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CRANKS! CRANKS!!

Those Ancient and Modern,

In the mysterious provisions of "Our Father, who art in Heaven," as everywhere else, names are often bestowed in derision that are exceedingly appropriate. There is an evolution of words as of worlds; births of names, as of babes, and, at birth, few there are who can correctly prophesy the future of a name of

As all there is comes from and is are alike as the dead, until put in mo-

The crank is an emblem of progress, an embodied certainty of usefulness. They had none in the Stone Age, and they are none too abundant now. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow,"—Praise God from whom all ideas grow,—Praise God for,","Cranks"—for the things that move things and incite

life.

They are all about us now as they have been, even before man found for them a name. The line extends from this time paint the sea with blood? It is nowhere was not a crank; he was a first-class back to Noah. Noah was a crank, and it may be said a truism of all cranks, that they at all times see and hear things the common people do not see and that the waters are said to have swalhear. Being a crank, Noah heeded the lowed up. What would we think of the voice that spoke to him; whether it was mental condition of a man who planted the voice of God or some other power an orchard, tasted the skult when the outside of himself, we leave for everyone trees were laden, condemned it all as to decide for himself; but we do differ in bitter and worthless; cut down date, orour idea of the deluge from the inter-pretation put upon it by the church. to preserve seed and slip from which to there was to be a rain; one that would inventor who, manufacturing various last longer, before the clear up, than the machines, destroyed them all, when fing one we are having under Cleveland, who ished; preserving, however, and exact is not a crank.

and began building an ark. Looking back, I fancy I can see him now at work listened to what the voice said from time to time, keeping right on with his work of making an ark. I can see the long line of women, village groups, with their poke bonnets, as they "poked" into the business of others. On their way to the village store, they would stop and turn up their pretty noses at Noah, as they called him an idiot; and the men of the village I can see now as they hung by their arms on the fences watching Noah as he built his ark, while they chewed tobacco, or cheap licorice, spat on all that was within reach and derided the crank who was carrying out an idea, the one end of which was in God, the other on Mount Ararat and elsewhere in

But, despite the gabble and the bab-ble, Noah continued with his organization of material things and a usage of the means that were at hand. He lost no time in waiting for the things and ideas, not yet credited nor suggested. The words of the multitude did not affect his purpose, and at the appointed universal sea must have been covered time, Noah, the derided crank, had a boat of his own. He lost no time in praying to God to fill it with people, who were not that way inclined, or in making suggestions to the great suggestor. He had no way by which to control the movement of the ark; It was unprovided with sails or rudder; it must have drifted at the will of the winds and cur-

Now, the waters of a universal deluge must have been covered with the wrecks of cities, the trees of the forests, everything in the world that would float on water. Through all this driftwood, we are told, the ark moved safely and grounded, at last, on the snowy mountains of Ararat. 'Without continued higher interference, would not its sides hollow branches. have been broken by collisions with this floating timber? It was not anchored and yet it floated but a short distance But the from where it was launched. But the been at all inconvenienced by the waters breezes touched it lightly, and it landed of the great deluge! Now as the whole all its passengers alive and well on snowy Mt. Ararat. This ark of human freight was piloted by the invisible hand of an arminesses. of an omnipresent Creator-a Deity of infinite mercy-a God of love! Then inoredible it seems that he destroyed the birds—the gulls and stormy petrels. human race for its disobedience and sin. An Omnipresent Creator, a Deity of infinite mercy, a God of love, could never have destroyed the human race for its other causes that would have killed disobedience and sin. No creature of His could ever have wrought a deed or dreamed a dream that he had not foreknown before the first nebula had been and perfected by variation from the also, his fears were well grounded, for, condensed into a star! He could never common type, and the survival of the within a century, the world had set its have been angry at the conduct of any living thing, nor could He ever have repented of His acts.

We read in Grecian fable that Denkation which Phaethon's unskillful driving | cruel and more efficient than a universal of the steeds of the sun had caused. The deluge. gods of the Greeks had blundered—the earth was wrapped in the flames of the the older he grew, the more of a crank. He yet remained with his disciples; inthe older he grew, the more of a crank deed, had he not all would have been gods of the Greeks had blundered—the sun, which they could subdue only by a he became; he so far sympathized with lost. His disciples were dismayed and seluge, for they were never believed to labor and the palm that earned the food disheartened; evidently they never

have been all powerful or otherwise-But they were the friends of the human race and had taught men arts and arms; they loved the beautiful earth and sent the waters to save it.
The God of Israel, we are told in Bib-

behaved themselves as he had expected nature, thousands of agents—of medition to it was them to do, and now, in His wrath, He ums. Now, every one of His agents has ances with Mrs. Gillette, at the home of entirely a part of the militant operation would destroy some of them, at least, in been a Spiritualist, a servant of the her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Voorhes, 47 of Protestantism, backed up by the exthe waters of the universal deluge. An all-wise Deity, it might seem to us, whether he or she would have swept them all from the earth forever, in order that their places of which indication of our Father, made the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, one of which indicates the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, and the proof of the proof of the proof of the return of spirit very curious results, and the proof of t amenable to God, cranks and the name might be taken by new and better races. applied to those who are possessed of He would not, we may reasonably conideas in advance of some of their fellows, clude, have preserved, by millions of must come from a good source. The miracles, remnants of these degraded crank certainly came from a living idea creatures, for the purpose of again reand represents one. It is a thing by peopling the earth with teeming myrisustained while they were in the busiwhich other things are moved. A ads, no better than those that the waves ness they were put to here on earth. thought put in motion and made useful. had washed away. We are told that They all shook things up from the foun-The best thoughts and the worst ones Noah, divinely chosen chief from all the dations or concentration of this regard doubted assurance that she still lived, ual slavery, for a trivial thing, all the crank. The ass was a crank and was the strictest tests of which I could think posterity of a son, whom the Ancient of beaten as a punishment for his power of on all occasions. This I have done, and Days had accounted worthy to be saved sight.

With Jesus came several cranks—
With Jesus came several cranks from the waters of a drowning world! Had the animals of the sea seemed less

Why must the dove and the oriole die pretended that the tiger is less cruel, The voice spoke to Noah and told him grow another like it? Or of a human model of every one, from which to fash-

than those of the field and forest?

"So careful of the type? But no-From scraped cliff and quarried stone.

She cries. A thousand of the types are

I care for nothing, all shall go.".

A universal deluge would not have destroyed all life upon the earth. As the trees of every forest would have been waters, resting on the floating branches every crank. when weary from their flight. Mon-keys, parrots and sloths would have had food in abundance; squirrels and other conditions of the Lord by night opened the prison doors and brought them experiments and his disposition to peace experiments and his disposition to peace forth." Next to Peter in mediumistic

and thrushes, and as the waters of the and his cranks have accomplished. ously every day.

but those that had hidden away a store common drunkard. All through the ists must pass it round. Here it is: would have survived.

Carnivorous animals, other food failing, would have eaten each other, and the kite and the crow would have become the prey of the eagle and lynx, and the sable the food of the cougar. It is a well-known fact that all carnivoral is a well-known fact that all carnivora can survive long fasts; snakes, even for have found secure retreats in cavities or

Thousands of species of insects live injured them, and they would have carried safely with them through the sea-

The waters, then, could not have destroyed all life upon the earth, and these animals would also have been fatal to those within the ark.

The animal world has been improved been slowly transmuted by the law of evolution into better and higher ones.

As a crank he did great work.

in various localities, he requires many might reject it.

It is well known to many of my friends of the spirit. One fact may, however, amount of business in many far apart that for a number of years I have been be usefully borne in mind, that the adlical myth, was grievously disappointed amount of business in many far-apart that for a number of years I have been in the incident and establishment of order ape in the image of man, they had not appear that for a number of years I have been the unseen ones, in what the incident and establishment of order and in the image of man, they had not and has called into activity, of special wise of Spiritualism. During the last quite, universal in the fourth century

Daniel was a crank; so were David and Solomon; so, too, were Elisha and Eli-jah, but they appear to have been well sons of earth, though the storms of six for the higher life and its higher laws. and unceasingly took an interest in my

John, Luke, Mark, Matthew and others and commune with us. -what a lot of earnest workers they were! All but two of the disciples, or called Judas a crank.

the spirit agitators—one of the disciples

mylodon and the saber tooth, had per-crank. He was full of human sympathy God, I will pour out my spirit upon all with teams, saws and other tools in the ished long before the ark is said to have and desire to progress in the ways of flesh; your sons and your daughters shall grove near the mouth of the creek, as he plowed the waters of the universal sea, mental growth and the peace which is prophesy, and your young men shall see were the first to organize an anti-slavery dreams. society in this country. It was a combi-, Peter says of Jesus: "Not that he nation of Quaker cranks, but it moved was the man who taught us to love our matters in time.

The next crank on record was an Englishman, who came from England in 1772, and was the first to introduce umbrellas, as he then did in Philadelphia. floating upon the waters, many laden Here was one crank who almost lost his with fruit and seed, all aboreal animals life through coming along with a new would have found a refuge on them, and idea. Now, if there is not a crank for they are as well authenticated as any the birds would have soured above the every umbrella, there is an umbrella for part of scripture. When he and his

rodents would have stowed away a sup- - all were cranks. So were the inven- power was Stephen, full of faith and ply of nuts in hollow branches, and the tors of the reaping machine, the sewing wild bees, having their homes in the machine, and all of the great and useful cavities of trees, where they would have inventions that now bless the world. It the hands of the people, a martyr to the floated in safety above the water, would was not long since Edison was counted cause of ancient Spiritualism.

carrion birds would have fared sumptu- by Noah. But, he like many others, fell from grace. Noah was a deliverer to After all the fruits, nuts and seeds had the people, who believed in him. He Bible, we find flashes of light, reveal-

Jesus, evidently, felt the world's need years; and, as many species of serpents of mediumship, for he knew it to be the are strictly aboreal, they could easily one only means of intercourse between have found secure retreats in cavities or heaven and earth. He saw manifestations of its power recorded on the pages of the Bible. He knew Abraham, Moses of Elisha and his visions, of the writing in all the ministers' studies in Christenon the wall at Belshazzar's feast, of Daniel and his deliverance, of spiritual beings walking and talking with men, of spirit voices in the air; and yet, in his own day, such phenomena had become things of the past and were unknown. He. therefore, saw the necessity of makfact of mediumship and its exercise by his ministers, otherwise it might again be crushed and fettered by the prejudice and opposition of the world. Jesus did all it was possible to do in the age in which he lived to make mediumship a permanent factor in faith and life. But. fittest; low and imperfect forms have iron heel upon it in spite of all he and his disciples had done in its defence. But Jesus did not give up the work even If an all-wise Creator had determined to after the cross had bereft him of his lion's universal flood was prudentially destroy all life upon the carth, He would physical form. Notwithstanding his sent to extinguish the fearful conflagra- have surely employed a method less spiritual nature was so large and strong that it drew him instinctively away from earth and upward to the highest spheres,

its owner ate, that he slew an Egyptian for the trivial offense, in those days, of striking down a hard-working Hebrew. He kept right on as a crank, till he moved the waters of the Red Sea backmoved the waters medium—and it looks as though he was. history of the Christian church. Mate- The distinction is purely arbitrary, As a crank he did great work. rialism, to-day, fills the soul with amaze- and, we may add, unnatural. Indeed, it When a man is carrying on many ment and wonder. We know it to be forms one of the reasons for making an kinds of business and is operating men true by actual experiment, otherwise we in various localities, he requires many might reject it.

who knows enough for all, regardless of the opinions of the multitude.

These materialized forms, often more than two tombs belong to the second, third and or three at one time. I have on many occasions had reason to believe that my departed mother, who passed to a higher

have come to the conclusion that our departed friends are permitted to return

The next active interposition of Jesus was his conversion of Paul. Though a shall close these thoughts on a subject of and the shark and the devil-fish still apostles, of Jesus were cranks. Judas powerful enemy, Jesus found in him a profound interest: powerful medium. He threw upon him business-man in those days. He was his magnetic influence and impressed the monkey less obscene, or the serpent considered level-headed and a man who him with his presence, and made him less malicious and venomous than those could keep his eye on a piece of silver the instrument of his control. He thus, till it led him into the melting-pot. He most likely, saved Christianity from anbought with a kiss and sold for cash at nihilation. The whole book of Acts is three thousand per cent. profit. No man but little else than a catalogue of the alled Judas a crank. most astonishing psychic phenomena the Simon Peter was no crank. As soon as world has ever known. On the day of the trouble came, he stood and warmed Pentecost, when they were assembled himself. When asked if he was one of with one accord; there came a sound from heaven as of a mighty wind, and of Jesus—he evinced no evidence of they began to speak with other tongues crankiness, but faced the multitude and as the spirit gave them utterance, and went right back on his former profess all were amazed, saying: "How hear we sions. No! Peter was no crank. The all in our own tongue, Parthians, Medes, crank turns others, but never turns him- Elamites, Jews, Egyptians?" Some said The voice told Noah that the heavy wet, which was coming, would be disastrous to all who were not possessed of a boat. Noah heeded the advance thought of the family of harmony. His followers visions, and your old men shall dream

enemies, but he was a man approved of God by miracles, wonders and signs in the midst of you, as ye yourselves know." Peter's life was a succession of psychic wonders, which, were they recorded in any other book than the Bible, the church would reject as fables; but companions were thrown into prison power, who did great wonders and miracles among the people, and who died, at

have lived upon their store of honey. as a crank, and a very wild-brained, Birds of prey would have eaten doves funny one, at that. Now see what he ing. Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, as much for his shrewd knowledge of the The lesson we learn from the deluge world as for his brilliant work as poet with the bodies of all the great land and is this: That communion between the and essayist. Did one in ten of his imals of the earth, vultures and other two worlds was possible, and understood praisers know what he wrote about Spiritualism, in his famous book, "The Professor at the Breakfast Table"? been consumed, all animals that live was inspired from on high, but he fell not one of them, so far as we know, ever solely upon these must have starved. solely upon these must have starved, from his high estate to the level of a referred to the subject. But Spiritual-

"You don't know what plague has fallen on the practitioners of theology. I will tell you, then. IT IS SPIRITUALISM.

... Spiritualism is quietly under-mining the traditional ideas of the future state, which have been and still are accepted-not merely in those who believe in it, but in the general sentiment of the community—to a larger extent than most good people seem to be aware of . . . The Nemesis of the pulpit comes in a shape it lime thought and the prophets were mediums. He read of white ending with such a crack of Elisha and his visions of the writing old beliefs that the roar of it is heard dom. You cannot have people of cultivation, of pure character, sensible enough in common things, large-hearted women, grave judges, shrewd business men, men of science, professing to be in communication with the spiritual world, ing fundamental, in his platform, the and keeping up constant intercourse with it, without its gradually reacting on the whole conception of that other

scure phenomena, as it does those of gant deportment as to his talents. chemistry or physics, but the appearances are so elusive, the causes so entangled, that we need the steadying influence of the habit of thought engendered by science to enable us patiently and hopefully to pursue our way.

The magnificent procession of these phenomena in the midst of which we stand; the realms and magnitude above us too vast for the mind to grasp; the molecules and movements around us, too minute or too rapid for the eye to see, or the mind to conceive, are all marching

DIVINE AND ETERNAL ORDER. When Spiritualism is rightly un-

ward and marched the children of Israel was the most wonderful exhibition of across the gulf, into the promised land. He claimed to be a Spiritualist—a spirit always ranked first in importance in the lity or Mary.

dealing with the deep and living things fourth centuries, and abound in artistic representations of the joyous faith and hope of these first Christians. One of these, which is very common, is a figure in the attitude of prayer-erect, with outstretched arms, as if to welcome the heavenly host—an interpretation which is, curiously enough, confirmed by the say, passionately endorsed by one who has lately received the highest honor of

the Presbyterian churches of Scotland, DR. WALTER C. SMITH, whose touching and penetrating words

O'er land and sea, Love follows with fond Its dear one in their troubles, griefs and

There is no spot On which it does not drop this tender Except the grave, and there it bids

And prayeth not. Why should that be the only place cheered ...

By prayer, which to our hearts is most And sacred grown? iving, we sought for blessings on their

are dead And we alone? The mammoth and the cave-bear, the Friends and Quakers, so called, was a shall come to pass in the last days, saith Idle? Their doom is fixed? Ah, who ocean of immensity above me, I could can tell?

Why should our lips be sealed when they

Yet, were it so I think no harm could well Come of a prayer; And oh, the heart, o'erburdened with its

grief, This comfort needs, and finds therein relief From its despair.

Shall God be wroth because we love them still, And call upon His love to shield from ill

Our dearest, best: And bring them home and recompense their pain. And cleanse their sin if any sin remain, And give them rest?

Nay, I will not believe it—I will pray (As for the living) for the dead each day; They will not grow

Less meet for heaven when followed by a prayer, To speed them home like summer-scent-

From long ago. Who shall forbid the heart's desires to flow Beyond the limits of the things we

know? In heaven above The incense that the golden censers bear

Is the sweet perfume from the saintly Of truth and love.

J. W. DINSDALE.

Chicago. prayer

1533 Masonic Temple, Chicago. Milton was quiet and reserved in con-

versation, but thoroughly refined and Sydney said that the soul of politeness and was, oh! so happy to see another world, and to think that I would so soon

to your own. Philip of Macedon was courteous to all who approached him, even the humblest a life higher, better and purer than the being sure of a hearing.

Pius IX., both before and after his elevation to the pontifical chair was a model of studied politeness.

Mohammed inculcated politeness in the Koran. He himself was one of the most courteous of men. Andrew Jackson was rough in his man-

ners but could be polite when he pleased. He was always courteous to ladies. The Duke of Marlborough said that

he owed his success as much to his ele-Byron was affable to his equals and to those whom he wished to please, but

haughty and distant to most others. Robespierre was urbane in manner

and courteous, though brief, to those who approached him on business. Beethoven was rude and gruff, and seemed to be in a perpetual bad humor

with himself and every one else. Talleyrand owed his success in life, to io small extent, to the uniform courtesy with which he treated every one.

Haydn was the personification of pay to be impolite, even to a dog."

Beyond the Clouds.

Views in a Brief Vision.

ate hour after an arduous day's business at the store. Being fatigued, I was nat-urally restless, and rolled and turned and tumbled in my bed until my nervous system seemed tensioned to its utmost. I was not only fatigued, but extremely sad. Four years ago that day my mother was laid to her eternal rest. I had been

HER-WHOM I LOVED

thinking of

above all that ever was or could be. All day I had been wondering where she now was, what form she occupied, and if I would ever be conscious of her existence in any other life than the one I had known and loved her in.

At these thoughts I grew frenzied. Prostrated with nervousness, I buried my face in the soft, downy pillow and began to count the seconds as they were had been sleeping but eight minutes, measured by the timepiece upon my measured by the timepiece upon my mantel, trusting that it would divert my thoughts from the awful agony of the past and allow me to go peacefully to sleep. I could not rest. Fearful of what might be, I trembled and choked and wept like a little child torn ruthlessly from its mother's breast.

I arose, dressed myself, passed quietly and spent that all my physical strength seemed to have left me. My eyes grew dim, and even the familiar street lamp seemed to pale and faint. I retraced my went quietly to my room, threw myself carelessly across the bed, and knew no more until suddenly

I FELT MYSELF SLOWLY RISING

higher and higher and higher. I was entirely changed, a new being as it were, yet it was myself. I could see and recognize everything as before. I looked back and saw upon the bed my old form. How I escaped from the room I could not tell, but there was the body, clothed as it was when I came in from the street. The hands were limp and languid at the sides, yet I could feel. The lips were firmly set, yet I could speak, for I said: "How strange all this is!" The eyes looked dull and leaden like, yet I could see, for as I rose up, up, up, into the vast see the objects below me gradually growing smaller and smaller, until at last everything disappeared, and I was being borne I knew not where nor how.

above and the known below. I PASSED BEYOND THE CLOUDS,

on, and on, and on. The very stars were now beneath me. I looked back, and a good medium, a ready means of giving there was the body still lying upon the messages in a reliable manner, as such bed, as I had apparently left it. I could not be mistaken, I recognized it as my spelled out by alphabet, and are more old house, so to speak. I saw the ring quickly given. upon the finger, as I had worn it when I as I was from that robe of passionate flesh that I once had clinging to me.

could touch, taste, smell, see and hear, as I could in my old form.

WHAT FORM I OCCUPIED

in my present state I could not tell. Why I ever occupied the other form was a mystery, but that did not concern me now; I had left it, and it was of no further use to me, nor I to it. Let those who lust after things impure and defiled take it and do with it as they see fit. I was no more a part of it, and they could not harm me. All the while I was being drawn onward and upward by an irresistible force. As I went on through that vast field of glories, I suddenly heard a voice across that bottomless and boundless and shoreless sea. saying: 'He comes! he comes!" I looked in the

be there. I felt that I was soon to ENTER UPON ANOTHER LIFE,

direction from whence the sound came,

one I had so recently left. Flesh to me was but corruption, with which no one could be pure, and without which all humanity would be as Gods. Flesh the boundary line between perfection and imperfect heaven and hell.

soon found myself upon another world, arched and spanned by a glitter ing dome, upon the crown of which there was written this strange inscrip-"Peace is Heaven; contention

It was not until then that I understood the significance of those terms. Where I was then was heaven; the place I had left was hell. There was no ivory throne, or golden streets; no angel singing songs of praise to him who died for man. But it was as a beautiful place, sacred to thought, whose groves and arches, as if touched by the weird musicián's hand, did catch and hold all the sounds of Apollo's harp, strung with ten thousand strings, and played by the dest fingers of enchanted worlds. It was the realization of the soul's

deepest desire. A PERFECT HEAVEN.

There was no want or crime or cruelty, courtesy. He once said: "It does not No sickness or pain or heartaches, no I malice or contention or strife or jeal-lery official of the empire.

ousy, no fear nor hate, no death, eternal life, eternal bliss, everlasting sunshine, infinite love, by, through, and for all. My ideal of a place in which to spend eternity. As I strolled mid clinging vine and drooping flower, through the long vista of beauty I heard a voice calling: "Henry! Henry!" I at once remembered it as the voice of my dean It was Christmas Eve. I retired at a I was conscious of her existence, and I was conscious of her existence, and

was happy.

As if in a swoon I began to rise. I tried to catch at passing objects, but to no avail; like a snow-flake I floated off into the distance. That other world was fast fading from me. I began to go down, down,

THROUGH MIST AND CLOUD.

I passed into the room, and into the old body that lay motionless upon the bed. As I entered into its silent chambers, its cold touch aroused me from my slumber, and I awoke, saying as I did so: "If there is another life, and we are not conscious, cannot know and love those who have known and loved us here, it is cold and cruel.'

I rubbed my eyes, crossed the room, looked up at the clock and found that I

Good Word for the Psychograph.

That I appreciate the psychograph you may know from the fact that I have purchased, one after another, ten instruments; not for my own use, of course, but I have found them the best means to start out into the hall, down stairs, and out into the cold and crisp December air. I walked and walked until I was so weak desire to start a circle, I get a psychograph to form a central attraction, and fix attention. The rules for the formation of circles, and how to develop mediumship, which go with it, are so comsteps, and upon reaching the house I plete that if carefully followed they lead to success. I have in this manner started nine circles of investigation, beside my own, and only one has proved a failure and that because the members did not persevere. They became discouraged after they had sat only three times without results, and discontinued their sittings. Now, this might have been brought about by other meuns, but it seems to me not as well. Mediums for various forms of manifestation have been developed, and many have received, blessed assurance that their spirit friends were present, and with continued affection. As all this was through home mediums, who had the entire confidence of the circles, and came spontaneously, it was the more valuable. I, for one, be religion of the family circle, for it proves to us that death does not break up the strong ties which bind the family over there with the family here. neither the psychograph nor any other There I was between the unknown instrument can make a medium of one who has not the elements, but by fixing the attention and thus uniting the circle, it is an important means, and, with

The medium in one circle complains was its tenant. Had I really left it? that she knows just as soon as the first Where was I going, and would I ever word is spelled what the sentence is to return to it again? These were the be, and accuses herself, fearing she questions I was asking myself, but the moves unconsciously the index. But answers seemed as far removed from me often the answers are beyond her knowledge, and such as no one present knows. This, I think, ought to be entirely sat-I say me, because there was apparently isfactory to show that somehow the as much of me now as there was then. I movement of the index is accompanied by the impression of the medium with the thoughts of the spirit. Is it not true that mediums are generally thus impressed? My observation leads me to think they are.

At one of our circles I asked the spirit' of a friend if the times would get better, and the reply was: "Yes, from now on. That is encouraging to us western people, who have been ground fine between poor crops and low prices.

"Who will be the next President?" Answer-"A Republican, to name whom would be to defeat."

Now I am glad; it is no one we well know, as I know of no one I want to have for President. If there is anything I like, it is to see a man who wants an office defeated.

Well, I have written much more than I intended. I have places for two more psychographs, which please send. R.R.

Fox would never stand covered in the presence of ladies. Count de Lesseps was the type of the French gentleman.

Corneille's manners were the admiration of his contemporaries. Bret Harte is said to ape the behavior

of the English aristocracy. Goldsmith was ill bred and too much nclined to talk about himself

Calhoun was so absent-minded that he often forgot he was in company. Monroe was, even in his own time, called a gentleman of the old school.

Bancroft was rather reserved than otherwise with most persons whom he Garrick was generally so quiet that

he often created the impression of diffidence. Henry Clay was said to make the most engaging bow of any gentleman of his

Marcus Aurelius was said to be the politest Roman Emperor who ever sat on the throne. Dante was solitary in his habits, and,

by his austority, chilled most of those whom he met.

Justinian inculcated politeness on ev-

HYPNOTISM.

A Consideration of the Magnetic Forces in Man.

As Viewed by a Gifted Practitioner.

Physiologists teach that the brain is jects who unwittingly become or uncondivided into two separate parts—the sciously make themselves negative, and upper and lower brain. The upper brain is technically called the cerebrum, and the lower brain the cereblum. The through this unfortunate class that through this unfortunate class that

that is, the governing power of the cere- the mind to concentrate thought. bellum over the organs of the body is automatic, or self-acting, while that of there are, comparatively, who can practhe cerebrum is dependent upon the will tice concentration of thought. To learn of the man or spirit who inhabits the

To these some writers add a third medium. Here are some illustrations; brain, located about midway down the Shut yourself up in a slightly-darkened spine, and called the solar plexus. Consideration of this theory is unnecessary

There is close connection between the the earth. The earth itself is a great revolutions of which produce the magnetic currents which run from south to

The chemical action of the voltaic pile produces a weak magnetic current. yet sufficiently strong for the telegraph line; but it takes the rapid revolution of the dynamo to produce a magnetic current strong enough to run a car.

The spirit is enabled to live in the spirit feeds, and by which it controls, directs and moves the body. magnetic currents are mostly in the three natural elements of air, earth and water. That is why the Indian, the child of nature, is so highly magnetized. His bare feet trod the virgin soil; loose clothing, if any, enveloped his body; his lungs were ever filled with pure air, while water was his only drink. Of course, this applies only to the "noble" red man, not to the modern, degraded specimens. His soul and body literally drank in pure magnetism abundantly and he was thoroughly magnetized That is why excarnated Indian spirits make such good developing controls. Mediums should live as much an outdoor life as possible, in order to get the And not alone, 'tis the ship of Life very best magnetism. The color of the That sails away through the unknown Indians-copper, a good conductor of magnetic currents - undoubtedly has something to do with their powers.

The body takes and gives out magnetism through all its points, but it receives the most through the lungs. The atmosphere (Greek, aura) of the earth is highly charged with magnetism, which is taken into the lungs through the breath, and speedily absorbed by the iron of the blood, which itself is a good conductor of magnetism. Many physiologists suspect that the oxygen of the air is simply one phase of magnetism! at least it is highly magnetized.

The oxygenated - magnetized - blood is forced in the arteries throughout the entire physical system. It is a significant fact that each artery, and no vein is accompanied by a nerve. Nerves are purely and simply tele-

graph lines for the conduct of electricity or magnetic currents. If a movement of the arm is made, the spirit sends a magnetic current from the nerve-center in the brain down the particular nerve to the particular muscle; and the muscle is magnetized and moved, just the same as the magnetized table.
The separate action of the brain, mus-

cles and organs of the body also beget magnetism, and that is why the clairvoyant sees a different magnetic aura or atmosphere of magnetism around each Work with thy might and not-forget organ of the body.

Look at a heated stove and see the But proves the tenor of a soul quivering atmosphere around it. That is That counts for one on heaven's roll. the caloric aura or heated atmosphere of the stove. So everything, animate or The buoyant heart or restless feet, inanimate, has its magnetic aura. The And win, by true fraternal zest, body itself has its own magnetic aura. And win, by true fraterna An interim of happy rest. church paintings and Bible pictures is a Talk, as when thoughts of thy concern glimpse of truth in this direction.

The positive and negative properties Or love shall prompt the word of cheer of magnetism are too well understood to To cancel pain or cast out fear. be described here at length. Wherever Read much and thus enlarge thy scope magnetism is manifested, whether celes- Of truth and progress, life and hope; tial, terrestrial or animal, these properties or conditions exist. When the May some day be thy wand of power. brain is active, and generating electricity, its magnetism is positive. When it is dormant—sleeping—and not gen— erating electricity, its magnetism is neg-with promise of a ray of light erating electricity, its magnetism is neg-

During sleep, or the negative condition of the brain, there is less circulation of Who dares to think an honest thought, blood, and, consequently, less magnet- And love shall sweep thy brow of care

ism, in that organ.

A second definition of hypnotism is a magnetic sleep—that is, a sleep induced And trample superstition's lies by the exercise of magnetic powers, as Beneath thy feet, and others lead distinguished from ordinary slumber.

the brain, possesses, directs, controls and governs the body by magnetism.

Indeed, this agent or force is the con-The spirit, sitting enthroned within necting link or chord between mind and Precedes true faith with all below. matter. Saver this magnetic chord and Go through the world and cry aloud. instantly and forever soul and body are And spare not souls to error bowed while in the hypnotic state, because in

separated. Persons may be easily killed From some small gleams of freedom light that condition the soul is actually out of To dawn upon their stupid sight. the body, and held to it only by the tender tie of magnetism. Every person is subject to hypnotic influence, and some hypnotists claim that there is no one who cannot be hypnotized Acquits itself of all the rest.

SILAS BOARDMAN. after repeated sittings, if not, at first. Practice shows, however, that only a certain percentage can be readily hypnotized. This percentage is variously After Truth." By Hattie J. Ray. A the room if this request had been given by writers, from ten to ninety per cent. It will probably not average over moral and spiritual tone that all will be We all

forty per cent. Those who can be hypnotized—that is, this office. Price

put into the magnetic sleep are technically called subjects, because they can subject themselves to the hypnotic in-

A good subject is one who, as phre-nologists would say, has his hypnotic faculty born "large," or has it grow large by education. That is, one whose will is able to direct his magnetic forces. or, in other words, can make himself magnetically positive or negative at his

own pleasure.

Of course there are many good sub-

seat of observation, memory, will, motion, reason, intellect, etc. The cerebellum governs, with the cerebrum, the action of the lungs, heart, stomach, etc.;

Every medium is a good subject, and every subject can become a good medium. Subjects can only be discovered by trial. Those in whom hypnotism is action of the lungs, heart, stomach, etc.;

It is astonishing how very few persons veloping hypnotic power or to become a

room, as far as possible away from all disturbing sights and sounds—from every vibration that will counteract the vibra-The phrenologists taught that the tions of your own magnetic currents. brain was divided into many separate Center all your attention upon one obdepartments, commonly known as ject, the ticking of a clock, a piece of "bumps," but this theory has generally been discarded for the more reasonable and await results. Do this at stated peone of "nerve centers;" that is, for illus- riods, daily if possible, or not less than tration, from each organ extends a set twice a week. Sit an hour at a time, if ries or bundle of nerves, which end in possible; if not take at least ten or a gagement with him for a seance, a common center in the brain. Hyptwenty misutes. From thinking of a which I did, the 11th of March. The a common center in the brain. Hypnotism seems to corroborate this theory,
as the student will understand when he
learns to manipulate the head to excite
or subdue action in any particular notic stage or dark belt. Your mind is Motion produces magnetism. The vacant, so to speak. It has stepped magnetic currents are called electricity. aside for the time. Its directing organ, the key-board, is demagnetized, or to sun-spots and the magnetic currents of speak more properly, is negative and ready to submit to the positive magnetdynamo, swinging in space, the daily ism thrown upon it by the operator, be he visible or invisible, incarnate or excarnate.

If, in practicing concentration of thought, you feel the slightest tendency to drowsiness, let yourself follow the inclination and go to sleep. You will wake feeling refreshed, and better than ever, —" Nature's sweet restorer—balmy

sleep."
"If at first you don't succeed, try body solely by reason of the magnetic again." This second lesson in hyp-currents of the earth upon which the notism, well practiced, will prepare you for the third. B. A. C. STEPHENS, (TO BE CONTINUED.)

AU REVOIR.

What is the mystery, dear, that comes, With the closing eyes, and failing the windows, for his own safety, I prebreath.

In which the soul drifts out alone Across the river men call Death? But this is only the picture seen By those who look with the sight of earth,

To opened eyes in the spirit realm.
The soul but drifts to its heavenly birth.

Bringing a soul into heavenly port,

While earth-bound shadows forever flee. Then bid the voyager e'er God speed,

Say not good-by with its parting pain; But waft with a prayer, as he sails from sight, Those sweetest of words, "Till we meet

For meet, Love, we shall, sometime, ness, it undoubtedly was not thorough somewhere,

There is no loss, and the dead die not, Then cover your graves of cypress here With love's immortal forget-me-not. Sweet Soul, that went from us yesterday

'Tis thy living voice that now softly cails,

And I see thee, a living love, my own, In the light that falls from the jasper walls. Vanished the fear of a parting for aye,

For Death is of earth that keeps souls | back anything else besides the wax or So I only say when you sail away,

As I kiss your lips, "Till we meet again." CALLIE B. MARBLE.

A NEW DECALOGUE.

That honest toil brings no regret, Play when thy hour and purpose mee

Inspire the heart to teach or learn;

To pierce the gloom of error's night.

For truth to weave a garland there. "Pray without ceasing" to arise Out from traditions dingy creed.

The law of gospel and good will; The life this edict has expressed

A CRITICISM

By a Prominent Spiritualist Of the Seances of L. P. Mitchell

To the Editor and Subscribers of The Progressive Thinker, and to Spiritualists gen-

Feeling confident that you all will coalesce your utmost efforts with mine, in exposing and trying to break up fraud, as much as possible, that infests our is technically called the cerebrum, and the lower brain the cerebellum. The cerebellum is the larger part, and occupies the front and upper part of the skull. The cerebellum is smaller, and occupies the back and lower part of the skull.

The cerebrum is recognized as the seat of observation, memory, will, moseless of observation, memory, will, moseless of the seat through the country in this State, by the name of L. P. Mitchell, who lives near Mason, Ingham county (his wife goes with him and acts as his manager) claiming to be a genuine materializing medium, and to give full form materialization, but the opinion of myself and all of those that attended his seance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kent, of this place, is that he is a down-right

> put the people on to him. The seance was composed of twentyfour men and women, about twelve of each, honest investigators and Spiritseance not being satisfactory and decid-edly disgusting from beginning to end, to all that were present, so much so that I would not pay him his money until he would come back and give another seance under better test conditions and prove himself genuine for the first one, I have been negotiating with him ever since, trying to get him to submit to honest and reasonable test conditions, to which he doesn't feel at all inclined to

the following report will demonstrate

comply.

I will epitomize our correspondence as much as possible, and submit it also to you for publication, so people with judgment can judge for themselves whether I have not been fair with him

in every respect.

I met Mr. Mitchell, his wife accompanying him, at North Lansing, on the morning of the 11th of March, on which coming evening the seance was to be held, after a lecture, at the P. of H. hall, by Rev. Annie L. Robinson, of Port Huron. It was about 11 o'clock P. M. before the seance began, and it lasted until 3 o'clock in the morning. The cabinet was a large bedroom, which was prepared according to Mr. Mitchell's orders, by first nailing down sack test, after allowing the committee to examine his clothing, and they found nothing but black upon his person. The committee, composed of five men—this being their first experience in such busiup around his neck, and tied the ends in square knot. The knot was to be sealed with wax, but not being remindful enough, in all of their two or three an excuse to go in the room where Mr. Mitchell had previously taken off his white shirt, and where his baggage was,

music, which was procured, and rendered intervening the singing. About fifteen minutes or more elapsed when our attention was attracted to the curtains, which parted and revealed the upper portion of a form, purported by the manager to be Riley Avery, the cabinet control, who gave a few directions in regard to the seance, by talking independently through a trumpet, which

could only be understood by the mana-

us to find out. The circle was formed in

felt very strong, I suppose, on account fore would have all the chance in the him to materialize, and requested three performer, and everything went to show of the strongest men in the circle to join that they tried their best to dupe the of the strongest men in the circle to join hands and take hold of his right hand and pull with him. A gentleman by the latter than the people of South Riley in great shape, but turned out a disastrous failure. name of C. J. Harris, who was consid- I endorse the philosophy of Spiritualered the strongest man in the circle, re- ism to the fullest extent of the word, and

three tried to pull the form out of the cabinet; but the combined strength of us three was too much for the grip I had on the form's hand, which broke before we could pull very much, and after several repeated trials we gave up the job. I asked the privilege of the manager to take hold of both of the form's hands, which was stoutly refused, of course; the form could not brace himself against the door-casing so well this way, and un-doubtedly would have come flying into

everything that was done.

would go to the cabinet, expecting to thing that comes "way-billed" as Spiritsee some of their departed friends, only to be disappointed. One form would appear in about every fifteen minutes, and the result is, frauds and blacklegs pose as mediums, and it puts a black spot on the name of an honest which accounts for their being so solid which accounts for their being so solid, medium and brings mediumship into as Mr. Martin, in the Grand Ledge Republican, under date of March 8th, givide seeing these mediums exposed, is ing an account of Mr. Mitchell's seances, confirmed in its opinion that Spiritualism says they were. O, yes, I think they is a monstrous fraud perpetrated on the were quite solid; I had hold of some of them myself, and if ever I shook hands dividual gain. And it is no wonder that with Mitchell, when I met him at the its followers are sneered at and stigma-hotel, I did during the performance. I tized as dupes and lunatics. We are to

were present had the honor and priv- ualism, they would become better and ilege to shake a fair-sized, bony hand, more sensible Spiritualists. But they which had a very close resemblance to the one that Mr. Mitchell has for every-whether there is any genuineness in the day use. The more singing and music, phenomenal if we don't investigate?" I and the more noise we all made, the will ask how many of you are any more sooner a form would appear, not more satisfied that there is, after attending than one at a time, until about twelve or one of these test seances, than you were fifteen forms came to the curtains, all before, fraud of the first magnitude, and I trust forms, except one of a little There is one way, I think, that wil girl, which had a man's head on her put the phenomenal part of Spiritualism beyond a doubt, to any broad-minded person that he is such, and will tend to shoulders, so said the lady that was on a sure and honest basis, and that is called to the cabinet. There was light this: Have the State Association appoint enough to recognize any person across a board of examiners, men and women, the room; also the form of Mr. Mitchell that know their business, and every meat the curtain, which was the only one dium that wants to go before the public

> time, the louder the better, when raps be allowed to do so, or not be patronized were heard as a signal to close the se- unless they hold a certificate. I think ance, and Mrs. Mitchell announced the that would put a great number of our house, near Rochester, New York, in seance closed, which, I presume to say, so-called mediums in the background, Mr. Mitchell thought was the best thing One great inducement for fraud is (Leah, Margaret and Kate) where the to be done to avoid a complete exposure that there are too many willing and first raps occurred to awaken the entire right there and then, for quite a num-ber of the circle had made several quite and seeking the phenomenal, and re-audible outspoken remarks to that audible outspoken remarks to that effect, for we were all becoming more and more disgusted every minute, and would have done something outside of the ordinary line soon. Closing the seasone the way it was, was where a great deal of the unfafrities began, Mrs. Mitchell the possum and the fool; for she would not allow the committee to make an examination of the sack, or anything else, until she went into the cabinet herself and covered up the medium with a large cloak, exposing only the back of the reack and the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing only the back of the reack and the large cloak exposing on the large cloak exposing on the large cloak exposing on the large cloak exposing sack, or anything else, until she went into the cabinet herself and covered up the medium with a large cloak, exposing to the world that Spiritualism has an atonly the back of the neck, and the knot, tractive philosophy and a high code of and many other beautiful dissolving J. C. Street, A. R. N. which of course was found the way it morals that is worthy the consideration was left, but the actions and maneuver- of any honest, upright and thinking man ings of the medium and manager were or woman, and people will cease to call very disgusting to the committee and all us cranks.
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> The nucker and gather South Riley, Mich. of the sack around the medium's neck in front was not allowed to be examined, which shows trickery on the face of it.
> Mrs. Mitchell making believe, in the

meantime, that the medium was most your effort to expose and drive takes and interesting success. It is hoped sume, and then nailing heavy quilts over them, after drawing the shades. He furnished his own curtains, to hang over the doorway, which were of heavy. the doorway, which were of heavy, black material, parted in the center, but tied together at the bottom, so when his form would come forth, a step or two, they did, and Mrs. Mitchell made mother physical phenomena, held by Q. L. Concannon, now in Kansas City, Mo., as the curtains would be sure to come with the forms, which I, and every one in the circle, would swear was nothing more than his own individual Mitchell. The forms were very careful not to allow very close inspection, which accounts for none being recognized. I am quite sure there would have been one form recognized if a closer inspection would account the candid option of the committee, that the might get out of the sack. It was one of their cute tricks of deception they tried to play on the peopre recognized if a closer inspection would recognized if a closer inspection would recognized in the cut the string, but I would the committee, that she did not cut it at all, and it is the candid opinion of all of us that it had been previously cut by the medium, in order that he might get out of the sack. It was one of their cute tricks of deception they tried to play on the peopre real while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances in daylight, there is no possible chance of fraud or trick. Musical instruments are given in daylight, there is no possible chance of fraud or trick. Musical instruments are played upon. But I was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his physical seances it was my happy privilege to attend several while there. In his

nomena, stunt and warp their mental many as four full forms out of the cabgrowth. All of those that attended the inet at once, sitting on the laps of performance here are of the opinion friends, shaking hands, etc., while the that anyone who pretends to be a good medium was in full view of the sitters. ness, it undoubtedly was not thorough enough—helped Mr. Mitchell in the sack, after examining the room, and then gathered up the puckering string, close up around his neck, and tied the ends in the middle of the floor, where, after time in the past, and have never re- talking to the sitters a few moments, covered.

years' experience in this line, the wax was not on hand, so Mrs. Mitchell had se Mitchell produced bers. A few man and call it genuine, such a performance the evening, at intervals, and at the as Mitchell produced here. A few more close of the seance came out and played such men going through the country, and danced, until she dematerialized, giving performances like this under the leaving the harp lying on the floor. not, and concealed it in the room, while

the committee was sealing the knot, is at such deceptive stuff. for her and Mr. Mitchell to know and for a double crescent shape, Mrs. Mitchell taking a position near the cabinet at one end of the circle. The manager, Mrs. Mitchell, requested singing by all, most

of whom responded; also instrumental of it, but the sight of this one was too sickening, for not one morsel of it was palatable to anyone with a reasonable mind.

The sack was stripped off of the medium by the manager in the dark, no light was allowed to be near, the medium was laid out on a couch for resuscitation, which was slow, on account of

waiting for the crowd to disperse. During the black-art performance, the manager would go up to the curtains of the cabinet when a form would ap-The supposed form of Riley Avery pear without being requested to, there-

quested the privilege to be the one to don't doubt but what there are genuine take hold of the hand of the form, but phenomena in the form of materializations and otherwise, and stand ever honor and privilege to join hands with enough, that I have given an exact re-

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each, honest investigators and Spiritualists equally divided. Having heard
what we thought was a favorable report
of Mr. Mitchell, I concluded to make an
engagement with him for a seance,
which I did, the 11th of March. The
which I did, the 11th of March. The
were learning as a signal to close the seance. L. G. KENT.

Concannon's Seances.

TO THE EDITOR:-I heartily concur in and frauds from the ranks of Spiritual that in due time they will return to this ism. I feel it a duty, as well, to uphold city, to give exhibitions at an early day, as they are deserving of praise for their

have been permitted. All the test condition Mr. Mitchell sat under was the such test after all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves that the test after all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves that the test after all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves that the test after all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves that these what these what there is a first all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves that these what these what there is a first all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves the test after all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves the such as a first all and pictures of friends drawn on leaves a first all Mr. Martin says that those who ightly ignore and sneer at this phesightly ignore and sneer at this phesightly ignore and warp their mental many as four full forms out of the cabshe would dematerialize in sight of all My mental growth has not been At one time she played on a French

white shirt, and where his baggage was, to procure it, and whether she brought to procure it, and whether she brought and warp the growth of Spiritualism, charlatans and frauds are disgracing more than it will the person that sneers our religion by their tricks, to say no worse; but am happy to know also that Spiritualists! open your eyes, and there are many true, noble souls labordon't let your spiritual convictions blind ing for its advancement, and that O. L. you, for if they do, fraud will surely de- Concannon and his estimable wife are

REV. MARY R. HUTCHESON.

llustrated Lecture on Spirit Photography.

Frank N. Foster, the spirit photographer, who for the last ten years has been favorably known throughout this country as a worker in this wonderful phase of mediumship, gave a very interesting free lecture on the above subject Friday evening, May 3d, to an audience of some eighty people, as invited friends at Lodge hall, No. 11 N. Ada street, this city. He also gave an exhibition of merit, and took a negative for of the good conditions that were given world to pass in paraphernalia to the a spirit photograph in the hall, under absolute test conditions. The plate used was furnished by a well-known photographer of this city, and handled entirely by him, and at no time in the possession of Mr. Foster. After the picture was taken, (which, as a successful result consisted of an image of a spirit lady's face complete), it was shown to the audience by means of a We understand that Mitchell had been ready to do all I can for the good of the first-class stereopticon and powerful exposed by Mr. Harris, who attended cause, therefor I am sincere and think I calcium light on a twelve-foot canvas one of his performances, a while before am doing good to the cause by writing and gradually dissolved. To say the this, which accounts for him not de-siring to shake hands with Mr. Harris a standing on the Holy Bible, soaked in conditions, created an interesting suron this occasion. The writer had the Holy Water, if that will be binding prise to the most skeptical person, and the entire audience seemed to be astonthe supposed form, after Mr. Harris had port in every respect, and not only ished, which removed all doubt in the been refused, and two other gentlemen voiced myself, but everyone that at mind as positive proof of Mr. Foster's took hold of my right hand, and we tended the seance. genuine mediumship.
At the conclusion of this test of spirit

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be, you would thoughtfully select a "Lost spring, on account of everwork stock of medicines, as safeguards to and bad humors, I became very much run down. About June a scrofula bunch ap-

Purify Your Blood

own volition, and what is more reason- a time my left arm began to feel disable than to take a reliable medicine to agreeable. In a short time it pained me resist the debilitating effects of higher nearly all the time. With that and the

cine needed. It thoroughly expels friends tried to me get to have a doc-

Now we are all about to change to a peared on the left side of my collar bone, warmer climate, though not of our It was very sore continually, and after scrofuls I was in perfect misery all through Hood's Sarsaparills is just the medithe summer. I became so bad that my

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have accumulated during the winter, Sarsaparilla. I have taken five bottles increases the appetite and improves and part of the sixth and am feeling like the digestion, drives away that tired myself again. I have gained flesh rapidly feeling and nervousness, and gives the The scrofula bunch and my lameness bas strength and vigor without which we all gone, and I feel like a new oxesture." cannot appreciate beautiful Spring. It is MISS HATTIE M. CLARK, Parkman, Maine.

from the blood the impurities which ter, but I thought I would try Hood's

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The above is true. The exertions required to keep body and soul together; the incessant struggle for the necessities of this kind. And just as soon as the more than most honest and truthful archæologists great, slavery under the bondage of which we try to harmonize their unproven ideas all labor in order to provide for the fuall labor in order to provide for the fuon the exodus, having no evidence
ture and present subsistence of ourselves
whatever, only their preconceptions,
But if I succeed, may the aged and
wouth and families; a legacy left us by super- they get into deep water, and no two stition, oppression and ignorance, by the oppressors of mankind, who made the acquisition of intelligence a deadly sin, for the purpose of retaining control of the masses for their own purposes— has led our thoughts, and does lead the midst of it, do not realize it fully, unless thoughts of the masses, in a channel where the real conditions are not always realized. We do not realize how much the most backward have advanced during the immediate past. As the writer said to an audience in a

church town a while ago, in speaking of stand on this platform, and not be arrested or driven away from it for expressing these liberal'sentiments, proves my assertion true, that tolerance is far beyond what it was." To many ears, liberal ideas are blasphemous, terrible, God permits such persons to live, why He does not strike them dead on the spot. When the Mohammedan armies overran the Byzantine Empire, and when nothing could withstand them; when the prayers and agonies of the people received no answer, neither from their God nor from the relics of the saints in their churches, after these had been accepted as being able to do any miracle, the confidence of the Christians of that region waned; and the fact that all their hopes and cherished beliefs of the most progressive thing on the face could not prevent them from being conquered by the reputed infidel, and when in advance of the great masses in liberthey saw that they were mistaken in they saw that they were mistaken in their hopes and beliefs as to succor from lists are pushing hard. They are crowdwhat they called on high, they surrendered, and that fact was perhaps as po-not to tarry, but to press forward with tent an ally to the conquering Moslem as the sharp edges of their swords. Familiarity breeds contempt, and the fa-miliarity with advancing intelligence, by such as come into contact with that advance, breeds a contempt for the

At first, advance is hardly tolerated by many people, but finally curiosity, the desire for the new, the sensational, overcomes fear, and when an intelligent and progressive thought has once found a lodging-place in the mind, the seed is sown which in the very nature of things will eventually bring forth fruitage in intellectual advance. Just imagine the change which has

myths and ignorance of the past.

taken place in public sentiment when a compares Moses Hull to St. Paul. The idea of any reputable newspaper naming the two men together would have been sacrilege only a few years ago. It is but few short years ago, in a town which is very close to where I write, when there was a little discussion between a few Spiritualists and the churches, a popular lady, an inhabitant of that town, took the tongs and threw the newspaper which had the audacity to mention Spiritualism favorably out of doors—she could not touch the vile thing with her hands, and peremptorily ordered the editor to never send another copy into her house. That lady bor, as kind-hearted and sympathetic as thought of this question for herself. She has learned better, and has the respect try to prepare yourself for the future. her that there are some things which them that words cannot express it.

A popular magazine, one which goes order to send people to heaven, even and advancement, and retain the oldmethods either. Only a few years ago of that magazine, but tolerance has become so universal among the intelligent that it is now taken as a matter of course to have such things brought to the light of day, as news. 'Those who would still condemn the publication of such historical facts are of the very lowest strata of life, and such advanced thought as is contained in magazines of that class does not reach them. They have not risen to such heights.

That great and brave thinker, Rev Minot J. Savage, has sent forth two sermons analyzing the letter and directions lately put forth by the Protestant Episcopal bishops of America (these were preached February 7th and 14th), which shows the condition of advance permitted in the liberal pulpit. and which no progressive individual can afford not to read, and these two discourses should be especially read by our Spiritualistic platform speakers.

There is another phase of this advance which shows in the sale of anything which bears on the "Newer Biblical Criticisms." A few years ago such literature would have been openly condemned, and the pulpit would have hurled forth its anathema maranatha with a lavishness which we have forgotten even in the short period since the time that these things were common and accepted as needed by the churches and Shall come when he most is wanted a great majority of the masses. To-day no intelligent individual considers himself or herself in a proper condition as to advance, who is not studying these works; and they are as legitimate and common subjects of discussion among the intelligent as is the latest novel among the inane devotees of society.

This advance is making itself felt so strongly that instead of condemning, as of old, the best thinkers in the church have to take up the cudgel as a defensive, instead of an offensive weapon: Authoritative condemnation and a promise of hell-fire for unbelief have lost their terror, and are weapons which no one fears now. The issuing of the latest work by Prof. Sayce: "The Higher Criticism and the Monuments," is a case in point. The assertions and the bluffings which have been put forth in the past by the church have lost their force, and intelligence does not respect their assertion. It calls for proof. The churchmen cannot stand up to-day and say that these old ideas are

whom they were discovered, and what do they say? The old assertion in Egyptian history that "not many years after this, How Rapidly We Are Crow-than (who is 'supposed' to have been the reigning monarch of the Exodus) to let the Israelites go," etc., and then prove it by "Exodus," has lost its force. Too many people have studied even the one-sided and garbled reports put forth to the reading public to accept assertions other is vanishing before the advancing intelligence of the age and the progressive genius which is getting

view occasionally.

The writer obtained the books of Prof. Johnson, of England, some time ago, and has studied them closely. What an advance his views would be, if they can be proven, and there is certhis advance: "The very fact that I can tainly some probability that he may prove them fully. There has been no time in the immediate past when such books could have been circulated, or would have been read, but this progressive condition makes it possible. I liberal ideas are blasphemous, terrible, and no doubt many a one wonders why articles in THE PROGRESSIVE TONKER, and he answers the very questions, and answers them properly, in my estima-tion—in regard to Gibbon, which came into my mind first, as an objection to his theory. I might continue to bring up

ascendancy, but we, who are in the

these evidences until I filled THE PRO-GRESSIVE THINKER, from first to eighth page, but enough. Now, permit me to attach a moral to this, and press it home to the Spiritualistic platform worker, and to all other Spiritualists. You are to-day followers ing on to our heels, and it behooves us increased vigor, to keep in the van. We have no patent on progress, and we must work if we shall keep at the front. Of bodily raiment or victuals or drink.

progressive condition so feebly outlined by me. There has not been a time in Without taking thought for the morrow the history of the world, as far as we know, when such strides have been taken as there have been since 1848, when the first tiny rap resounded on the boards of the humble cabin at Hydesville. Our progress has been marvelous, and we must keep it up. The way to do this is to toil for that purpose, As Spiritualists, you all have a duty to perform. First, make your lives as near perfect as possible. Try, and try again, with this object in view, newspaper in Columbus, Ohio, openly and you will succeed beyond expectation. Let every Spiritualist make himself and herself a synonym for all that is unselfish, good, virtuous, helpful and

progressive. Spiritualism will need no brass band to announce that its followers are good. Let us all set our lights on the heights, and let that light be clear, and pure, so that all may see it, and the world will acknowledge it. As Spiritualists, you have no right to live in the past, but you must look forward for your inspiration. Let the dead past bury its own dead. As Spiritualists, you have no right to be found in the rear rank of the latest and best information. You was as good a woman, as good a neigh- must keep step with the music of the present and the future, and become atany one can be, but she was cursed with tuned to the harmony of intellectual of the Spiritualists of her acquaintance. There is nothing which could induce Intercourse with some of them has con- me to do what many preachers do, and I quered her intolerance and has shown have such unbounded sympathy for

No man, no woman, has a right to A popular magazine, one which goes into thousands of homes in this land, had the courage to publish an illustrated aviicle in Exhaustry in which the trated article in February, in which the source of practically all evils, and it has different instruments of torture used by been the aim of the pulpit of all ages the church (and the temporal powers) in and all religions to suppress intelligence against their wishes, and it did not flat-ter the intolerance which used these suffering and its evils. 'Oh, ye grand spirits, can ye not open the eyes of such action would have scaled the fate these poor, deluded individuals, and show them the harm which they are doing?

Spiritualistic teacher! take an exam ple, and do thou not follow their footsteps. Make thyself worthy of thy calling, so that when thou shalt be called home, thou wilt have only the best account to give for thy actions. Aberdeen, S. D. E. BACH.

THE COMING MAN.

Oh, not for the great departed, Who formed our country's laws, And not for the bravest-hearted, Who died in freedom's cause, And not for some living hero

To whom all bend the knee My muse would raise her song of praise But for the man to be.

For out of the strife which woman Is passing through to-day, A man that is more than human Shall yet be born, I say; A man in whose pure spirit No dross of self will lurk;

A man who is strong to cope with wrong, A man who is proud to work. A man with hope undaunted, A man with god-like power Shall come at the needed hour.

He shall silence the din and clamor Of clan disputing with clan, And toil's long fight with purse-proud might Shall triumph through this man.

know he is coming, coming, To help to guide, to save, Though I hear no martial drumming, And see no flags that wave, But the great soul-travail of woman. And the bold free thought unfurled Are heralds that say he is on the way-

The coming man of the world. Mourn not for the vanished ages, With their great, heroic men, Who dwell in history's pages And live in the poet's pen,

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cerning love.

AN HONEST CONFESSION. We people called Christians, whenever

enticed. Ignore the commandments and teachings of Christ. Then why call us Christians, e'en ever so small

When we don't follow Christ in his teachings at all?

Unless by the scriptures I prove what can agree. And so one ideal after an- Be candid and fair, and acknowledge the truth.

> Christ taught to the people, we know. That riches would send the possessor to hell:

we take time to take a retrospective That a camel could pass through needle's small eye Ere a rich man could enter the mansions

> Woe! woe! to ye rich! ye have had your reward And blest be ye poor; ye shall dwell with the Lord;

Rich Dives was consigned to the torments Poor Lazarus was carried with angels to dwell.

store up great treasures above is our plan. Yet we pocket on earth all the treasures

And claim that our prospects in heaven are grand, Notwithstanding we disobey every command.

Yes, call ourselves Christians and struggle for wealth; To acquire it we sacrifice comfort and health, But if we believed Christ's assertions

were true, Would we take so much risk, would we strive as we do? While we claim to be treading the path-

way so narrow Do we heed the command: "Take no thought for the morrow?" We are told it is sinful to worry, or

Spiritualism has been the pioneer in the The ravens are fed and the lilies grow

at all That our Heavenly Father will give all we need heed.

If we seek for His kingdom and righteousness, too, Then "all of these things shall be added to you:

But instead of obeying we labor and and strive To pile up great riches to keep us alive, And by the vain things of the world are

enticed; We claim to be Christians, but don't obey Christ. our back, with an oath,

may need them both. We don't give to all whose requests are

made plain; them again. We don't give up all to supply others'

needs-While we thus disobey, are we Christians, indeed?

If "smote on one cheek" by a villain of an intelerant education, and had never thought of this question for herself. She past Let it go live in the present, and side; If our enemy gives us a slap in the He gets "tit for tat," notwithstanding posable.

God's grace. tried.

outside. We have the same nature all others have

us a jot. So with goats we must go at the end of

our days As we fail to comply with the things which he says;

And nothing we've gained at the end of the strife By crying "Lord, Lord," all the days of or not it had any good effect on our eneour life.

We are told by the teacher who taught on the mount,

account, Yet we have friends and neighbors, both preachers and lay, Who are fountains of jokes and gush

forth every day. No wonder we try to explain words

And claim that the scriptures don't mean what they say; But if we ignore them and use common

sense We had better deal square and quit manity. making pretense.

If we exercised faith, even were it as small As a mustard seed grain, we could make

mountains fall, And tear from the ground "yonder syc-And hurl it with power to the depths of

the sea: But our faith never blossoms to such a degree-Only gives us queer feelings, which no

one can see; And the neighbors outside think our faith must be thin When, to say naught of mountains, we

can't move a pin! We don't treat sick members "according to Hoyle."

The elders don't come and "anoint them with oil," We take up no serpents, till dead as

stone-Since Eve ate the quince we let live snakes alone. Still, we have no desire to be called

self-deceivers; Yet we can't do a thing which is promised believers: As for healing the sick, it is out of our

power: If we drink deadly things we cannot live an hour.

E'en at casting out devils our progress is slow: Can't "speak with new tongues" and we're soon bound to go, And over our tomb this inscription be

made: 'We are played out, and side-tracked, and left in the shade." ABNER SISSON. mortals would have disintegrated the

LOVE! LOVE!!

As Understood by a Woman.

She Differs Widely from Dr. Hudson.

TO THE EDITOR:-In THE PROGRESS-VE THINKER of date April 6, No. 280, , S. Hudson, M. D., has presented a ingular medley of assertions, experiences, definitions and criticisms con

"That egoistic impulse of organic life called love," is his initial, comprehensiye, and unqualified definition. He throughout represents love to be void of Singing a song, all the livelong day; altruism.

Man is a trinity, and the expression of love is threefold in human constitution, when there is any unfoldment of the higher nature. The three great love centers are the loins, the heart, and the brain. These are the three great centers of the human organism, To claim that only the expression of

the loins center, which of itself is selfish, and the egoistic impulse of organic life-to claim that this is the only expression of love, is to ignore all that ex-alts humanity, and to deny the qualities that hold the higher possibilities of the No one ever loved another, except al-

truistically. Selfish desire is not love, The enjoyment of any appetite is not love; to enjoy what gives self pleasure, is not love—it is selfnood simply.

personal, and selfish as selfhood knows how to be." The instinct to protect propagative

The instinct to protect propagative set free, power from becoming the destructive We lave in the Light of Infinity! instead of the preservative agency of the race, is necessarily specific, personal, selfish. This love is a degree higher than the purely selfish lust that is not specific, but promiscuous.

But there have been a sufficient num-

ber of instances in which the higher quality of altruism has governed the relation of conjugal companionship, to prove the possibility that even this most personal, selfish, egoistic impulse can be dominated by the unselfish and benevo-lent quality of the higher and spiritual love centers of heart and brain. That Drummond or Schroder, in

claiming that love is the greatest thing in the world, or Jesus in the command that we should love one another, recog-If we His commandments and promises nized love as the specific personal, selfish quality of sex-attraction from the loins center, is absurd, is preposterous.

Dr. Hudson wholly separates altruism from love. This places love entirely on the physical plane, the relations between the sexes but an impulse of organic life, and all the ties of family and home a hotbed of selfishness. It is revolting as it is untrue, and so proven in human experience. Love belongs to the individual, the

family, the home. It never broadens outside of it. Love does not leave home When our cloak has been stripped from to concern itself about others. Altruism is the essential quality of motherhood, We don't say: "Take my coat, as you and if the unbounded exercise of this in the family and home, which is a very common fact, does not furnish the altruism that concerns itself about others, And when robbed of our goods we do ask cause and effect are in this line of human experience put out of relation

and sequence. No wise man would command another to love. Love does not follow commands. The same unwise Jesus is reported to have said, in like mandatory way, love your enemies.

That Jesus commanded or taught that we are to feign attraction when there is repulsion, or to express affection when no such impulse is awakened, is not su

The illustration of Cleo and the cat Yes, we often resist when our patience is demonstrates the wisdom of the command to love one another, and the phil-And do just the same as our neighbors osophy of the teaching to love our ene-

We have the same nature all others have cleo exhibited a much more exalted dog nature in exercising altruistic love toward the cat, his natural antipathy, than in the more common expression of fighting.

That we may hold in our hearts an active principle of love, and send out from our finer forces an aura of kindly benevolent quality, is possible. This exercise would benefit ourselves whether mies. It is hardly possible to be totally indifferent to one who is an enemy. We must either feel enmity (hatred) or love. Hate is the most dangerous and de-For all idle words men must give an structive impulse to the person who

cherishes it. The conditions recorded in the Old Testament evidence a much more vigorous disposition to fight enemies, and to treat other tribes and peoples as enemies, than to recognize a unity of all human beings, and a brotherhood of man. Jesus taught these great truths, and gave the command to love one another, a mandate which would tend, if followed, to unify and harmonize hu-

· Cleo helped the cat to physical health and the fullness of bodily life by supply-ing it with that which would build tissue. Human souls can help each other to spiritual health and fullness of the eternal life, by supplying them with the subtle, permeating, soul-building forces

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women who bring children into being love to study and think. For sale at this are truly mothers, because the altruistic office. Price 25 cents. quality has not entered into the maternal the human organism.

the world. The command to love one another is

of the law. Love comprehends altruism. Were all human beings to love one another, to send out only loving thoughts, kind) tender impulsions, there could be no wrong-doing. ·Love is vastly more than the egoistic

impulse of organic life. It is the unifying, harmonizing, exalting quality and potency that creates, preserves, upholds and is from eternity to eternity. Were not this love in ceaseless operation, the antagonisms, inharmonies and A consideration of the passages in the New Testa-ment, quoted from the Old, and called Prophecies Con-cerning Jesus Christ. Price 15 cents. hatreds of poor, ignorant, undeveloped

Deific motherhood is ever renewing all life with the potency of love. Human motherhood is ever renewing the altruistic love of the race. The greatest thing in the world is love.

LUCINDA B. CHANDLER.

Cheering Words from Mrs. M. G. McIntyre.

To the Editor and my many kind Friends, Greeting: Down from the North, where the waving

Lifts high its head toward the life divine. And the waters flow on in their peaceful

way, Where the hills rise up with their rugged side, And the mists hang low o'er the flowing

tide; Where whispering angels, and heavenly doves, Reveal in the silence God's manifold

loves; We greet you, and meet you, in spirit and truth, With the blossoms of age, and the buds of youth,

We bring to you treasures, priceless, rare! God's gifts to His children, found everywhere!

In earth and in heaven, in shadow and light, In the dawn of the morning, the dark-

ness of night; "Love between the sexes, as between In the spheres above, the realms below man and wife, is essentially specific, We find them in beauty, wherever we go. Though in spirit apart, and from form

> You will see by the postmark that I have left the noise and din of our great metropolis for the hills of Minnesota,

> where I may commune, in silence, with nature, undisturbed. Winona, where I am at present located, is most beautifully situated among

> the hills, close on the banks of the Great Father of All Waters, and while it is quite a large city, and a prosperous one, the people move less rapidly and seem content to live and let live. It is truly delightful to get back to Mother Nature, and repose once more on

her bosom, to pluck the lovely blossoms which are now upspringing, and to quench the thirst at her cooling springs; and when the evening shadows fall, and all nature is sleeping, how delightful to watch the stars come out, and catch the inspiration of their gleaming! I am at present the guest of Mr. and

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their own body.
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do, we are prepared to build up societies by giving elocutionary and musical recitals.

heart can desire or spirit need. Every-

where I find an appreciation of the light and the truth. MRS. M. G. MCINTYRE. 366 W. 4th St., Winona, Minn.

Passed to Spirit-Life.

Sister Amanda Polk passed to Spiritlife April 23, 1895, at Marion, Ind. Marion Spiritual Association adopted

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Whereas, There has again been removed a link from the chain that binds us together, and one of our choicest members has been taken to her home in Spirit-life; and, Whereas, By this death, or what seems

so, there comes to each of us a sense of bereavement, and we are reminded that to one and all alike, sooner, or later, the summons will come and we should be ready; therefore, be it Resolved, That in the transition of Sis-

ter Polk, our association has lost a faithful and worthy member, the community a Christian woman, and her family a deoted wife and mother.

Resolved, That while our loss is her eternal gain, we feel deeply that loss and tender our heartfelt sympathy to the husband in this his hour of sorrow. COMMITTEE.

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Deplorable, but True.

Rev. C. S. Starkweather has just been elected mayor of Superior City, Minprohibition; saloons he considers the were obliterated by fire and water. poor man's club-room; and as the rich man's club-room is open on Sunday he sees no reason why the poor man's should

In one of the counties of Tennessee, in the summer of 1839, when James K. Polk, afterwards President of the United States, was canvassing the State on a political tour, a Whig grand jury presented him as a nuisance in calling the people away from the harvest field, to listen to his discussion of political questions. If grand juries generally would lay aside their religious prejudices, and see the baneful consequences flowing from Sabbath idleness, they would present its worship-not its dese-

cration—as a nuisance.

Reader, don't misunderstand us. sixty hours toil constitute a week's service-which seems the general custom for wage labor-then instead of comeach, would it not be better to allow conpriestcraft would not be so generously served by such procedure, but would not humanity be the gainer? In that Martin Luther wrested this holy book case saloons and churches would meet a from the church, and gave it as a sacred common fate.

Oh, How Shameful!

In conversation with a Catholic during of an endless hell was fabulous; but he of God, or should speak lightly of it. said: "The effect of such teaching has a good." He was apprehensive children could not be kept in subjection to termed superstition.

at night, with loud bellowings, and free the buried past becomes better known. application of the rod to the victim, exercising the same influence over his subjects as does the angry God of the church over the imaginations of children whom they wish to train to acts of virtue and morality.

But do not Catholics and Protestants, and the savages of Africa, err alike in child learns it has been imposed upon threatened terror, as for those who employ it as a method of government.

If it is desirable to make the young love truth and practice it, only truth be instructed that the interior of the volcanoes are portholes; and that the souls of the wicked dead are forced to dwell eternally unconsumed in those firey abodes; but the educated and the thoughtful will rebel against such nonsense; and yet, oh, how shameful, the poor child's early years are clouded and blighted with the awful nightmare, and, if always priest-led, must suffer to the end of life with mental torture.

Under Arrest.

Geo. Jacob Schweinfurth, known as the wards gave bonds in \$3,000 for their ap- branch, to shift for themselves. pearance in court to answer and abide the verdict of a jury. It is a hazardous undertaking to set up in business as a messiah. Like whistling girls and crowhappy end.

The elder Pitt was extremely rough in addressing those with whom he came and sick headache; also, to relieve colds. in contact, and so made many enemies. fevers, neuralgia and rheumatism.

Oh, the Frauds!

"That Moabite Stone," to which we levoted an article a few weeks ago, recalls a pretended discovery made in that same Moabite region by Mr. Shapira. The treasure was known as "Moabite pots," and were covered with inscriptions. It is said the discoverer received from the German government £3,000 for his lucky find. On full investigation by archæologists, the pots proved to be modern forgeries, and very clumsy ones.

In tracing the history of Mr. Shapira, it was found he visited London a short time before, having in his possession what he represented as the coffin in which Samson, renowned for his long and muscular hair, was buried. He proposed its sale to the Palestine Exploring Fund. It was referred to Dr. Neubauer, of Oxford, to ascertain the probable date when "Samson" was inscribed thereon. The learned antiquarian called attention to the fact that the Philistine who made the inscription was not a good speller; that he had added a superfluous p to the name, just as an uneducated Englishman would be likely to do. The St. James Gazette, telling of the occurrence at the time, said: "Mr. Shapira and his coffin both left London simultaneously." But it seems he was successful with his fraudulent Amphora among the Germans. His coffin is probably at this time on exhibition in some dime museum, the delight of the clergy. If Mr. Shapira succeeded in getting

away with the £3,000, it is possible a portion of the amount was invested in the Moabite Stone, the Rev. Mr. Kline, a German, like Mr. Shapira, an educated missionary to Jerusalem, probably short of funds, copying for him from the Hebrew Scriptures a passage which it was hoped would pass as one made by the the Revelator's "lake of fire and brim-Moabite king Mesha, 3,000 years ago, to commemorate one of his great battles.

Stone," and not a returning intelligent ground. Within two or three years of evolution or progression beyond this ostriches were imported from Natal and nesota. He announced from his pulpit To prevent detection, the stone was valley of shadows. Jesus, we are inthat he would run no Sunday-school gov- broken into fragments, to be gathered ernment; that he does not believe in up when all traces of the modern chisel in prison, thus implying their repent-

The Christian world are desperate in their desire to get confirmation from knowledge." Universalists believe in a future life; Spiritualists know of it. are content to even welcome such evi- Universalists walk by faith; Spiritualists dence as the fragments of the Moabite by sight. Universalists hope to meet stone. The Samson coffin would have and recognize their friends hereafter; been a sacred relic but for the unfortunate bad spelling of the hero's name.

Wholly Untrustworthy.

It was a criminal offence in the South in ante-bellum days, to teach a slave to read. And why? Because when educated and made acquainted with his natural rights, he insisted on being his PROGRESSIVE THINKER, have studied own master. During all the Middle the horrible secrets of that English in-Ages learning was limited to the clergy. Royalty received its education in a limited way from these intermediates between God and man. If the clergy could to the block! John Bunyan, the sympressing this into six days of ten hours have continued control, the masses of bolic medium, was imprisoned in Bedthe people would have remained ignortracting parties, if they so desire, to divide it between seven days, devoting about eight and one-half hours a day to priesthood. They would have been comabout eight and one-half hours a day to priesthood. They would nave peen company with Frequency about eight and one-half hours a day to pelled to attend church, where they service, leaving the balance of the time below the balance of the time pelled to attend church, where they erick Evans, the Shaker elder, of Mount service, leaving the balance of the time pelled to attend church, where they erick Evans, the Shaker elder, of Mount should like to reproduce half of Mr. Persecutions, should like to reproduce half of Mr. Persecutions and heard the pencil difficulties upon himself. Better than looking after domestic affairs, working received which was written by the finger fetters, dungeons, fires, swords and inin the garden, engaged in literary pur- of God, and was in the hands of the human butcheries have ever been the following: suits, reading the Bible or cultivating priests, teaching man his entire duty to the soul, just as their judgment and intertuce the soul, just as their judgment and intertuce the heavenly powers. It was their prelianity. And, what is worse, these redest shall direct? It is very probable rogative to expound this holy book, and handed sectarists have justified their ning dollars faster than honest methods glean lessons from it for the people, their word being law.

as a fetich and treated it as such. But ecclesiastics saw this fetich would lose (Deut. xiii:6-10.) its value if subjected to free criticism. the last week, he admitted the doctrine so severe penalties were imposed on those who should deny it was the Word

its worth. They find it a very unworthy and unreliable human production, of doubtful value in any field of literature. parents without the aid of what many It was hoped the revelations of ancient monuments would synchronize with it, Influenced by similar motives, the and its defective history would aid in heads of families in "darkest Africa" revealing the past. But the candid blood, under the form of wine, is not the have resort to Mumbo Jumbo, to hold is a production whell contains a very flesh of Christ, as well apart as if is a production wholly outside of au- they were both together, then he shall wives and children in subordination. thentic history, and so the world will This terrible god rushes from the forest regard it as developments go on, and

She Was a Witch.

France to victory, and left an untarnished reputation for maidenly virtues, whose patriotic devotion to home and judgment when they resort to fear, the country has made her name immortal, lowest passion in the human breast, as was burned at the stake May 30, 1431, an incentive to worthy actions? The for witchcraft; Cardinal Winchester occupying a throne erected for his special by falsehood, and loses respect for the entertainment in full view of the awful tragedy, his prelates occupying a scaffold at his right, while the helpless, unin front, around which were piled dry and soundly orthodox. According to and the backbone." should be taught them. Ignorance may fagots ready for the torch. Asked to recant her story, that she was directed in mit all manner of sin-lie, swear, cheat, earth is filled with liquid flames: that her action by heavenly voices, she declared:

> Though you shall tear off my limbs and pluck my soul from my body, I will say nothing else."

> Brave girl, a genuine heroine, peer less in her devotion to truth, she died in a flame of fire built by Christian hands, a sacrifice to that damnable declaration professedly from God, preserved in His holy word, "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live."

Out in the Cold.

Rockford Messiah, has been indicted by the grand jury of Winnebago county, with three of his "angels," who, it is said, have become mothers under his word of 195 to 10. They then set up for have become mothers under his ministry. They are charged with living in open defiance of morality. The parties were placed under arrest, and after-ties were placed under arrest arres

Ayer's Pills are recommended by lead-Ayer's Pills are recommended by lead-ing physicians and druggists, as the let God's sunshine and cooling breezes ing hens, they always come to an un- most prompt and efficient remedy for kiss and then fan their uncovered heads. biliousness, nausea, costiveness, indigestion, sluggishness of the liver, jaundice,

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The pastor of the Universalist Church n San Diego has, in behalf of the Calfornia State Convention of Universalists, invited me to deliver an address or read a paper before its body of laymen, delegates and preachers, that is to con-vene in this city early in May. The in-vitation has been accepted. It requires coast. When money is yoked to educano Daniel to prophesy what my theme

ualism is

UNIVERSALISM DEMONSTRATED

through the present ministry of angels and spirits. Not a spirit has returned with so much as the smell of sulphur upon its garments. Not a spirit has seen of evolution or progression beyond this formed, preached to the Hadean spirits e, progress and restoration.

Spiritualists alone have followed the apostolic injunction—"add to your faith Spiritualists have already, in this world, met and recognized their spirit friends. With Spiritualists faith has blossomed out into a full fruition, and they can triumphantly shout: "O, grave, where is thy victory!"

HIGH COMMISSION COURT.

How many of you, readers of THE quisition known as the High Commission Court and the Star Chamber? Through it heretics and scholarly freethinkers were unceremoniously brought ford. George Fox was hunted and vilifled, and Mother Ann Lee was thrust into a Manchester prison, which I visited murderous proceedings by quoting such commands of scripture as — "If thy brother, thy son, or the wife of thy bosom, say, Let us go and serve other shalt stone him with stones till he die."

A DIABOLICAL EDICT.

That reigning Protestant Christian, Henry VIII., issued, in harmony with Old Testament commands, this edict: said: "The effect of such teaching has a In these times of advanced knowledge "If any person, by word, writing, etc., restraining influence on the young and the book has fallen into the hands of do preach, teach or hold opinions, that the uneducated, and the moral effect is persons who are capable of determining in the blessed sacraments of the altar

under form of bread and wine, after the consecration thereof, there is not present, really the natural body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, or that in the flesh, under the form of bread, is not the very blood of Christ, or that the be judged a heretic, and suffer death by burning." (Pickering's Statutes, Vol. IV., p. 471.)

Wherever a kingly and purse-proud Christianity has gained the most power, it has most obstructed the march of Joan of Arc, who led the armies of civilization, as in Spain and Italy. Guizot, the great historian of civilization in France, tells us that "when any war arose between power and liberty, the church always planted itself on

THE SIDE OF POWER against liberty." This sectarian Chrisof the Dark Ages, the horrid nightmare of the world. It is grossly immoral in its tendency; for it sends good moral men to hell, and the life-long wicked to this churchianic belief, a man may comget drunk, steal, murder-then at the last hour comply with the "conditions of salvation," and swing from the gallows to glory! In confirmation of this demoralizing church doctrine they sing-

"While the lamp holds out to burn The vilest sinner may return.

III. THE BALD HEADS.

"Go up, thou bald-head, go." Who among the ancient prophets was thus taunted? Memory fails me, and my American Indians, the Hindus of the Orient, and the Polynesians of the Pacific islands, have no bald heads. They

nominated the "BLUE COAT SCHOOL." the seniors, all go bareheaded. This why not see the best in the world?" etc. was a condition of the endowment. And these boys and young men thread London's streets hatless in the hottest glaring, Spiritualists of thirty and forty weather, with never a case of sunstroke years' standing flocked to this "Peter." known—nor bald heads in after life, as would hungry eagles to a dead car-Bald heads are common in our country; cass. Some of them actually wanted a and yet fine hair may be made to grow "test"—think of it, a test! He was in-upon them by using the "waters of life" vited into excellent families; was put from Isham's famous springs, some ten upon the Spiritualist platform Sundays or fifteen miles from San Diego, near and Friday evenings, for hypnotizing, the base of San Miguel mountain. These chalk-talks, turning water into wine, crystal springs of soft, pure water are giving slate-writing tests (?) and in the certainly making the hair to grow lux-meantime taking in the golden shekels. uriantly and beautifully upon many bald He had no objections to ladjes' rings heads. Having no financial interest in and jewelry, to give them luck. Things these springs whatever, I can have no selfish motive in thus sounding their his heavy purse being supplied and praises.

IV.

Went on swimmingly. Peter was happy his heavy purse being supplied and sustained by the faithful. The sturdy ship, Spiritualism, seemed riding upon the topmost wave, and funds were talked

IV. THE ORIENT AND THE OCCIDENT. The Orient, with its occult treasures,

tion, and enterprise and idealism are will be.
Someone has said that "Spiritualism is Universalism gone to seed." It would have been better to have said: Spirit-rica; some fifteen years ago, I witnessed the business of ostrich farming. It was pronounced profitable in Cape Colony, and I said to myself, why cannot the ostrich be acclimated, and proved a success in Louisiana, Arizona and California? This thought I published in the New York Herald and the Phil-Cape Town to this country. Those landing at New Orleans and Galveston did not do so well. The climate was too cold and chilly in winter. Others were located in the warm, sheltered valley of San Louis Bay, Cal. These multiplied and did finely. So did those placed upon a branch farm at Coronado Beach, San Diego. A writer says those birds, instead of degenerating in captivity and exile, thrive and multiply rapidly, and the plumes rival those of Natal or Barbary, and by more skillful breeding may yet compare with the wild feathers of the Sahara.

FRAUDULENT SEANCES. Thanks to that faithful worker, Will

C. Hodge, for his excellent article in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, March 23, unmasking hypocrites, and warning which was touched by the Doctor. Then Spiritualists against the frauds, fakirs as we pointed to them one by one he This has been suggested by Mrs. Russelland sleight-of-hand impostors, who, in the sacred name of Spiritualism, tramp that; pick it up and hold it;" then he to see it carried out. But there is a wave-washed shores of the Pacific, giv- write it, giving the spirit's name, which ing fraudulent seances, and robbing the name corresponded with the one held face the world for the bread that perish poor of hard-earned money. Shame—in the hand every time, as the unrolling eth, since it remains that James Burns shame to Spiritualists for patronizing and opening of the pellets proved. The died poor and in debt. We have two what is baser still, defending them Hodge's telling article. Permit me the writing rapidly. Done!—and there were tombstones, better than words of praise

will allow, and it is notorious that this phase is simulated by persons who possess the phase of automatic writing, but who can in no case produce the genuine treasure to the people, who received it gods, thou shalt surely kill him; thou article. Such not only palm off the spurious for the genuine, but they are not above ways that are dark, in the use of chemicals, and occasionally changing slates. They deserve to learn a lesson in common honesty, by paying the penalty for getting money under false pre-

"There are those professing test mediumship who do not give a genuine test once in ten times. 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 testimony of this class of mediums themselves, then this method is largely indulged in and to such an extent has it been carried, many are seriously asking whether it would not be better to entirely discontinue the giving of public tests from our rostrums.'

ing England upon my lecture tours, he "The subject of 'Reverends' may by some be considered too hely to find place in this article. The fact remains. however, the 'reverend' business has been largely overworked, and there are signs that the reaction has set in. To our shame, be it said, societies have ordish rooms, London, and among my fredained speakers simply for the asking, tianity in our midst is the importation and without due regard to intellectual or moral fitness for the position. Oh! heavens! Think of societies advertising professors and reverends who gravely announce to their audience that the protected victim was chained to a stake heaven if repentant at the last moment spleen is located between the kidneys

VI. EXPOSURE OF PETER WEST.

In touch with the above, I am necessitated in behalf of true Spiritualism to sitated in behalf of true Spiritualism to bell rich, and many an old shylock each are as mirrors. They know my give some of the facts relating to the miser may, over there, call upon him past—its good and its ill, its struggles professedly great "slate-writing me-dium, the original Peter West, of Boston, Mass.," who has just become conspicuous in San Diego by his timely disappearance. This man-fully six feet tall, and bearing about a monstrous visceral ponderosity, with any amount of cheeky brassiness-came to our city unknown to Spiritualist journals, unknown to Spiritualist societies, unendorsed by a single well-known Spiritualist, and advertised himself as (I quote verbatim from his handbills):
"The original and only Peter West

of Boston, Mass.; the clairvoyant of clairvoyants, . . everything you want to know is told you instantly, plainly, correctly; business transactions, deeds, mortgages, partnerships; marriage, love, courtship, divorce, family troubles," etc. "Brings back your lover, causes speedy and happy marlet God's sunshine and cooling breezes kiss and then fan their uncovered heads. In London may be seen what is denominated the "BLUE COAT SCHOOL" riages, removes crosses, spells, brings you good luck locates mines, tells you the lucky numbers that win. Do not confuse me with others. I am the

VIII. THE NOBLE MAN. J. J. MORSE. Across the wide waters to England Alfred the Greathat I so admire, and to English Spiritafford to be polite. reliable, original Peter West, of Boston, founded by Edward VI.; the boys, even Mass. If you are going to see a medium,

nibals.

and clasping the hand of that noble man and faithful worker, J. J. Morse, say with a heart all aglow with appreciation: I thank you—thank you for your inspired word at the memorial service of my old friend, James Burns. Listen:

"To-night, I ask you, one and all, to join in tribute to a man's work, good intentions, and good services. Let us re-member all that was good, useful and true belonging to this man, clinging to his better part, so that it may be a touchstone calling out our better selves, and let us hope that when craving kindness for our own failings, we may grant like consideration for another's.

"The late years of his mortal life were embittered by a well-nigh hopeless struggle against financial difficulties, culminating at last in his own utter and complete personal poverty. Sick with a wasting disease, with failing sight, housed in one poor room, unable to procure, for lack of means, comforts that are so needful to the sick-think of it, on that cold December day. Ill, dying, and I, wot not what else, for lack of means, with none to sustain him in his need but the faithful wife, who sat there in the sad grey dawn, soothing her departing husband with snatches of faintly sung Scotch ballads,—cheering him, as in happier days, when their lives were young, before cares had wrinkled their brows, silvered their heads, or embittered the waters of life."

The above lines filled my eyes with But suddenly Peter was not! True, tears. They are not too old to weep for he promised to return promptly, but, as the sufferings of my fellow-men. But, yet, he has returned, neither by railway locomotion nor in the clouds of further: heaven, and there is lamentation and "There are many reasons why, stand

of to construct, by Peter's aid, a mag-

mourning among the few in Israel.

MARK THE CONTRAST.

lets by writing on them the names of de-

during his absence rolling them tightly.

There were some two dozen of them

mixed up in a common pile, not one of

pellets in the Cooks' hands. The com-munications were concerning friends

phenomena. It was all before our eyes,

and of a high spiritual order. And such

we personally know are above all price.

They demonstrate a future existence.

They destroy this death-ends-all materi-

If I know anything through my con-

sciousness, intuition and reason—if I

VII.

GONE UP HIGHER.

of London, has gone up higher. Reach-

was always the first to greet, and upon

leaving for my native land the last to ex-

tend the hand and say good-bye. It was

I delivered the first course—a seven

quent listeners was that distinguished

Friend Burns of the Medium and Day-

it, martyr-like, he sacrificed his life.

Some unhygienic, beef-eating English-

man has suggested, since Mr. Burns' de-

scientist, Alfred R. Wallace.

sunshine of immortality.

and the good angels!

genuine phenomena through those whom

ificent spiritual temple.

ing here to-night, I should frankly admit Take hope, brethren—never a truth my debts to our departed friend. Let me perished. If that grand truth, Spiritutell you one or two. Twenty-six years alism, could have been killed, it would ago I met my ever-valued friend, Dr. J. have been killed long ago, by its pro-fessed friends. It is one of the peculiar-my mediumship, which, from his great ities of Spiritualists to criticise and half experience, was commendation indeed. pay their home mediums, and then He learned from me that I was utterly chase after, patronize and socially alone in the world, virtually homeless coddle every traveling tramp that hires and penniless. He introduced me to a shop, opens his carpet-bag, and adver-tises his questionable wares.

James Burns, who, finding me 'an hun-gered,' literally fed me, and, on Mr. tises his questionable wares.

If certain San Diego Spiritists deny

gered, literally fed me, and, on Mr.

Peebles' suggestion, consented to estabor take umbrage at my plainness of lish those ever-memorable Friday even-speech, it will only compel me to get ing seances, which were held for nearly the affidavits of at least two ladies, who, after attending two or more of "Peter Thus, when life's prospects were darkfour years at 15 Southampton Row. West's" private seauces, came to Dr. est, James Burns succored me. and, all unknown to fame, I was by the same Watkins and myself for medical advice. hand brought before you, and placed in the service, on the mortal side, of the angels and mankind. It were ingrati-Only last evening, myself, Mr. and Mrs. Cook (patients of ours, but not Spiritualtude indeed to keep silence on this ocists) held a seance with Dr. Watkins. It casion, upon such a matter. I, who was not only satisfactory, but overmasknew him in the early work of our teringly so. I purchased the slates my- cause, then, here to-night bridge the self. They were never in Dr. Watkins' room or hands. I laid them upon the distance of the years we have worked table, a large Rochester lamp burning of his work and devotion to Spiritof the room while we recognize the room of the room while we prepared the pel-

"My task is almost done, but, ere it terminates, a word or two more. How ceased friends, then folding them up and best can James Burns be honored? To my mind there are two things that need be done. A fitting stone to mark the spot where lies the dust of one who led the battle when our fight was first begun. would give the oral communication or more important and practical matter communications were apt, convincing sons—James, the younger, is saddled and beautiful. We then, all four of us, with the responsibilities of his father's two different communications, in two or sympathy, better than talk of any "Independent slate-writing, so called, distinctly different handwritings, and list in those liabilities could be lifted from across the liabilities could be lifted from across the lat once to another town, and there man his father's work—he, his brother and his mother, as Spiritualists, are willing to do their utmost for Spiritualism at its best, and if honor to the husband and alism. They bring the loved one to our the father can be translated into results homes again and let in the gladdening which will sustain the wife and sons in carrying on the father's work, then our sympathies will indeed be crowned with a notable success."

know anything through seeing, hearing, feeling—in a word, my senses—then do I know that the chasm is bridged—that Our work, our hopes, our joys, our sorting through the chasm is bridged—that the chasm is bridged—that our work, our hopes, our joys, our sorting through the chasm is bridged—that the chasm the dead are alive. All honor be to God rows are one; hence American Spiritualists sympathize deeply with Mrs. Burns and her two trustworthy sons, Willie and James, in their sad, soul-felt

Laying down his pen, and putting off his sandals, James Burns, one of the first and most enthusiastic Spiritualists

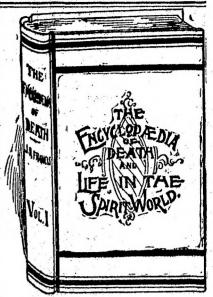
YELLOW WITH YEARS. Here lies the letter, yellow with wishing Prof. Johnson's books, in which rears! "Ever thy friend, WM. DEN- his historical discoveries are fully elaborated with the profession of the professio vears! tend the hand and say good-bye. It was Ton." Such were the closing words of orated, should address G. W. Brown, under his auspices and supervision that a brief letter from that royal-souled M. D., Rockford, Ill., inclosing a two-TON." Such were the closing words of Spiritualist, just on the eve of his start-

As sun to crystal waters, as mirror to

polished surface, as pulse to throbbing heart, so is friend to friend. The wise break was not a "business man" in the have many acquaintances, and but few sense of planning, plotting and scheming friends. Pure, unselfish friendship! for worldly pelf, cautiously, slipperily What is sweeter, holier? And these unkeeping just inside the line of criminal selfish friends-friends who confide in law. No; he was not a business man as me! who tell me all! who confess all! the trafficking tradesman understands and who, opening all their hearts' lovethat word, but he was an honest man! locked chambers to me, open mine afire No sun ever set upon his head that he with love to them! Such friends are light somewhat different from the forwould not have paid his last debt, had it earth's angels, and I have them. From been in his power. To-day he is spiritithem I conceal nothing. Our souls to discard the creative power, does not ually rich, and many an old shylock each are as mirrors. They know my for water to cool his 'parched tongue." and its victories. They know the ideal His was a strong individuality. His sought to be attained afar-of-icadehia in moral courage was almost phenomenallands of eternity. Pure friendship is immortal. The soul thrives on this his industry proverbial. He loved Spiritualism more than he loved self, and for trinity - confidence, friendship, love. 'Henceforth, I call you not servants, but friends," said Jesus. That there are hypocrites, that there

parture from mortality, that he would are two-faced traitors; that there are have been in his body to-day had he masked enemies who smile, and stab eaten heartily of animal flesh—just as while they smile, is not to be denied, though the grease and the gravies of Their barbed arrows make the sensitive dead cows and oxen—just as though the soul to quiver for the moment; but, corpses of dead sheep and hogs, stuffed quickly regaining its balance, it plumes into the stomach, would prolong life! It itself for loftier flights afar beyond the is an undisputed fact that the longest-archer's arrows. There are but few relived people have been those that lived ally bad people in the world-wicked for very abstemiously, or were outright veg- wickedness' sake; and even these poor etarians. A hundred years hence the souls seek happiness by pursuing inverse meat-eaters of this century will be con-methods to attain it. None are totally sidered and called a sort of old-time can-deprayed. There is no absolute, no endless evil in the universe. God is good, and good is everywhere. San Diego, Cal.

Alfred the Great said, "A king can



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Exposure of Mediums. We publish this week a criticism by

L. G. Kent, a prominent Spiritualist of South Riley, Mich., of the mediumship of L. P. Mitchell. We have a large pile of what may be regarded as "exposures" of mediums, sent to us from various parts of the country. We have not published them from the simple fact that by so doing we could not, as a rule, accomplish any good. The one exposed goes path of James Burns' memory, so that, ages to get a splendid endorsement to in the end, his name could be freed repudiate what has already been said and private family matters, and of the most convincing character. These were gary, and the paper he founded preis a "genuine" medium. Hence, but plain, substantial, straightforward spirit served to perpetuate the work he served little if any good results from publishing with such devotion. Young Mr. Burns these exposures, even if every word ut-is prepared to do his utmost to uphold tered is true. The Spiritualists everywhere should be guarded against the trickster and the charlatan, and render fraud on their part impossible, and when detected have them arrested for obtaining money under false pretenses.

"We Told You So." Just as we expected, inquiries from

all quarters for missing numbers of Prof. Johnson's learned criticism of Gibbon's Famous Chapters on the Rise of Christianity. Not only missing numbers, but parties would gladly pay four prices for the entire series. They cantrials. The present, however, has no not be supplied at any price. Other sorrows—no wounds that the future will not heal! God is good—and God reigns.

readers, with additional ones from the pen of Prof. J. The only way to make sure of them is to allow no break in subscriptions. As stated before, American readers

his historical discoveries are fully elabcent stamp, and he will promptly inform months' course—of lectures in the Caven-dish rooms, London, and among my fre-fatal island. "Thy friend!"

Two Master Minds.

On our fifth page are two suggestive articles. One is by Col. R. T. Van Horn, one of the most critical, comprehensive thinkers of the present age; the other is by Dr. Hudson, a man distinguished for his erudition, but who views nature in a mer. Col. Van Horn's theory "does not reject a creative intelligence, does not depose a providence," etc., while Dr. Hudson, from his standpoint, comes to a diametrically different conclusion. Thus we see that master minds will disagree in their search for truth, and the only way for each one to do is to examine all sides, and accept only that which seems correct. We are all searchers for truth, and in a certain degree each one is groping in darkness.

Very Modest.

Thornton Parker, who has just paid the penalty of his crime with his life, on a Virginia gallows, was more than ordinarily modest, as the trap was about to spring which terminated his mortal life. He announced to the admiring spectators, without a tremor, that he was the right man, but "he hoped to meet them all in heaven." Such modesty is seldom witnessed on the gallows. The chances are a hundred to one the culprit assures the waiting throng that his sins are forgiven, and it is only a drop to the abode of the blest. second thought, he would have con-

There was another question asked at

Answer: "I don't know of any

erred on it the fate of extinction.

ume of negative truth.

creator."

The question was this:

BY COL. R. T. VAN HORN.

It is really pathetic, as well as amus- | theories as to creation and to enlarge ing, to witness the average inability of the God idea commensurate with the in-the "educated" class of people to think increased Golden College of people to think increased Golden or people to the golden or people to think increased Golden or people to the golden or pe 'educated" class of people to think creased fields of thought. That is all ruts. If anybody is curious in this direction, let him say something to challenge the rut ideas and he will find out. The letters and suggestions we get to correct our 'want of familiarity' with text-book lore tells the story. The most recent example is a criticism of the story and purpose in the arrangement of the statement that the air was the reservoir statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of the statement that the air was the reservoir of it were a verity. Like the balance a millstone.

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The finite. Is it possible there can be such a personal is ages, and notice the one and the same conditions and their blessed results, for it is a personal in the interior of the world, he personal is ages, and notice the one and the same conditions and their blessed results.

The letters in the interior of the world, he personal is statement that the air was the reservoir edge inspiration to worship an intelliof material or form growth, as illustrated gence that it sees manifested in the prove it. by the potted plant and the balance in grand, rhythmic movements and phenomthe food and waste of the body. The ena of space. Here is a rational hytheory is disallowed, but, strange to say, pothesis as to the nature, origin, main-the facts are not controverted. We had tenance and life of worlds that can be supposed the hypothesis involved had understood, can be studied and that has been amply discussed in the past, but at behind it methods of genesis at once rathe repeated request of some sympational and intelligible. thetic thinkers we will try and state it Now, with such an enlarged conception of planetary processes, we can enter

And we are reminded of the topic by a short clipping in the Journal under the title: "The Sun's Motion." One of the motions of the sun, according to science, is "through space in the direction of the constellation Hercules." The speed is not agreed upon, but 150,000,000 the realm of life-forces with a practical edge, I have thought a word should be given the realm of life-forces with a practical edge, I have thought a word should be given the realm of life-forces with a practical edge, I have thought a word should be given, and not to themselves. Everybody thinks-superstition belongs to somebody else, and not to themselves. If the being of Deity be a fallacy, it is the morning, I told my aunt that I had heard a spirit voice and it said I which man is the highest type, belongs to a certain stage of planetary develoption, but 150,000,000 ment as clearly as did the origidate. speed is not agreed upon, but 150,000,000 ment as clearly as did the crinoidea. miles a year is the minimum rate of We know by science that local planetary knowledg travel. Now, let us go back to the hypothesis that underlies the theory of the foods and air, determine the rank that about it? vortex as the world-building force. Tak- man holds in mental and physical develing gravity as correct, that every parti- opment, and this fact instructs us as to cle of matter in the universe attracts his period and his status in the past ages, every other particle according to certain making him a result of laws that put in ratios, some other force must have over-motion the primitive formation of the idiocrat?

come this balance or equilibrium to planet itself.

Mr. He compel their consolidation into worlds and to hold them there-for the essen- matter from which the visible universe tial idea of gravity is equilibrium in was condensed and evolved being conprimitive forces. The original condition of all things is

substance, matter, atoms or world ma-terial is held in solution. Or, in more exact terms are a law to the substance of the s exact terms, space is but world-matter "mind and matter," to the modern majestic idiocrat. in solution. This solution is made dense by motion, and all motion is circular or annihilationists any longer contend over undulatory—spiral. Hence, in naming that issue. The question now is, not to acumen of philological genius. But his motion or force it is called the this motion or force, it is called the find out God, but to better understand "vortex"—the etymology being from the Latin "to turn." This force, operating more into harmony with the creative after the manner of a whirlwind or purpose in the formation and develop-whirlpool, condenses and holds the sub-ment of worlds. stances of worlds together, as rain and snow is formed, and the substance is inspiration for worship of the Infinite. simply condensed space. The atmosfor here is a creative concept so grand, phere is that part of a planet less consolimmeasurably surpassing that of the densed than at the axis, as the vortex old cosmogony, that the soul is satisfied force drives the substance condensed to in its contemplation. The school-men the center, where its rotating power is have talked long and learnedly about that exists has a definition and least. Science tells us that the air is "law" as involved in worlds, but despite and that definition is known. densest at the surface and becomes at- it all the ancient cosmological concept tenuated as we get away from it. This has made that law, in its last analysis, is from the velocity of the vortex cur- but creative caprice—personal will. rent, which, by its swiftness, as you pro- | Man's mental unfoldment must be from conditions of space.

Now, we know from observation, can discussions we hear much about see by the eye and through our tele- "schemes" and "plans" of the Infinite, scopes that what we call space has re- and of changes of methods, of anger, of gions or areas of different densities. repenting, of pleasure, and of rewards An almighty know-nothing? Vast fields of nebula are visible through and punishments. All these of necessity them does not idiograt well denied which the sun and his system at the rate grow out of the old cosmological conof travel stated could be a thousand cept, and were the best the human mind years in passing. We can imagine the storms of tangible matter that would be storms of tangible matter that would be rained down upon our globe if once in one of these fields of nebula. Wouldn't the earth grow in size if such were the storms of tangible matter that would be the one "plan," the one "scheme," in which there is no change, no repenting the large of the control of the carth grow in size if such were the ling, no intermittent states of regrets or large of the carth grow in the the carth grow case? And why not actually grow in the rewards. It is an infinite universe concan indicate a volume of emptiness? a case? And why not actually grow in the areas of less density that we do know it has been in—and the sun as well? Eras have occurred in the historic time of the earth when for long periods the sun itself was obscured or lessened both in itself was obscured or lessened both in its brightness and its power—an illustrative of the planet in harmony with it.

The fact itself, without further companies a mistake of the unknowable, or Deity, and its repair of the unknowable, or Deity, and the unknowable, or Deity, and the unknowable of the unknowable, or Deity, and the unknowable of the unknowab tion of which we had in the remarkable ment, carries its own moral with it to "red sunsets" of a few years ago—the only rational solution of which is that the solar system and the earth were moral for itself, and live it. There can as to be almost congenital. It is intraveling in a region of space more dense be no higher, no truer religion than stilled into the infant mind during than before or since—one of those fields this. of more attenuated nebula.

Here, then, are all the conditions requisite to sustain the statement made that mention of it we take occasion to say to the origin of that belief from the growth was from the air or atmosphere. growth was from the air or atmosphere, some who have found fault with what prayers their mothers taught them in lous pox trick winner pure may to be and the soils and rains were only the they call its irreverent spirit, that the infancy. Hence, women are the chief in to be a semple to be a sempl chemical conditions and methods requi- criticism is only from the old concepts site for its condensation into forms of to which we have alluded. If the old life-of vegetable and animal existence idea that this world of ours is the major -the potted plant and the food and creation is displaced by it, the effect is waste being evidence of the fact. Then, only to enlarge and widen the concept of the verity of the God question? again, if we are to believe science and its spectroscope, we know that it has deits spectroscope, we know that it has detected all forms of substance known to
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so perfect a medium. again, if we are to believe science and us in the spectra of planets and suns-or really in space. Then, again, words confuse. Oxygen, nitrogen, hydrogen, etc., that we call gases, as though produced, are really but these conditions of space more or less condensed. Why not? Condensed by this vortex force they appear as water, or trees, in mineralseyerything. We could not breathe these music of the spheres themselves than substances combined, yet we eat them, with the notations of ears uninstructed and when they come as adapted to the other function of organic life, breathing, they are mixed, as in the higher velocitury as never before since he has been ties of the vortex. Always remember on the earth. that science itself says the lowest form of motion is in crystallization. There you have ;he whole thing from the center of the revolving globe, where motion is nil, to the outer verge of the vertex principles as opposed to political Romanbeyond the moon, which is a satellite because of its own vortice being carried in larger than that of any other daily in the vortex of the earth, and all the planets carried in the master vortex of the sun, and for that reason subject to him; but all traveling in the sun's orbit through space fed by the worldmatter in solution, which is the primitive state of the universe, boundless as imagination and eternal as mystery.

Now, what does thinking with this hy pothesis as a premise do? Is it not a creative process under law as a necessity of its method? There is no "beginning" in the sense of miracle or the exercise of an arbitrary caprice. The have worked their sweet will without let always thought good poetry should not floor, with a cord in the bottom of the ascertained law of condensation with at- or hindrance, to a degree scarcely par- excuse an untruth. tendant friction would compel a primi-tive globe of incandescent matter, schools have been of the parochial pat-And the law of radiation would in time tern that Rome is working so assiduand the law of radiation would in the cool this mass by its surrounding in a more rarefied substance, while in the travel through such immense regions of fluidic substance of varying densities the in the fact that, out of 17,000,000 inhabplanet would be fed and fertilized for the itants of Spain, over 11,000,000 are igproduction of its form-life as disclosed production of its form-life as disclosed norant of the art of reading and writing by geology. The reptilian age, for ex"By their fruits ye shall know them." ample, found a different planet from that of to-day, and other geologic ages may follow the present one. But the old the-ory of cosmogony could not account for the geologic record and this record Death, and Life in the Spirit-world, combine that of animals and a multitude hold securely. Spiritualists, beware of could not be without the travel of the carefully twice through, and pronounce of people into one. it one of the principal factors in illus-

worlds is to do away with the dogmatic

CONCEPTIONS OF

Superstition from Phantom Idiocrats, Allah, Infinite, Deity, God.

To THE EDITOR:-Dr. Dean Clark has recently written an excellent "Ode to the Infinite." Indeed, he has produced

n the so-called deity has acquired that everything evolved, it follows that, if no the doctors disagreed as to the cause of belief from childhood teaching and an- creation, then no creator, and no crecestral culture?

Though the people who believe in the is gone.

The eternity of these forces and the deity of the universe is a

ceivable by this idea, the immortality of life that expresses itself through them space, wherein the primitive balance of ought to be to the mind that compre- inquiry. This object, then, for it can-

thinker, is closed; only theologians and

The reverential mind does not lose its

We do not expect to consider this

some who have found fault with what

controlling purpose, or law, in harmony

with the grand movements and order

all these are more in harmony with the

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Boston, except the Globe and the Her-

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I have read the Encyclopædia of

J. H. MENDENHALL,

influence.

gazing world how safely he can sit down. He says: "The definition of God is an impossibility." We are glad to know even that much of nothing.

known object in this habitable universe might conclude Deity is without brain. her bottles and cans of alcohol in which that exists has a definition and meaning;

thing be without parts, organs or prop- and intelligence cannot apply, and do cause for being emaciated.
erties, by which to characterize it, then not belong to Deity, or to the Infinite. She adds: "I had to take other reme rent, which, by its swiftness, as you proceed outward from the earth more and more, dissolves substance, until its limit the phenomena of crystallization. There composed of withouts. A gigantic and without limits. is reached, when we find the primeval could be neither progress nor decay of vacuity: In other words, a most high, The Infinite reaches where mind canraces otherwise. In the old theological grand idiocrat. Therefore, has not the sacred book,

Mr. Spencer and Max Muller, portrayed Mr. Spencer and Max Muller, portrayed surmountable idiocrat. You might as for us a world of personified ignorance? well look for mind and volumes of wisthen, does not idiocrat well depict the head or tail of Biela's come t. votary of this "past finding out?" this worshipful ignoramus; this mountain of the inscrutable nonentity; a stupid po-

This God imposture is a mistake of

acme of superstition. It is so acquired childhood. If the memory supports them, the question farther, and in closing this majority of believers in Deity can date

> prayers their mothers taught them in factors in supporting superstition.

stop to think of, or about, or investigate the Creative Power in harmony with the

creative caprice in its government to a unity.

love." that mathematics has discovered in the amounts to a definition. If the states of praise that ascend from intelligent minds to the power and wisdom behind minds to the power and wisdom behind of the states of the truth, all must abide by it, and rest as went with him to his room and de street. After a retirement from the

the author of this statement. Either he to expose Spiritualism.

For fifteen centuries Spain has been set aside as a full-fledged idiocrat. What may pass and answer as good object to it if they are honest. Have the do not advance fast enough for them, it under the influence and control of the Romish church and priesthood, who Being a matter-of-fac

excuse an untruth.

At one of the Banner of Light circles inches apart, and these tacked to the Theodore Parker presided. This question with carpet staples, and opening at back they will find a list of the different

tion was propounded:

To make a God out of the combined among our "weaker brethren." The result of this more rational contracting and propagating the grand intelligence of the universe is, on a science of life eternal.

The result of this more rational contracting and propagating the grand intelligence of the universe is, on a science of life eternal.

Sober second thought, a mammoth ab- Secty Texas Spiritualist, Association, surdity. If Mr. Parker had given it a

spiritual circle; perhaps it was at the Banner of Light seance. The answer It Comes Like a Silvery Bell

ments.

This answer, being supported by wise

her illness. ator, then no God, and God's occupation In a recent letter she says: "Not be lieving in Spiritualism, at first I could Bible deity are esteemed polite, and in general a well-educated class, yet lacking apparently a special kind of knowl, edge, I have thought a word should be Everybody thinks superstition belongs worm, and that is what makes you feel

say this class lacks a special kind of knowledge would relieve the votary. It Polypus, the most destructive thing to knowledge, the great question rises, is is asserted that to this Deity belongs human flesh.' In a few weeks more the there and can there be any knowledge unbounded and unlimited degree voice said: 'A tumor is forming in your of knowledge, intelligence supreme, side, quite a large one. Afterwards it wisdom and forethought, without stint said: Those polypuses are protected by

alout it?

We all know the sacred record declares "God is past finding out," and no nad know him. What else can sugeh a being or object be but a stupendoug, fallacious; and its falsity seems to be satily proved. The idea is pure guess-delty of the universe is a delty of the universe is a majestic dictorat.

PRODICIOUS "UNKNOWABLE,"

wholly mysterious, mystery unsearch be but a stupendough be and barred out from the most pirying inquiry. This object, then, for fix can not be a being is the "Unincovable." Here, again, he describes naught but a majestic idiorat.

**Prof. Max Muller embraces the amigust subject with all the strength and sacumen of philological genitus. But his learned assistance turns out to be of the myster words and on the ingusts outplet with of this power."

Bernald and on the strength and sacumen of philological genitus out to be of the myster words. The subject of the myster words are only the myster words. The subject of the myster words are included in the original power of the myster words. The subject of the myster words are included in the strength and sacumen of philological genitus and conditions of the oil hymnology. The subject of the myster words are included for the myster words. The subject of the myster words are included for the myster words. The subject of the myster words are included for the myster words and often naught but a being of words and often naught but a subject of the myster words. The subject of the myster words are words and often naught but a subject of the myster words. The subject of the myster words are words and often and the subject of the myster words. The subject of the myster words are words and often and the myster words are words. The subject of the myster words are words. organized matter. That matter is brain had taken as fast as it was formed by

matter. Therefore, any object without my food."

CANNOT BE DEFINED.

Now all the world knows that every

This fact is so self-evident that such as last as it was formed by my food."

Mrs. W. and her neighbors naturally are surprised and grateful over the refurther discussion is useless. A child sult. Quite a number have been to see One of the ancient Greek philosophers are preserved the polypus and tapejoins with Mr. Herbert Spencer and worms-three heads of the latter-prov-Therefore, if a thing or a supposed Prof. John Fisk to inform us that mind ing that the poor woman surely had

told me, or it has been shown in visions, so I could make no mistake; and, as I not. Hence Deity is void of mentality, or mind stuff of any kind. It is an indom in the bottom of the sea, or in the

great gain would be made in the dispersal of a monumental amount of suof the Shadow."

A SUNDAY IN CHICAGO.

Eugene Fournier, of Fort Worth, Texas.

Eugene Fournier and his father, Andrew Fournier, of Fort Worth, Texas, have been engaged for two years or more in trying to expose the physical manifestations of Spiritualism, and have at last succeeded in inventing an ingenious box trick which led many to believe trick was so complete in all its parts that he concluded on Sunday, the 17th of Now, how many people of the great, and concluded on Sunday, the first of moving, veracious, business class ever April, to visit Dallas, posing as a meston to think of or about, or investigate dium, and defraud the "fool Spiritualists" out of their "wampum."

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CAUGHT IN A BOX

perstition in our world.

After holding two seances (one free), it Watkins Hotel. In the meantime his liberate, unimpassioned style of Mrs. The sacred record says; "God is valise had been left unlocked, and to the This statement, if anything, passer by it disclosed ladies' robes.

A Splendid Start.

The Boston Daily Standard, a paper established in the interests of American principles as opposed to political Roman principles as opposed to ism, started out with an issue of 110,000, larger than that of any other daily in love. One of two things must attend. Orleans and other places and continue, society, which expect soon to have a

ald, and it bids fair to outstrip these does not know what he is writing or We should learn a lesson from this ex- brilliant young speaker, recently coming also. This is a good showing, and entable talking about, or else he is deceiving pose. Be rigid in the enforcement of out of a pastorate in one of the leading also. This is a good showing, and encouraging to the friends of free American institutions. The other Boston dailles are cowardly trucklers to Romish influence.

Letting about to deceiving possess the friends of free American institutions. The other Boston and is making his trangers posing as physical mediums, mark in the world as an able exponent out of court and out of rational consider ation. As a being cannot be composed demands this course, and some uniform drawals from the church as Dr. Edof both love and spirit at the same time, test, simple and of easy application, wards, Rev. J. F. C. Grumbine, Edgar the author of such a statement must be should be adopted. The robe test is Emerson, Fred Wiggans and many simple, and the most sensitive could not others we might name, whose churches robe made sufficiently large to were the is no wonder we are making inroads Being a matter-of-fact man, I have medium and chair, falling loosely to the among the orthodox churches. the top large enough to admit the head. spiritual societies, with their location. with a draw-string which can be tied One Sunday will not take in all, or tion was propounded:
"What is Deity?" Answer: "The combined intelligence of the universe."

Question: Is there, or can there be such a thing? Can the intelligences of two persons be combined into dne?

The combined intelligence of the universe. Thinker, where such a thing? Can the intelligence of the universe of the universe. Thinker, where such a thing? Can the intelligence of the universe of the universe. The true of the universe of the uni verse! Stop and think what this means, and eight inches from the ends. Be-Animals have intelligence, as well as tween these battens, the center plank men. As it is absolutely impossible to is the trick plank, which is held in place combine the intelligence of two people by a spring at each end, and a nail into one, it is obviously impossible to through the batten into the plank to this box trick; it might do great harm

Dallas, Texas.

was direct, concise, and embodied a vol-And Makes Wonderful Reveal-"How best can we serve the Creator?"

As the worlds of mind and spirit evolve the Infinite." Indeed, he has produced men, who had been over on the spirit to a higher plane, greater works become many poetic gems. This ode would be side for thousands of years, and found no better if it were true; that is, if the creator, made the weight of it enough to was promised by the Master. In the inson, or it is nothing. This fact is so such thing as settling a question, that one of which has been transpiring, very self-evident, we shall not take time to this great army of testators ought to quietly, in this place, Waukesha, Wis, prove it.

Is it not a fact past one's ability to controver that every one who believes that nothing was ever created, but in the so-called deity has acquired that everything evolved, it follows that, if no the dectors discovered as to the caves.

dies, but still drink my hollyhock-seed tea. As I have needed changes-in medicine or diet-either the voice has have gained in strength, it has been shown me the manner and amount of exercise to take; and it is my sister who has led and is still leading me from sickness to health. But I must add that she has had a great deal of help from other To succeed in dispersing this nonsense spirits."

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truth, all must abide by it, and rest assured that Deity, the great Infinite, is "love." But we read a little further, and we meet with another "infallible" too, which he indignantly refused.

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y at least 40,000. We go to press early Monday morning, and items must reach us as early as Friday or Saturday in ing season."
order to have immediate insertion.

E. W. Sprague, trance speaker and Mich.: "Easter services were held in 18 to 28, inclusive; Grand Ledge, Mich., July 30, Aug. 1 and 2; Paw Paw, Mich., Aug. 4; Vicksburg, Mich., Aug. 11 to 15 inclusive. Delphos, Kansas, Aug. 18 to 25 inclusive, The month of Sep-tember he will serve the First Society of Spiritualists of Indianapolis, Ind. He would like to make engagements for town, N. Y. A. A. Kimball writes from Northamp-

ton, Mass.: "About fifty persons gathered in the parlors of Dr. A. A. Kimball, on Tuesday evening, to listen to a discourse from Mrs. Tillie Reynolds, of Troy, New York, who, for the past month, has been lecturing for the Ladies' Aid Society' of Springfield, and is' also engaged there for the first two Sundays in May. The subject chosen for the lecture was 'Then and Now.' She spoke of 'Then' as the time when Rev. Jonathan Edwards preached in this place of 'Hell being paved with infants not a span long;' of the despairing hope of mothers who were anchored to such a faith, when their little ones were taken from them, never to know or see them again. She spoke of the 'Now' when modern Spiritualism was not only teaching God's love for all his children, but and giving the assurance to all those that seek aright the evidence that there is no death.'

E. J. Bowtell and wife are engaged at 12th. Open dates for June and campmeetings. Would like to arrange with | ualism at their temple, 2040 Stout street, etry and spirit pictures for season of 1895-96. western societies for lectures, psychom-

Moses Hull debates with Rev. B. F. Treat, at Muncie, Ind., May 20 to 24, on the question: "Does the Bible sustain Spiritualism in all its phases?"

Moses and Mattie E. Hull speak in Dayton, Ohio, this month. June 1 and 2 they hold meetings at Watseka, Ill.; June 7 they begin a month's engagement in Vermont. their first appointment being at Hardwick. Address, during May, 31 Hydraulic St.- Dayton, Ohio.

F. C. Schmitt (Springfield, Ill.), writes April 28th: "We have been treated to some of the best materializations that have ever been in our city, by the presence of the great medium, Mr. C. E. Winans, of Edingburg, Ind. At the first night's seance, which was held on last Monday evening, and was attended by some of our most prominent citizens, twenty-seven spirit forms walked from the cabinet, and most of them were friends of some persons who were present: On Wednesday evening twentythree forms appeared, and on Friday evening twenty forms walked from the cabinet and, by a strong light, were visible to all present. A great many people were turned away on account of a full house, and it was impossible to arrange with the medium to stav any longer, but we received a promise from him that he would return and give us another call in the near future."

J. C. Walker writes that Mr. Keeler, the well-known medium, is having wonphysical manifestations and slate-writ-"One of my university friends got a slate-writing from Keeler that he would not take \$25 for, he says."

Mrs. W. J. Stewart writes that a new society of Spiritualists has been organ-Lowell, of Anoka, is the speaker, and gives good satisfaction.

Mrs. H. L. Bigelow writes: "Mrs. of San Jose, for the present month, as meet a more earnest and conscientious who terminated her engagement with speaker and test medium, and is giving worker than Mr. Wheeler." good satisfaction."

F. O. Pitts writes from Newburyport,

dirt. I think it an insult to our unseen We as a society appreciate the teachings fit of the Union, at which they are hop-friends to even think that they would given through Mrs. Nickerson, and hope ing to relieve themselves of a part of the

Mrs. J. W. McJilton writes from Ogden, Utah: "April 14th we had with us demonstrate the physical side of return-Mrs. Maggie Waite. She had an audi- ing intelligence. ence of three or four hundred. She gave about two hundred tests that were side, Cal.: "I was at Los Angeles last convincing. Mediums going east or west Sunday. Also I was there at the anni-will do well to stop over here." versary, and gave thoughts to large au-

by the very best people of the city. Our Hall, on Spring street, and I find a platform, during the past three months, genial brotherhood, a people devoted to was occupied in an exceedingly satisfac- our cause. There are two other societory manner by Mrs. Carrie A. Nick, thes in the city, and several good mewho gave from twenty to twenty-five diums, I am informed. I think the cause tests at each evening meeting. A rising vote of thanks was given her by the large audience to express their gratitude for the valuable services she has rendered the society. The interest man illested in these meetings her bear years.

In the cause open dates for 1895 and 1896. She atspeaker. Her three weeks' visit to tends funerals, and gives week-day selfunds funerals, and gives week-day selfunds funerals, and gives week-day selfunds funerals. Will engage for an interest man in Southern California."

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us a brief item, please. A great deal
us a brief item, please. A great deal
us a brief item, please. A great deal
us a brief item, please in a dozen lines; but
the medium, entranced, came
from the cabinet to my wife, taking her
hand, and said that if she came into the
leans: "F. Corden White, the celebraments for the former books, correct. It never has been my pleasure
to meet a more earnest and conscient
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leans: "F. Corden White, the celebralong reports will not be used. Meetings ranks of frauds and pretenders; and, for cabinet she would doubt no more. She are of local interest only. We extend a this purpose, it has a committee to recordial invitation to all speakers to send port unspiritual doings. Our society before the medium, two spirits of differcordial invitation to all speakers to send port unspiritual doings. Our society in their appointments to lecture, and will hold meetings every Sunday at 7:30 ent sizes appeared; one, a gentleman of general movements, which will be read o'clock, at Grams Hall, 207 Grand Ave. long acquaintance; who passed over a munity and the general movements. We would be pleased to hear from first-class talent to fill our rostrum the com-her pull his beard as much as she had S. B. Kellogg writes from Detroit, was not the medium personifying."

platform test medium, has been serving Hannas Hall, Sunday, April 14, at 3 Vermont: "Lucius Colburn, who has the First Spiritualist Society, of Erie, P. M. After remarks by Dr. Kergan. been to the State of Wyoming, filling a more than he did last winter when he once they keep going, and finally get Pa., for the month of April, and has which were applicable and well re-been retained by them for the month of ceived, an address by Nellie S. Baade— Spiritualists there, doing quite a work May. His camp-meeting engagements subject, "The Rolling Away of the Stone in Cheyenne, has returned, and his many are as follows: Chesterfield, Ind., July from the Sepulchre, or the Spiritual friends throughout the State will be Resurrection"-elicited much applause. glad to welcome him back again. His Lake Camp Association. Dr. Kergan is lectures at Sunapee Lake." greatly interested in this association. S. M. Bumstead queries: and with his ability as presiding officer, the Spiritualists of Illinois have a camp lecturer, and being one of the most in- within the reach of the working-classes. fluential physicians of this city, he is an where they could take a day with the inspiration for good at all times and camp, and return to home, children and places. Next Sabbath evening services work, at a cost to be reached by all? I will be conducted in the same hall with feel if there was a call made there would the same speakers and mediums, for the be a response from some liberal mind to benefit of the camp. It is with pleasure come to the rescue of our Spiritualists we note the harmony existing between that have not the time to spend, let alone the auxiliary to Island Lake Association the cost of travel, etc., attached to it, and the First Spiritual Philosophical but are really hungry for a change of Society of this city. The Psychic Research Society is also attracting much

Alice Eggleston, secretary, writes attention, and we believe with such an army of spiritual industrial laborers, our our society were satisfactorily enter-

> liver a series of lectures in this city on the psychic discoveries of our age. Notice will be given in due time.

J. S. R. writes: "The Liberal Spirit-Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 5th and ual Society of Denver, Colo., celebrated the forty-seventh anniversary of Spiriton Sunday afternoon and evening, the 3ist of March. Mr. W. C. Marshall delivered the anniversary lecture; followed by J. W. Murray, Mr. Tryon and a number of others, also by Mr. Shetterly giving a number of well-recognized tests. This was quite a profitable and enjoyable service. It was interspersed with good music by the choir and closed by Mrs. H. G. Norris giving several very truthful tests, showing most conclusive evidence of spirit return."

George F. Perkins writes from Cleveland, Ohio: "Please call the attention of State, as also with the National Spiritthe managers of the camp-meetings this ualists' Association. We hope soon to season to the necessity of a more practical application of our theories and roll of honor. It is with deep regret spirit power we hear tell of so much in send to him our best thoughts, will the way of lectures and essays upon power and spiritual energy to aid him in on lyceums."

is making rapid growth in Oregon. months of March and April have been a Wherever you go you hear of someone success, with Mrs. Emma J. Hanson as becoming a Spiritualist through some lecturer and test medium, a lady of modmanifestation of the spirit. I advise the est and retiring disposition, and everypeople to investigate at home in their way fitted for spiritual work. She GRESSIVE THINKER, which is the direct every Sunday afternoon at 41 two weeks. One sermon was on 'Spiritat 1565 Milwaukee avenue."

Ism and Spiritualism.' He warned his We shall publish a letter derful success, in Baltimore, with his mortal spirit of man never returns after death. He only forgot about Moses and in Milwaukee during the last four thirty members of the church. Elias, John on the isle of Patmos, Saul and the witch of Endor, and Cornelius, who saw a man clothed in bright rai-| ment.''

L. P. Roberts writes from Unionville. ized on the East Side, Minneapolis. Mrs. Mo.: "Rev. Amae Wheeler has just closed a three weeks' engagement at this place. His lectures have given good satisfaction, and his psychometric read-Drew, of San Francisco, is occupying ings in almost every case were absolutely so far as point of numbers are concerned, the platform of the First Spiritual Union correct. It has not been my pleasure to

Dr. Weyart writes from Toledo, Ohio: month of May Lyman C. Howe will be "The First Society of Spiritualists of with us. The society henceforth will Mass.: "How can we, who are Spirit- Toledo have had, during the month of meet in the new Spiritual Temple, corualists, expect our church friends or any one else to believe in our great truth falo, N. Y. Mrs. Nickerson is one of erected by the ladies of the Woman's when we will attend such fraudulent exhibitions as took place here last night inhibitions as took place here last night under the sacred name of Spiritualism? It is a disgrace to the cause. We should and higher intelligences of the knowl- about \$10,000, and have so far completed rise up en masse and see that such exhi-bitions are not permitted to take place. In the life to come. We of the earth When we refuse to go to such places our must cultivate the soil of activity and that the meetings of the Union, as well army will progress more rapidly, and reach out to grow into the awakening as the First Spiritual Society, will be not till then. I am ashamed to think power of intelligence, and therefore be held therein. During the week from

strength, so as to convince her that it G. R. G. writes from West Fletcher,

Music was furnished by Mme. Louise first work after his return commencing Dole, a lady of great talents and rare in Fairfax, he spoke in the Town Hall, presence, and was greatly enjoyed by all Sunday, April 21st, to a fair-sized aupresent. Tests were given by Mrs. dience; also held circles at the different Baade, which were recognized. As this Spiritualists' homes. Next Sunday he was the first Spiritual Easter service is to speak in Cambridge, and from there ever held in this city, many congratula- he goes to Barre, to speak for the so-June and the remaining days of July tions were in order and all seemed happy and August; also for October and the following months: Address him at Newland and Forest avenues, James-were held at Schwankovsky's Hall, par- at that place. A part of June and July ticipated in by Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Baade, his work will be in Troy, and as usual and Profs. Martin and Rockwell; the he will be at Queen City Park during proceeds to go for the benefit of Island most of the season. He is to give three

S. M. Bumstead queries: "Why cannot

tained two evenings recently by physical long and distressful life. Ex-Rabbi Samuel Weil, author of manifestations, given through the mediumship of D. B. Ilmason, Indian liumship of D. B. Jimeson, Indian physical medium, who has wonderful powers in that line. His independent can be addressed. slate-writing, also his answers to sealed questions, were marvelous. We would recommend him to societies as one worthy of patronage."

M. Helen Wylie writes: "Hore in Allegheny, Pa., the First Church of Spiritualists have Mrs. Steelman-Mitchell, of Newport, Ky., as speaker for the month of April, and we are pleased to echo the sentiments of those by whom she was recommended—a lady of refined and spiritual nature, a perfect knowledge of the spiritual philosophy, of good address, and an excellent test medium. Since her coming our audiences have been large, and of our best class of citizens. The cause is growing here, our society being now chartered with the be able to write our name 'high' on the

S. M. Bumstead, this city, writes: Bradford Lane writes: "Spiritualism The Spiritual Union meetings for the

> concerning the work of Mrs. Richmond weeks. It is intimated that now that closed, and also the very successful sons on the soul will soon be given on York City.

the West Side. "Occult" writes: "The First Spiritual Society of Buffalo, N. Y., have had remarkable success during the past month under the guidance of Mrs. A. Gladding,

lend their aid to anything so low. What at some future time to have the pleasure, indebtedness which they have assumed good have entertainments of that kind of her inspiration again. Our society in so great an undertaking. As the done the cause of Spiritualism? I know where it has done harm that it will take hope to see it sustained by its tried and their name implies, "progressive," and regard to the Captain Stines communiveeks, aye, months, to remove. I would like to hear the minds of others on the like to hear the minds of others of the like to hear the minds of others of the like to hear the minds of others of the like the li subject. Let us begin and winnow the not be exercised without paying a license enterprise, and believe that the many chaff from the pure wheat and rid our-selves from these stumbling-blocks." of one hundred dollars, has shut us off generous-hearted friends to be found in Nellie T. Raleigh, secretary of this as-selves from these stumbling-blocks." from the phenomena of spiritual truths. the ranks of Spiritualism will render sociation, and was written and signed Mediums of that phase have no chance to material assistance to the noble cause on which they have so gallantly embarked. Let us hope that many of those who are able to assist this band of noble women in their struggle to relieve themselves H. C. Nick writes from Milwaukee, diences on both occasions. The First Wis.: "Our meetings are well attended by the very best people of the city. Our Hall, on Spring street and Versary and gave thoughts to large audiences on both occasions. The First Mrs. J. H. R. Matteson, 248 N. Division Bishop And Spring street and Versary and gave thoughts to large audiences on both occasions. The First Spring street and Versary burden of debt, will do so the publish liberally, by forwarding donations to ferred to."

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Mrs. Steelman-Mitchell, lecturer and ballot platform test medium, has a few vincing platform test medium and open dates for 1895 and 1896. She at-

ceived from Braintree, Mass., but no address is; Madam Parcells-Dunn, 54 letter accompanies it, telling how it shall Jones street, Detroit, Mich." be applied.

the purpose of wrecking this good work, now so well under way, is not of God or now so well under way, is not of God or good spirits. We had Will C. Hodge for speaker for the month of March, who has always been skeptical, for speaker for the month of March, who has always been skeptical, bound in cloth, down to 75 cents each, friends for the cause of truth. His lectures were well received, both by Jew presented his hearers with lectures were would be allowed to enter the which held the closest attention of every capinet will spirits were putting on Patting in March, who has always been skeptical, hound in cloth, down to 75 cents each, three were well received, both by Jew high held the closest attention of every capinet will spirits were putting on Patting is relief. which held the closest attention of every- cabinet while spirits were putting on Jottings is reduced to 75 cents. There readings were in most cases absolutely Bear in mind, please, that we cannot body present. He gave entire satisfac material form, her skepticism was over are only a few left of the former books, correct. It never has been my pleasure

> leans: "F. Corden White, the celebramunity, and the wonderful amount of good he has done cannot be prophesied. He has given numbers of clear-cut tests, and rapidly growing, with every one of and many persons who came to hear him Dr. Isaac S. Lee's truly spiritual rewas a perfect stranger in the community, and there are thousands who will watch for the month of March, 1896, when he is engaged to be here again. His friendly manner has made friends for him that he would never have made last winter, situated as he was. During his stay here he has been largely instrumental in making two benefits to the association very interesting; he having given through his reliable controls many tests at both the anniversary and entertainment specially given for the association's benefit."

three rooms in Worcester, Mass., in order to secure a quiet resting-place between her public engagements. She has a lock-box at the Worcester (Mass.) postoffice, and can be reached quickly by addressing her there, though her Cincinnati, Ohio, address holds good. As she has an invalid brother in Worcester, whom she desires to see every week or two, she cannot make engagements with parties during the coming season for more than two consecutive Sundays, unless the place be so near Worcester as to enable her to return home in the middle of the month. Her frequent visits are a unable through a return of la grippe to benefit to her suffering brother. He is fill the engagement. Miss E. Anne Hinnot likely to remain many years on the man, of Winsted, Conn., formerly known earth-plane; and she is inexpressibly as one of our very best trance mediums. grateful to the guiding angels that they who left the public rostrum some eight Alice Eggleston, secretary, writes have so ordered his condition and her

Miss Abby A. Judson has taken two or

Dr. J. C. Phillips, the well-known greatly to the services by his musical psychometrist and healer, is now located ability. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins are now

ability, an intelligent and hearty co-op- now in Columbus, teaching a class in erator with the trustees and pastor. physical culture, is expected shortly in Mrs. H. S. Lake, who has ministered to this city where a class is being organthe alliance for two consecutive years, ized for her by Miss Tillie H. Lees, is one of those beings who appear once, perhaps, in a generation, to guild humanity with a ray which no difference cently electrified a Cleveland audience, of opinion, nor chance of circumstances, at one of Mr. W. J. Colville's lectures in can cloud. She is an earnest student, a Weisgerbers Hall, in answer to a specia restless worker in the mines of true request, will return to Cleveland and Spiritualism, a genius undeniable. Her give one of his remarkable concerts, at sound understanding, her intrepidity, the same place, Sunday, May 19th. her sensibility and cager sympathy, Now that his wonderful genius and stamp her lectures with force and truth, and endow them with a tender charm the Spiritualists of this city, he will no assertions, by the utilization of some of that we learn of the illness of President which enchants while it enlightens.

The attendance on the anniversary evi-The attendance on the anniversary evidenced the appreciation of her work. A 'How can we instruct the youth of our likewise, for 'in union there is listeners, which will repeat its effect Mich.; June 15th and 16th, Orion Lake, listeners, which will repeat its effect Mich.; July 2d, board meeting National Mich.; July 2d, board m

10 Elizabeth street, this city. slate-writing was marvelous.

own families, and to read THE PRO- holds a class and gives private readings says: "At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Upton | Mrs. E. Braun was regularly ordained road to spirituality. Mr. Whitmore, the street. We have had also some very as pastor of the First Progressive Spir-Congregational minister of Independence, Oregon, has been holding a revival meeting in Rickreal for the last

we have near also some very as passed of this city, Rev. W. H.

Harrington officiating. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Foreman and J. B. Scott healer. His specialty is the discovery

ment to hold the fort, for the usual term,

dered by Mrs. Foreman and J. B. Scott healer. His specialty is the discovery We shall publish a letter from an in- beautifully decorated, and about 100 ordained minister of Spiritualism. He hearers not to visit mediums, for the terested and interesting correspondent persons were present to witness the im- will answer questions relating to his presssive ceremony. There are about

> Belle V. Cushman writes that Mrs. her work in that city is temporarily Jennie B. Hagan-Jackson is to speak oue Sunday for the Society of Ethical course in Englewood, a series of les- Spiritualists, at Adelphi hall, New

Dr. W.B. Mills writes from Saratoga to the facts at once, and no waste of time. Mr. E. J. Bowtell, of Boston, is to be with us during a part or all of May."

Hon. L. V. Moulton was in the city home in Grand Rapids, Mich. F. Corden White was in the city last

ing May.

B, O'Dell, president of the P. P. V. S. , writes from Paw Paw, Mich.: wish to state that the article published Valley Spiritual Association, or by Mrs. sociation, and was written and signed without the knowledge or consent of either of the above-named persons. Please publish this in a conspicuous place in your paper, to correct an erro-neous impression that has gone out, by

Bishop A. Beals is engaged at Milwaukee, Wis., during May.

John Rutledge writes: "I take great pleasure in recommending Madam Parcells-Dunn as a most successful and con-

L. P. R. writes from Unionville, Mo. Moses Hull has caught the cheap book "Amae Wheeler has just closed a three ments for the coming two weeks,'

Dr. J. C. Phillips, celebrated as a psychometrist and healer, is now located at Clinton camp. His post office address is Clinton, Iowa.

L. Humphrey, secretary, Kansas City, Mo., writes: "Our society is improving through curiosity have become earnest ligious lectures. His sincere and truth-investigators. Mr. White has made ful way of explaining is interesting the warm friends here this winter and many church-goers, and when they hear him their eyes open.

Mr. Sullivan writes: "After many unsuccessful attempts to organize a society in Santa Monica, Cal., we have at last the pleasure of announcing an organization; temporary, as yet, but with bright prospect of becoming a firm and well-established society. Under the skillful management of the controls of Miss Lydia W. Allen, Grand Army hall has been filled to overflowing for the last two Sundays. Miss Allen, though but a child in years, when under the control of her guides is a grand lecturer and earnest teacher of the spiritual philosophy. The officers of our society are: President, Mr. A. Lane; secretary, M. St. Johns. Miss Allen leaves the field here for older and more experienced hands, yet we have learned to love her and hope that sometime in the future she will return to us." Thos. Lees writes from Cleveland,

Ohio: "Bishop A. Beals, inspirational speaker and test medium, who was with us at our anniversary exercises, and was to have spoken on the East and West sides during the month of April, was from Baldwinsville, N. Y.: "Members of our society were satisfactorily enter-our society were satisfactorily enterfornia, a new-comer to this city, added psychometrist and healer, is now located at the camp at Clinton, Iowa, where he can be addressed.

C. H. H. writes from Cleveland, Ohio:
"The People's Spiritual Alliance, of Cleveland, Ohio, is an organization which aims to maintain a platform where the most pure truth may be freely expressed. Its president, Miss May Ames, is a lady of unusual integrity and ability, an intelligent and hearty co-ophighly inspirational playing is known by doubt draw a large audience.

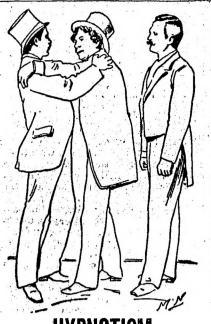
Hon. L. V. Moulton's appointments to lecture are as follows: For this month, as often as her name may be mentioned." Spiritualists' Association, Washington, J. Littlejohn writes expressing his D.C.; July 21st to 25th, Lily Dale, N.Y.: great satisfaction at the results obtained July 28th to August 3d, Clinton, Iowa; at a sitting with Miss May Bangs, No. August 6th to 9th, Lake Brady, Ohio; The August 11th, Devil's Lake, Mich.; August 12th, annual meeting Michigan The Minneapolis Journal of April 22 State Association, Lansing, Mich.; August 18th, Haslett Park, Mich. August 31st and September 1st, North Collins, N. Y.

The hall at 55 Fourth street S was and development of mediums. He is an work. Address with stamped envelope. in care of 40 Loomis street, Chicago, Illinois.

Pretty Good. The Times-Herald says a bill is pend-

ing in the Illinois Legislature to prevent Springs, New York: "For the month of barber shops from keeping open on Sun-April Mr. Geo. V. Cordingly of St. day. It says the movers in the project Louis, Mo., has served our society in a have taken hold of the striped pole at the very interesting manner, drawing large very end. "What is really needed is a audiences and pleasing the people. As law preventing beards growing from 6 us on Sunday, April 28th. During the bined, he is the best I have heard for o'clock Saturday night to 6 o'clock Sun years. He is a fluent speaker and gets day night, under penalty of being sawed off with a case-knife."

How very unfortunate all the pro-cesses of nature have not been suspended on Sunday to oblige the priests! Revolving worlds should be arrested in last week. He went from here to his their movement on Sunday, the sun should refuse to shine, vegetation should cease to grow, and universal repose week, looking unusually elated over should prevail, so the priests would not something good. We congratulate him. be disturbed in their prayers. The He is engaged at Ft. Wayne, Ind., dur Christians virtually arraign Providence for lack of wisdom in allowing beast, Frank T. Ripley 'passed through the and bird, and flower, and all the animal that they who call themselves true Spir- better fitted to take up the duties of this May 6 to 11, the ladies will hold their city last week on his way to Wonewoc, tribes to labor when he desired all truelists will class themselves with such life to build upon the life in futurity. annual fair in the Temple, for the beher Wis., where he will lecture during May. should rest.



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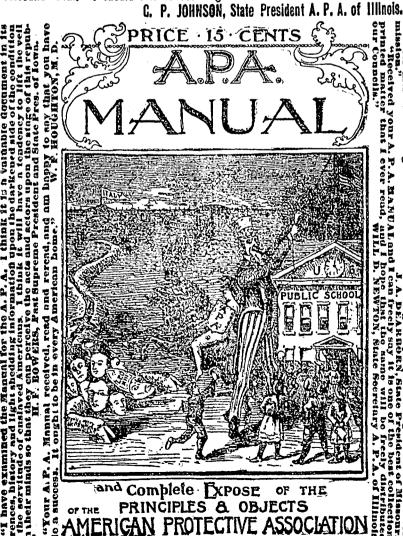
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Better than all remedies is the pretions, shows less mediumship than at first. He asks for the reason.

times or for curiosity with those who disease, which are never absent. chance to be present, is the cause. fectual advance can only be made by the exactly opposite course; or by careful selection of the circle and meeting at appointed hours, with punctuality.

heard, at the kitchen door, in broad day- ical extreme, and his followers have relight, three raps. We called, "Come in," peated the terrible denunciation made but no one came, nor was there a living in the cheerless churches of New Engvitality, 25 years old, and his manner of

the spirit to make known his wishes.

of the best mediums before the public?

The statements made were made at a from a past age, but the result shows You wish to be cured. You shall be In the hundred to the public of the best mediums before the public? private sitting with the medium. Peo- how the importance of these doctrines cured. When you awake you will no ple pay thousands of dollars every year is overestimated. A generation ago the longer have any desire for alcoholic for private sittings with mediums, and laity sat in silent awe; to-day they laugh drink in any form. You will dislike it to private sittings with meatures, and the failure is important to know how much credit complacently, and wish their minister and shun it as your enemy. Even the failure, though some have been more because, though not an eyewitness, I smell of it will be disagreeable to you. tion obtained.

A. The lingering belief that whatever has a spiritual source must be infallible, is difficult to eradicate. We have to be If man's sin is infinite and endless, had been said to him. Three months taught many bitter lessons, and have his punishment must be infinite and later I had a letter from him saying that the pillars of our faith shaken by plac- endless, and in hell, as it will constantly he was in excellent health and had not ing too high an estimate on authority.

Every message purporting to come from the Spirit-world should be refrom the Spirit-world should be re-incarnation and atonement, by the fact A year later he came into my office, ceived on its merit, and subjected to that the wicked prefer hell to heaven, looking hale and hearty. I asked him impartial judgment.

Communications regarding business doctrine. affairs, speculations, etc., should be re-ceived with great distrust, and it would

formation of an independent, self-reliant the attention of young converts. Not him sick. He went out without taking show that there are no confederates. character, and if we make spiritual only are vicious people opposed, but all his drink, and had not taken any liquor communications more than a help, we are the losers thereby.

Telepath, Larned, Kansas: Q. (1) From personal experience I have become in-terested in telepathy. I find I can pro-ject my mind from me to certain persons and remain with them for some time, while by the same process (whatever it may be) other persons are invariably drawn to me; or in other words, I go to persons diseased, I take on their sympsome persons wherever they are and visit with them. whi wherever I am.

the next time bring them to me, or vice come in immediate contact.

(2) Can I receive benefit physically by visiting in mind a strong, healthful per-

A. (1) The ability to receive telepathic communications with friends here, is identical with that which confers mediumship. In short, it is simply a form posed to be involved in the National of impressibility. As such, it depends Association—its aims and objects—and on certain conditions, and as we have that is the organization of the Spiritual them. The faculty can be cultivated in Spirit-life, to carry on missionary and by the same process as mediumship, work in every part of this broad land. in this. By cultivation the ability to command

healthful mind is always beneficial.

M. M.: Q. What is there true in the A. However changed the phraseology,

the disease away, just as the mesmerist Teach spiritual progress to all the wills it to depart, or, as the hypnotist would have us believe, introduces a new and absorbing suggestion that of health and absorbing suggestion, that of health which takes the place of disease. There can be no doubt that wonderful cures life in the Land of the Spirit. can be no doubt that wonderful cures may be and have been made in this manner. Whatever is true in Christian Science, mental-cure or Metaphysics, has been taken from the mesmerists. But in practice diseases are met with which this force cannot reach, and the it grants charters or not, if it will go to But in practice diseases are met with cure-all is untrue and harmful. Even a send to all towns who are asking for aid in organizing societies. The little town slight acquaintance with the various forms of disease shows that they are di-like a good lecturer and test medium to visible into two great classes: the nervous, where the mind is involved, which may be said to come from the spiritual side, and the physical, which result from organic changes or attacks on the body. The condition of the mind of the patient, even in the physical class, hamore or less influence toward fatal ters mination or recovery, but it is at most secondary only.

The large number of diseases now proven to be caused by microbes are beyond the sphere of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods," from grave to gay, from future for hypnotype of the mental influ-varied moods, "from grave to gay, from foreign bodies are in the system, and love genuine poetry, and especially by pression as would be a tiger gnawing at a limb.

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Cholera, typhoid fever, small-pox.

cannot reach.

Perhaps as a more forcible example suppose a man to take trichina into his stomach and thence they are diffused through his blood until the muscular tissue swarms with millions of them. The nerves are tortured with agony, yet they produce not a nervous disease. The parasites feeding on the fluids be-tween the muscular fibres press them apart, and throw the effete waste of their own vital growth, as virulent poison, into the blood. No metaphysical or Christian Science or hypnotic influence can destroy these parasites.

Or suppose a man takes some poison -as arsenic-which disorganizes and changes the tissues; his case would be hopeless, and the influence of a well six years has been investigating, and mind would be about as efficacious as possessed unmistakable signs of medium- Mrs. Partington's mop against the At-

rst. He asks for the reason.

Servation of health by attention to its the medical and surgical branches of healing circles at inconvenient laws so that it will resist the germs of healing.

Y.; Q. Do the churches still hold to the doctrine of eternal damnation?

A. The horrible doctrine of eternal prominent physician who has on occadamnation has for many years been kept sions made use of this agency in cases in the background, although affirmed in Meires, Sheboygan: Q. Seven days ago the creeds of the evangelical churches. my wife, two grown children and myself Jonathan Edwards carried it to its logbut no one came, nor was there a living being visible outside. How can this be explained?

A. Three letters have come this week asking this same question in scarcely varying form. Rapping has been used and received as a warning from immemorial time, and there is no question as to its source. In this case, the family been left to slumber, in the ing highly mediumistic, an excellent circle was formed and a friend availed himself of the opportunity to attract attention. They should sit now and allow to the face of the repellant doctrine. If they did they would go mad.

In the cheerless churches of New England, frightening children, bringing in the cheerless churches of New England, frightening children, bringing land, free developes and transfigurations, have been stations in the E. F. Barnes, Portland: Q. To what then a preacher who wishes to make his extent can faith and credit be given to a statement or message coming from a spirit, said spirit being the control of one spirit being the co

ministers, they are logical.

If man's sin is infinite and endless,

But the premises are as false as the

the attention of young converts. Not only are vicious people opposed, but all good people are, and if the wicked prefer hell to heaven, all really good people would find a heaven from which nine-tenths of mankind, were excluded, a most undesirable place. The fantas- and seemed to have eradicated his diptical formation of heaven is not the seemed to have eradicated his diptical formation of him sick. He went out without taking him sick. He went out wit a most undesirable place. The fantas- and seemed to have eradicated his dip-tic description of heaven is not the somania." highest incentive for right-doing, and hell is too horrible for beilef.

toms.

A. This is simply a phase of sensitiv ness, and may be profitably employed in Can you explain the law or rule that diagnosing disease. It is quite common governs this, or tell me why I can not at for sensitives to take on the conditions one time visit a friend in New York and and feelings of those with whom they

The National Association,

And its powers, now being discussed in your valuable journal; it seems to me the majority of your correspondents lose not as yet become acquainted with this masses of the United States into one border-land, we do not fully know what grand brother-and-sisterhood, to work these conditions are, and how to induce in harmony with our brothers and sisters

and Telepath will find by cultivation on A permanent fund should be raised for that line those in Spirit-life will as missionary work—"not in Africa," but readily present themselves as friends in every town and hamlet in America. There are thousands upon thousands of small places which are to-day asking for at will the essential conditions will be the knowledge possessed by the favored few, of the fact of spirit-existence after (2) The contact with a strong and death, and the power of the spirit to manifest itself to the friends in earthlife under proper conditions.

The National Association should pos-M. M.: Q. What is there true in the Metaphysical and Christian Science force of reliable lecturers and test mediums in the field, to send to all towns

call upon us at least once in six months. We are few in numbers and financially weak. We can pay something, but not

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with great caution by those who believe in its merits, for it is hard to overcome the prejudices that have been established by custom. But slowly and surely the feeling engendered by its long association with quacks and those who only used their powers for exhibitions and evil usages will vanish and the hyp-

In France there are institutions where nothing but the subject of hypnotism is taught, but in this country it is not recognized as yet as a special branch. A where other means have failed cited an interesting case of a young man rescued from the alcoholic habit, saying:

"Every known method had been tried

trine. If they did they would go mad. raised his hand. It remained where I They may say they believe, but they do placed it. Evidently he was in the hypnot understand themselves. Now and notic sleep. I spoke to him in an ordi-

without any knowledge that anything increase, the punishment must increase. drank a drop of any intoxicating liquor Sin is demonstrated to be endless by the since the evening he was in my office. and because victous people oppose the what he did after leaving me that even-

incision was to be made. Dr. Shrady to the sphere from whence she came. decided to try hypnotism instead of an-

you know."

While talking thus, and so concenhim in a condition of hypnotism or semihypnotism which deprived him of sensation, although he was perfectly conscious, and once asked: "When are you going to begin, doc-

the operator. quiet there."

At length, when the surgeon was busying himself with some bandages, the patient had turned and said:

"Why, you have been doing something to my leg. Why didn't you tell me?"
By that time the operation was practically concluded and the subject had man will succumb to one method and redegrees of stoutness.

main minifluenced by some other which it appears that "the dim religious main minifluenced by some other which it appears that "the material ging." many cases, and easy subjects go into crouched at her feet. the hypnotic state merely upon being the hypnotic state merely upon being | The above from the Boston Daily bridge to the philosophical modern thinkers. | Standard, a new A. P. A. paper, illus- of the philosophical modern thinkers. | Standard, a new A. P. A. paper, illus- of the philosophical modern thinkers. | Price, cloth, 75 cents; paper, 50 cents. of all others.

A common error is the belief that persons of inferior will power are more easily subjected to the power of a hyp-notist. This is claimed by physicians to be untrue. A man may be of sturdy will and great character and yet be a

eign body with a life of its own, which the will of the mesmerist or scientist SAVIOR OF THE WORLD, out, yet it shows only one side of hypnotism, the dark and uncanny side.

But repeat there is an instance. But, nevertheless, there is an instance on record where, similar to Mr. Arthur's heroine, who is put to sleep by the hyp-notist and is taken for dead. However, in the case mentioned the party supposed to be dead was not taken to the grave, but was awakened after sleeping three days. She awoke thinking it was the next morning. This makes Mr. Arthur's story quite plausible.

nypnotism is at present the prevailing subject of discussion in the scientific
medical world. As yet it is practiced
with great caution by those who believed

is an impressive hint that hypnotism will finally become the savior of the world. If it can cure dipsomania it can also eradicate other depraved tastes, making the dishonest forsake at once their wicked ways; in fact, it can be instrumental in bringing about the millennium dawn. JUS TICE.

SEEING SPIRITS.

Platform.

liever in future existence and the re- whether I see it or not?" turn of spirits, and his faith has been

back, which are held together by two who was passing by, who was mediumand a half-inch screws. It is always put istic, seeing the man downcast and de-up and taken down in full view of the jected, asked him what was the reason, audience, and has been carefully examing.
"He replied that he went home and in Boston, who have failed to discover said: "Hand me a chip," and he did so, the region of th easons therefor.

The chief end of our earth life is the in silence. They are never brought to queer and disagreeable; in fact, it made the cabinet, which has been opened to The man said: "Do you believe that

Another interesting case of this kind, perhaps even more successful in showing the extent to which hypnotism may be carried, occurred in the experience of Dr. George F. Shrady of New York. The case was a surgical one: There was some injury to the hip and a deep incision was to be made. Dr. Shrady of the graceful figure of a very tall, light haired woman parted the curtains for a moment, when they were closed by invisible hands. In ten seconds they were opened again and the form of a beautiful girl, apparently about 17 years old, appeared, waved her hands and vanished to the sphere from whence she came.

he said to him:

"Now you must lie there for a time until your nerves are calm. We are not ready to begin yet. Calm yourself as much as you can while I am preparing and lie perfectly still. That's right and lie perfectly still. That's right, and remained for a full minute in full said to Dole: "I have been told by some When we are ready we will let view of the audience. He was followed of your people that animals can see by the form of a medium-sized man, with spirits-what nonsense! Horses, dogs, side-whiskers, who was greeted with a cats and foxes can see spirits." trating the attention of the patient, Dr. burst of applause by the audience. He Shrady made a deep incision in the was recognized by hundreds as looking see why they build not. I read an acthigh without the knowledge of the like Charles Dudley, formerly one of the count of a man who was riding a horse man, talking to him all the time, kept managers of the Banner of Light. Fol- and his horse saw a spirit on the road lowing him in rapid succession came a and was frightened, shied, and would large number of forms, male and female, not go ahead."
among whom was one whom Mr. Ayer The man said: "I don't believe the was the architect of Solomon's temple, Dole said he didn't know whether it and Miss Lucille Weston, formerly a was true or not, but he read it in the "Pretty soon, pretty soon," replied well-known English actress, who waved her hand in a familiar manner to Balaam. "I said a horse, but the animal the Standard man, and then disappeared was an ass; but that didn't make any into the cabinet, after requesting that difference." This man, like the other, the audience sing "Home, Sweet Home." | was speechless and went silently away, This person possessed a thrilling so- while the listening crowd laughed. prano voice, of remarkable sweetness. power and expression, which gave evi- claiming to be rational and sensible, are dence of the highest cultivation. When not inclined to believe modern facts but tically concluded and the subject had "Nearer, My God, to Thee" was sung by will (wallow ancient ones so readily; suffered not the slightest pain. This the audience, a rich tenor voice from the when the modern they can prove, and the

easy to influence in this way, others difficult. Some seem incapable of being made subject to the influence, but spoken by the apparitions, and the forms others can hypnotize themselves. One were evidently of different heights and "From Soul to Soul." By Emma Rood

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A short time ago I heard his voice in For the past six months the phenomena what was up. One of his neighbors of Spiritualism, as exhibited by physical having said to him: "Now, Dole, give manifestations in the form of material-

"Oh," says the man, "I don't doubt

In the hundreds of seances that have want me to leave what I know and join been held at the Temple for full form you in believing what I don't know, nor materialization. Mr. Ayer says there you either; do you take me for a fool? I never has been what may be termed a have just heard something that I believe sitive as to his orthodoxy. And yet, granting the premises assumed by the granting the premises assumed by the law were granting the premise as the cutting down trees and wood near some The cabinet used in these seances is water and one of the men lost his ax, made of whitewood wainscotting, beaded, which flew off its handle into the water matched and glued together, and con- and sunk, and the man was feeling quite sists of three pieces, two sides and a badly, for it was a borrowed ax. A man

modern form so that the opponent don't At this point the organist, who pos-know he is quoting Scripture until he sesses a sweet and beautifully modulated has denied the statement. This pious esthetics, the patient having a prejudice against them. Accordingly, having placed the patient, a middle-aged man, Soul," in which she was joined by the patient, a middle-aged man, Soul," in which she was joined by the patient to persuade his neighbor. Soul, " in which she was joined by the patient to persuade his neighbor.

Is it not strange that religious people. A. However changed the phraseology, the cure of disease by these methods is exactly in line with mesmerism or hypnotism. The Scientist wills or prays

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During the seance nearly thirty full and it is the modern phenomera that the patient was, however, and the patient was, howe patient has known what was being done, During the seance nearly thirty full and it is the modern phenomena that but has felt no pain. Some persons are forms appeared, many of whom were establishes the value of the Bible by

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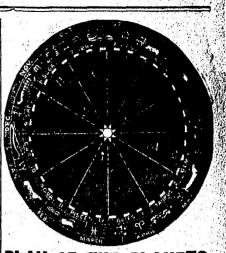
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and are not genuine? Then I answer, them, or has failen among deceivers.

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departed friends omnipresent. The consideration of this aspect of the subject leads us into the domain of specula-places, in the vindication of the rights institution known as the Inquisition. The animus of Romanism against all institutions, beliefs and parties not in tion—that is, "golden streets of the new of man, and in practically redressing his conformity with the ruling powers of Jerusalem," harps, etc., a region into wrongs in the moral and intellectual the Romish hierarchy is plainly shown which one would suppose that the orthodox clergyman never enters, if we may called infidels of our land. The church The devilishness and murderous man dox clergyman never enters, if we may judge by the character of his objections to Spiritualism. We will venture, however, the following observations upon salutary reform, in the hands of men records of inhuman atrocities. It is for showing the denounces as inimical to Christian relation to the following observations upon the denounces as inimical to Christian relation to the following observations upon the denounces as inimical to Christian relation to the following observations upon the denounces as inimical to Christian relation to the following observations upon the denounces as inimical to Christian relation to the following observations upon the denounces as inimical to Christian relation to the following observations upon the following observations u this question:

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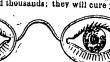
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