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STRIVING.

In this world of ceaseless action,
Constant ebbing to and fro,
All we have is earned by striving
And aspiring as we go.

All the heights we would attain to,
All the good we'd make our own,
We must gain by earnest effort,
For we reap as we have sown.

If we plant in strength and beauty,
Strength and beauty shall we reap;
If we sow in sorrow, sadness,
Then we'll find a cause to weep.

Every cause in its outworking
Will produce a like effect;
Nature's law cannot be altered,
But our path we may select.

So if we'd be bright and happy,
Dauntless, noble—and attain
Some of this world's choicest blessings,
We must strive for what we gain.

—The Free Man.

BORDERLAND.

Haunted House in England.

Some years ago my wife had repeated dreams of a house, the interior arrangements of which she described minutely, although no idea as to its locality was conveyed to her. Subsequently, in the year 1883, I hired for the Autumn from Lady B—a house in the Highlands, with shooting and fishing; my son, who was in Scotland at the time, arranged the matter, neither my wife nor I having seen the place.

When I went (without my wife) to make final arrangements for taking possession, Lady B— was still living in the house, and she told me that if I did not mind she proposed putting me for the night into a bedroom which she herself usually occupied, and which for some time past had been haunted by "a little lady," who continually appeared in it. As I was somewhat skeptical upon such matters, I replied that I should be delighted to make the acquaintance of her visitor, and I accordingly slept in the room, but no such visitor appeared to me.

Subsequently, upon my wife's arrival at the house, she, to her great astonishment, found it to be the counterpart of her dream house, and on inspecting it from hall to attic every detail appeared to correspond.

But on descending again to the hall, she said: "No, this cannot be the house after all, as in my dream there was another suite of rooms on that side, which is missing here." She was at once told that there was such a suite of apartments, not approached from the hall, and on being taken over them

she recognized every room. She, however, said that a bedroom in this suite appeared in her dream to be a sitting-room, and it appeared that this had been the case, but that the arrangement had just been altered.

A day or two after, my wife and I met Lady B—, and I introduced the two ladies to each other, as they had not previously been acquainted. Instantly Lady B— exclaimed: "Why, you are the lady who haunted my bedroom." I have no explanation to offer, nor had my wife during the rest of her life, as to what some might call a remarkable coincidence, and what would be called in the Highlands a case of "second sight."

Certainly my dear wife was the last person in the world to give undue license to her imagination, and further, I can vouch for the fact, and so can other members of my family, that she did undoubtedly describe accurately a house which had some rather remarkable arrangements, and this long before she or any other members of the family were even aware that such

a house really existed.—London Spectator.

Spirit Phenomena in Russia.

Gospadin Sambor, in St. Petersburg, Russia, is pronounced a marvelous physical medium even by scientists who have investigated him. As a supreme test, he has just performed, before a critical audience of savants, the feat of tying the "Zollner knot." The newly-discovered psychic not only performed the feat, but surpassed it in a marvelous manner.

Twenty persons were present at this performance. Two ends of a piece of string were secured with three seals each to an address card, and this string was hung about the neck of one of the company, when the spectators demanded that the knot be tied at once. The man about whose neck the string was fastened "felt a large hand on his chest executing a circular movement, and a horizontal one," and the deed was done; and at the same moment the table around which

the spectators were seated rose in the air, and the voice of the medium cried: "It is already done."

The origin of the Zollner knot dates back 20 years, to the time when Dr. Zollner, a German savant, in experimenting with a medium, a knot was tied in a piece of string, the two ends of which were fastened securely, and not touched by human hands. The marvelous part of the feat of this medium to the scientists is that he can tie knot after knot under these circumstances, with both his hands held all the time.

After the success of his first seance, another was arranged for. As before, the ends of the string were sealed and placed around the neck of one of those present. Both the medium's hands were held securely, and again he was told to tie the knot under these seemingly impossible conditions.

According to the man who had the string around his neck, this is what happened:

"I felt some one touch my back, my hand, my feet, my watch-chain. Then some individual form pulled the string, and at the same time a childish voice, talking in a whisper, was heard."

As for us, we kept on asking for a knot. Then the voice of the child said distinctly:

"I have made the knot."

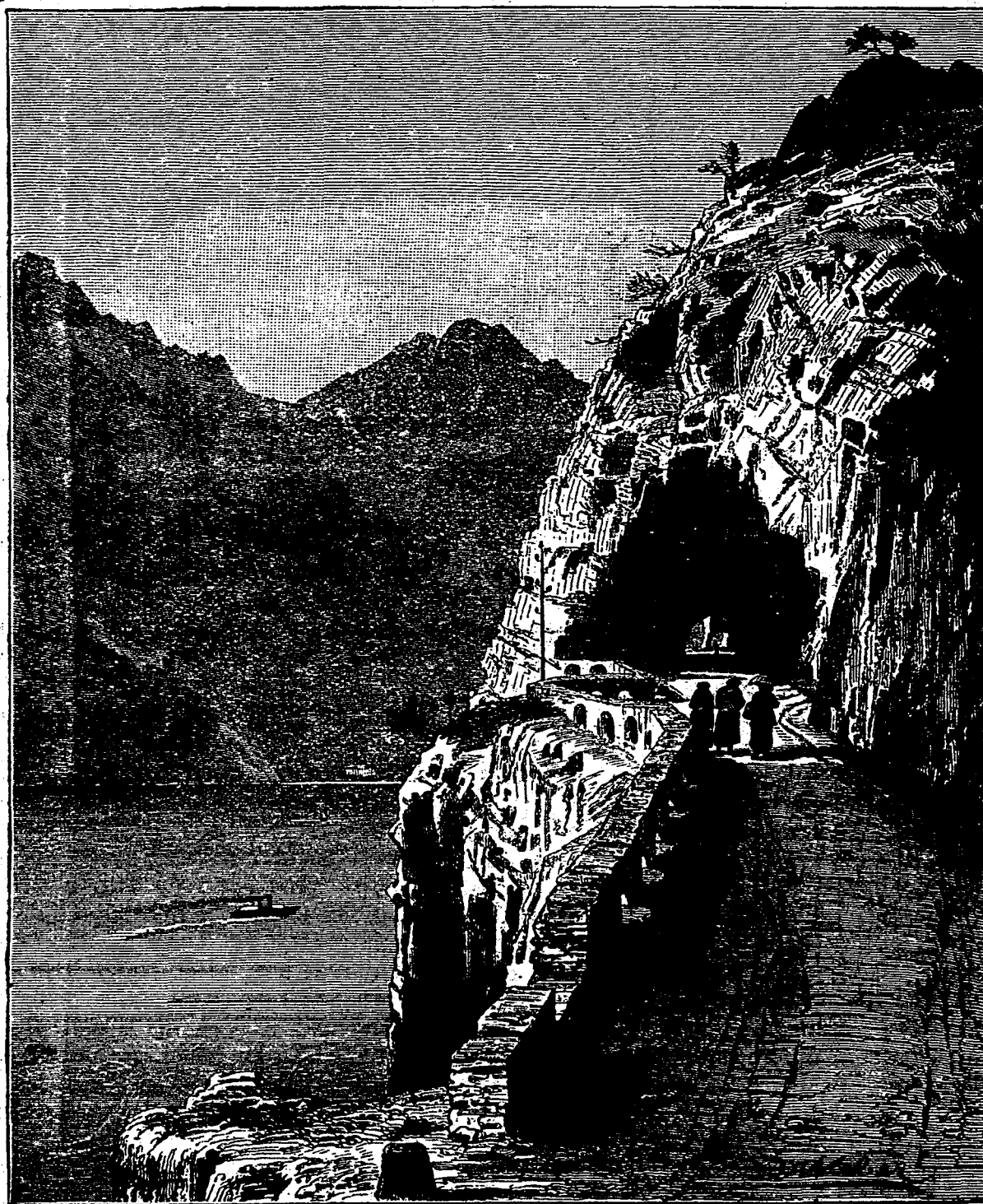
When the lights were turned up, the knot was found. Then a knot was made in a metal ring.

No explanation has been given by any one present of the remarkable power of this medium. He was formerly employed in the telegraphic service in Russia.—New York Journal.

Quenching the Spirit.

The reasons why spirits do not frequently manifest themselves in more decisive forms than is done even through recognized mediums, is the fear which their demonstrations occasion, freedom of church-fostered ignorance. In such cases the main effort is not to encourage intelligent communication, but to drive them away. An instance of the way this irrational fear works was given in the Sacramento Bee some weeks ago.

This case occurred among Portuguese people in Freeport, Sacramento county, the "victim" (medium) being Maria Careia, aged 17, recently from Portugal. Up to three weeks before this account was written she is said to have been "perfectly rational" and when not under the "spells" is "gentle and tractable." Residents do not believe the suggestion of the physicians that it is hysteria, and say that they have known similar cases



Rocky Cave Near Lucerne, Switzerland.

in Portugal, and that not until the thing of evil is driven from the young woman by some agency higher than human, will she be her complete self again."

This is the view taken by Joseph Rodgers, who has been a land owner on the Sacramento forty years. He has "seen cases like it in Portugal;" one woman who stayed in the woods six months "had terrific strength during this period and could easily throw three men." He does not believe that spirits are controlling such persons, but that it is the devil.

She speaks with a man's voice, and the control claims to be that of a man who killed another in Portugal twenty years ago, after which the brother of the murdered man killed the murderer and threw the body "over a high place," where it was eaten by the birds and the "spirit was condemned to roam over the world for twenty years," nineteen of which had expired. "During these periods the young woman would have to be held down by main strength," "would return an answer apparently responsive to the remark or question," but "always she would stick to the same story," which "each time she would repeat with unvarying exactness," and each time, too, she would recover with a countenance betraying no sign of recollection of the ordeal to which her physical powers had been subjected. * * * Her brother does not believe she is unbalanced, and he will not surrender his care over to others unless her condition absolutely demands her removal.

He seems to be the only person in the community who is half sensible.

The other persons named as cognizant of the circumstances are Frank Willis, grocer; Manuel Baniel, a member of the Clarksville band; Manuel Domingoes, and Dr. Silva. The last-named diagnosis it as "hysteria, accompanied by a tumor," and seems to be the only believer in that explanation.

All the members of the family are highly respected in the vicinity.

It might be beneficial if some Spiritualists who have the time would write the persons named, including her brother, and call their attention to the beneficent truths of Spiritualism, by acceptance of which, instead of "holding her down," they would simply hear respectfully what the controlling spirit has to say, when, in all probability, the manifestations would be less intense, but more satisfactory. The girl is evidently a superior medium and should be given opportunities to develop along higher lines of manifestation. A. C.

Psychometric Vision.

Camille Flammarion, the eminent French Artronomer, in his book entitled "Lumen, the Story of a Soul", (the English translation of which is now out of print) describes in the *Harbinger of Dawn* some interesting experiences of the Spirit Lumen, which throws some light on the law of psychometric visions of past events. He says:

One of the greatest surprises the spirit "Lumen" met with in the higher life, was when he found himself upon the star Capella, and looking in the direction of the earth, he beheld the city of Paris, and events there transpiring at the

time of his birth—72 years prior to that date. Still greater was his surprise when he saw himself as an infant. By closely watching the scenes, he was still further astonished to see them change, and to behold himself at the age of six, then at sixteen, and so on, at different periods of his life, until he finally beheld his own funeral.

Approaching some ancientsages, he asked for an explanation of this strange panorama, and was than informed, for the first time, that he was on the star Capella, which shines with a golden light in the Constellation of the Charioteer.

He was than informed that it took the light of the earth 72 years—exactly his own age—to reach this star, but that he had traversed this space with the speed of thought: hence he had arrived there just in time to see the city of Paris at the time of his birth. In other words, events transpiring on the earth are not seen on Capella until 72 years after their occurrence. Concentrating his mind upon the scene, he was unconsciously borne towards it, stopping long enough at certain interesting points to observe the events whose radiations had just reached that point. For instance, half-way to the earth he would behold himself at 36 years of age; half-way from that point to the earth he would see events at his 54th year, and upon reaching the earth he saw his own funeral, which occurred in his 72nd year. Then, as unconsciously as before, he was borne back to the star Capella to get the explanation from the ancient sages.

These radiations, or living pictures—which may be compared to the pictures projected by the animatiscopes—which are constantly being thrown off from the earth, "Lumen" calls siderial photographs, and claims that by going to more distant planets he saw the earth being formed, and approaching to nearer planets, he saw every stage of its history, and attempts to correct some errors in our written histories, besides giving a brief outline of what we call prehistoric ages, in a chapter entitled "Reascending the Ages."

These Engines of Power.

Under the title of "An Honest Confession," an Eastern journalist has published the following words, which are vouched for as absolutely genuine:

"There is no such thing as an independent daily press. We are all slaves. You know it and I know it. There is not one of you that dares to express an honest opinion. I am paid \$150 a week for keeping honest opinions out of the paper I am connected with. The man who would be so foolish as to write honest opinions, would soon be out on the street, hunting for another job. The business of the journalist is to distort the truth, to lie outright; to pervert; to vilify; to fawn at the feet of Mammon, and to sell his country and his race for his daily bread. We are the tools and vassals of rich men behind the scenes. We are intellectual prostitutes, and our talents and our possibilities are all property of other men."

The above was published in 1898. When we reflect that of all the factors in the work of education throughout the civilized world to-day, none are so powerful as the popular daily paper, the words of the above confession cause the thoughtful man to shudder; the

strong to grow faint-hearted, and the very angels to weep tears of blood while gazing upon the appalling prospect! Is it possible that no longer than three years ago this awful picture was true to life? Let us rather hope that it was overdrawn, and that the closing years of the past century marked the zenith of the powers of darkness in general, and that of a subsidized press in particular. Let us hope that the conscience of intelligent manhood, seeing the unfathomable depth to which the moral ideal in journalism had sunk, a noble specimen here and there, becoming horrified at the spectacle, has called a halt in his mad career of unscrupulous debauchery of public sentiment; has paused by the wayside long enough to receive a baptism of wisdom from on high; has taken his stand, as henceforth an advocate of truth and consistency, regardless of consequences.

What a golden opportunity is the present moment for the journalist to cover his name with glory by henceforth putting none but "honest opinions" in his paper. Who will start first in this grand career of justice and humanity? Or shall I rather say, which of the great dailies of San Francisco will set the example for those elsewhere to follow?

Yours for the triumph of right,
THOMAS H. BENTON COTTON.

[By his own confession this "journalist" is dishonest and sells his "opinions" for a consideration. May we not justly conclude that the confession is also an untruthful, ungenerous and highly-colored statement? We certainly believe that it is.—ED.]

Obedience to Law.

A. D. WEEKS.

What man has accomplished, what he has done to produce the vast enginry of industry, was through the ascertainment of law, and his obedience thereto. The lumberman does not attempt to transport his logs; he waits for a rain. The river rises, and nature carries his logs to the mills, and his lumber to the city. The pioneer takes advantage of the law of gravitation acting upon water, and in calm complacency stands by, and sees the waterfall grind his grain. The electrician pushes a button, and the swathing fluid of the earth strains to perform his will. He touched more than a button—he touched a law. The engineer applies a pound of force upon a lever, and thousands of tons of iron, wood, and living freight, leap toward distant cities. He obeyed the law—of steam.

Victor Hugo says: "To contemplate is to labor; to think is to act. Crossed hands toil, and folded arms perform. A glance at heaven is a work done." Society gives its greatest rewards to the crossed hand, the folded arms, and the acting brain. The skill to plan, the ingenuity to devise, the courage to undertake, the divining of nature's will—these are the works of dominion. Those who work in thoughts rule those who work with hands alone.

The petty circles of our lives are crossed by laws which the discerning see, and by which they profit; but the foolish pass on, seeing nothing. No man can succeed who does not do so by obeying law. He

must learn the laws of his trade, the laws of the times, of his local environment, of his associates. He must not try to sell fur overcoats in Brazil.

Cause and effect have wide range in all human relations. Happy families, dutiful childhood, and venerated age, are effects. The effect of a blow is a curse. The effect of suspicion is hatred. The effect of meanness is scorn. The raised hand causes the threatened blow.

The law is fundamental. No man fails except through himself. Cause and effect link themselves awfully through the lives of men.—September *Every Where*.

Commercial Mediumship.

A thoughtful writer in the *Banner of Light* proposes to cut Spiritualism adrift from professional frauds, by cutting it adrift from professional (paid) mediums altogether. He is very unhappy about present conditions. He thinks "our beloved Cause is being dragged in the mud and mire," and holds that "commercial Spiritualism—I mean in its phenomenal phase"—has been the cause. He says:

"All public mediumship, save that of trance or inspirational speaking, has had a continual tendency towards leading us down into the Slough of Despond, and the great question is to get rid of it. When I say public mediumship, I not only mean platform test mediums, but all and every kind of mediums that set themselves up for business, expecting to make money out of it. I look upon it as utterly impossible to separate the genuine from the fraudulent. Therefore, there is no way of getting rid of this terrible fungus that has grown around and all over Spiritualism except to cut off the whole thing. This course may seem severe to some, but where the chaff is more than the wheat, it all has to go together."

We are not without sympathy with this view; but we are also in sympathy with the view that a paid ministry has in some respects sold Christ and wrecked his Church. There is, indeed, no room for doubt about that; and yet who would propose to crumple up or "cut off the whole thing?" The reference to the chaff and the wheat is to the point. But, "where the chaff is more than the wheat," what is wanted is, not a bonfire for the lot, but a larger or more potent winnower. — *Light*, London, England.

Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader.

The several visits of Mrs. M. E. Cadwallader to this country are more than ordinary pleasant memories to large numbers of London and provincial Spiritualists, inasmuch as her earnestness, her unflinching amiability, and her devotion to our Cause, have endeared her to the hearts of all Spiritualists. This year she is again with us, accompanied by her father, Mr. B. B. Hill. Their stay is a brief one this time, as they arrived in England, from a short tour on the Continent, only on Tuesday evening, Aug. 27, and sailed for their home in Philadelphia on Sept. 21.

Knowing that many of their metropolitan friends would be charmed to meet them, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Morse, with their characteristic warm-heartedness, tendered Mrs. Cadwallader and Mr.

Hill a reception on Wednesday evening, Aug. 28, at Florence House, the scene of so many social gatherings on behalf of the Cause. The proceedings were purely informal, which fact, in itself, gave a distinct charm to the gathering. Invitations were extended to most of the leading workers, and though many were out of town for their holidays, a goodly company nevertheless assembled to greet the guests of the evening.

After an hour of personal conversation, during which the friends present cordially greeted the visitors, Mr. Morse formally presented them to the company in a felicitous little speech, filled as usual with good things, "grave and gay," suited to the occasion. He then asked Mr. E. Dawson Rogers, the President of the London Spiritualist Alliance, and editor of *Light*, to add to the welcome, and the company were favored by that gentleman with some well-timed remarks. Mrs. Cadwallader then responded in a graceful and eloquent address, which charmed all present, as of old. She referred to the condition of the Cause in the United States, and related how the First Association of Spiritualists in Philadelphia had recently acquired a church for its meetings, and in generous terms mentioned the excellent work that was being performed by Mr. Harrison D. Barrett, the President of the American National Spiritualists' Association.

In closing, she expressed her keen appreciation of the kindness of the host and hostess in thus affording herself and her father the opportunity of once again meeting their London friends. Mr. Hill and Mr. George Spriggs also addressed the company; and during the evening vocal and instrumental selections were presented by Mrs. Dalrymple Small, Miss Florence Morse and Mr. H. R. Boyden. The company were also entertained with light refreshments, the hostess again ministering in her customary genial manner to the comfort of her guests in this direction. The friends passed a highly enjoyable evening, and separated at a late hour, with only one regret, that our visitors were this time making so short a stay among us.

Extracts from Paracelsus.

MISS C. DE LA BAERE.

There are three dis-graces of dogmatic science—self-conceit, skepticism, credulity.

Let free inquiry take the place of blind credulity.

He who does not burn himself will not be burnt by God.

Vain and conceited people oppose the action of the universal mind. They are self-satisfied and are resting in the shadow of their ignorance and are inaccessible to the light of nature. The first condition for the attainment of knowledge is faith in the existence of good and a strong desire to realize its existence, which must be in our own hearts.

Faith does not come to those who do not desire it.

Wisdom comes to those who are pure-hearted, and open to receive it, and who make their souls fit places to receive the truth.

Love of humanity is the beginning of love and knowledge of God.

Permanent happiness can only be obtained by attaining permanent good.

Charity consists in administer-

ing yourself to the soul and the body of your brother.

Medical science may be acquired by learning, but medical wisdom is given by God.

We should think as if all our thoughts were visible to all about us. If unwelcome thoughts present themselves, we need not gaze at them, but put right and pure thoughts above them and they will disappear.

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To the National Delegates.

I feel that it is time to make a change in the chief office of the National Association. Mr. Barrett has held his position for eight successive years. Let us give the N. S. A. an opportunity to see what can be accomplished under a new President.

Mrs. M. T. Longley is a fearless and untiring worker, and we might hunt the whole world over and not find a better Secretary. Mr. Barrett has done well in the past, but we have men in our ranks who can do better for us in the future—and who, as missionaries at large, have done good work the past year. I refer in particular to Mr. E. W. Sprague, who at the close of the convention last year in Cleveland, was elected a special missionary, and who is decidedly my choice for President of the N. S. A. for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprague, as our special missionaries, have worked early and late for the good of the Cause and for the N. S. A. They have traveled day and night, held meetings at all times and places; given the philosophy and the phenomena together, and upheld mediumship with the teachings of the philosophy; they have organized 26 societies, and given the Cause a new start wherever they have been; and because of the record he has made, I nominate E. W. Sprague as candidate for President. He has given us his entire time and attention, working early and late Sundays and week days; lived most economically, and ever had the thought of the work in mind, and I feel that he would do no less in being honored with the position mentioned.

I have no axe to grind. I do not ask for a position; I am at present Treasurer of the N. S. A., and will be glad if some one else will take it; it does not pay me a penny, but instead takes a great deal of my valuable time. I have only the good of the N. S. A. at heart.

When the convention met three years ago the Association was bankrupt, and was worth \$160 less than nothing. Through my gift to the N. S. A. of its home, and by the liberality of thousands of Spiritualists, and with the able management of the Directors, we walked out of the last convention worth in real estate and cash in hand about \$25,000.

Therefore, I can prove I have no axe to grind, but that I am working for the Spiritual Cause and for the N. S. A. I ask the delegates to make Mr. Sprague our next President. He is a clear man and a grand worker, with an iron constitution that can stand the attacks from the orthodox, or any evilly-inclined from the other side, and I feel that he will help to build up the N. S. A. financially and in every other way. I have always been Mr. Barrett's friend; I am his friend still, but tell the truth as I see it. THEODORE J. MAYER.

Washington, D. C.

Foretold by Astrology.

In the *Temple of Health and Psychic Review*, edited by Dr. J. M. Peebles at Battle Creek, Mich., dated December, 1900, I made the following astrological predictions concerning Mr. McKinley's assassination, as foretold by Astrology:

"The ruler of the Ascendant in the house of honor—a good testimony, retrograding to a conjunction with Mercury, which latter, though generally considered of no importance, was also a favorable testimony. But to offset this, the ruler of the ascendant was afflicted by a quartile aspect with the Moon, and Mercury was also afflicted in the same manner. The ruler of the house of honor was also afflicted, by ruler of the ascendant. Saturn was also afflicting the Sun; the Moon was in the house of opponents, and was also decreasing in light. Mercury is the ruling planet of the United States, and hence the fact that McKinley's significator was retrograding to a conjunction therewith, indicated that Mr. McKinley was going back to serve Uncle Sam a second term, notwithstanding all the dire afflictions of the lords of important houses.

"However, if there is any truth in horary Astrology, Mr. McKinley will have a stormy administration, and will probably not survive to see the end of it, much as I would regret such an incident as his transition."

In commenting on these predictions, I will say that from the moment I erected the chart for the nomination of Mr. McKinley, there was nothing more plain than the indication that he would be assassinated, the lord of his house of secret enemies being afflicted by a square from the Moon, and the Moon in the same evil aspect with the lord of his house of death—the fatal 8th. However, I simply said he would not survive to see the end of his term of administration, as I did not wish to be guilty of sending out the suggestion that he would be assassinated.

As to the "stormy administration," the continuation of the war in the Philippines for many months, at a great expense in money and lives, and the numerous strikes all over the land, with the poverty, suffering, murder, robbery and mob violence which has followed in their wake, it looks like a literal verification of this part of the prediction also, and the end is not yet, which I deeply regret. E. S. GREEN.

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Concentration is centering the attention upon one thing for a time, for a special purpose. When that matter is accomplished, no further continuation of the effort is desirable; then broaden out to a full realization of all the realities of life. The Ocean of Being lies within—explore its wonders and realize its powers.

Next Sunday G. W. Kates and wife will hold meetings in Buffalo, N. Y., and in Rochester Oct. 6. The friends in those cities should give them a hearty support. Their permanent address is 1744 Natrona St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Trine's "In Tune with the Infinite" is in its 42nd thousand—which proves there are still readers who care for something else than fiction, says the *Book and News Dealer*.

Dr. J. M. Peebles lectured before the Spiritualist Society of Battle Creek, Mich., on Sept. 15, to a large audience. The Doctor is one of the most entertaining speakers on the Spiritual platform today, notwithstanding his multitudinous cares, the large amount of literary work produced, in addition to his extensive practice.

Alaska.—Recent statistics indicate 25,000 inhabitants in Alaska, of which 7,600 are Protestants, 13,735 are under the care of the Greek Church, and about 500 are Catholics. It is said the Greek Church receives \$60,000 a year from the Russian government and still its influence is declining. The old creeds and dogmas have lost their hold upon mankind and the old churches are decaying. New forms, new thoughts, new ideas, new aspirations and new truths are engaging popular attention now, and will do so more and more every year.

Old Things Passing Away.

The "new thought" of the present day—the "higher criticism," as it is often called—is taking a deep hold on the minds of progressive men.

Prominent men of science, philosophy, and even of theology, are becoming tired of the old theories, and are steadily moving toward the *new*, which more nearly harmonizes with the ideas of the twentieth century, and the ever-advancing and progressive thought of our day.

Some theological institutions and colleges are tinged with the "higher criticism," and many of the professors openly confess the fact, showing plainly that the *new* generation of graduates will not be so hide-bound and bigoted as the former ones, who have been turned out by these institutions and who are now occupying the pulpits of the country.

One of the latter, a non-progressive bigot and dogmatist of belated theology, is the Rev. H. D. Brown, pastor of a Methodist church in Seattle, Wash., who at the Puget Sound Conference held last week, introduced sensational resolutions denouncing the Boston Theological Seminary and the Barrett Biblical Institute (two of the colleges of that denomination) and advising to boycott them. He charged these institutions with fostering the "higher criticism," and he advised Methodist young men who expect to enter the ministry to graduate from other institutions.

The Resolutions also urged the Conference to thoroughly scrutinize all graduates from these colleges before allowing them to enter the Methodist ministry.

These Resolutions were regular bomb-shells in the camp, for in that Conference were many ministers who were not only tinged with the "higher criticism," but were also teaching it. The resolutions were referred to a committee, and will in all probability there be quashed or pigeon-holed.

The old theology and the old dogmas are doomed and will pass away. No amount of kicking by the old-fogy clergy can prevent it. It will take time to do it, but it will be done. Of course, the old fossils and belated dogmatists will have to pass away, for while they cannot accept the *new* thought, they cannot prevent the *new* thought from supplanting their antiquated theology. The *new* graduates from the progressive colleges will take their places, and gradually the change will come.

The churches will no doubt continue, but they will be transformed into more humanitarian and beneficial institutions, so as to conform to the spirit of "the new time."

Modern Spiritualism has done excellent work in preparing the world for this change. It is liberating millions from the thralldom of the creeds, breaking down the

barriers, and destroying the slavish fear which for ages had bound mankind to priestcraft and the tyranny of dead religions.

All hail to the Dawning Day!

Scientifically Predicted.

Astrology and Palmistry both foretold the assassination of President McKinley, as we see by the *Denver Post*, which gives a column to an engraving of his hand and a description of the "lines" on it, by Prof. Geo. W. Walrond of that city, who said:

The indication of a sudden death at the hands of an enemy is exceedingly strong. It is indicated by the cross at the outer edge of the palm, and is so plain that long before he was considered as a presidential possibility, the prediction was made that he would be assassinated.

All his life shows the controlling power of destiny. He is directed or led by Saturn, the god of fate, through one unusual event after another. The fate, or destiny line, shows many breaks, losses, or sorrows, until the long-threatened danger of assassination meets him in his full power.

Dr. L. D. Broughton, President of the American Astrological Society, predicted in 1896 as follows: "Mr. McKinley's horoscope indicates danger of assassination nearly as much as General Garfield's or Abraham Lincoln's."

The indications of Palmistry and Astrology have been verified with awful exactness, but proving their scientific basis.

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.

A BIOGRAPHY of James M. Peebles, M. D., A. M., by Edward Whipple. Published by the author at Battle Creek, Mich. 592 pages. Price, \$2.00. For sale at this office.

This biographical sketch of this "pilgrim," who has made three journeys around the world, is an exceedingly interesting volume. It contains 48 chapters, and in order to show the scope of the book, we enumerate their titles: Lineage and Birth; School Days; Religion—Infidelity—The Ministry; The Rappings—Radical Preaching; Marriage; Steps to Freedom; A Horoscope—Character Sketches; Meets a Noted Sensitive; California; The Chain of Pearls; Gone to the Wars; Organization—Mediumship; A Change of Base; Wit, Humor and Immorality; Literary Labors; Social Correspondence; The Worker and his Works; The Obsessed Woman; Indian Spirits and Their Brethren West; Loves and Friendships; The Homes of Ascended Teachers; Dealing with Social Entanglements of Modern Life; Lessons of Experience; Queen of Morn; A New Cycle; Appointed Consul; In Foreign Lands; Sojourn in France; Pilgrimage in the Orient; Naples, Rome and Florence; Labors in England; European Correspondence; The Farewell in London; Return to America; Around the World; Voyage Across the Pacific; In the Orient; Other Travels and

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The author of this book, Prof. Edward Whipple, was some years ago well known throughout the Western States, as a prominent lecturer upon Spiritualism, Geology, Astronomy and the natural sciences. He is a fine thinker and great student, and is now living in a retired way at Lakeside, Cal., devoting his attention to literary and mental pursuits, etc.

This very full and complete Biography is written in a captivating style, and will be read with very great interest, not only by those who are well acquainted with Dr. Peebles, but also those who wish to know about scenes and incidents occurring throughout the world, in places that he has visited, which are described in a very enticing manner. The chapter of incidents, beginning on page 506, includes his experiences in San Diego during the Winter of 1898, when he vigorously fought the vaccination which was sought to be made compulsory on all the school children of that city, as well as his experiences in contact with Theosophy, and a letter to Evangelist Moody, and many other things, which are recorded by the author in such a manner as to captivate the reader and secure his attention throughout.

Dr. Peebles will be 80 years of age next March, but is as vigorous as a man of 40, both physically and intellectually; and is continually engaged in lecturing, as well as writing articles for the press, and books and pamphlets galore. He is a wonderful man, well fitted both by nature, education and refined tastes to be held up as a pattern for the oncoming generation, who are to inhabit and make the twentieth century glorious.

WOMAN REVEALED; a message to one who understands, by Nancy McKay Gordon, 6214 Madison Ave., Chicago, Ill. 152 pp. \$1.00.

This book is plainly written, yet filled with mystical truths gathered from a ripened experience; written from so high a standpoint, that to the pure in heart it will convey a sublime message, to the impure it will be simply unintelligible. The author does not put man above woman, nor woman above man; she simply places them side by side—they are *one*, welded together for purpose.

THE TEMPLE OF THE ROSY CROSS, its Powers, Migrations and Transmigrations, by F. B. Dowd, Rogers, Ark. Mo. cloth, gilt top, 324 pp. Salem, Mass.: Eulian Publishing Co. Price, \$2.00.

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Children's Progressive Lyceum meets every Sunday morning at 909 Market St., San Francisco, at 10:30. Free spiritual library. Visitors welcome. Regular social on second Friday of each month at 305 Larkin. C. H. WADSWORTH.

Mission Lyceum meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in Mission Opera Hall, 2131 Mission St., San Francisco. Friends of the Lyceum movement are always welcome. The regular monthly entertainment is held on the last Saturday evening of each month. W. T. JONES.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY.—Headquarters at 305 Larkin-st., San Francisco. On the last Friday evening in each month dancing will begin at 8:30, interspersed with musical and literary exercises. Admission ten cents. Business and social meetings every Wednesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. All are invited. Take the Elevator.

Society of Progressive Spiritualists

Meets at 305 Larkin St., San Francisco, at Occidental Hall, Supreme Court building, every Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. MRS. R. S. LILLIE, of Boston, is engaged for the present season.

Mrs. W. Silverwood, of Lovelock, Nev., is in San Francisco, and will remain a few weeks under medical treatment. Mr. and Mrs. Silverwood are thoroughly imbued with the philosophy and phenomena of Spiritualism, and are alive to the best interest of the Cause.

Mrs. Eberhardt, 3250 22nd St., San Francisco, held a spiritual meeting in her hall, which was well filled last Sunday evening, and gave spiritual messages and psychometric readings to a well-pleased audience.

Oriental Hall, 619 McAllister St., San Francisco, was filled last Sunday evening with skeptics and others seeking occult information. After an excellent lecture by Mrs. Sarah Seal on Spiritual philosophy and phenomena, Mme. Young entertained the audience with psychometric readings and spiritual messages. Profs. Young and Bothwell-Brown furnished excellent music.

The Mission Lyceum will give an entertainment and dance on Saturday evening, Sept. 23, at Mission Opera Hall, 2131 Mission St., San Francisco. A good program has been prepared and good music will be furnished for dancing.

The Society of Progressive Spiritualists held its usual free meeting last Sunday evening at Occidental Hall, San Francisco. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, W. T. Jones presided. After the service of song, Mrs. R. S. Lillie gave an inspired lecture on "The Past, Present and Future of Spiritualism." She said that the way was open and paved for the announcement of Modern Spiritualism by the writings and labors of Thomas Paine, and particularly by the publication of his masterpiece, "The Age of Reason." The work performed by Spiritualism in the past was phenomenal; it had broken down the barriers made by creeds and dogma, and presented to the world a freedom which had never before entered into the imagination of man.

She said that the present had been depending too much on the past; that it should organize and lay out plans and formulate work for the future. It will entirely depend upon the action of the present for its existence and propaganda work.

Mrs. C. J. Meyer, at 335 McAllister St., San Francisco, read flowers, letters and other articles psychometrically, and gave spirit messages to the audience assembled in Fraternal Hall last Sunday evening.

The Art of Living was the subject of a lecture delivered last Sunday evening in the Odd Fellows' Building, San Francisco, Cal., by Henry Harrison Brown, the editor of *Now*. There was a good audience present, and all were greatly interested in the lecture given by this eloquent orator. Meetings will be continued in this hall every Sunday evening until further notice.

Rev. Mr. Briggs begins a series of lectures in Occidental Hall next Thursday evening on liberal thought, as advocated by Rev. T. DeWitt Tallmage. He is a missionary sent out by the Tabernacle Society of Brooklyn, N. Y., for the purpose of propagating liberal thought as expressed in the Tabernacle pulpit.

Next Friday Evening the old folks' entertainment and concert will be held in Occidental Hall, under the auspices of the Ladies' Spiritual Aid Society. It will be entirely conducted by the old folks, but it will be for the entertainment of young people, who are cordially invited to attend.

Swami Abhayananda lectured for the Union Spiritual Society at Fraternal Hall, Oakland, Sunday, Sept. 22, at 3 p.m., her subject being, "The Evolution of Man," which she handled in a masterly manner, to the delight of the very large audience, every seat being occupied.

Mrs. Shriner and Mrs. Griffin occupied the platform in the evening. A large audience was present, which testified better than anything else the excellence of their work. Sunday, Sept. 29, at 3 p.m., Prof. Hougham will lecture.

Mrs. Ada Foye, the renowned platform medium, will lecture and give messages in the evening. The admission has been placed at the popular price of 10 cents during Mrs. Foye's engagement.

Mrs. S. Cowell was in attendance at the Union Spiritual Society's meetings Sunday, Sept. 22, both afternoon and evening, to the delight of her many friends.

An Interesting Entertainment will be given in Occidental Hall next Tuesday evening, Oct. 1, under the auspices of the Mediums' Protective Association. There will be musical and literary exercises. Two prominent test mediums and an hour devoted to demonstrations of hypnotic power by Prof. Willi. The price of admission will be 15 cents, two for 25c. M. S. NORTON, Sec. pro. tem.

Mrs. W. B. Gillingham held her usual Sunday evening meeting on the fourth floor of the Supreme Court building last Sunday, the hall being filled to overflowing. The exercises consisted of answers to written questions, which brings the mortal in direct communication with the spirit entity. These meetings are held every Sunday, Tuesday and Friday.

Prof. Edward K. Earle occupied the rostrum at A. O. U. W. Hall, 1169 Broadway, Oakland, last Sunday evening. His messages were of a spiritual character and highly convincing. C. F. VAN LUVEN.

The Meeting of the First Spiritual Ladies' Aid Society on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 18, was well attended and unusually interesting, made so by a general discussion on practical lines, devising ways and means to raise money to carry on the spiritual work in California, and also to help sustain the spiritual headquarters in San Francisco. This society is growing in membership and good work.

Mrs. Ada Foye has returned from Seattle and will resume her work in Fraternal Hall, Oakland, next Sunday, Sept. 29. She will remain in this city for the Winter, and arrangements may be made so that she will hold Sunday meetings in San Francisco, so as to give her many friends in this city an opportunity of attending, without crossing the Bay. Further particulars will be given next week.

The Oakland Spiritual Society met at Unity Hall, 856 1/2 Isabella St., on Wednesday evening, Sept. 18. Mrs. Stewart opened with an invocation; Mrs. Palnbaum read the poem entitled, "I Live for Those That Love me." Dr. Palnbaum became entranced and gave spirit messages. Prof. Perkins related some of his experiences in mediumship and gave some tests. Walter Hyde gave a short talk, and Mrs. Stewart closed the meeting. Vox.

Swami Abhayananda will give a lecture before the Twentieth Century Club, room 11, Flood Building, on Thursday, Sept. 26, at 8 p.m., on "The Women of India." The Swami gives instructions, and holds classes daily at the Abbotsford, corner of Broadway and Larkin Sts., San Francisco, Cal. She will be glad to see her friends there at any time.

Mrs. M. Theresa Allen writes from Springfield, Mo., as follows: "Our regular Sunday-night public services at G. A. R. hall, on St. Louis St., began Sept. 15. The audiences are fair in size and very appreciative."

The Camerons.—The Stockton Mail recently had an article descriptive of manifestations at Cameron's Old Curiosity Shop, 625 Main St. Mr. John Cameron is himself the principal medium; but his son, aged ten years, has similar power in a less degree. First came rappings, then lights and afterwards independent voices. On one occasion right hands appeared in the cabinet, a guitar being at the same time played there. While these manifestations are taking place, a kerosine lamp is burning in the room, shaded only by a paper bag. Lamps light and go out of themselves apparently. As soon as he secures \$1,000 (most of which sum he has now) he intends to tour the State.

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