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JUDGMENT DAY.

G. W. Sandford

In the quiet of the morning,
When all in slumber lay,
I seemed to see a vision
A glance at Judgment Day.

I heard no mighty trumpet,
Saw no unnumbered throng,
But all was law and order
And the masses moved along.

And I saw no great Jehovah,
And heard no one command,
But felt a thrill of pleasure
As I joined the moving band.

I felt so gay and happy,
My feet scarce touched the ground,
And I paused not to wonder
Or ask where we were bound.

As by some silent impulse
We all marched on our way,
And the voice of intuition
Told me 'twas Judgement Day.

I saw within the distance
Many gates all opened wide,
While through one passed a lover,
And one received a bride.

Another claimed an aged man
All bent with weight of years,
The next received a baby
Bedewed with mother's tears.

By a gate I saw a poor man
Leave his burdens manifold,
The next I saw a rich man
Leave his sack of yellow gold.

And there were open gates for all,
What e're their rank or fame,
The rich and pure, the lame and blind,
All through death's portals came.

Between these deathly portals
And the gate of Life's fair strand,
I saw a gulf of water
O'er whose borders none could span.

And those who plunge beneath it
'Rose on the other side,
All robed in beauteous garments,
By the water purified.

And I saw Life's Gateway open
And a voice within did say,
That all must pass its portals
Through the gulf "humility."

What you have seen in vision
And would to earth portray,
Is what doth really happen
In spirit realm each day.

'Tis but the soul's awakening
As it leaves its home on earth
To bask in brighter regions
According to its worth.

And thus the world is moving
Its laws all must obey,
For each and every morning
Is someones' "Judgment Day."

SPIRITUALISM ALL-EMBRACING!

Fifty-six years and more, Spiritualism has been my joy by day and my comfort by night. And being now an Octogenarian, and more, with hairs whitened in lifes varied struggles, with many moral scars won on theological battlefields, and conscious this very hour of spirit presences around me, whispering words of love. I never so prized—never so loved Spiritualism as I do this very moment.

Oh! brave compeers! Oh young comrades, strip for the final battle. The fight is still on, are your feet swift and your head's clear to defend the truth?

The scales may turn against you today in certain localities, but tomorrow you will ride in chariot's coquerors. Have faith, be proud to stand upon the plane of rebellion against the wrong. Temporary misfortune often proves to be a fortune a little later.

It is useless to burden the air with laments. Bury the past and push on. Storms purify the air, it is the burnished steel that shines. Many of the most painful phases of life lead up to the richest spiritual blessings.

The corn dies in darkness before it sprouts up into the sunshine of an hundred fold. God is good, angels are guarding us, the world moves, progress is in the air, truth is imperishable. The ripening harvest is within reach, and both appreciation and the redemption, if not the canonization of the true and the faithful, draweth nigh, here I am reminded of cheery words of Edgerton.

The world will be a better place
In a hundred years!
We'll have a brighter, happier race
In a hundred years!
The isms of old, the worn-out lies,
The ancient wrongs, like mist that
flies,
Will melt in the rays of a new sun-
rise,
In a hundred years!
A human soul will be higher priced
In a hundred years!
The church will be converted to
Christ

In a hundred years!
There will be more of faith and less
of creed,

Be more of justice and less of need
Be more of honor and less of greed,

In a hundred years!
There will be more of substance
and less of form,

In a hundred years!
More love will keep the world's
heart warm,

In a hundred years!
The laws will aim at the common
good;

And religion be for brotherhood—
While toil will be honored as it
should,

In a hundred years!
There will be less misery and less
wrong,

In a hundred years!
There will be more gladness—and
more song,

In a hundred years!
Baptized in a new humanity,
Each man to man will a helper
be,—

While the toiling slaves will all go
free

In a hundred years!

Waiting a hundred years is too long. We want all these poet-painted good things now. We want Heaven right here and now in our hearts and our homes. 'What wilt thou have?' asked our Emerson of Concord. 'Find it, pay for it, and take it,' was his pithy reply.

Considering the indifferent and materialistic status of the world, Spirit phenomena are necessities. Test messages are indispensable. God and the holy angels bless all the good and true mediumistic message-bearers, who bring us good tidings from the summerland zones that encircle our planet.

The principles of Spiritualism are as wide as all races and nations. Its philosophy is divine. One of its clearest expressions is evolution and its destiny is the synonym of the world's universal religion—the world's redemption—the resurrection of the beast, into the Christ.

Liberal Christians, Christian Scientists, New Thoughtists, Theosophists and other New Cults are doing good work in their way. We hold out to them the olive branch of peace, and bid them and all other

reform branches of thought and purpose, God speed, just so far as they "abide in the Vine," which Vine is Spirit, the spirit of truth, "other sheep have I," said the martyr of Nazareth, "which are not of this fold, them must I bring also and there shall be one fold and one shepherd."

Some unwise pessimistic spiritists of my country, reported to the English press a few months ago, that Spiritualism was "on the decline in America," nothing could be further from the truth, the decline if there was any in a certain locality, was but a reflection of his own indifference and inefficient moral status.

The truth never declines, it is immortal, once born and rooted into human nature as a conscious reality and it abides there forever.

I never knew a genuine Spiritualist to recant. Spiritualism is a fact, and more, it is a grand, a mighty truth, centering primarily in God who is spirit, secondly in the moral and religious constitution of man, and thirdly, in messages and test-communications, which, coming from the world invisible demonstrate the continuity of life, and the conscious cognition of those over there, whom we knew living in this mortal state of existence. Therefore, it is priceless, no poet can fully sing it's moral beauties; no artist can put it's glories upon canvas, nor can angel tones however tender or thrilling, tell of, or number it's measureless blessings.

Beloved friends, do we fully appreciate it? Do we fully realize that it plants an opening rosebud upon the cold cheek of death, unlocks the tomb's dark door-way and o'er earths million cemeteries chants the undying song of victory.

Spiritualism in its broadest and divinest sense is not only cosmopolitan, but is all embracing, including all that is good and true in Christian Science, Metaphysical Science, Divine Science, Divine Healing and Theosophy, and why? Because it's foundation, its topmost keystone is Spirit. Mark it well! the cornerstone of Spiritualism is Spirit, pure essential, immutable Spirit and take the Spirit from any of these pretentious New Thought

Sciences, and they are but empty shells and tinkling cymbals.

He who is ashamed of his Spiritualism is virtually ashamed of Almighty God, for God said, Jesus is Spirit, and Spirit is incisive, energizing, all-permeating and spiritually uplifting. In brief, Spirit is the crowning glory of Spiritualism, and far more Christian, than is our present creed encumbered Christianity.

It is the underlying force that inspires all forms of progress, and encourages and appropriates all such spiritual sustenance as kindness, benevolence, faith, prayer, brotherhood, heavenly impressions, visions, inspirations, and all loving angel ministries.

It is the Spirit that giveth life, wrote an apostle of old:—and to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Let us also, he added, walk in the Spirit, endeavoring to keep the unity of spirit in the bonds of peace.

Spiritualism demonstrates immortality, encourages all good works, sweetens the bitterest cup of life, illumines the darkest day, cheers the sick, lifts up the fallen, educates the orphan, comforts the mourner, brushes the tears from weeping eyes, and wreathes the white foreheads of the faithful with the coronets of fadeless splendors.

Let us remember the stirring words of Napoleon, when amid Russias cold drifting snows; Listen to them—"Officers, soldiers, the eyes of all Europe are upon you, do your duty." And so Spiritualists—the eyes of all the thinking, reading world is upon you—do your duty, your whole duty.

J. M. PEEBLES,
Battle Creek, Mich.

BE HAPPY—BE PRACTICAL.

MRS. CLARA U. MYERS

You all have an influence, unconsciously influencing others, every minute of every day with your thoughts.

Thoughts are forces, each one creates one of its kind. Aim high and if first you don't succeed, aim still higher.

By love men reach the Kingdom for the kingdom of God is good, or as I understand it, is within you, and has been the teachings of your Mystics and Seers from the time back known to history.

A home well filled with inspiring books are helpful for one's development; provided they are read with the right spirit.

A room dedicated to silence and to God and the angels,—clean, plainly furnished and mottoes of a sacred nature, Bible, and a few more holy books, all of these, are good for your higher development.

Never use the room for other

purposes but that, which is pure and holy, this way you will unfold that greater power one possesses in a greater or less degree.

Let eternal and universal love dwell in your home, and the angels will dwell there, and you will have perfect realism, and perfect health, wealth and happiness.

Home should be more sacred to you than any church. Let us try to have our home dedicated to this one great problem of life, that all are striving so much to solve, for life is eternal, there is no death.

CIRCLE OF LIGHT CAMP OPEN FROM MAY 15 TO OCTOBER 31.

The deep satisfaction of consciously walking with God, of living the Inner Life working in the smile of His approval and the joy of His benediction is so dear to many hearts, that Mother Virtuzia has decided to open the Camp "Retreat" on the shores of Lake Geneva, where these friends who are drawn to Peace, Harmony and Helpfulness, or who are in search for health and strength, Physically, Mentally, and Spiritually, may find a welcome rest and refreshment of Spirit.

The Post Office address after May 15, will be, Circle of Light Camp, Williams Bay, Wis.

For particulars address J. P. Cook, Sec. "C. of L." Home Center, 506 N. Central Ave., Austin, Chicago, Ill.

WARNING TO THE PUBLIC.

Washington D. C., May 10, 1904
EDITOR JOURNAL:

At a regular meeting of the N. S. A. Board of Trustees, May 3rd a unanimous vote was cast, for the secretary to send a card to each of our spiritual papers, warning the public against the following persons who claim to be workers for the good of Spiritualism.

A Mrs. Roberts of St. Louis, Mo who claims to be a representative of the N. S. A., and who has opened some sort of a "Home" in that city; this woman has no connection with this National Association and is not endorsed by our auxiliaries or chartered societies.

Mr. John A. Johnson, who travels about the country, also makes claims that are false; he is not a representative of this association, nor is he a friend of President Barrett as he claims, his methods are questionable and he has been exposed a number of times.

Persons sometimes show one of the old-time certificates of contributing membership, that the N. S. A. issued several years ago, but which did not indorse anyone, these certificates were abolished several years since, as if they were not carefully examined, those to whom they were casually shown might be misled by them. The public is warned against anyone who shows

these certificates as tickets of endorsement.

Mrs. E. M. Dunning, hailing from Washington, sometimes from other places, an elderly woman who travels and writes over the country, soliciting money, on pretext or another. At one time she had a land scheme on which she attempts to raise money, latter begging on other pretences; she has recently claimed that she is a medium, and been asking for money by which she could pay for a license to practice in this city.

She has never been a medium to our knowledge, and we have known of her for years. She is a chronic beggar, unworthy of aid, complaints have come to us from all quarters of persistency and offensiveness. The public is warned not to believe her tale of woe.

MARY T. LONGLEY.

Sec'y N. S. A.,

600 Penna. ave., S. E., Wash., D. C.

OAKLAND NOTES.

Mr. Will C. Hodge, of San Diego occupied the platform at the Sunday morning meeting of the Oakland Psychical Society, last Sunday His subject was "Spiritualism and Naturalism," treating them in a manner which was convincing and clear to all who had the pleasure of hearing him.

The conference of the Union Spiritual Society on Sunday afternoon was very interesting. Nothing is prearranged, the president calling on several of those present to speak. The one speaking first usually provides the subject; one hour is devoted to speaking, after which a circle is formed and the mediums present work and messages are given.

The evening meeting was addressed by Mrs. Gillette who interested the large audience for nearly an hour, after which Mrs. Gillette gave messages.

Next Sunday (tomorrow) evening Mr. B. F. Sliter of Alameda, will speak on "Astrology" at Fraternal hall. In astrology is to be found the key which unlocks all the mysteries of religious worship, both ancient and modern, and in the hands of a master is one of the most fascinating and marvelous sciences the world has ever known. Its symbolism is world-wide and is an open book to the initiated.

Mrs. McEvoy writes from Stockton, that she is addressing good meetings, the hall being crowded. She is also holding circles at Fair Oaks and other places, as well as healing whenever opportunity offers.

Mr. and Mrs. Gillette go San Jose, Sunday May 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton C. Mutney of Piedmont, celebrated their golden wedding on Friday May 20.

SAN JOSE NEWS.

EDITOR JOURNAL:

The First Spiritual Union is having an awakening. Mrs. Kate Heussman occupied the platform on the evenings of May 7, and 15th and her lectures and readings were enjoyed and appreciated by all, there being a good attendance at both meetings. She remained a few days to give readings.

On the morning of the 15th inst. Mrs. Cowell was present (she being in San Jose for an outing) and all her friends were glad to greet her once more, she gave us a good talk followed by spirit messages.

On next Sunday we expect Brother and Sister Gillette to occupy the platform of the society.

There are several other meetings in town, all doing their work in their own way, and each attracting to themselves something that supplies a need.

Our Lyceum is calling in the children, who are delighted with the exercises. An adult class has also been formed, which is quite interesting.

The conference meetings are always good and subjects discussed of great interest.

Let us all work for the upbuilding of Spiritualism.

Mrs. Hendee Rogers is improving slowly, but a whole year is a long time to be obliged to stay in one room, and be waited on by the faithful old gentleman, her husband who so uncomplainingly cares for her.

Cannot some one lend a helping hand to lighten the burden—a little from each one would amount to quite a sum, think of it Spiritualists and then act.

MRS. H. L. BIGELOW.

Vice-pres. First Spiritual Union

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This little booklet by Jessie Twiss Harris, portrays the coming of the still, small voice, the "Spirit of Truth" unto every soul, and emphasizes the necessity of each individual recognizing and following that voice.

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NEWS FROM SANTA CRUZ.

A letter from our friend and co-worker Frank H. Parker says:

Our Philosophy and Phenomena are receiving a revival. Mrs. Kate Heussman has just closed a week's meetings to full houses, and is now busy with sitters and circles.

Chas. J. Anderson better known as the "boy orator" is with us for a short engagement before going East. He gives grand lectures following with psychometric readings at the hall of the Unity Society, every chair being occupied twice each Sunday and several nights during the week. His psychic readings during the day, given to callers are very satisfactory.

Mrs. E. Williams is also creating an interest among those who attend her lecture and circles.

Miss Minnie Millett at her home on Bay street, is spreading the light, and the good work is progressing.

A VISIT TO KINGSTON ON HUDSON, NEW YORK.

A WONDERFUL SANITARIUM.

W. J. Colville, who has just given 9 lectures in Kingston thus describes the feature of the place.

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A thought vibration from the mind of the operator may be instantly received by the subject and it is a decided error to suppose that complete hypnosis or unconsciousness is necessary for successful suggestive treatment.

It would be quite as reasonable to assume that all doors in a house must be locked in order to shut off one room.

Treating of the modern development of psycho-therapeutics, Dr. Sahler pays tribute to three celebrated leaders, Mesmer, Charcot, and Liebault. Concerning Mesmer he says that to him we owe the theory of transmission of the life force from one individual to another through direction of will, but while giving due credit to that pioneer, he by no means endorses all of Mesmer's theories nor does he advocate all of Mesmer's practices.

Concerning Liebault Dr. Sahler says it was left for him to tip the balance to the other extreme, and place all emphases upon suggestion, while Mesmer placed it on animal magnetism.

Concerning Charcot's method Dr. Sahler terms it a fuller development of the idea of Dr. Braid, the famous English physician, who half a century ago laid enormous stress upon simple suggestion and perhaps underrated the value of other agencies in the accomplishment of the work which he performed.

Charcot conceived the idea that the hypnotic sleep was brought on by fatigue and he obtained desired results by fixing the attention of a patient upon a bright light or some shining object and at the same time giving a thought of drowsiness or weariness.

Dr. Sahler says by suggestion we understand something in the nature of a hint given to the soul as a stimulus for action, whether or not it will be accepted and acted upon when the mind is in the normal state, will depend on its success in passing through the court of reason.

In the normal state especially when its relation to other minds is concerned the soul sits constantly in the court of objective consciousness, usually occupying the throne of reason, therefore, an idea is accepted or rejected according as it harmonizes or fails to harmonize with that soul's preestablished idea of life and good.

If the soul trusts absolutely the source of the suggestion the idea will probably pass by the reason and the soul will act upon it without question. But just to the degree that there is doubt will the thought be subjected to examination. The great purpose of infinite wisdom is here manifest. Reason is the safe-guard of the soul on this material plane of existence; without it we should become but puppets of other wills.

Much more in similar strain is ably set forward in this fascinating volume but as we expect and hope that the book itself will be read and studied very extensively; we refrain from further commentary.

Dr. Sahler's wide experience has led him to declare that persons sometimes present themselves for treatment with the remark, "I have no faith in this mode of practice, but my friends wish me to try it."

Such people are largely deceiving themselves for were they utterly destitute of faith they would never have made the trial. The average person finds it much easier to attach his faith to a person than to a theory because a person is tangible to his objective senses, while a theory can elude his mental grasp.

The same principle holds in psychic treatment that obtains in general medical practice. Faith in the physician, conditions the success of any method. The same drug accomplishes totally different results when taken with perfect confidence and without it.

Concerning Christian Science, with which Dr. Sahler is by no means entirely in accord, he speaks as follows: "That there is truth in Christian Science is demonstrated by the real good accomplished by way of healing.

There is much in the teaching to stimulate thought and appeal to the intellect. It is a great mistake to suppose that Christian Scientists are simply duping people; they are the organized expression of a great but as yet faintly understood truth, that they are ignorant of the laws governing much of their practice is simply unfortunate.

There is truth in their teaching or there could be no results in their practice, but they are blindly obeying underlying laws therefore they do not clearly understand how they gain healing power. In mental healing, divine healing and faith cure, there is practically the same underlying principle.

In mental healing, suggestion is administered by another, either orally or telepathically, in what is termed Divine healing and faith cure, the force lies in oral suggestion. In all cases, however the power on the throne is the faith of

the soul which links it to divine power.

The work of a suggestion is to arouse faith. Though the first part of this useful treatise deals chiefly with the theory of practice, the second part is largely a record of valuable instances which show its application.

The "psychic state" is one of the Doctor's favorite expressions; in that state he declares that the soul acts exclusively through spiritual faculties which are never really dormant but which during objective consciousness rarely present themselves upon the surface.

This book will certainly prove a most valuable addition to the literature of suggestive healing which is now assuming noble proportions in all thinking communities. It is well bound in cloth and extends to about 300 pages. Price \$1.25 for sale at 1429 Market street.

W. J. Colville lectures at the Sanitarium April 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 were attended by audiences composed in large measure of the leading citizens of Kingston.

TRANSFORMATION

Scant beauty, nature gave her in disguise; rugged and harsh she bade her go about, with face unlovely,—save those dark sad orbs, through which her fearless soul peered.

But Life took up the chisel, used her face roughly, with many blows—as sculptors use a stone. It wrought a little while—and Lo! a grace fell, as a sunbeam falls upon a rock.

Across her soul, a heavy sorrow swept, as tidal waves sometimes sweep o'er the land, leaving her face; when back it ebbed and crept tranquil and purified, like tide washed sand. And of her face,—her gentleness grew apart, and all her holy thoughts left there, their mark; its root was there—its blossom in her face.

So when death came to set the Sweet Soul free from the poor Body that was never fair:—

We watched the face, and marvelled much to see, how, Life for Death, had carved an Angel there.

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MAN'S AIM.

ARTHUR F. MILTON.

Man lives in two spheres—that of sense and self, and the intellectual and creative.

The two afore named are the animal; the last named the spiritual.

He arises from the sphere of sense through education; from that of self, through labor, industry, business or anything that engenders activity, energy or volition—lawfully exercised or minus animal sense or self.

Spirit is thought and action combined. Man is its individualized counterpart. His corporeal existence—the last stage of spirit in its passage through matter constitutes his graduating class.

Perfection as a spirit or soul depends upon how much of sense and self he has overcome, how much of the animal in his nature he has subdued.

If his mental force or power of reasoning has assumed a more active vibration than that of sense, he has reached perfection on that line.

If his creative impetus, his will or power of love, has superseded self or his animal impulses, such as egotism, hate, indolence or false pride, he is perfect in this direction. But he needs both to become a freed spirit.

That one may be attained before the other is due to his leniency towards sense or self in his assent.

Intemperance, gluttony or lust adds vibration to the condition of sense; selfishness, hatred or malice adds vibration to that of self, thus increasing animal vigor and retarding spiritual development or soul freedom in either one of these directions. Many are both sensual and selfish and consequently more animal than spirit on both lines.

They are not freed souls at transition, but have to complete their graduation is a question still to be settled between reincarnationists and their opponents.

If a spirit can overcome its animalism without a continued bout with matter, if opportunities exist

outside of matter that offer what earth-life was intended for, there should be no reason for the fear of death.

But if it is not freed from matter until it has overcome its influences—has attained a higher spiritual than material vibration—there is every reason to fear death, and we should endeavor to live as long as possible to make sure of our passing the examination, found not wanting in the balance.

Good health is therefore the first essential to be considered. Temperance in all things assures this.

To be temperate in physical indulgences enables the intellectual nature to unfold itself, leads to inspiration, discernment, and a comprehension of causation.

To be temperate in emotion, impulse, feeling, acquisitiveness, synonymous with gentility, good will, benevolence or conscientiousness, permits the love-nature to blossom out and constitutes power or influence to command conditions instead of being subjected to them.

Intemperance dulls the intellect or mental nature; selfishness enslaves the soul, and prevents man from attaining that which he is intuitively reaching out for; namely: light and power, thought and action in one impulse and which constitutes happiness.

His release from the sphere of sense and self, to grow into that of inspiration and love is the aim of mortal life.



The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

REPLIES TO CRITIC WHO DENOUNCES SPIRITUALISM.

Mrs. R. S. Lillie declares the Rev. Dr. Funk is one who lives in a glass house, as Wesleys had spirit manifestation.

The dissertation on Spiritualism published in the "Examiner" has provoked a reply from Mrs. R. S. Lillie, speaker of the Society of Progressive Spiritualists, who had something to say before that body of the Dr. Funk, the Methodist author of the criticism. Her address was enthusiastically received by her audience, particularly striking points eliciting outbursts of applause and spoken expressions of approval. She said:

I believe this man Funk was a Methodist, and he had better be careful, because it was in the Wesley family that spirit manifestations occurred in tables knocking, chairs walking, ink bottles turning over and things being stirred up generally that were quite as marvelous

as anything noted in our own Fox family, and it was only because there were not more Wesleys that the Methodists escaped becoming Spiritualists. They had better not throw stones, for their early history, which they now suppress and keep on back shelves, show that they live in glass houses.

I was once at a Methodist prayer meeting, kneeling beside a man with one of these holy faces, and before the affair was over two officers came in, requesting the pleasure of his society and remarking that he had gold watches and rings in his boots.

Jesus said that heaven is within us, but orthodox Methodism has created a little two by four place that nobody would care to stay in even if it had not been made so hard to get to, that they have to pay men to show them the way.

I often wish Jesus had been asked where hell was, too. But if he had Dr. Funk would have lost his job, because the only way he can earn his living is by scaring people with the threat of a place so bad they are willing to give him a salary to keep them out of it.

And then this matter of faking materialization that Dr. Funk says is practiced among Spiritualists I think finds its counterpart in his own religion. He tells a story of some people on a ship who thought there was a hoodoo in their midst, and after investigation hit upon the right man and said: "Jonah must walk the plank." So Jonah was thrown into the sea and was swallowed by a whale, who kept him dry for three days and then threw him up on the land, without shortening his life or impairing his usefulness. Now if there is anything in Spiritualism that can beat that I would like to know what it is.

Spiritualists are perfectly willing to admit that there are fakes and imposters pretending to be their followers, but as everything worth counterfeiting is counterfeited, this only proves that Spiritualism is worth counterfeiting and not that it is a counterfeit.

Spiritualism bases authority for its belief on history. At the transfiguration of Christ on the Mount there was the materialization of Moses and Elias, and why cannot a law that is operative in one age hold good in another?

Now about the crime of Luther Marsh giving something that belong to him to somebody he wanted to have it, it seems that the world will never get done talking about that \$60,000 house.

Whatever influence Amelia Diss de Bar had over Luther Marsh, it was not of this world. It was occult or psychic. And her reputation in the psychic is not an enviable one, We will just put it that way. But it proves nothing against Spiritualism because the occult or psychic power might be possessed by an inmate of State's prison, it goes to

the good and bad indifferently, but I would like to know why things are not said about the money and property accepted by other churches.

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Mr. Geo. F. Perkins is having good audiences on Sunday evening, in the lower Scottish hall, 317 Larkin street.

Friday Night benefit meeting in Sunflower hall, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society, was fairly well attended last week. Mrs. Howe being the medium. Mrs. Jennie Robinson will occupy the platform Friday evening the 20th.

The Benefit Seance given by Mr. C. V. Miller in aid of the Mission Lyceum was a success. The manifestations were quite satisfactory and the receipts were \$16.50. In behalf of the officers, ye Editor hereby returns thanks to Mr. Miller and his personal friends for their generosity.

Annual meeting of the Mediums Protective Association was held on Saturday evening the 14th inst. There was a good attendance, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Dye of Los Angeles. The election of officers was held with the following result. President W. T. Jones; vice-pres. Mrs. Sarah Seal; second vice-pres., Mrs. Carrie Wermouth, secretary, Mrs. M. E. G. Howe; treasurer Mr. W. H. Davis. The reports of the officers show, that the financial condition of the society is good, its membership increasing and its social status on the "up-grade."

The Peoples' Church—Elks hall was well filled last Sunday evening to listen to the eloquent lecture of Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie on the subject of "A Religion of War." After quoting the declaration of Jesus as recorded in Mathew. "I come not to bring peace into the world, but a sword, etc." she went on to show from the history and records of the past that the Christian religion has been one of bloodshed, from the tragical crucifixion of Jesus on Mt. Calvary, to the present time.

Bitter and cruel has been the dissensions, strife, massacres and all the unholy and inhuman inquisitions, inaugurated by self constituted viceregents of God, to put to death all heretics in the

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Prof. Sawvelle rendered a solo, "Thy Will Be Done" in a fine style and Prof. Bayliss gave a piano solo, which was greatly appreciated. Mrs. J. J. Whitney followed with messages giving names in full, their clearness must carry conviction to the mind of the most skeptical.

The above named will be at the meeting next Sunday and during the remaining services of May.

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