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## THE PEACE OF LOVE.

Oh, brother man, fold to thy heart thy brother,  
 Where pity dwells, the joy of peace is there;  
 To worship rightly is to love each other,  
 Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.  
 Follow with reverent steps the great example  
 Of those whose holy work was doing good;  
 So shall the wide earth seem a human temple,  
 Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.  
 Then shall all shackles fall; the stormy clangor  
 Of wild war-music o'er the earth shall cease;  
 Love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger,  
 And its ashes plant the Tree of Peace.  
 —Whittier.

## BORDERLAND

### Post Mortem Experience.

SARA A. UNDERWOOD.

In one of our sittings for automatic writing, the name of a woman worker in lines of reformation of character was attached to the communication which I now transcribe: After the name, this followed: "I wish to say that spirit is not what I thought when imprisoned in flesh."

QUESTION—In what respect have your views changed since you were freed?

ANSWER—Try to imagine what emotions must possess one whose whole life has been given to hope of saving from sin and temptation those whose discipline and ultimate salvation depends on lessons given through bitter experience while in earth-life, when brought suddenly into realization of the futility of her earthly work—

Q.—Will you suggest, from your present point of view, what would have been a wiser course to take had you known the truth of being?

A.—The wiser course is not known by me. I only see the mistakes made, not the secret of that which is, or will be, best in the grand finale. I am but now beginning to realize how childishly foolish it is for mortals to dream of influencing the Supreme.

Q.—What were your first impressions after your release? From report, you seemed to pass painlessly and happily forward.

A.—When I passed into the sleep which is the bridge-over from earthly bondage to the freedom within law of spiritual realities, I was not aware that what you call death was near, but I was serenely happy. I had done the best as I understood it—I loved—and when I awoke on this side it seemed like a strange, sweet dream, and I smiled

to myself, saying: "Well, what a charming delusion this is! How well and strong I feel, and how happy!" Lying comfortably, as I thought, in my bed, I suddenly found myself staring at a poor, worn-out form on that bed, while I walked, strong and well, about the room. A—(a friend present at her death) was crying, but happy, nevertheless, in her heart, for she believed, as I did, in the real life. But it was travail, indeed, to be unable to reach by voice, touch, or any mortal sense, those who uselessly grieved over the death—

A.—And then those who were most spiritually near and dear when on earth came, one by one and greeted me in loving ways impossible for you to imagine.

Q.—Was all happiness and relief to your soul? Were there no sorrowful reflections?

A.—Ah, my friend, ask yourself! How can a thinking, loving, wishful soul pass through earth-life without bringing into these happier conditions shadows from the earthly temptations and yieldings to earthly selfishness? Yes, I do regret many things, and only hope,

## The Human Brotherhood.

THADDEUS S. FRITZ.

The Forward Movement is born of the needs of the times in which we live. It has come to do its share of the work that shall constitute the world's task in the twentieth century.

The work to be done by the Forward Movement in nowise conflicts with that being done by other similar organizations. It is the mission of the Forward Movement to aid the genuine work of all organizations, and yet one that is not being done by any, nor all of them combined—one that shall gather up now the threads of man's thought and effort along these various lines and seek to unify the world on life and not on doctrine; on things to be done, and not on creeds and dogmas to be believed.

### KINGDOM OF HEAVEN ON EARTH.

Life in this world-order is for doing. Men and women everywhere are to be uplifted and taught how to live rightly; a country is to be saved; the earth is to be filled with righteousness—rightness in every phase and relationship of life—and the only business of any true friend of humanity is to be unceasingly about the business of bringing the Kingdom of Heaven—of justice, equity, love, harmony and right relations—here on this earth.

### WHAT WILL SAVE THIS NATION.

Men must give themselves to this work as Garrison and Phillips and Lovejoy gave themselves to the cause of Anti-Slavery; as Jesus and his disciples gave themselves in their day. The logic of the situation will bring those together who thus give themselves. As the situation to-day is more serious than that of the abolition of slavery, and the persecution will be more general and persistent, so those who give themselves to save society now, will be drawn closer together in bonds of Brotherhood, for in union there is strength. The necessity of the situation will again revive the life of community of goods, that thereby there may be the more complete abandonment to the work of agitation and teaching of the people. Those who pioneer this work to-day must come together, and by united effort, by tongue and pen, rouse this nation from its fatal slumber on the brink of revolution.

### WE HAVE COUNTED THE COST.

We several years ago counted the cost, decided to cut the bridges behind us and give ourselves for life to this work. Out of this, after some special preparation, what is now known as the Forward Movement was born.

### MISSION OF THE WORK.

First—To give to the world a



Thaddeus Sheridan Fritz

Editor of the *Forward Movement Herald*, and advance agent of the Twentieth Century, now giving a series of Lectures at 909 Market St., San Francisco, Cal.

(here followed in parenthesis, in larger characters, the word "Birth") of their friend.

Q.—What a fine description! Will you further tell us what personality—or were there several?—came first to you and explained your changed condition?

A.—My dear mother, first of all, clasped me to her, and said: "My child, do you understand that you have passed from death unto life? I am so glad you have entered into the higher life."

Q.—And then?

in this new, clearer light of spirit-life, to atone by work and love for what I so regret, and yet which under bondage, as you all are, and I was, there was no escape from.

Q.—What is the strongest bond of fellowship and the highest test of character where you now are?

A.—Strongest bond is oneness of thought; highest test of character, thorough unselfishness in service to human brotherhood.

Do not deny self-evident truths.



concrete example of what the Christ life, working through the power of commonwealth, instead of private wealth, will accomplish along the lines of the world's needs to-day, as applied to man's education, his healing, his work, his civic affairs—all his social life.

This work is now well begun, and only awaits further means and working force to properly develop it into large proportions.

Second—This concrete example has been built up as a haven of safety and opportunity for consecrated reformers, and a vantage ground from which to successfully carry on, by tongue and pen, an aggressive social propaganda; to herald the gospel of the New Awakening; to point to the social need, inspire the hope, and arouse the conscience of the people; to agitate, educate and persuade men to live the Christ life, obeying the law in joyful and enthusiastic devotion to the common good; to root, by pen and speech, by word and life, in the hearts and minds of men those eternal and fundamental truths and ideas of individual life which are destined to fruit in a new order founded upon economic justice; to aid in teaching a practical working method for realizing correlated development of the three-fold life of the individual, and the social regeneration of the race that shall overcome every weight and bondage that yet binds the spirit of man and woman, and usher in a new cycle of civilization—a New Era of social and industrial emancipation—a gigantic advance of the Freedom of Man—a New Humanity—a new coming of the Kingdom of Heaven on the Earth.

#### MOVEMENT OF NATIONAL SCOPE.

After a year of Teaching, training a group of workers and developing a concrete working example, we are prepared for, and already in the midst of, a General Propaganda work that opens up almost unlimited possibilities for the social awakening and salvation of this nation. For years there has been individual effort, and with telling effect, in this direction. But individual effort alone will not complete the work.

#### FOUNDATIONS LAID.

In the origin, purpose, scope and quality of the work already being done by the Forward Movement, and in the new and larger avenues now opening, we believe the foundations have already been laid for a character of work that is capable of meeting all these requirements. This work is not our work—is no man's work, but a part of what God is trying to do through willing hearts and minds everywhere in the earth to-day. We are but instrumentalities through which the Divine Mind may find expression for the needs of our day and generation.

#### Latest Scientific Convert.

W. H. SIMPSON.

Professor Hyslop, who occupies the chair of logic, ethics and psychology at Columbia University, has recently declared his belief in spirit return. A convert of such scholastic learning and philosophical eminence will be a valuable addition to the number of those who have accepted the spirit hypothesis. Although Dr. Hyslop would very probably object to being called a Spiritualist, still he fully admits the central facts around which the spiritualistic belief has grown, viz: the survival of man

beyond the gates of the grave; also that the disembodied souls of human beings can and do return to earth, to communicate with us who are still imprisoned in the flesh.

No doubt to many minds the possibility of spirit return is peculiarly distasteful. Some people are too materialistic even to entertain such a conception for a moment; others again reject the supposition because it conflicts with their own peculiar notions of what should be. But how many facts have already been proved, which were quite at variance with generally-accepted opinions? Facts are stubborn things, not always to be fitted into theories. The truth is still the truth, though contradicted on all sides.

When Galileo said the earth revolved round the sun, it was disbelieved and denied by everyone; yet all the rest of the world was wrong, and he alone was right. As Daniel DeFoe naively remarks: "He that opposes his own judgment against the current of the times ought to be backed with unanswerable truth; he that has truth on his side is a fool as well as a coward, if he is afraid to own it because of the multitude of other men's opinions." 'Tis hard for a man to say all the rest of the world is mistaken but himself. But if it be so, who can help it? That people of such moral integrity and intellectual capability as those who are engaged in psychic research, could be deceived themselves, or intentionally deceive others, is entirely out of the question.

Belief in spirit return is gradually, but steadily, gaining ground day by day, and winning acceptance not only in the ranks of the ignorant and credulous, but also among the most cultured and critical of the community.

Mrs. Sidgwick (Principal of Newnham College), one of the most capable and skeptical inquirers into this subject, has quite recently made the following admission, speaking of telepathy (the communication of impressions of any kind from one mind to another, independently of the recognized channels of sense), "a communication between mind and mind, in which the physical world is not concerned," which would go to show "the existence of mind apart from body, with the further chain of probabilities that the mind continues to exist when the body is dead; that it continues to carry on telepathic communication with minds in the body, and, indeed, that telepathy is of the nature of the communication of disembodied spirits with each other."

Professor Oliver Lodge says, alluding to psychic phenomena generally: "It rather feels as if we were at the beginning of a fresh branch of Science." In the case of Mrs. Piper, the well-known American medium, he fully admits that something more of a supernormal character was involved in many of the instances than could be explained by thought transference from the sitters, and he found himself forced to the hypothesis of "telepathy from distant persons, if that is in any way feasible; telepathy from deceased persons only as a last resort; but telepathy of some kind as distinct from any conceivable method of extracting information from persons present." This comes very near to accepting spirit return as a fact in nature.

Professor Hyslop sums up the general results of his own inquiries thus: "Being reduced to a choice between an omniscient telepathy

and communication with discarnate spirits, I simply prefer the latter hypothesis as the more rational of the two, in the present state of our knowledge regarding supernormal phenomena." In other words, Dr. Hyslop considers it more reasonable to admit the fact of spirit control, than to suppose Mrs. Piper in her trance condition becomes a goddess.

Grahamstown, South Africa.

#### Materialism.

No argument, however subtle, can ever convince the materialist of the superiority and independence of intelligence. He is thoroughly at home with all the disquisitions which philosophy has made upon a mooted immortality. He throws back unerringly the manifest phenomena incident upon the disappearance of intelligence with the changes in the combination of matter and energy—the two principles of his philosophy.

He shows that a simple cerebral lesion will make driveling idiocy of the loftiest intellect. He shows that in proportion to physical health, intelligence remains unaffected. Material proofs of the existence of intelligence apart from matter are the indispensable instruments in the settlement of these differences. The material proofs the Spiritualist possesses. To matter and energy must be added the third principle, intelligence. This is the work of scientific Spiritualism.—*Light of Truth.*

#### Success.

W. P. PHELON, M. D.

Above all things else, the unspoken thought, the eagerly-expressed wish, the plan by day, the dream by night, of our nation is Success. Nor are we content with our own conscious knowledge of accomplishment. We are fully as anxious that our friends, our neighbors, and the stranger within our gates, should share this knowledge, although we may have no wish to better their condition by sharing results. Perhaps, it is this underlying thread of motive which makes our success such a doubtful problem for the majority.

What is it we mean by this mystical, seven-lettered word? As the idea is one of profitable change, it is usually measured by the one synonym of wealth, which is the label of value—money. If the thing we seek is profit, pleasure and joy for us, and brings defeat, disaster and sorrow to some other as an inexorable consequence, there must be some variation from the lines on which the law of righteousness prevails, and we come under the dread rule of responsibility in our own persons and lives.

When we desire success for good, in the name of the "One," the feeling coming to us is of Infinity. We reach out and out, to the Throne of the Eternal. There are those who claim to be able to treat for and bring success. What they do is to treat for the loving harmony of ourselves, with the self, and all our neighbors. Success follows naturally. We cannot succeed while we war constantly within our own members. For this reason, the power of centered thought will tell in adjustment, for the harmonious purpose whose outcome we name success.

This sort of success is always along the financial line. We do not attempt to go beyond that. If

we can only have everything that will make life easy for us, we are apt to think the spirit will take care of itself. But, in so doing, we leave out the third person of the partnership—the Soul. If we leave it out we are breeding trouble with that soul, and will surely, sooner or later, be summoned to an accounting.

In whatever method we seek success, let it be carried to the fullness of perfection. If we seek a wonderful, dazzling success, we must not leave out of our calculations the obstructions of the torrents of malign thought hurled, all the time, at those who are for the time favored. Let us first determine if ordinary success is worth the winning.

#### Thoughts Beautiful.

MRS. M. KLEIN.

Under the caption, "Regenerated Force," by Stella B., in the PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL of June 7, 1900, I saw this, viz: "Thoughts beautiful as the elements that created them, are received through the channels fitted to their form, and, when molded to the understanding, are pictured images of the thinker. Mind does the work, spirit originates the force, and soul impresses the beauty." On reading this, I felt a peculiar sensation of inter-active thought forces and paused for enlightenment. Immediately I saw bright lines of color inter-blending between the words "form" and "when." I discerned that those were demarcation lines where inspiration and self-active thoughts meet.

We know that all of the world's deep thinkers are highly intuitive, especially on their favorite lines of thought. Spirits of corresponding degrees of spirituality aid them. This aid comes usually in the form of revealing flashes and reaches those brain cells that need to be stimulated to action, and there makes its impress, so that former dim, undefinable thoughts are rendered clear and comprehensible as to their import and relation to things mooted; then these ideas are given out to aid in the progress of the world.

It is a delicate point to discern, where inspiration ceases and mental self-action begins its work in these thought-molding processes. Many lessons are given us by wise spirits to teach us that, after all, it is the one spirit operating according to the degree of the mental unfoldment of the individuals through whom spirit through spirit does its regenerating and uplifting work. Spirits discarnate and those dwelling in forms of clay are actuated by the one spirit to do their parts in this reciprocal activity for self and general improvement. Again I quote—from the same article: "When thought is propelled through space by magnetic batteries, it carries a part of the individual force of the originator."

This brings fresh to my mind numerous experiences I had some 20 to 25 years ago, when all these mediumistic exercises were so new to me, and saw so much clairvoyantly, day and night, realizing at the time that some of the things so presented boded ill to me and others. Of course, I knew that spirits, good, bad and indifferent, could and did return, also that all grades thereof found mortals of the same desires and grades of intelligence to work with and through.

Among the things seen by me at



those times so frequently was one peculiar force play, as I always called it, in which a few persons figured so very prominently, only in different capacities as actors. This always came with green shades, forcibly and sometimes overwhelmingly. One person was always the central figure and seeming originator, others carrying the forces, and all the supplementary forces for their accomplishment were furnished by spirits with whom—had they been mortals of such low degree—they would not have associated.

These very persons also figured in higher degrees on other occasions, which thing puzzled me for years. Sometimes I spoke of it and explained it to the best of my ability, but to no purpose, so far as actions were concerned, and I said to myself one day, after having just witnessed a significant panorama so propelled: "Well, now, if these parties play this double game, they shall just have to tell on themselves; I will pay no more attention to it." With that I dismissed the matter, when shortly after, to my surprise, one of three propellers of this force whom I had seen setting it afloat and into physical execution, came in and said: "I have been out—Mrs. C. C., Mrs. L. E. and myself are the battery—there was work to do—" and then she stopped short, said no more and went away, but the mark was made. The originator, in this case, was full of energy of that kind and of very strong selfish will power.

We have learned since, that energy in activity is vibration. When it is personal energy, it vibrates on the individual's own plane and is marked as to quality and rates. Such personal will force attracts all that is congenial to itself in its vibratory excursions and becomes responsible for what harm may accrue from such action, and amenable for the settlement of all debts of this kind so incurred. This, too, in this case, has made its prominent mark.

Van Wert, Ohio.

### Mrs. Hardinge Britten.

It has seldom been my privilege to witness clairvoyantly a more pleasing scene than was presented to me at St. John's Hall, Cardiff, on Sunday evening last, when dear Mrs. Green was conducting the meeting.

Among numerous other bright spirit visitants, my attention was drawn principally to the beautiful form of our beloved and noble arisen sister, Mrs. Emma Hardinge Britten, who stood on our platform close to and on the left of Mrs. Green. She presented the appearance of the graceful maturity of early womanhood. Her face wore a somewhat inquiring look, but full of a delighted and loving expression, as she gazed upon our crowded audience and gave signs of glad recognition of those amongst us whom she had known before her transition.

We were fortunate in having some accomplished singers and musicians, whose voices added a great charm to the singing, which was hearty and soulful, and when Mr. Adams played the opening bars of our lovely hymn, "Lead! Spirits Bright," on the organ, Mrs. Britten's loving features wore a radiant expression as she kept time with the singing, and I was very deeply impressed with the evident joyful emotion with which our beloved sister-spirit so fully en-

tered into the beautiful and inspiring service.

I wish, however, that I could adequately describe the glorious robe which clothed her majestic form and fell in exquisite folds from neck to foot. I was much attracted by the pattern around the bottom edge of the robe, which was in the form of open squares, with a kind of scroll-like pattern above it, in which was formed a floral design similar to the sunflower or iris. Around the waist was a girdle, the ends of which fell down the center to the feet, and the ground-work of this appeared to be some kind of beautiful filigree, studded all over with what seemed like sapphires of marvelous luster and throwing out wonderful points of light; the pattern on the robe was also formed in sapphires, quite prominently raised out beyond the texture of the robe.

I felt strongly impressed by the beloved spirit that each gem had a deep meaning and was truly symbolic. The whole garment seemed to emit a wondrous mellow light which surrounded her person. She breathed out a wealth of love towards Mrs. Green and her inspirers, and at times held her hands over her as in the act of benediction. The whole was so clear, real and radiant a sight that it will live in my memory amongst the many golden glimpses of spiritual verities which it has been my privilege to witness. J. A. ADAMS, Cardiff.

[The foregoing appeared in *Light*, the London Spiritualist weekly, dated July 28, 1900, and will be read with interest in America. The autobiography of Mrs. Emma Hardinge Britten is a valuable book just published in England. She was well known in America, and details many interesting incidents of the early days of the spiritual movement. Every Spiritualist should have a copy of this book in his library. She was a wonderful medium and inspired teacher. The book can be obtained at this office for \$2.00, postpaid.]

### To Mediums—a Suggestion.

I wish to call attention to the benefit that might be derived to the Cause, by mediums devoting one hour in each week (say at noon on Wednesday) to hold a seance for the benefit of the spirits of higher zones, and transmitting such communications to their co-workers as may be directed by the spirits, thus opening up correspondence between the spiritual and physical planes. If the seance could not be finished in one hour, the time might be extended; but care should be taken to exclude all spirits having selfish motives in view.

These higher spirits, knowing better than we who are the best physical workers, would naturally choose the best. The messages should be mailed to the parties addressed. By pursuing this course, such fixed hour would soon be known by all advanced spirits taking an interest in the Cause, and would form around the mediums bands of higher intelligences, and this would surely be good for the Cause. I am satisfied that there are spirits in the higher zones who are not only willing, but desirous, of co-operating with workers in the physical form, the only obstacle being the proper conditions.

J. I. HOLLINGSWORTH.

Winchester, Va.

### Freedom.

LUCY A. MALLORY.

Each individual may possess himself or herself if he or she so wills; but Freedom is as yet an unknown quantity upon the earth. Everything that is, from mineral, vegetable, animal to human, is in bondage. The globe itself is not freer than is the rubber ball filled with air and held by a string in the hands of some one.

The rose in the garden is not free to produce its own lovely self. It is dependent, first, upon something to place its germ of being where it can take root; then it is dependent upon the sun, air and water; and at any moment in its development somebody may destroy it. The human being is not freer.

Let this thought impress itself upon your mind indelibly, and it will help to keep you at work for self-possession: You will always be subject to sickness, sorrow, humiliation, pain and death until you work out your own freedom. Death will not release you, though you die ten thousand deaths!

The germ of freedom is involved in being. Desire put into active operation will evolve it.

### From Seattle, Wash.

TO THE EDITOR:

I came here to visit the Co-operative Brotherhood's Colony, 16 miles east of Tacoma. I found many earnest souls struggling with the forest to build a home away from the grinding competitive system. They have been there less than two years; but the work they have accomplished in that length of time would astonish one. I was pleased to find so many Spiritualists there (about two-thirds.) I was there 4 days and enjoyed every moment, giving four lectures, Brother W. C. Bowman of Los Angeles giving the closing address on Sunday evening, which we all enjoyed very much. They have a brass band of many pieces played by those ranging in age from 7 to 15 years.

I am now in Seattle and am doing splendidly. There are two Spiritualist meetings here; one has Ada Foye engaged and the other Mr. Henley of Los Angeles, both phenomena meetings. I am, as usual, running my own meetings, which are well attended, and I hope to accomplish a good work in this city.

This is a very busy city. The streets are thronged from morning until night. Work is plenty in all lines and wages are good.

MRS. IRENE SMITH.

Seattle, Wash.

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**Life's Battle.**—There are those who think that life should not be a battle and a struggle, where the strong devour the weak. They even go so far as to propose a universal brotherhood. Yet the organization of juvenile military companies goes steadily on, and on every holiday occasion the display of force in the processions, as represented by the police, and the army and navy, is the principal feature of the celebration. "Let us have peace."

**Early Education,** one of the most important branches of the entire reform movement, is to teach the rising generation that there is no power in the world that can forgive sin, or atone for the violation of law. The world has been cursed by the doctrine of the vicarious atonement, and a character builded upon the assumption that "Jesus will pay it all," and that vicious habits and their consequences can be washed away by his blood, will take a life-time to reform. The hope of the world is in the rising generation.

**Untruthful Reports.**—The *Two Worlds* seems to have encountered a problem which has been the subject of much anxious thought by many editors. Reports of meetings filled with flattery and fulsome praise of the speaker or medium, the truth of which the editor has no means of verifying, is the cause of all the trouble. There is but one way out of the difficulty, and that is to omit everything but the simple narrative of events. Embellishment of a news item, with personal comment of approval or censure by the writer, should be discouraged, especially when the communication is signed by a *nom de plume*. A good piece of advice to writers of news items for publication is: *Stick to the narrative.*

## The Last Will.

The seriousness with which the religious enthusiast takes for granted that the fragment of religious literature called the Bible is the last will and testament of a departed God, is really amusing. There will probably never be another Bible written, for the reason that this is the age of stenography and of records. A sermon on the Mount to-day would have to be reported in shorthand to receive any credence, and that precludes the embellishment of the narrative by the priesthood, to suit its own peculiar ideas and plans.

To use this old mummified relic of an undeveloped age to condemn the new thought and the new religion of the new time, is like unto the futile struggles of a decapitated fowl.

The God of the new dispensation shines forth in the countenances of humanity, and the new Bible is the record of kind acts and loving words, treasured up in the hearts of our fellow-man. Truly, the kingdom of God cometh not by observation.

## Not in Politics.

We are constantly in receipt of communications from many sources, inquiring why we do not take sides with the Boers against the British; and why we do not take sides with Bryan against McKinley, or *vice versa*. Or why we do not immediately rush to the assistance of the weaker one in every fight, regardless of our convictions in regard to the justice of the cause in which they are engaged.

Friends, here us once for all. We believe that selfishness, injustice, political strife and war are the results of an unspiritual condition of the human mind—the result of wrong mental and spiritual attitudes. To change these conditions, and lead humanity into a better quality of life, is our mission and our work. Whether we are fulfilling these conditions or not, let our readers judge. Other Spiritualist papers must make and pursue their own policy; we are not in politics.

**Psychical Institute.**—The International Society of the Psychical Institute, with headquarters in Paris, France, sends us a circular stating its aims and objects and a general review of the field of Psychical Research. The circular is signed by the reporter of the committee, Dr. Pierre Janet. Among those who endorse the program of the Society are many illustrious persons, such as A. Van der Naillen, president of the School of Engineering in San Francisco, Cal. There are three classes of members, viz: "Founders," "Donors" and "Ordinary" members. The annual dues of the latter class are 20 francs, or \$5.00 a year.

## Bread and Circus.

The Bible speaks of asking for bread and getting a stone; and the ancient Romans, in response to the people's cry for bread, gave them a circus. In our day the cry for reform is stifled by the roar of cannon and the clash of arms. Even a Presidential election is sufficient to distract the attention of the people from the serious study of political economy, and fix it upon the study of political candidates. Wholesale hypnotism has come to be a fine art, and the first step is to get the *attention* of the people.

The priesthood have understood this always, and for nineteen centuries have been pointing to Calvary's mountain with its cross and victim. And so thoroughly has the Christian world been hypnotized, they did not know that they themselves were being crucified and robbed, and that the "operators" were casting lots for their vestments. We have a surplus of hypnotists; what the world needs is a few wake-up-ists.

## Deceiving Spirits.

The controversy between Mrs. Maud Freitag of Los Angeles and certain parties in Ottumwa, Iowa, carried on through the *Ottumwa Courier* and the *Progressive Thinker*, where spirits gave messages in answer to fictitious questions and names, is very interesting, though not new. The same thing has come under our observation many times through different mediums. In this case, it appears that over forty fictitious names, were placed upon the table at one time, including the name of a dog. An atmosphere of deception like this would surely attract personating spirits. It is not enough that the medium be honest; an equal responsibility rests upon a sitter, or an audience.

The law of attraction is potent, and the homely phrase, "Birds of a feather will flock together," is a popular expression of this law, an honest, careful study of which will result in an increase of human knowledge, and almost invariably in the vindication of suspected mediums.

**Happiness.**—If you are indulging in the delusion that happiness is not of this world, and have postponed its enjoyment to some indefinite time in the future, allow us to suggest that "eternity is now," and that "the kingdom of heaven is within you."

**Consciousness.**—A new definition of "Faith" is given by Shelton in the August number of *Christian*. We give it for the consideration of our readers, without comment.

The word "faith," as is used in the New Testament, should be translated "Consciousness." Consciousness is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things unseen. This is true, for

everything that is seen came out of the unseen. The real substance of things is in you.

**Prejudice.**—Race prejudice in an individual or a nation indicates the exact stage of development, intellectually and spiritually. Our Declaration of Independence—which we only read once a year—declares that all men are born free and equal. This is true, but their freedom is soon supplanted by slavery, and their equality lost forever in the seething, surging tide of prejudice and selfishness. Our thought of universal brotherhood is a limited, sickly conception of a great principle of life, which is being abrogated by the tactics of modern politics and war. Equality, not identity, is the demand of our day.

**Woman's Congress.**—Mrs. Maria Freeman Gray of San Francisco will represent California at the International Congress for the Rights of Women, which will convene in Paris on Sept. 5 during the four days at the Palais de l'Economie Sociale et des Congres. The United States will be represented at the Congress by many leaders in the Woman's Rights and Suffrage Association, delegates being sent from each State.

## 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.

The *Spiritual Review* for July contains an article by J. Harry Bunn on "The True Men of Mars;" "White Magic," "God Junior," by Charles Dawbarn, and "A Welsh Convert," by E. S. G. Mayo. J. J. Morse, editor, 26 Osnaburgh St., London N. W.

*Free Thought Magazine* for August has a portrait of John Burroughs, who is probably the foremost living naturalist of our day, and a short biography by Robert N. Reeves. The article on Thomas Paine, by Helen Gardner, is illustrated with portraits of both Paine and the author. These two articles are supplemented by others of merit by well-known writers. 213 E. Indiana St., Chicago.

Dr. C. W. Hidden of Newburyport, Mass., supplied the pulpit of the Unitarian Church at Hampton Falls, N. H., on Sunday, Aug. 5, and has been engaged for several Sundays following the vacation season.

The *Logos Magazine*, Vol. 1, No. 1, monthly; Sara Thacker, editor, Applegate, Placer Co., Cal. This new 16-page magazine is devoted to the science of the mind and a general discussion of the problems of life. \$1.00 a year.

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Understand at once that this does not imply "silences" or any of the lofty and misleading terms used by vanity to cover its infirmities. Be humble. Learn of ME. I am meek and lowly. Despise not the day of small things. Begin with your feet on Earth and keep them firmly planted there. You are a physical being. Know thyself physically first and then other things will be added. Do not think that in order to become godly you must be a dervish. Get in personal contact with your own physical spirit. Do not go to a medium for it, although you may go frequently to a medium for help and guidance. And understand, once for all, and one and all of you, that to ME all my beloved mediums are pure, holy and honorable and the blessed instruments of the manifesting Spirit. The more you condemn them, the more medicine you have to take "three times a day!" This is not wit on my part; it is science.

I say, do not go to a medium to find yourself nor your dead relatives. Contact with yourself and you are *en rapport* with the universe. But be humble. If good spirits rap, bless them; if so-called bad ones come, bless them also, but remember that I say, you are all this time in contact with yourself. This is the mystery of contact.

**San Diego, Cal.**—At the annual meeting, the First Spiritual Society of San Diego, Calif., elected the following officers and Board of Trustees for the ensuing year: President, Clara A. Beck; vice-president, Charles A. Buss; secretary, J. H. Hammond; treasurer, J. Shaw. Board of Trustees—Clara A. Beck, Mrs. Shaw, Charles A. Buss, L.G. Evans, M. P. Burbank.

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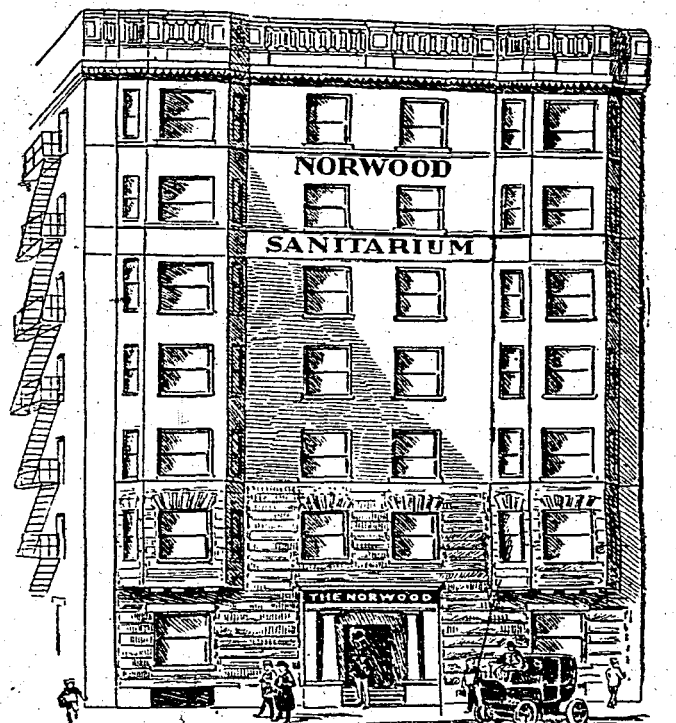
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And on river bottoms laden  
With the ripened grain in sheaf;  
Where the water curls and laces,  
Dashing up and flying out,  
There's a rainbow silver glancing,  
Of the passing of the trout.

Oh, to lie in tender shadows,  
Fingers sunk earth-deep in grass,  
And through half-closed eyelids follow  
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Sailing lightly, softly sunwards,  
From the cotton-woods that shake  
Out a somnolent slow sighing,  
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## From San Bernardino, Cal.

TO THE EDITOR:

In behalf of our society, I deem it befitting to say a few words of appreciation and commendation of the work done here by Rev. Allen Franklin Brown, who was sent to us as a missionary by the Southern California Camp-meeting Association. It would only be justice to our society and Mr. Brown, whom we had the great pleasure to receive a series of lectures from, subjects given by the audience. While his stay here, including Riverside and Colton, was but 12 days, he gave 13 lectures, with psychometric readings concluding each meeting. His visit in our midst brought new light and life to those who met him, individually or collectively, which will bear good fruit in the near future.

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## Local News Summary.

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

**The Oratory.**—In Odd Fellows' Hall last Sunday evening Mrs. R. S. Lillie spoke to a good audience on "The Law of Sacrifice," with a tribute to those who have been martyrs for truth. Mrs. J. J. Whitney followed with trance platform tests. Mr. Hugh Callender, the popular tenor, sang three selections, and the instrumental numbers were highly appreciated. Mr. J. T. Lillie had charge of the music, and Mr. Julian MacRae presided. These meetings will continue every Sunday evening.

**Dr. Hall's Meeting** at 20 Eddy St. last Sunday discussed "Pride," "Suffering" and "Arrogance." Miss Lee, the popular vocalist, rendered several excellent selections. The fifteen-minute talks by Dr. Hall and Mrs. Usher, after four o'clock, are a very important feature of these meetings.

**The Forward Movement.**—Mr. Thaddeus S. Fritz—whose portrait adorns our title-page—has been holding a series of reform meetings at 909 Market St. during the past two weeks, assisted by an able corps of workers. These meetings are conducted on a progressive plan, evolving from teaching to testing, and then to practical work. They are held every afternoon and evening. All are welcome.

**Oakland.**—The People's Society are holding conference meetings every Sunday. Dr. A. L. Astor has attended for a few Sundays. Her reading of the poem of "The Song of the Soul Victorious" was inspiring. Her lecture on the subject, "What shall we do to bring our children to Spiritualist meetings and make it interesting for them?" was a lesson to all. She spoke as one inspired. SADA HOLLOWELL.

**Dr. Carpenter's Benefit.**—The social given by the Ladies' Spiritual Aid Society in aid of Dr. Carpenter, in Occidental Hall last Friday evening, was a decided success. Mrs. D. N. Place, vice-president, presided. Mrs. C. H. Wadsworth was chairman of the Committee of Arrangements. Refreshments were served, and the dance music was furnished by Prof. Bothwell Browne. The following program was presented: Raymond Hayes, song; Miss Gorman, recitation; Miss Stella Callender, song; Miss Pearl Bryson, recitation; Mr. J. T. Lillie, song; Mrs. Eaton and Chas. Parry, piano and flute; Mr. Wadsworth, song; Ernest Young, Jockey Dance. Dr. Carpenter spoke a few words, and Mrs. Sarah Seal related some amusing incidents, after which dancing was the order of the evening.

## San Jose News.

The First Spiritual Union of San Jose is active in preparing for the coming State Convention. Committees have been appointed and are busy devising ways and means for the entertainment of our guests. We hope for a large attendance.

Our Union is doing well, socially and financially. At this time of the year, many of our people are enjoying the seashore, or the mountains, but all will have returned by September.

Mr. H. H. Brown has been engaged by the Union for some months, and now is located in Sleeper Hall Building.

Memorial exercises were held to-day for Brother J. U. R. Taylor, who passed to spirit-life on Aug. 3. Appropriate remarks were made by the president, Mrs. Marcen. His favorite poem, "Loved and Lost," recited by Mrs. Bigelow. Mrs. Elsie, one of his oldest friends, under the guidance of her spiritual teachers, gave us a beautiful address. This was followed by a solo touchingly rendered by Miss Woodhams. The closing remarks were made by Mr. H. H. Brown. Mr. Taylor was an old and esteemed Spiritualist of San Jose, and was known and loved by all. His large circle of friends extend to his dear wife their heartfelt sympathy and love.

ELLA YORK, Sec.

**State Board.**—A called meeting was held at headquarters on Friday evening, Aug. 10, seven Directors being present. Changes were made in some of the committees appointed at the last meeting to arrange for the coming State Convention. The committee to arrange program for the public meetings are members of the Board. The action of the Board at its last session excluding phenomena during the Convention was rescinded. Application for ordination by Mr. Martin L. Carter, endorsed by the Oakland Psychical Society, was granted. W. T. JONES, Sec.

**Oakland Notes.**—The meeting of the Union Spiritual Society of Oakland on last Wednesday night at 856½ Isabella St. was addressed by Vice-President T. Ellis. Mrs. Palinbaum read a poem, followed by an address from Dr. Haworth. Mrs. Johnston of San Diego spoke under inspiration and gave tests that pleased all present. Dr. Palinbaum made all welcome, and Dr. Haworth closed the exercises with an invocation. The Union Spiritual Society has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: H. Smith, president; T. Ellis, vice-president; Dr. A. L. Astor, secretary, and Sol Palinbaum, treasurer. On Aug. 22 the society will hold a meeting and elect delegates to attend the Annual State Convention in San Jose.

**The Mediums' Protective Association** held a meeting of members last Saturday evening at 24 Sixth St., and elected five delegates to the State Spiritualists' Convention to be held in San Jose on Sept. 7, 8 and 9, 1900. The delegates elected were: M. S. Norton, Mrs. J. St. Clair Cleveland, H. H. Hargrave, Mrs. M. Bird and Mrs. A. E. Brower. This society pays per capita tax to the State Association on a basis of 38 members—an increase of five since the last convention. Nineteen members of this society hold certificates from the State Association, which makes them "delegates-at-large," and two are members of the State Board of Directors.

**Hermetic Brotherhood.**—In spite of a heavy, dampening fog, earnest, happy faces filled the parlors at 509 Van Ness Ave. for the open meeting last Thursday evening. Music by Mesdames Germain and Weld "broke the ice" of newness. The presiding officer announced a poem by Dr. Phelon, a paper on "Resurrection," by J. P. Bean, and a recitation by Mrs. E. Price. Another musical selection by Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Weld introduced the usual "social." The topic of the evening was: "What is Truth?" Addresses were made by Dr. J. L. York and Dr. Phelon. Mrs. E. Titcomb read a paper, and Miss Daisy Masten a selection. Another musical selection and the usual exercises closed a most enjoyable evening. The topic for Aug. 16 will be "Why do we Suffer?"

**Mrs. S. Cowell**, the popular platform medium, is indisposed at her home in Oakland. We hope soon to learn that she has fully recovered her health. Such successful workers cannot well be spared.

**Mme. Young** has been seriously ill during the past week, and the usual meetings at 619 McAllister St. were omitted. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery and return to duty.

**Mrs. Meyer's Meeting** at 835 McAllister St. was well attended, and the platform test work of Mrs. Meyer fully appreciated. There are test meetings held in this hall every evening.

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