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## INFINITY.

G. W. Sanford.

Oh, who is our God and where doth he dwell

The maker of heaven and also of hell?  
Our God and our ruler, yet servant of all,  
In all that is great and all that is small.

The sun and the moon and even the air,  
The vast starry realms that extend everywhere;

He's the germ and the center and outside of shell,

The bud and the bloom and the ripe fruit as well.

The maker of life and the giver of breath  
The healer of sickness and the sender of death,

All that has motion and all stands still,  
The stately old rocks and the swift flowing rill.

Foundation, the building, the roof and the dome,

All and in all that comprises a home,  
The root and the stalk and the beautiful flowers,

The sunshine, the dewdrop, the rainbow and showers.

Each atom and part of the cosmical whole,

The body, the spirit, the life and the soul;

He is all of existence in planet or space,  
The evergreen fields or the desolate waste.

The past and the present and all things to come,

The first and the last from circumference to sun;

There's no use defining, it cannot be done.

The source of all being, the Infinite One.

## BORDERLAND

AFTER DEATH—WHAT?

BY CHARLES DAWBARN.

It has been pretty well demonstrated that manhood is not destroyed by death. Cautious officers of the Psychological Research Society admit as much as that. We may even go still further, and admit that intelligences who have reasonably

proved their identity are sometimes able to give wise counsel to the mortal. It is certain that such returning intelligences possess memories, more or less confused, of their earth experiences, although, for the most part they seem to pick up such memories here, rather than to bring them with them from the other side of 'fog-land.'

They also, at times, exhibit a knowledge of earth happenings beyond that of the mortal. And they apparently possess and wield faculties that make them more or less independent of time and space. They seem to have a power of entrancing a mortal, provided he be a natural sensitive, and using his organism as a means for entering earth life, and exhibiting their ultra-normal faculties and powers.

So much hardly admits of dispute by anyone who has been once introduced to a fact such as 'spirit return' and has made its friendly acquaintance. So we have gradually evolved our present conception of a borderland as dividing our visible and invisible life lines, where spirits and mortals meet, and extend greetings to each other.

In spite of shouts of joy, and tearful greetings from the bereaved there seems to be little sunshine in this borderland. It is immersed in a perpetual mental fog, and, as we know too well, both mortal medium and returning spirit are alike befogged when they enter it. But out of this 'fog land' comes the entire history of spirit return, called Modern Spiritualism. And as a remarkable fact, Spirit Return has proved to be a very one-sided affair. It evolves intelligences, once mortal, who can and do talk lucidly about their own earth life and ours, though so far as known, they have never yet startled the world with any new grand invention or discovery.

Radium and the X ray were not announced by spirits, and we look to mortal genius for whatever may be our next advance in knowledge and its power, for good or ill upon earth life. But, as we have said, the results of spirit intercourse, such as they are, have proved very one-sided. Spirits talk to us of earth incidents with a fair degree of accuracy, but when we would

travel the other way and peer out into their lives and experiences, we only get deeper and deeper into the fog. Not a tale comes from spirit life of spirit happenings that will bear scientific investigation.

The reader should not be repelled by the term 'scientific investigation' for science is really only the orderly arrangement and logical study of facts. That is say, every fact has its own place in the eternal sequence of cause and effect, and it is the business of science to discover that place. It is true that science may not always discover just where a fact belongs, but it can usually discern, almost at a glance, where a fact does not belong.

Of course the various tales of spirit life with which spirit return is festooned and garlanded are presented to mortals as statements of fact, that is, of actual occurrences on the spirit side of life. They have been and still are accepted by many as truth, because such statements and histories are made and given in the name of a spirit. It sounds like heresy to the average Spiritualist when these fascinating tales are declared to be full of impossible facts; that is to say, of facts that are impossible under the supposed conditions of the story to which we are listening. Instead of being an orderly arrangement of facts, and therefore scientific, they are facts belonging only to this life, although most ignorantly asserted to belong to the life and experience of the spirit who is telling the tale. Such impossible statements of fact repel the scientific investigator, and usually lead him to make an illogical denial of the proved fact of spirit return.

It may be a very ungrateful task, but the writer is proposing in this article to expose some of these impossibilities which have been, and still are accepted as gospel by the average believer in Modern Spiritualism.

Every investigator soon discovers that many of his spirit visitors are so unspiritual as really to belong to earth life in thought, word, and deed. In everything but the texture of their bodies, they are of the earth, and very earthy.

For the most part everything

that is disorderly and unsatisfactory in seance experience is really caused or evolved by these earth-bound spirits. Necessarily their experiences, no matter how high may have been their mortal station, are much the same as those lived in the slums of earth life by the unprogressed mortal. They are children of the fog, and know nothing of the beyond we are seeking. So, unless they assume to play the reported for the higher life, we will pass them by, so far as article is concerned. It is the pictures of spirit life, drawn by spirits apparently worthy of respect, that we are about carefully to examine in this article.

That the law of evolution so dominant on earth, should continue after death is so natural an assumption that we accept it as a most reasonable statement when made, for instances, by the returning spirit known as George Pelham, through Mrs. Piper the medium. But when we are asking "After Death What?" we must remember that evolution means both more and less to the spirit than in earth life. It does not mean the survival of the fittest, for all alike 'over there' have already survived death. But it means, or seems to mean that there is in the beyond a law by which progress continues to be evolved as the result of effort. But that progress carries with it consequences unknown in earth life.

Death seems to evolve a most startling change in the substance of which our mortal bodies are composed, but all alike experience that. The new body is invisible and intangible to the old one. But the intelligence inhabiting the form seems literally unchanged by the death process. Man sleeps here, and wakes yonder. That is death. But the truism that a man can carry none of his possessions with him when he dies, including every particle of his old form, as much as his money and houses. So he finds himself with a new form, just as material as his old one, but adapted to the other side of death.

[To be Continued.]

Spirit return is old—old as life itself. Spirit is life

SANTA CRUZ NEWS.

The Unity Spiritual Society holds meetings regularly at their hall, corner Soquel and Pacific avenue, every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Charles J. Anderson (boy orator) delivers many able discourses at each meeting to good audiences. His readings after the Sunday evening meetings proves a drawing feature, also does his meetings during the week devoted exclusively to Psychometric readings. His class on "New Thought" ideas and questions answered on each Thursday afternoon and Friday evenings are proving to be of growing interest.

The Thursday night socials every two weeks at the hall are numerous and interesting. The programme consists of songs, recitation and instrumental music, also Ice Cream and Cake.

Mrs. Kate Heussmann-Harveston and daughter lately of San Francisco take a prominent part at each social. Mr. and Mrs. Harveston (nee Heussmann) have lately purchased five lots at Garfield Park this city, and will at once build a home and reside permanently in Santa Cruz.

Mrs. Harveston intends soon to start in a series of meetings besides her usual Friday night circles and sittings daily.

Our new "Santa Cruz by the Sea" has more attraction than ever this year. Band concerts each afternoon and evening besides many other attractions.

Any lecturers or mediums of note coming this way are invited to stop over, make us a call and take part on our platform at each meeting time, our society owns the furniture and controls the hall every night and day.

Yours for progress,  
Frank H. Parker.

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.

REINCARNATION CANVASSED  
AND DISCUSSED.

We are in receipt of a new book from the pen of Dr. Peebles, often styled the "Pilgrim and World Wide Traveler." This handsomely bound brochure of over one hundred pages is entitled 'Reincarnation, or the Soul's Successive Embodiments, discussed by Dr. Densmore and W. J. Colville for, and Dr. Peebles against.'

Inasmuch as the subject of reincarnation is frequently brought onto our Spiritualist platforms, and into the press by Mrs. Richmond, Mr. Colville and other supporters of it, and as stoutly denied by W. E. Coleman, A. J. Davis, J. M. Peebles, Hudson Tuttle, Prof. Lockwood and others, this book will be read with very deep interest. Both views and nearly all of the theories concerning this matter of re-births back into the flesh are in this book thoroughly canvassed pro and con.

It will also challenge the attention of Theosophists, for these with barely an exception are believers in reincarnation; this holds true from Mrs. Tingley of Point Loma, to Mrs. Besant of Benares, India.

We cannot help quoting the Dr's. last paragraph which we consider to be half mirthful and half grounded upon logical inferences.

The Doctor has been charged with the tendency to sarcasm in some of his pamphlets, books and articles for the press; and this is not wholly wanting in the book before us; and yet, behind this, there is a flood of good nature. But here is the closing paragraph:

"Finally, beloved opponents, farewell! It is questionable if we ever meet again in this present physical incarnation (though I trust to the contrary) and, it is very doubtful if we ever meet in the distant hereafter; for inasmuch as aspiration and purpose are the measures of destination, I propose, when throwing off this encumbering vehicle of flesh and blood to press onward and upward to the spirit-illuminated homes of Hare, Edmonds, Denton, Britten, Kiddle and kindred reformers whose fraternal palm often pressed mine, upward to the celestial homes of those sages and seers that have long walked, the companions of white-robed angels; while you, oh, Reincarnationists, in consonance with your chilling! time-dragging, birth-repeating dogma of reincarnation expect to halt along the way—halt for further experiences, halt for more worldly reconceptions, halt for repeated reincarnations, halt for more bodily embodiments, halt for more fleshy re-births into the purgatories of a dreary and all too often painful mortality of mental and moral cripples—into that letter of passion, a materiality which the inspired prophet said with emphasis, 'Kill eth.'

And so, beloved, farewell! a fond tender farewell, with my best wishes for your prosperity while wandering and meandering your future flesh-clogged embodiments. Again, farewell!"

A PARTIAL LIST OF CAMP-  
MEETINGS OF THE SEA-  
SON 1904.

UNITY CAMP MEETING.

Washington State Spiritualists Association Camp Meeting at Edgewood Camp, Surprise Lake, from July 31 to August 21, 1904. Closing August 22 and 23, with 8th annual convention. For particulars apply to Julian W. Smith, secretary; 1115 North Fifth street, Tacoma, Wash.

New Era, Oregon—The First Spiritualists Religious Association of Clackamas county, Oregon, will open their camp-meeting at New Era, Oregon, July 2, and close July 26, including four Sundays. Camp about 18 miles south of Portland. For further information inquire of George Lazelle, Oregon City, Ore., secretary; J. H. Lucas of Portland, president.

The Lynn Spiritualists Association will hold meetings every Sunday at Unity Camp, Saugus Center, Mass., commencing June 5, and ending Sept. 25. For all particulars address Mrs. A. A. Averill, 42 Smith street, Lynn, Mass.

Island Lake, Mich.—The Island Camp, at Island Lake, Mich., 42 miles from Detroit, on the Flint and Pere Marquette railroad, commences July 10, and extends through the month of August. For full programme address H. R. LaGrange, Secretary, 84 Eass Mont-Calm street, Detroit, Mich.

An excellent programme has been prepared for the coming season. We have under contract such speakers as mediums as B. F. Austin, G. W. Kates and wife, Amanda Coffman, Mr. and Mrs. White, D. A. Herrick, Dr. Julia M. Walton, Mrs. Margaret LaGrange, W. V. Nicum, and others. Farmer Riley will positively be with us the first two weeks of camp. Every phase of mediumship will be represented. Correspondence solicited with first class trumpet and slate-writing mediums.

Lake Brady, Ohio.—The Lake Brady Spiritualist Camp meeting opens July 3 and closes September 4. For full programme address, A. G. Kock, Akron, Ohio.

Freeville, N. Y.—The dates for the Central New York Spiritual Association Camp-meeting, at Freeville, N. Y., are from July 23 to Aug. 22, four weeks and five Sundays. Owing to the pretracted and severe illness of our secretary, Miss Victoria C. Moore, I am acting secretary, to whom all letters pertaining to the camp should be addressed. W. W. Kelsey, President, Cortland N. Y.

Grand Ledge, Mich.—The Grand Ledge (Mich.) camp opens July 31 and closes August 28. For full programme address J. W. Ewing, Grand Ledge, Mich.

Onset Camp—Commences July 24 and ends August 28. For full programme and particulars address the secretary of the camp, Onset, Camp.

Harmony Grove, Cal.—Camp opens July 17, and closes July 31. For particulars address Frank C. Foster, secretary, Escondido, Cal.

Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton Iowa, The camp session of the M. V. S. A., Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa, will open July 31 and close August 28. For programmes address Mollie B. Anderson, secretary, Clarksville, Mo.

Forest Home, Mich.—The fifth annual camp-meeting opens at Snowflake, Mich., July 31 and closes Aug. 21. Write to Mrs. Ruth Eastman, secretary, Mancelona, Mich., Box 69, for full particulars.

Chesterfield, Ind.—Chesterfield, (Ind.) camp meeting opens July 14 and closes August 28. For programmes and other information address Lydia Jessup, secretary, Chesterfield, Ind.

Delphos Camp, Kans.—This camp meeting will begin August 5, closing August 22. Address all communications to I. N. Richardson, secretary, Delphos, Kans.

Maple Dell Park, Ohio.—The American Spiritual, Religious and Science Union will hold a camp session at Maple Dell, commencing July 24 and closing Sept. 1. Lucy King, corresponding secretary. Address with stamp, Box 45, Mantua, Ohio. The grounds will be open for family reunions, Sunday-school picnics, and Sunday meetings, etc., from June 1 to Sept. 15.

GOOD NEWS FROM BAL-  
TIMORE,

Our Spiritualist friends in Baltimore are to be congratulated on their good fortune. The JOURNAL has just been informed of the good news, and gladly hastens to herald it to its readers, the fact that the society has received a donation which enabled them to secure a comfortable and commodious house of worship with a large Pipe Organ of excellent power and tone; also, this society is highly favored in having Mr. H. D. Barrett president of the N. S. A. as their speaker, it is refreshing to hear such good news.

The heaven is working and the Spiritualists may take courage, for it has been prophesied many times, that they would occupy and own the beautiful Temples now controlled by our orthodox friends.

## THE FIVE SENSES.

[Continued.]

This attitude is not a safe one. It is a pinch of a place. It is absolutely without outlook. It is a hole filled with darkness and lies.

I rejoice with exceeding joy that I have never been sensitive to criticism or ridicule in this matter of the unseen—the spirits—without regard to the suggestions of others, I find myself in a very safe and comfortable country. If I allow myself to be governed by outside advice, ignoring the voice of my divine counsellor, confusion is the consequence.

I do not mean "spirits" when I say spirit and counsellor, although I believe as implicitly in the existence of what are popularly termed spirits as I do in the materialized forms about us. They are my friends and neighbors, dependable now if dependable before; my lovers and comrades. But I do not expect these dear one to take any more responsibility of my life than those who love me who are in material evidence. This is my personal and particular job. That I often receive valuable hints and encouragement from these sources is a pleasant fact to acknowledge. And then the vibrations of love which are as indescribable as they are joy-producing—how can these be rated?

This so-called psychic power is a universal possession. It is often covered up, set aside, ridiculed and fatally misunderstood. It is frequently misused by those who have no conception of its sacredness and whose sole desire is to make money. When it is devoted to worthy purposes, its effect upon conduct is most marked. There cannot be too many clean, honest, reliable psychics in a community, and there cannot be too few of the other sort.

To live entirely in effect, to spend one's life in the midst of things without any knowledge of this "secret place of the Most High," is not living but dying. There is no health or helpfulness in such a blind, restricted journey.

It would be a fine thing for our friends to find out a little more about the five senses before they talk so glibly about them.—Eleanor Kirk.

## OAKLAND NOTES.

The Oakland Spiritual Society held its regular monthly meeting Wednesday, June 29th, at 856½ Isabella street.

This being social meeting the members turned out in force and a good time was had by all. The following program was rendered to an appreciative audience: Address, Dr. Palinbaum; vocal solo, Mrs. Sadie C. Duncan; messages, Mrs. Amanda Smith; messages, Mr. Cartier; recitation, Mrs. Hall, The regular monthly business

meeting was held on Friday, July 1, with a good attendance.

The next social, July 27th, will be in the nature of a Strawberry Festival. Visitors are invited.

The Psychical Society—Will C. Hodge occupied the platform last Sunday morning and closely held the attention of his audience. He will speak at the same place next Sunday morning his subject will be; "The effect of a false education upon Spirits and upon Mortals".

## FREE WILL.

W. T. JONES.

Do I believe in Free Will? Yes, and these are some of the reasons why I thus believe.

We find in all things with which we come in contact, evidence of design, order growth, unfoldment, intelligence and wisdom, we therefore have a strong presumption to say the least, that somewhere in the universe there exists a force which puts into action all the elements in nature necessary to produce the manifestation of the varied form and gradation of life on the planet.

This force is evolved throughout everything that exists or that is brought into existence within the law of its own limitation.

Man is the highest type of beings evolved that we know anything of, therefore is endowed with greater possibilities and higher powers and control over his environments, and as he overcomes the crude elements in his nature and gains the mastery over his passions, he achieves victory over self. Then follows intelligence, wisdom, and spiritual unfoldment.

The Soul or the God, within is thus enthroned and manifests the possibilities which are latent within. If we concede the fact that "Free

Will" exists in the infinite, designing, directing and governing the universe, and that the human soul is a part of the infinite, embodying the attributes of mind capable of discovering and comprehending the fact of being and finite relations to surroundings. It may also exist in a finite degree in the human soul.

Being finite, we are constantly harrassed by laws of limitations, we are dependent and inter-dependent upon superior forces and intelligences as well as actual contact with the outer world and individual efforts toward spiritual growth.

We have already learned the need of harmonious unfoldment of our faculties, as a sure step in the road of progress. We have also ceased to search for a personal Monster or Monarch in whom we can find a repository of all that is good and powerful in the universe, rather we rely on the immutable and never changing law of growth and unfoldment.

If man is superior to the child, in power and possibilities, and his attainments and achievements in the past are the only evidence and manifestation we have of an over soul, Master Mind, Free Will or Force, and if the universe is boundless in extent and duration; who shall say that Man may not at some period reach the point when he will be capable of designing and controlling a planet or system of planets. Then we shall be as Gods having the characteristics of God and exercising the prerogative of a God. Because the folded possibilities of the child, have now become the unfolded manifestation and expression of the souls "Free Will."

Then "Free Will" is the birth-right of every human being; its action and expression governed by laws of limitation and its environments.

I may be asked to show a perfect human being to prove my position. All intelligent and rational persons exercise will power every day and hour. Many possess "Free Will" but fail to put it in motion; many are slaves to vices, passions and habits who could be easily liberated by the exercise of the "Free Will" already theirs. By overcoming lesser faults, we are made stronger to overcome greater ones; and every such victory becomes an incentive to higher and higher achievements.

## "ALICE" MESSAGE CORNER"

Mrs. Anna L. Gillespie, Medium

Dr. Charles Phelps—My daughter will be glad to get this I know; tell her and her little family and the dear ones in the other home that I do not forget them. I hope they will go to see Mother, it will do her good; not long will they have her and tell them not to neglect her but write often, she is so proud of the children, and so we will help you, be patient and you will soon see better days.

Margeret Small Thorp—A voice says: "I wish to send a message to my daughter; my mother Small is with me, we want to tell her to be very careful of her health, for there may be serious trouble for her, if she is not careful of the food, very careful. Willie is with me, and her father John William Thorp and my daughter will be so glad to hear from us in this way.

Farnsworth Lyons—A group of spirits come to me, first the one who gives the above name; he is a grand man full of good deeds and desires to help his loved ones, one is his son Arthur, who sends love to his mother, who lives in Alameda then I hear the name of Pheobe Cox a sister I think, and a lady who gives me the peculiar name of Gitshel; I think the first name is Sally, this lady seems to take care of all the children and says: "Yes that is my work to care for the little ones, who leave the mother in the earth life, they are a band of helpers, they bid me say they help on the little circle and will, so soon be able to manifest to the one who so much desires it.

James Haliday—A man who passed from earth-life under most distressing circumstances. I feel the chill of frost and snow, the despair of loneliness, no one near, then the feeling is gone and happy and free from pain I can say it is lovely to die, this is for Samuel Bond and Henry Miller; they were promised this but could not get a place in the line to send it earlier; tell the boys we did not suffer and it was soon over, we tried hard to reach the trail but were tired, we just went to sleep and awoke with Mother and Hallie and little Bess, and what a waking; no snow, no cold, flowers, sunshine and good friends all around us.

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## QUARTERLY CIRCUIT MEETING.

One of the most successful grove meetings ever held under the auspices of Spiritualism was held in Rockford, Ill., on the 24, 25, 26, by the circuit of northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin.

This is the third meeting of the Society, the first when the society was organized last winter in Rockford, the second held early in April in Genoa, Ill. It was then decided to hold the next one as Grove Meeting, and Harlem Park selected as the place. The Psychic Research Society of Rockford, one of the Auxiliaries of the circuit, and the Ladies Aid took the matter in hand with the officers of the circuit and nothing that could be done to make the meeting one of the very best, was left undone.

Friday forenoon a light shower laid the dust and put the Park in perfect order for the work. In the afternoon the first regular session was held, the forenoon meeting being a conference led by N. J. Erwood, and which called out the spirit of harmony and interest that characterized the entire meeting.

The address of welcome was delivered by Rev. Robert C. Bryant of the People's church, and was in every sense a cordial welcome to the people and truths contained in the philosophy of Spiritualism. W. J. Erwood, president of the Wisconsin State Association gave the address in the evening, he also spoke Saturday afternoon. Mr. Erwood is one of the workers that always pleases, and who holds a place in the hearts of the people. As he was obliged to return to La-Crosse for Sunday that was his last address.

Dr. Wanre president of the Illinois State Association was not able to be present on account of the passing away of a near relative, and Mrs. Laura C. Fixen, vice-pres. took his place. Mrs. Fixen spoke Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. After listening to her one can readily understand why her name has reached even far

away Australia, and how the people of that land felt themselves honored by her presence. Long may she live to give out the sweet message of love and tenderness as she gave in Harlem Park.

Moses Hull the staunch old father of our times spoke Sunday afternoon and [the people listened as if carried away with his words. Truly he is the Moses of Spiritualism. Mrs. Hull gave the evening address and although the audience had been seated long before the meeting proper began, as a circle had been held in advance of the meeting, no one seemed to be willing to let go of the last word spoken.

Mrs. Georgie G. Cooley and Madam Brunswick were the message bearers. Mrs. Ella Johnson Bloom was expected, but owing to ill health she was obliged to cancel her appointment, much to the disappointment of her many friends in and around Rockford, where she is a general favorite.

Mrs. Cooley never did better work in her life. She is always a lady, on the rostrum as off it. Her messages were clear, straight forward, and beautifully delivered. She will remain another week in Rockford and hold meetings Thursday and Sunday. Madam Brunswick did good work one evening she was too ill to be on the platform. She has many friends who feel she is one of the foremost workers in our ranks. Sunday afternoon a few minutes were devoted to Morris Pratt School, and it is safe to say a better understanding of the school was established than existed before, and that more interest will be taken in its welfare in the future.

The students of the Morris Pratt Institute were expected to furnish the music but as all had left the school it remained for Mr. and Mrs. Hull to do that part. Mrs. Hull is at home with an Organ and with them to lead the congregational singing nothing could be better in such meetings. Mr. and Mrs. Hull sang several fine selections that were well appreciated.

The next quarterly meeting will be held in September and the place of meeting announced later. Two weeks will be given for invitations. Any local society or number of Spiritualists desiring the meeting should write the officers at once. Mr. Orrin Merrit, Genoa, Pres. L. W. Kendall, Beloit, Wis., vice-pres. H. H. Howe, Rockford, Ill. Sec.

Harlem Park is an ideal place for a grove meeting and no doubt the managers of the circuit will decide to hold an annual meeting there. It is hoped so at least.

This circuit is the first to be established and if others will follow we will soon get organized so that at least quarterly meetings can be held in every section of the country.

This meeting paid all expenses

and left a neat sum in the treasury, it can be done by others. Spiritualists, let us be up and "To the Work."

Clara L. Stewart.



The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

## A PATRIOTIC LETTER.

Santa Cruz, July 4, 1904  
EDITOR JOURNAL:

A few lines from Santa Cruz may prove of interest to your readers, the progress of the work here is very satisfactory, the Sunday audiences are still good and the interest does not seem to be diminishing.

Last night being the eve of the glorious 4th, I delivered a patriotic discourse on "America and her Problems." America's past is a magnificent one, the future of the Great Republic is in our keeping, everything depends upon an enlightened citizenship.

I believe it was Thomas Paine who said: "Eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty" and in honoring Jefferson as the author of the great Declaration of Independence, let us not be unmindful of the fact, well known to all unprejudiced students that, the heroic soul of Paine inspired many of the luminous gems that glitter in that profound document. Some day the figure of Paine will be revealed to the school children of this broad land in all its grand proportions and the tongue of slander be forever silenced against one of America's purest and bravest souls.

I must not forget to mention our delightful social given twice a month, the last one was a genuine success. a fine program and Ice Cream and Cake filling up the guests and the evening; these social affairs are piloted by Mrs. F. H. Parker, Mrs. Michener and other handsome ladies.

In closing let me say that I would like to correspond with officers of societies in California and other states with a view to making engagements for future work, address Box 134 Santa Cruz, Cal.

Very sincerely,

Charles J. Anderson.

## A NEW MEDIUM.

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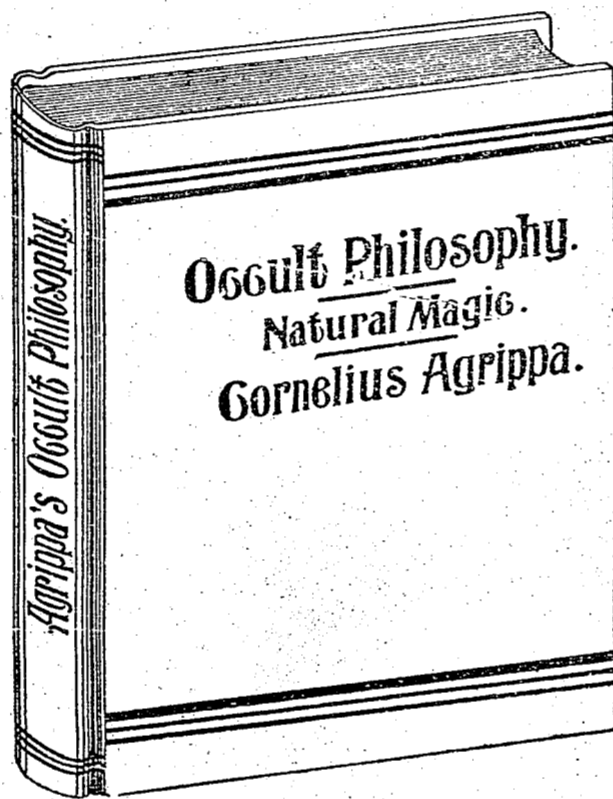
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We learn from one of our English Exchanges the "Light" that Madame Florence Montague and W. J. Colville have reached London, and are equally engaged delivering addresses and holding classes for the dissemination of the truth of our gospel.

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**Friday Night benefit meeting** in Sunflower hall, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society, was not as well attended as we could wish. The interest was manifested by all remaining in their seats until the close of the meeting and expressing themselves pleased with the tests and readings given by Mrs. Bird and Mrs. Robinson who so kindly and willingly gave their services for this worthy cause. The Ladies Aid Society Relief Fund—Come and help us one and all; the best talent we can procure have assisted us freely and will continue to do so if the attendance is encouraging. Will not some one volunteer to sing for us at these meetings. Mr. Jones kindly favored us last Friday evening.

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