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The Pastor of Grace M. E. Church Attacks Spiritualism.

kins University, Replies.

REV. DR. HARCOURT ON COMMUNICA-TIONS FROM THE OTHER WORLD.

In Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square, the pastor, Rev. Dr. Richard Harcourt, preached a sermon last evening on "Spiritualism," taking as his text the story of King Saul and the Witch of Endor, found in the First Samuel, twenty-eighth chapter and seventh and eighth verses.

The doctor said in part: "Ignorance and superstition are married together. Priestorait and witchcraft have long lived in the same neighborhood. Witchcraft is a fungus growth on the religious element in man's nature, and it often becomes more prominent than the thing from which it receives its real life. A desire to know the future is not in itself a sin. But to profess to know the unknowable is one of the oldest sins of the race, and, as no sin stands alone, so of this one-the believer in it is partaker of it. The tree of knowledge of good and oyil may offer fruit that is pleasant to the sight; and seemingly to be desired to make one wise, but, it is fatal foodnot to be touched by any but the venturesome and the profane.

govern us here. Oh, ye who run after table-tappings, there is no comfort for you in this narrative about Saul and the Witch, for it is not in the power of And J. C. Walker, of Johns Hop- witch or wizard to raise the dead."--Bal-timore (Md.) American. AN OPEN LETTER TO THE REV. DR. UNIVERSITY.

> BALTIMORE, April 25, 1895. To the Rev. Dr. Harcourt-Dear Sir: You are reported by the city press as scientist; Judge A. B. Richmond; Abby having said in your lecture of last Sun-day evening on Spiritualism: "In answer to the question, 'Did Sam-

God's power to raise Samuel from the guished author, and for thirty-six years make the world happier by conclusive dead, but that He did do it we do not be-lieve. Would the God of truth who de-nounced witchcraft, after having refused thousands of others could use a distinguished author, and the soul lives on and re-tains its. personality after death, souel actually appear?' No one doubts Hull: the Rev. Mr. Watson, distinnounced witchcraft, after having refused thousands of others equally as distin- called, then shall our work be of the to hear Saul through the properly ap-pointed means, grant him his desire Now, if these parties were to inform through illegitimate means? Think of us that they had discovered an ancient science, is to study and sound everyto hear Saul through the properly ap- guished. pointed means, grant him his desire it, a lawbreaker, who had to work under manuscript with accounts of the return thing. To abandon psychic phenomena fear of arrest, a woman with a famillar and communion of spirits with their to credulity is to commit treason against spirit, able to call back to life one of the friends, then I think we might be ex- the human understanding." Says T. E.

comfort for you in this narrative, for it serious attention, for in that case the "The best proof for immortality, and is not in the power of witch or wizard to records might be false even though the I am inclined to think the only one poscomfort for you in this narrative, for it serious attention, for in that case the raise the dead." manuscript said they came from God, But in I Samuel, xxviii, 14, et seq., we find the definite statement that the wo-Any clever, unscrupulous writer in a su-

BALTIMORE STIRRED UP, this world. I mean of our condition in it, if the spirits of the dead could return. Could we have any peace? Any com-fort? Any joy? For it must not be for-telligent Christians will allow them-

gotten that we carry with us into the selves to be next world the feelings that sway and "DUPED BY THESE FRAUDS," We can understand how that might have

Thomas A. Edison, the electrician and intelligence!

scientist; Judge A. B. Richmona; Abby A. Judson, daughter of the distinguished missionary, and the author of numerous works on Spiritualism; the Rev. Moses diss in this psychic field, it is our duty works the Rev. Mr. Watson, disting to investigate it, and if we can thereby

Lord's most faithful prophets! Oh! ye cused, not knowing the author, for re-who run after table tappings, there is no fusing to consider the matter worthy of Arena for March, 1895.

man did call up Samuel, and that Saul perstitious age would be apt to so declare world and by modern Spiritualism, and recognized him and conversed with him in order to give his writings greater some of the occultists of our day, a doof the brain, and sometimes even to con- Then follows the conversation in verses spirit return and communion, and in speaking of the light which the demon-

and follow directions. Here every ele- NECATIVE TESTIMONY NO EVIDENCE, tains his identity after quitting the ment of possible fraud will be elimhis friends, then he can confidently accept any manifestation that may occur under such conditions. No investigator should ever think of attending a public seance where there is a person who for bire pretends to give him messages from the departed. I should not have a very exalted opinion of the mental capacity of an individual who should allow himself to be persuaded by the words of a stranger of the truthfulness of the socalled communion with excarnate intel-

ligences. With such evidence before us, is it not been easily done thousands of years ago about time for the church to arouse in Bible times, when the masses were from its lethargy and by investigating grossly ignorant, but to day, in the candidly, honestly, patiently, find the ninetcenth century, it does seem in light that so many have found on the credible. And what is most suprising question of immortality, and so prevent is the class of people that are thus this exodus to the ranks of materialism,

N OPEN LETTER TO THE REV. DR. duped. Among them we find such men of those gifted minds that have not been HARCOURT, PASTOR OF GRACE M. E. as the late Prof. Zollner, one of the most able to accept the dogma of immortality CHURCH, BALTIMORE, BY J. C. distinguished mathematicians of Ger- on mere faith? Are we quite consistent WALKER, PH. B., OF JOHNS HOPKINS an unquestioned demonstration for ev- we refuse to believe on the oath of our erything; the late Robert Hare, pro-fessor at the University of Pennsylvania; frontery What a reflection on Christian

Allen in his article on telepathy in the

sible-must be sought in that domain pre-empted by the so-called supernaturalism of the great religions of the "Of late we have come to believe in a hypnotic force. But what that power is scientific research has not ily deter-mined. Yet its limitations are as lixed as form is he of?" And she said, 'An old an abouymous manuscript, net an un-the force of steam. There is with some a nervous force which seems to pene-souls, and to reproduce the impression of the stopped with his souls, and to reproduce the impression. The follows the conversation in the stopped with his souls, and to reproduce the impression. The follows the conversion in the stopped with his souls, and to reproduce the impression. The follows the conversion in the stopped with his souls, and to reproduce the impression. The follows the conversion in the stopped with his souls, and to reproduce the impression of conversion in the stopped with his souls. The standard of the intervent of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his souls. The standard of the impression of the stopped with his denom-the standard of the impression of the stopped with his denom-the standard of the impression of the stopped with his denom-souls and to reproduce the impression of the stopped with his denom-the standard the stopped with his denom-the standard the stopped with his denom-the standard the stopped with his denom-souls and to reproduce the impression of the light which the demomtroi the will. But when we have granted 15 to 19. this, we have nothing but trickery and low in view of the fact that the Bible deception beyond it. The reading of says that the woman had "a familiar folded papers, the bringing of music out spirit." that the did call back the must be governed by

body, then he will have all the likes and Negative testimony is no evidence at inated, for no honest person will try to all. If nine hundred and ninety-nine dielikes he ever had. Such being the deceive his friends, and if one can trust men out of a thousand should swear in case, his love for friends and kindred court that they had not seen John Smith murder Richard Doe, and the thou-sake them if he loved them in life, and sandth man should swear that he had so will be attracted to them; for what seen him do it, any jury in the country other place would attract him more than would convict Mr. Smith of murder. So that where his loyed ones stay and the statement of one intelligent man mourn him as dead? We can't conceive that he has enjoyed the sweet privilege of seeing, recognizing and conversing with his departed loved ones, outweighs any amount of testimony from those who have not enjoyed that privilege. But what will you say when you reflect that the number of persons who claim to have had such communion are counted by the thousands, almost by millions? READING NUMBERS ON BANK NOTES,

In regard to another statement of yours, I beg leave to tell you that if you know of any men who are willing. as you say, to give bank notes to anyone who will read their numbers, when the notes have been placed in envelopes and sealed

by the owner of the bills, kindly consult Maggie Gaule, of your city, on the subject, or Pierre L. O. Keeler, next Tuesday, at Saratoga hall. Either of these deny clairvoyance, for the English Society for Psychical Research has shown

dependent of Spiritualism. INVESTICATING WITH PISTOLS.

In regard to the men who desire to

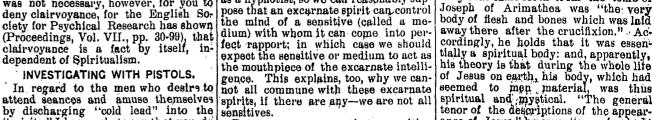
'spirits," I have only to say that you do But can we suppose that a sensitive yourself no great honor by countenanccan see the forms of our beloved ones, ing such methods of investigation. as they claim they can? To one un-Scientists and other gentlemen do not familiar with psychic phenomena would investigate with loaded revolvers, for come the answer, no. But it has been they feel that if the supposed "spirit" is shown by experiment that a person by really the medium disguised, they have the force of his will alone has caused a no moral right to shoot him, much as he friend at a distance to perceive him as plane from that on which we are now deserves such treatment; and if the form though present. From this we may living;" but "these descriptions cor they see is a spiritual one, then a differ reason by analogy that the excarnate ent kind of welcome from the one you mind or will, since we suppose it to re-prescribe should be accorded to this main unchanged, can produce the same visitor from the great beyond. effect on any incarnate mind with which

Imagine a man sixting in his doorway it can come into rapport. So, to sum up, with a shotgun, waiting to shoot anyone if man is immortal, we shall be sur-why should come claiming to be his prised if he does not remain near his prised if he does not remain near bis friends on leaving the physical body; if child who long ago was kidnapped and friends on leaving the physical body; if has never returned! Do you think that his attitude would encourage that child through the medium of a sensitive; and to return and greet him if he knew it? if he cannot so impress certain persons Just ponder a moment on what that that his form is pictured in their minds child would think of his father. The and can be described by them.

The Doctrine of the Resursake them if he loved them in life, and of his leaving unless forced away against Easter season, as a heretic, after long his will, and who is going to do it? And retirement. In a sermon preached last Sunday at All Souls' in Madison avenue, where, oh where, would they take him? Beyond the stars? Where is that? To and reported in the Tribune, he an-Jupiter? Why, please, to a distant nounced himself as substantially a Spirplanet any more than to the south pole? itualist, rejecting the doctrine of the No, logic can discover nowhere for him resurrection of Jesus, as taught in the creeds of religious orthodoxy, both to go, no place to which he would care to go; so the only conclusion is that he Roman Catholic and Protestant, and stays where he wants to -- on earth substituting for it another. among his friends and familiar scenes

that his heart has never ceased to love. is that "the story of the resurrection of lesus Christ" was meant to be the his-AN IMPORTANT QUESTION. toric attestation that the dead are not dead; that they can reappear and com-

But can he communicate with the livng? Psychical research has demonstrated enough to prove the possibility; for since it has been shown that the minds of certain sensitive persons can be absolutely controlled by the mind, or incarnate spirit, of anyone who is able parties will be found at your service. It to come into perfect rapport with them, was not necessary, however, for you to as a hypnotist, so we can reasonably suppose that an excarnate spirit can control the mind of a sensitive (called a me-



of Jesus on earth, his body, which had seemed to men material, was thus spiritual and mystical. "The general tenor of the descriptions of the appearance of Jesus," he says, "are of a body wholly differing in its powers from the body which we now know. Our bodies cannot appear and disappear at will. They cannot pass through closed doors There is evidently here a manifestation of the existence on an entirely different respond exactly to what we learn from all mystic experiences of the new life in which the spiritual body is the only body. The resurrection, therefore, is inter-

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rection.

The Rev. Dr. Heber Newton, of the

Episcopal church, reappears at this

This different and conflicting doctrine

mune with us. "The whole sig-nificance of the record is thrown away,"

says Dr. Newton, and the resurrection

becomes "a wholly exceptional marvel,"

of no typical value under the theory of

the disciples and of the church that the

body that came forth from the tomb of

preted by him as the revelation and demonstration that "the dead are not aways far from us, that they may commune with us, and we with them." He explains "the apparent physical nature of the organization of the risen Jesus" by saying that "all occult experience confirms the belief that the spirits of

the dead can at times manifest them. IS IT DESIRABLE? are to us But granting that it is possible to visible, audible and tangible;" and thus ascertain the nature of the hereafter, is 'he declares his acceptance of the creed it desirable? The question is too preof Spiritualism. posterous for discussion. Why is it, The Rev. Dr. Newton does not atwhen we are going abroad, we buy maps tempt to reconcile this theory of the of the cities and countries we are to resurrection with the language of the You attempt to make a great point of visit? Why is it we ascertain all we can gospel records, or the doctrine of the church, but acknowledges frankly that it conflicts with them both. "I cannot accept the testimony of the disciples,' ditions tend to encourage fraud in the on the surroundings that are soon to be he says flatly. Because "what the church understands is plain," he is not deterred from having a different understanding of his own. The incident of doubting Thomas's having refused to that you do not understand? But certain hastening, and to which this life is but believe in the resurrection without physical proof, he regards as having no conditions are necessary in order to pro- the vestibule? The more knowledge we duce certain results—a fact no one will can obtain the better we can prepare dispute. Now, no one would think of ourselves for that eternal life. value as conclusive evidence; for "we must remember the possibility of Thomas misunderstanding whatever DEATH A NATURAL CHANGE. words were spoken in such a moment, How consoling and encouraging is the and of his misreporting them." brushes him aside as a merely human thought that death is only a natural sensitive plate, for we all know that the change, a transition to a life where and fallible witness, and says that "the every ambition shall be given full sway moment the idea of an absolutely infallible record is abandoned, we can no unhampered by a physical body and the · But since there is so great an oppor-tunity for fraud at dark seances, the necessity of wasting one's energies in longer pin our faith to any mere statement that stands by itself, and that is order to support it! How sweet must be the knowledge that our loved ones, contradicted by the general tenor of whom we unjustly say God has taken the record." This general tenor seems there is any possibility of deception. If whom we unjustly say God has taken one has not the patience to organize a from us, are still with us, happy and to him to compel the inference that the family circle and sit regularly until free, and will talk to us as often as we disciples were wholly ignorant of the imitated the miracles of Moses and likely to do within ten sittings, then the sary conditions in our home! And how true significance of the mission and resurrection of Jesus. That we are not wrong in assuming close the two worlds will seem together God to the Egyptians (Ex. vil, 22), proves vately, and weigh well all that you are if we, as thousands claim they have that Dr. Newton's theory is that the told; but one should not fall into the done, can so develop the spiritual sense body of Jesus was always a spiritual were clever tricksters, playing on the error of thinking that because what you that we too can recognize our children, eredulity of the people? What would hear is mysterious, it is spirits that give parents, brothers, sisters, our wife or body in essence, and not physical merely, as it appeared to men to be, seems to be you think of a man whose business it is the medium the intelligence; for after our husband, in our midst, not as ghosts indicated by the supreme importance he issue is narrowed down to the single to investigate these signs of God, who, all, it may be nothing more than mind- or devils-for we don't believe in themattaches to it, as solving fundamental religious doubts, which, he confesses, question: "Are the phenomena proven?" Instead of seeking for the gonation reading—another fact demonstrated of have simply exchanged the physical testify, actually seen them? If they ing the performances of the magicians have not, then should our courts of should go away and declars that the so-have not, then should our courts of should go away and declars that the so-You will discover the importance of an we truly say: "There is no death." but as the darlings of our heart, who had long disturbed his mind. "I have had my doubts," he said, in beginning his sermon, "as you have had; but they I should respectfully suggest, Dr. have given place to a strong conviction, will be convinced that the medium did |Harcourt, that before you attempt again into which I would help you." Such a to enlighten the public on this momentheory, of course, disposes of the difficulties raised by the Episcopal heretic, tous question, you investigate the sub-McQueary, for instance, touching the It is not one to be scoffed down or ject. story of the incarnation, for it makes treated lightly. Very respectfully yours. J. C. WALKER. the birth of Jesus the birth of a spiritual being only, and separates it wholly from a mere physical phenomenon. In Coleridge was so absent-minded that another sermon he will explain his idea he often passed his most intimate friends more fully; but unquestionably, it is in the street without recognizing them. radically opposed to the doctrine of the Schumann was gloomy and moody. church and to the gospel narratives of He often responded to a question withthe resurrection. It is more consistent out turning his head to look at the ques- with the view of Spiritualism, to which

material form, have been proved over with him, may we not be permitted to uine does exist, and over again to be feats of jugglering think, if we care to, that it is all true, mountebanks played before companies and that after all your contradiction of have not been making a mistake in sup nine-tenths trickery. The argument as self? to the latter is very simple. Here, as in But England, there are men who will place In an envelope, sealed by themselves, a doubt those of its teachings that you find ena there are also certain persons incalarge sum of money, and who will give to your distaste? Do you feel yourself it to any medium who will read the num-it to any medium who will read the number of the notes or bills. Here and in God by thus amending it? And, pray, England there are men anxious to attend a scance with but one privilege—that of on those statements in the Bible that carrying a loaded revolver to see how the spirits like cold lead. To such plain what becomes of the cherished seem unreasonable and hence incredible. requests Spiritualists answer: 'No skeptics need apply.' They tell us that no

knowledge of a future state is communicated to mortals further than they are prepared to receive it. That is to say, than your Unitarian friend has to reject the existence of the genuine, after you must be ready to swallow or you will the Holy Trinity? Or your Hebrew which it is fashioned. And is it not get no medium to act. The dark is al-friend to reject the whole of the New possible, too, that the proportion of the ways necessary, in order to see, and a Testament? In short, the moment that counterfeit to the genuine, if there be cabinet must be set up, from which the you admit that you may reject even a any, is much exaggerated by the fact spirits must come and go. Your nerves must be unstrung, and your heart throb- belief in the infallibility of the Bible, bing with a mysterious expectancy. and so reject it as the word of God? for, Then Benjamin Franklin and George

as such, it must be infallible. Washington and lovely infants and spir-Consistency would seem to dictate that itual lovers will come by the car load you cease preaching that the Bible is a and speak in gushing tones; but only divinely inspired book, or that you ac-then. It is pitiful in the extreme to see cept its statements without questioning cept its statements without questioning men and women calling themselves their truthfulness. The moment that Christians stooping to be the dupes of you exercise your judgment in regard to such an imposture. Yet, in many cases, any of them, that moment you are guilty we understand how easily they are led of infidelity to your holy office, which is

into this folly. Some great bereaveto repeat and not to judge. ment unhinges the mind, and the great desire to know something of the state and condition of the loved leads them to

Did it never occur to you what the FATE OF THE BIBLE

INFALLIBILITY OF THE BOOK?

ecorded doings of the Woman of Endor

word at will, do you not surrender your

grasp at any straw, hence the story of would be if men should be encouraged some medium's power receives ready by such examples as yours to treat it as though, instead of its being the word of credence."

Dr. Harcourt told of instances that God, it were a mere history composed by came up under his own observation, | man, open, as all other books are. to critwhere this feeling of bereavement has | icism? You must know that if the peobeen taken hold of. ple should reject all that seems unreas-"One of my memonable, as you have taken the liberty to bers," said he, "who only a short time ago lost a lovely daughter by death, had do, the Bible would retain none of those a call from a lady that she never sus- recorded miracles, visits of angels to pected of being a Spiritualist. She told | mortals, visions, conversations with the her that she had good news for her; that shades of the departed, upon which all she had attended a seance at the home its claims to our confidence as being of of a friend only a few blocks away from divine origin rest.

her home, and that her daughter was I was sorry that you committed the inthere, and wanted to see her mother, as discretion at the beginning of your lecshe had something to communicate. 'And what did you say to her?' 1 in-guired. 'Well, I told her I did not be-you were thinking only of the desnised lieve a word of it, and I said if my daugh-Spiritualists, such a remark might set a ter could come back to this world, I know layman to wondering whether the gross there is no one she would communicate ignorance of the Middle Ages was not with before her mother, and if she could responsible for the universal superstibe heard from in the house of a friend, tious devotion of the masses of the she could be heard from here, and I did church; or whether there is any significance in the fact that in those countries not go.'

"I think that we ministers of the goswhere superstition has to-day the firmest pel are very much to blame for much of hold upon the people, where Christianthe prevalent belief in the return of the ity is most deeply implanted, there ignosoul after death. Funeral discourses are rance is the densest; or whether this full of it, the dear departed hovering fact that supersition and ignorance are near, and the cloud of witnesses are one and inseparable may not explain that it is better not to frequent seauces as a people, are a set of blacklegs. Yes, moving some of our prejudice, of lessenspoken of as realities. The Bible gives why the Rev. D. L. Moody and the Salno authority for such a belief; there are vation Army find ignorance to be the everything were genuine, we should not the true, you will have no difficulty in a thirst to know the whole truth, and of no grounds on which to build such a be- only soil from which they can hope to know it, and hence not be convinced. finding what you seek: but please don't encouraging us in our investigations. but ignorance, superstition and reap a bountiful harvest of converts. heathenism. Between the living and As I remarked, it is unwise to make such inform themselves of the necessary con-the dead there is no intercourse. Think insinuations even when the Spiritualists ditions, then organize home parties, adfor a moment, will you, of the state of are meant, for we are so apt to call un- mitting no one but confidential friends, nor found it.

folded papers, the bringing of music out spirit," that she did call back the spirit they assert upon their honor that after all imitations are eliminated the gen-I am not sure, Dr. Harcourt, that we

ever ready to counterfeit, if possible, any article that may yield them a profit. But, sir, how dare you preach that the

pable of producing them honestly, who are trying, with more or less success, to imitate the genuine. This is true of

bank notes, of coin, of commercial paper, and even of articles of food-why not of mediumship, so called? So, then, the discovery of a fraud neither proves nor disproves the genuine, though, as a Have you any more right to reject the piece. of circumstantial evidence, it would have to be counted in favor of the existence of the genuine, after

that unless we are investigators, we seldom hear of the manifestations in the presence of genuine mediums. But let a fraud be exposed, and the fact will be heralded from Florida to Oregon, through the columns of the daily press, for that is the news that the people

desire. ARE THE PHENOMENA PROVE Judge Richmond, in his review of the report of the Seybert Commission, page 216, says: It is evident, then, that the

question: "Are the phenomena proven?" of modern Spiritualism. If the evidence of our senses is not to be believed, if reputable in and women are not to be

saw and Hlard, then may God forgive us all for the injustice we have done; either as judges, advocates or jurors, when we

have been called upon to decide upon the guilt or innocence of our fellowmen. have been instrumental in my professional life in sending two men to the gallows, and hundreds to the penitentiary, on just such evidence as this. If human testimony is not to be relied upon, then are our courts of law a miserable farce, and our judgment and we lean upon will pierce our hands. STATEMENTS ON FAITH:

cept any statements on faith, for the be forthcoming, not only to injure our for it has been shown that the mind, invitation is extended to all to investi- instion's reputation, but even to make or incarnate spirit, has extraordinary gate, to question, to study, to think, to sqme of our enemies believe that our powers. But such a communication contest, if they will. And we are told currency is all counterfeit, and that we, would perform the good work of reof professional mediums, for even if Dr. Harcourt, if you prefer the false to ing our supply of bigotry, of arousing But they say that investigators should insult our intelligence again by de-

rather, he is a spirit incarnate, or spirit plus a physical body. Men as excarnate

with one another; communion must deof credulous men and women. Modern Spiritualism is one-tenth hypotic and worthy of our credence as the Bible it-has produced no tricksters who are ical body, but upon some faculty or has produced no tricksters who are ical body, but upon some faculty or faculties that belong to spirits: therefore, spirits can communicate with mortals." It is evident, sir, that you can that man is not a living, immortal soul.

FRAUD AND HYPNOTISM.

Just a few remarks now in answer to certain of your statements." Your declaration that the phenomena of Spiritualism are nine-tenths fraud and one-tenth hypnotism, does not do credit to the intelligence that an instructor of the public is supposed to possess. It is evident that you have never investigated the subject with any thoroughness, if at all. You have probably attended a few socalled exposures of Spiritualism. allowed the trickster to make his own conditions, saw how wonderfully clever his imitations were, and then went home, thinking that you had really investigated Spiritualism! Do you think the fact that the magicians of Pharaoh successfully Aaron, which were to be a sign from that these two distinguished gentlemen instead of seeking for the genuine,

most momentous interests of human life tion of trickery, and that Moses and are decided upon just such testimony as Aaron, who possessed the God-given not obtain the information in the orare decided upon just such testimony as pharon, who possible them honestly, were is presented to the world in the claims power of producing them honestly, were the biggest impostors on earth? Would the biggest impostors on earth? you call that investigating honestly, candidly, and patiently, in order to ascredited when they narrate what they certain the true-not the false?

THE SPURIOUS AND CENUINE.

Did it never occur to you that, no the slate-writing mediums, never letting matter how many successful counter-1 them go out of his hands or out of his feiters are at work imitating Uncle sight, and then get the insides written Sam's coin and greenbacks, that does full, perhaps of messages in the handnot change the fact that his money is writing and over the signatures of cergenuine? cause we have seen him making it, and come back and greet him if it is possireason but as a broken staff, which, if a foreign government should desire to he may easily be made the victim of de-

counterfeit money possible, and even | conditions, I think we make a mistake Another fact which is worthy of pay more for it than the genuite would to jump immediately to the conclusion notice is that we are not obliged to ac- cost, I am confident that enough would that it is the work of excarnate spirits,

only the one desire: To ascertain the truth. Those who seek in that spirit will find. spirits must be able to communicate DARKNESS AND SPIRIT MANIFESTA-TION. ical body, but upon some faculty or the fact that for certain manifestations about the people, their mode of living, power poisessed by spirits. Finally, as a subdued light, or partial darkness, and their dress, their occupations-everywe also are spirits, we must possess the a cabinet, are required. That such con- thing, in fact, that can throw any light

production of particular manifestations, no one will deny; but that it is prima to do so; we want to go prepared. How escape this conclusion only by assuming facie evidence of fraud is not true, for much more, then, is it to our advantage may it not be possible that these phe- to ascertain all we can on the subject of nomena are governed by certain laws the hereafter toward which we are all

accusing a photographer of fraud (unless

he was a "spirit, photographer" for re-quiring a dark foom, or cabinet, in order to bring out the delicate image on the light would destroy it at once.

Spiritualists, as I have already said, advise investigators to avoid seances where best way is to consult a medium priinvestigation of this mystery, for you dinary way.

THE BEGINNER.

For a beginner in the field of investigation, I should advise him to do as I did: buy a pair of slates, mark them,

vie them together, take them to one of We know it is genuine be- tain loved ones whom he knows would tioner.

the sight of a thousand car-loads of ble for them to do so. But one should counterfeit money would not shake our never use a medium's slates, nor let his perfect knowledge of that fact. But if own go out of his hands, for if he does injure Uncle Sam's credit abroad, and ception. But even where writing is obshould come here and seek out all the tained within sealed slates under these

But, you ask, is it reasonable to sup Granting that man is a spirit who re- negligence is a crime.-Shakspeare.

the Rev. Dr. Newton will be welcomed as a hopeful convert, at the time when

ng the most polite man in the Revolu- it is much in need of such a recruit. The above is from the New York Sun. Yes, Dr. Newton will be welcomed to the ranks of Spiritualism. In fact, he has really been there for several years, in mind and spirit. B. NEV LENCE.

> He is a fool who cannot be angry; but he is a wise man who will not -- Old Proverb.

If we try to obtain perpetual change, hange itself will become monotonous,-Ruskin.

A cruel story runs on wheels, and every hand oils the wheels as they run. -George Eliot.

It is a great sin to swear unto a sin, but greater sin to keep a sinful oath .----Shakspeare.

Gen. Greene had the reputation of be-

tionary army, during the war of independence. The good are heaven's peculiar care.

-Ovid. Human science is an uncertain guess -Prior.

Each one sees what he carries in his eart.-Goethe. Deliver me, O Lord, from that evil nan, myself.-T. Brooks.

A wise man should have money in his head, not in his heart .- Swift. He deserves small trust who is not

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Reply to W. E. Coleman by B. B. Hill

I notice in THE PROGRESSIVE THINK-ER of March 16, that Mr. Coleman undertakes to criticise my views upon "Jesus a Myth," as published in the bove-mentioned journal Jan. 5th. On reading his article, I realized that he has lost none of his peculiar style that formerly characterized his efforts to enighten the public through the press. With all of Mr. Coleman's boasted knowledge concerning this question, it is only necessary to glance over the files of Mind and Matter to see how he was pierced through and through by the keen blade of searching criticism wielded by its late editor, J. M. Roberts, Esq., when Mr. Coleman attempted to criticise his able MS. treating upon relig-tous subjects, ancient and modern. Mr. Coleman was silenced by Mr. Roberts' reply and has evidently not felt inclined to resume the attack, until now, after Mr. Roberts has passed to Spirit-life. Mr, Coleman has reason to remember Mr. Roberts, and I do not wonder at his manifest dislike for his old opponent, as it is only natural.

In the article upon which Mr. Coleman offers criticism, I referred to the so-called evidence put forward by Christian writers drawn from the New Testament, to prove the existence of the historical Jesus. I claimed that such evidence was not admissible, in view of the admitted forgeries and interpolations in the manuscripts from which the New Testament was compiled. I also referred to several passages in history to which Christian writers point as a proof that Jesus, the so-called founder, lived. all of which have been proven to be forgeries and misrepresentations, hence have no value with independent scholars. I further stated that all history in the age in which Jesus is said to have

lived ignores him, and this fact alone goes far to prove that Jesus was a mythcal character, and lies as a ponderous weight against other claims for his existence, I also stated that it appears more than probable from the evidence that is coming to the surface, that the, life and teachings of Apollonius of Ty-ana, whose historical existence is unquestionable, were appropriated by the promotors of Christianity, in the formuthey suppressed the name of Apollonius, instead of which the name of Jesus Christ was adopted as the central figure.

I will now respond to Mr. Coleman's criticism. In reference to my quotation from the Rev. D. O. Allen's work, Mr. Coleman says he does not find it in that work. The title of the work he refers to is India, Ancient and Modern. I am statement that the Rev. Mr. Allen tells Vedas, is not found in Mr. Allen's work if the superstructure is rejected, why re-word for word, the substance of my statement is therein contained. The its are insearable except in the minds purpose in my former article was to of certain theorists who have a hobby of with only the family present, convincing

from a letter written by this eminent man for his criticism calling this ques-Biblical scholar bearing upon this sub- tion up, as it has given me an opportunject: "All who have even super the well as bring out other points upon such religion has developed from Pagan and subject. We have noticed from time to time to time. regard to him that if he has lived, he ject, but in consideration of the fact was not known at all, and has not been a great ideal of a man which Unitarians wish to make him." Here is Rabbi teachings and misrepresentations conthere is no contemporary evidence in regard to him that if he has lived, he Schindler's statement verbatim. Mr.

Jesus a man. I very much prefer to ac- real character, are but taking a supersupposed author of Christianity was a this state of spiritual darkness or This state of anars has, for the most myth, there can be but one reasonable should we, as Spiritualists, fully accept conclusion as to his meaning, viz: that the living light of to day, instead of he referred to the historical Jesus, When he says it is well known that through the uncertain mists of the dark been of incalculable benefit to our, peothere is no contemporary evidence in ages, for truth? regard to him, he evidently refers to a A serious dang

Mr. Coleman would have it. ence between the Jesus of Nazareth and Jesus the carpenter's son. Mr. Cole-man says he calls the ideal Jesus a myth I suppose he means his ideal, of, course), but he accepts the historical Jesus.

If any same person should undertake to follow out these fallacies they would doubtless become insane by the effort, as these baseless theories would have a tendency to lead the mind into more mystification, if possible, than mythical Christianity itself.

No matter what those of Mr. Coleman's persuasion may claim, as to Jesus as an individual, religious history has decided that Jesus and Christianity are have been forced by the light of the

Jesus as a myth also.

Coleman volunteers the following state ment as to Rabbi Schindler's views. He says Rabbi Schindler, like many others, has declared the Christ a myth, but has declared the Christ a myth has declared the Chris

with the matter under consideration, its merits, and concerning Jesus and Christianity. In this state of this fallacy? Should we still help to the private circles. Spiritualism is in owning up to the truth and taking a whipping for many consecutive days should we as Spiritual darkness? Or the area to be but one present but one present her one prese

regard to him, he evidently refers to a A serious danger now confronts Spir-real personage and not an ideal Jesus as itualism, more serious than persecution. of all with whom they have come in

various articles in the spiritual papers

objecting to the discussion of this sub-

It is decidedly amusing to read what individuals of the type of Mr. Coleman write upon the Jesus question. They undertake to tell the world the differundertake to tell the world the differ-ence between the historical Jesus and ent, and humanity will still plod along the mythical Jesus, as well as the differ-ence between the historical Jesus and between the historical Jesus as the differ-ence between the historical Jesus as the historic To those who have received the light comes also duty and obligation. Are we discharging our obligation in this respect? is the question of the hour.

THE BAPS.

They Convert a Member of Parliament.

In 1852, in the house of Isaac Post, in inseparable. They stand or fall together. sons present. I had no belief in Spirit-Calling him a man does not change his ualism, and no wish to believe, but went tablished themselves on so high a plane relation to Christianity. Such theorists to the house of my friend at his urgent and who have done so much to further a řequest.

nineteenth century to relinquish so Only a few raps came, apparently on much of the Christian story as bears the floor, in the corner of the room, and In the suppressed the name of A pollonius of God, who gave him to the world as a la few questions, and intelligent answers sacrifice for the sins of mankind. I came; the questions were not important, understand that Mr. Coleman now be- but that manifest intelligence was the lieves in Jesus as a man only. If he surprising wonder. I walked home dazed continues to progress, he will doubtless and confused, asking myself: Is this reach the point where he will regard some strange glamour, delusive and

vain, or is it a signal for unseen intelli-Now, if the only begotten son of God gences? My feeling was that I must part of the story is untrue, what un- find out, if possible. Fortunately, I was part of the story-is untrue, what unto is India, Anotent and Modern. I am prejudiced mind would accept the theory among trustworthy friends and kindred. that the same, and though my that Jesus, the central figure of this Leah, eldest of the Fex sisters, of Hydesamong trustworthy friends and kindred. statement that the Rev. Mr. Allen's work legend, existed at all without having us that the doctrines and teachings of absolute proof of the fact? In a word, York), was the medium on that first The thirteenth annual camp moorning of the fact? In a word, York), was the medium on that first at Orion will be held at Island Park, evening, and for some time I saw no at Orion will be held at Island Park, other. and have never seen her superior, commencing Saturday, June 1st, and legend, existed at all without having ville (since Mrs. Underhill, of New Fish, the Quaker parents of my wife, days.

purpose in my former article was to only briefly allude to this reference, without going into detail. The Rev. Allen sets forth that the Vedas hold to the doctrine of one Supreme God, and demi-gods, both male and female. Here we have the fundamental elements of Christianity in a general sense. First: A Supreme God. Second: Jesus Christ,

DETROIT AWAKENED.

Wonderful Seances by the Pettibones.

teachings and misrepresentations con- tribute to the wonderful Spiritualistic cerning the origin of Christianity and manifestations so freely displayed at the

To many readers of THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, the merits and abilities of cept Rabbi Schindler's straightforward, ficial view of the matter, and one not the Pettibones are prohably household unequivocal statement, instead of Mr. calculated to advance the cause of truth. words, but to the people of Detroit they. Coleman's contradiction of it. I think We are told by those from the other were and are revelations. Detroit is were and are revelations. Detroit is his attempt to explain Mr. Schindler's life, who ought to know, that millions to-day, perhaps, more busily engaged his attempt to explain Mr. Schindler's life, who ought to know, that minors to day, perhaps, more bushy engaged position very presumptuous and not in order. Whatever Rabbi Schindler has published in the past has nothing to do with the matter under consideration. If the impressions that were indelibly fixed on their minds while in this life, awakening has taken place. Public

ple. They have obtained fairly, and story, clipped from the New York Rewill always enjoy, the fullest confidence corder.

It is the tendency to Christianize it. If contact. They have been tested rigidly, ments have secured them the pleasantest social recognition from many of our best people. Coming, as they do, in the wake of many insincere mediums, their honorable and straightforward methods

and all conditions imposed by the audi-ence. Messages written in full view of the assembly, by materialized hands, have invariably been recognized as correct, and have brought great comfort and encouragement to the recipients.

It is not my intention to enter into a Rochester, N. Y., I first heard the detailed account of the marvers soon as acter, no round hardened sinner. Old "spirit rappings." I knew well all the a Pettibone seance. Their phase of mind, a vile and hardened sinner. Old six or eight truthful and intelligent per-mediumship is too well known, but to Scaggs rarely attended any place of nav a just tribute to those who have es-worship, and on pleasant Sunday aftercause that should be dear to every human heart. Their private sittings human near, find have been most and developing classes have been most successful, and deservedly so. F. R. HUNT.



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Couldn't Cramp Greeley.

At last Georgie Washington loses th heroism which is not recorded of young Washington, although if he had been put to the test Georgie and Horace might have been a tie. Here is the EMMA R. TUTTLE.

It happened in the town of Erie, Pa., where Horace spent a great deal of his boyhood. The lad was unusually precocious, and at the age of 10 years was considered the prodigy of the town. He was a great reader, and eagerly de voured anything in the way of useful literature that came in his way. His father was a poor man, and Horace had are refreshing. Not one seance has not many chances for mental culture, been a failure. Demonstrations of the but so keen was the boy's love of study most convincing kind have occurred at every meeting; and that, too, under any seed to visit by stealth an old neighbor who' possessed a handsome and finely stocked library. This old fellow was to the mind of Horace's father, the es sence of all that was irreligious. His name was Scaggs-Nathaniel Scaggsand, despite his quiet method of living and his acknowledged honesty of char-

noons could always be seen sitting in his front garden boldly smoking his corncob pipe. These were the causes of Mr. Greeley's condemnation, and he dubbed the old scholar "a child of the devil."

But Scaggs had taken a fancy to the bright-faced Horace and invited the boy BY MATILDA JOSLYN GAGE to his home. After the first visit and a glimpse of that wonderful storehouse of books, Horace could not stay away. He knew his father hated old Scaggs and called him a "lost soul," and he realized if his visits to their neighbor reached his ears that his father would instantly prohibit his calls. At the same time old Scaggs' kindness had won his heart. His wisdom had gained his admiration, and he felt the injustice of his father's dislike toward his old friend: Besides, the old man was teaching him Latin and opening daily to the boyish mind fields of thought and speculation, and pointing out with care glimpse of that wonderful storehouse of Of Spiritualists at Orion Lake if his visits to their neighbor reached

speculation, and pointing out with care and patience philosophic truths so cagerly listened to by young Horace. Once, in the middle of a sentence of OFFICERS. President, O. S. Burgess, Richmond; vice-president, M. C. Sklinner, Orlon; second vice-president, E. A. Western, Lapeer; treasurer, John Skinner, Orion; Lapeer; treasurer, John Skinner, Orion; Lapeer; treasurer, John Skinner, S. E. Mrs. S. E. Short and exclaimed: "Mr. Scaggs, my table doesn't like you. He says you are a child of the devil!

The old man was silent for a moment,

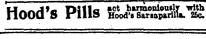
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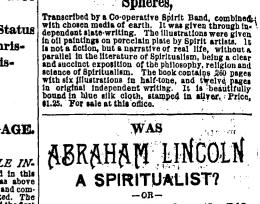
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Jesus Christ for the sins of mankind. Are not these some of the fundamental elements of Christianity? Upon what would Christianity rest without them? Hence, it appears that the essential and fundamental elements in Christianity were foreshadowed in the Hindu Vedas. If we read the Rev. 'Allen on the Vedas, without prejudice and without standing on technicalities, we may readily see that Christianity borrowed much material from remote antiquity, with which to formulate its system. Upon this point Virchand R. Gandhi, the eminent Hindu scholar, who represented his countrymen at the late Parliament of Religions, and with whom I had many interviews last summer at Cassadaga, said, in answer to a question, that to take from the Christian Bible the moral truths and teachings of Buddhism, there would be nothing left of value, meaning that no new truths were contained therein that were not known in the ancient religious prove this correct, however, as it is commonly known and generally admitted by

Independent scholars. While visiting the Parliament of Re-differs radically from Mr. Coleman, ligions, I obtained interviews with a judging from what he writes in one of number of other learned individuals, his famous chapters, published in the and representative Hindus, and was in same number of THE PROGRESSIVE formed by them that the essential moral THINKER as was Mr. Coleman's crititruths claimed by Christianity were cism, and from which I make the follow-wife in London when we met at a correct withing of the Hin-found in the sacred writings of the Hin-ing quotation: "The monks have created "in Hindoo city?" (place and date given) dus many centuries B. C. On this same an imaginary race of Jews, and have line Buckle, the historian, says: "To as made them do and suffer things which sert that Christianity communicated to it is impossible they could have done or man moral truths previously unknown; suffered, culminating in an imaginary indicates gross ignorance or willful judicial murder of an imaginary founder swer. "What mood of mind were we fraud."

Now, whether all the doctrines of an imaginary epoch. These are grave vocal, written or mental being answered Christianity were contained in the Ve- words to have written: it has cost me das or not, is not of so much importance much to arrive at the certainty that as the fact that whatever material was they are true words; but it is a solace appropriated in the formation of the to reflect that the scene of Calvary Christian system, including its central which filled my child's soul with unutfigure, Jesus Christ, was gathered from terable dismay, has been proved beyond my friend; in the light of this higher the more ancient religions, known as a question to be merely a sombre effort life such feelings fade away; we are tree worship, phallic worship, serpent of ecclesiastical dramatists, and cruel friends again, even more than ever." worship, fire worship, sun worship, an dreamers of the cloister." I presume cestor worship, etc. Mr. Coleman may that Mr. Coleman will say that Mr. Englishman, who became a spirituals dispute this, but history not manipulated Johnson meant something that he did GILES B. STEBBINS. by Christian writers fully sustains this not mean, or did not say. However, I very much prefer to accept the authorview.

Now as to Rabbi Wise, whom Mr. Coleman seems to know more about than Mr. Coleman upon this question. journal, and it was but natural to sup-Dr. Wise resided unless it was true. Christianity depends. The nineteenth paid. Mr. Coleman says Rabbi Wise may century is about to be indicated upon have made a journey to Jerusalem, the dial face of time, and this longstatement as to the matter.

Christianity in a general sense. First. A Supreme God. Second: Jesus Christ, and Mary, the mother of God. The latter are both worshiped by the orig-inal and representative church as Gods inal and representative church as Gods Secrifice was also an imor demi-gods. Sacrifice was also an im-portant factor in the religious teachings His existence has been and is denied by titled "Light from the Spirit-World" of the Hindus. As a parallel, we have in the Christian system the sacrifice of well as the present before whom even was sont as titled "Light from the Spirit-World" well as the present, before whom even was soon after written automatically William Emmette Coleman might bow. through the hand of Friend Post. To Strauss, in his "Mythical Life of meet his wish to know of these things, Jesus," answers the above statement of Mr. Thompson went with them to a se Mr. Coleman in the following manner. ance, where my wife's mother was pres I quote from the conclusion of that ent, with a choice company of personal work: "Few great men have existed of friends.

whose history we have so unsatisfactory The eldest Fox sister was the me-a knowledge as we have of that of Jesus. dium. In due time Isaac Post suggested How much more clear and distinct, be- to Mr. Thompson to ask questions. He yond all comparison, is the figure of had visited Hindostan on government Socrates, which is 400 years older. It is business, and had in mind to ask of some true, indeed, that of the history of his Hindoo, unknown, of course, to all the (Socrates') youth and education we like- company save himself. His question wise know but little, but we know ac- was: "Are any of my Hindoo friends curately what he was in his mature present?" and three raps responded yes. years, what he attempted and what he Then he asked: "Will they give me affected. The figures of his disciples some message?" and a signal rap came, and friends stand out before us with asking for the alphabet to be repeated historic clearness; with regard to the and the message given in letters rapped causes and course of his condemnation out: A gentleman wrote down the letand the facts of his death we are per- ters designated, with this result: "D-wfectly informed. a-r-k-a-n-a-t-h-t-a-g-o-r-e-e." This being

This eminent scholar differs radically repeated, letter after letter, was declared history of his country. We need not with my critic in his pointed allusion by all to be a medley without meaning, depend upon the statements of D. O. and comparison of the historical evi- until Mr. Thompson took it all in at Allen or any other one individual to dence existing concerning Socrates and once. Studying it a few moments, he Jesus, it being unquestionable as to Soc- exclaimed: "Dwarkanath Tagoree! My dear friend, is this you?" when a shower rates and unsatisfactory as to Jesus.

of raps emphasized the joyful recog nition. It was the name of a Hindoo of high rank and large ability, an intimate friend. For a half hour he kept up an animated conversation. One question was: "What did you send by me to my tain Hindoo city?" (place and date given). "A cashmere shawl," was spelled out, At last he asked: "Where did we meet last on earth?" and "Regent street, London" (number given), was the an-

vocal, written or mental being answered with equal readiness-and the response came: "Anger." With deep feeling, Mr. Thompson exclaimed: "It is true," and asked: "Do you still keep that feel-Bay. City: 1:30 P. M. song service: 2 ing?" and the welcome answer was: "No, P. M., Mrs. A L. Robinson. precious hour was that to the noble with programme. Englishman, who became a Spiritualist Sunday. June

ity of Mr. Johnson rather than that of "Woman, Church and State." B Coleman seems to know more about than Rabbi Wise himself, I have this to say: I read the account of his journey to Je-rusalem, some years ago, in a Cincinnatii sournel to see the second ro affort to discussion. In conclusion I will simply add that those who have had a special interest in sustaining this Pagan Christianity, have journal, and it was but natural to sup-pose that such a statement would not able evidence of the existence of the of information on the subject, and should have been published in the city where historical Jesus, upon whom the life of be read by every one. Price \$2, post-

"Old Testament Stories Comically though he never heard of it. I think sought-for evidence is not forthcoming. Illustrated." Church people are cau-Dr. Wise should have at least advised In the meantime proof is steadily ac- tioned not to open this book, as its comour presumptuous friend of his journey cumulating, not only to prove Jesus a ical pictures, based on Bible texts, tend to that historic city, which would have myth, but that the materials to formu- to induce uncontrollable levity. It is a enabled him to be more definite in his late Christianity were gathered from book for the freethinker who wishes to the religions and legends of remote an- rest from busy cares, and drive away Rabbi Schindler's statement is next tiquity. In order. The following is an extract 1 wish to return thanks to Mr. Cole \$1; cloth \$1.50. For sale at this office.

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fifteen days. W. A. Mansfield, the independent slate-writer, will be present also. and intellectual, and I somehow hoped Augusta Ferris, of Bay City, trumpet that the good Lord would overlook his

and independent slate-writing. Gives smoking and not going to meeting." tests from the platform. tests from the platform.

Mr. Cooper, test medium, of Detroit, will be present, and many other good itude for their neighbor, and eventually test mediums will be on the ground.

PROGRAMME.

Saturday, June 1, 2 P. M., conference. Sunday, June 2, 10:30 A. M., address of welcome by presiding officer, O. S. Bur-gess, and response by Mrs. A. E. Sheets; P. M., D. P. Dewey, tests.

Monday, June 3, 9:30 A. M., song serv ice and short addresses; 2 P. M., Mrs. Sheets. tests.

Tuesday, June 4, 9:30 A. M., conference, Mrs. A. E. Sheets; 2 P. M., D. P.

Dewey, tests. Wednesday, June 5, 9:30 A. M., song service, short addresses, tests by Mrs. I would tell my father of my visit, our Augusta Ferris; 2 P. M., Mrs. A. E. Sheets, tests

Thursday, June 6, Memorial Day, Mrs. mel For a whole week I continued my Anna L. Robinson, Mrs. A. E. Sheets, visits to my old preceptor, and each Mrs. Hopkins and others.

Friday, June 7, 9 A: M., business meet-Bay City; 1:30 P. M. song service; 2 days, and we left Erie for Vermont in

with programme. Sunday, June 9, Woman Suffrage; 10:30 A. M., D. P. Dewey, tests by Mrs. Robinson; 2 P. M. address by Mrs. M. A Root, tests by Mrs. Ferris.

Monday, June 10, 10 A. M., Bong serv-Mrs. Robinson.

DNSUMPTION

TO THE EDITOR-Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been per-manently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy free to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and post office address. T.A. Slocum, M.C., 183 Pearl St., New York.

"Why does Horace?" he asked.

"Well, you don't go to meeting, you know, sir, and then you smoke your pipe on Sunday.

"Yes, I do, my boy; but I did not know Decoration—Mr. and Mrs. J. Skinner, Orion. Entertainment—Mrs. Odell, 'Lapeer; Mrs. Anna L. Robinson, Port Huron; L. E, Adams, Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watson, Orion. Reception—Mr. and Mrs. E. Western, La-peer; Mr. and Mrs. E. Western, La-peer; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Emmons, De-troit.

asked.

"Why do you ask?" still inquired the

father: "Well, I think Mr. Scaggs is both kind

By Hudson Tuttle, author of "Arcans of Nature," "Ethlos of Science," "Science of Man," etc. Hudson Tuttle was threatened with death for writing and pub-lishing his "Convert," which has had a phenomenal tioned young Horace regarding his solicrun in THE PROFESSIVE THINKER. Postpaid, any where. Paper edition, 25 cents. the secret of the boy's visits and studies was brought to light. Mr. Greeley forbade his son to go near old Scaggs again, denounced Latin books as impious read-

ing, and threatened the lad with the strap.

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The next day I was with my teacher at the usual hour, and after promising him lesson went on as usual. Then I went home and told my dad and he walloped

night I received a thrashing-more se-

less than a fortnight. Yes; I slipped out and bade old Scaggs good-by. The Saturday, June 8, 9:30 A. M., confer out and bade old Scaggs good-by. The ence; 10:30 A. M., Mrs. Robinson; 2 P. M., old man was tearful and gave me the A Mrs. Martha Root; 7:80 P. M., social, worn volume of Cicero as a parting gift.

Robinson; 2 P. M., address by Mrs. M. A. tightly beneath my waistcoat. I honored my father always," Mr. Greeley concluded, "but I never forgave him ice; 10:30 A. M., Mrs. Martha Root, tests those lashings. He was a blue Presbyby Mrs. Ferris; 2 P. M., Mrs. Root, tests terian, and could not tolerate Sabbathy Mrs. Robinson. Tuesday, June 11, 9:30 A. M., confer-but when I think of those whippings"-

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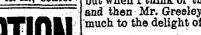
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THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

COL. INGERSOLL. Mr. Haynes Tries Ineffect-

Opinion.

is to be hoped the Colonel will not hide behind his "private secretary," but will respond at once, when he returns to his office from Hoboken! Will the Colonel be honest? "Honest, my lord! Ay, sir, to be honest, as this world goes, is to be one man picked out of, ten thousand." Should our distinguished friend and co-worker in the cause of truth favor me with an answer, I will immediately for-ward the same for publication in THE one man picked out on the data and co-should our distinguished friend and co-worker in the cause of truth favor me with an answer, I will immediately for-ward the same for publication in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, so that the itrualists (or thereabouts) in the United itrualists (or thereabouts) in the United intellectual and sources of the great question. GEO. A. HAYNES. intellectual and keenly logical solution

Council Bluffs, Iowa, March 2.

COL. R. G. INGERSOLL, Bloomington, Ill.-My Dear Sir:-Doubtless you are frequently inflicted by curious persons with communications touching your po sition-"we don't know"-but trust you will pardon me for sending the enclosed letter of Wm. Yates in regard to my printed report, cut from THE PROGRESS- article of April 27 about the new stock TVE THINKER, of a seance recently held organization, I will say that it has been at 232 Forty-sixth street. New York, the organized and incorporated, with a capresidence of Mrs. M. E. Williams, where ital of \$10,000, and by business men and and when spirit materializations are al- men of means. Its officers and directors leged to have occurred under test con-ditions. I shall be pleased to read an expression from you, as to the genuine-ness of said phenomena and the suffi-ciency and competency of the testimony of the witnesse theorem the suffi-tor the sufficiency and competency of the testimony of the sufficience and the sufficience and the suffi-tor the sufficience and the sufficience and the suffi-tor the sufficience and the suffici of the witnesses thereof, therein men- vice-president; Allen F. Brown, secre tioned. The work of Col. Ingersoll in tary; Henry Lepper, treasurer. All exposing false theological doctrines, no but one, I believe, own their own homes, doubt is appreciated and admired by all and four of them are worth at least honest, truth-loving persons; but, are from twenty-five to fifty thousand dol-there not "more things in heaven and lars. It is undoubtedly true that the

GEORGE A. HAYNES, ESQ., Council eight or nine foreign speakers, railroad fare both ways, entertainment and salthe 9th inst., addressed to Colonel Inger-soll, arrived during his absence from the soll, arrived during his absence from the was already encumbered with debt. city. He is not expected to return for Clinton, a larger and older camp, only a month. I read the account of the "materializing seance given under strict test conditions by Mrs. M. E. Williams, 232 W. 46th street, New York," and read was even worse than I predicted. Still. 232 W. 46th street, New York," and read the names of twenty-four persons attend-ing the seance. It may be true that "among the seance. It may be true that diums were well supported. Mr. Yates "among the number were lawyers, brokers, journalists, representatives from the do with the management of the camp, ers, journalises, representatives men secular press, and stanch business men whose commercial attainments were times during the month. I believe such as to suggest no lack of keenness or sugacity," but investigation does not sup-full, except Edgerly and Hull. He says port the claim that "among the number were lawyers."

Gould's Lawyers' Diary for 1894 and 1895 fails to give the name of any one present as a lawyer. I find a Cromwell G. Macy, 261 Broadway, in the "Diary," but fail to find a "Cromwell Gardner Macy, Jr." Yours'truly, ROBT. J. WILSON, Sec'y.

New York, Feb. 19.

ROBT. J. WILSON, Sec'y., New York continued. I finally consented, al-though in poor health, and really not City.—My Dear Sir:—I am very much able to assume the responsibility. I built to you, indeed, for acknowledg-ing the receipt of my letter of the 9th twenty days get an order from court,

received a cent.

and undoubted success with us. We have secured some excellent talent and ing. TO THE EDITOR:-In your last issue, wish to correspond at once with all April 27, is a statement from S. N. Asp. phases of mediumship, as we have but a ually to Reach Him, And Therefore Can't Get His Optimion

'new organization" until the names of among us. To our patrons, we would

To'THE EDITOR:—The enclosed cor-sufficiently to warrant publication. It is to be honed the Colonel will not hide times: and the organization winth the names of allong us. To our patrons, we would the organization winth the names of allong us. To our patrons, we would the organizers are announced; and it be proven that "the men who have taken hold are men of business and means." will cheerfully answer all questions and "The disgraceful failure of last year as promptly as possible in regard to our state be honed the Colonel will not hide is to be hoped the Colonel will not hide times" and "railroad strikes" as to the assist in the good work, we shall be

I attended the camp, and lived on the grounds the whole of last July, and The following resolutions were unani-mously adopted by the board of trus-tees of the National Spiritualists' Asso-ciation, at the meeting held in Washing-In making this statement, I guess I shall not please some of the or-ganizers, but I write in the interest of ton, D. C., recently: Whereas. The silent messenger, busy the public in general, and for my fellow-

Spiritualists in particular. everywhere this culminating year, has Englewood, Ill. PROF. WM. YATES. entered our ranks since our last meet-

know whereof I write.

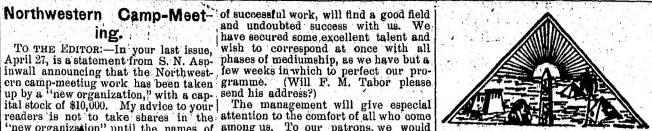
ing, and among other shining lights has removed from the mortal form our es-TO THE EDITOR:-In reply to the teemed co-worker, our beloved and honored sister, Mrs. Marion Skidmore, whose lifelong service in the cause of human emancipation from every bondage of error has made her name honored wherever our cause is known, and who was especially endeared to this association, having been for one year a hard-working member of its board of trustees, and for the current year its honored honorary vice-president; therefore Resolved, That we have learned of Mrs. Skidmore's transition with deep emotion, for we feel that the National' Spiritualists' Association, the Cassadaga Lake Association, and the cause of earth than ever was dreamed of in your philosophy," Colonel? Yours truly, GEO. A. HAYNES. Council Bluffs, Iowa, Feb. 9. Counci

is a living monument to her memory eight or nine foreign speakers, railroad and an example to us all. Resolved, That while we deeply feel the loss of her physical presence, pervaded by her exalted soul, we rejoice in the consciousness that she is released from bodily pain and suffering, and in the knowledge of her continued existence, and her interest in the welfare and progress of our cause, a cause that enlisted her lifelong devotion while she was in earth-life, and receives her added support in her home of the spirit, knows that I had nothing whatever to Resolved, That we extend to her hus-band, Mr. T. J. Skidmore, our esteemed

and honored brother, and to her relatives and friends, our sincere sympathy every medium and speaker was paid in in this their human sorrow, and kindly remind them that the religion and phil the property of the association was osophy of Spiritualism are their com-fort and shield in this supreme hour, to turned over to me, and many of the creditors, who are poor men, have not soften the pain of separation, and the keenness of our mutual regret at her Mr. Watson, and others, came to me,

passing on. and wanted me to act as assignee. Resolved, That these, resolutions be refused, but they continued to urge me spread on the records of the National Spiritualists' Association, and copies be saying that I was the only man who could straighten matters, and go on with any hope of a camp-meeting being forwarded to the family and friends of our arisen sister, and to each of the Spiritualist papers for publication.

F. B. WOODBURY, Secretary. BOOK REVIEWS.



Massachusetts State Temple

Order of the Magi.

through lovely farming regions where thousands of blossoming fruit trees were perfuming the air, As we approached the "Hub" we no-ticed that the landscape, although most

eautiful, was not in so advanced a state as farther West. Boston has much to interest and we are preparing to see all that is possible.

THE WORK OF THE ORDER.

We tound the work of the order going on finely, considering the disadvantages abored under in starting in a new place in hard times. On Friday evening we attended our first convocation, when fourteen worthy and intelligent mystics were advanced to a higher grade in our sacred circle. It seemed strange to the Scribe and the Musician of the Grand Temple, Miss Merta Richmond, to attend a meeting where all the faces were unfamiliar except two or three; but we soon became acquainted with them and the funeral service.

have learned to love them, as we have learned to love the dear ones in Chicago. The temple is located among great educational institutions, and the very air seems charged with "learning and culture." But the people are not so learned but that they are more than glad to get a chance to absorb the truths of mysticism. I am informed that heretofore Boston people have had no opportunity to study into the principles of mystic philosophy as demonstrated by mathematics. The people have had any amount of philosophy and religion of a speculative nature, however.

stepped from this clay. She only wished to live that she might make others Beginning next Sunday at 3 p. m., we are to have open lectures on astronomy and astrology at the temple, in order to happy. A large number of friends give outsiders an opportunity to hear something of the foundation principles. attended the services at the church, after which the remains were taken to Waterloo, Iowa, for interment. CHARLES CAREY, per C. J. M. The lectures will be given by Prof. Rich mond and will be free.

We find on conversing with the members in this temple, that they have a Mathew A. Harrington, living three miles south of Grand Mound, Iowa, passed to the higher realm of existence very clear perception of the magnitude of the work of the Magi and look forward to a grand future for it. THE PRO-GRESSIVE THINKER seems to be as well known in Boston as it is in Chicago, if not even more so, considering the difference in population.

Mr. Harrington was born May 26, 1809, at Laurens, Otsego county, N. Y., consequently was nearly 86 years of age at the time the life principle made its transit. He married Elizabeth Walrod, Angil 8, 1825, buy upon he head ton obli-During the next five or six weeks, those who address letters or orders to April 6, 1845, by whom he had ten chilus, can, if preferred, address to 553 Boylston street, Boston, Back Bay, and dren, eight of whom were present to honor his ashes in the last ceremonies of earth. Mr. Harrington was widely thus save the forwarding delay. We hope to close up the work here in time. known, having lived on the farm where to do some in the Chicago temple before he was buried, for fifty-seven years. closing for the summer.

Having been a Spiritualist for forty C. M. RICHMOND, Scribe of G. T.

Passed to Spirit-Life.

Passed to Spirit-life, on the evening of April 13th, from his home in Summerland, Cal., John W. Darling, aged 78 vears. 7 months and 6 days. Born near years, 7 months and 6 days. Born near the city of Albany, N. Y.; in early life, with his parents, he moved to Kal-amazoo county, Mich. In 1840 he was united in marriage with Mary A. Doan. Ewo sons and two daughters preceded him to the higher life. He saw spirit forms weeks before he died; one daughter appeared to him the second morning be-fore. His wife remarked: "You will be walking arm-in-arm in Spirit-life with our two girls, ahead of me;" and he was seen by two clairvoyants arm-in-arm with two female forms at his funeral. No strange hands were permitted to prepare his remains for burial. His aged. loving wife, and three sons that had watched and cared for him so long, did

by M. E. Taylor and the Summerland choir. M. A. D.

Passed to higher life, at McCords, Mich., April 30th, 1895, Clara A. Peet, in the 69th year of her age. This sweet-spirited, patient sufferer, after a long and painful illness, has laid down the FROM THE ROSTRUM. burden of earth and gone to the loved ones beyond. She was so well beloved that she leaves a large place in this world, for it is according to the hearts

peacefully away on Wednesday morning,

April 24th, at the age of 77 years. In

1872, in company with her husband, she

moved to Waterloo, Iowa, and to Kim-

ball, South Dakota, in 1884. She was

the mother of six children, three boys

having died. She was well and favor-

ably known here, and those who knew

her best, knew her to love. She was a

strong believer in the conscious exist-

ence of the soul in immortal life, and

that she would enter therein as she

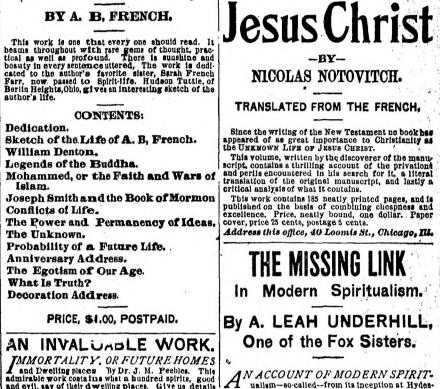
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that hold us how much we are missed. The funeral was held May 2d. at 2 clock P. M., at the beautiful country home of her brother-in-law, W. H. Lind. She was a member of the Eastern Star, and the oldest of six sisters. By request of the deceased, who was a strong Universalist, Mrs. Jennie Hagan-Jack-

son, of Grand Rapids, Mich., conducted Dedication. Sketch of the Life of A. B, French. William Denton. Mrs. Eunice L. Carey, wife of Charles Carey, of Kimball, South Dakota, passed

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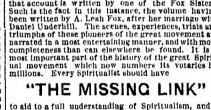
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Superstition in all Ages

By JEAN MESLIER,

he returns to the city. The question have held it open for over two months. you raise, whether there was, or was trying to have the creditors make some spiritual materializations occurred, un- do so, and I have formed the Stock der strict test conditions, possibly would Association, which at the sale will probnot detract from or add to the strength, ably bid more than any others. character and competency of twenty-four respectable, intelligent witnesses alists would with their means and enthereof, consequently your objection in ergy do something for the cause, instead that regard would seem, in the language of continually throwing stumbling-of the legal fraternity, "incompetent, irrelevant and immaterial." The pre- working for the cause without money or sumed good character of the testimony pay (as no officer in our association rewould seem to establish the fact that ceives pay, except the secretary), it said materializations did occur, but would be not only an advantage to themwhether said materializations are the selves, but to others, and the cause we production of disembodied human beings, all love. or not, is the question I should be pleased to have Colonel Ingersoll elucidate. In view of Colonel Ingersoll's position, "We, don't know," I assume he has fully investigated all phases of modern spiritual phenomena. I have not the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with Colonel Ingersoll, but trust he will pardon the

liberty I take in addressing him on the subject. Yours truly, GEO. A. HAYNES. Council Bluffs, Iowa, Feb. 23.

GEORGE A. HAYNES, ESQ., Council Bluffs, Iowa.-Dear Sir:-The "materi-

"under absolute test conditions." support of this statement a list of those under way. We are confident of the present was published, and that "among successful outcome of our efforts. the number were lawyers, brokers, journalists, representatives from the secular press, and stanch business men whose suggest no lack of keenness or sagacity." Inquiry develops the fact that there was story is false, in so far as it pertains to immaterial" particular, the presumption is that it will be false as to "competent, relevant and material" particulars.

Yours truly, ROBT. J. WILSON, Sec'y. New York, Feb. 26.

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inst., to Colonel Ingersoll. and ask you and sell. I knew it would bring com-to kindly call his attention to it when paratively nothing at public sale, and I LEGISLATURE, against legalizing to col lege-diplomated M. D.'s a monopoly in not, a lawyer present when the alleged arrangements, but they have failed to the use of M. D. and title of 'Doctor,

and employing their own doctors." By A. E. Giles, Hyde Park, Mass. This pamphlet of 32 pages, from the ress of Colby & Rich, is most timely. The full title tells what it is, and the S. N. ASPINWALL.

The Camp-Meeting.

TO THE EDITOR :-- We wish to announce through your columns that the Northwest is to have a camp-meeting this summer to commence Sunday, June 30th, and continue four Sundays. We have organized a stock company, with Dr. Aspinwall president, and a board of but cepting clairvoyants and persons pracdirectors of solid business men. None ticker hypnotism, magnetic healing, mine cure, massage, and Christian Sciof the officers were active workers in the past society, and the company is new ence, from its action. and independent of the old Northwest-

Mr. A. E. Giles has condensed his ern; organized on a sound, financial and arguments against the "doctors' plot" legal basis, with 1,000 shares of stock Builts, 10wa.-Dear Str:-Ine "materi-legal basis, with 1,000 shares of stock arguments against the "doctors" plot". The camp ground is one mile from in nature, and ever seeking to be help-alizations" were supposed to be given with a par value of \$10 and the arrange-in this pamphlet, and wherever there is Bailey Station, Lucas county, Ohio, on ful to others, his life was a benediction In ments for coming and future camps well than its circulation.

The company is known as the Northwestern Spiritualist Camp-meeting Association. The meeting will be held commercial attainments were such as to this summer on the same ground as last, at Twin City Park, between the two cities. A five-cent fare from each city not one lawyer present, therefore the will bring all within a short distance of The grounds are also near the gate. that statement. If the story is false as the State Fair ground, where each year regards an "incompetent, irrelevant and large track meetings are under way during the same month. Twin City Park joins beautiful Como Park of St. Paul, a 300-acre park surrounding a picturesque lake, and a park where the skillful hands of the landscape gardener

soul as precious as the body?" have added to the natural beauty of the view, while some of the finest bands in the country are daily employed in addnoxious law, even if the constitution of ing to the enjoyment of the thousands who visit Como.

have the "power of enjoying in safety Minnesota is a pleasant and healthful summer resort, called the State of Lakes and tranquillity their natural right of employing such paysicians as individ-ually they may choose. because of the many beautiful lakes. The average Minnesota July contains a

few warm days but cool breezes, and cool, comfortable nights as a rule. The

heavy rains that have fallen during the Blagg, a rancher residing near Chat. and about through this beautiful printed and bound. Price \$1. For sale teray came home yesterday in time to valley, there exist, also the families at this office. To mediums, we would say, aside from in these statements of veritable history. | congregated in the Twin cities and sub-| roasting it alive. She was engaged in | blessing of spirit and the outpouring of pages. Price \$1. For sale at this office. The devilishness and murderons ma-lignity of the "Holy Inquisition" is Minnesota, northern Iowa and the Da- when her husband arrived. urbs, and that the broad prairies of offering up, a prayer for her sacrifice its best thought, from year to year, to

oped in the especial power to the point Edwards.

"A CITIZENS' REMONSTRANCE TO THE Maumee Valley Spiritualist Camp.

and any enactment tending to deprive TO THE EDITOR:-This community sick people of their constitutional right has been again awakened from a slumber and 'power of enjoying in safety and of some months in spiritual matters, by tranquility their natural rights and the the arrival among us of the medium blessings of life,' and especially the in- speaker, Dr. A. Sawin, of New York. estimable right and blessing of choosing He has been devoting the past week to alists, and culminated his labors by a magnificent discourse in the hall in the grounds of the Maumee Valley Spiritu-

erudite and painstaking author has well alist camp, owned by G. C. Betts. wrought at his task. Massachusetts is He has given out, in seance and in private sittings, the strongest proof of one of the five States that remained free from the manacles of medical prac-

the spirit, and helped our people by his titioners. Every year the petition was intelligent conception and explanation sent up to the Legislature for the enact- of much that has often been found obment of laws which should give the exscure pertaining to Spiritualism, and clusivé monopoly of healing to medical the various theories and issues congraduates. Every year a little band of nected with it. After his lecture yes-vigilants opposed it successfully, until terday afternoon, he gave, notably, to terday afternoon, he gave, notably, to last year the obnoxious measure passed, strangers and unbelievers present, most shorn of its worst features by ex-

eloquent tests again and again, of spirit friends present, with name and accurate descriptions of form and features, which bore swift and unerring testimony of our beautiful truth, and undoubtedly He had been a Spiritualist many years.

must bear its golden fruit later on. and daily lived its principles. The camp ground is one mile from necessity of forming public opinion on the line of the K. C. & St. L. railway, of good cheer to all whom he came in this subject, or influencing legislation, a twenty miles from Toledo, and four contact with. He was born in Glostenmore efficient means cannot be devised miles from both the Wabash, and C. H. berg, Conn. He left no family or near kindred, but many warm friends with

& D. railroad lines. The facts and arguments that the Its environment is most beautiful. on boasted medical science cannot even tell the margin of the Maumee river, and in when a person is dead, are forcefully the midst, at this season, of blooming presented, and the dauger of premature meadows and peach and apple orchards, burial is imminent. Mr. Giles well says: now alive with sweet blossoms. The "It is modern Spiritualism that has locality is inspiring; the grounds en-revealed and continues to unfold the dircled with a grand grove of fine tim-fundamental truths that constitute the ber, which greatly adds to the magnetic now alive with sweet blossoms. The philosophy of health, disease and death, forces, ever so helpful and strengthenof psychology and healing." Pertinently he asks: "Why should ing. The camp will open this year on August 3, and continue for two weeks, statutes be enacted for the examination during which time a continual round of of M. D., Doctors of Medicine, and not

of M. D., Doctors of Medicine, and not speakers and mediums will be present. of D. D., Doctors of Divinity? Is not the The healthy surroundings and the con-Waisbrooker. Three pamphlets are embodied in this volume, in which queststant attractions will undoubtedly prove He concludes by maintaining that the the means of bringing out large num-people demand the repeal of the ob- there this coming season as last. ions of great importance to the race are discussed from the standpoint of an adbers this coming season as last. vanced social reformer. Price 50c. "Poems of Progress." By L

It is due this community to say that the State has to be amended, that they it is intelligent, law-abiding, and one and all seemingly interested in the Doten. In this volume, this peerless beautiful philosophy which the camp is poet of Spiritualism may be read in her intended to promulgate. The usual varied moods, "from grave to gay, from number of churches exists, but the great lively to severe." It is a book to be concensus of their members seem will- treasured and richly enjoyed by all who

Ready to Roast Her Child Alive. Concensus of their memoers seen with love genuine poetry, and especially by ing and many anxious to know, if pos- love genuine poetry, and especially by Spokane, Wash., May 10.-Newton sible, what it means. Scattered here Spiritualists. The volume is tastily For sale

save his 2-year-old child from a horrible of true-blue Spiritualists, and it is "Religious and Theological Works of death. His wife, driven insane from re- through their devotion to the cause that Thomas Paine." Contains his celebrated ligious frenzy, had built an altar in the a sentiment came to spring up which "Age of Reason," and a number of letwoods near the house, upon which she resulted in the beautiful grounds being ters and discourses on religious and the had secured the babe, preparatory to prepared as a camp, and we look for the o'ogical subjects. Cloth binding, 432 help bind our camp to the connecting band or cycle of these really national

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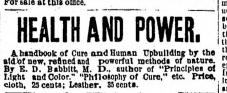
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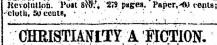
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A Very Black Eye.

Seeker. After laboring to make a point mense depth yawns far below like some in its favor, and telling us that that holy terrible abyss into which human souls book is the only source of the Hebrew might be plunged. It is like a passage language, and that it contains the entire vocabulary of that people, yet he says he cannot worship their God, because he is represented "less good, less moral and less intelligent than the average man." And then: "God likes blood. He incited a pack of brickmakers to plunder and rob nations on whom they had no claim, to kill the men, slaughter their wives and babies, and carry off their vir-

that tricky, defrauding, cheating, ras- course, he said: cally Jacob; and ignored the moral. generous, forgiving Esau. He punished the gentle and noble King Saul, and chose to rule over Israel that murderer, adulterer, hypocritical fiddler, David, the son of Boaz and Ruth, of cornfield a continuous toil of six consecutive days. fame, a descendant of Judah and Tamar, David of godly fame begat Solomon, the all alike and should not try to think we licentious, and through these vile ancestors came the son of God."

True, these Jews were immensely vile if the inspired narrative is to be trusted. The "Lord God" portrayed by the sacred is going on in- the world, and much inhistorian is not the tender, loving parent, with infinite goodness, which the tics may be gained from a perusal of the best of our Sunday newspapers." not some mistake about the record? Did

right on over their prostrate forms. teacher in a district school saw the im-pending danger. With the little brood inder her charge she fled from the line of destruction. Looking back a minute later the school-house had utterly disappeared; but, relying on her own strength and energies, the dear children vere safe.

MORAL:-Don't stop to pray to any God when danger threatens, but, in western parlance, "get up and git."

Christian Arguments.

Walter C. Larned made a tour of will be evolved out of existence. The Europe. and has just published a volume signs of the times present very promientitled "Churches and Castles of Medinent indications of this result in the not eval France." He visited Carcasonne, far distant future. The potent instruan ancient city of southwestern France, fifty-five miles southwest of Toulouse. such a result eventually are now exhib-The old city stands on an elevation, suriting themselves very plainly in the rounded by double walls, and has a cashorizon, and their portent can not be tle and tower dating from the Middle Ages. The latter is filled with argu- mistaken. Yes, every exclusively Spirments and logic such as were employed itualistic paper will be evolved out of to convert heretics and skeptics to the existence, and, strange to say, Spiritual-true faith, and which made Christianity ism will be the great gainer thereby, the dominant religion. It was in this city 450 Albigenses were burned for and will not miss them in the least. heresy. Mr. Larned shall tell what he Several of them are now struggling in

saw, as published in his book: "There is one tower on the walls of Carcasonne whose heating arrangeiron were applied. If they remained cheerful aspect indeed! They have faith, and to my Spiritual friends, who interrogated those to whom the hot of the inquisitor. Lowest of all, there is a story which can now be reached only by a ladder-perhaps it was so then -and here is a post to which are at-tached chains. When this was discovhave occasion to rejoice.

ered, not very many years ago, human There are only a very few Spiritualist bones were found among the many links of these long chains which held the victim till he died. This tower is too terri-Some Hebrew scholar comes to the aid ble to linger in. It makes one shudder THINKER is the only Spiritualist paper of the Bible, in a late issue of the Truth is not fully restored within, and its imthat has made money since its very first issue; yet it, too, later on, will be comwave which is evolving new conditions, a combination of the two. Afterward I unless those in charge of it possess gen-

uine genius, and can adapt themselves

We will not. however, cavort around

superseding the Spiritualist papers.

Take, for example, the Port Huron

Sense in the Pulpit.

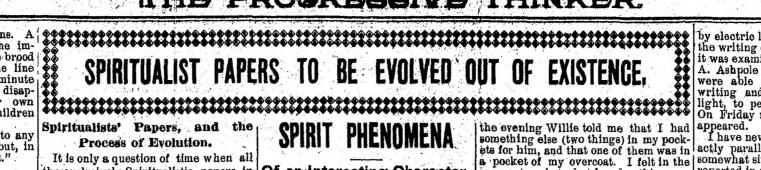
from Dante's 'Inferno.'

to a new order of things. The fact is, it THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER delights will not be necessary to sink money in to record, every advance of the clergy establishing exclusively Spiritualistic which evidences they have an interest papers, for in the very nature of things in humanity above that of sectarian they will not be required. We shall creeds. A late dispatch from New York welcome that happy day (if we are still says Rev. John C. Peters, of St. Michaels, preached on Sunday and Sunday a pilgrim on this terrestrial sphere) Spiritualists, and claimed to be doubters with great rejolcing. Thus you see we gin daughters. He made a patriarch of newspapers, wherein, during his disare optimistically inclined.

"We are now trying to get back to the liberty of the Lord's day, but we are judices and laws formerly passed in accord with that prejudice. The spirit of the fourth commandment is to rest from What but fresh air and green fields and the happiness that comes from a change Spiritualist. We publish an article the attributes and powers alleged to be of incestuous memory, who struck up a will give that rest from toil? Try to "For a man who has no other time

than Sunday to read the newspapers, it is his right, it is even his duty to read them on that day; he should know what formation on art, literature, music, poli-

Now, there is practical common sense,



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Remarkable Manifestations of Spirit Presence,

Power.

INVESTIGATIONS OF THE EDITOR OF THE PORT HURON (MICH.) DAILY TIMES.

All Christians assume and believe no need of any abundance over here; here is a future life, although there are everybody is well, "-exactly the words there is a future life, although there are wide differences of opinion among them Willie had told me to report to my as to the specific conditions of spirit friend. He then said he had been told existence. Spiritualists claim to have that during his life Willie had on the throes of dissolution, and are spas- actual proof and knowledge of the fact one occasion used the word "abundance" modically gasping for breath in conse- of continued, conscious, individual ex- for "ambulance," and he had purposely quence of the gleamings of a brighter istence after physical death, and of writien the sentence so that no intellithe Inquisition—an enormous tower. In and no mistake—working against mani-its upper story still exists the immense fireplace where the irons of torture were heated. Here the judges sat and be numbered with the past. This is a triune of a future life upper to a future life u be numbered with the past. This is a trine of a future life upon tradition and irong were applied. If they remained obdurate there were several stories be-low where other means could be used to induce them to embrace the gentle faith get their former foothold. We take a time, but had no knowledge whatever of comprehensive, optimistic view of this Christians generally should sneer at alcondition of affairs, and when its out- leged proof of their belief, and decline come is fully evolved, Spiritualists will to take advantage of the opportunities which have been open to them for investigation during the past forty years. In the year 1878 I witnessed phenompapers that are self-sustaining. We end at the Huron House which demonventure to say that THE PROGRESSIVE strated beyond question that there was THINKER is the only Spiritualist paper some truth in alleged occult or spirit planation she said that, desiring to make manifestations. Nevertheless, I neglected to make any further investigations. Previous to that experience I had regarded all alleged spirit phenompelled to yield to the advancing tidal ena as either fraud or hallucination, or

> contented myself with the agnostic view of it. I did not know. It was not until the early part of the present year that I took any further in-terest in the subject. This interest was aroused by 'two circumstances, or combinations of circumstances, quite different in character. The first was, certain reports which came to me, mainly through personal friends who were not regarding spirit phenomena, which, if

not all fraud or hallucination, indicated clearly that the spirit intelligence of my little boy Willie, who was drowned with our pen any longer, but will give last August, was seeking to communiconstantly hampered by puritanical pre- the reasons for the faith within us. The cate with me. The second circumstance fact is the secular press is gradually was, evidence in published reports of hypnotic phenomena which came to my notice, indicating that the intelligence and individuality of a person in a state (Mich.) Daily Times. Its editor is a of perfect hypnosis possesses many of from his pen in this week's issue of THE manifested by decarnate spirits. This bargain on the road to Timnath. This realize that times change. We are not PROGRESSIVE THINKER. The paper led to the writing of the series of articontains much valuable information on cles on Science of the Soul, now in course of publication.

occult subjects. The New York Re-The Detroit Society for Psychical Re corder has a department devoted to search was organized in March, and I Spiritualism. The St. Louis Globebecame a member. "At the first two meetings phenomena were developed Democrat devotes a great deal of atto -tion to occult subjects. The Arena, of Becton a localing magnetic is a consistent which greatly interested me, and early in April I had my first sitting with a coat." Boston, a leading magazine, is especially trance medium, under circumstances prominent in its discussion of matters which rendered it impossible for any relating to Spiritualism. It is evident communications which might be re-

by electric light I was unable to discern he writing clearly. During the evening t was examined by J. B. McIlwain, Geo. A. Ashpole and several others, and all were able to see the outlines of the writing and, with certain angles of light, to perceive it quite distinctly, On Friday morning it had entirely dis-

I have never heard of another case exactly parallel to the above, although somewhat similar phenomena have been reported in great number. The assumption usually is that a spirit can only perovercoat pockets, but found nothing: After the sitting Monday evening I salled upon the friend who had given form a physical act in the presence of a medium or a "circle," from whom the me the envelope, and returned it to him hysical strength must be drawn. If with the seal unbroken. It had never this is true, how could Willie obtain been in any hands but his and mine, and strength to write his name on my coat, and not left my pocket from the time he mentalities that will surely accomplish A Little Spirit Boy's Remarkable handed it to me a few days before, until hanging in a dark closet, with no one near, so that it could be seen by physical handed it back to him. He said he had given no other person the slightest eyes? My theory is that this strength came from what is called the "animal hint of what it contained. He then magnetism" transferred to clothing and opened it and handed me the slip of other articles worn or handled. I had paper it had contained, on which were

worn the coat on which the writing was written the following words: "There is made almost continuously for a year and since I took it off last Sunday it had hung in a dark closet, in which were many other articles I had worn. The writing was perfectly distinct when the coat was first taken out, but as it was only rendered possible by this condition of "animal magnetism," it faded when that of boiling oil. This is the Tower of dawn. They are sinking money-yes, Some of the conditions of such existence, For my own part, until within the past the Inquisition-an enormous tower. In and no mistake-working against manit, working the indicate the provide the indicate the indicate the provide the past within the past within the past within the past we provide the past we provide the providet the provide the provide the provide the provi

ory whatever, except that the report that it was a "joke which mamma and your friend will understand," came from Port Huron, Mich. Willie's intelligence. Mrs. Sherman knew of the joke during Willie's life-

Endeavor.

the contents of the envelope. After returning home I told Mrs. Rev. Father Phelan; of a Roman Catholic church in St. Louis, and editor of life is the taking on of a new life, or it Sherman that Willie had insisted there the Western Watchman, last week pub- is the birth into a new one, and that we were flowers in one of my pockets for him, and that he had said there was something for him in a pocket of my has been like throwing a bomb into the truths are to be found in not only this, overcoat, Mrs. Sherman then took from camp of the enemy. Especially he aims but all of your works. one of the pockets of the overcoat a at the Christian Endeavor, the pet handkerchief, and from under the handscheme of the Protestant churches to ume-such a storehouse of spiritual kerchief two geranium blossoms. In exinveigle the young people within the gems, and none but those engaged in a test, the flowers had been placed in my fold. The criticism, true or false, is overcoat pocket as it was hanging in the caustic, and the appearances which lead hall without the knowledge of any other person, shortly before I left home for the sitting with Mrs. Robinson. At the to it sufficient to cast a plausibility over that one of our family will not pick it his arraignment:

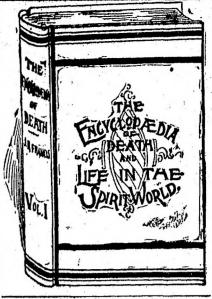
same time she said, in a low tone, "Willie, I am placing these flowers in papa's deavor and the Epworth League number pocket for you, and I want you to tell over a hundred thousand young men and him about it to-night." This test also women. Every one of them expects. hopes and labors to get married. They

seemed perfect. These developments influenced Mrs. are actively engaged in courting when Sherman, who had previously declined not most actively busy in singing and to take any active part in my investiga- praying. These young people are very tions, to consent to visit Mrs. Robinson much in each other's company. There is, perhaps, not one of the young women with me, and an appointment was made for Thursday, at 10:45 o'clock. This sit- who has not one or more beaux. Under ting lasted an hour, and showed that such circumstances it would be the sim-Willie not only knew and could tell ple dictate of every-day prudence to

everything of importance which had keep these people under surveillance. happened in the family recently, but Last summer 30,000 people met in a large knew and could and did tell the unspoken city in the East and stayed huddled to- ing House was inaugurated for the ben thoughts of members of my family who gether in hotels and private houses for efit of our subscribers. Books will conwere not present. He also told what my two whole weeks. These 30,000 were tinue to be published from time to time, daughter Edith had been doing in actually courting, and they were thrown at about the same price of the Encyclo-Brooklyn, N. Y., and stated facts to be into promiscuous company and free to pædia, enabling our subscribers to keep reported in a letter which he said she roam at their own sweet will whitherso- abreast of the times at a nominal cost. would write, but which had not been re- ever their passion might lead. The It will be a good investment for every ceived or written at that time. But the most wonderful thing, almost ous gathering of young people cannot be THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, in order

beyond belief, was to come. After the over-estimated, and for downright vic-sitting had closed, at 12 o'clock, just as iousness and depravity they have never publish at almost actual cost price. Mrs. Sherman and myself were taking been equaled since the horrid saturnalia our leave, Mrs. Robinson, being clair. of Greece and Rome. The history of voyant, as is usually the case after a these general conventions will never be is fu trance-sitting, said, "Willie stands by his papa now, and is showing me some written in the heart's blood of afflicted tion. chalk crayons. What is that, Willie? mothers." Oh! he says he is going to mark on papa's

No doubt the Reverend Father draws At this we all laughed, and Mrs. Rob- what such a concourse would be were



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No Spiritualist should be without it, and every home should have one. May its good work go on, until it is read throughout all lands, and you be crowned with the success which your well-directed efforts so richly deserve. Yours most sincerely,

DR. A. M. ROBERTS. 107 South Leavitt street, Chicago, Ill.

THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER Publishcorrupting tendency of such heterogen- Spiritualist to become a subscriber to

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By sending four trial subscribers and inson agreed with Mrs. Sherman and myself that he could not do it, even if he thought so. Observing Willie closely, gether at the command of his own priest-pædia of Death for 50 cents. Remember hood. He cannot understand that in the there will be several volumes of this The Encyclopædia contains 400 pages; brought together can only be actuated it is neatly printed and substantially bound, and as prices are at the present time, it is worth \$1.50. It has been pub-Just in proportion as people sock intel- lished for the exclusive benefit of the lectual channels and methods for culture subscribers to THE PROGRESSIVE will these lower incentives be held in THINKER, and is almost an actual gift to them. Remember, please, that The Encyclo-pædia of Death, and Life in the Spirit-IMPORTANT NOTICE. world is published for the exclusive benefit of our subscribers. No one else can have it unless they pay \$1.50 for it. A. W. Moore, a noted journalist, says: "I was delighted beyond measure to receive a copy of your Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Spirit-world. It ciation is rapidly gaining in strength appears to be a remarkable volume, and and numbers and that if all will aid it one that will open the eyes of the world to many sublime truths in connection Joseph Beals, so prominently known in connection with the Lake Pleasant Camp-meeting, says: "I have read The Encyclopedia of Death, and Life in the Do you know that in the very next Spirit-world, with great interest, and feel that, it is a book well calculated to do missionary work. It ought to have

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altogether. L. A. SHERMAN.

not the inspired compilers interpolate descriptions of the old heathen gods, ignorant, vicious and repenting, in place of the Almighty Father and Friend of us all? It really looks that way.

New Temperance Movement.

It is announced that a new organization, known as the National Temperance Union, has been set on foot and fully organized in this city. Some of the members were lately connected with the und bia tradient of in worship, but contin- will be accomplished, and he who would members were lately connected with the ued his studies. The teacher, failing to not like to lag in the rear must ever be make the lad heed her directions, called on the alert he wide swate and look opinion that the latter organization has outlived its usefulness; that its progress equally unsuccessful, so they expelled was impeded by a blind adherence to a the boy from the school. A mandamus false theory. The new society proposes to compete with the saloon, giving shelter in rough weather, free lunch, etc. They should learn from the old Washingtonians that help to the cause of re- The whole question with statute and form should not be limited to those who constitutional law was thoroughly examare labeled Christian. The original temperance movement, like the anti-slavery, was set on foot by infidels. They were the most earnest workers in the temperance cause, while the Christian clergy were placing obstacles in their way. We hope the new organization will

throw wide open its door to every sincere temperance man' and woman, with no regard to religious or non-religious convictions; then results will follow which will shame dogmatists into the abandonment of trying to reform the world along the narrow lines of sectarianism.

Lucky They Are Dead.

The representation of Rev. Mr. Matley that women are soulless is the revival of an old subject in the church. Many priests and deacons a few decades ago were very emphatic in their negation of feminine immortality. Indeed, they based their opinions on the silence of the Bible on this subject, as does this modern preacher. They insisted there was no intimation in that fountain of heavenly knowledge that mothers, sisters, wives and daughters have any lot

or part in the resurrection. The critical reader who inquires into the character of the women of the Bible scarcely finds any they will be ambitious to meet in an orthodox heaven. And the same is true of the patriarchs. The more careful the search, the more certain he will be that the whole brood are a bad lot, and it is lucky for the world they are dead. Unless mightily reformed, it will be well if they remain

Heed the Moral.

A terrible cyclone passed over a portion of Kansas, in the vicinity of Wichi-

just such a news item as all take pleasure in reading.

A Righteous Judge.

An important ruling has just been be complete without its department in Some of them will be reported in future made by Judge McKay, of the 24th Ju- relation to Spiritualism, and the result articles on "Science of the Soul," and dicial District of Kansas. The teacher will be the evolving out of existence a connected report of the most imin school district No. 5, of Barber of the specially devoted Spiritualistic vestigations I am now making will be county, introduced the reading of the paper. Bible with singing and prayer in her

morning exercises. Ray Fram, of Kiowa, | ward, and in the meantime great changes | the present year.

out for the main chance.

from Judge McKay brought the School Board into court. Able counsel were engaged on each side, the School Board having four lawyers in their service. ined, followed by a verdict affirming the pupil's right to devote his entire school hours to study, and denying the right of the teacher to read the Bible or engage in any worship in public institutions of

learning paid for from taxes collected from the entire people.

Cost of Converts.

A fearful revelation was made the other night at a collection of the laity and clergy of the several Christian denominations of this city, held in the Association Building, wherein the cost of making converts to the several

churches came to the front. Frederic L. Chapman, of the Ram's Horn, entered into statistics. He showed by figures that it cost the Baptists \$285 for the Congregationalists \$580. This re-sult was obtained by a division of the expenses of ten of the biggest local churches in each denomination by the will never be able to explain to my dy-standing was that an answer was to be number of new members."

because of such expenditure?

Restoring Natural Rights.

tion of Kansas, in the vicinity of Wiohi-ta, on the 1st inst., leaving death and desolation in its trail. The horrified people saw the approach of the destroy-er, and prayed most fervently for de-liverance; but the demon of the store, the sweath, as the instrument of God's wrath, as churchmen call such afflictions, swept

the secular press is coming rapidly to the front in its presentation of grand knowledge of the medium. The develtruths in reference to the future life, and within the presentation of grand opments were wonderful, to me, and absolutely convincing; but it is not my

on the alert, be wide awake, and look that fact is a thousand times more im-

The disappearance of all the exclu-

tualistic papers will survive for awhile. and will finish their work, and then pass

THINKER. A PREMONITION.

It Saved the Life of a Little Boy.

Motorman Collins, of the Leonard avenue line, Columbus, Ohio, related a ported to my family, and to a few perthrilling experience he had a few days sonal friends, from time to time. Last ago. "I was coming west," said he, "and had just rounded the corner of ists \$384, the Presbyterians \$533, and Fourth and Chestnut, and turned the he desired to test the spirits, and portionate size, his name, --Willie. The the Congregationalists \$580. This re- current on so as to make good speed to handed me a sealed envelope, giving me

8445 is the average cost of making Christians, what will be the sum total about it. I reversed the current, and for evangelizing the world? Where is nearly pitched the conductor through will be the gainer other than the priest, because of such expenditure? on end, as the boys say. The next mo-ment I knew why I had stopped, and

you may bet I was glad that I did so. From right under the front platform

ceived to come through previous within twenty years no great daily will purpose to detail them in this article. have on?"

given in the book which it is my inten-The world is moving onward and up- tion to publish during the latter part of

> If there is a future, immortal life, portant to every human being than the

life in the flesh. For this reason, every do it and he will do it. He has gone." fact presented to the physical senses sively Spiritualistic papers will be ac-companied by the more general diffusion should be made known and carefully of the Spiritualist philosophy. The weighed, no matter how trivial or unimsecular press, leading magazines and portant in itself. For those who sneer scientific quarterlies will be endeavoring investigate it, in these days, I have the at spirit phenomena and at those who to outdo each other in lucidly presenting same contempt that I would have for occult subjects, and the world thereby men who might sneev at the investigawill be the gainer. Of course, the Spir- tions of Edison or Tesla into electrical phenomena, or at their discoveries and inventions. But let it be understood that in using names in this report I do

During the present week certain phenomena have occurred, so wonderful,

ing day. It seemed to me there was an sought at a sitting I expected to have my own part I was so agitated that my If these figures are trustworthy, and overpowering necessity for me to stop with a trance medium in Detroit on friends told me I was as pale as a ghost Monday last. I had arranged with J. B. for hours afterward. The circumstances sist those who are determined to pro-McIlwain to go to Detroit with me, and were such as to render it practically im-Mollwain to go to Detroit with me, and were such as to relate to provide a standard on the provi that wealth to come from? And who the car, so quickly did I stand the car sitting. Mr. McIlwain was called to trick could have been played. For my Lansing, and instead of going to De- own part I am absolutely certain that no troit, I went to see Mrs. Anna L. Rob- physical hand except my own touched library, and spiritual tracts and papers inson, on Monday evening of this week. the coat from the time I hung it in the for missionary documents, as there is Restoring Natural Rights. there crawled a little tot of a boy, who me: "Willie says you have something in time I took it down at 20 minutes after 12, four days later.

vices, had pending bills, one to abolish all prosecutions and penalties for the expression of opinions on matters of re-limiters. The little is the instant of the instant is provided by a second the second th ligion: the other legalizing Sunday I did, he would certainly have been reported to say further that I had quarters of an hour afterward the writlectures and concerts. The necessity of ground to pieces. No, I did not see him flowers in my pocket for him. The con-legislation to restore these natural until he crawled out from under the trol also said:

clairvoyantly, Mrs. Robinson said to me, after a minute:

"Excuse me, is that a new suit you

I replied that it was.

She continued: "Willië says he is go-ing to write his name on your old coat at home, with the crayons." I said: "What, the coat hanging in my closet at home?"

"That is what he says," Mrs. Robinson replied.

Turning toward the point where Wil-lie was represented to be standing, I "You can't do it, Willie, even if said: you think you can."

Mrs. Robinson said: "He says he can

Conversation tollowed upon other top-ics, and within two minutes Mrs. Robinson said: "Here comes Willie now. What's that? Oh! he says he has written his name on papa's coat, and you will find it there when you get home."

Mrs. Sherman and myself went di-rectly home after this. We had no confidence in the actuality of what Willie his name, that he had done it so it could be seen by physical eyes. Shortly after serenely out of existence, the last to go, not thereby invelve, or seek to involve, our arrival home Mrs. Sherman and my-probably, being THE PROGRESSIVE any person mentioned in acceptance of self, accompanied by a friend who was my own conclusions, or in belief. in the ing off from which there is a dark closet used exclusively by myself as a ward-robe. Opening the door I found hanging and, to me, so convincing, that I feel it there, exactly as I had left it the previ a duty to make them known. Since my investigations began, about six weeks ago, details of the manifestations brought to my notice have been re-morted to my femilier and to fem re-it, we all ser on the light and opened it, we all saw, on the lining, just above the skirt and partly on the skirt, in Wilweek a friend who has been a doubter regarding spirit phenomens, if not a positive disbellever in it, told me that inches long and the other letters of probeen done with crayons; white, shaded with light blue.

Mrs. Sherman nearly fainted, and for During this sitting the control said to closet, last, Sunday morning, and the not now enough to supply the demand.

new life which liberal thought has pro- work. duced, the old idea that young people

by debasing motives has passed away. abeyance and forgotten.

Spiritualists Everywhere, Attention!

Do you know that the National Assosuccess will soon crown our efforts? Do you know that in over twenty States with the 'hidden self.'"

legislators have endeavored this season to enact laws which, put upon the stat-ute-books will cause the arrest of our mediums and that soon you will not be said he had done-or if he had written 'allowed to choose your own physician? Congress an attempt will be made to regulate hypnotism by law and also to institute a National Board of Health composed of regular M. D.'s?

every possible way, and that they must be opposed and overcome and that it is your duty to assist in this work?

America and that the time is near at hand when you must demand those rights?

'America and Liberty, first, last and always?" Do you know that quite a number of

our mediums have been already arrested in various parts of the country-one in

Florida only last week? Do you not think it is your duty to astect our rights and our liberties, not The N. S. A. needs more books for its

services our noble co-workers who have entered Spirit-life, Mrs. Marion Skidmore, Mrs. Olive Blodgett and a host of

our noblest leaders have left us, and their message to all is, "Go on to vic-FRANCIS B. WOODBURY, tory.' Secretary N. S. A.

Do you know that a combination of The Soul in Human Embodiment.

clergymen and physicians are organizing In response to the request of a number to retard the progress of Spiritualism in of those desirous of receiving the private teaching upon "The Soul in Human Embodiment," Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond

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ushers at Hooley's Theatre.

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What thou wilt thou shalt rather enforce with thy smile than hew it with thy sword .- Shakspeare.

Where all are selfish, the sage is no better than the fool, and only rather more dangerous.-Froude.

In matters of prndence last thoughts are the best; in matters of morality, first thoughts.-Robert Hall.

He enjoys much who is thankful for little; a grateful mind is both a great and a happy mind.-Secker.

That is the most perfect government under which a wrong to the humblest is an affront to all .- Seneca.

Some men do as much begrudge others a good name as they want one themselves; and perhaps that is the reason of it.-Penn.

Chesterfield was so graceful that one uses this incomparable dressing thinks of his contemporaries said it was worth At 6:30 I returned home. The sun had of trying any other preparation for the a journey across England to see him bow.

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THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER.

Same.

REMARKABLE CASE.

Spirits Perform a Series of Surgical Operations.

NETIST-A REMARKABLE UNFOLD-MENT OF MEDIUMSHIP.

TO THE EDITOR:-Knowing that Drs. Esdaile, Elliotson and many others were vilified and slandered for recording sur-gical cases performed by them through the application of magnetism, it aiding the knife of the operator to traverse and divide the living fibre unfelt, and knowing that the least of the operations herein recorded, all done without a knife, is an impossibility to anatomy, in these statements by numerous disinterested people, this would forever remain unwritten but for a duty owed the Spirit-world.

A few months ago, Mr. E. H. Wilson and family, of No. 45 Alpine street, Boston, were devout and active members of the Baptist Church. Spiritual-

the truth of immortality, the beautiful thoughts and gifts of mediumship it brought, the restoring of their loved nothing left for the balance of humanity one to health and strength, together to know, hence we are supposed to be with the spirit guidance now seen very ignorant about such matters. throughout it all, would remain untold after volumes of writing. But Spirit-ualists can and will-by reading between telligent, braver, and more loyal to the the lines, and feeling-obtain much of the wonderful story that the following is them, than those who (in order to show but a few condensed notes of.

In two generations, on the maternal have gone to the useless trouble of deside of this family, nine people have, nouncing the American Protective Assothrough spine trouble, been invalids, ciation. from a few months at times to twenty-

health and almost a physical wreck. On January 5th, as Miss Wilson was are denouncing the association. I won-

nights following. Thoroughly aroused and not a little frightened, after ex- is a secret order like every other one; it were stronger, and in this slow manner, protect themselves. aided by the alphabet, much truthful A papist is not an American citizen; and valuable information was received they cannot be. Citizenship demands an from a high order of spirit intelligence. undivided fealty to the United States Gov-The spirits gave directions to the family ernment, an unwavering loyalty to supto secure the writer's services, who was

body are most strikingly seen when the former clothes are put on, the bosom and waist being much lower, the former better formed and the latter being fuller, the hips broader, and the whole An Obsessed Man in Prison. stature about two inches taller. The fortitude of the patient and family, the AN IMPOSSIBILITY TO THE SCIENCE OF heroic- work of the spirits entrancing

changes that have taken place in the

material for books, and must therefore only of disease but of crime; for the present remain untold.

Yours for justice to the Spirit-world, PROF. PARNELL, Magnetist. No. 312 Shawmut ave., Boston.

AMERICANS ON GUARD. spite of being able to amply corroborate One Senator and Forty Congressmen.

"Put none but Americans on guard to-

night."-Washington. The denouncements, strictures, com-ments and advice given by certain writers in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER ism and Spiritualists were to them and other papers regarding the Ameri-things to be avoided. Their awaking, can Protective Association are certainly the rough tearing away of many things very amusing, for it seems that these held sacred, the awful week of uncer- would-be censors, who know but a little, tainty, the struggle for life with an un- and sometimes absolutely nothing, about seen and unknown force, the dawning of certain organizations, have the most to

The American Protective Association their astute wisdom and importance)

The assertion made that the associa-

five years. Mrs. Wilson for a period of tion is largely composed of members of two years was unable to stand. Miss ohurches, may be a fact, but I doubt it. Mildred, aged twenty-two, was naturally As far as I have investigated, I have of a weak constitution and a fine, nerv-ous temperament. Having suffered almost every known disease; been par-the majority are church members, alyzed by a lightning stroke, from which they are loyal citizens, sworn to defend she never fully recovered; been poisoned personal liberties and human rights, and by mercury, and the curve of her spine I would rather stand shoulder to shoulgrowing worse, she was a stranger to der with such, than to give countenance or join fortunes with those cowards who

preparing to retire, she heard a rapping | der if "the dog that eat the other dog"noise in the corner of the room, and or tried to-was ever refused memberfelt her clothes pulled." This startling ship. - It looks that way; hence the

tip faintly in answer to questions. At its benefite without paying therefor, All the next sitting, and afterwards, the tips societies must take these precautions to

port and defend it (at any and all times)

OBSESSION VIBRATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR :-- I have been very much interested in the articles that ANATOMY ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT A KNIFE, ONLY AIDED BY A MAG-NETIST A REMARKABLE UNFOLD. proofs of immortality to the many vis-itors of the convalescent, would furnish manifestation from the standpoint, not material for backs and must the manifestation from the standpoint, not which exist in the universal ether, and follows: I write you at this time because of the case of a man now in Oregon prison,

sentenced for forgery. There is much in connection with this man's history, and that of others, which I wish to probe further before making it public, but Mrs. Lucy A. Mallory, of Portland. who saw and talked with him while lying in Portland jail, tells me that she considers him obsessed, and consequently irresponsible.

Mrs. Mallory is editor and publisher of The World's Advance Thought, is a fine medium and a lady of intelligence and refinement.

tleman sending him a letter that the to be "good for vibration." Warm, rich imprisoned man had written to his wife, with the case. The following is Mr. extended sense, is one of the laws of the Kimball's reply:

"DEAR MADAM: Your favor of the tion. 6th inst., is at hand. When a favorable opportunity presented itself I handed rectly from the spiritual realm dwell in The set of the man's letter received from you to be sphere of vibration. In this sphere is letter received from you to the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is letter received from you to may wife, she not knowing anything life becomes a matter of supreme joy, of the letter whatever. Her sense at the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the sphere of vibration. In this sphere is likely that the sphere at a conducting the passes. The self and wrings the body; wants her liberty. I gave her a few passes. The spiritual so of its are stread will de is spiritual energy. It is the most potent is vibration to be hold; I then sphere at could write a book. Throat feels badly; pain in right leg and hip, also in lower part of abdomen is was the could write a book. Throat feels badly; pain in right leg and hip, also in lower part of abdomen write the means the part. A dather was the the spiritual and construction the spiritual solution and the spiritual solute or the spiritual solute or the spiritual solute or the spiritual solute or the spiritual solute and works is indexed will be a spiritual energy. It is the most potent is vib. Throat feels badly; pain in right leg and hip, also in lower part of abdomen with the spiritus is conditioned work is manediate and hip, also in lower part of abdomen work is maned to the highest plane which he there nurse. (By this she means the plane work is conditioned work is conditione with her nurse. (By this she means the man. She was around him. Spirits invariably speak of the one they are around as their nurse.) Spirit feels as if she got into the wrong man. (That is when she controls the man;) complains of indigestion and pain in the heart. 'The man that takes care of me says sometimes that he don't know what in the devil ails him.' This spirit then woman brought back, as he wanted to of a series of ten or twelve on Profes-

use her around that man; said he had sional Institutions. In this first paper, been obsessing people with her. The above phenomenon shows me Spencer points out the distinguishing very clearly that the man's case is a characteristic of the professions, and clear cut one of obsession, and there are shows that they are derived from the a great many obsessing influences about functions of the early priest or medicine him. He is no more responsible for man. Prof. James Sully in his Studies what he did than he is for being born. of Childhood now passes from the ideas He is a partly developed obsessed me-dium, and it is a shame and disgrace to Fear, which he shows is not always pro-

A CHURCH SENSATION. And Living in the Region of the Spiritualism is the Work of Spirits

Employed by Satan.

"CHURCH SENSATION.

When one comes to live in entire TO THE EDITOR-Hardly a week harmony he is conscious of being in the passes over our heads but that brings region of vibrations. The term has the history of one or more converts to been vaguely used, with little definite Spiritualism. Today (May 7) I pick up significance or relevancy; but its mean- the Cincinnati Daily Tribune, and the

which convey sensation and thought from mind to mind. Persons who are "Middletown, O., May 6.-Dr. George M. McCampbell's sermon at the Presbystrongly attached to each other are so because of harmonious vibrations-vibrations to which they are mutually re-sponsive. Such conditions will keep a friendship vital and ardent, even though between them no communication reaction among the members of that dottor produced from the analytic the between them no communication passes. doctor proclaimed from the pulpit that he believed in Spiritualism in that it As long as the vibrations are harmonious was the work of wicked spirits in the will the persons be in accord. When they cease to be so, discord will arise, no

employ of Satan. Table moving, trummatter how apparently uncalled for. One thinks of a friend and immedipet blowing and slate-writing were manifestations of supernatural power. His ately meets him around the corner. It affirmation of this belief almost caused

is a matter of vibration. It differs from a public outbreak during the service among some of the older members of the telepathy in that it is more universal, and refinement. After reading the article in THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER upon obses-sion as connected with disease, by A. A. Kimball, of Mass. I wrote to that gen-tleman sending him a letter that the glowing red gives out a high and intense you take?'

and she had sent to me, asking him to degree of vibration, and so is good to "On the streets to-day the sermon has see what he could get in connection have in one's room. Vibration, in its been almost the sole topic of conversation. Prominent Presbyterians, such as Dr. Samuel McClelland and Mr. J. K. Thomas, denounce it in unmeasured terms and are quite caustic in their universe, like gravitation and attrac-

rectly from the spiritual realm dwell in the sphere of vibration. In this sphere riot, figuratively speaking, is imminent

achievement, and achievement is vic- all? and does he allow wicked spirits to tory. Work is good and leisure is good, come to this earth for wicked purposes but idleness is incompatible with the and refuse the righteous, whom he keeps higher life .- Lilian Whiting in Planets | caged up in heaven, the privilege of looking over its battlements, or asking and People.

earth's poor sorrowing creatures how they fare in this world of sin and misery. The Popular Science Monthly for It is to be hoped that Rev. Mr. McCamp

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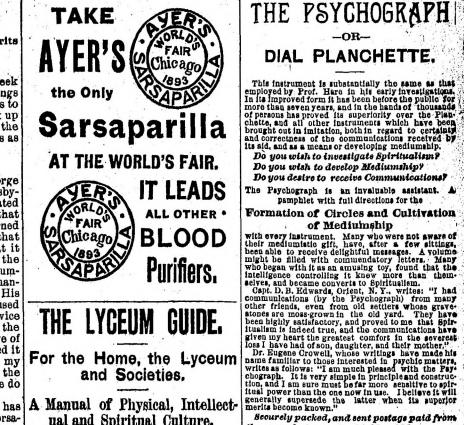
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A Born Poet.

TO THE EDITOR:-About five months

by, there were very friendly relations





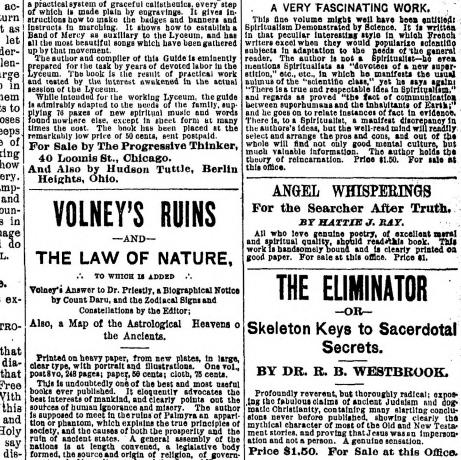
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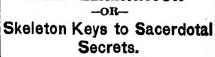
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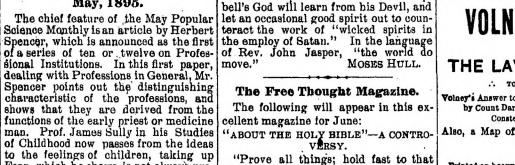
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than the other, and cured her sore throat. She was deeply entranced and sang in three voices; this number was increased to five at a lesson a week later. At the next Mrs. Wilson heard clair-audiently. The spirits exacted a solemn promise from the writer to continue in the service of the family and teach the spirits magnetism, especially how to in-duce angesthesia. Miss Wilson's tonsils were so large that no instrument at the City Hospital would fit them. Giving City Hospital would fit

night. Two days after an artistic phase began

to develop, and numerous sketches and , in Washington at least. to develop, and numerous success and the must hope for the best, prepare Conditions are now such that it is the tury-with a portrait. The were executed by the entranced me-were executed by the entranced me-for the worst, and fight popery wherever time E. M. JONES. In the worst is the were executed how take time to develop, vigorous and readable as usual. New the best prepare to develop the worst of the Questioning them, they said they were trying for levitation. On March 7th Miss Wilson arose with a lame back, feeling bad generally, and to the pro-found astonishment of family and friends a weak condition; heart action very ir-

continue.

becoming very critical.

A change occurred on the third day; some decisive directions. This doctor paper, written by another Hudson, A. S., has remained in charge of the case ever M. D., of Stockton, Cal., under the title. sary. times, the pelvis bone, hips, ovaries, intestines, rectum, and the mercury throughout the system has been success-

while another influence played the ac-companiment. At a developing lesson, January 23d, the writer treated her par-tially-paralyzed side, making it stronger than the other, and cured her sore than the other, and cured her sore than the other. and cured her sore than the other, and cured her sore than the other. and cured her sore than the other are committed. I do not wish to misjudge any one's opinions or objects, but to me it looks than the other, and cured her sore than the other. and cured her sore than the other. and cured her sore the number of the source of the sore of the sole of the sole

moved. On rising, February 14th, they claiming to belong to the American Pro- want the attention of the Spiritualists [trated]; and "Microbes as Factors in Sohad entirely disappeared during the tective Association, there may be laws of Oregon called to this case. I know olety," by M. L. Capitan. Dr. William

Spiritual Music.

TO THE EDITOR:--Under the above heading in a recent issue is an article from Bro. P. O. Hudson, of Bay City, found herself one and one-half inches Mich., to which I wish to draw especia taller than on the previous evening, her attention. I have long been contemplatspine being straightened; returning to ing writing a similar article, but never County to serve a three-year sentence street, in the city of Dallas, Thurshard up bed, the spirits continued to operate. got at it. Having just read it, I sit down for burglary and larceny, had his left at 3 p. m., the 16th of May, holding three upon his arrival the writer found her in immediately to commend it, and ask that arm wrenched from the socket and torn days to decide upon a suitable location. regular, highly feverish, pulse 124, much Publishing House, make another "new shafting.

After a long magnetic treatment a from fifty to one hundred selections of after he had become somewhat calm spirit controlled the medium-patient and exclusively true Spiritualistic sentiment after the accident, but before the operasaid that a corps of spirit doctors had in word and music, varied to meet all oc- tion, he had dreamed of being onestraightened the spine, but in so doing casions; with the words printed beneath armed. Some three months ago he had had disturbed about everything else, and that her feverish condition made it easily see the words and music. Four or gone; which one he did not remember. impossible for them to hold her so as to five stanzas can thus be placed and not Shortly after he had the same sort of a ship which can give such a book to the I asked Mr. Vance to give us some

By inducing anæsthesia, rigging a sort of cabinet over a portion of the body, aided by the physical as well as mag-There should be a cheap, stiff cover and stated to his friends, he had the most the most of the body is the physical as well as magnetic strength of the writer, the spirits the size admit of carrying the book in a vivid dream of the series, in which the were enabled to continue their opera-pocket. The price should not exceed scene of the actual occurrence of yestertions, during which an oval light could twenty cents. There may be such a book day was lived over in almost the exact be seen over the parts being worked in existence; if so, I do not know of it and details. He stated his dream to his cellupon. The patient was much relieved it should be known. Such a book should mate Thursday morning, and also stated and improved. Under similar conditions sell by the many thousand. Please give to him that he had had a similar dream Spiritualism. She describes the scenes by the water and hewing the these operations were continued on the it your thoughtful and immediate atten- twice before. He gloomily predicted she witnessed with her own eves. and these operations were continued on the it your thoughtful and immediate atten- twice before. He gloomily predicted she with her own eyes, and three days following, the patient, how-ever, growing gradually weaker, finally compensation seeson commences, if and seemed to be thoughtful and de-ears; making an account more enter-good."

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and diseased state of her constitution, After Truth." By Hattle J. Ray. A and diseased state of her constitution, After Truth." By flatte 5, Ray, A the daily gain recorded has until re-cently been slow, the patient sitting up for the first time April 9th, and she is now gaining rapidly. The marked this office. Price \$1.

City Hospital would fit them. Giving rights. considerable trouble in singing, she had With one Senator and forty Congress. often expressed a wish to have them re-men in the Fifty-fourth Congress, all I hope you will publish this soon, as I Inventor and Manufacturer " (illuspassed that will greatly curtail the him to have superior medium powers, T. Lusk contributes a steth of "The Il-power and influence of the papal church, but he has never sat for development, lustrious Boerhaave" a famous Dutch has ignored the gift as far as possible.

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regular, highly levenss, pulse Le, much Publishing House, make another "new shalling. inflammation in the body, the organic departure," and publish such a book of parts apparently much deranged, the music immediately; or as soon as it can with the affair is related. At three sup-spine straightened but still slightly be well done, as Bro. Hudson has out arate times, as stated by Cooper to a crooked, and the right ribs raised. Ined. I will add that it should contain friend who stood by the side of his cot

have the words away off by themselves dream and remembered in his waking

passed off without the occurrence he had at this office.

of the affair.-Ohio State Journal.

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R. B. Koeneke writes from Denver, Col.: "I wish to correct a mistake. You will find it in the pages of May 4th, in the article headed, 'Wine and Water' you have the secretary of The John Cummings Spiritual Society as R. B. Kourke, 2121 Stout street, when it should it was accomplished, and whether it be R. B. Koeneke, 2131 Welton street." met any demand or necessity of mortals Mattie E. Hull writes: "I am with Mr. Hull in Dayton, Ohio, and will cooperate with him in the work here. I left my mother in a convalescent condi- His children, and that its existence as tion, after having taken her to Cleveland, Ohio, to which city my sister's fam-Ily has returned. I reached Columbus in time for the last Sunday of Mr. Hull's engagement, and was pleased to note a larger attendance than I have ever seen on any previous occasion. The prospects are good for the work in this city."

Ben. F. Hayden writes from Nash-ville, Tenn.: "We are again able for duty, and are here to do what little we can in our humble way to spread the light where it is so much needed. Mrs. ing and an invocation closed the very Hayden, after eleven months' sickness, is again on the high road to recovery, having received much strength and vitality through the hands of Dr. C. E. Gaines, of Anderson, Ind. No medium is allowed to work here, except under the guidance and direction of the societies, one or the other, as there is a city ordinance compelling outside mediums to take out a fifty-dollar license, or run the risk of being annoyed and put to the the risk of being annoyed and put to the expense of defending themselves in a 'court of justice,' with a big 'in' before the word justice. We met with the First Society of Bible Spiritualists on last Wednesday evening, and find them Swartz, Michigan.'" Swartz, Michigan.'' The word justice with a big 'in' before the word justice. We met with the swartz, Michigan.'' souls, striving to know more of the beauties of our philosophy. We gave them a short talk, which seemed to be highly everywhere else, alive to the inef-ficiency of the church, and many of them ready to receive the light of the retary; Mrs. T. C. Wilson, treasurer; the first house we enter, we see the clean, face of THE PROGRESSIVE Mrs. Mary L. McAboy, librarian; J. H. correspondence so directed will reach

Bolton was afterwards found in Kokomo, They at last had the story, the arrests were made and George Hires was convicted of the murder and sentenced to thirteen years. The officers corroborate the story." Spirits are sometimes detectives.

"Spiritualist" writes from Milwaukee, Wis.: "Spiritualism in Milwaukee seems to have taken a strong hold on the people. There are three halls in which meetings are held every Sunday, with good audiences. Fraternity Hall has Will C. Hodge for April; Gram's Hall services are conducted by Mrs. Nick, and the Germans are served by home talent. There are also a number of mediums in the city, two of whom are also speakers as well, Mrs. Carrie Smith and Mrs. Emma Nutt. I called on Mrs. Nutt and had a reading, and was more than pleased with it; it was correct all through. To one in trouble and sorrow the words falling from her lips come as sweet consolation, and her guides are certainly aware of the needs of those who come to their medium. The lady is an entire stranger to me, but I feel she is one who will win the esteem and affection of those with whom she comes in contact. Mrs. Nutt has been but a year in the work, yet I feel assured, if opportunity is given her, much good will be

done by the lady and her guides. She will remain in Milwaukee until the fall months. I merely write this in justice to the lady, as I feel it is but right to encourage our workers. Mrs. Nutt's address is 388 Van Buren street." Miss A. A. Hicks writes from Belfast,

Me.: "The meeting on Sunday, April 28, at the rooms of the Spiritual and Liberal by the song, and was 'Angel Ministry,' the comforting assurance of which was

a confirmation of the truth that God and incidentally attending the Band of Both of these mediums are noble work does send his ministering angels to the children of earth, and that it was perfectly consistent to inquire in what way and how that ministry was helpful; how met any demand or necessity of mortals and became a ministry of wisdom and love. If so, its claims upon the acceptof the wise provisions of the Father for fies man's immortality, but as the most life's great Giver. Angel ministry or all else to enlighten humanity upon the

mystery of life, and so-called death. At the close, Mrs. Shorey of Waldo presented some very interesting thoughts, excellent and profitable meeting."

no clew upon which to work heard that tions. Spirits walk out of the cabinet, what every new beginner wants and by Prof N. J. Walker. The hostess com-she had had such a presentment, and full forms and of various sizes; they should have. Every word in the whole they consulted her. It led to the finding often go to their friends and pat them book is truth divine. Any person with ments delightful to both sight and taste. of the two Bolton boys, who had drifted on the head and give their names. I a spark of intelligence cannot fail to see To all these expressions of love and away when their mother closed the re- Some are not able to speak, but can, in it in the same light as I do. I could friendship Mrs. Read responded. We sort. They were put under fire, and told most cases, make themselves known. | write several pages in its praise without all wished our friends a safe journey and what they had seen of the deed, and Mrs. Dr. Thomas, the principal control, is a word of exaggeration. It has already, sometime a return to our State, where Bolton was afterwards found in Kokomo. the first spirit to appear. Then comes opened up bright channels in my mind we have found them always on the side little Bessie, a sweet spirit of some 8 that are worth many times the price of of progressive work."

years. She calls for her doll and takes the book. There should be a great de it into the cabinet. Then a Hindu spirit mand for it among Spiritualists and comes, named Pedro, who claims to others." This work of which Mr. Fer-have been a physician and passed to spirit-life in 1832; he is one of the writer's controls. Pedro comes very 25 cents.

strong, often walks into the middle of the circle, picks up a trumpet and sings through it, accompanying the circle and keeping perfect time. There are very seldom less than ten forms, and one night there were twenty fully mateone night there were twenty fully mateone night there were twenty fully mate-rialized spirits came in a very good To-night, when the Tabernacle was light. We could see them quite plainly. crowded by ten thousand from Fort wish to say I have known the me- Worth and surrounding cities, a storm dium for about seven years. When I burst on Fort Worth, and torrents of first became acquainted with him, he rain fell. Then Moody called upon the was beginning to develope; little did I congregation to sing 'Al hail the power think he would be able to give such of Jesus' name, Let angels prostrate fall. of Jesus' name, Let angels prostrate fall. manifestations as he does now. Investi- The song had just burst forth from ten gators and skeptics have a great many thousand voices when a cracking noise things in his circles that are very hard was heard and the roof sank and the to explain away, and the old Spiritualrafters gave way, and heavy timbers ists are very pleasantly entertained at and boards covered with tar and gravel the doctor's circles. I think that he has came down on a portion of the congregamade a goodly number of Spiritualists, tion. The wounded were soon taken to and is capable of convincing any one of the fact of spirit return if they will be-Humboldt has well said: "The universe lieve their own senses of seeing and is governed by fixed laws." The rain hearing. He also gives trumpet seances. would have "fallen" just the same with-In them there is writing on slates and on tablets, ringing of bells, moving of objects, talking and singing through the thousand voices, aided by the terrific trumpet, etc. I can recommend him as storm. If God sent the storm in com-

an honest medium and a gentleman." The Hon. L. V. Moulton lately visited and is responsible for the injury done to our great city. Mr. Moulton is a valiant those in attendance. worker in his own State (Michigan) in the cause of Spiritualism, and in his capacity as one of the board of officers maintaining a weekly public service, maintaining a weekly public service, and legal adviser of the National Spirit this being our third year, with Mrs. M. ualists' Association, he brings great B. Bingham-of 58 Marshall street-for after visiting Mrs. Richmond (vice president of the association) at Rogers Park.

Harmony, Thursday evening, he left for Grand Rapids on Friday night. The Hon. R. A. Dague, editor and publisher of the Chronicle, Santa Paula, Cal., was lately married to Amelia R. Pettit, of Creston, Iowa. The Los An-geles Daily Record speaks as follows of the happy event: "Hon. R. A. Dague, ditor of the Santa Paula, Pettit, of Creston, Iowa. The Los An-geles Daily Record speaks as follows of the happy event: "Hon. R. A. Dague, ditor of the Santa Paula, the was a firm believer in Spiritualism, ance of them were unmistakable, as one editor of the Santa Paula Chronicle, was and supported it in this place mostly married in this city a few days ago to alone, as there were but a very few of Mrs. Amelia R. Pettit, of Creston, Iowa. that faith here. He could not underan immutable law must antedate all hu-manity. History confirms that this is so, Mr. Dague deserves the success he has did. We had Mrs. Bingham to speak at not only as a manifestation that signi- met with in the matrimonial line. Be- the funeral, to a crowded house. fore coming to California Mr. Dague helpful and comforting of all gifts from took an active part in politics in Iowa, having served several terms in the State spirit communion has done more than Senate. He is one of the few wealthy for a course of ten meetings, four of ifornia, for, in addition to owning a an increased and inquiring interest in profitable newspaper, he is also the the public mind. Her readings and owner of much property, including a clairvoyant and clairaudient powers also Mrs. H. E. Clark and others. Sing- brick block. Mr. and Mrs. Dague will spend a month at Catalina.'

Arcellent and profitable meeting." Mrs. F. D. Saunders writes: "I send you the following message for publica-this city has been having large attendtion in your paper. It was given us at a ance during the month of April, Mrs. private family circle, April 28, through R. Cowell, of East Oakland, occupying and 15th." the mediumship of my husband, in our platform. Her tests are very con-trance condition. The control directed vincing and to the point. She leaves us me to send it to your paper, saying it would in that way reach its destination. The message is as follows: 'To John L. iand the latter end of this month. She South Wood street, Chicago. Swartz, Michigan-I am in the Spirit- takes with her our very best wishes and

Bishop A. Beals passed through the city last week on his way to fill an engagement in Milwaukee, Wis. Prof. J. Madison Allen is filling an

engagement at Lincoln, Neb. He spoke at Eureka, Kas., April 20, 27 and 28. Address during May, 304 South Nine-teenth street, Lincoln, Nebraska.



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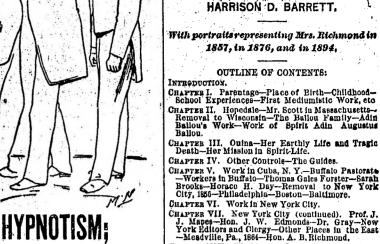
ers, and may be engaged at moderate brought to the doctor, his first care is to discover whether all the parts of the prices to fill engagements within easy body are in their normal position, and whether there is any pressure on any of the arteries, veins or blood vessels. The doctor considers himself as an engineer of the human body, and his aim is to put all the parts in their correct relation. No stimulants or opiates are given. The treatment consists simply in pulling the parts into place, or rubbing away pressure." Dr. Still explains his method as

follows:

"The human body is a machine run C. Martin writes from Ottowa, Ill. by the unseen force called life, and that "We have Mrs. Isa-Wilson-Kayner, a it may be run harmoniously, it is necespsychometric and test medium, with us sary that there be liberty of blood newspaper publishers in Southern Cal- which have passed, and have awakened nerves and arteries, from generating-ifornia, for, in addition to owning a an increased and inquiring interest in point to destination. If the supply channels of the body be obstructed, and the life-giving currents do not reach their destination full freighted, then have awakened a great interest, and have given general satisfaction. Nearly disease sets in.

all have proven correct. Will be with us May 12th and 19th, afternoon and as a criminal before God, to be puked, evening, and the evenings of May 14th purged and made sick and crazy. It is a science that analyzes man, and finds that he partakes of divine intelligence. Mrs. Isa Wilson-Kaynor is now filling It acquaints itself with all the ata su cossful engagement at Ottawa, Ill. tributes, and if the student of it does his she will hold forth there the first three work well, and goes out with his brain full of its teachings, instead of his Sundays of May, She can be addressed for engagements at her home, 8736 pocket full of cardamon-seed, he will find by results that its principle is unerring.

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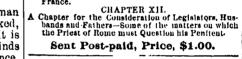
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Mrs. Jennie Hagan-Jackson will lecure the last three Sundays in May at Stafford, Ct.; the first Sunday in June at Cassadaga; June 8, 9 and 10 at North Collins, N. Y., and June 15 and 16 at Sturgis, Mich. Parties desiring her services on week evenings, in the East, should address her at Stafford, Ct.

E. W. Sprague writes: "Our work in Erie, Pa., is a pronounced success. Applications for membership in the newlyorganized society are coming in rapidly since they have elected officers and are in working order. Among them are and psychometric medium for the months of May and June. Services on Sundary at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. engaged for another month, and will spend May in teaching our philosophy to those who are 'an hungered.'"

Dr. Louis Freedman, the Australian healer, will practise in Lynn, Mass., Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednes-Saturday he will be in New York City, at 247 E. 87th street. He writes that the Spiritualists at Lynn are alive and progressive, and are not ashamed to avow themselves Spiritualists. Mr. James, who conducts a large meeting, is a oredit to the cause.

A special dispatch to the Gazette of Cincinnati from Anderson, Ind., sets results. We most cheerfully recommend forth: "It just became public this morn-him as a gentleman entitled to the kinding, April 14th, that the clew in the Foust murder mystery and the only thing which led to the arrest of George Hires and later to his conviction last Saturday to thirteen years in the Northern Penitentiary, was obtained by spirit communication. At least this is the claim of Spiritualists, and is substantiated by the officers. It seems that Mrs. Stover, of Elwood, heard of the finding of the body of the murdered man on the 8th of last July. She immediately took her son and went into a dark room. In her clairvoyant state she was told that the dead man was not killed by the cars, as was supposed from the fact that his remains were found lying on the side at Yellowstone Park to see the sights. his remains were found fying on the that We expect to visit the affirement camps, of the right of way. She was told that we expect to be in Onset in July. We expect death had been the result of a fight of hope to be in Onset in July. We expect to spend the winter in New York and to spend the winter in New York and to spend the winter in New York and

was hauled from there to where it was easy. found on the track. Other minor details

Wm. H. Stiglitz writes: "The First this important movement. It is more Spiritual Church of Louisville, Ky., at than 'soul communion,' it is united its annual meeting held May 5, elected thought action, with a specific object in appreciated. We cast our lot with the following officers for the ensuing view; and given a sufficient number of appreciated. We cast our lot with the following onloting in the second state of the second se Stiglitz, recording and corresponding gress in the past has been the result of re-engaged M. Theresa Allen secretary: Thos. McAboy, financial sec- concentrated thought, but yet unorgan. the month of May; she has done a concentrated thought, but yet unorganized thought, and progress has present age. Here, too, on the table of Chas. Hostetter, Mrs. Mary Marshall slow. Our aim is to organize thought and Mrs. Elizabeth S. Cain, trustees; in order that progress shall be accelerated. Thought not only precedes ac-tion, but produces it. Let us do our clean face of THE PROGRESSIVE Mission and Jas. A. Taylor, ushers; tion, but produces it. Let us do our THINKER gladdening the hearts of the MCAboy and Jas. A. Taylor, ushers; tion, but produces it. Let us do our thinking systematically and unitedly, Mary A. Gebauer, who has been on our and great will be our success. Sentiplatform for four weeks past, will re- ment for the May council, Sunday, the main several weeks longer, due to the 26th, at 7:30 P. M.: "Be, at one with the great success she has had with her audi- Eternal Goodness."

ences.' J. D. Richmond writes: "I wish to say Dr. J. W. Ruminer writes from Evans to you that the Haslett Park Camp is ville, Ind.: "Mr. and Mrs. Stoll are still not deserted. The stockholders have here, but owing to sickness Mrs. Stoll has elected new trustees to fill vacancies. not been able to do much the past three Their officers are elected, and the folweeks. The First Society of Spirituallowing list of speakers are engaged for

ists of Louisville, Ky., have been in correspondence with them and after this week they may go there." The Progressive Spiritualist Society,

3120 Forest avenue, has secured the services of Rev. G. V. Cordingley, the test and psychometric medium for the Sundays at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m.

Frank Rossman, president, and R. J. Eger, secretary, write: "Dr. J. P. Thorn- a scientific standpoint, which appeared

City, Mich., for the month of April, and proper one to build up societies in our number of spirit friends, three of whom philosophy, and hope to have him with were relatives (cousins); also the name us again in the near future. We believe of one. Another was a lady with whom that the only way to build up societies is

year's engagement would produce better est consideration, who is willing to go among the people, and a 'laborer worthy of his hire.

Bishop A. Beals speaks at Milwauee, Wis., the Sundays of May. He can be addressed at 603 Grand avenue.

Mrs. J. J. Whitney, of San Francisco, Cal., writes: "I was pleased to read of Mrs. Jennie Hatch developing the gift IVE THINKER and Mrs. Partridge is the of materializing. I know she worked earnestly and truly for her gift. We all know Melissa Miller on this coast as a thus afflicted may find relief. It also true, noble-hearted woman, and a good makes me love the dear old PROGRESSmedium. Mr. Whitney and I will leave IVE THINKER more than ever." here June 3d for the East. We will stop

A. Ferguson writes as follows of W. H. Bach's work on "Mediumship:" "I have Tenth street, almost opposite the plate Washington. I am leaving home for a glass works. She was further told that rest-not for work. If the guides will on the philosophy of spiritual manifesta- of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Merrill. The he was shot in that place, and the body only think as I do, I will take things tions, law and conditions, etc., but I guests assembled consisted mostly of

never yet saw as much logic, common members of the Magi, Mrs. Read being C. P. Perry, M. D., writes: "Dr. H. sense and science put into such a small a student in that order. Mr. A. Chamwere given. She kept the matter to her- H. Grabendyke has been in Denver the compass, and so much to the point as pion, leader of the order in Michigan, self, but five months later the officers, last few months, giving seances for ma- your 'Mediumship' contains. Every page made the address of the evening, fol- of Atlantis. He regards the description who were put to work on the case imme-terialization, which are very good; and of it shows honesty of purpose, no matter diately after it happened and could find which are given under strict test condi-where I open the book. It shows just interspersed with exquisite violin solos. It is intensely interesting. Price \$2.

gagements for camp-meetings at reasonable terms. Address him at 200 E Bridge street, Grand Rapids, Mich.

reach of Rochester and Lily Dale."

S. R. Mann writes as follows: "The Lincoln (Neb.) Spiritualist Society has for the month of May; she has done a great deal of good here, as there are people attending our meetings that 'have never attended before. Her address is 304 South 19th street. Prof. J. Madison Allen lectured in her place last Sunday, and he will also lecture for us next Sun in healing is regulated, and if the Still day evening. The society has been brothers have discovered a method of very much pleased with Sister and Brother Allen's services here in ard than drugs, then by the law of Lincoln.¹

been

equity and justice, they have a prior and better right to practice than the A. Wheeler, prominent as a worker, certificated M. D's. writes from Unionville, Mo.: "As an-nounced in your valuable paper, I came to this little city the 6th of April, and

found a lovely and businesslike town of

refined and intelligent audience April 6,

and Sunday afternoon and Sunday night

the Red Ribbon hall was crowded, and

ceived them responded in the accept-

ance of the same. Many of the best

people of the city and country are inter-

ested in our beautiful philosophy. The

press here paid me a flattering compli-

ment. I have held several seances at

the different homes in and near the city.

At the Mace residence we found the

genial old Father Mace, a dear old man.

f many years' experience in the Spirit-

ualistic faith. Our next meeting was

called at the pretty country home of

gave many tests, and those that re-

about 2.000 inhabitants. I spoke to

An Excellent Prescription.

R. NEELY.

TO THE EDITOR:-Since the publication in the columns of THE PROGRESS IVE THINKER some weeks ago, of certain articles by Dr. J. M. Peebles, in regard to the A. P. A. and the Roman Catholic church, our good friend. the doctor, has been made the target of several return shots, through these columns, usually dominated, "Nuts for Dr. Peebles to dominated, "Nuts for Dr. Peebles to Crack." While perusing these several 'return shots," the writer was impressed by the fact that most, if not all, of the marksmen had-if the subject matter of their "shots" was any criterion-completely failed to sense the spirit that inpired our good friend while penning those articles.

The writer would, therefore, respect-A. J. Williams, one mile out of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have five pretty fully suggest to those who have already submitted—as well as to any who may, children, and as Mrs. Williams is a fine in the future, submit—"Nuts for Dr medium, she can complete a lyceum in Peebles to Crack," that they take the her own home. We also had seances at following treatment: Take equal parts Clarke Smith's home. They have the of crystals of tolerance charity and rappings independently in their home. brotherly love; weigh in the scales of Now I find myself in the beautiful home justice, and bray in the mortar of comof Mr. J. W. McCalment, surrounded mon sense with the pestle of truth to a with all the comforts one can desire. I. can say here the influence of spiritual fine powder. Add enough of tincture of harmony to thoroughly permeate the mass. For every part of this powder take ten parts of the milk of human love flows full and free. Our dear friends, Perry Roberts and wife, and Mr. Gouls, and many others, will not be forkindness, untainted by prejudice, and gotten by me. I am to lecture at De-catur, Iowa, the first week of May, and bring it to a boil over a slow fire. Add the powder, stirring well until it is thor-oughly dissolved. The resulting liniat Leon, Iowa, the second week in May. Any society in Missouri or Iowa can adment will be applied with the bare hand dress me at Leon, Iowa, pr engage to the patient's head, as hot as can be borne, over the region of the perceptive E. F. Josselyn writes from Lansing, Tri-daily faculties, and rubbed well in. Mich.: "The society here is enjoying a series of lectures by Dr. A. B. Spinney. applications will be made until the patient is able to come into perfect rapport with the spirit of Dr. Peebles' articles. A recurrence of the nut-cracking symptoms will necessitate a further ap plication of the liniment; but, if the above instructions are faithfully carried out, a complete and lasting cure is guar-

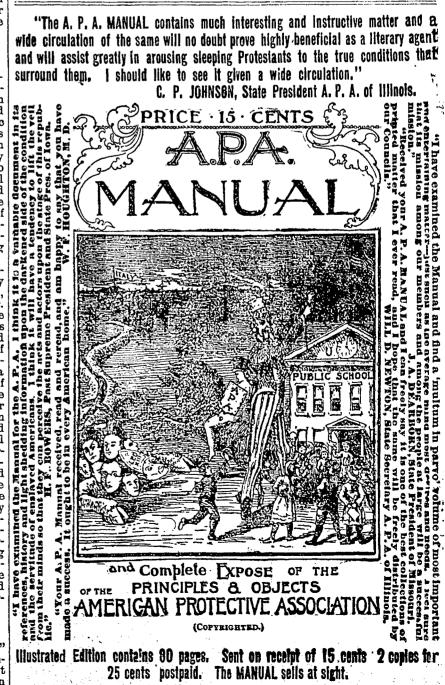
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nderful communication, explaining how his A wonderful communication, explaining life and teachings were utilized to formulate anity. Price 15 cents. For sale at this office. healing that comes nearer to this stand-

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J. M. H. writes from Elkhart, Texas: 'Not long since, I attended a lecture delivered by Miss Lillie F. Miller-subject Hypnotism. It was discussed from

dyke, of Boston, Mass., has occupied the to me to be infinitely beyond the educarostrum for the Spiritual Society of Bay | tional attainment of anyone of her age, she being about 17 or 18 years old, conwe regret that his engagements are sequently it must have been a case of day every week; Thursday, Friday and such that he could not remain with us spirit control. At the close of the leclonger. We believe his method the ture she gave a minute description of a

the August camp-meeting: Anna L

Robinson, Oscar A. Edgerly, L. V. Moulton, Moses Hull, Jennie Hagan-

Jackson, Allen T. Brown, and others.

Meeting to commence August 1 and con-

tinue five Sundays, or to Sept. 2, 1895.

I was well-acquainted about forty-eight to make engagements with speakers for years ago, whose features were so pecul-not less than three months, and that a lar that I could not have been mistaken." Florence Gardner writes from Lemont

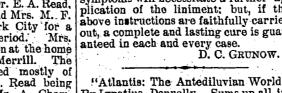
Ill.: "I feel that I must thank you for recommending me to Mrs. Partridge for the removal of obsessing spirits. I have been tormented by them for about three years, the affliction growing worse and

assuming the form of a mental and physical disease. To make a long story short, I amc ured-rid of those low, ignorant influences, and to THE PROGRESS-

ments. credit due. I feel as though I would like to let the world know, that others

read 'Mediumship' through, and I want sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. to tell you that I will read it every week Merritt, left for New York City for a until I have every word of it by heart | residence of indefinite period.

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L. L. Bair: Q. We hear people speak of God, First Cause, Infinite Energy, The Absolute, Ruler of the Universe, the spirit of man is the greatest .energy that exists?

(2) If the philosophy of evolution is true, could there ever have been a God absolute?

(3) If this Law of Evolution exists, does it not exist in all things? (4) If there is an energy, a force, a Spirit Absolute, has it not attained its the building up of character in a narrow perfection through the laws of evolution personal sense.

and progression? (5) Can we conceive of an energy with no antecedent perfect from eternity?

man is only a fragment, it cannot be even comparable in degrees—only in likeness—with the energy of the whole; for a part cannot be equal to the whole. (0) Further a part cannot be equal to the whole. (2) Evolution is only a method of crea- ing difficulties. Then pass away where tion, and does not even touch final causes, or cause. The theologian might by unchanging laws which do not, can-logically say-were he not already tan- not bend to the caprice or assistance of gled in the meshes of Biblical explana-tion—God creates in this manner. Evo-lution touches the question of God only harmony which the individual sustains as it overthrows existing Mosaic ideas of the creation.

(3) Evolution is the method by which all things are evolved; but (4) of that fected. as the laws which express it to our comon the material, the things effected.

(5) Eternity and infinite are words ex- ishment for its own sake. pressive of our mental limitation, rather no conception nor draw comparison. In ject will be gained. like manner the attempt to conceive of an uncaused energy without an antecedent fails from our finite limitations, and we should rather acknowledge our imperfections, with the asseveration that more advanced beings may see clearly when it is dark to us, rather than draw a conclusion from our own finiteness of comprehension.

I. C. D. and others, Washington: Q. In Prof. J. P. Thorndyke's republished account of the mysterious noises, etc., at the house of Jno. D. Fox, in Hydesville, infer located the buried remains of the missing peddler supposed to have been murdered. Nothing is concluded in said pamphlet as to whether they ever dug to discover said remains.

Čan you inform five regular subscrib-

but in the case of the exercise of a virtue, such as faith, a woman trusts a man, she is duped and ruined; again a man or anybody may take a railway licket, the train runs off the track and is smashed. Where is the connection between sowing and reaping there? Why do the innocent suffer for the guilty? Is the question of reincarnation nvolved? The sins of a former existonce accounting for the punishment in the succeeding and consequent suffering

apparently without justice? A. This correspondent is perplexed over subjects which have confounded the wisest thinkers of all ages. Reincarnation was invented as a solution, and a future world of punishment was

another solution. There can be no interpretation as long as false ideas of creation are held. Nature knows nothing about punishment as vengeance. Designer, etc. (1) Is it not possible that Perfection under the moral law will not prevent the result of breaking a physical law. The man crushed in a railroad wreck may be a villain or a saint, he suffers because he has willingly or unwillingly placed himself in a position

where he receives harm. "As a man sows so shall he reap" only applies strictly to such deeds as go to

It is not true as relates to causes and events over which he has no control, as the wreck of a train on which he is A. (1) As the individualized spirit of traveling, the storm that destroys the

we view creation as a whole controlled harmony which the individual sustains to all laws of his being. If he tran-

scends these, he simply becomes subject to other laws whose fruitage is suffering, physical or mental. Thus if he is energy, which to our minds is utterly not in harmony with the laws of health incomprehensible, by which things are he becomes subject to the laws of dis-evolved to higher and higher states, we ease; if not controlled by the moral can know only of its existence as ex- forces, then the brutal passional have pressed in matter, or the things evolved. sway. A saint may, by hereditary taint Evolution is not a scheme by which the of lustful ancestors be corroded with energy or force back of creation is per- cancer, and suffer untold tortures, be-We must take, as a foundation, cause those ancestors, gave themselves that this is absolute and without change, and their offspring to the law of disease There is no pardoning power in law-no prehension. Ascension and change are forgiveness in the horizon of creative forces: nor is there vengeance, or pun-

The spirit is traveling to the light of than reality. Ten million years is as perfect knowledge, which means perfect incomprehensible as a hundred million comprehension of law-the order of the to the mind, and hence are eternity. world. It stumbles into other paths, When we say a star is 1,000 billions of where the thorns lacerate, and the flints miles away, to the mind it is an infinite out its feet. It goes on, assured that because a distance of which it can form after failure and seeming defeat its ob-

> G. C. Nanaims, B. C.: Q. When sit- uality, but to his physical senses as well. ting in a circle I am influenced to mag-netize the members. Some of them ex-izens of immortal life can and do comperience the sensation of cold, some of municate with mortals on the earthwarmth. It is the same with myself, plane. He was fearless as to what others Why is this difference in magnetism? A. The sensation depends on the state | that he was right; in fact, I have often of the subject. If negative to the oper-ator he would receive the sensation of word fear meant. While such was the cold, and the recipient of warmth; if case, he was one of the most kind and positive, then this sensation would be charitable of men. His heart and hand reversed. The cool breeze often felt by were ever open and ready to respond to those at all receptive is not a motion in

A. L.: Q. Are the planets inhabited by human beings?

A. The speculations in regard to the inhabitability of the planets and character of such inhabitants, from the time Can you inform his regular subscrib-ers to THE PROGRESSIVE THINKER, whether the missing peddler's remains were aver found? made you feel as if you were benefited

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after experiences but strengthened his

we call death was but the doorway to a

higher life; that it develops us from this

chrysalis condition into the grand pos-

A VETERAN.

He Has Ascended Higher.

Passed to the higher life, from his home in Villa Ridge, Ill., Mr. John Limbert, on Thursday, April 18th, 1895, after a brief illness of three days, at the age of 78. His sudden translation was severe shock to his many friends and relatives. It is all the more sad because he was bright and active, retaining per-fectly all his faculties and taking a keen interest in all the affairs of life. He was one of the veteran workers in the cause. He was a close companion of Warren Chase in the early days of Spiritualism. He was honored and beloved by all. His genial and manly qualities endeared him to friends and associates. His life was freely given to the dissemination of the profound truth of Spiritualism. His great desire was that all should come to realize and live to the knowledge of the common brotherhood of man and spiritual existence, and ascendancy over the mortal form. Endowed as he was with a remarkably cheerful disposition, meeting him was like coming into the bright sunlight. We love the man who shows advancement with age in soul and mind. Such we find in the noble life of our departed brother. Greatly will this grand and noble character be missed by his family, his many friends, the society, and the community. The grief-stricken family would find their sorrow overwhelming were it not for the blessed assurance of his spiritual presence. Ever will his memory be cherished with endearment by all who knew him in earth-life. The funeral services were held at his home, Friday at 5 P. M. The services were conducted according to his wishes, consisting of music by the Spiritualist choir (the Leidigh family), which rendered two of Mr. Limbert's favorite songs, and remarks by Bro. W. H. Leidigh and Mrs. Amarala Mar-

tin. Offerings of flowers in beautiful bouquets and designs were many and varied in character. His remains were taken early Saturday morning to Cobden, Ill., for interment, where grand and beautiful services were conducted by the Masons. REMARKS MADE BY MR. W. H. LEIDIGH.

to pay a last tribute of respect to the physical remains of one of nature's most perfect productions, a truly noble. His work is done. So let him peacefully hearted, manly man: one whose highest go, while we treasure his memory and aim was to do right for the love of right profit by the example of his many vir-and because it was right to do right. The pangs of separation are The world was his country and to do always severe, but bear them bravely, The world was his country and the courage knowing such would be your done to good his religion. He had the courage wish; and that it is the only rational of his convictions. He was a Spiritual-of his convictions. He was a Spiritual-the fullest sense of the term. His thing to be done. And often remember belief was not simply a faith, but a knowledge demonstrated by actual facts, that appealed not only to his spirit-

might do or say of him, so that he knew

the cry of distress or want. In fact, if New York, the account locates a spot in the air but waves of negative magnetism. he even suspected there were any in the centre of the cellar which we would need of his sympathy, or more material aid, he would not wait to be called upon, but sought for the suffering and needy

one, and tended a helping hand. know Father Limbert was to love him. An aura of loving kindness seemed to

emanate from him that filled the sur-

dependent, straightforward and reliable; WRITING ON THE WALL. a scholar in the sense that intelligent Daniel 5:5-The King saw the hand experience and daily study go to make that wrote on the plaster. one; a constant reader, storing in his PSYCHOLOGY.

mind from the standard literature of the world. He possessed that unusual fac-Acts 13:11-"And now, behold the ulty of retaining in his memory facts and dates of all the most important mathand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou

shalt be blind." ters he ever knew. He had large general HEALING.

information, and his mind was an en-cyclopædia of historical events, many of Matthew 10:8-"Heal the sick, raise which were from personal recollection. the dead."

Mark 3:5-"He said unto the man, During all his busy life he never neg lected his intellectual needs. No day stretch forth thy hand, and he stretched it forth and his hand was restored." Mark 16:18-"They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

great interests of the world. He was as well acquainted with the intellectual, MATERIALIZATION. political and financial situation of for-Luke 1: 11-"And there appeared unto eign countries as with our own. Mr. Limbert was a staunch believer in the him an angel of the Lord."

Acts of the Apostles-First chapter in harmonial philosophy, being a convert full to modern Spiritualism ever since its Genesis 19:1—"And two angels came to Sodom at evening; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom, and Lot saw them." advent, He investigated its phenomena while he was yet a young man, and became firmly convinced of its truth. All

Exodus 4:2,3,4. opinions. He was sincere and fearless TRANCE. in advocating his religion, and wherever

Acts 10:10,11-He fell into a trance.

his name was known, so also were his VOICE-TRUMPET, convictions. He had no dread of death,

but thought, it only a change from one Revelation 1:10,11-"I was in the world to another, a journey to which he spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard belooked forward with the calm satisfaction hind me a great voice, as of a trumpet." of a sincere believer in future life. Spirit-OPEN-EYED MEDIUMS, ualism had taught him that the change

Numbers 24:4-"Falling down having his eyes open."

SHUT-EYED MEDIUMS.

sibilities of a progressive spiritual ex-Acts 9:7,18-"And the men that jouristence. Years ago, when this noble friend bent over the coffined face of a neyed with him stood speechless, hearing the voice, but beholding no man." loved and lovely daughter, he chided himself for his grief. With trembling voice and tearful eyes he exclaimed: EMINENT MEN WHO INDORSE SPIRIT.

UALISM. SCIENTISTS:

"Well, well! so must we all go some-time; but while we bury our Nettie, we Alfred R. Wallace, the discoverer of know that she is but another link in the evolution: Cromwell Varley, Electrician chain which draws us nearer heaven." F. R. S. C. E.; W. F. Barrett, F. R. E. This good man was ripe for the heaven Professor of Physics in the Royal Colof rest into which he has entered. All lege of Science, Dublin; Dr. Lockhart Robertson, Editor Journal Medical Scithe knowledge he gained on earth will be a good foundation for the life of pro-gression awaiting him. Neither will he ence: Dr. J. Elliotson, F. R. S., London; Herman Goldsmith, astronomer and physicist; William Crookes, chemist; Prof. N. D. Wagner, Geologist, Univergo empty-handed, for his good deeds have been heralded before him. He will

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Gully, Dr. Julius Frauenstadt, Germany; Dr. Grunhut, Buda Peeth; Dr. Gray Sexton, London; Dr. Joseph Haddock, that when you shall seek that starry England. country from which we sometimes hear, EMINENT STATESMEN AND PHILAN

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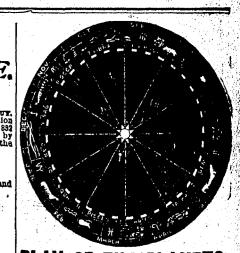
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were ever found?

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"On the Monday following, Mr. Fox and others commenced digging in the cellar, but as the house was built on low ground, and in the vicinity of a stream, then much swollen by rains, it was not surprising that they were baffled by the influx of water at the distance of three feet down. In the summer of 1848, when the ground was dry and the water lowered, the digging again commenced, when they found a plank, a vacant place or hole, some bits of crockery which seemed to have been parts of a wash bowl, charcoal, quick lime, some human by a surgeon, to be human), and a portion of a human skull.

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L. B. Lyman: Q. In what way may we best seek advancement in psychic devel-opment, or perception of spiritual things and methods?

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dropped.

A. There are various means adapted to different organizations, and according to the object proposed.

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Miss Malla Bjerke: Q. What is mental science as taught by Helen Wilmans?

and Helen Williams would be the best authority to which to appeal. As we have understood her writings, she enforces the ultimate logic of mental healkeg, which few others care to do.

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to be composed of similar elements to by his kind and cheering influence. the earth, with, perhaps, new ones, but the proportion is different and there is absence of some that are important. It animals, when he came among them, cannot be said that science proves that would gather about him fearlessly, the composition of the planets is like that of earth; on the contrary, it proves that they are quite different, and in the specific gravity of their material there is widest divergence. Hence, if there are living beings on the planets, they must be entirely different from those on the earth, and it is difficult to conceive of evolution attaining a parallel development by means of which man is attained.

The supposition, which of late has been the rounds of the press, of the arti-ficial works being seen on Mars, or of does not rise to the plane of speculation, for none but those utterly ignorant of bowl, charcoal, quick lime, some human hair, bones (declared, on examination The largest artificial object on the earth, seen from Mars by a telescope the most powerful we possess, would appear as an indeterminate point. There can be no expectation of making an artificial light that can be seen on Mars. they are inhabited, must conform to the material out of which they are created, and it cannot be supposed that the plan

of life-growth as seen on this earth exhausts the methods of nature. The want, or addition, of a single element may completely change the plan.

A Call for Assistance.

TO THE EDITOR:-Your truly pro-gressive paper is before me and I am averse to all begging, yet I have a presentiment that in this case it will meet the approval of the Spirit-world, and I hope may influence those of the mundance sphere who have an abundance of the good things of this life, to aid a cause which is dear to all pure-minded thinkers.

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Nothing feared him. Even the domestic knowing that they would be received with a kindly greeting. Had I the in-spirational powers of Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, or Bishop Beals, or G. H. Brooks, I might possibly do justice to the occasion; but I cannot fail but feel my utter inability and unworthiness, and all I can say is, that we consider no better tribute to his memory than to live as books, and infallibility belongs to God he lived and acted; live up to the highest promptings of our inner or most spiritual consciousness. It is useless for me to enumerate his many virtues and acts of kindness. Father Limbert was, signaling the people of that planet, as all who knew him can testify, simply a grand, noble and manly man. What more can I say? To the bereft family and near friends I can only say, a most kind and loving husband, father and brother, has gone to the higher life in brother, has gone to the higher life in the Spirit-world, and our loss is his with uninterrupted screnity, and in it he spiritual gain. Those of us who were most intimately acquainted with Father Limbert knew that to him there was The inhabitants of each planet, if no fear of the change called death. He knew that when the Latman landed him upon the other shore he would there be met by his many numerous friends, who would gladly welcome him home. But I can more clearly express his wishes and ideas as to death by read-ing a short extract from one of T. B.

Taylor's lectures: "There's no such thing as death To those who live aright;

'Tis but the racer casting off What most impedes his flight; 'Tis but one little act

Life's drama must contain-One struggle, keener than the rest And then an end of pain.

There's no such thing as death. That which is thus miscalled That have so long enthralled; This but the bud deplaced, As comes the perfect flower;

'Tis faith, exchanged to sight, And weariness to power."

Oh, brother, plant not at my grave the drooping, weeping willow; nor the dark cypress; but myrtle, laurel, rosebuds, and immortelles are more fitting funeral emblems. Mourning apparel belong to the superstitions of the past. Pleasant words, happy faces, sweet good, and it matters not whether you be smiles, cheerful songs, I want at my churchman or otherwise, so you accept

"No gloomy vault, no charnel cell, No emblem of decay, No solemn sound of passing bell."

REMARKS MADE BY MRS. AMARALA

MARTIN. This dear friend whom we mourn was of a remarkably firm, honest, strong character, and tender-hearted as a child.

sympathy. He was a self-made man, in- tables," etc.

count of the following discrepancies: Spiritualism (and with them the spirit-Prof. Elliott Coues, of the Smithsonian ual theory as the only tenable one) as Institute, says: "I am not a Christian and I do not believe that Jesus rose from being fully established. Its whole course and history proclaimed it to be the dead and ascended into heaven.' Dean Stanley said of Theodore Parker, neither imposture nor delusion, nor survival of the beliefs of savages, but a who preached for many years in Music Hall in Boston, for the largest congregreat and all-important truth.

Thackeray: "It is very well for you who have probably never seen any spir-itual manifestations to talk as you do; but gation in America, that he had done more for Biblical scholarship than any other man in America. Dr. Samuel Davidson says: "Inspirahad you seen what I have seen you would hold a different opinion." tion properly belongs to persons, not to

Wm. Howitt: "Spiritualism having reached its millions of adherents, is now

Dr. Talmage: "The Bible is either all true or all false." beyond the influence of opponents."

Mr. Spurgeon declares the same. Mr. Moody goes so far as to affirm that I will say to investigators, take some "unless every word and every syllable from Genesis to Revelations is truth, we have no Bible " Metaphysical Publishing Co., 503 Fifth avenue. New York. Do not patronize have no Bible." President Adams was content to settle ignorant mediums who give silly tests down upon the Sermon on the Mount as on the platform, or those who refuse to go under rigid test examination for materialization. Some of our best medi-ums have been misrepresented on acdied with perfect resignation. The revised version does not claim the count of their stubbornness. Bible is infalliblé.

I have in my possession independent Thus we see that the question before us is not a light or far-off matter. It is slate-writings received in Chicago from

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"My son: Let these few. lines of indeing earnest inquiry about, for most of pendent writing prove to you the possithem have been taught from their child-hood that to admit the possibility of misbility of your own medium force and power. Your father, ASA LESTER." take in the Bible is to invalidate and There are others in this city who have destroy the book. We may, then, give it

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demonstrated to our perceptions that persons who do their own thinking are more liable to differ in their conclusions than those who take things for granted without considering the evidence upon which their truth or falsity must depend. Therefore, with your permission, I will offer a few thoughts to the readers of your widely-circulating journal, which were suggested to my mind while considering the ideas and assertions expressed by my reviewer in No. 281 which it seems to me may be discussed with at least some degree of profit.

Conclusions based upon external apnearances are often misleading; therefore, hefore accepting them as finalities in any given case, wisdom suggests the propriety of their being demonstrated to stop to the perambulations of a spectral our satisfaction, in such a manner as to visitant through the halls of the house leave no room for doubt.

the part of many well-meaning persons range with a pistol, evidently expecting to theorize or, I may say, to invent imag- to find a case that would require the iminary systems, which they assume to be modus operandi employed in producing the effects we are privileged to witness. thereby demonstrating to his mind that How far these imaginary theories are aids to mental progress, thinking per sons will determine for themselves.

At the same time, they are accepted as demonstrable truths by the unthinking. who unhesitatingly assume a familiarity gainsaid that its results were highly with laws pertaining to the next stage beneficial to humanity at large, being with laws pertaining to the next stage of existence, while in reality life here is to them a mystery.

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It may be justly claimed that man is the grand ultimate on this material plane, possessing mental faculties that to clouded imaginations. enable him to survey the ground he has traversed in his gradual unfoldment from the vortex of infinitude to the point he now occupies.

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It would be as reasonable to suppose emphatically asserts, "the nearest a true comparison of any two cases that can period, capable of comprehending reali- possibly be invented." ties that were waiting its experience, as for persons here to assume a knowledge this case, that relatively it may be a be. of laws and conditions in the next life. thousand miles from the point aimed at, Experience is the school in which we and still be the nearest. obtain knowledge here, and I apprehend The orderly unfoldment of Nature's it will continue to be through all time; laws are made manifest to minds capalife, it is reasonable to suppose that we will have a far more comprehensive lines of cause and effect. view, with clearer conceptions of this

mystery. Hence, the moment he assumes familiarity with what pertains to spheres above that in which he lives, it is eminently proper to ask how he obtained his knowledge. It will not suffice to say the affirmation was made on the authority of a spirit, for that does not constitute evidence necessary to establish a fact.

If more light is required in order to accomplish that purpose, then, by all means, turn it on.

FATHER CUSMANN AND THE MEDIUM. According to the testimony of good and reliable witnesses it succeeded in fore both coexistent and coeternal, con- is led to infer that at a given time Paris, when what purported to be a spirit known to many persons in this vi- in a special sense; though each performs course of action by which, through percinity as Father Cushman came from the its office in strict accordance with prin-cabinet. His familiar form was recog-ciples underlying its nature. cabinet. His familiar form was recognized by a gentleman who had repeat. edly seen him on previous occasions, and by him Father Cushman was introduced which are negative to it, so unmistaka- In accordance with principles involved to the audience. A moment later he was embraced, the parent. light was turned on, when lo! and behold, instead of Father Cushman, the medium was held up to the gaze of the persons there assembled, to the great surprise of her friend and traveling surprise of her friend and traveling mind are ever present in matter, an interior principle existing in, and traveling through which appeals are made to the manifesting through, the human ferm. Principles, being eternal, live on after senses of reasoning beings. Having established a basis as a startapparition, fully believing it to be what it purported to be. ing point from which all visible forms There is no evidence that the course and invisible elements must have emanadopted there resulted in the slightest ated, it becomes us to strictly observe physical injury to the medium, though I the order of natural growth and unfoldheard from the lips of her friend that ment from that beginning down to the his feelings were injured beyond depresent age. scription. Had the apparition on that occasion been what it purported to be, and vanished, or melted out of the arms in in that early dawn when the atoms comwhich it was held, that of itself would have been overwhelming proof of its posing the first formations in what is degenuineness, and the medium would nominated the mineral kingdom became on their plane, when we appear among have found herself surrounded by a hest solidified. of friends whose united testimony could not have been set aside by theorists, no more than it has been in the stand they have taken.

DARKNESS NOT ESSENTIAL.

Although the accounts contained in

neither of them contain the slightest ev idence that darkness was an essential TO THE EDITOR:—It is frequently did he manifest any fear of being dispelled by the grasp of a skeptic in the person of doubting Thomas! but, instead of shrinking from his presence, Jesus is credited with saying to him: "Reach hither thy finger and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand and thrust it into my side." If that report is true, Jesus courted critical investigation.

Numerous instances have been re corded of the apparition of human forms, termed ghosts, in broad daylight when least expected, their nature being revealed by their sudden disappearance. Others have been seen at night in socalled haunted houses and elsewhere, if

human testimony can be relied on. Florence Marryat tells how her father where he was staying and to do so ef-fectually, deliberately fired at it at close mediate services of a surgeon. But, inthereby demonstrating to his mind that it was not, as he had supposed, a human being disguised for the purpose of practicing deception.

Some might claim that that was a ruffianly act; be that as it may, it cannot be proof positive that spirits are not subject to laws governing on this mundane plane

of existence. Senseless quotations, such as, "God dwelleth in thick darkness," appeal only

TURNING ON THE LIGHT.

At the same time it is evident to thinking minds that mental darkness is a condition in which ignorance and superstition unfold with amazing perfection. Darkness is the absence of light on the

The word nearest is so indefinite in

The orderly unfoldment of Nature's ence is unable to rise above the mental

NEBULOUS OR ATOMIC THEORY.

ples and potentialities of all future manto follow.

her shoes which were set aside in one with a slight coating of soil to secure in a store with a slight coating of soil to secure in a store is about the secure in order to have

darkness." He also knows that if a grain of corn is allowed to rest upon the surface of the ous condition of the blood. earth where it can receive moisture from below, while exposed to light and heat germination readily takes place, and the root, which is the first to appear, immediately proceeds to obtain a foot-hold that will, enable it to support the story. blade during its upward growth until it

reaches maturity. In that way giant oaks and other fruitbearing forest-trees come into existence.

Cover the surface of a china plate with ened, when, if placed in the light, accompanied by a sufficient degree of heat, germination will take place, followed by parilla. by a rapid growth of leafy verdure. This reminds me of the Chinese lily, a

house-plant that grows in clear water, contained in a vessel, where it matures and blossoms in the light. Leaves, flowers and fruits come into existence in the light; therefore the

existence in the light; therefore the symptom, age or sol. Address in our conclusion is that darkness is in no way handwriting, with stamps for reply. Dr. J. R. Craig, 1428 Market street, San healthy growth and development in all Francisco, Cal. 287 departments of the vegetable kingdom. Following the orderly unfoldment of Nature's laws on the material plane, we come next to where animal life appeared accompanied by sensation, which was which developed over 100 mediums last not observable in the vegetable or min-

eral It is generally conceded that fishes in the sea and fowls in the air were the first to appear, after which the lower order of land animals came into exist- and every town in the United States. ence.

In propagating their species, they con-formed to the requirements of Nature's laws adapted to their present condition of being, and there is no evidence going

to show that the idea of darkness received the slightest consideration. Countless ages must have intervened before man, who stands at the head of male weakhess, but any one that suffers the animal kingdom, was evolved into with either of the above diseases will rebeing, though not until then do we find

mind thoroughly individualized. Man, therefore, is the keystone of the arch, the grand ultimate that has been

to which matter has been subjected in its upward steps of progress from atoms

But the end is not yet. Upward and onward has been the universal order of Nature so far, and a logical conclusion is that it will continue to

One should never lose sight of the fact that man in his present stage of exist-

plane he now occupies. Therefore his so after we shall have passed to the next ble of grasping principles and in reason-life, it is reasonable to suppose that we ing from them follow the undeviating next stage of existence must, from necessity, be vague, if not wholly imagin-

plane, than it is possible to obtain from a mundane standpoint. Man is conscious of his individuality, though why or wherefore is to him a ary. Man's reasoning faculties having besolar system, the evidence growing out from effect to cause until he arrives at of what has since transpired goes to show that it then contained the princi-les and notertialities of all future more accomplish all that has since transmissed by PROF. W. M. LOCKWOOD. accomplish all that has since transpired, festations of mind and matter that were proves conclusively that nothing was left to conjecture.

to follow. To my mind the two theories are in-separable, for in this case nebula repre-sents a mass of glowing atoms vibrating with inconceivable intensity of motion. Hence, we perceive that planets as well as atoms are conceived and ushered into existence under a full glare of light. to conjecture. Viewed from this standpoint the force of Mr. Mendenhall's remark is not ap-parent when he says: "Think, reader, of the millions of years employed by spirits in their efforts to bring out of the manifestations that demonstrate to light. To the collesistic, a new heaven and a new earth. To the collesistic, a new heaven and a new earth.

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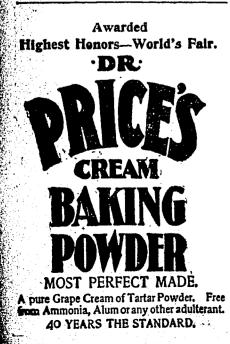
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Mind, matter and motion are theresequently could not have been created spirits decided upon and adopted a ciples underlying its nature.

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bly that its presence is everywhere ap-parent. in man's ability to survey the ground traversed through all the devious The term infinite when applied to it changes the atoms composing his body expresses universality, but not quality, were required to pass until they were as many persons seem to imagine. sufficiently refined to become not only

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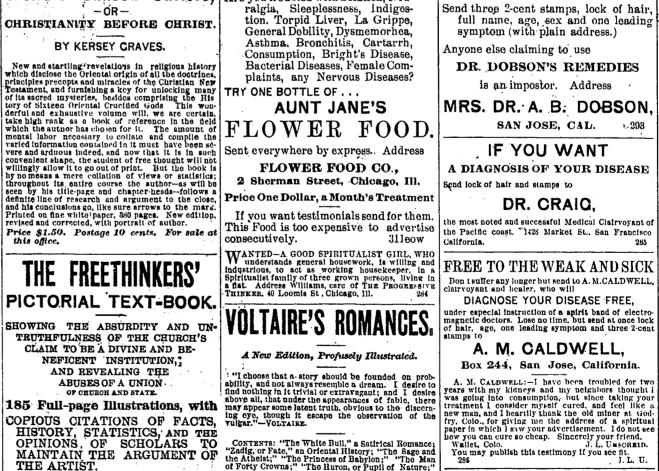
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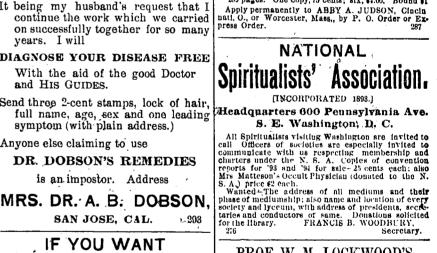
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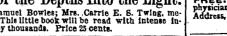
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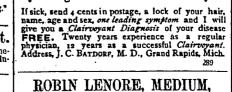
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