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CENTURY WATCH.

Ring the bell, toll the knell,
The last of nineteen hundred years,
The last of all the groans and tears,
Since Jesus drew the mortal breath
To prove that life ends not in death!
Let voice and bell and music swell
The sound that notes this passing knell.

Ring it out, with song and shout,
The sorrow of a dying age;
A century mark on history's page.
Farewell, old year; the time is here
To drop a jewel on thy bier—
A tear that bids the Old adieu,
And glistens for the coming New.

Ring out again a sweet refrain,
To usher in the glorious morn—
The Twentieth Century is born!
Comrades, we sing, with joyous tears,
The coming of the better years; [reign,
The years we hope when truth shall
Triumphant over error slain.

May they be years of Wisdom's birth,
When Love shall be the queen of earth;
When humankind shall seek and find
The nobler purposes of life,
Than anger, greed and mortal strife;
When war and cruelty shall cease [peace,
And leave the world to white-winged

Glad years that make a future age,
When higher powers shall engage
That man's humanity to man
Shall signalize the better plan;
When each shall feel the vital flame
That vivifies the mortal frame,
Has nobler work on earth to do,
And higher hopes of heaven in view.

All hail the dawn of better days,
When man shall know and love the ways
That lead us all, by Love's duress,
From out the thorny wilderness,
God of the universe, to Thee
We look for that sweet liberty
To taste the fruit which Thou hast given;
Ere yet we wholly find Thy Heaven.

J. MARION GALE, Quilcene, Wash.
Dec. 31, 1900—Jan. 1, 1901.

BORDERLAND

Lost Mine Found by Spirit.

A correspondent of the *Courier* of Evansville, Indiana, writing from Maab, Utah, under date of Dec. 16, 1900, says:

Word has just been received here of the rediscovery in the Blue mountains in San Juan county, 65 miles away, of the lost Josephine mine, formerly belonging to some Spaniards. The manner in which the old mine was found is considered most remarkable.

E. H. Ryan of Maab, Utah, former attorney of San Juan county, is the man who was instrumental in the discovery. But he would have found nothing if he had not had the aid of a spirit. Mr. Ryan has just returned from Monticello, where he went last week on legal business, and saw the parties connected with the find, and personally saw the evidences of their discovery and what the locaters followed in working up the

discovery. Mr. Ryan tells the following:

On Sunday, Dec. 2, he was writing in the county clerk's office at Monticello, when a boy came in and wanted a location blank certificate, and, receiving it, went away and later returned with the blank filled out in pencil and requested Mr. Ryan to make a copy in ink for record. Something in the boy's action and the description of the location caused Mr. Ryan to think there was something unusual in this location, and also the fact that the boy was a stranger in that section, and inquiry brought out the information that the boy was camped with his father and sister near Monticello. Mr. Ryan went to the camp and found A. J. Strouse and daughter, aged about 10 years. Mr. Strouse stated that he formerly lived at Morrison, Colo., but lately at Dolores, Colo. That for some years he had been a believer in Spiritualism, and that for a number of years he had received communications from the spirit of his dead brother.

That for some years past he has known that the spirit had an important message to deliver to him, but could get nothing of a definite nature except that he wanted him to come to southwestern Colorado or southeastern Utah. At last he

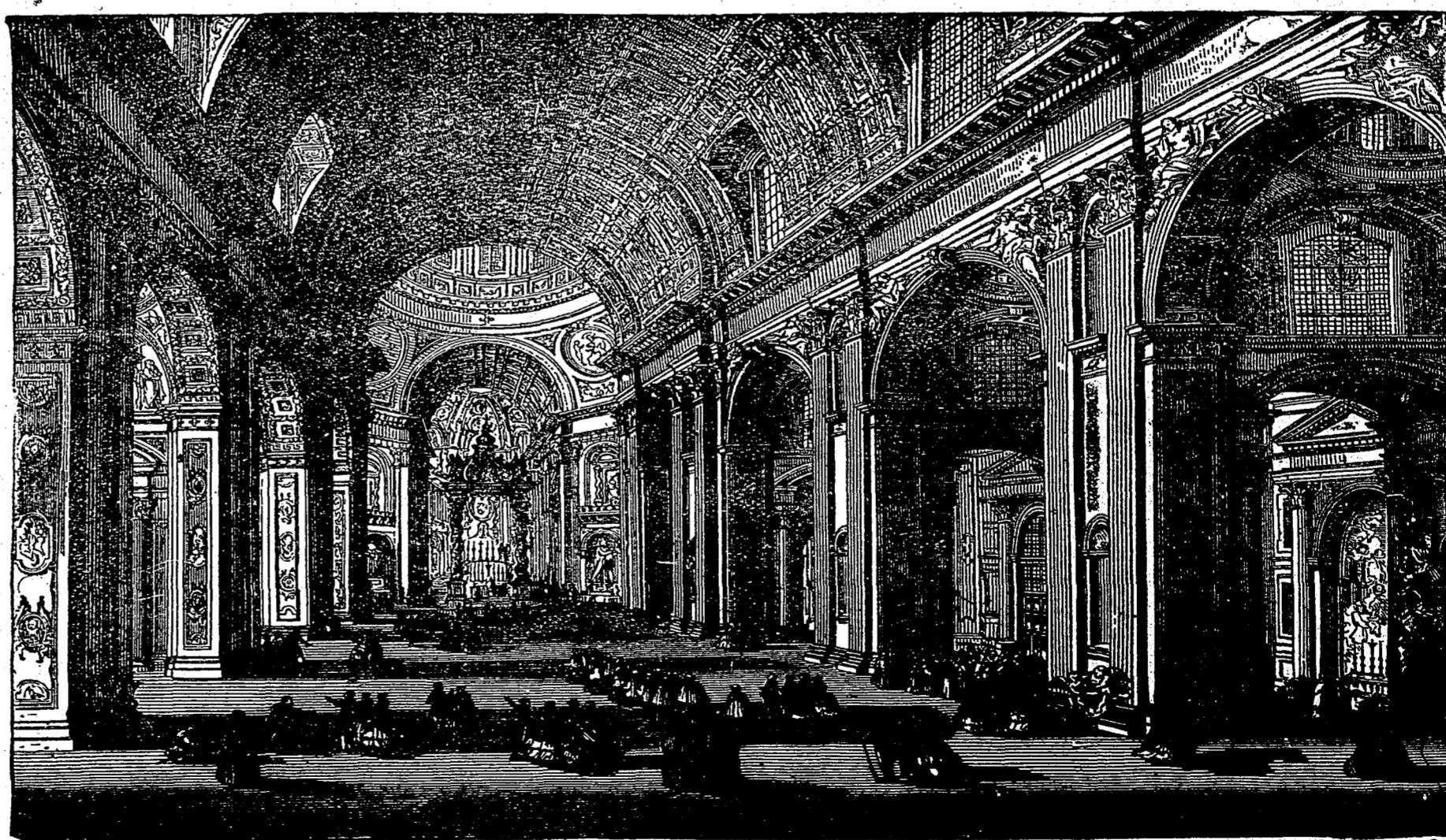
asked the spirit if there was anyone through whom he could communicate definite information, and was told yes.

He asked if it was anyone in the family and was answered yes. He then mentioned the names of the members of the family and received no for an answer, until he asked if it was the young daughter, and was told it was. A slate and pencil was brought, and the girl at once commenced to write, and a route he was to take was described in the minutest detail—distance, watering places and condition of the roads.

The spirit told at a point described he would find the Josephine mine, worked by the Spanish about 300 years ago, and who were finally driven out by the Indians. It was described that he would find some old pole picks in the tunnel he would uncover. That at one time a fight took place at the mine between the Spanish and the Indians and the Indian chief was killed. The spirit also told that the mine would produce him a large amount of wealth; that he would start the work with ten men and finally work 80 men, and that the mine would finally produce him \$185,000 a month; that he would find the old workings to be a tunnel 30 ft. high and 15 ft. wide.

Mr. Strouse left Dolores immediately—Wednesday, Nov. 28—and following the route described came to a point about six miles from Monticello on the south slope of the Blue mountains and about one and a half miles from the saw mill, and found the place indicated, where he began to dig and soon uncovered what was the mouth of the old tunnel workings that had been carefully covered over. He uncovered a large flat stone covering the entrance and found the opening with everything as the spirit's description gave it. He was satisfied that he had found what was wanted. He came at once to Monticello to put his discovery on record, and this was the location Mr. Ryan had filled out.

It is a matter of old Spanish-Mexican history, records of which have been found among the archives of Mexico, that a rich mine known as the Josephine mine had been worked by the Spanish. From the records, which were rather obscure, it was thought to have been in the Blue, Elk, La Sal or Henry mountains, in southeastern Utah, and many prospectors have searched for it. The story of the find reads like a fairy tale, but the fact of it being found and by persons strangers in the country, who came a long distance across coun-



INTERIOR OF ST. PETER'S, ROME

Midnight Mass was celebrated in St. Peter's Cathedral, Rome, to welcome the incoming of the 20th Century, by Cardinal Rompola (Papal Secretary of State.) There was a large concourse of people in this immense building, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, to witness this ceremony. It was intended that the Pope should celebrate this midnight mass in person, but his advanced age and infirmities prevented his undertaking the arduous task. He, however, celebrated midnight mass (as he requested all his bishops to do), but it was in his own private chapel.

try and direct to the spot, is beyond question.

John Peachman, a prospector, returned to-day from a trip to the Colorado river near Dandy Crossing and came through Monticello. Mr. Peachman has spent several years prospecting in the Blue mountains and has a number of valuable claims not far from where his discovery was made. He confirms the report given by Mr. Ryan and talked with several at Monticello who had visited the place, and says there is much excitement in that district over the discovery.

"Work is Prayer."

J. P. COOKE.

Among the many sisters and brothers of our glorious cause who, in the partial loneliness of rural life, are anxious to do their part to extend knowledge of the truths of Spiritualism, some yearn to show their heart-warm interest and yet are at a loss to know how to start in—what to read and study to prepare themselves with ready answers to questionings. Some books are better than others for this purpose. The volume, "Flashes of Light from the Spirit-Land," is good, and contains many brief and helpful answers to the oft-recurring questions. A. J. Davis' volume, "Penetralia," is another on the plan of question and answer. "Flashes of Light," etc., contains many very instructive communications from noble spiritual societies, from Theodore Parker, Wm. E. Channing, Thos. Starr King, Father Pierpont and many more noble and worthy ones.

Such volumes, and many others, give you good reading to start questioning and are well calculated to interest those who are strangers to the subject. The tone is truthful, reverent, reliable. Reading these messages aloud starts up conversation, discussion and awakens interest. This step gives confidence to the more timid. It helps to bring hope to the despondent and bereft.

You will often find in the country that the older people are decidedly skeptical and in need of something to meet their doubts. You may often find among the most unkept some of the keenest intellects you have ever met—crude and untrained, it may be, but still keen, full of sharp questioning—and you want to prepare for such as these. The preaching which they occasionally hear appeals largely to the emotional side of their nature, and makes but little impression on them. Any appeal to their religious emotions must be made largely, perhaps, through the intellectual side, if it is to be effective. If they understand, they may then believe. They seldom believe without understanding. It must be instructive. You must show them why they should believe in the Light of Life and of mind. You must present Love to them as a humanizing power.

No unreasonable faith or half-reasoned exposition of a faith will satisfy the mind of your average countryman. No simple appeal to his emotions will quicken his religious nature half so surely or so quickly as an intelligent appeal to his reason. In some of these districts, where a half-reasoned skepticism is the slough into which two-thirds of the people have fallen, the reasonable and demonstrable gospel of Spiritualism, with the

spirituality all kept in, is exactly what is needed.

The universe is a living organism, and God is the soul and intelligence which controls it. Let them see that some doctrines of faith and immortality are rooted in reason; that they are true, demonstrably true. Let them see that what they think is real and call materiality is a series of abstract qualities, which elude us, although they are manifestations of a substantial reality behind the "sense"-seeming qualities.

So far as matter is concerned, what appears to be is not the real, but is only the outer manifestation of the unseen which is the real; that spirit is the unseen substance on the soul side. Consciousness is its knowable quality. That spirit is light and life; that there is no organization without spirit. All manifested intelligence is demonstration of spirit from the daisy in the field up to the mind of man. I take the liberty of calling attention to this matter, which the editor has already so helpfully touched upon—indeed, more than once—because I am persuaded that we can rely on the latent heroism of our women. Even in their contracted sphere—their unprivileged estate—they yet long with a soulful earnestness to be of some use—to be up and doing something for the good of their human kindred. They believe and therefore speak, or wish to speak—to give a sign or a testimony.

The loving spirit of religion, of charity and helpfulness glows like an undying flame in their hearts. The Red Cross societies in the field do not hold even a tithe of the noble souls—the heroines to be—who are willing if they could only see the way to be useful—to do something.

Glide right in and create an opening, if none presents itself unasked. Solicit by letter and call a meeting at a school-house if no other or better place affords. Prepare yourself in advance—think up what you will do. Those who sincerely believe that the man-made theologies of the churches are opposed to truth and to reason must agitate, speak, write, edit papers, organize leagues, leave no means untried to break the influence of priestcraft and encourage people to stand on their own spiritual feet.

"The spiritual power which sustains your vitality can surely nourish the conscience of which that vitality makes you aware. You cannot hurt your health nor lie, nor defraud nor strike your brother, nor leave the beggar in the ditch without knowing it by a direct intimation, an intuition. Your pains are its rebukes; your nobler joys are its sympathies; your heavenly longings are its intimations of immortality." The power in which you "live and move and have your being, in which you eat and drink, breathe, sleep, wake, love, hate, marry and protect a home—is it incapable of sustaining your functions of true religion on the very spot, as well as all of these?" Learn to trust the spirit of Good in your own individual life. Conserve it by good deeds and noble endeavors.

My hope in this matter rests largely in the women of America! Just as, during the Civil War, many were the unnamed angels of whom posterity shall have no sign, so in this cause of truth and right many are the saintly heroines whose moral, spiritual courage and mercy can have no glory but that which

awaits the just, eternal in the heavens. Their lives will find record there! Yet even on earth it has sweet, silent testimonies in the heartfelt gratitude of thousands of obscure ones, whose faces, gentle with divine pity and spiritual hope and love are stamped in the recollections of shattered men and broken lives, as among the few things of light and cheer and nobleness which shone upon their hearts in regions of deadly, hopeless gloom.

Rude, ignorant men, coarse in mind and strong in body, do reverential homage to self-sacrificing goodness. The person of a delicate, fragile woman, who forgets her weakness in order to succor a languishing soul, is grander to their after-thoughts than the daring captain who leads them to the charge. It comes imaged to their souls with light and beauty in its power, when the confusion and the smoke of strife has cleared away and the burnt and reddened earth has bloomed again with grass and flowers.

TWENTIETH CENTURY HYMN.

TUNE: "CORONATION."

All hail! the joyful New Year's morn!
Welcome its dawning light;
This day, a "Century" new is born.
Hail it with glad delight.

The bells are ringing, peal on peal;
Their music thrills the soul.
Send out the thought for human weal,
As dark the surges roll.

With joyful songs, and words of cheer,
And deeds of kindness shown;
Proclaim the "Century's" bright New
Brighter than ever known.

And with the rapid flight of time,
Onward and upward rise;
Till Earth in radiant glory shines,
Amid the sparkling skies.

DR. N. F. RAVLIN.

An Earnest Soul.

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

Whatever you set about, be in earnest. If you are making your toilet, be intent upon the matter, and think of it as the important event of the day until it is completed. Then turn your forces in other directions, just as a ship turns its searchlight first here, then there, illuminating the course it pursues.

So many of us are shilly-shallying along life in these days. We do nothing seriously. We are in earnest about nothing. We all want to be multi-millionaires, and we are looking for sudden and quick methods of success. By success we mean accumulating a large fortune. Our eye is out for the sign, "A millionaire while you wait," as we pursue our daily avocations. Just as sure as the continual leaking of a faucet wastes water in a reservoir, so this continual frittering of our mental forces in frivolous and non-focused thought wastes our moral and mental strength.

The man who is in earnest not only brings the full powers of his own mind and soul to bear upon his project, but he draws about him the influences of invisible intelligences who people space and come to the aid of the deserving. Whatever your aim is at this moment, be in earnest. Do you want an education; do you wish a congenial occupation; do you crave success in the arts, professions or trades; do you love some woman and long to win her affection? Whatever it is, be in earnest about it. Think of it with reverence and

put all your powers of mentality and spirituality into your desire. Then work for your aim. You must attain it.

The hurry of the times affects us so [press,
In this swift, rushing hour, we crowd and
And thrust each other backward, as we go,
And do not pause to lay sufficient stress
Upon that good, strong, true word, earnest-
ness.

In our impetuous haste, could we but know
Its full, deep meaning, its vast import, oh,
Then might we grasp the secret of success!

In that receding age when men were great,
The bone and sinew of their purpose lay
In this one word. God likes an earnest soul—
Too earnest to be eager. Soon or late [way,
It leaves the spent horde breathless by the
And stands serene, triumphant at the goal.

Thought Vibrations.

PROF. J. GREGORY.

As we behold the ocean always in motion, so is the vibration of our thoughts in the alistic ether always in motion. Thoughts are nothing more than invisible matter, sent out from our minds to vibrate forever in all time and space.

We will endeavor to show how our thoughts influence the alistic ether. We know what effect snow and ice have on the atmosphere. Just so with our thoughts; we send them through space. They travel more swiftly than the most vivid flash of lightning, and by careful research and investigation I have found that our thoughts not only affect the ether in which they vibrate, but affects the entire human family. I have found this to be a serious fact. If our thoughts had no effect on anyone else, there would not be any such thing as absent treatments; there would be no such thing as telepathy. So we find by these two phases in psychology that it is thought that works the prominent part. The thoughts were sent on a special mission in both the above instances.

There is another kind of thought sent out from the mind without a mission, and (according to my convictions) these are the thoughts that affect the whole human family. What I mean by that is that our thoughts are grasped by some other mind and are put into execution sooner or later. We sometimes think of a subject, write it up, and probably the next new thought journal we get, there is the subject written up by Prof. A— or Dr. B—. Some of the readers of the JOURNAL may say: "Why, that's strange." No, no, not strange when once you look at it from a psychological standpoint. Prof. A— or Dr. B— had his mind passive to such thoughts and grasped them as they came across his mind. Did you never think out some plan and find that someone else had put your plan into execution long before you had the time to do so?

How often do you hear some man or woman say: "I don't know why I did such and such a thing, but I did." Thanks to an all-wise First Cause, we have men and women who are sending grand and noble thoughts to forever vibrate in space to be grasped by many coming generations.

We are all laborers in the psychic field, and I think ere long we will begin to reap a reward. As we near the shores of the Borderland, the inner man will begin to cry out: "Oh! what will the harvest be?" Dear friends, you do not know what trials and tribulations are, unless you have lived in a state where our belief is unknown. Though I stand alone in the flesh, I find comfort in things and beings that my less fortunate neighbors scoff at. Though sundered far by

faith, we meet, around one common mercy seat.

Dutchman, S. G.

Spiritual Knowledge.

W. J. COWEN.

Spirit is ordinarily invisible to the physical eye of man. It requires a peculiar, sensitive organ to perceive the spirit forms as they gather around us at different times.

The people who possess the gift of clairvoyant sight can see the invisible denizens of the spirit-world. Clairvoyant mediums are divided into two classes, or phases, of spiritual manifestation—those denominated trance clairvoyant, and those who possess the clairvoyant vision. In the former case, the clairvoyant person is in a trance, or unconscious condition, and in the latter, he is fully conscious of what is transpiring around him.

It is possible, and we think probable, that the person in the trance clairvoyant state possesses within himself a second individual, which individual, or spirit, is capable of separating itself from the body for a time and can journey through the spaces surrounding the earth sphere. Be this as it may, the person in the trance condition can see with precision very distant places and describe the sights and scenes to which he himself is a stranger. In this way, the spirit of the clairvoyant can accomplish what the ordinary person is not capable of. Trance mediums are often prophetic, foretelling future events which are likely to occur. Sometimes, the spirits of the advanced spheres take possession of the body of the medium and we have an exhibition of the spirit's individuality expressing itself through the medium.

The ordinary clairvoyants, or those mediums who possess the clairvoyant gift, or spiritual sight, accomplish a great work in the field of spiritualistic labor. Being endowed with this finer sight which can perceive the spirit forms, they become very valuable in enabling the investigator to pursue the study of the truths of Spiritualism.

We have many such mediums in the field to-day, test clairvoyant mediums who are accomplishing a noble work for the cause of truth.

We should advise the student of occult science to obtain an audience with some good and genuine clairvoyant seer. He will learn much concerning the spirits which he can not learn by any other means. The writer has often seen the spirit forms while sitting in circles and can testify to the truth and genuineness of clairvoyant, or spiritual sight.

The gifts of the spirit-world to the mortals of earth are many. The spirit-world is very desirous that all should know of the existence of the spirit. They (the spirits) have taken many ways to bring themselves to the notice of the world, and we should be thankful that such is the case. "Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise," is a saying for which we have but little respect. Knowledge is desirable at all times, and surely the knowledge that our friends who have passed away from us are still living a conscious existence in the spirit-world, should not be displeasing to us. Yet there are many to-day who scoff at the idea that the spirits are living a conscious existence and often communicate with us of the earth

sphere. We pity their ignorance and laugh at their endeavors to cry down the great truths of Spiritualism.

All praise to the spirit-world which has given us knowledge concerning our friends who have crossed the river of death. We hail with delight the welcome news which is brought to us, that our friends are still living in a condition of conscious existence.

Never Free.

No one is free, excepting, perhaps, in a very limited sense. We are not independent of each other. We are interdependent on each other; each is responsible for all, and all are responsible for each. The thread of events that makes it possible for a child to be born into this world is woven inextricably in the web of the world's destiny.

The life of the whole race circulates in and sustains each individual, no matter how great or how low. The pauper is brother to the prince; the fallen woman is a caricature of the noblest woman. The seed of every disease, of every crime, of every misfortune of any individual, is in the blood of every other individual, and needs only the proper conditions to produce its fruit.

God is Law, and God is Fate. Infinity works through nature and man, and weaves a web of destiny of which the threads are times and circumstances. Infinity centers in man. In him are the germs of all possibilities; in his progressive stages he marches through all conditions and masters all surroundings.

The paradox is that man is always free and yet never free. A man in a ship may be free; yet his fate is involved with the fate of the ship, and this world sails through the ethereal vastness, freighted with humanity and environment conditions, as a ship with passengers and their baggage.—*Lucy A. Mallory.*

A Valuable Document.

As a result of five years' work, another fine papyrus roll in the British Museum has just been published. It was written between 70 and 80 A. D., and is a collection of folk legends current in Egypt at that time. The hero of the story is Siosiris, son of Khamuas, a priest of Memphis. Many of the passages suggest that it is an adaptation of the story of Christ as told by the disciples, and if so it is certainly the earliest record known, being less than 20 years after the introduction of Christianity into Egypt by St. Mark in 67 A. D.

Siosiris was a miraculous child. His mother's name was revealed to his father in a dream, in which these words were spoken to him: "His name shall be Siosiris, for he shall do many marvels in Egypt." He went to school, rivaled the scribe who taught him and began to talk to the scribes in the house of life. All the land wondered at him, saying: "Behold a boy who reached 12 years of age and there was no scribe in Memphis who could equal him in reading, writing and magic."

Siosiris takes his father to hades, where the cycles of the land of death are described. Here, also, are many stories of Jewish-Christian origin; for example, the story of the rich man and Lazarus. The doctrine of future punishment, not found in Egyptian rituals, is here

clearly stated. Later, in an account of a contest between Siosiris and the magicians of Ethiopia, which is strangely reminiscent of the story of Moses, one magician says: "Cast my spell upon Egypt and cause the people to pass three days and nights without seeing the light." Even the story of Moses and the bullrushes is given.—*Sel.*

"Only the Highest."

T. H. B. COTTON.

While alluding to this fact of spirit attraction, which may be regarded as inspiration, permit me to say that nothing is easier than to make a very serious mistake in always attempting to address ourselves only to the highest spirits, or to the "highest spirit" of all, to the exclusion of all others. Before we know it, we are liable to find ourselves cultivating an unsavory spirit of aristocratic exclusiveness, not unmixed with a very unwholesome conceit that *thinks*, if it does not say in words: "Keep aloof; you are not wanted here. No average spirit from intervening spheres is welcome in my select circle of friends. None but the highest influence will suffice for me." In short, it is very much like saying: "Stand thou there; I am holier than thou."

The greatest evil attending it is the fact that in our self-complacency, our sense of sufficiency blinds us to our actual condition and spiritual status. We are liable to imagine ourselves far too good to spend time with the mediocre spirits of halfway spheres. It must be the highest or none; while the fact is, the more we indulge this conceit, the more we continue to retrograde, sinking ourselves to a lower level than before.

On the other hand, the true spirit of philanthropy addresses itself to the task of benefiting humanity under any and all circumstances. In the exercise of this spirit, when we approach the realm of the unseen, we find ourselves saying: "Come, spirit friends, whoever you are; you are welcome to-night in this presence. None of us are perfect, but if we start fair, we can all take a definite step in the direction of perfection. Suppose we begin here and now in solemnly pledging to one another to henceforth champion the cause of eternal truth and right. This simple act will do us no harm, and it will surely lift us at least one notch higher than we were before, thus bringing us several degrees nearer to the goal of happiness."

This is a simple thing to do. It is easy. It will bear repeating every night in solemn earnest: not lightly, yet not with long, drawn face, but with a cheerful solemnity and earnestness which always tells for good, and *never fails*. In this way you are benefiting yourself by benefiting others: not a few, but many; it may be hundreds, and, if persisted in, it will surely be thousands of these denizens of the unseen who gladly come at your invitation, from time to time into the same atmosphere where those of still finer culture, witnessing that scene which challenges their admiration, are also attracted from their higher spheres, and lend their uplifting influence, which is a real boon of refreshing encouragement.

It is a mistake to think that we can fly to the highest heaven by a simple twist of the tongue or impulse of the will. We must work our way up, step by step. Tell me

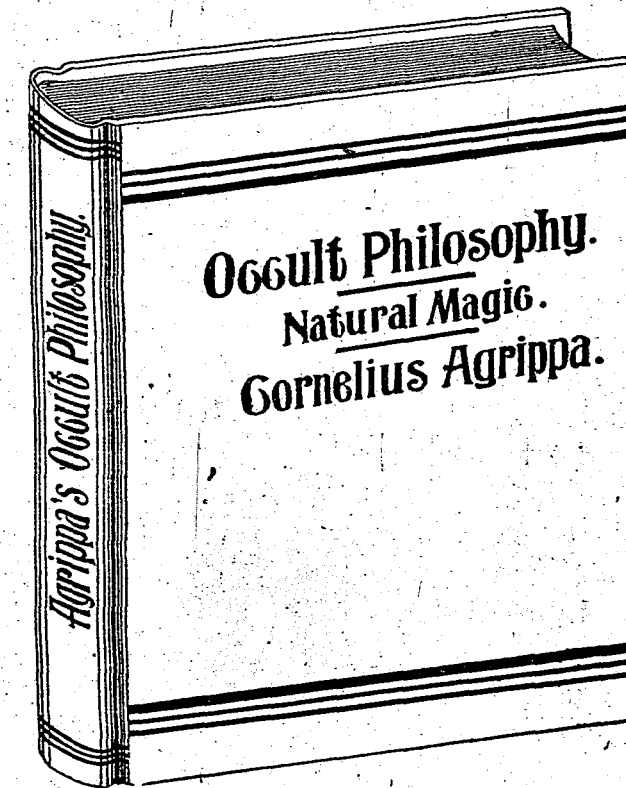
if you can, what better way is possible, in so far as our intercourse with spirits gone before is concerned, than to take the very course above suggested? If any reader doubts this, let him test the matter by actual experience, after mature reflection. If honest with himself, he will not be long in reaching a like conclusion.

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Friends in Heaven.—The Rev. A. C. Dixon, pastor of the Hanson Place Baptist Church, New York, preached a sermon on Sunday evening, Dec. 23, on the above topic. He gave five reasons for his faith that we shall know our friends in heaven. If the reverend gentleman would attend some of our spirit seances, he would be able to give five hundred reasons why he *knows* that he will not have to wait to go to heaven to recognize and greet his loved ones gone before.

The Beautiful Orient.—Nearly three millions of dollars will be required to construct and equip the wonderful Midway at the Pan-American Exposition. The greatest care has been taken to prevent any approach toward the "fake" show, and the visitor may rest assured that he will not be submitted to fraud or extortion so long as he remains upon the Exposition grounds. It is difficult to single out any attraction in this section as more prominent or worthy than another, for all have their special merit and novelty.

Mediums in Washington are being persecuted by the authorities. The headquarters of the N. S. A. is in the District of Columbia, and if its officers will take a decided stand for liberty, every State Association in the country will rally to their support. That is one of the chief purposes of organization, and there must be no compromise. "No license" is the battle cry.

The Natural Healers have gained a victory in Illinois. Dr. Gordon, charged with practicing medicine without a license, was acquitted by Judge Garver.

Judge Garver's opinion was oral, and along lines of practical common sense. He summed up the situation in a few words, and de-

clared that there had been no violation of the law.

A Heavy Load.

Never since the morning stars sang together, has any reformatory or advance movement had such a load to carry as has Modern Spiritualism.

Every religion, every philosophy, every system of political economy, every "ism" and "ology," every fad and kink of the human brain has been exploited, on our lecture platforms, in our spiritual papers, and in our private circles. And it is all Spiritualism, we are told, because it comes from spirits through mediums.

Fifty-three years ago, Modern Spiritualism took the contract to demonstrate to the world that man is an immortal being; that he manifests upon numerous planes or spheres, and that man upon this physical plane can hold conscious intelligent communication with man on spiritual planes. This was a large contract.

These important truths have been demonstrated to but a small portion of the world's inhabitants, and the *modus operandi* by which it is accomplished has never yet been satisfactorily explained. No schools for the study of phenomena or its philosophy have been established. Instead we have organized as a religion. We have taken it on faith; we have ordained a priesthood, and are spending our time and energy discussing "infinite intelligence," re-incarnation, the relative merits of different systems of Astrology, Hypnotism, Christian Science and Socialism.

In the meantime, the Mental Scientists are building a college in Seabreeze, Florida, and organizing temples all over the country for the study of mental states, and to solve the mystery of mind. The Theosophists are establishing institutions for research and occult study. The Hermetic Brotherhood are delving deep into the mystery of being. All of these movements are being constantly recruited from our ranks. Will we ever wake up?

These facts have been stated over and over again, until they are like a twice-told tale told over again. There are synagogues for Jews, mosques for Mohammedans and churches for Christians; but Modern Spiritualism has not where to lay its head. We need a few people with brains and character and backbone, to reorganize and rehabilitate and revive our movement before it is everlastingly too late. Spiritualism in the abstract is immortal, for it has permeated the very centers of being. But we need a concrete demonstration of its efficacy to solve scientifically and universally the problem of the ages: "If a man die, shall he live again?" We need to throw off the weights and the sin of dissension which doth so easily beset us, and run with diligence and vigor the race set before us.

Scientific Theories.

We had all along supposed that science was knowledge, and that a scientist was one who knew something. It seems, however, that modern science consists of theories, of which the following is a fair example:

Scientists are discussing a new theory of the causes of the glaciation of the Northern and Southern Hemispheres that gives an unknown, unseen sun the credit for so disturbing the whole planetary system that a coating of ice was the result upon the earth. G. B. Reagan, of Albuquerque, N. M., looks farther for the cause of the glacial epoch than any of the geologists who have so far promulgated their theories. He believes that the sun has its orbit determined by a magnetic center—another, larger sun—and that in traversing this orbit there is a difference in the inclination of the earth's axis, and a consequent inclination of the axes of the attendant planets. This inclination at the time when the glacial epoch began, according to Mr. Reagan, was great enough to bring the arctic and antarctic circles down to 60 degrees instead of 66½ degrees, as at present. It would make besides a greater difference between the Summer and Winter temperatures. And it would also cause, during the Winters, a greater atmospheric pressure over the high latitudes and a lower atmospheric pressure in the tropics.

The Good We Do.

What good does Spiritualism do? It has saved hundreds of human lives. The following is but one case of many being constantly recorded by the secular press, from the *North American*, Philadelphia, Pa.:

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Philadelphia Watch Meeting.—The First Association of Spiritualists of Philadelphia, Pa., held a watch meeting in Casino Hall on the night of Dec. 31, 1900, led by Dr. N. F. Ravlin, the speaker of the Association. Members of the Lyceum, Helping Hand Society, Twentieth Century Sunflower Club and the Women's Progressive Union of Philadelphia also participated. There was a special song service written for the occasion. This is the oldest Spiritualist society in the world, having held continuous meetings for half a century. We acknowledge the receipt of a souvenir program, with portrait of Dr. Ravlin.

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The watch-word that passes but dimly,
I catch as the wind drives it past.
And sometimes a wind-song resembles
A chant in the Indian tongue;
The eloquent solitude trembles
With romance unwritten, unsung.
There's a creak of wheels loaded; oaths,
laughter,
Of the rugged brown woodsman and
scout;
There's a scent of cut pine trailing after,
And a bar of rough song ringing out.
To the old camping-ground rich in token
For councils of peace or of war;
Through silences deep and unbroken,
Spirit tribes still come back from afar.
Soft scarlet night-fires flashing
Their ghost light on pillars of stone;
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ing
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Local News Summary.

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

Friendship Hall, 335 McAllister St., was well filled last Sunday evening to listen to Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Meyer giving messages from the spirit realms. Mr. Meyer is slowly recovering from his recent serious illness, and hopes to be able to resume business in a few days.

Mme. Young's Meeting in Oriental Hall, 619 McAllister St., last Sunday evening was well attended for a rainy night. Mrs. Seal spoke briefly on reincarnation, followed by Mme. Young with spirit messages. Instrumental music by Prof. Young and Prof. Bothwell-Brown.

The Ladies' Aid Society held a very interesting meeting on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 2, in Occidental Hall. The ladies are arranging for additional attractions for their meetings and socials during the coming year. Their regular monthly socials are held on the last Friday evening of each month. Mrs. B. F. Small is the president.

Mrs. J. J. Whitney gave her usual Sunday evening seance in Whitney Hall, 1164 O'Farrell St. The exercises consisted in answering questions from the audience on matters pertaining to the personal welfare and health of the questioners. These meetings are very popular.

Mrs. Cowell closed a very successful engagement of two months with the Union Spiritual Society at Fraternal Hall, Oakland, Dec. 30. Mrs. Stewart has been engaged for the month of January.

The Mid-Week Meetings of the Union Spiritual Society of Oakland, held every Wednesday evening at 856½ Isabella St. are always well attended. President Preston presides. Mr. Sol Palinbaum, Mrs. Palinbaum and Mrs. Amanda Smith each do their part to entertain and instruct, with poems and spirit messages. Vox.

Universal Spiritual Association.—The subject for discussion last Sunday afternoon at 20 Eddy St. was "Anger." Mr. Moulin presided and the music was furnished by Miss Lee and Miss Allen. The downpouring rain prevented a full attendance, but the interest was good.

The Members of the Mediums' Protective Association will meet with the Board of Directors at the parlors of Mrs. Jennie Robinson, 1646 Market St., on Saturday evening, Jan. 12, 1901, for the transaction of business and a social time. All are invited.

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

Watch Meeting at San Jose.—On the last night of the old year about 200 people, members of the First Spiritual Union and their friends, met at Sleeper Hall to watch "the old year out and the new year in." An especially fine program was rendered as follows: Recitation, "Guilty or Not Guilty," Miss Mabel Hambly; song, "You Tell Me Your Dream, I'll Tell You Mine," Miss Rosalie Smith; recitation, "Tired, Mother," Mrs. H. L. Bigelow; vocal duet, "Good-night," Miss Thole and Mr. Miller; recitation, "Don't Count the Flaws," Miss Pearl Sellers; instrumental duet, Misses May and Grace Miller; recitation, "The Death of the Old Year," Capt. Henry Harrison Brown; vocal solo, "Just Because She Made Those Goo-goo Eyes," Master Roscoe York; comic story-teller, Dr. Pottinger; recitation, "Because You Don't Pray Right," Miss Lily Lyness; speech and song, Mr. Miller; specialties, Prof. Melton. After the program refreshments were served to all, and at the stroke of 12 all joined in singing "America." ELLA YORK, Sec.

Oakland.—On account of the storm, the Union Spiritual meetings, Sunday, Jan. 6, were very sparsely attended. Mrs. Stewart gave messages of a very satisfactory nature, both afternoon and evening.

The watch-meeting services held on the evening of Monday, Dec. 31, were projected by our worthy president, Mr. John W. Preston, and by him carried on successfully to the end. The item in last week's JOURNAL concerning these services was incorrect.

The Oakland Union Spiritual Society at the regular monthly meeting, Jan. 6, voted to suspend the mid-week meeting held at 856½ Isabella St.

The mediums of Oakland will hold meetings every Wednesday evening at Loring Hall, Clay and Eleventh Sts., commencing Jan. 9. THOS. ELLIS, Sec.

Mr. Chas. W. Leadbeater, the eminent Theosophical lecturer and occultist of England, will speak in Odd Fellows' Hall, this city, on Jan. 13 and 20.

The Christmas Entertainment given by the Union Spiritual Society at Fraternal Hall, Oakland, on Friday, Dec. 28, was a success in every particular. The hall was crowded and everybody enjoyed the social to the fullest extent. Great credit is due Mrs. Amanda Smith, chairman of the committee. The following was the program: Song and dance, Marie Coffey; recitation, Ethel Grey; song and dance, Letta Smith; recitation, Miss Tobias; song, Anita O'Connell; song and dance, Valua Martland; song and dance, Miss Annie Anderson; recitation, Johnnie Sheehan. Dancing and refreshments.

San Jose Propaganda.—Capt. H. H. Brown delivered his last lecture to the Union Spiritual Society on Dec. 30, 1900. He has been with that society five months and made many friends.

Mrs. Eberhardt will continue during the month of January to serve the Union as a test medium. It is the intention of the Board of Trustees to have the philosophy demonstrated from the platform in the morning, and the phenomena at night, thus giving all an opportunity to listen to one or both. ELLA YORK, Sec.

Mr. B. F. Small.—We regret to announce that Mr. Small is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home in this city. He is one of the staunchest supporters of the Spiritual cause in this State, having been a member of the Board of Directors of the State Association since its organization. We all unite in hopes for his speedy recovery.

Mr. Fred P. Evans, the well-known slate-writing medium, has been seriously ill in New York City. He is now convalescing and hopes to be able to resume business early in the new year.

Removal.—Mrs. Sarah Seal, the well-known medium and healer, has removed from her former location on Ellis St. to the Hotel Robinson, 1049A Market St., where she will be found ready for business.

The Hermetic Brotherhood met at 509 Van Ness Ave. on the evening of Jan. 3 as usual. Notwithstanding the storm there was a goodly number in attendance. Exercises opened with meditation upon these words: "Because the One is Master of the storm and the sunshine, so can we become master also." Following was a solo, sung by Mrs. Virginia Weld. Recitations were given by Mesdames Price, Parkins and Jean Durrell; a finished paper by C. A. Rogers—subject, "Truth in Art;" remarks were made by J. P. Bean—"Liberal Thought in the Church"—and W. P. Phelon, M.D. The air is full of it. The meeting closed as usual. Those who breasted the storm felt repaid for attending.

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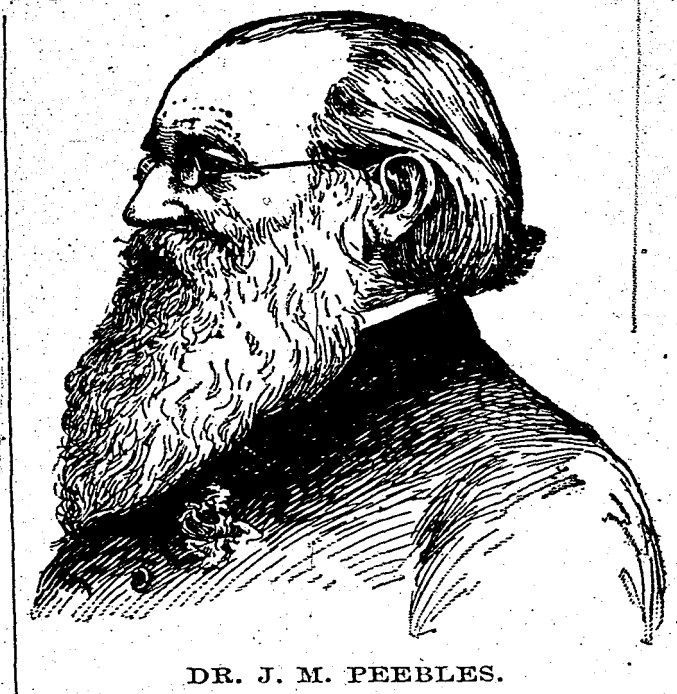
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