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THE DAWN OF TRUTH.

Elizabeth M. Campbell.

The haze of creeds and dogmas, long
Had wrapped the earth in awful gloom;
No mirth nor joy nor gladsome song,
Gave echo from the silent tomb;
All, all was full of mystery,
And tear dimmed eyes no light could see
For longing hearts craved something
more
Than funeral shrouds, for all their
dead;
And so upon life's darkest hour,
When faith and hope had well-nigh
fled,
There dawned a light, whose brilliancy
Illuminated earth from land to sea.

The tiny rappings on the wall,
Told that the loved had never died,
That patiently they waited all,
Some means by which to reach our side.
A sweeter knowledge this by far
Than brought to earth by Bethlehem's
star.

The pearly gates stood just ajar,
Love's messengers all waiting there,
Bearing the tidings from afar,
That vanished every doubt and fear—
And gave the light that set us free,
For which we hold our jubilee.

At early morn, at dewy night,
With all love's yearning in their eyes,
Effulgent in their raiment white,
They trod the pathway to the skies;
They brought to earth a song of joy,
The pains of death, cannot destroy.

And with their advent has been sung,
The song of the immortal soul,
While liberated thought has sung
From sea to sea, from pole to pole.
Freedom of thought! we know thou art,
Of life's great victory a part.

COMMON SENSE.

BY GNOMON.

It was our privilege to listen to Mrs. Jennie Hagan Brown recently, and the thoughts which she voiced could be put in practice with benefit to ourselves.

In speaking of mediumship, she spoke of some who are self-hypnotized into believing themselves inspired by the spirits of those who have been prominent in the past, but who have chosen some particular person (the medium in question) as their mouth piece.

Others were spoken of who pre-

ferred to give communications from the spirit world, but had no real mediumship. Others again attached such imaginary importance to their mediumship as to become laughing stocks of all who know them.

The advice given was that in the first place it was well to be sure that true mediumship was present before proclaiming it to the world; next to develop it gradually in the home circle; but, above all, to refuse to give anything but the truth.

It is unfortunate that a chain is no stronger than its weakest link, that constitutes the capacity of the chain, and judged by that standard,

Spiritualism is indeed weak, for on every side we see mediums come before the public with great pretensions but small legitimate power to back them up.

The priests and ministers of all religions go through a course of preparation before being permitted to enter the ministry; It may be urged that a course of study is not essential to mediumship, neither is it, but it would be much better for the cause of Spiritualism if its public workers proved their ability in their particular phases of mediumship before advertising themselves in high-sounding phrases so com-

mon to the advocates of our philosophy.

We have no desire to establish a creed or to give any particular body of men or women the sole power to qualify workers.

That has been abused enough. But what is needed is that those who are ignorant of what constitutes Spiritualism should not teach their peculiar brand of ignorance and label it Spiritualism.

It is unnecessary to state that all the vagaries which are taught do not come from well informed spirits any more than they come from well informed mortals.

Because a sensitive person is favored with more or less candidness is no reason why they should be inflicted on a long-suffering people under the name of Spiritualism.

It should be understood that the majority of spirits who pass over to the other side are just as ignorant as when they were in the body.

They have had no special opportunities to obtain technical or any other kind of knowledge, and the strong probabilities are that they are unable to communicate with those they left by reason of their ignorance of the necessary laws, then why should "mediums" claim so often that they can put them in communication with their loved ones?

It is largely through the ignorance of such mediums and equally the ignorance of those who are willing to believe it.

No absolute guide can be given, but when a spirit has passed over after a long and wasting sickness, it is hardly probable that spirit can come back in a short time and give a truthful statement as to the beauties of their home.

Neither does a person who was notoriously ignorant of business conditions while in the body become a safe guide in speculation or other business when ushered into the realms of spirit.

Let Spiritualists use a little common sense in dealing with all communications, and let the mediums also use common sense in giving communications.

It is better to suppress a lie than



MRS. M. J. HENDEE-ROGERS.

Mrs. Hendee Rogers the subject of this sketch is a native of Maine, during her early years, and prior to the advent of Modern Spiritualism, she was an ardent Methodist, while engaged in warning others against the wiles of Spiritualism, she heard a voice say to her; "are you sure that you have all the truth?" In 1847 while bitterly bewailing the loss of a baby girl of four years, while alone and in great distress her little girl came to her and said: "Mamma don't cry any more; I am happy." This was one of the many experiences which finally convinced her to the truth of the spiritual philosophy. Her work as a Medium and Healer extends over a period of thirty years, and thousands of people call her blessed.

to give it birth, even though it sounds plausible.

It is safe to use judgement in dealing with spirits and not to imagine that all spirits are transformed into angels.

DR. PEEBLES IS COMING AND GOING.

We take pleasure in announcing that Dr. Peebles, the world-wide missionary, who has been spending the winter in San Diego, California will reach San Francisco early Monday morning, about 8 o'clock, April 4. His headquarters will be at the PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL office, 1429 Market street, for the day, where he will be pleased to see his old friends and acquaintances.

He will leave this city at 8 o'clock the same evening, April 4th, for Portland. He will be in Portland during the day of April 6, Wednesday and will be pleased to meet some of the Spiritualists and Liberalists of that city, as they may arrange. He leaves Portland at 11:45 the same day Wednesday the 6th.

He will arrive in Seattle Thursday, (7th of April) at 9 o'clock a. m. and leaves Friday the 8th at 9:45 a. m. He hopes to meet the Seattle Spiritualists and Liberalists.

He will be in Spokane at 11:45 p. m. Friday, April 8th and leave Saturday, April 9th at 12:55 p. m. He expects to reach Butte Sunday the 10th at 1:45 a. m., to fill an afternoon and evening engagement.

He will reach Minneapolis on Wednesday the 13th 1:50 a. m. and leave there at 6:45 the 14th. He hopes to meet the Liberalists, Spiritualists and Anti-Vaccinationists of Minneapolis. He will arrive in Chicago, (all accidents aside) Friday the 15th, and lecture for the Hyde Park Occult Society, on Sunday the 17th of April.

P. S.—Dr. W. G. Thurber a young physician and an excellent psychic will accompany Dr. Peebles on his homeward journey to Battle Creek, Michigan.

HOW THE RAPS SOUND.

The raps at Hydesville, New York, very much resembled the electric clicking of a great human battery and were the means used by the unseen world to convey to earth the messages of truth for the enlightenment of the scientific world.

The Fox sisters were divine instruments for the truth, long may their lights shine on.—Prof. Jas. Hilling, Boston, Mass.

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REVIEW OF DR. NELLIE BEIGHLE'S BOOK.

When the Greek Philosopher and poet "Esop" was asked how a book should be judged, it is related that he gave this answer:

"Ascertain whether the author says what he ought, whether he says only what he ought, and if he says it as he ought."

Dr. Nellie Beighle's recent publication of the "Book of Knowledge" comes within the requirements of the Sage.

Besides a very interesting biography of the writer, the work is teeming with information regarding psychic facts, proofs of immortality, and the overflowing stream of revelation received by all sorts and conditions of men and women, many of whom were, or are, famous in this world's history.

Numerous testimonies of her remarkable cures, signed by leading citizens in the land, are embodied in the book, which terminates by a series of beautiful lessons drawn from gospel texts, and which are a veritable illumination to the truth-seeker.

The "Book of Knowledge" is beautifully bound in gray cloth and contains over 500 pages of good printed matter, is published by the Alliance Publishing Company, price \$2.00 and we prophesy for it a long life and a large circulation.

WHAT IS LOVE.

ARTHUR F. MILTON.

It is God, says the church. But what is God? that is beyond discovery. Then why try to define love, if it be one and the same!

It is life, says the philosopher, and what is life, pray? Oh, that is love, consciousness, sensation!

Then love and sensation are analogous?

Of course! What we experience in childhood is love's primitive impulse—known as sensation or feeling—a compromise between the animal and the spirit.

As this feeling partakes of a higher range or vibration than for mere self gratification it becomes love as a spiritual impulse, or briefly stated love is sensation spiritualized.

DEVELOPMENT.

MRS. CLARA U. MYERS

In sitting for development let us know ourselves perfectly, reach out for the highest force we can get from the angel world, asking for spiritual conditions, and if we live a Christ-like life, we will unfold the best part of ourselves, and attain to that which appeals to the soul.

You say why do we not develop seeing, hearing or other forces, because you are not yet in the proper condition to receive it, your physical bodies are not pure enough to receive the highest forces, we must get right ourselves, remember true progress of all, lies in knowledge. Knowledge that will make all, a useful, gentle, courteous, just, and

dignified persons.

It matters not of what belief you belong to, all have the gift of spirit and must sooner or later acknowledge it, for it will surely show itself some day. Be ready to receive it with a true spirit of love, no one can hope to walk and talk with the Angels, unless they live pure and holy lives—Spiritual lives.

With every thought that comes to thee in the balance of reason and go deep into the silence and listen to the God within thee. Whether the thought be truth or not and be careful how you go about sitting.

Try the spirits sit for fifteen minutes in the silence with the mind concentrated upon that, which you so desire, you must also pay strict attention to diet—eat no meat, drink no coffee, tea or wine, take a daily bath, and after each bath anoint yourself thoroughly with oil and you will get that which you are most anxious for. Try this and you will see for yourself.

SAN JOSE NEWS.

Again the angel of life has borne away to spirit realms one of our most esteemed sisters—Sister Brook was a model Spiritualist beloved by all who knew her. She passed away March 8, and the mortal remains were looked on, for the last time on Friday, after which they were conveyed to Cypress Lawn Cemetery to be cremated.

The president of our society Brother Hambly conducted the funeral exercises, Sister Elsey was controlled and gave a short but beautiful address, the friends sang some of our sweet spiritual songs and we all felt that with the loved one, we could say—"It is well."

B. F. Slater of Alameda was with us February 28, and answered written questions on spiritual subjects.

John Slater was with us on the morning and evening of the 6th inst he gave some wonderful tests.

We are making arrangements for our Anniversary meeting and expect to have an enjoyable time, to that end Committees were appointed today.

Our morning conference meetings continue to be of interest many subjects being discussed to the edification of those present.

In the future we intend having a meeting every Sunday evening, speakers if possible, if not, local talent.

Yours fraternally,
MRS. H. L. BIGELOW,
Sec'y First Spiritual Union

REVIEW OF MRS. MAUD LORD DRAKE'S BOOK.

Another very interesting work just out is "Psychic Light" by Mrs. Maud Lord Drake, known throughout the length and breadth of our country as the "Peoples" Medium.

The aim of the book is to prove the continuity of law and life, by reason, science, and phenomenal demonstrations; of which a great number are recorded in the book.

Testimonials from irrefutable sources, some of them written by

eminent men and women of the Old continent.

A portrait and a short sketch of Madame Blavatsky's early life in America, are among the contents of this fine publication, which comes to us in a red and gold cloth cover, with a significant symbol for a motto, and a charming likeness of the writer on the frontispiece, also a good one of Mr. J. S. Drake adorns one of its pages.

May the "Psychic Light" shed its rays of truth, continuing the work of illumination so nobly done by its author. Published by the Frank T. Riley Publishing Company, Kansas city. For sale by the Philosophical Publishing Company, 1429 Market street, San Francisco. Price \$1.50

AS OTHERS SEE US.

From a subscriber in Toronto, Canada: "I saw a change for the better before I learned of the change in the management."

From the editor of the good old *Banner of Light*—"The issue before me strikes me as being just about the right thing and has connected with it, that feeling of life and go."

Dr. J. M. Peebles, says:—I am pleased to see your names at the head of the JOURNAL, because I know that your heart is in this great cause of truth that we mutually love."

Mrs. Kate Hoskins—Another veteran worker adds her testimony: "I take the JOURNAL because it is an old and faithful friend, because it is clean and chuck full of good things that tend to help one along life's journey, success to the new management."

Mrs. Ella York, formerly of San San Jose and San Francisco now in Portland, Or. writes: "The JOURNAL is a welcome visitor to my home I read your article on Progressive Lyceums and thought it fine."

Mr. H. C. Towner of Los Angeles writes: "I find it impossible to loose hold on the JOURNAL, which has grown to be not only a welcome visitor but a very dear friend."

Mrs. H. L. Bigelow of San Jose says: "The JOURNAL is getting more interesting and I think our home paper should be supported."

From Danville, Va.—Find enclosed money order for \$1.50 for my subscription to January 1905. It has been a great pleasure to me to cull from the sheets of the JOURNAL, the many spiritual truths during the term of my subscription of over ten years and to note that it does not depreciate with age, but rather becomes stronger as it grows older. Why not its readers, from a spiritual standpoint.

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"ALICE" MESSAGE CORNER"

Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie, Medium.

Edward Fair—A slender, worn-looking gentleman comes to the table asking me to send a message to his wife. As I look, I see something is wrong with one arm, and a feeling of great pain comes to me; then, that passes and I hear this: 'No pain now.' Tell my dear wife that the only pain I know, is when she is not happy. Tell her again and again how much I bless her for her tender care and how I pray that she may not have the same long drawn out suffering, when she comes to me. Tell her that she will have such a loving welcome and that all the way from life in the body to life in this new condition, I will walk with her and try to assist in every way. Frank is with me; we send greeting to all friends, but most of all to my dear one who was so good to me, and to whom I will always try to help. It is all true; we can come; we can make ourselves known. We are still living. I knew this before death and have proven it to many since passing away from the body.

I thank you, Alice, for the kindness shown me, a stranger, in sending this to my wife.

Jimmie Johnson—Just a word to my mother to let her know that I want to take every opportunity to let her know how lovely this life is. I did not want to die when I went away, but it is all right now and I don't want to live in the body. I also hear the word, "tell her that Father Sanford is here," and we both send love, mother is with me. I know how Mother misses me, and want to send her my love, says the one named Jimmie,

Nellie Perklyn—The spirit that asks to send a message is an old lady with short white curls about her sweet face and such a placid look, not a line to mar the sweetness of the motherly countenance. She has with her one whom she calls Ruth and a young child called Andrew. They are plainly dressed but so neatly that it is a pleasure to see them. They send word to James Draper that they are here and wish him to know they have kept the promise they made years ago in Vermont when Allen was visiting them and that the lecture they heard was, after all true, and spirits can return.

John Fielding—A sturdy man well built and sandy hair, full beard speaks to me, saying: "I wonder if Mrs. Newman has forgotten me, tell her that I see Mr. Newman every day and O how well and strong he is, and the lovely daughter. They are so happy and the father will not be far away when they

her. Tell her that her old friends have not forgotten her. I have bought many a book, many a paper of her, and tell that Mr. Robinson is with them. I guess she will remember me, I wish I could reach my daughter Mary, but feel sure she would not believe it is her father, but it is, and with me are Henry and Samuel. All send love.

"HEREDITY."

MADAME FLORENCE MONTAGUE

What do we inherit? Science and religion, which parted company, when man lost the key to the higher spiritual revelation, and daily coming into closer rapport in their verdicts on life's manifestations.

No where do we see their understanding so clearly demonstrated, as in their statements on Heredity.

The Decalogue, Exodus XX, contains some remarkable information, interpolated between prohibitions

or commands, and a striking one is found at the 5th verse, where we read, that the "Iniquity of the Fathers will be visited upon the children unto the third and fourth generation."

The Jews thoroughly understood the transmission of tainted blood, and other physical deficiencies, or deformities, therefore they often went through special preparation, and purification, before entering the state of matrimony, in order to avoid the deterioration of their progeny.

After centuries of observation, science proclaims the Biblical declaration perfectly correct, but, with an additional discovery, upon which we must base the hope of final restoration to a perfect type of humanity, as the rightful heritage of every member of the human family.

The modern view of evolution in Biology, rests upon the fact that hereditary transmission, though escaping one or more generations, will reappear with a tendency to

permanence, but that variation, constantly works for the elimination of same, and that in time accomplishes its final extinction, creating in accordance and in harmony with the new environment, and mode of living.

Therefore reversion to old types, (which would mean eternal death,) is not the working of the natural law, as some of us have interpreted in the past, but conformity to the Prototype, (that is eternal life,) is according to the latest discoveries, man's line of progression; it is the evolving of his spiritual nature. man's natural inheritance which must and does consume the imperfect material transmitted or acquired, as soon as the individual has reached that point in evolution, when originality versus Spirituality asserts its Dominion.

Right thinking, and right living, are necessary steps towards this recognition of a higher inheritance, as children of the most high, and the great master proclaimed the truth of Universal and Everlasting Heredity, when He said: "Be ye perfect as your Father, who is in Heaven is perfect."

OAKLAND NEWS.

The platform at Fraternal hall, was occupied on Sunday evening, by Mr. and Mrs. Gillette, who will continue their meetings until further notice. Mr. Gillette spoke on the necessity for education, not alone for mediums but for Spiritualists generally, so as to enable them to distinguish the true from the false. Mrs. Gillette followed with readings.

Charles Anderson was to have occupied the platform at Fraternal hall, on Sunday afternoon, but was absent owing to sickness.

On Tuesday evening, March 15, Charles Anderson gave a benefit circle, for Mrs. Otto 1210 Seventh street, different mediums attended each Tuesday evening so as to keep up the circle until her recovery.

Anniversary meetings will be held in Woodmen's hall, on Sunday March 27, afternoon and evening, by Mrs. Cowell Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. McEvoy and others; also at Fraternal hall on Sunday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Gillette.

The Psychical Society's meeting at Odd Fellows hall on Sunday morning was fairly well attended. Mrs. Lillie spoke on subjects furnished by the audience, ending with an improvisation.

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"Your work is marvelous, epoch making."—Lillian Whiting, Boston Correspondent to Chicago Inter-Ocean.

"A remarkable book. Originality and depth of thought, combined with perspicacity, characterize every page. It is evident in every sentence that this volume is the offspring of inspiration."—Progressive Thinker.

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PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

BY J. M. MATHEWS

Life with us all is to a certain extent what we make it, still as I look back upon my own life, and also that of others, I cannot help believing that heredity and early environment have laid the foundation for all our later development of character.

As I view the past I seem to be indeed a creature of circumstances. Success as well as failure, joy and sorrow alternating, all along the journey of life. I have a thousand times found fault with myself because I did not take the other road, but now I am disposed to think that the roughest places in the road traveled are the most valuable, and that every experience was for the best, it is mine, I would not part with it, and could not if I would.

The houses and homes that I have builded and worked so hard to beautify, are no longer mine, but are remembered with pleasure. Speaking of homes reminds me of a dream or vision which I dimly remember. I seemed to be in a strange country and accompanied by an attendant, and as we journeyed along we approached a beautiful house surrounded with trees and flowers and singing birds, and everything that could add charm to the landscape, no language could describe the beauty and grandure of the place.

After admiring the scenery for a time, my guide said: "this is your home," oh, no I said, that cannot be, "yes he said again this is all yours." No, no it cannot be, I am not worthy of such a beautiful place.

My attention was then called to the vast extended view before us of valleys and hills for hundreds of miles, it seemed in all directions, and I seemed to see millions of human beings—men, women, and children, dwelling all over this vast world before us. I observed that some of the people occupied beautiful mansions, some very much more magnificent than the one my guide

said was mine. Very many lived in shanties and then many had no dwellings of any description, and as I beheld this vast multitude of poor ignorant humanity, my sympathies went out to them and I said to my guide; "these are my fellow travelers—our brothers and sisters of earth life, and I am but one of them I cannot occupy this beautiful residence, while so many have no home at all, well—but my guide said: "I cannot help that—it is yours—you built it yourself, its just what you made it, then I seemed to realize, that it was indeed mine.

Then I was impressed to say, how many there are that have not built for the future. Yes said my attendant, "it is sad to see them thus, but do you not see they are being educated, and there is time enough in spirit life, in the boundless yet to be for them to progress eternally."

Here my vision ended and I at once thought of such stuff are dreams made of, but I know well that we are all preparing the way for our future, and are building our future homes now.

We are either planting flowers and hanging beautiful pictures upon the walls of our chambers, or we may be sowing weeds and thistles in our gardens, or daubing mud and dirt upon our parlor walls.

It seems to me that my future dwelling will have some dark spots upon it, and if I should have a garden that many ugly looking weeds will be growing there, and perhaps I shall be rather ashamed of it.

I know that we will be compelled to accept of that which we have built, be it good and beautiful or debasing and low. I rejoice that we all have opportunities to beautify a shanty. My friends let us not forget that we are all building our future homes now, and let us ask ourselves often, what kind of a future am I making, towards a higher and better life, not alone for myself but for any and all.

If we sow the seeds of kind deeds now, we may gather the harvest of love later on, then in joy and gladness we will meet our loved ones, and dwell in the beautiful life of the soul.

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CHRIST A GOD, NOT THE GREAT ALMIGHTY GOD.

BY JOHN MURPHY

The leading article in the Journal of March 5th by W. J. Cowen, on the nature of Christ, seems to lack careful thinking and research.

Mr. Cowen tries to prove that Jesus Christ was a mere man, but credits him with being a remarkable medium. He treats the account of his life recorded in the Gospels, as doubtful, possibly the life of Apollonius of Tyana, changed to suit the needs of the fabricated story, by the writers of the early Christian church.

I submit and maintain, that the life of the Christ given in the Gospels is as authentic historically as the life of any celebrities, and that there was in his day, probably as much or more known about mediumship, as there is now. The New Testament abounds with it. Christ was certainly a medium of the most exalted type, a perfect link between heaven and earth, He was also a man, but the most perfect man that ever lived in this world, as Mr. Cowen has quoted Napoleon's sayings about Jesus of Nazareth only partially, I give you almost exactly his words as revealed by his friends who waited on him

"Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne and I have conquered kingdoms and made them tributary to us, but one rule has rested upon force. Jesus Christ has founded a kingdom which rests upon love, and today there are millions of men who would die for him. I tell you Jesus Christ is not a man, He is more than a man."

Apart from the testimony of Napoleon, whose authority on spiritual subjects was simply that of mere intellectualism, there are abundant and numerous testimonies from the highest and the purest spirit that ever left the Fathers presence, or messages of love. His pre-existence is distinctly taught by them as well as stated by himself in the gospel of John.

One remarkable spirit testimony is given by Hafed a prince of Persia, a spirit medium, who lived at the time of Christ, and who was his instructor in the wisdom of the east, for several years. This Hafed was the principal of the three "wise men, who came from the East to Jerusalem, saying, where is He that is born King of the Jews," being sent to Judea by a spirit guide

(Flame)" to greet and worship the Great Deliverer, whose coming had been predicted and long looked for by the Chaldean, the Hindoo and the Persian Sages.

Hafed gives an account of his being summoned afterwards to Egypt, when Jesus was a young boy, to take charge of him and to finish his education in Eastern learning, because the Egyptian priest who had the charge of Jesus was very old and near his death.

Hafed came to Egypt and assumed the task of instructor, and both Hafed and Jesus traveled through parts of India and other countries together before reaching Persia; afterwards going to Judea for a time, until Jesus was over 12 years old, then they returned to Persia, where Jesus remained until he was about 18 years of age, after which he returned to Judea to prepare by retirement and meditations for his great mission, as the World's Redeemer.

Hafed witnessed many instances of the boy's divine nature and wonder working power, before he left for his native country. He mentions one instance of raising a dead man to life, and several other manifestations of divine power by him.

So beautiful and attractive was the life of Jesus, in those early years, that Hafed renounced his Persian religion, and his position as chief of the Magi and became a Christian missionary. He afterwards suffered martyrdom on account of his zeal and ardent labors in preaching the Gospel to his fellow countrymen.

Hafed's narrative does not stop with his earth life, but continues on after his awakening to immortality in the Summer Land; where he sees the Nazarene (who had in the meantime been crucified) clothed with divine glory and majesty, and adored by innumerable hosts of happy spirits, and acknowledged as the Son of God, the Lord and King of our Solar system.

[To be Continued.]

A DECREE.

The courts of California have granted Madam Florence Montague a decree of divorce from her husband Montague Yates, on the grounds of Bigamy.

While she was in Canada last winter, he contracted a second marriage in London, England with a Miss Jackson, a poor hunchback, that Madam Montague had employed and befriended as her secretary.

The present divorce is the consequence. Madam Montague has the sympathy of all her friends and is to be congratulated that she is freed from such a man.

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The Ladies First Spiritual Aid Society, on Wednesday March 2, voted to hold a Rummage Sale, about April 1st. Friends having articles of clothing or any household goods to donate please notify the secretary, Mrs. A. E. Wadsworth, 1429 Market st., by Postal Card and they will be called for.

Dr. N. F. Ravlin, is open for engagements with camp meetings and societies for the coming season. His labors in Baltimore as pastor of the First Spiritual church, close the last Sunday in May. His address is 308 North Green street, Baltimore.

The JOURNAL office received a pleasant call from Mr. E. W. Sanderson, treasurer of the Wisconsin State Spiritualist Association last week. Brother Sanderson will remain in San Francisco two weeks.

Mr. Harry Crindle has gone to San Diego to remain three or four months.

A good change—Elsewhere will be found the announcement that Dr. J. M. Peebles will be in this city on April 4th. We proffered him the use of the JOURNAL office as stated. But upon second thought would suggest that Sunflower hall be secured on that day from 2 to 4 p. m. for the purpose of giving our good Brother such a warm and cordial reception as our people are capable of doing. The ball has been set in motion, let the friends unite in carrying out the suggestion to a success.

Benefit Meetings—These meetings conducted by Mrs. R. S. Lillie, assisted Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Howe, are full of interest and should be sustained. The object is a worthy one and may serve as a nucleus to something better and greater. Perhaps a Home for indigent mediums. Who knows! Think about it.

Progressive Spiritualists Society, A large audience was in attendance at Covenant hall, Odd Fellow building, Sunday evening, March 20. The usual song service was followed by a well rendered trio by Miss Severance, Mr. Koch and Mr. Wadsworth. The subject of Mrs. Lillie's discourse was: First Cause or Creative Energy, and was ably handled. Following the address Mrs. Lillie a poem. On account of the anniversary exercises held by the State Association. There will be no services tomorrow in Covenant hall, but will be resumed Sunday evening, April 3.

Please notice—All persons having books left at the Occult Book Store 1429 Market street, on sale, please call for them. A change having been made in the management.

Election Notice—The Ladies' First Spiritual Aid Society will hold the annual election of officers on Wednesday, April 6, 1904, at Sunflower Hall 305 Larkin St.

The Ladies Aid held its regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon and made further arrangements for the coming Rummage Sale to be held in April.

56th Anniversary—All arrangements for the Anniversary celebration in Steinway Hall, 223 Sutter street, tomorrow afternoon and evening are complete. The several committees having attended to every detail which ensures success and day of rejoicing to all who attend. A conference will be held at 10 a. m. in Sunflower hall, 305 Larkin St., conducted by Mrs. Sarah Seal. These meetings are always interesting and instructive.

The Peoples' Church—On Sunday evening the 19th, "Spiritual Financiering" was the subject of Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie's lecture, which was replete with gems of practical thoughts and illustrations to thoughtful, inquiring minds after something more realistic and enduring to build character upon. She showed how futile and unsatisfactory many investments in the old theologies of the past have been. But that in the light of the new dispensation and spiritual teaching, there is no good excuse for intelligent men and women making bad investments. Mrs. J. J. Whitney, being present, addressed the audience relative to the cause of Spiritualism in Los Angeles. No services tomorrow. All go to Steinway Hall. 56th Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Whitney are in the city for a few days only.

A Profitable meeting—A few friends were invited to meet Mr. Stitt J. Wilson on Wednesday evening at the home of Dr. Oora Morse, 621 O'Farrell street. Mr. Wilson filled most of the time answering questions and defining many perplexing problems that are confronting us today. As a reformer and as an advocate of a reconstruction of our social and industrial system, Mr. Wilson has no superior. He is sincere, inspired, and truly one of the 20th century savior of men. It was good to be there.—Ed.

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A Souvenir—It is our intention to issue a Souvenir Anniversary JOURNAL next week in which will appear a short sketch of the public work and portraits of some of our prominent workers in the cause of Spiritualism. We regret that our space is so limited that we cannot at this time find room for all, be patient with us and we will see what else we can do in the near future.—Editor.

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