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REALITY.

I have a name which no man knows but me;
It cometh with day's ending light;
It murmurs through the trees at dawn;
It cometh with day's ending light;
It links me to the ages gone.

There is a ME whom no man knows;
That sitteth calm and silent as a star;
That holds sweet converse with the Ones
men cannot see;
It worketh what no man can mar;
To realms unknown it hath the key.

There is a room no man enters in
Save only Him, the name of Me;
Where treasures are more rare than
Afric's mine.
But only I its fairness see—
My trusting-place with those Divine.
CARL ANDERSON.

BORDERLAND

A Haunted House.

Miss L. makes the following contribution: "In January, 1873, my aunt and I were sleeping together, when we saw our bedroom door open and a curious pale light streaming in. I got up to investigate, but the door shut immediately, and I found it dark outside and no one there. On subsequent nights we heard noises, doors opening, footsteps, etc., and we learned that the house was reputed to be haunted. Sometimes I felt touches when I was in bed, and the bed was shaken.

"One night I saw in the moonlight a figure burst through the closed door and rush past the bed to the window, the sweep of the garments being audible as it went by. Occasionally I saw a figure of a man in a military cloak of the old style, and this same apparition was seen twice by a lady, Miss D., staying at our home. It seems that the dwelling was understood to be haunted by its late owner, a Waterloo officer, who had died there."—Selected.

Mysterious Telegraphy.

Over and over again, during the present war, correspondents have cabled: "It is reported from native sources that such and such a thing happened," and nine times out of ten the news is true. The first report of Baden-Powell's successful sortie from Mafeking came through in this way. It was absolutely accurate and reached De Aar the second day after it had happened.

It is perfectly well known that in the former Boer war British reverse at Majuba spread north and east through Zululand and the Transvaal with almost incredible rapidity and caused unrest all

through the tribes. It is not only the natives of South Africa who send and receive news in this rapid and mysterious fashion; the same thing is done by black, red and brown men the whole world over. In India the rapidity with which news travels among the natives is not merely mysterious, it is miraculous.

In the first Sikh campaign intelligence of the battles was received in Delhi twelve hours and in Calcutta 48 hours before the au-

thorities heard any news. In fact, except where we have telegraphs working direct, the native always has intimation before the European of any important news.

As to the means of this mysterious telegraphy many suggestions have been made—that the news is shouted from hilltop to hilltop; that fire signals are employed; that drum beats are sounded from village to village. The latter is actually done along the Niger and other big Central

African rivers. But these are but partial and unsatisfactory suggestions.

There is really only one bit of definite knowledge on the subject—that is the working of the system of native post of India. It is called by the Brahmans Dak and was established centuries ago by the Matajans, or native traders, for secret, political and commercial news. At present its special use is chiefly for heavy speculations in opium. It is conducted by runners,



WASHINGTON AND HIS SUCCESSORS

During the First Century in the United States of America.

Who will succeed Major McKinley, the present incumbent? is the question. Many claim to know NOW; but next November will tell the story accurately and decisively.

but when they change or the routes they take are quite unknown to Europeans. They utterly avoid the great trunk roads. They run at amazing speed, and are relieved at frequent intervals, making considerably better time than the native postmen who serve the state. But at their best a pace of 100 miles a day as the outside that could be looked for, and this is nothing to the speed with which messages have been proved to travel.

Whether, as many imagine, Hindoos have attained to secrets of nature of which we know nothing, and have perfected some system of mental telegraphy or thought transference, we Westerners will never probably know.—*London News.*

Outside Phenomena.

Spiritualistic phenomena are not confined to Spiritualists, and are very widespread in their manifestations. Happening to enter into conversation with a lady a short time since, she confessed her belief in "apparitions," and backed up her statement by relating how, three days before the death of her father, while he was still in perfect health, she happened to be in her bedroom and looking at the mirror in front of her wardrobe, saw her father full length, dressed in white, therein. He passed on with heart disease, and she took his appearance as a warning.—*Exch.*

Saw Her Uncle.

Annales des Sciences Psychiques has among other articles the following: Thursday, May 25, 1897, at 8 a. m., Madame Lagenest was, in the absence of the maid, making her bed in her apartments in Rue Gros-Noyer, when before her, on the other side of the bed, she saw her uncle, M. Bonnamy, living in Loche. She saw him smile with an air of satisfaction. She addressed him, asking the cause of his arrival, without obtaining any answer. In order to escape the look which troubled her, Madame Lagenest descended into apartments in the rear of the house and entered the office of her husband. The same phantom stood before her. "But, my uncle, why do you come? Are you dead, pray?" she said. The apparition disappeared immediately after Madame Lagenest had pronounced these words.

She then took a turn in the garden in order to recover from the shock she had experienced, and half an hour afterwards, as the door-bell rang, without having seen the person who had come, she said to the servant who was near her: "Go get the dispatch for me which has just come; my uncle is dead;" which was the exact truth, M. Bonnamy having died at Loche, May 25, at 1 o'clock in the morning.

The duration of the vision, according to Madame Lagenest, must have been ten minutes. She suffered from an excessive fatigue, which did not disappear until late in the evening. B. B. K.—

Wireless Telegraphy.

The Marconi system of wireless telegraphy is in practical operation about the harbor of San Francisco. Across the waters of the bay messages are traveling with no means of conveyance but the unseen vibration of the ether, and new security is added to the defenses of the harbor by the ease with which com-

munication can now be sent from one military post to another independently of wires or cables, which an enemy might cut or which accident might disconnect.

The United States Government has been the first to chain these unseen forces and to take advantage of Marconi's discovery. Two stations have been established, one at Alcatraz Island and the other at Fort Mason, so that communication between these two posts is now carried on through the air. Flag-staffs 75 feet in height have been erected at each station, connected with the requisite machines, so that messages may be automatically recorded on ordinary printing tapes.

The method of communication is simple. When it is desired to send a message from one station to another, an electric current is thrown into the aerial wire of the sending station, thereby causing an electrical vibration of the ether. This wave is propagated in every direction, and eventually strikes or is cut by the aerial wire at the receiving station. The electric wave thus intercepted brings into play certain electrical conditions of the instruments at the receiving station, which eventually record the messages on the tape.

This is the simple story of a great achievement, which may easily play a part of great importance should any sudden emergency arise, and which will at present materially facilitate intercourse between the posts. The message might, of course, be also received at any other station, or it might be taken by a ship at sea, or were many stations to be established at surrounding points, it may easily be imagined that confusion might arise. This, it is believed, would be overcome by so adjusting the instruments that the vibrations between different posts would differ; in other words, putting sets of instruments in sympathetic accord. Cipher systems would be used in any event, to secure secrecy, just as they are used on the common electrical telegraph.—*Ex.*

At Rest with Jesus.

While journeying on the railway recently I heard the story of a lady Spiritualist who, always in earnest, undertook to talk to a friend of hers, who looked upon Spiritualists as bad, and spirits as being from the Devil. After the lady propagandist had talked awhile, she said to the skeptic: "I see your mother with you," and then went on to talk of her characteristics and other interesting matters. When she had finished what she intended to be a conclusive argument, the skeptical lady said quite calmly: "Dear me. I always thought my dear mother was at rest with Jesus!" Is it any wonder that the propagandist retired, feeling the task a hopeless one?—*The Two Worlds.*

Clairvoyant Pony.

Captain C., of the British Army, contributes the following: "Between 10 and 11 o'clock, one moonlight night in Darjeeling, while riding my pony at a sharp trot along the mountain road to Jullapahur, I suddenly saw before me what appeared to be a dead native, wrapped in a white sheet, and lying stretched across the road. My pony evidently saw the apparition, or whatever it was, at the same moment, for he instantly reared up and fell over backward,

dragging me close to the edge of the precipice. I regained my feet, and raising the prostrate animal by the bridle, I found it trembling in every limb and much frightened.

"I looked around angrily to 'wig' the native, thinking him to be perhaps a drunken hillman, when lo and behold, he had disappeared! On one side was a precipice, on the other the precipitous mountain side, bare of trees, and not an object else to be seen. It is inconceivable that a living human being could have vanished in such a manner."

The Wonderful Secret.

NELLIE M. JERAULD.

At last the secret was mine. Long had I labored; many the nights I had remained in my study; and now after years of research and the hardest of mental labor, I had reached my goal. But let me explain.

My father was a scientist of note; my mother had been his helper. Side by side they had investigated; side by side they had experimented in the laboratory. My first recollection was of bottles and jars filled with liquids of different colors, some of the jars having insects, reptiles and such like things preserved in the liquid; and one jar, I remember, had a tiny infant in it. But that was many, very many years ago, and I only mention these things now to show you that I could not be otherwise than I am. Heredity is the cause. My father and mother are dead now, and I am an old man.

When a child I wondered what enabled people to think; what it was that made them so different from the animals. I determined to discover the cause of the difference. Could I but know what caused them to think! Could I but know the process of thought, what a change I would make! No more idiots; no more feeble-minded. I would place all on an equality, mentally. As I thought of the wonders that could be accomplished, and of the good that could be done, I determined to become the benefactor of the race.

To accomplish my purpose, I studied constantly. I went to the best schools of medicine in America; then to those of Germany, graduating with high honors from all. Yet I was not able to discover the secret.

Brain after brain of the "subjects" I dissected. Carefully I studied the convolutions of the brain. I found that the brain was not a simple organ, but a composite, rich in structure and very delicately formed. It is not a homogeneous mass, but is of the most delicate organization and of the highest perfection. I found that the two principal components of the brain were gray and white, meeting each other at the greatest possible number of points. I found mountains and valleys, bridges and water courses, beams and arches, pins and hooks, claws and rams-horns, trees and sheaves, harps and trumpets, but I could not find the significance of these wonderful shapes.

I found that the gray substance was the seat of thought, and that the brain consisted partly of an almost innumerable array of very delicate primitive or nerve fibers, and partly of an equally innumerable host of nerve cells or ganglionic centers.

I found that there were no less than from five to seven distinct layers of these cells in the gray

envelope of the brain, of which they form a chief part; each layer in its turn exhibiting peculiarly shaped cells of different sizes. I found that these were special cells, or nervous centers for the performance of the actions of sensation, movement, nutrition and reflection; and I found these were centers for the different forms of higher psychical activity, such as reason, imagination, sense of number, of space, of music and of beauty.

But I can not tell all my discoveries; for it would take too long, and only they who have passed through it step by step, as I did could understand it. I found that by using an electric battery and certain chemicals, the combination of which is known only to myself, I could stimulate dormant brain cells; and whenever I found a patient who was deficient in any faculty and who would allow me to experiment upon him, I would in a few weeks' time observe a change for the better. I longed for a being utterly devoid of sense, upon whom I could freely experiment.

At last I gained my desire. To the poor-house in P—an idiot was brought, a boy of a year or fifteen months of age. No one knew anything of his parentage, and so when I asked for the child, they willingly gave him to me.

At once I began my experiments, and in a few weeks had the satisfaction of seeing that his faculty of memory was developing; for the child gave unmistakable signs of recognition when I returned after a day's absence; I put sweetmeats in a certain pocket, and he soon learned to search for that pocket. I saw the idiot slowly becoming a thinking being. Little by little I developed his reasoning faculties, and when he reached the age of manhood, he could talk intelligently, and he obeyed every word, every gesture of mine, for he was devotedly attached to me.

Dull he undoubtedly was, yet not an idiot. I felt that in some degree I was his creator; but I was not satisfied. There were brain cells, the use of which I had not ascertained. In all the brains I had examined, I had found, without exception, that a cluster of cells situated almost exactly in the center of the third layer of gray matter was dwarfed, thus showing that they had never been used. They were atrophied. I determined to develop these cells in the brain of this lad, though they were difficult to reach. I will not explain the method I used; that is my secret. By performing a difficult operation I managed to treat those cells. Not often, for the operation was of a very difficult and delicate character.

Closely I watched him, and noted every word and every act. I kept near him when he slept, but my efforts were seemingly fruitless; I could see no difference in the lad. However, I did not despair; but one day, while I was in my study, I heard a scream, a sound of voices and a tramping of feet, and the lad was brought in, evidently in the agony of death. He had been trampled upon by a runaway horse and injured fatally. He was laid on the cot in my private office and I examined him carefully. There was no hope; he could live but a few hours, and I had not discovered the use of those cells! Call me hard-hearted, cruel, if you will, but that was my greatest sorrow.

Suddenly an inspiration came to me. I would hypnotize him, so he would feel no pain, and then I would lay his brain bare, and while he yet lived I would perhaps have

the great opportunity of my life. To think was to act. I made the requisite passes, and soon he was oblivious to pain. I told him to speak only in reply to a direct question from me. Then I carefully and swiftly cut the covering of the brain, beginning slightly back and above the ears, and laid bare the brain, thus enabling me to reach those dwarfed cells and inject some of the liquid into them. I awaited the result. The lad lay quiet.

I said: "Have you anything to tell me?" "I do not know," was the lad's answer. Again I injected the magic liquid and waited. Then I said: "Do you feel anything?" "Yes." "What do you feel?" "Life." The reply startled me. The tone the lad used was a surprise; heretofore it had been of a thick, guttural character, while this was clear and vibrant. "Tell me what you mean."

"Tell you what Life means? Ah, that would be difficult, indeed! No one knows in its entirety the meaning of Life. It means love and hate, joy and sorrow, pleasure and pain, wealth and poverty, education and ignorance; all the virtues and all the vices. Can any one have experienced all these? Aye, they can, but not until many hundreds of lives have been lived. And then we have had all of life and can tell what life is, *we are gods*, and do not dwell with mortals. You do not believe me, yet the time will come when you shall know for yourself.

"You have tried in vain to give me full life. You have done well, and I am, indeed, grateful to you, for you have bestowed a priceless boon upon the poor idiot. You have given him the use of the normal faculties, and have given life to his soul. In return for this I will explain to you the use of those cells, which, by the application of your magic liquid, you have renewed. They are the seat of humanity's soul. Ah, you start; but it is true. That is why the souls of men are so small, so dwarfed and atrophied. They have never been developed, and without exercise, all things must eventually become useless.

"My time here is drawing to a close and I must hasten. I am the soul of this lad, and I have lived in other bodies, during other lives, I know not how many hundred years. It is a law of nature that we reap as we sow, and in being compelled to take the body of an idiot, I only reaped the past sowing. You have done for me that for which I can not repay you during your present life; but bear in mind that at some future time I will fully compensate you. Although living in such a body and under such adverse conditions, I go hence better prepared than many who have had all the advantages of race, education and culture. I hear the summons and bid you adieu."

He ceased speaking. I begged him to answer a few questions. He did not reply. I applied the electric current and made use of all the restoratives my science and skill had made known to me; he was motionless and speechless. Then I replaced the scalp, closed the lad's eyes and put away my instruments, while I thought of the wonderful discovery I had made.

Suddenly I heard a noise as of some one walking across the floor. Knowing that I had locked the office door before beginning the operation, I knew it was the lad coming to me. Turning around, I listened breathlessly, to hear his

words. "It is time for breakfast. You have overslept."

I awoke, and there on the floor lay the book, "Force and Matter," open at the subject, Brain and Mind, where I had been reading when I dropped asleep.

Letter from Washington, D.C.

WALTER P. WILLIAMS.

While in Chicago in March it was my pleasure to meet, among others, that staunch friend of mediums, Mr. C. H. Horine, and his pleasant wife. Although my time was limited in that noisy city, through the helpfulness and hospitality of those friends it was most profitably and satisfactorily spent.

It was my great pleasure and privilege to listen to a lecture from the guides of Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, a worker whose fame as an inspired instrument of the spirit spheres is international. My expectations were fully realized, and it was a rare treat.

Not only was this pleasure mine, but also that of meeting her devoted companion and helper, and then of spending an hour or two in pleasant converse with them and Mrs. Richmond's spirit guides in their home at Rogers' Park the following day.

A seance with May S. Bangs for paper-writing was successful, and within a sealed envelope, on sheets of blank linen writing paper placed there by myself, and afterward opened by me when on the street car, I received four pages apparently written in ink, and attached to it were seven names, all familiar to me. This writing was done by some invisible intelligence, in the bright light of a Sunday afternoon, while the medium and myself were engaged in a pleasant conversation. Raps, which seemed to emanate from a pair of slates between which I had tied the sealed envelope, indicated the completion of the message. It was personal, pointed, comprehensive, and conveyed information that I know the medium did not possess.

At a private trumpet seance with Mrs. Celia Hughes the demonstrations were most convincing. The audible voices of spirit friends conveyed messages of love and wisdom. It was a most delightful experience. At one time a spirit spoke through the trumpet and another by independent voice, so that the three mortals in the form and two from the invisible realm all joined in the conversation.

After reaching the national capital, one of my first calls was at the headquarters of the N. S. A., where Mrs. Mary T. Longley, the gifted secretary and medium, and her husband, the spiritual song-writer, wield a most harmonious influence. Mrs. Longley does not give private sittings, but it has been our good fortune to attend a number of home circles there and listen to the wise words of Father Pierpont and the playful, happy, winsome utterances of Nannie Gibson—Mrs. Longley's familiar guides. Some of the verses given by the last-named control are most beautiful and evince keen spiritual discernment.

Among other interesting things at the headquarters is a library of more than 500 books on Spiritualism and kindred themes. This is growing gradually, additions being made from time to time by friends in various sections of the country, and there is no good reason why it may not become a permanent repository of all that is worth pre-

serving in spiritualistic literature. This library is open to the public free of charge.

During the "season" (that means from October to June here), the First Spiritualist Association held meetings each Sunday at Masonic Temple. Mr. J. C. F. Grumbine lectured, speaking both morning and evening to good audiences. Mr. Grumbine is an educated, polished man, and a pleasing speaker. He has many ardent admirers in the city, is very active himself, and is to return to the same platform next season.

Among other meetings held during the latter part of the season my attention was attracted to those named hereafter, but there were doubtless others of which I knew nothing.

Mrs. Julia Warneke gave tests at the Sunday evening meetings of a recently chartered society on Ninth St., N. W. Her readings and messages were almost invariably pronounced correct, and the audiences seemed to be limited only by the capacity of the hall. Desiring to see her work in a more private seance, I went to her home at the regular time for a meeting, only to find the seance room crowded to its utmost capacity and some fifteen others, like myself, unable to gain admission.

Mr. Norris, a youthful-looking gentleman from Baltimore, also held Sunday evening meetings on the same street. His work is independent, and I found him to be a good psychic. While his work is not directed to the building up of any society, indirectly it is bound to help the Spiritualist organizations.

Mr. J. H. Altemus occasionally held a public seance at Wonn's hall. The one attended by me was good, and the tests satisfactory.

All the public meetings have been discontinued for the Summer, but some of the members and friends of the First Spiritualist Association have been meeting each Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Wood, the president, where a pleasant time is had.

Mrs. Stevens, formerly of California, is a resident of this city and doing a good work as a trance medium. She holds weekly seances and gives private readings. She is the leader of the lyceum at the Masonic Temple, and active in working.

Next Summer, if the fates are kind, we hope to visit one of the eastern camps. Just now we are anticipating with pleasure a visit from our mutual friend, Mrs. Loe F. Prior, who has been doing good work in the South.

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The Duty of Spiritualist periodicals requires them to maintain as cheerful an attitude as possible consistent with truth.

Light, of London, has some correspondents who are finding fault because the "Onward Spiritualist Society" is flooding England with spiritual literature. It seems to be very hard to suit everybody.

A Religion which needs no foreign missionaries is a very comfortable kind of a religion to have just at this juncture of the world's unfoldment. Spiritualism is that kind of a religion.

Healers in Ohio.—The Suggestive Theraputists, Magnetic Healers, and other non-medical healers of Ohio, have organized under the name, "The Psychopathic and Non-Medical Liberal Association," for the purpose of advancing the science of non-medical healing, and of protecting the members of the association from unjust prosecution under the law known as the Love Medical Law.

Fair Play.—The *Healer* for July gives an account of a debate, where the editor, Francis Edgar Mason, Mr. Rowley and Hugh O. Pentecost combined against the Rev. A. C. Dixon, pastor of the Hanson Place Baptist Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., in which the reverend gentleman got the worst of the argument. Of course, he was on the wrong side, but still he ought not to contend against such odds.

The Spiritual Press wields an immense power in the world, and the tendency of its expression should be optimistic, seeking always to find the silver lining which is said to be the accompaniment of every cloud.

Cause of Famine.

An exchange published in the famine districts of India prints the following, which will be of interest to our readers, whose hearts have been torn by the terrible suffering being endured in that unfortunate country:

Besides the heavy land tax, its payment in coin is also a great cause of ruin of peasants: for after the fixing of rent on a land, it so happens that a period of drought follows and nothing is produced on the land; but its tenant is still required to pay the same rental as before. To do so, a peasant contracts a debt and then suffers all the miseries a debtor is liable to fall into. According to the Hindu law, there can be no such misery. When nothing was produced, nothing was given. It was thus the ancient Hindus got enormously rich and the effects of drought and famine were never felt, as the savings of good years amply provided against the scarcity of bad years.

Let us be Just.

A teacher in the public school of Holyoke, Mass., has been compelled to resign, because, in answer to a question from one of her pupils, she said that Jesus was not the only son, but was one of a family of ten. The following quotation from the Christians' Bible Book certainly bears witness to the careful research of this teacher, and proves that she is not ignorant, if, perchance, she may have been indiscreet:

Is not this the carpenter's son? Is not his mother called Mary, and his brethren James and Joses, and Simon and Judas? And his sisters—are not they all with us? Whence, then, hath this man all these things?—Matt. xiii. 55-56.

Why?—There seems to be a very decided deterioration in the editorials of some of our most valued exchanges, since the Paris Exposition opened, and the bicycle excursion "through the States" has become the fad. Is it possible that the source of inspiration "has departed from Israel?" In San Francisco we lay great stress upon the "very select" and "well-dressed" audiences who gather weekly to listen to the inspired utterances of local oracles. Someone has said: "Whom the gods wish to destroy, they first make mad."

Prof. Julian MacRae has kindly consented to conduct the new department in the JOURNAL on "Spiritual Science Healing," which promises to be of great assistance to those who need help in that line. He is an efficient scientist, medium and seer, and will open up the way to health, wealth and prosperity to our readers. See his introductory article on page 5.

The Lake Brady camp-meeting near Kent, O., is now in running order. It will close on Sept. 2, 1900.

The Rich in the Spirit-World

A correspondent who is intensely interested and zealous in the Cause, desires us to present the following article to our readers:

TO THE EDITOR: I often wonder when those who have died, leaving so much wealth behind to be squandered by those who cared nothing about them, are satisfied with their labors here on earth. I only wish that some of our mediums who read the JOURNAL, would open communication with the spirits of some of the rich, and inquire of them how much better satisfied would they be if the money left behind had been spent during their lifetime in bringing their fellow-men to the light and blessing of Spiritualism, could they now see the benefit and enjoy the result.

What must their feelings be when they look back and see the labors of a whole lifetime thrown away, which could have been used to wonderful advantage while on earth.

Will some mediums please open a communication through their guides with the spirits of some of the rich, and let us know how they are satisfied with their condition, and would they not be happier if the money they left behind had been spent in opening the eyes of their fellows to the light? As this would be interesting, I hope that all mediums will give the readers of the JOURNAL all the light possible upon this subject.

J. I. HOLLINGSWORTH,
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The proposition contained in the foregoing article is a good one, and will be very interesting to many who now use their means unwisely, and may leave the same to others to squander for them, after they have passed to spirit-life. If such could realize the effect of using "this world's goods" for the betterment of mankind, educating and uplifting them mentally and spiritually, they would act very differently than now they are doing. Therefore, to get statements from those who have already passed the portal of death, and hear from them their regrets, will be a great argument in favor of liberality while yet here.

If our mediums will do as suggested by Mr. Hollingsworth, we shall be pleased to publish the communications for the benefit of the world.

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Will They do it?—The candidate of a great political party for the office of Vice-President of the United States called Thomas Paine, the author-hero of the American Revolution, "a filthy little Atheist." He is now asking the friends and admirers of the patriot Thomas Paine to elevate him to the second official position in the gift of the American people.

The Reviewer.

Any of the Books noticed in this Department can be obtained at this office. When to be sent by mail, add 10 cents on the dollar, of the price, for postage.

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THE LIVING UNIVERSE, by Henry Wood. 23 pp., paper. Boston: Lee & Shepard, publishers, 202 Devonshire St. Price, 10 cents.

This is a synthetic generalization of the significance of recent scientific discoveries, regarding the ether, matter, evolution and the oneness of life. This author is a voluminous writer and an advanced thinker.

"Proceedings of the Society for Psychical Research," London, England. This report for the half year ending June 1 contains the proceedings of general meetings, and an address by the president, Prof. F. W. H. Myers. This scholarly address is full of enthusiasm, because of discoveries already made, and hope for greater things to come.

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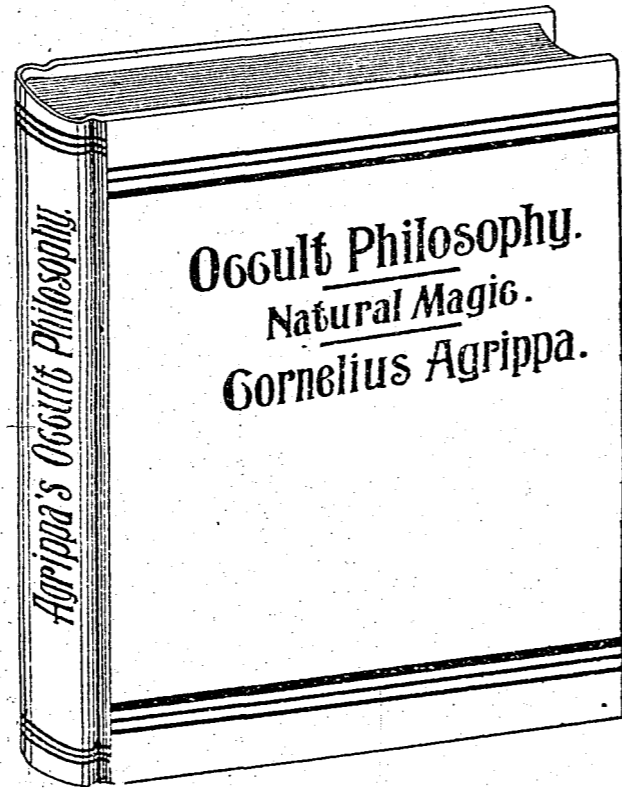
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Local News Summary.

Our Telephone.—Those who may wish to telephone to this office will please call up "Jessie 1769."

Oakland.—Spiritual thoughts and messages came to all who attended the meeting of the Union Spiritual Society of Oakland on Wednesday evening, July 11, at 336½ Isabella St., Oakland, Cal. Mrs. Palmbaum's reading of the poem, "If we Only Knew," at the services, brought beautiful influences. Mrs. Flannagan brought a lovely bouquet expressly for the guides of Dr. Palmbaum, and his inspiring words and tests were a great comfort to all. Dr. Hawthorth spoke with great feeling and gave some good tests. Mr. Van Luven spoke of Spiritualism being such a comfort and a blessing, and he recognizes that Dr. Palmbaum was the means of his conversion to this beautiful knowledge.
A. L. ASTOR, Sec.

Universal Spiritual Association.—The subject for discussion last Sunday afternoon at 20 Eddy St. was: "Relationship." This is practically the modern form of the ancient query: "Am I my Brother's Keeper?" The music by Miss Lee was appreciated, and the discussion was sharp and interesting.

Mme. Young's Meeting at Oriental Hall last Sunday evening was addressed by Mrs. Sarah Seal on the subject of "Money." The tests by Mme. Young and the music by Prof. Young were, as usual, up to the highest mark of modern unfoldment.

Mental Science Association.—The First Mental Science Temple of San Francisco met last Sunday as usual at Golden Gate Hall, at 11 a.m. The exercises were exceedingly interesting. The Temple will take a vacation for a month, and hopes to reassemble on Aug. 19 in the upper hall at 625 Sutter St.

Mrs. Meyer's Meeting at 335 McAllister St. last Sunday evening was entertained with music by Mr. Meyer, and tests by Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Clara J. Meyer. This is a popular resort for those who seek for occult information.

Postponed.—Because of the absence from the city of so many of the members and friends of the Mediums' Protective Association, the Committee of Arrangements have decided to postpone the social announced for Wednesday evening, July 18. We will probably combine the next social with the election of delegates to the convention at San Jose, and thus combine business with pleasure. We hope to have the largest delegation of staunch Spiritualists which has ever attended any of our conventions.
JENNIE ROBINSON, Chairman Com.

Mrs. Wrenn's Meeting at 117 Larkin St. was well attended last Sunday evening. Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Hatch assisted in the exercises. The music was supplied by Mrs. Dunkel.

A Circle of Harmony will be held in Mrs. F. A. Logan's rooms every Sunday evening at 1218 Railroad Ave., Bay Station, Alameda, Cal.

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A Beautiful Home in Alameda, Cal., has been lately purchased by Prof. Richard and Mme. E. Young. The house was originally built for a wealthy family as a home. There are ten acres in the ground facing Central Ave., and running back to the Bay. The building is elegant in all particulars, as well as spacious. There are several fountains in the lawn, with ornamental and fruit trees in abundance.

The editor and Mrs. Newman, in company with Prof. Julian and Mrs. MacRae and Mrs. Emma Freeman, spent a delightful afternoon there last Sunday. Prof. and Madam Young entertained us royally, and invited us to a sumptuous dinner.

Madam Young is a well-known psychic and test medium, and is holding meetings in San Francisco four times a week. Her spirit guides opened the way for the purchase of this beautiful country home, for the purpose of creating life forces and strengthening the physical body while they are using it for spiritual manifestations. It is intended to build a temple on the ground facing Central Ave., near Webster St. station on the Narrow-Gauge Railway. This is to be accomplished as soon as practicable. Her spirit guides are ancient Egyptians, and desire to have the temple and adjoining grounds as near like Ancient Egypt as possible. The temple is intended to seat some 400 or 500 persons, and will be an honor to the cause of Spiritualism. May it soon be materialized!

Mediums' Protective Association.

—Realizing the importance of the coming State Convention of Spiritualists, which will convene in San Jose on Sept. 7, this society has instructed the secretary to call a meeting of all the members on Saturday evening, Aug. 11, to elect delegates and make other provisions for a proper representation of this society, when the Spiritualists of California will assemble in the "educational center" of the Pacific Coast. The place of meeting will be announced later, and each member will be notified by postal card. There is more involved in this, and other movements of a similar character in progress in this city, than most people know of. There promises to be some earnest work done in the next convention, from which all personalities will be eliminated.

M. S. NORTON, Sec. pro. tem.

Dedication.—The Oakland Psychical Society will dedicate its new hall, 521 12th St., just west of Washington, on Sunday, July 22. A cordial invitation is extended to all friends in San Francisco. Meeting will continue from 11 a.m. until after evening service. Mrs. R. S. Lillie will deliver the opening address at 2:30 p.m.; Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe-Watson will deliver the evening address. Morning session—Conference at 11 o'clock sharp.

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Hermetic Brotherhood.—A glorious, full moon lighted the reception evening of this Order on Thursday last. A goodly number of members and friends found their way to the harmonious peace and pleasantness of their Home, at 509 Van Ness Ave. The exercises of the evening, while esthetic and instructive, were so varied as to fix the attention and interest of all upon the readings, discussions, etc., interspersed with good music, which the program called for. These exercises are all informal, and tendered by both members and guests. The topic offered for the evening's thought was: "Is the voice of the people the voice of God?" The topic for next Thursday night will be: "What do we owe the unspoken life about us?" The hours of meeting are 2 and 8 p.m. All are welcome.

Mrs. M. A. Bird, the well-known spirit medium, who has for many years been quietly using the powers given her as a translator of messages between the two worlds, has disposed of most of her material interests in this city and gone to Monterey on a visit to her son. Mrs. Bird expects to go from there on a tour of the eastern States. She is known here as an honest and capable medium. Mr. Bird is at present exploring the gold fields of the North, and we expect that when they return to San Francisco, the spiritual fraternity will know that "there has been something doing." The best wishes of all go with them, hoping for a speedy return.

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