a loss of interest which I Let all go by! we shall our pinions plume. And from the wreck betake our flight sublime.

"I only fear for your health. Are you Go, bird of passage, go! the murky sky, Surcharged with tempest, bids you take your flight:

Go where the scenes are bathed with tropic dye,

And to the feathery palms sing your delight.

There was silence long continued, for each heart was touched. Louis was first to speak:

"Your words are as sad as the wintry winds, and yet they are burdened with hopes that we all are birds of passage going home at last."

"I know," she replied, "my thoughts are shadowed by the clouds of the day. I ought not to have given voice to this mood. We ought to be happy and light of heart, when we compare our lot with that of the martyrs who have suffered for us. John, have you forgotten the songs by which you once enlivened the old home-castle? Can you not repeat some of the jests with which you used to was necessary for me. I can endure it make the table roar? Come, now, my as well as you. But what of Margery? dear fellow, make us gay."

"I have forgotten my jests since I be came a man, my lady, and my voice is like the jay's in the fable, although I am not quite as conceited."

"Will you not relate this fable?" "I will, for it is not of the old time,"

he replied. "A blackbird returning from the city 'Ah, When they reached the public ground, and then we can draw them over the said the jay, rather mortified, for he a council was at once held to determine snow."

The plan was at once accepted and him, 'what do they say of the starling?

"The jay had asked all these ques-

Here death followed six hours after the accident. Hence the absorbing question of interest is, how long did the agony of burning last? not how long she lasted after the pain ceased. Now, why did not the child make any outcry of pain after the flames were extinguished? There is but one reason. It is this. The extensive burning de stroyed a great deal of surface or skin integument. From this there followed a profound shock to vitality which overpowered the sensorium. Then all sensation was benumbed. She died in this shock of paralyzed sensation.

The brain is the great center of nerve sensation. The skin is the great surface of sensitive nerve expansion. Therefore, it is my conviction that

when the great skin surface of nerve expansion had been destroyed, the resulting shock overpowered the brain sensorium and obliterated further sense of feeling. That if she had continued to burn in the flames for a time longer, she would have suffered no more pain. The disabled skin surface and the disabled brain sensorium were now functionless, and well-nigh dead. Hence it is an immense relief to believe and know that those unfortunates in flames, whether by accident or at the stake, suffered less, and not as long a time as we had supposed. Their agony of pain, bad as it must be, continued but one to two minutes. Of course a slow fire would extend the time and prolong the agony. A. S. HUDSON, M. D. Stockton, Cal. The Order of the Templars was

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For the love of those I leave.

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wise heads and remark: " A fine fellow, Dr. Hidden Interests the Found His Affinity. storm.³ Newbury Farmers.

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Dr. C. W. Hidden, of Newburyport, Muss., lectured before the Newbury What a night it was! All day long something was urging me to go out in the snow had fallen, and an icy north the storm. Mother." turning away from wind had been blowing. At 6 p.m. it the window, "if I really believed we Farmers' Club one evening lately, his the snow had fallen, and an icy north subject being "Can a Person Be Hypwas almost impossible to discern objects | could commune with the departed, I

The speaker divided his lecture into an arm's length away. The drifting snow in some places had me to-night." two parts, namely: First, what is hypnotism, and, second, what can be done made the roadways impassable. Here in the East with a Greek literary cul- with it? He gave a graphic descripand there you might see a group of men Cibbon on the Origin of Latin. And here again I may allude to told how the charmed state was pro- after their day's work-and home, indeed, tion of hypnotism in ancient times, and and women hastening to their homes night. Along a country road leading from the village of Sayres, in New York After discussing hypnotism in the an-

imal world, he passed on to Mesmer, the State, where the storm. which had struck almost every part of the State on as it turns into the old cemetery-she is founder of what in later years has come to be known as mesmerism, or animal its journey from the West, raged in- unconscious and fast drifting into that magnetism. Braidism, or hypnotism, cessantly, was a slender, girlish figure came next, and the speaker talked at bravely facing the storm. Her clothing, length of suggestion, the physical effects which was of the poorest kind, marked of hypnotism, the psychical effects of her as one of the many girls employed hypnotism, mind-reading, and be-in the factory at the village. She was yond, clairvoyance, mental telegraphy, hastening home to her boarding-place in somnambulism, and catalepsy, or mimic the suburbs.

Every blast of wind that struck her He then proceeded to speak of the made the slight form tremble like a great value of hypnotism as a remedial reed, but, although she shook with the agent, said it possessed remarkable cold, her thoughts were so far away value as an anæsthetic in surgical opfrom her surroundings that she was inerations, and predicted that the time sensible to suffering. would come when hypnotism would not "I wonder if it can be true," she muronly form a part of the curriculum of mured, "that the spirits of our loved

dead are round about us?- that if we the medical schools, but would have its recognized place in all the hospitals of only had faith we could stretch out our hands and touch them?"

Having given a description of hyp-notism, and the marvels which can be At her, work that day she had heard some of the employes conversing about accomplished by means of this wondera great Spiritualistic medium who had to answer the question: "Can a person wonderful things she had said and done be hypnotized to commit crime?" and had aroused the people to an intense pitch of excitement.

The chief mistake made in discussing They could not deny or explain her hypnotism, he said, is the crediting of work, but fell back on the old cry: "She the hypnotist with unlimited power is in league with the devil." How quick over his subject; whereas, as a matter we are to denounce and condemn what that he went direct to where the unconwe do not or will not understand.

In the first place, the subject must be willing, and cannot be hypnotized against his or her will: and in the sec- Because those in power, who considered snow on every side, could he have ond place, during the hypnotic sleeps the moral faculties are on the alert, and understand the teachings and workings

of that great mind. The subject absorbs thought the mo-May Langdon, my heroine, was a ment it is formed in the mind of the slight, delicate girl, a trifle below the with the snowflakes and departed. operator, and although the operator be medium height, with a complexion too outwardly calm, the instant the element pale for perfect health, small-cut feattakes alarm. The man does not live lighted the spiritual face into ethereal he gathered his precious burden to his breast, and sending the servant ahead

She had been an only child, of parents the chances of escape. This introduces in confortable circumstances, and had the house, where he found his mother the element of danger, of fear, which is been quite a student; but both her part watching for him. quickly made manifest in the mind of rents had died suddenly with fever, two the subject, and if the operator persists years before the date of my story, and May, then a girl of sixteen, had been one of three things will happen, namely, left utterly alone in the world. With-the subject will dilate on the dangers, out any resources, she was obliged to voice she asked where she was. and, after arguing against the com-leave her once happy home and seek mission of the crime, will refuse to do employment in a neighboring village.

She had listened to her companions' escope, what was going on in the year will awaken in an unmanageable con-talk in silence, but some chord in her fell into a deep sleep, from which she dition; third, the subject, overcome by being had been touched—the seed sown did not awaken until the following fear, will fall in a state of lethargy at had taken root nevermore to die, but to morning; but was so exhausted she the feet of the operator. The danger of blossom into the perfect flower. So deep were her meditations that she not hear of it.

fast overcoming her.

"How often," she thought, "have I not think of leaving us." The speaker held that the courts are felt some unseen presence near menot likely to recognize hypnotism as an aid in crime. Drinking is regarded as a voluntary act, and the man who com-eyes skyward, "perhaps it was you or mits or moder the influence of the man who com-eyes skyward, "perhaps it was you or a raid you would think me foolish: I did

but he has some very queer notions.' "An awful night, Willie," said his mother. "How the winds blow! I am so glad you have not to go out in the

"It does seem good, mother; but some way," rising and going to the window, "I feel restless; it seems to me as if

would think there were spirits around

"Why, grandmother!" suddenly springing to her side, "What is it?" for she had fallen back in her chair, while her eyes became set, and as her anxious duced among the different nations and was the best place on such an awful daughter and the Doctor bent over her, in a voice that did not sound at all familiar she spoke:

"See-she lies at the fork of the road sleep that knows no waking. Beside her are watchers, but they are not of this earth. Willie," her voice growing stronger and louder, "she is your affin-ity. Will you let her perish?"

ity. Will you let ner person. As she finished speaking she seemed to fall asleep. "Mother, attend to her; she will be

herself in a few minutes; she is simply exhausted."

Hurriedly slipping into his heavy overcoat, he called a servant to bring a lantern and warm wraps.

"Will," said his mother, "do you think-" "Mother, I know," he replied quickly.

"I have felt all the evening voices urg-ing me to go. Have hot drinks and blankets ready.

He hastened out into the storm, having the servant accompany him. It was but a short distance to where the road turned into the cometery, and in spite of wind or snow they were not many minutes in reaching the fork of the road; and before them on all sides were immense snowdrifts.

Were there spirit hands guiding him, scious girl was lying? If you asked him, Socrates, the Greek philosopher and he would tell you, yes; and who can sage, was condemned to death. Why: doubt it? How else, with great drifts of themselves learned and wise, could not walked direct to where she slept, covered completely with the drifting snow?

At his approach her guardian spirits, their mission accomplished, mingled

Stooping over the unconscious girl, Will forced some liquor between her lips, ures, and large, dark brown eyes that and wrapping her in some warm blankets, breast, and sending the servant ahead with the lantern, they started toward

They soon had his charge wrapped in hot blankets, and after an hour's work they were rewarded by seeing the large

"With friends." said the Doctor; "but you must not talk, but try and sleep;" and like a tired child she obeyed and could not arise, and her friends would

"Your guardian spirits have sent you to us," Mrs. Ferrol said, "and you must

"Oh, madam," said the girl, in an

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Can you see Moses writing Deuteronomy in the "thirteenth century B. C.?" phrase, B. C.? Canon Driver sees, or

that fall upon the ears and leave the

3. It follows that this adaptation of vaguest of impressions, not to distinct mits crime while under the influence of my own dear papa, trying to comfort see my mother's face in the storm, and conceptions that can be present to the liquor is held to be fully responsible: your lonely child."

the drastic criticisms of Hardouin, who Christendom. seems to have felt a perfect hatred for "the Septuagint." The mere term is, of course, wholly unscientific, and should imal we BY PROF. EDWIN JOHNSON, be exchanged for "the pretended version of the seventy." Of London, England, Gibbon proceeds: "The authority of the Vulgate and of the Hebrew text has IX.

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determined the moderns, Protestants as well as Catholics, to prefer a period of THE SECOND CAUSE-(CONTINUED). about four thousand years; though in The Christian notions about time were the study of profane antiquity they often passed over too lightly by Gibbon, who find themselves straightened by those somnar does not appear to have considered their narrow limits." The whole question, death. vital import with reference to the whole then, of the origin of our time-reckoning question of history. The monks, in im- resolves itself into the question of the itation of the orientals, have played fan- are of any text of the Hebrew scriptures. age of any text of the Hebrew scriptures. tastically with the subject of time-reck- It is well known that not a solitary epioning. It was, I believe, the Moslems graph or statement of the date of a Hewho introduced the theorem that "one brew MS. is worth anything for science; day is with God as a thousand years," and on other grounds, such as the crude which we find repeated in the Hebrew state of Hebrew letters at the time of Bible. Some such device as this is necprinting, it is simply impossible to credit essary to any corporation which pretends the story of the antiquity of these letters to antiquity, though it be but yesterday; by which the world has been so long im-

ture, all the evidence is decisive for the

which alleges that it can deduce an unposed upon. broken series of events from the creation In the course of a short note we see through many ages, though it may be Gibbon, in discussing the question of unable to produce registers relating to chronology, bounding over the interval the events of the last hundred or fifty of some sixteen hundred years from the place where it is alleged the name "As the works of the creation had benn Christian was first used-viz., Antioch,

finished in six days, their duration in in an alleged "first century" to our modtheir present state, according to a traern Protestants and Archbishop Usher. dition attributed to the prophet Elijah, was fixed at six thousand years." Evi-He seems to be smiling, as usual at these artificial arrangements of the age of the dently this idea was derived directly or world; but it was uncritical and very unindirectly from the Jewish scholars; and satisfactory on his part that he did not Gibbon points out that it can be traced go to the core of the question by asking, in the "Épistle of Barnabas," who wrote "In the first century, and who seems to have been half a Jew." Now, a com-ment on this passage will enable me to explain how an error on this point inwhole church literature, and, therefore, in reference to the origin of the church itself. Who was Barnabas?

years.

His name stands immediately after that of the apostle Paul, the sixth on the list of illustrious men or Catholic writers. He is called Barnabas the Cyprian, alias Joseph the Levite. He is credited with an epistle pertaining to the edification of the church, "which is read among the apocryphal scriptures." There is a brief allusion to the story of his separation from Paul. Now, let me insist upon Of course not, if the world was only crethese propositions, which are really car- ated some six thousand years ago! because everything turns upon dinal. them in this discussion:

1. There is no proof whatever that any Jewish literary lore was known to the Hamlet?" world until the revival of about four hundred years ago: no proof, in the then state of Hebrew letters, that they were an ancient branch of human art.

2. There is no proof whatever that this list of Catholic writers was devised until writing the book in the "seventh centhe same general period-a little later, tury B. C." Pray, what telescope has he of course, than the Jewish literature on invented? We are treated to phrases which it is founded.

Jewish ideas to church purposes is not conceptions that can be present to the the affair of some eighteen hundred mind of any living man. It is a feckless years ago, but rather of some four hun- and a reckless business, this ecclesiasti-

out counting the danger and weighing in urging the subject to commit crime,

Have you any real apprehension of the attempting crime under such circum- did not feel the intense cold that was deems he sees. somebody (not Moses)

when did any critical study of chronology begin? What data had Scaliger and the learned Jesuits. a Mariana or a the subject is keenly alive mentally. Petavius, for a registered time-reckoning, as distinguished from fictitious volves a great error in reference to the retrospective? These questions pertain to the very elements of historical science; but Gibbon, from whatever cause, ignored them: and to this day a

acute-minded men.

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escope, what was going on in the year

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viz: the true origin of the system of sible. Only with the greatest labor of time-reckoning, to which we all, in a spectral or realizing imagination can we pretend to sense, defer when we use the figures sketch a retrospective of the life of the 1895 at the head of our daily writings last few generations. and printings. I cannot refrain from surprise that this question did not arrest the inquisitive mind of Gibbon; and, still more, that it has not arrested, as far as I can observe, the many inquisi-tive minds in the field of present-day science. Now, what are the facts? Says | Warning souls to flee from hell. Gibbon: "The primitive church of Antioch computed almost six thousand years from the creation of the world to the birth of Christ." Computed! Did

A SUNDAY LESSON. Ding-dong-dell! There goes the bell, 'This way, sinner. this way saint: Come and hear the Lord's complaint: 'All, like sheep, have gone astray"-Gibbon examine the meaning of that This is what the preachers say. word in the occlesiastical sense? Cér-None so vile or ill to do tainly not; and he was therefore hope-But our cure will bring you through. lessly at sea on the very central ques-"None so good in deed or aim tion of history. The truth is that "the But he needs it just the same. compute" is an essential part of the mo-'Vile with crime, or black as night, nastic system; and it is one of the many examples of their fixing a false meaning Come, and all at once be white upon words. They have not reckoned 'Good and true, and all sincere. duration upon a basis of registers either None but those who enter here. of lunar or solar years; they have simply "Think of nothing: those who think based on the fiction, six days of creation, In a hopeless quagmire sink. the other fiction that it had lasted six 'Join our church, and we will guide thousand years at the commencement of Trembling sinners o'er the tide. Thus the sacredotal power

Again, to quote the "Church of Antioch" is to quote the legend of Simon Peter, first of the Catholic writers; and to quote that legend is merely to quote the false list, and to rely upon the great literary conspiracy of the monks of the West. Gibbon has slurred over this matter, and that with fatal consequences. He proceeds: "Africanus, Lactantius, and the Greek church have reduced that number to five thousand five hundred, and Eusebius has contented himself with five thousand two hundred years." Here, again, the sole authority is the pseudonymous works named in the list of the illustrious; all of them really composed in Latin and in the West, as I have been elsewhere showing in detail in respect to "Eusebius." Hardouin indicated certain evidence in the dating of documents of the Eastern church, which, when thoroughly understood, proves that the Greek reckoning could only have come in with the sixteenth century in connection with the schism of East from West.

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Mr. E. G. Plummer, president of the the snow. Newbury Farmers' Club, presided, and introduced the speaker. At the close of the lecture Dr. Hidden was given a smile on her lips she nestled in the cold unanimous vote of thanks by the audi-

ence. The lecture was liberally applauded, and a deep interest was manilested.

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She made one or two attempts to rise, but they were unavailing, and with a thought: I will never be so lonely again, for I know my friends in the Spirit-world snow as if it were a bed of down.

"Mother dear," she whispered sleepi-ly, "good night." are constantly around me. She was standing in the morning

The winds rose to a perfect gale, as _i room, thinking it all over. when the singing a requiem, and the snow tossing Doctor entered and she told him of what she had been thinking. about took strange shapes that seemed He made a couple of turns up and to approach the unconscious girl. But

down the room, then came and stood spirits came to grandmother they told her you were my affinity; and I loved you from the moment I saw your dear face. May," his voice was very tender

'have I been mistaken in thinking you returned my love?" He opened his arms and with a glad cry she came to him. "Oh! how happy I am!" she said. "I have loved you since

a second sweet voice, "free from the the moment I opened my eyes from that deep sleep in the snow.'

then join the parents she loved and has mission on earth is finished we may join that happy band of spirits that await thir office. us.

"Amen!" said his mother and grandforget; she has not yet completed her mother, who had entered unperceived, mission on earth, and until she has done and it seemed as if a benediction had so, even spirit joys would not be perfect been spoken, for spirit voices took up for her. Sec. I and our sister will watch the word and it echoed again and again been spoken, for spirit voices took up beside her that she perish not, and you through the room, dying away like sweetest music in the distance.

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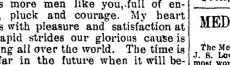
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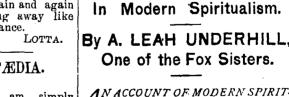
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'Faith shall every soul protect

'Stay, and, while the ages roll,

In the way you choose to bless.

But, alone, completely blind.

Led by Reason, even here,

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Faith is good, and Love is kind,

Now. to gain my heart's desire,

Darkness must engulf your soul."

Who will go as we direct?

But I cannot acquiesce

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TCROWN POINT, Ind., March 3.-For city has been carrying on a revival. Advertisements as large as circus bills were put out by every church all over the city. The Methodists converted bout 200 in thirty days, and the Presbyferian and Christians a like number. It has been a general rivalry from start to trying to outdo the other. The Methodists have gone so far as to o out canvassing, and the Presbyterian astor has commenced to print a weekly aper in the interest of his church.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mitchel, who Fere converted at the Methodist church week, are now serving two years ach in the State's prison for robbing a rirl in the church, and John Smith, an ther of the converted, is in the city jail waiting his trial in the Circuit Court or stealing an eight-gallon pail of ysters of Restaurant-keeper Englert.

A Favorable Report. The falling away of half a million of

That Moabite Stone, "What is the story of the Moabite Stone, which Prof. Johnson, in his seventh article, says is a forgery?" inquires an interested correspondent. "Please give the readers of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER the facts,?

As that is what all would like to know, we gladly comply with the request, for one party claims it is a find of inestihistory of the Jews, while others repre-

sent it a shameful forgery, a modern fab-

small portion of the Bible narrative. In I am astonished at this evasion on the other suitable places of worship, where ye shall in no case enter into the Kingsmall portion of the Bible narrative. In an astonishieu at this ovacion of the suitable places of working, market of other suitable places of working, market be story can be given.

Dead Sea, in Palestine, known in Bible literature as Moab. Among the ruins of Dhiban he discovered a stone of black basalt, nearly four feet high, two feet wide and rounded at the ton Across it

copied a few words, and set out to secure | National Associated. the monument for the Berlin museum. A year later the Prussian government concluded the purchase of the stone from the Arabs and Turkish government for

squeezes were rejoined, and now adorn the Museum of the Louvre. Such is the gation may assume a name, and elect or wish it to pass as genuine.

we recall the innumerable frauds, "Section 536. The trustees shall hold and the terrible crimes perpetrated by office during the period stated in their

thing coming from their workshop.

historical books of the Old Testament. term of service of any trustee, the soci-Not only are the phrases the same, but ety or congregation shall elect or apthe words and grammatical forms are, point successors, who shall continue in



SEARGH-LIGHT.

mable value, throwing light on the early The National Association, | virtue of the several acts of Congress relating to corporations in the District of Columbia (under class number 2,

TO THE EDITOR:-In a letter which Religious Societies). The name of said rication, devided by cheats to impose on you published lately, to Mr. W. F. Ball, the good body corporate shall be "The name of said body corporate shall be "The National A Moral Code Without a Dogma. The speculation of the United Spiritualists' Association of the United Spiritualis the credulous, to foster superstition, and the Hon. L. V. Moulton aumits irankly for speculative purposes. It was for a long time believed by all scholars to be ordinate societies; but tacitly admits fraudulent; but the religious element, that it grants charters. Now, what is a for a for the district of the district they who are anxious to find some sub-stantial proof that the Jews were an an-cient nation, have of late taken kindly very restricted sense a charter in the legal ordinarily. The big of the District of Columbia, or else-where, and shall have and use a cor-terday morning in the W. C. T. U. Hall. District of Columbia, or else-where, and shall have and use a cor-porate seal. The object of said associa-tion is not for worldly profit, but for the Heaven," and his text Matthew v. 20-

In the summer of 1869, Rev. Mr. Klein, a German, attached to the Jerusalem kereas they had only received a cer-Missionary Society; claims he was trav- tificate of auxiliary membership, securreligion of Spiritualism. eling in the region lying east of the ing to them rights which no man could

wide and rounded at the top. Across it Now, let us go to the fountain-head. I on one side ran an inscription of thirty- quote the law from the books of the wide and rounded at the top. Across it on the second secon

"CLASS 2." "Religious Societies."

"Section 533. It shall be lawful for £80. The French Consulate at Jeru- the members of any society or congregasalem caused squeezes of the inscription in the District formed for the cisco, Cal.; and George P. Colby, of stone. A quarrel ensued, and the Arabs, by gifts, devise or purchase, a quantity of said corporation shall be located at indignant at the claims of the Pasha for of land not exceeding an acre, and to washington, in the District of Coto be taken, and offered £375 for the purpose of religious worship, to receive the money, broke the rock in pieces and and to make such other use of the land, scattered the fragments as charms and such other improvements thereon, would not intimate for a moment that among the different families of the as may be deemed necessary for the tribe. These fragments were mostly re- 'purpose named, and for the comfort and covered, and with the aid of the convenience of the society or congrega-

any other purpose. The sequel to that story of the find and the removal of the appoint any number of trustees, not exholy procedure, as narrated in the last stone to Paria, as related by those who, ceeding ten, who shall be styled trustees of such society or congregation by the name so assumed.

The translation of the inscription, as name so assumed. "Section 535. The persons elected or given by Rev. Dr. Sacey, makes it har-appointed as trustees shall immediately monize with 2 Kings, 3:4 to end of chap-, thereafter make a certificate under edgment of a notary public.) ter. Were it genuine, the Bible state- their hands and seals, stating the date ment true, and Bishop Usher's chronol- of their election or appointment, the ogy trustworthy, then this mural record name of the society or congregation. and the length of time for which they were elected or appointed, which shall our era. But, sad to say, there are ear- be verified by the affidavit of one of the marks in the inscription which cast a persons making the same, and shall be heavy shadow over its authenticity. As filed and recorded in the office of the have very little to stand on.

those religionists through whose vile certificates; and every such society or hands the Bible has come to us, and re- congregation shall have power to promember their motto, "The end justifies 'vide for filling vacancies in the office of the means," we can put no trust in any-the means, "we can put no trust in any-fice, and to adopt such rules and regulations in relation to the duties of trustees. Prof. Sacey says of Messha, the Moab- and the management of its estate, as

much less auxiliary association. ite king, to whom is accredited the in- the members may deem proper, not inscription: "He uses, in fact, the lan- consistent with the Constitution of the guage of Scripture. The whole inscrip-tion reads like a chapter from one of the "Section 537. At the expiration of the

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> dom of Heaven." At the close of the service proper, that charter was to make the society and licensing of proper persons as au- Rev. Weil asked the congregation to thorized lecturers and preachers of "the tarry awhile, as it' was the purpose to complete the proposed organization, "The business of said society shall be which would have for its objects the inmanaged by a board consisting of nine augurating of the Kingdom of God upon trustees, including the president, vice earth; to strive to usher in the "new president, secretary and treasurer, and Heaven" so that "the brotherhood of the following trustees shall hold office man" will no longer be a mere senti-

mental phrase, but an actual fact. for the first year, and until their successors have been elected and qualified, Hon. R. B. Stone was chosen chair

ton City, D. C., secretary; Theodore J. a name and form of organization for a Mayer, of Washington, D. O., treasurer: school or society for ethical and relig-Milan C. Edson, of Washington, D. C.: jous training under the leadership of James B. Townsend, of Lima, Ohio; Rev. Samuel Weil, and to nominate Marion H. Skidmore, of Cassadaga, candidates for the offices proposed, beg N. Y.; Elizabeth Sloper, of San Franleave to report the following constitu-

tion: First-The society shall be called the Lake Helen, Fla. The principal office Free Religious Association of Bradford. Second-The purposes of the Association shall be the advocacy of a rational

"In witness whereof, the parties religion without a priesthood: a moral hereto have signed their names and al- | code without a theology; a God without fixed their seal this first day of Novem- a dogmatic system; a religion of liberty, ber, A. D., 1893, at Washington City, recognizing no infallible authority, put-District of Columbia, United States of ting no limit to thought; a religion of conscience, seeking the approval of no (Seal. other monitor: a religion of reason, sub-(Seal.) mitting all things to its decision; a re-(Seal. ligion of action, holding the chief good (Seal.) to be man's humanity to man; a religion (Seal. of equality, acknowledging in its "Signed, sealed and delivered in the comprehensive sense human most SAMUEL C. MILLS.' brotherhood; a religion of love, yield-(Then follows the ordinary asknowling obedience to it as the great fundamental law of moral agency. Third--The association will be gov-It will be noticed that there is

scarce a thing mentioned in the charter erned by the will of the majority of its that is authorized by the law; and the members, and for the purpose of ascerword "elsewhere," is interpolated! Of taining that will, and for the proper and course, the validity of the charter would orderly management of the business condepend upon its agreement with the law, cerns of the association, and for the proand if this rule of the courts is enforced, motion of its purposes generally, it shall the "Nationalists" will find that they have for its officers a teacher, president, secretary, treasurer and three directors. Now I give a copy of the charter that The directors, president, secretary and the National society peddles all over the treasurer shall together constitute an country, with lightning express trains, executive committee and have in charge at from \$5 to \$10 each, and an annual all the business and interests of the as-

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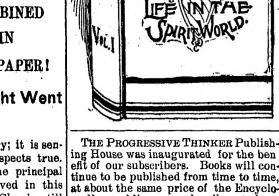
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Offices," contains hints with which every patriotic American should be "Nuns Buried Alive-Monasteries and Convents Where Those Alive Are Entombed," is another art le in this paper which will excite attention. Moses Hull's lecture on that remarka-

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bor can bring. (in the necessaries only rewarded east of it far into the deserts, has been pointment shall take place. bor can bring.

An Important Discussion.

The divinity students at the Unirsity of Chicago held a discussion reently, in which special favors to minported as saying: "If a minister reiving fair support from his congregapast when the priesthood can claim ecial favors." Prof. Johnson: "Sociy owes only one favor to the man who Iways holding out his hand—that is. kick him." Prof. Burton again: The ministry to-day is as well paid as other class. I do not believe miners merit special favors.

But Rev. Young said: "I have no rist took on an ass when he entered misalem.

The donkey Jesus rode was jay wked, according to the Bible narrabut then, Jesus had a free ride, ich led to the cross. And Rev. ung, if he will take a "free ride" ler similar circumstances which surinded "Our Lord," will find himin the penitentiary. Let him go in

The Feast of Donkeys.

win.

he important feast day has been

pped out of the Christian calendar. e history should be preserved, as it be an aid in learning the true oriof Christianity itself. It was Feastd on the 14th of January, in commem- danger," says's dispatch from Cordova, tion of the pretended flight of the in- Mex., announcing the outburst of the Jesus and his parents into Egypt. | long-extinct volcano of Orizaba. We said there are still extant several are told the priests, in similar emergenals of the festival. One, of Beauvais, cies, have gone out and baptized the ice, orders the priest to bray three flaming mount, and in the name of the lar manner. An ass, decorated with manded that it shall do no injury to the Dale, State of New York; Cora L. V. by housings, is led to the altar, a people in the vale. If no damage was Richmond, Chicago, State of Illinois; by imperial edicts, during which away his ear and ruin ensued. and secular labor were prohibited

"Section 538. A failure to elect or apcongregation; but the trustees We all know Palestine, not only west elected or appointed shall be considered

ransacked from end to end in search of some reliable inscriptions in confirma- successors shall have perpetual succestion of the Holy Writ. The Siloam sion and existence, and shall be capable stone, heretofore mentioned in these in law to sue and be sued, implead and

columns, was falsely rendered to gain be impleaded, answer and be anone corroborating feature. Coin has swered unto, defend and be defended, in been forged and imposed on the world in all courts of law or equity whatsoever, ters were reviewed. Prof. Burton is a futile attempt to supply desirable con- in and by the name and style assumed, firmation. All failing, a German mis- as provided in section five hundred and sionary, while wandering through an un- thirty-four.

"Section 540. The title to land authorving fair support from his congrega- frequented and uninhabited region—so 'Section 540. The title to land authora discount from clothing dealers, he this inscribed rock; but, mournful to re- ings and improvements thereon, shall a sneak." H. O. Fisk said: "The day late. like perjured testimony always, the be vested in the trustees by their aswork was overdone; the imitation was sumed name, and their successors fortoo real. And then, before the critical ever; and the same shall be held for the world could gain access to the stone, it uses and purposes named, and no other. "Section 541. The trustees shall have was heated, water was thrown on it, and all evidences of its modern production power, under the direction of the sociwere obliterated, and only fragments re- ety or congregation by whom they were main from which its true story can be elected or appointed, to execute mortsurmised. It is well to charge the de- gages, or deeds of trust in the nature of struction of the stone on the wild Arabs mortgages, upon the estate and property ruples about taking a free ride, since of the desert; for they will never appear which any society or congregation are as witnesses against the missionaries. authorized to hold, or to lease the same Moses, on two occasions, the Bible for a term not exceeding ten years.

tells us, sojourned forty days in the wil- | And such mortgages, deeds and conveyderness while God was engraving the ances shall have the same effect, and be ten commandments on stone. It would enforced by the same remedies and probe interesting to know how long Rev. ceedings as like mortgages, deeds, Mr. Klein remained in the vicinity of leases and conveyances made by natural the ancient ruins of Dhiban while "King persons.

"Section 543. Upon the dissolution of Mesha" was having this monument engraved. With all these facts, Prof. any society or congregation, the estate Johnson, who was sustained in his opin- 'and property of such society or congreion by a veteran Jewish Rabbi, seems gation shall revert back to the persons, abundantly justified in his statement their heirs and assigns, who may have that this Moabite stone is a clumsy given or contributed to the purchase of

or payment for the same, according to MORAL: Don't trust the ox that is wont their respective rights. "Section 544. The provisions of the to gore with his horns.

An Aroused Volcano.

fraud

"Masses are being said in all the schools for religious purposes, but shall Asinorum, otherwise, feast of asses, churches, to ward off the impending not be construed as conferring privileges or any benefits to such societies, under the school laws of the District."

Having given the law in full, I now give the charter itself: "Act of Incorporation."

"Know all men by these presents, tional in name.

the congregation responding in a Father. Son and Holy Ghost, have det that we, Harrison D. Barrett, of Lily sion following with hymns and done the priest had the glory of prevent- Robert A. Dimmick, Theodore J. Mayer

jority of whom are residents of the Dis-O, it is a beautiful religion which extrict of Columbia, do hereby associate severe penalties; hence the reason orts such kindly influences over the ele- ourselves together, and, with our asso-

"To all whom paper upon v "Know Ye: That we the National the date and name of the member, and Spiritualists' Association of the United when it shall appear that any member States of America hereby constitute the shall have attended one regular public First Association of Spiritualists of Phil- meeting within one month, and six reguadelphia, Pa. an auxiliary association, lar meetings within four months of any with all the privileges and benefits that election, such member shall be entitled may accrue within the limits of the Na- to vote.

tional Constitution and the Act of In-Office of the District of Columbia. "In testimony whereof, the president

"Charter,"

"(National Capitol Building.)

Th day of November, 1893.

president. "Signed) ROBERT A. DIMMICK, sec-

etary.

(Golden Seal!)

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THEODORE J. MAYER,

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Here is "richness" for you-and visons of gold mines must have sprung up | Weil in his book, "The Religion of the before the eyes of the hopeful and easily-influenced Harrison D. Barrett.

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his scars and think over his narrow escapes from fire and flood!

We must arrive at the conclusion that the charter of the so-called National Association is of doubtful validity. It Hill Asylum, a hopeless wreck. Say loes not conform to the law under which it was created, and should have the dispatches: been drawn up by a lawyer understanding the law of corporations. I believe

that, for many reasons I could give, it is worthless in the District of Columbia, and rushes up and down the corridors and equally so in the several States. When Brother Moulton said in open violent extraordinary measures have to convention that the chartered State Association of Michigan had no jurisdiction outside of that State, why did not the

CONVENTION

ake the hint, and infer that the National Association had no jurisdiction outside of the District of Columbia? It is the old question of, shall the dog wag the tail, or the tail wag the dog? In most cases here, the dog is the auxiliary, and the little tail is the National Society! All that can be claimed for

the District of Columbia corporation is the right of a "foreign corporation,"---ing powers. eleven preceding sections are intended if any such rights exist in the nature of to extend to members of societies formed the corporation itself. This, I suppose, o establish and maintain private

is what Brother Moulton meant when he so vehemently asseverated that it, "would stand law" in all the States. How mediums can expect "protection" from the National Society, when it cannot get half enough money for its salaried officers and agents, is more than I can divine, especially when the National

Society has no standing: and is only na-I have seriously imposed upon the space of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, by printing so much dead matter, in the form of law and charters, but I knew it

posed upon. I do not believe that ears; making an account more enter-Brother Barrett ever intended to do taining than any novel, and far more in-

Gate."

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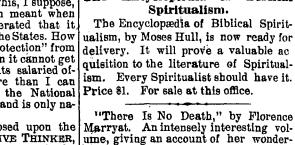
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properly belongs under the head of personation, transfiguration, and not infrequently is produced bodily by confederates.

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mercy on my poor soul when it is part- of the public. ing its mortal flesh from this sinful The subject of "Reverends" may by His Opinions Tersely Ex- world; O, Jesus, give me grace, that I some be considered too holy to find Thee when that I suffer, and that with however, the "reverend" business has I may escape all danger. Amen." "Believe this for certain which is written here, for it is as true as the Holy Evangelist, that they who shall and without due regard to intellectual keep it about them shall not fear light- or moral fitness for the position. Oh! Presbyterian church. ning nor thunder, and they that repeat heavens! Think of societies advertising it every day shall have three days warn-

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Spiritualists, how do you like it? How any persons having a decent respect for themselves can have anything to do with such a man passes my comprehension. realm for the ostensible purpose of see-ing and conversing with the spirits of ing from twenty-five to forty persons. their departed friends. While the writer As a rule, no protest is made, and the of the old song or ditty: is positive of the fact of form manifesta- swindle is again perpetrated with per-

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THE PLATFORM TEST MEDIUMS.

Then we have the platform test mediums, many of whom are doing strictly legitimate and honest work, and who are a credit to themselves and the cause they represent; but there are others who do not out the universe, under the delusive record to mark her work as a most won-They rehash the same old thing until it becomes a veritable chestnut, and wormy at that. Names and events are exchanged by these fakirs, who keep lists for that purpose, and they spring them upon their audiences as veritable tests from the spirit side of life. If we can believe the festimony of this class of mediums themselves, then this method is largely indulged in, and to such an extent has it indulged in, and to such an extent has it been carried, many are seriously asking level of Mother Goose melodies. whether it would not be better to entirely discontinue the giving of public tests from our rostrums.

ceive one, with full directions, nee of leage themserves, and they claim the near future, reasonably hope for the lowing with variable the section of the se in the world. All honest clairvoyants develop anything desired, from the rap acknowledge him as their superior and to full-form materializations: terms. cash down, and prices ranging from one veloped over two-thirds of the clair-voyants now before the public, and is the full course, and these wonderful any reference whytever to the rode victim is present or at a distance. I But the crowning infamy in the name of Spiritualism is the following, which is given verbatim: That certain persons are sometimes thus aided, we have no reason to doubt, but the average developing circle, con-"This prayer was found on the grave ducted by such charlatans, is a delusion of our Lord Jesus Christ, in the year of and a snare, and more injurious than our Lord 1550, and sent from the Pope beneficial. Especially is this true to the Emperor Charles, as he was going where hypnotism is called as an aid, unless your hypnotist thoroughly under-"He who shall repeat this prayer every stands his business, and is a person of day, or hear it repeated, or keep it strict integrity of character. This about them, shall never die a sudden power in the hands of an ignoramus is a death, nor be drowned in water, nor dangerous one, and all persons should shall they fall into the hands of their be careful about surrendering their own enemies, nor be burned in fire, nor shall individuality and subjecting themselves postor.

soul was parting from this world-have | resort to such claptrap to gain the ear

public teachings. out complaining, and through suffering been largely overworked, and there are good business man, and marked for pro-I may escape all danger. Amen." signs that the reaction has set in. To ficiency in mathematics. He was what

> professors and reverends who gravely and the backbone. Men who have spent

have really valuable knowledge to im-part, are too often relegated to the These conditions were reported time. background, while the mediocre and too often ignorant "Prof." and "Rev." is brought to the front, while the gaping Late developments in this city have again brought to the front the fact that different phases of the manifestations are being largely simulated, and that many honest people are being duped by tricksters and charlatans, and have fre-quently parted with lawful coin of the many for the ostensible nurness of see-containe seum business? Then we have the in-flated speaker, who strongly reminds us they did the case was so remarkable as

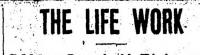
"Up in a balloon, boys, up in a balloon, All among the little stars, sailing round the moon."

round the moon."

Usually they are under control, and explained by our philosophy. She was dollars faster than honest methods will for an hour or more pour forth an endallow, and it is notorious that this phase less string of words, without pith or | is simulated by persons who possess the point, and nothing practical, from be-phase of automatic writing, but who can in no case produce the genuine article. Such not only palm off the spurious for the such and the most ex-superior attainments and the most ex-such not only palm off the spurious for the atted guides, consider themselves quite delivered before the most critical audi-dreams, is simulated by persons who possess the point, and nothing practical, from bevelous still being in great demand and genuine, but they are not above ways that competent to instruct everybody else, ences in our leading cities. esty by paying the penalty for getting genuine merit, when apparent, and that money under false pretenses. Such it is quite unnecessary for them to toot business should not be condoned for the their horns so loudly in praise of them-a Bible text, a discourse upon astronomy Did she pray, as she shivered beneath

controls as ignorant as themselves, they The Newburyport Herald, speaking of furnish another element in fakirism. It the tests in that city, says: "The young is this class that so largely inflict jingles lady made no failure in anything she upon their long-suffering audiences, and undertook, no hesitation in giving anupon their long-suffering autiences, and upon every subject, ranging from "My dog," and "My best girl," to any other subject contained on earth, or through-Many of the most eminent men are on subject contained on earth, or throughidea that they are giving impromptu derful and unexplained character. It is poems. It is true that at times these a common thing among a large class to impromptu efforts possess genuine sneer at Spiritualism; it is questionable merit, affording pleasure and instruc- whether it would not be much wiser to tion to their hearers, and are a credit explain the well-authenticated phenomto the instrument used and to the in- ena before doing so. There are wondertelligences who inspire them. It is also ful discoveries being made-and there is a fact that it requires a desperate nothing unreasonable in Spiritualism. stretch of the imagination to recognize There have doubtless been frauds and much as poetry, and that frequently, in charlatans who have worked Spiritual-Now that

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edge there are conditions that cannot be claim A future of sinfulness, sorrow, and shame. abjected to the most exacting tests.

he young, modest girl, not having had Perchance in her past was a happier day. When her footsteps fell gently, like sun-

While her young life flowed onward in

musical streams. committee of citizens was selected to Her home may have been consecrated

by prayer.

Did she pray, as she shivered beneath the cold rain,

For the home that she dared not approach again? Did she cry, through that dark and

dreary night, To the God whose dwelling is love and

light? Or did He accept, in mercy, her moans As she pillowed her head on the pitiless stones?

Wreck of the tempest, without home or friend. Oh, merciful heaven, can this be the

end! The end of a creature that seemed to be

given As a link that would lessen our distance

from heaven. And lead us to hope, and soothe us rest,

In the Eden of promise, the paradise blest!

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are guided by his advice. He has deever appeared before a press club." And this man is having crowded se-

ances, and is upheld by a certain class calling themselves Spiritualists.

A PRAYER.

to battle, for his safety.

they be overpowered in battle, nor shall to the power of others.

any poison take effect on them; and it being read over by any woman in labor, she shall be safely delivered and be a glad mother; and when the child is born lay this prayer on his or her right side, and him or her shall not be troubled see anyone in fits, lay this prayer on the phatically a process of growth. Many spect and gain the respect of others. right side, and him or her shall rise and persons who have paid money for the dethank you; and he that shall write this velopment of mediumship have cause to from house to house shall be blessed by apply to themselves the old adage of a suffer."

THE PRAYER.

me all weapons of danger; O, Holy Cross of any kind, are ready to undertake the that are evil; O, Holy Cross of Christ, | fering humanity is heir. The title often ness; O. Holy Cross of Christ, ward off element of fakirism is added to the genand forever. Amen.

of His blessed death and Sacred Passion, even the rudiments of a common-school and in honor of His Holy Resurrection education.

DEVELOP CHARACTER.

When will persons who so much dethe Lord, and he that shall laugh shall fool and his money who are soon parted. and we have it on their own testimony.

Then there are the doctors-heaven bless them! They are as thick as flies "O. adorable Lord and Savior Jesus around a molasses cask. Persons who Comes stealing o'er life's sea, Christ, dying on the gallows tree for our cannot even give correctly the number sins; O. Holy Cross of Christ, see me in of bones in the body, and who know no thought; O, Holy Cross of Christ, ward more of the human organism than a pig off from me all sharp beating words; knows of mathematics, yet they blossom O, Holy Cross of Christ, ward off from out as doctors, and without preparation of Christ, ward off from me all things cure of any disease to which a long-sufprotect me on my right road to happi- catches the unwary, and thus another from me all dangerous deaths, and give eral list—and just think of the army of me life always. O, crucified Jesus of Nazareth, have mercy on me, that the the ghost of scientific attainment in any had enemy may keep off from me, now direction, who announce themselves by now published. It simply searches for the card, and through the press, as profes "In honor of Jesus Christ, and in honor | sors, while in many instances they lack

and Godlike Ascension, to which he In all candor we ask: What are they liked to bring us to the right way to professors of? Does Spiritualism require Heaven: true as Jesus was born Christ- professors? . As I understand it, Spiritmas day in the stable; true as Jesus was born Onrist processors. As I understand It, Spirit information, the value of which could the stable; true as Jesus was local of the inquisition." Every number of crucified on Good Friday; true as three offerings to natural fact in the universe, and does the thir scientific journal unfolds some new truth that is especially valuable to re-flecting minds, leading them on to a Jesus ascended into Heaven, so the law of gravitation. Did any higher standard of thought and life. It does the law of Brodessor F. Willeam of the status of anarrs. Mr. Williams was "History of the inquisition." Every number of the says: "I was the chairman of the concise history of that Romish churchly institution known as the Inquisition." Every number of the says: "I was the chairman of the institution known as the Inquisition." Every number of the says: "I was the chairman of the institution known as the Inquisition." It is a not require professors—no more than does the law of gravitation. Did any higher standard of thought and life. It does the law of gravitation when she gave there of form when she gave there of the institution when she gave there are institution are institution when she gave there are institution are institution when she gave there are institution when she gave there are institution a Jesus ascended into Heaven, so the does the law of gravitation. Did any higher standard of thought and life. It honor of Jesus will keep me from my one ever hear of Professor E. V. Wilson, is furnished at \$5 per year, or 50 cents

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Levi James writes: "It was my privi-lege to hear Miss Marguerite St. Omer, ceived and we are delighted with it, and last evening, while in Cleveland, and I we have as good a choir as graces the must say that since I heard her nine or rostrum in any church in this city. Our ten years ago (although she is now very friend and co-worker, Mr. McCaughin, feeble in health), she has not lost any of of Creston, Iowa, is in the city on busiher good qualities as a lecturer and ness, and he graces our rostrum fre-psychometrist. Some ten years ago I quently and aids us with his sweet music, heard her in Chicago and did not know which we admire very much. As my she had returned to this country until term expires here the last of this month I saw her advertised for the Progressive it would be wise for some good tranc Lyceum of Cleveland. Her address was and inspirational medium to communifull of food for the hungry soul, and her readings and tests gave us evidence of immortality. I was pleased also to learn that she is kept busy-next Sun-there is a street."

day in Clyde; Thursday and Friday, the Boston clergy to close the Sunday-night 14th and 15th, in Florence, Ohio, Jr. O. concerts. The result would be to throw A. M.; Sunday, the 24th, in Ida, the concert-goers out onto the streets, Mich. What a feast of good things where they would fall under worse in-there would be if she was engaged at fluences than listening to the singing of this Encyclonedia i Your library will at the world. I have used a grad a gr one of our popular camp-meetings, to demonstrate our beautiful phenomena, as well as its philosophy. She can be addressed in Norwalk, Ohio, for further of the world. I have read a great many bar of the world. I have read a great many correspondent writes from River-side. Cal: "I was at Los Americas of side. Cal: "I was at Los Americas of correspondent writes from Rochester, on write the state of the world. I have read a great many excellent thoughts from this writer, both in prose and poetry, but nothing to my mind better and more timely than

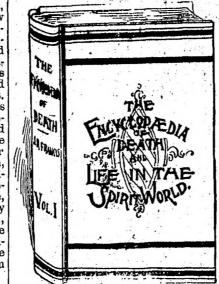
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tey do not appear, and if not pub-expectation, having had full houses of the dat all, discontinue their subscrip-ter, and acting very unwisely. The ual ideas and tests, and become deeply the data data were unwisely. The data were deterded weree deterde s, in the office of every first-class | interested. The last two Sunday evenbeen waiting a place for many medium, Dr. Knowles, of Grand Rapids, ths, or even years. They are all occupy our rostrum. He took subjects fully read, with great attention and from the audience, and answered them it, and though they may never ap-philosophically, closing the services in the paper, yet they have inter-with tests which were nearly all recogd deeply the editor. We cordially nized. Mrs. Addie Weatherwax and the contributions, and those sent here Mrs. Julia Price are both good test menecessarily be left to the discre- diums. Mrs. Lipscomb is another gen-

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course with those who have passed the broadest and most liberal platform fore, we can at once realize the joy on earth. We have some of the greatreceive by a knowledge of the con- est minds. reasoners and thinkers in our ranks that the sun ever shone upon, F. A. Logan writes from Alameda, but we have also the greatest me-Suggestions and efforts have been diums" are money-grabbers and nothing It is spiritually-developed meelse. diums that Spiritualism needs, to lift it to higher planes, and uplift humanity. Correspondent writes from St. Louis, in Washington D. C. hy had developed as speakers upon Mo.: "The Spiritualists who gathered atform, open and free to all be- vesterday forenoon in Howard Hall, had Dr. O. K. Carr of this city, writes: Si We have crowded halls, at 20 a feast of good things Mr. Wiggin, in Street, to listen to a dozen speakers his lecture, 'Daylight versus Darkness,' 'That ever welcome visitor, the dear, old PROGRESSIVE THINKER, comes in on time every Tuesday morning to be eagerly read by all. The inspired st mediums, and music by in- taught true Spiritualism. We as Spiritonal singers and performers on ualits. said he, must unfurl our flag upon thought, its earnest advocacy of all that ino, guitar and harmonica. The the hilltop of integrity, and unsullied of three hours, from 11 to 2, every character. if we wish to gather in the tends to make the world better, its editorial comments, general survey, workhungry thousands who are starving for truth, and let us re-echo the cry, that ers' doings, all tend to spur us to reat Fraternity hall, Milwaukee, right living leads heavenward, while a newed efforts to be up and doing. Dursinful life as surely leads to wretcheding this month I have been directed by for the month of April, as well as ness and woe. The hall was filled to my guides in making an opening for overflowing in the evening. The tests spiritual truth at Newman hall, 503 63d street, Englewood. As a result we orgiven through his mediumship were they will deliver the address of notably direct and accurate. The solos ganized and named a society to be known as the Society of Spiritual Progression by Mr. Maxham continue to interest and harmonize, as the reality of a life be-Agnes Percy writes from Los s; Cal.: "The Truth-Seekers' So-Wm. Hammond writes: "Being in evening with evidence by tests of a cer-Chicago, I embraced the opportunity of tainty as to spirit return. The interest of thoughtful argument, logic and fact, attending the Band of Harmony which is taken by the citizens of Englewood gives never before presented in the interest of held every Thursday evening at the Schiller Theater building, under the good assurance as to the permanency, and a grand future through the spirit-ual truth of the seed sown. I am auspices of the First Society of Spiritualists. After Mrs. Richmond and others only engaged for Sundays. I could fill had given very interesting and instructappointments within 100 miles of Chiive readings and tests, Mrs. Maud Lordcago during the wcek. Address me at Drake was invited to the rostrum, and I 3232 Graves Place, Chicago." had the pleasure of receiving the best G. F. Perkins writes: "We have test of my long life and experience of changed our address to 619 F sfreet, N. forty years in our beautiful philosophy. This wonderful medium of thought-ex-W., Washington, D. C. We report an increase of audience each week at our change between the two worlds told me Sunday meetings, 2:30 and 7:45, Scottish Rite hall, 908 Pennsylvania avenue. of my father's family, the number of souls in the household and their names, and of occurrences that transpired be-Last Sunday afternoon we devoted part has done a noble work this fore she was born; also the number and in giving positive proof of the names of my own family-in short, my our loved ones, and proved to people in Spirit-life talked to me through that life is continuous after we this instrument very much as Jesus songs for the occasion were rendered, ist off the material body. I have talked with the woman at the well. the arisen brother made a remarkable many remark: 'I have positive Telling her neighbors, she said: 'He told demonstration through Mrs. Perkins me of everything I knew.' I cheerfully which was most strikingly convincing.' and only have received this light recommend Mrs. Drake to the friends of F. Corden White, who is popular as a the cause." platform test medium, is now in New



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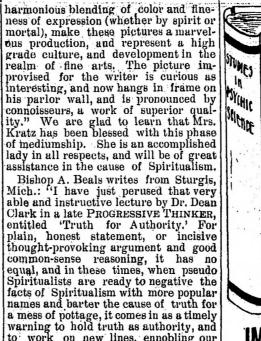
G. W. Carpender writes from River-side, Cal.: "I was at Los Angeles Sun-day, and lectured afternoon and evening old and estcemed friend and medium for the start and we anticipate a correspondent writes from Rochester, N. Y.: "We have with us at present our old and estcemed friend and medium for the start and we anticipate a correspondent writes from Rochester, my mind better and more timely than this very able lecture. My work here progresses finely, and we anticipate a correspondent writes from Rochester, and estcemed friend and medium for Great efforts are being made to retain the services of W. H. Bach at Aber-deen, S. D., during the coming year. We have the successful and a deen, S. D., during the coming year. Bear in mind, please, that we cannot blish weekly reports of meetings. I or anything of special interest, send a brief item, please. A great deal harm will be done by one C. W. Starr, be expressed in a dozen lines; but a box expressed in a dozen lines; but bils and in his Sunday evening lectures, and southern Michigan. On his hand-bils and in his Sunday evening lectures, a dial invitation to all speakers to send matrix appointments to lecture, and he contradicts himself. He says he is a Bible Spiritualist, and so are we all. He calls Bible Spiritualist, and so are we all. He calls Bible Spiritualist, and so are we all. He witness of spiritual truths in every at these seances are most perfect. So thas been said of the Doctor's metalist, and so are we all. He teaches us Spirit ualism. He ridicules frauds and only as friday or Saturday in the true Spiritual set, the word caution so he spiritual set, the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit wallsts the word caution so he spiritual set. He teaches us Spirit set. He teaches us S driven. Even the Bible, though seem-ingly hated by many Spiritualists, when him are most satisfactory in every sense got a little the nearest to the borderualism. He ridicules frauds and only exposes frauds. He teaches us Spirit ualists the word caution, so he says. As the Salvation Army is to the or-thedow ensues of the or solution of the same scone side of the Doctor's me-diumship that every Spiritualist and seeker after truth must be familiar with the grand results obtained through his gifts."

C. L. Clark writes: "Dr. Willis Ed- watching our changes and numerous wards, who lectured for several months needs, bracing us with cheerful words their tests are not recognized. The mefor the North Side Spiritual Society, and smiles, when her own heart was resumed his services at their hall on Sunday. He was enthusiastically re-ceived, had a large audience and gave universal satisfaction. Last Thursday, March 7th, he gave a benefit for the so- or she could not have kept up as she did. lee that would come to it weekly. Society Spiritualistic Friends of Prog-lee this fact will be recognized by ress have held regular services at A. O. While are others who look for the ledies gave coffee and to this fact will be recognized by the held regular services at A. O. ist mediums should be taught better than to yield to the low, ignorant and vicious spirits, and seek for elevated ones for guides. We must learn to

them draw us down to them." Frank T. Ripley is to deliver a lecture before the A. P. A.'s, at Milwaukee, Wis Wis. Milton Taylor writes: "The people of Cheyenne, the capital of this far-west-livered an instructive lecture, and gave ern State, have had a treat that I be- many platform tests. All of them were and are, to us, treasures to hold forever lieve they have never had in the past, recognized as correct by the parties in the album of memory, "Something Mr. L. Colburn, one of our most gifted | concerned."

speakers from Vermont, has been hold-The Spiritualists of Aberdeen, S. D., ing twice-a-week meetings here to large will celebrate the anniversary of mod- feel more keenly than at any other time. of any denomination, sect or organizaand appreciative audiences. Many of ern Spiritualism, Sunday, March 31st. I hope to be able to do public work in a tion, we have not only enlarged the tof the editor. But never be of-ied if your article does not appear in typise above taking the least offense nything of that kind. Wm. Smith is another willing worker. and soon quite a large society will be section join with him in the exercises of formed, the only one in the State. Mr. the day. For full particulars address before when I get my strength, and every college and academy in the New Colburn, we regret to state, leaves for him at Aberdeen, S. D.

the East this week, leaving a host of Dr. P. S. George writes from Lincoln, freedom. He has been assisted by Ber-nard Holtum, a fine young medium from California, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and has having about respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and has having about respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and has having about respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is california, who gives platform tests af-ter the lecture. He is a good test and that mediums having this phase do not respond to my many calls, and why it is



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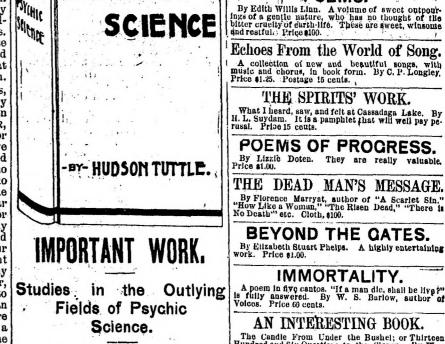
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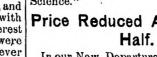
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Coman writes: "The South Side, the return of my friends. Oh! ishould be so happy.' I would investigators that the door is to one is debarred in seeking the truth. George V. Cordingly our rostrum twice a day at Avenue hall. His poems, lecad physical phenomena in the large crowd of investigators. ains here till the anniversary. The Forest Avenue Society ex-

Prof. Theodore F. Price, of New York, inspirational speaker and platform test medium, is at liberty for the months of engagements at 372 Tulane avenue. April and May. Address him at his residence, 230 East Nineteenth street, New York. Prof. Price has just comested in the investigation of Spiritual-

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read here, and is our quiet minister, do- I will assure them they will be cared many as fifteen spirits present theming its good work."

for during their stay in this city of 65,000 people, and will have all the busi-ness, in the way of circles, that they de-sire. I trust now that some of these mediums will write the start of these Mrs. Adeline M. Glading is lecturing every Sunday this month in Watertown, N. Y. Address, corner Pear and Main mediums will write to me at least." streets. April she speaks every Sunday in Buffalo, N. Y. Address 248 N. Division street. She will accept calls for week-day engagements in adjacent cortes, Wash., with great success. A were to have spoken at Woolley's Sum-towns during those months. Address paper published there says: "Dr. Dean merland Park during June, but Mr. towns during those months. Address as above. She closes the season in May

> Sunday evening. On the latter evening the church was literally packed. Dr. dience throughout both addresses. He agree with him or otherwise, you would be well entertained by hearing him speak. He will deliver another lecture next Saturday evening at Skagit Hall."

The "forms" of Prof. Lockwood's "Molecular Hypothesis of Nature" are in the hands of the electrotypers, and it is expected the treatise will be ready to the C. P. L., in Weisgerber's hall. In deliver to subscribers in about a week. of Englewood, meetings at 3:30 and 7:30 The delays incident to the publication p. m., every Sunday. Mrs. Isa Wilson- of this work have been numerous and unavoidable; but its readers and thinkers will be rewarded by perusing a line the Spiritual philosophy. Remember that the data brought forward in this pamphlet sustaining the truth of continued existence, and spirit return, can be demonstrated by principles of physical science.

Chas. Blackwell thinks that Ogden, Utah, would be a good field for one or two genuine mediums.

H. Pettibone, medium for physical manifestations, has been on an extensive trip South, and is now on his way to Detroit. Mich.

Dr. P. S. George, of Lincoln, Neb. of the time to memorial services in writes: "I am now gathering statistics honor of Brother M. H. Prince. After for the purpose of compiling a book suitable remarks were made and special showing as near as possible the number of people who became insanse under religious excitement during the year 1895. would like to have the aid of not only every Spiritualist, but every liberalminded person in gathering such infor-mation as will be of information to me. I would like to ask the friends to either Orleans, La., where he is meeting with mail the newspaper giving account of room for them. She is a grand medium great success. He can be addressed for the cause of insanity, or if it be a clipwork." ping give name, date, &c., where such

The Aberdeen (S. D.) Daily News says: paper is published " Dr. R. Greer writes: "Mrs. J. W. "The people of the city who are inter-

ton, Mich. Mr. Dunn is said to be Kratz, of Evansville, Indiana, has repleted a six weeks' engagement at ism have secured the services of W. H. cently become the happy possessor of a Spiritual and worker along that line of thought. consisting in automatic pencil drawings, and worker along that line of thought. good test medium. They can be ad-

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Thos. Lees writes: "The well-known Easy Lessons in Spiritual Science. lecturer on Spiritualism and teacher of Spiritual science, Mr. W. S. Colville, Will speak in Cleveland, Ohio, on Sun-day, March 24th, under the auspices of the C. P. L., in Weisgerber's hall. In connection with this distinguished speaker, the celebrated American virlecturer on Spiritualism and teacher of speaker, the celebrated American vir-

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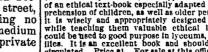
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causes an earthquake." Pray, Mr. Get-singer, if that be true, what is there, if Emerson at. Watertown, N. Y. TO THE EDITOR :-- We had with us we should have our mouths open at the during February one who, for reliable time, to prevent it from forcing its way

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January 9th. Briefly, no one knows. Every book is be too forcibly impressed on the minds and holy (?) priests constructed by changes, omissions, and large additions, during the ages when the copyist was zealous with the spirit that, to lle for the cause of rallicion wase a constructed by during the ages of rallicion wase a constructed by the spirit that, to lle for the spirit that, to lle for the spiritualist can well afford to he there are always a few know-it-alls, who attend divine worship in the orthodox churches and never question the thread-bare stories of the Bible times, which are held up by the clergy, Sunday after Sunday, to their congregation. But the same ones will come to our temple and

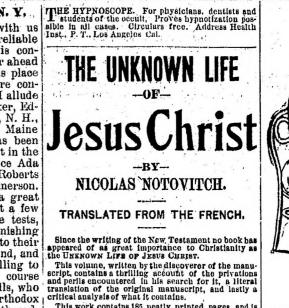
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I have also had handed me those num-bers of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER that have appeared subsequent to that be able to state, is fast giving way in this vicinity. But many explanations concerning the phenomena are conof February 16th, and have searched tor, which we know is not the case. He through them in vain, hoping to find a says, further, that "the polar lenses give stantly arising, and what strikes us as peculiar is the fact that scarcely any two lucid, vigorous and complete refutation their rospective hemispheres both light agree. Which is right? However, Mr. Emerson's visit has done a vast amount of good, and I hear his name on nearly every one's lips. His last meeting esnecially has been the talk of the town. Our daily papers gave him several fine notices. I could enumerate tests without number which Mr. Emerson gave that were

truly wonderful, if I so desired, but one tions should not go forth before an in- at the same time throw or transmit to ternal planet yet discovered, from the sun is thirty-four hundred millions of sector and myself, in a brief way, degree of heat. If it were summer north will have to suffice. On Sunday afternoon, at the service held in the temple at 2:30, he told a lady who was a stranger rible theological nightmare. D. W. Hamilton, N. Dak.: Q. (1) Are the National, State, and local Spiritual so-cieties connected? Or is each organize-orbit which bounded the surface according to interest in the temple a challenge, shall myself, in a oriel way, refer to a few points. First, I, will say that I, in common with Mr. Getsinger, have obtained the greater part of what knowledge I may possess from an intuitional and natural

the National, State, and local Spiritual so-cieties connected? Or is each organiza-tion independent of the other? (all R. M. S. Although the first the lady bounded the system eight thousand millions of miles. Many of the surce, having been a medium the the solar system was evolved is totally independent of the other? (all R. M. S. Although the first the lady admitted to be true, the latter she could the solar system was evolved is totally on place. Imagine her surprise upon

in Spiritualism to pursue, in order to develop. A. (1) The scheme of the National square of the distance, the furthest A. (1) The scheme of the National square of the distance, the intrinst Association is to band all spiritual so-planets manifest no.more inclination to all the great mass of scientific data that from the sun. Granted. But let us see Association is to band an spiritual so-cieties together. The local societies have been heretofore, and in many instances are now, independent. Thus far the National Association has not offered any very great advantages to be gained by National Association has not offered any very great advantages to be gained by the local societies accepting charters. (2) The best method of forming alocal society, according to our judgment, is of the outermost planet, it would take that given in the "Lyceum Guide." By its aid a society may be not only organ-ized, but it contains full directions for the meaning of "reliable." (4) To become a member of a circle, as has been often explained. Inquirer: Q. Were the visions of Jesus seen by the Martyr Stephen, the Apostle Paul, by the many votaries of the Bourne Carbon the solar system. The magination fails to grasp the di-society, according to our judgment, is of the outermost planet, it would take as assistance by comparison. If as railway track were laid across the orbit tas conduct, with music, songs, etc. (4) To become a member of a circle, as has been often explained. Inquirer: Q. Were the visions of Jesus seen by the Martyr Stephen, the position of the solar system. The name and not be diffused in space, which he says is the emanations. The gates which emanations of the solar system in be of other systems. The position of the solar system in the position of the s



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(2) Can you give brief instruction how comets go out still farther from the greater part of my life; and I, like him, inadequate to explain its observed phe-arriving at her home, some six miles center, and it has been conjectured that possess no reverence for a theory or sup- nomena. He would have us believe that posed fact because it happens to be the planets have all been thrown from that the husband's mother was dead. ancient or popular, be it either in re- the sun by hap-hazard volcanic action alone. If such were the case, how can

from this city, to find there a telegram This test was published in detail in the secular press. I have never seen published the names of our present officers, whom we elected the 17th of December. They are as follows: Abel Davis, president; F. R. Mattison,

To understand this subject requires a comprehensive psychic philosophy, such as has not yet been taught. The mind while in the body is reached by and through the brain, and so far as physiological research leads, every impression through the senses is received by the brain and registered in the memory by means of organic changes.

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When it thus assumes these conditions, the mind has no power to determine whether the impressions thus given are objective or subjective. For instance, the sight of the rainbow produces a certain condition in the optic nerves and changes in the substance of WHAT IS SPIRITUALISM? How to Inthe brain. If the nerve is diseased or disturbed, a similar state may be produced on the brain, and the mind receive visions of the rainbow even more vivid than the real. In passing into trance, beautiful rainbows and prismatic colors are often observed. In these cases the mind is deceived by subjective impres-sions which it mistakes for realities.

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The phantasms of delirium tremens.

rived from the observation that while in every other region of space the view is concealed by stars, in this direction by means of the telescope we can look has stood the test of time, let the has stood the test of the test of the test of tes astronomy attest. sublime view nowhere else can be obtained. With awe we gaze from the that Mr. Getsinger attacks. It was formsurfbeaten shore on the boundless sea; ulated to explain known facts, and it ac but how much greater is our awe when, cords with them better than any other resting on this atom of a world, we gaze directly out by starry continents into

the unilluminated void! This star-cluster of which our solar group is a member swings on its center, To refute it he brings forward but on and revolves with other clusters around similar effect, but every note a different an inconceivably remote central sun. Its velocity in space is immeasurable, and the duration of a revolution beyond comprehension. With every rising sun we have traversed millions of miles of the mass." . The italics are mine. This the abyss, and what new influences we is purely an assumption, and upon this may reach, what belts of space, of unhe builds his theory. The foundation being false, all the conclusions he bases known, magnetic heat, or lightrelations the mighty journey will bring, none may even conjecture. We trust in the suupon it are without any value whatever.

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found, without a single exception, that

the balance shows a decrease in weight

completely through our star-cluster into accumulated observations of scientific seemingly improbable and self-contra-M. M. HENRY. dictory theories. And so with the nebular hypothesis

INFINITE MIND.

The Infinite! Who measures it? measure that has so far been applied. Or who its span can tell to me? But it is not a question of whether La-Vaster than space that sun hath lit, place is right; but is Getsinger wrong? And yet in touch with me and thee! O, mind in man; O, man of mind; supposed error, and upon his interpretation of this he builds his theory. His What dost thou know of cell or bra point is this: "From the center of the That is not formed, as thou dost find, What dost thou know of cell or brain earth, or any mass of matter, towards By struggling thought of mind in pain. the surface of that body, the weight must And yet the earth doth veil the man, decrease as we go towards the surface of

Until his thought self-centered is; But then it breaks, that we may scan The Infinite; and gain its prize! ike doves, I ween, we send our though In various ways to note the flood.

They gather there the news we sought This one assertion is sufficient to show And lo, to us, the news is good; For thus we learn that we are part

It is simply dogmatism for him to say "that weight must decrease as we go towards the surface of the earth." This Of the great Infinite of mind; In rapport with the great God heart, s just what it does not do, as has been And know ourselves the same in kind. proven time and time again by actual HU-MANU. experiment; and it has always been

THE DIGNITY OF DEATH.

at high altitudes, as well as a decrease below the mean surface of the earth. Here lies a common man. His horny hands, This is also proven by the difference in Crossed, meekly as a maid's, upon his

the vibration of the pendulum. So much breast. Show marks of toil, and by his general

He states that "space is a 'solid' composed of the sun's thermal emanationsdress You judge him to have been an artisan. ether." And in speaking of the gaseous belts which he asserts surround the Doubtless, could all his life be written

earth, he says that this "solid" space, out this 'ether, presses upon the gaseous belts from without, and that "this press-The story would not thrill, nor start a tear.

ure would make the gaseous belts more He worked, laughed, loved and suffered dense near the surface of the earth, bein his time,

cause there the resistance is greater." And now rests peacefully with upturned Nothing could be more absurd than this. face Whose look belies all struggle in the And why greater resistance on one side

than the other? Probably Mr. Getsinger past. homely tale; yet, trust me, I have seen has never heard of such a thing as The greatest of the earth go stately by, action and reaction being equal, for he assures us that he "cannot read books While shouting multitudes beset the

on account of a peculiar vibration it way With less of awe. The gap between a king

But supposing that his statement is true that his "solid" ether space is And me, a nameless gazer in the crowd, pressing upon our atmosphere from Seemed not so wide as that which rigan, or some high muck-a-muck, had without. This very fact alone would stretches now cause that atmosphere to assume equal Betwixt us two-this dead one and my. President.

density throughout, that is, if it were self. Untitled, dumb and deedless, yet he is not at once forced into the interior of

Transfigured by a touch from out the And of his dynamic belts, or stratified skies, Until he wears, with all unconscious reservoirs of energy, he says: "The dynamic spheres reach the surface of the grace The strange and sudden Dignity of earth through the gaseous belts and into

Death. RICHARD E. BURTON.

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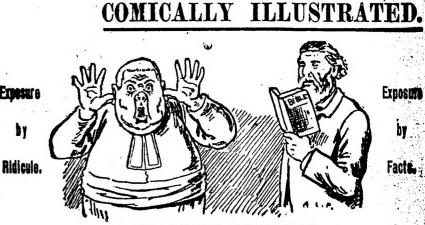
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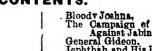


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TO THE EDITOR:-A charity ball was ne of the means employed to raise money for the poor of Milwaukee, recently. It was "a magnificent success;" and yet Rev. Ephraim L. Eaton, of the M. E. Church, preached a red-hot ser- said to have exercised hypnotic control Immorality," says: mon against that particular ball, and ball was a great religious success, if it back-seat Christians. Those Christians ence seems likely to succeed, as a who are loudest at the ball are always stillest at the prayer-meeting. Religion that overflows from the heart does not run out much at the heels. They tell us that dancing is a very ancient custom; that ladies danced with bare shoulders in Queen Elizabeth's time; and if you go back a little further you will find everybody dancing-men, women and children-and they did not have any clothes at all. Poor, hectic, wheezy, hollow-eyed dancers take no place of usefulness and power in the church of God, nor anywhere else; and next to football and pugilism, is a step back-ward toward barbarism." Of course, the dancers were mostly good Christian people, and yet this cynical preacher calls of five years, by a young Episcopal min-"A Bacchanalian success;" and "A ister, with a view of founding a religmost fantastic social aggregation!" O, tempore! O, mores!

DANCING.

Notwithstanding that the Methodist ministers of Cleveland have inveighed against dancing for several weeks past, et dancing goes on as usual. "On Frichool building, despite the protests of the Methodist ministers. Over one hundred were present, including the officers of the senior classes, and all seemed to enjoy it." Refreshments were served. Perhaps the preachers had better attend to their own business and let the schools alone. It is a great piece of arrogance and impudence for the clergy to attempt the schools. That is the peculiar province of the Catholic church(!)

GOING CROOKED.

This time it is a colored preacher that greatly excited, so the dispatches say, is in the toils. The Rev. T. F. Seals, a colored preacher, representing himself as the agent of the International Emi- It is caused by the appearance in a deep gration society, of Birmingham, Ala- ravine on the farm of Tip Martin, of a bama, proposed to transport emigrants to Africa at \$41 each. He collected log-chain. The figure is followed by a \$4,600. He told the negroes the ship pack of hounds, baying as if in pursuit would sail January 20, and then disappeared, Seals was arrested at Greenville, Miss., and brought to Shelby on February 13, and rumors were affoat attracted by loud groans. In a few min-that he was liable to be lynched by his utes they saw the figure of a man dragdupes. While so many of the white ging a heavy chain, tearing down the clergy are derelict, the Rev. Mr. Seals incline; down the hillside and up the thought he might as well go crooked other side went a pack of hounds in hot awhile, because it would be an easy pursuit of game. Presently they also matter for him to cast all his sins on the great burden-beaver, who died on the tion in the words of the dispatch: "In cross to save just such sinners as he. Because he was not a Spiritualist, per- circuit of five miles was made. At 1 haps he'll get off easy.

LASHING BY AN ORTHODOX PREACHER I do not know that being an orthodox preacher necessarily disqualifies a man

THAT WOMEN'S EDITION. The women's edition of the Cleveland prayers: therefore, ye shall receive the

HYPNOTISM.

sanity.

The relation of hypnotism to crime, says the Cleveland Plaindealer, is becoming a curious study. In one case a SOCIAL CONDITIONS AND IMMORALITY. man that actually killed another has B. O. Flower, the editor of The been acquitted, while a verdict of guilty Arena, in the February number, in an has been rendered against the person able article on "Social Conditions and

over him. Another similar case is now "No thoughtful, unprejudiced investidancing generally. He said, among pending. And still another person has gator of present-day conditions can es-other silly things, that: "This charity appealed for protection against an unseen and unknown individual whom he wealth and poverty, growing more and helps to set forth more plainly that imagines to be urging him to commit more alarming with each succeeding noisy front-row dancers are always silent murder. At this rate hypnotic influ- year, are exerting a deadly influence be inopportune until more definite data upon the virtue of our people. "Few persons realize how much unjust plausible excuse for crime, the some-

what worn-out plea of emotional insocial conditions have to do with social purity. The slothful dilettanteism, the ETERNAL JUDGMENT. vicious epicurianism and the subserv-

Rev. Edward Davis, of Oakland, Cal., iency to wealth, of our time, hold in recently illustrated a sermon on "Eter- their fatal grasp so many time-serving nal Judgment" by assuming the charac- clergymen, teuchers, and edilors, that at ter of Richard III. and quoting in a times one almost despairs when contemdramatic manner the famous soliloguy plating the extensive ramifications of in the first scene and also in the fifth soulless conventionalism. The servants act of the play. The preacher's acting was of commercial feudalism, when con-realistic. There was a big audience. fronted by facts relating to unjust conditions, at first deny them: next they BROTHERHOOD OF THE CHURCH. The other day Bishop Potter, of New York, received the vows of poverty, celibacy and obedience, made, for a term been different if they had pursued other ious community to be called the Brother hood of the Church. It is understood

that there is a somewhat zealous attempt in the Episcopal church to foundan order of celibate clergymen. The "celibacy of the priesthood" is a distinctive mark of Rome, and a church that officially recognizes and approves day evening, February 8, the senior it has gone far toward Rome. In such class of South high school held the first a matter we are to take into account act a matter we are to take into account not of a series of parties in the Central high merely the practice, itself, but that which it stands for and typifies.-Boston Watchman.

THE ENCYCLOPÆDIA OF DEATH,

I have only had time to glance at the "Encyclopædia;" but my wife, and several other intelligent critics, speak in glowing terms of its interesting pages. We owe you a debt of gratitude for this to interfere with the management of valuable contribution to the literature a grand auxiliary to the church, instead of Spiritualism.

AN APPARITION.

West Unity, Lucas county, Ohio, is

over a remarkable apparition seen by Alexander Griffith, of Brown county. spirit-like form, dragging an immense of game. On Thursday night, January 31, as Martin and some friends were returning from Ripley their attention was pursuit of game. Presently they also vanished from view. I give the explana-1878 a fox-drive was advertised, and a o'clock in the afternoon the army was centering, and in the circuit were ten or fifteen foxes. 'Joe' Woods, a surly, revengeful character, came up with ten

houses, and for a pretence make long have again sent their willing instrument into the field, and we feel im Plaindealer was a decided success, greater damnation. For ye compass sea pressed to say that he will prove a shinrom C. H. Mathews, New One copy, printed on silk, sold for and land to make one proselyte, and ing light in the spiritual firmament, now that he has again gone forth and fold more the child of hell than youring light in the spiritual firmament. selves." Matthew xxiii, 14, 15. Let the name is no doubt familiar through Illi-Constitution be amended so that all nois and Indiana, where he lectured for church property be taxed. Why not?

The society are in correspondence with some of the greater lights in the East and due notice will be given of their engagement here, but as they are in the embryotic state, so to speak, as

regards the order in which we will have the pleasure of presenting them to our audiences and consequently to the readers of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER in this locality (and if I may judge by appearances their number is legion), it would

can be supplied. Mrs. J. J. Whitney of San Francisco that they could attend without becomgoes East next month to spend the sum- ing members. Our dedication exercises mer months at Onset Bay, Mass., and I hope can be prevailed upon to stop off this society. In fact he has promised so thing of that kind.

to do. More anon. MILTON M. LYON.

The First Society.

TO THE EDITOR :- The First Society were impressed with the work. Three apologize for them; while they add in-sult to injury by gravely admonishing the unfortunates who have fallen under Sunday, March 31, in the morning, and THINKER of Moreh CHE. PROGRESSIVE the unfortunates who have fallen under Sunday, March 31, in the morning, and THINKER of March 9 is replete with ex-the wheel, that their fate would have to make it, if possible, a union service, cellent things. Will you permit me through your col-

courses; as if the slave of conditions and umns to reach the different societies, poyerty was all-wise and all powerful." some of which I have not been able to exactly in line with our teachings; that reach by letter, to invite their hearty is, while antagonizing no person or cult The italics in the foregoing excerpt are my own. It cannot be denied that these potent influences have much to do in moulding the "social conditions," as we find them to day. If these conditions at least one speaker from each, and it is the Spirit-world. are not such as are desirable—and they particularly desired that the children It pains me to see members of our are not—the erroneous religious dogmas should participate in the enjoyment of holy order, sometimes of high degree, that have been promulgated by law, for nearly 1,900 years, in the name of Chris-tianity, must be held responsible for the situation. Spiritualists are engaged in

a laudable effort to bring about better Orpheus hall, where we hope to see rep- need more absolute knowledge and less social conditions, by demonstrating, be- resentatives of all the societies; but lest vague speculation; more common sense yond doubt, the continuity of life after any should not have been reached in and less credulity. time for this, let me now say, this inthe dissolution of the body. It does seem to me that the Protestant clergy ought to hail Spiritualism as

and if they will at once select their repof deriding it and denouncing it as a resentatives and let me know, I will at once notify them of any action that may 'fraud and humbug," as is often done have been taken.

union is before us.

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Passed to Spirit-Life.

by our local preachers. I may add, it is our desire to co-op-A few weeks ago, a genuine Spiritualist medium for the production of what are known as physical manifestations came this way. This lady was Miss Anerate with the other societies in the afternoon and evening exercises, wherever they may be held.

Oh, that for once, we could rally as a nie Eva Fay, whose "tricks" have never body, and show Chicago what a gatherbeen "exposed." She held her seance ing of Spiritualists really is. No better in the Big Four opera house, in Canal place of meeting can be found for the purpose than Hooley's Theater. Let us Dover, Ohio, and the creme de la creme of the city were present. pack it from floor to gallery on Sunday, March 31.

All the churches were represented, including two clergymen from New It is our intention to hand over to the Philadelphia, the Presbyterian and the National organization all proceeds over German Reformed. Of course these and above our average collection. Act gentry knew beforehand that Spiritualpromptly, dear friends, and a happy re-

sm was a "humbug," and they went there just as they would have gone to a circus or any other show. The advent of this lady medium, while she disclaims presenting this strange phenomenon as Spiritualism, has aroused the clergy in opposition, and the people are

warmly urged against being "hum-bugged." The fact is, the Christian mortal body into the spirit realms on the bugged." 6th inst., at Peculiar, Mo., at the age of churches are being depopulated, and the salaries of the clergy are running low. This accounts for their loud denuncia**preacher** necessarily disqualifies a man from being a principal in a military from being a principal in a military attempts to break the ring. Seeing his dogs fail, Joe kicked up a battle with did not seem to be a bit to his credit. Master Arbuckle, aged 15, and Floyd Goshen, aged 14, sons of prominent cit-tion of spiritualism. The Lutheran for the charge of assault. For some act of insubordination the two cadets were of ordered to walk a beat all day on the ordered to walk a beat all day on the

Lord took pity on them and made them

preachers,' is said to have surprised

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354 COLUMBUS AVENUE, BOSTON. TO THE EDITOR:-Our report, pub-lished in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, our Sunday convocation, who supposed are never performed in public, unless it might be the dedicating of a building. here a few weeks at least, as a guest of the laying of a "corner stone," or some-

The last two. Sunday convocations were characterized, by great enthusiasm, which encourages us much. Sun-day, March 10, we had a class of eight in the House of Scorpio, all of whom

cellent things. The article, "Gentle Criticism," we are particularly pleased with, as it is

Letters from all parts of our country vitation is extended to every society, show a grand awakening at all points great and small, in the city and suburbs, and a demand for light. While we dislike to remain away from our beautiful temple in Chicago and the loved ones there, we feel that in doing the work of the O. M. and carrying the "glad tidings" to the many waiting souls in the

East, we are doing right. ABOUT ROBES.

MILLERSVILLE, MO., Jan. 15, 1895. "We received Psyche January 7th and to say we are pleased does not express it. The friends give us long communications with the pointer when the medium is blindfolded. It is creating quite a sensation. Enclosed please find \$1.20 for another for one of our friends. Yours for truth, D. J. Hendricks." By the way, in our report of March 9. we mentioned that we had the "robes and regalia of the temple" with us.

It seems, from letters that have come to us since that was published, that numbers of the people have taken a fright at the word "robes," saying that t "savored of Catholicism."

It scarcely seems as if any person could be so utterly bigoted and idiotic as to take umbrage at a thing like that and antagonize the order on account of it, but we are forced to the conclusion CAROLINE CATLIN. that there are such people in the world. Just as if no society or institution had

right to wear robes, except the Cathoics. Nonsense! The terrible "robes!" that have occasioned the antagonism Mr. Charles W. Fisk passed out of the mentioned, are simply Oriental costumes, antedating the Christian era, and

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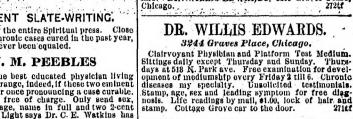
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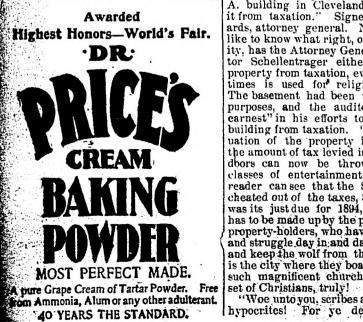
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unconscious: the other members of the faculty, it is claimed, holding the boys while the reverend principal administered the punishment. It was said the boys had placed gunpowder in the matron's room and attempted to blow up the institution. If that were true the ingly. Jarvis Hall Military Academy, where this outrage occurred, is in Denver, Colorado, I believe. This thing of introducing military tactics into colleges and schools and churches, has nothing to commend it, at least from a Christian standpoint, and should be discouraged by all good, peaceable, Christian people, as it is by all good Spiritualists. I hope the court will deal summarily with this reverend hypocrite, who disgraces the religion he pretends to uphold. He is a great exemplar of the "Prince of Provide neither gold nor silver, nor Peace!" Bosh!

Cal., says the San Francisco Chronicle. and though talented, has not met with the success he desired. He is without a church or business, and the hard times have dealt severely with him. He is a good reader and makes a fine appear ence. He has the promise of the first ppening in the Salvini company. 1 wish the minister success.

WATER OF THE JORDAN. Palestine does a prosperous business by matter to Attorney General Richards, bottling water from the Jordan and sell- who, of course, promptly went to work ing it. in various parts of world for use with the board of tax remissions, and



ordered to walk a beat all day on the took Woods to a large stump, secured a 13th of January. The weather being big log-chain and fastened him. He was bitter cold, they refused, and for this then left to get away the best he could. That night Woods escaped and was never seen again."

TO BE SOLD.

The special dispatches from Youngs-town, Ohio, of February 14th, in the is to be sold next week on account of the inability of the congregation to pay an alone: for if this counsel and this work pathies are decidedly on the side of the preacher.

Let those who dance, by all means pay the fiddler. The reduction in the volume of money, by the demonetization of silver, affects preachers as well as other Maine coast, where the folks, old and laborers in the Lord's vineyard. When young, knew all about the fishing busi-Jesus Christ gave his charge to the ness, that the minister, who was teachapostles, he said: "And as ye go preach, * * * heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: * * * ing a Sunday-school class on a recent Sunday, propounded the question: "Why were the disciples taken from among the 'everybody people,' fishermen and others?" The reply: 'Because they had brass in your purses, nor scrip for your others?" journey, neither two coats, neither been afishing so long and made so little that they were likely to starve, so the

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coming conquest as the sturdy war-A. building in Cleveland, and exempt horse does the din and smoke of battle. it from taxation." Signed J. K. Rich- Since the departure of our old pastor ards, attorney general. Now, I should and earnest co-worker to the North, like to know what right, or what author- taking with him the sturdy medium, ity, has the Attorney General, or Audi-tor Schellentrager either, to release property from taxation, even if it some-dium alike. George W. Carpender of Diuty and the Catholic Church, are worthy property from taxation, even if it some-times is used for religious services? Riverside (THE PROGRESSIVE THINK-The basement had been used for such purposes, and the auditor was "very worker in the cause and an able purposes, and the function of the cause and an able of the cause and able of the cause and an able of the cause and able and the able of the cause and able and the cause and the cause

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of those people who refuse to allow a healing on its wings. His only living eral other places on the coast, as soon as priest to do their thinking. However, descendant is a grandchild 4 years as I expect to review the "lecture," hav- old. T. W.

ing asked that it be published, I shall Harriet Newell Graves passed to Spirit-life, in Providence. Wednesday, March 13, after 40 years' devotion to not say anything further at this time, except to hope that the reverend gentleman will continue to preach against Spiritualism, and I can then guarantee the cause of Spiritualism. Four months

year of our Lord, 1895, announce that him crowded houses. the property of the Union Baptist church "And now I say unto you, Refrain ing medium, also clairvoyant, and to the from (abusing) these men, and let them very last held constant converse with the institution. If that were true the inability of the congregation to pay an alone, for it will come to naught: But help earth-bound spirits find the light. and Health. Yet the shortest distance between two points is a straightline; the bound have been dealt with accord. of the church has been in litigation for if it be of God ye cannot overthrow it; weeks during which time only one Spir- shortest distance between disease and the departed ones. Her mission was to May seem but little related to Medicine

lest haply ye be found even to fight against God." Acts v, 38, 39. I commend this text to the reverend it weeks, during which time only one Spir-beat the pov-trust of the second iscase and it weeks, during which time only one Spir-beat the pov-trust of the second iscase and health is by the line of Hood's Sarsapa-rilla. If you want to save suffering, time clergyman, Hill, of Canal Dover, Ohio, Her own words of a year ago are sugges- and money, take the shortest distance and also the following:

tive: "It was in a little town down on the Oh, Spiritualists, be careful how you tread on Christians' toes,

Till you bear each other's burdens and the underlying cause of disease, cleanses relieve each other's woes: the fountain at the head. Or, when the Master saith to them, "ye

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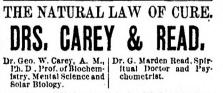
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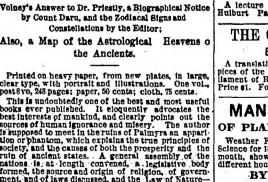
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