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THE TREE— Modern Spiritualism.

An Original Poem, read by Mrs. F. A. Logan
at the 51st Anniversary of Modern
Spiritualism.

How shall I put in prose or rhyme
A tree that stands the storms of time,
Whose branches stretch from shore to
shore,
With myrrh and incense? Something
more—

Its leaves are healing to the heart,
So tender from the fiery dart:
Dipped in the cauldron of despair
Until the soul cries out, "O where
Shall mortals find a safe retreat
From fiends incarnate on the street,
That ministers so long have taught
Were tempting till great ruin wrought."

This grand old tree—as old as time—
Enwreathed with flowers and eglantine,
Has sheltered many 'neath its shade,
When languishing this side the grave:
Its branches reaching far and wide,
Like ocean's waves and swelling tide,
And every nation on the earth
Turns toward its majesty and worth.

How lucious is the fruit it bears,
Those who partake have equal shares;
No bickering or cries of fraud,
By those whom they cannot applaud;
But calm and peaceful he or she
Who feed upon this fruitful tree—
No fear of an eternal hell,
This tree has such a wondrous spell.

The glinting rays of liquid light
Peer through its branches every night,
And travellers on the road of life
Become more peaceful; and the strife
Which had so long annoyed their way,
Dispersed before this brilliant ray,
Completely satisfied at last
With light upon their pathway cast.

This grand old tree will always stand,
Reared by Progression's mighty hand,
And naught shall mar its sacred name,
Because from spheres of light it came
And took deep root upon the earth;
Because in heaven it had its birth
And angels watched it tenderly—
This tree of immortality.

Although it has another name—
Spiritualism—'tis all the same.
We sing and dance around this tree,
So happy that it made us free
From Superstition's dark domain,
And from all fears of death or pain.
Its zephyrs waft our souls above
Where all is peace and perfect love.

—Re-printed from the Journal of
April 18th, 1899.

Look at the flowers at your feet,
The sun in the sky and into the eyes
of every child. This is one way to
find heaven.

True moral value consists in
dignity of conscience.

PROF. EDGAR L. LARKIN'S EXPOSE OF SPIRITUALISM.

BY HUDSON TUTTLE,
Editor-at-Large, S. N. A.

Especially Written for "The Philoso-
phical Journal."

Perhaps the most lurid piece of
writing ever published in the Los
Angeles Examiner, the most preju-
diced and unfair, is Prof. Larkin's
attack on Spiritualism. To say,
however, that he attacks Spiritual-
ism is erroneous, for he does not.
He attacks the frauds that take its
name, and when he exposes them
would have it believed that he has
destroyed Spiritualism!

As for the frauds, Spiritualists
are well aware that they are many
and deplore the fact as much or
more than Prof. Larkin. When he
says of those who deceive that "hy-
enas, buzzards and vultures are not
comparable to the ignorant, greasy,
beefy ghouls," lurid as is the com-
parison, they do not dissent.

Here is the difference: Prof.
Larkin has a catalogue by some-
body who makes and sells phara-
phernalia to tricksters. He gives a
list of these, and says "the firm has
on file testimonials as to the excel-
lency of their wares from the most
renowned mediums here and in
Europe." Who are these renowned
mediums? Not a name is given,
and the statement is a libel on all
mediums. No names are given and
none dare be given.

That there are a class of rascals,
posing as mediums, and using any
and every means of deception, is
not denied, but these form a small
part of the number of mediums.
What of the thousands in the home
circles who hold seances with hon-
esty of purpose and can by no pos-
sibility possess any of these appli-
ances?

There are astrologers in every
city in this country, and in every
great daily they advertise their
wonderful powers in foretelling the
future. They must have a large
clientage of dupes. They are first-
class frauds, according to Prof.
Larkin, and their prestige all comes
from their claim to be astronomers.
Prof. Larkin is an astronomer of
some repute. Would he think it a
correct conclusion that astronomy

was a contemptible delusion be-
cause the astrologers are frauds?
Would he think it just to place all
astronomers with the advertising
fakers? Yet this is exactly what
he does in placing mediums with
the deceiving montebanks.

Because these are counterfeits he
jumps to the conclusion that there
is no genuine coin. At one time
Prof. Larkin appeared inclined to
the acceptance of Spiritualism. It
would be interesting if he would
give his personal experience. Evi-
dently he has at some time set out
on "scientific research," and came
to grief by having given implicit
confidence to a fake. That is the
usual method of a "scientist."
Spending years looking through a
big tube at the moon is not appar-
ently conducive to brightness in
observing the subtle forms of psy-
chic phenomena. He ran against
frauds, and at once saw nothing
but fraud! Yes, his personal ex-
perience would shed light on his
present state of heated fancy and
white hot indignation. Some of
the "greasy, beefy ghouls" have
duped him! It is wicked and pitia-
ble for such a thing to happen to a
"scientist," even more so than to a
mother whose affections may lead
her to deception.

The expose of Prof. Larkin ex-
poses the frauds and their methods.
Does it do anything more? Not the
least. It does not touch genuine
mediumship. He tells how certain
manifestations can be imitated, not
how they are done by the genuine.
He does not attempt to account for
the intelligence always in the psy-
chic phenomena, for the grand sys-
tem of philosophy that has been
evolved. In fact he has no more
affected Spiritualism than the arrest
of a gang of counterfeiters would
affect the national currency.

SPIRITUALISM IN SAN DIEGO.

BY WILL C. HODGE.

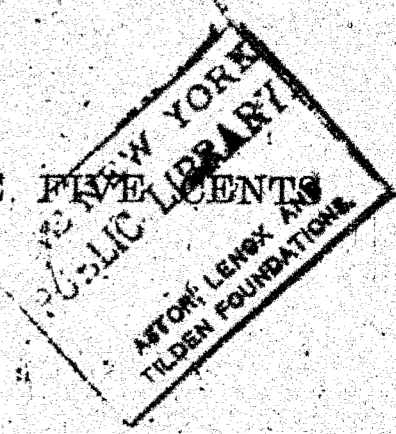
The cause of a demonstrated im-
mortality moves steadily on in San
Diego, and no friend of Spiritualism
has reason for any discouragement
over the situation. The audiences
at the temple are uniformly good,
while our morning conferences are

specially interesting as they are
bringing out the latent talent of a
number of our local workers. We
have not only devoted a special day
to the memory of Thos. Paine, but
to Lincoln and Washington as well,
believing that the more modern
saviours are as much entitled to re-
cognition as are those of ancient
times.

No doubt but Buddha and Jesus,
Plato and Socrates, as well as Con-
fucius and many others are entitled
to our consideration, but we are
quite apt in our worship of ancient
heroes and teachers, to overlook
the fact that more modern examples
are also fully entitled to the grati-
tude of the present generation.
Could I have the privilege of re-ar-
ranging the list of departed saints,
there are several that could be men-
tioned, not now on the calendar,
and St. Abraham, the emancipator
of four million chattel slaves, would
head the list. "Honest Old, Abe"
should never be forgotten by grate-
ful Americans, but should be held
in reverence as the noblest work of
God—an honest man; for honest
men in public life are at the present
time a scarce commodity.

The second society are still con-
tinuing their meetings, and there
are rumors in the air of a new hall
of their own, which would quickly
materialize if their wealth was com-
mensurate with their zeal.

Mrs. White still continues her in-
dependent meetings, which tends
somewhat to a division of forces,
but mediums must needs work, and
if they cannot work in one place
they must work in another. I do
not like to be unduly critical, or to
find fault where all are striving,
in their own way, to push the car of
progress along; but there is to me
something decidedly incongruous in
singing songs that are tinged with
orthodox sentiments in a Spiritual-
ist meeting, and personally have no
sympathy whatever with public in-
vocations, christenings, and the
usual formulas of the Christian
church. It has been said that "no
man putteth new wine into old
bottles," but times have changed,
and Spiritualists are attempting



that very thing. The main principles of the spiritual philosophy are easily understood—so plain that any person of ordinary comprehension may understand them, and the effort to somehow dovetail them in to the teachings of Christianity will in my judgment be, and ought to be, a failure. The old dogmas are dead or dying, and we should be content to let them die and have peaceful burial, with no hope of a resurrection. Personally, I utterly repudiate the whole Christian scheme, with its angry gods, malevolent devils, its heaven and hell, and atoning saviours, as well as its holy books, from Genesis to Revelations. Not but there may be some good things contained therein, but as an authority, am glad to say that, so far as I am concerned, they are not binding upon my conscience. Possibly the reason may be that, like Topsy, "I see so wicked."

The new revelation rests entirely upon the principles of nature, furnishing a strictly natural religion and adapted to the here and now, only asking and demanding that we put its principles in practice in our daily lives. To be good and to do good, loving our fellow men, and making a practical application of the golden rule, is all that is required, and, I opine, this is the only religion of any practical value in this or any other world.

The great (?) Biederwolf, evangelist, has with a great flourish of trumpets, and unlimited advertising, and with the assistance of the Salvation Army, cut a wide swath for a time among the benighted sinners of San Diego. He is evidently a believer in the doctrine that "The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent taketh it by force," for, not content with regular services, a midnight parade was planned, and a special service held at that hour in the Grand Theatre. He has come and gone, and the more thoughtful can now resume a normal attitude, taking council of the "still small voice" which God or Nature has implanted in their own souls, and which is a sufficient revelation to all who will heed it.

We are proposing to celebrate the 57th anniversary in fine style, and intend to make it a red-letter day for Spiritualism in this locality. I have occupied the platform of the First Society during February, and will continue through March, also speaking for the Second Society during this month, taking the place of Mrs. Charlotte Johnston, who has done excellent work and is highly appreciated, but who was overworked and found it necessary to take a rest. With kindly regards to all workers and friends.—Yours for progress,

Will C. Hodge.

ANOTHER TRIUMPH FOR SPIRITUALISM

Psychic treatment for a case of bodily ill does not come in the opinion of twelve hard-headed jurors, within the purview of the statute prohibiting unlicensed practitioners from following their vocation. Such was the substance of the verdict returned recently at the trial of Doctor Nellie Beightle, on Eddy Street, who was arraigned before Police Judge Cabaniss, for failing to provide herself with a license.

It cannot be said, however, that the verdict was reached without the exercise of occult influences of which the Court could take no account. Mrs. Beightle came supported by over a hundred of her admirers, who were willing to testify to the beneficent effects of her school of healing. They were both men and women, some young and some old, but the gray heads were by no means in preponderance. There were lasses with the bloom of youth on their cheeks, and just as ready to tell of the wonders of psychic methods as were the more stately matrons.

Judge Cabaniss, however, would give them no chance. He ruled that such testimony was irrelevant, but their visit was not in vain. Hundreds of eager eyes peered earnestly at the jurors as the case against Mrs. Beightle was unveiled, and there is no telling but that the same occult influences that bring about so many magic parties may have swerved the minds of the jurors.

Detective Duncan B. Matheson arrested Mrs. Beightle at the request of the State Board of Medical Examiners. Without disclosing his identity, he went to her for treatment, complaining of a slight indisposition. She examined critically, thumped his chest and his stomach, and then concluded he was suffering from rheumatism and stomach troubles. She prescribed no medicine for his ailment, but advised him to eat only two meals a day, and that a cure would be effected. In concluding his testimony Matheson said that he had suffered from neither of these diseases and that he thought the physician was a fakir.

This was the only testimony for the prosecution, except the statement that Mrs. Beightle did not have the usual certificate. To meet this M. W. Fox was called to the witness stand to tell of a miraculous cure, but Judge Cabaniss stopped him at the first question. As all the witnesses were to testify to the same effect, and as Mrs. Beightle did not wish to take the stand, the case was submitted after a brief argument by attorney W. T. Baggett

and the attorney for the prosecution. The jury returned to the courtroom after deliberating forty five minutes with a verdict of not guilty. The announcement was met with great applause by the admirers of the defendant. They clapped their hands, jumped up from their seats, kissed each other, and were about to proceed to Mrs. Beightle an ovation, when Judge Cabaniss stopped them with upraised hands.

"Ladies," he exclaimed, "this is my sentence although the pretty bonnets and bright faces might suggest it."

BOOK REVIEW

"The Living Decalogue—From Sinai to Zion," is the title of a new book by W. J. Coyville, and contains a series of twelve lectures, giving a practical exposition of the ten commandments in their spiritual as well as their literal aspects. The ethical aspects of the Decalogue is shown to be of greater importance than the historical. The following points are being clearly presented: (1) a mental vision of the world; (2) to enforce the salutary doctrine of the universality and endless continuity of divine relationship and aspiration; (3) to reply in no uncertain manner to those supercilious readers of the Decalogue who claim that the ten commandments are anything less or other than a sacred and sure repository of universal truth; (4) to detach attention from the merely literal circumstances of an allegorical and poetic narrative, and open out as far as possible in brief suggestive language some of those rich interior meanings which lie deep below the surface of the outward text. This book will be found of interest to all classes, and can be purchased at the Occult Book Store, 1129 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.

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Lorenzo Newton - To my friend, John Wright, this message is to be given. Tell John that I have kept my promise. I found Mary Wright, his sister, and Marie Newton, my sister. They met me with my mother when I came over. I have new work now, no carpenter work. We don't build houses that way, but we build them. Mine is not finished, but I know it will be when I have made good some of my bad years. My fault was carelessness, and it has put some blocks in the way, but one by one I am lifting them. It is harder than the old log-rolling days, John, but it must be done but once.

Samuel J. Morris - I want to send a message to Mr. Frank Ripley. The speaker is a fine looking man, about 45 years old, dressed in a uniform of some kind, but not a soldier. He sounds this: "Well, well, Frank, you will not know until you come over how much good you did when you took my message to our folks. I could not reach them, but you gave the words that made them know. You were right. I did not suffer. It was over too quickly. I knew everything how-ever, till the last. You made my mother know that death does not end all. I thank you, old friend, and to prove it is I signed. I did this word 'EMMA.' You know what that meant to her."

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CONGRATULATIONS.

The *Banner of Light* of Boston, Mass., is to be congratulated by all Spiritualists for having reached the beginning of its 97th volume. The *Banner* is admitted to be the oldest spiritual paper in the world. It has always maintained a record of an honest exponent of the claims and teachings of the spiritual philosophy. Has always been a true friend to mediums, and an indefatigable organ and mouth piece of all who have a true message for the upliftment of humanity. May it long continue under its present able editor and management, to exert its influence for the establishment of peace and good will on earth.

We draw attention to the advertisement of Mr. Roderick Campbell who is now prepared to give individual instruction along the lines of mental science.

Mr. Campbell, it will be observed, is a Scotchman, and Scotland is noted for psychic people, commonly called "gifted with second sight." It will also be remembered that in Scotland, in times gone by, there was a very notable order of mystics called "Druids," and although their occult system of teaching and monasteries were lost and destroyed through the invasion of the Romans in the earlier ages, fragments and basic principles of the Druidic teachings are still known amongst some Scotch people. These fragments were carried down from generation to generation by "word of mouth," as sacred knowledge.

Indeed, for centuries what is now known as "spiritual and magnetic healing," was practised by "some gifted people," as they were termed, more especially in the Highlands of Scotland.

Mr. Campbell, however, as will be seen by his advertisement, has made a prolonged scientific research along the lines of mental dynamics, and some articles from his pen, which appear from time to

time in the Journal, show distinct originality in his line of thought and investigation.

He maintains that there is sufficient conclusive proof that "mental laws" operate on the same basis as "electrical laws" and are identical.

In order to finally prove his working system, Mr. Campbell lectured for seven months at the St. Louis World's Fair, where he delivered over 3,000 lectures before millions of people, with the one object in view—that of deducing basic principles and laws underlying mental action and control in dealing with people.

COMMENTS.

In view of the fact of the widespread religious revival wave that is sweeping round the world, there seems special pertinence in certain statements in the opening article in the Journal of March 18th.

Review for a moment a few of these paragraphs—"The spiritual light now descending on the present age has, to all appearances, not been focused and centralized." "Light has been scattered in a variety of struggling beams in the darkened places of the earth." "This age is an age of the generation of new forces, the influx of thought from all spiritual centres in the heavens has been plentiful, and the result can be seen in the multifarious spiritual movements which have characterized this age."

"Commenter" would not wish to read into any writer's thought a meaning he did not wish to convey. But it would seem that this writer sees that spirit manifestation is not the especial property of any cult. That the "spiritual centres in the heavens" seek many avenues of expression.

Clearly those that are of the orthodox religions are moving by some concerted plan to recall men to the beliefs of their fathers. And this revival, if the result of spirit influences, would plainly indicate that mortals do not so quickly change their views and opinions on entering spirit life as has been fondly dreamed.

If orthodoxy means a hampering force when a soul is set free from the mortal, certainly Spiritualists should be awake to a revival that shall teach humanity it is not by doctrine, but by doing, that heaven is gained in this or any other world.

A peculiarity that has been noted for generations is, that great religious movements are co-existent

with great political and industrial unrest; and as yet no one has arisen to show that these movements have a common origin, and must be correlated to be lasting and valuable.

They represent the trinity of man's being—body, mind and spirit. As in the past, the mistaken thought has been that one must be made dominant, and the others brought into subjugation. No unity has existed in the three classes of movements. In fact they have usually antagonized each other.

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COMMENTER.

OAKLAND NOTES.

The world "do" move, said the colored philosopher, and the cause in Oakland keeps moving also in good shape. A long, long time ago certain of Christ's disciples returned to him and said, "Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name and we forbade him." Christ answered, "Forbid him not. He that is not against me is for me." Such is the teaching of true Spiritualism. If you cannot work alongside of any brother or sister do not put stumbling-blocks in their way. Rather encourage them in their work, for who made "thee" a ruler of the people. Judge not that ye be not judged. There is work for all. Let each one work in the way he or she may be best suited for.

Oh, the good we all may do,
As the years go rolling on.

The interest still continues at the Medium's Meeting, and there are large audiences at each meeting, and it is again rumored that the managers are on the look out for larger quarters. The workers are all in harmony with each other, and this aids in the success of the meeting. Mr. Thos. Ellis is always on hand, and adds much to the pleasure of those present by his jocular manner in seeing some fun in every thing. Those giving readings or

messages on Thursday, the 16th inst., were Dr. Stewart Ellis, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Parsons and Madme. Rancee.

Mrs. Cowell and her co laborers still hold the fort at Woodmen's Hall every Sunday evening, and to judge from the large and appreciative audiences which gather there from week to week the services must be enjoyed, and those conducting them encouraged to go forward in the grand work for the upliftment of humanity. It is proposed to celebrate the 57th Anniversary of Modern Spiritualism in this hall on Easter Sunday, when there will be several other workers present, and every effort will be made so that it may be a grand success. A cordial invitation is extended to our brothers and sisters in San Francisco to be with us on that occasion.

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Prof. Omo has lately opened a temple of health in the Woodmen's Hall Block. The Professor says every man, woman and child should be a temple of health, and there is no reason why they should not be so if the laws of health were understood and properly applied. He is doing some good work along the line of magnetic healing and suggestive therapeutics. The human family has been drugged to death, and it is time that they should take the advice of the poet and say—"Physic to the dogs, I'll none of it." The Professor is ably assisted in his work by Miss Chancey, a lady who is spending her best energies in the most unselfish manner, for the betterment of humanity. Any one requiring their services should not hesitate about giving them a call. It will not cost anything.

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COLLECTION.

- 7.—Solo, Mrs. Mary A. Wells. 8.—Addresses, Mrs. M. S. Phelps, Mrs. Louisa S. Drew. 9.—Music, Audience. 10.—Messages, Mrs. Sadie Eberhardt, Mrs. C. E. Wermouth, Mrs. M. E. G. Howe. 11.—Address, Mrs. E. R. Nickless Cobb. 12.—Music, Choir. 13.—Messages, Mrs. Salome Cowell, Mr. E. F. Cobb. 14.—Doxology, Audience. "Only Remembered."

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Although I am not a member of your spiritual society, I nevertheless received this morning a kindly invitation from Madame A. G. Grottaroli to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Harvey Caswell, one of our California respected pioneers, widow of Harvey Campbell, who for many years held responsible State positions, the last of which as Auditor in the City Hall, Sacramento, where he died prior to Mrs. Caswell's residence in San Francisco.

The impressive service was first conducted at the residence of the Rev. C. V. Miller, 1084 Bush street, San Francisco. Mrs. C. U. Myers, accompanied by a select quartet, commenced with the simple but beautiful hymn, "Abide with Me, Fast Falls the Eventide." Mrs. Gillespie, pastor of the People's Church, concluded the last solemn rites. In the latter's address, speaking in sincerity of their departed friend, no one present of any denomination could seriously have felt a prejudice in their point of religion so earnestly officiated by each lady, inasmuch as we are all free to entertain our own opinion as to our views of the spiritual hereafter. Yet with reference to the heading of my little article respectfully submitted, "there is but one road beyond." Mrs. Gillespie in expression of her belief under the spiritual influence she has experienced, delivered a quotation from scripture taken from the 5th chapter 2d Corinthians, first verse, namely: That ministers of all denominations quote that particular text, as follows: "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved we have a building of God—a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." The pastor remarked in her address, "How do they know?"

Reader, there is one proof we all have and should cherish, the Almighty power visible and invisible. Therefore if we try to live honest, upright lives, notwithstanding persecution or suffering, the divine spirit does and will guide us on during our journey from mortal to immortality. Is it not so? Another feature showing esteemed friendship was exquisite splendor in floral designs, principally violets, Mrs. Casswell's favorite flower. And permit me to speak, as it were, upon Mr. Miller's marked kindness through the last years of Mrs. Caswell's life, and moreover the comfort she received from his hospitable devotion, equally sincere as a beloved son, especially during her bodily affliction that ended her aged life of 84 years, I am told.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Caswell kept a refined boarding house in San Francisco, where the Rev. C. V. Miller made his home; but when she became too feeble from such hard energies she then resided under Mr. Miller's generous roof until the end. A

lady friend has informed me of his unselfish character and appreciation toward the good of others. May reward be doubly repaid him from his heart that speaketh. Mrs. Caswell's remains will be laid beside those of her husband at Sacramento.

IN MEMORY.
Remember your sister, whose spirit arose
From life's wear-ome pain,
To dwell with her Maker in peaceful bliss.
Where rest will for ever remain.
LUCY LONG.
San Francisco, March 9, 1905

A GREETING.

A word, Mr. Editor, to my friends in San Francisco, through your paper. I am very sorry to be unable to meet those whom I knew when in this city nine years ago, but my stay here is so short—only five days—that I could attend only one meeting. At the People's Church, Mrs. Anna Gillespie, pastor, I was pleased to meet a few old friends, but my heart has longed to say, "How do you do" to others. So in this way I will say I am glad to be here to see San Francisco and to know that Spiritualism is being represented by some of the best people of the city. Hold ever up to the light. Go forward, no matter how strenuous the effort, and in time will our truth, *the dead do communicate*, be accepted by the world.

Often when I am in far away lands will I turn my face toward the Golden Gate and say: "There are my people, my friends; give to me strength and life to be with them once again; yes mighty force from whence all life comes. I sail for Wellington, New Zealand, on the 16th. "Mizpah"—may the angels be between you and me until we meet again.

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Miss Mae Hunt continues to draw large audiences on Sunday evenings, and through her inspirations many are becoming interested in the spiritual philosophy, and are growing more deeply convinced and established in the fact and truth of the return and communion of spirits with mortals. The Tuesday evening meeting at her home, 2318 Oak street, are always interesting and helpful to the investigator, affording opportunity for the exchange of thought.

THE CAUSE IN SANTA CRUZ.

The Santa Cruzians have had a feast of "spiritual food" during the past week, and also valuable information regarding the progress of Spiritualism through organization under the auspices of the N. S. A., and the indefatigable and persistent efforts of the missionaries now in the field. Mr. E. W. Sprague and wife, N. S. A. missionaries, gave several lectures in this growing city by the sea last week, leaving on Monday for Los Angeles for further work.

FROM "SPIRIT ECHOES."

No legislative body can, by enactment, ever make a thing true or false. Principles are never changed by vote. The courts should have no more to do in deciding matters relative to spiritual manifestations than in attempting to prove or disprove the doctrine of the Trinity or the Immaculate Conception. They could decide one as well as the other.

IN MEMORIAL OF JESSIE.

Gone to thy rest on the wings of the morning,
Like a bright sunbeam gone back to the sun;
Lent for the summer to gladden the dawning,
Making life's triumphs sweeter when won.
Spark from the flame of eternal light,
Pure as the star from which thou wert lent;
Love us, comfort us, lead us through the night,
Oh spirit of love! whom the master sent.
—[Marie Louise Kern, San Francisco.

TO THE SPIRITUALISTS OF THE PACIFIC COAST.

The Philosophical Journal of San Francisco, California, the acknowledged true exponent of the spiritual philosophy, has ever upheld the cause of true Spiritualism and true mediumship. Its present editor, Mr. W. T. Jones is a grand man, a true Spiritualist and an uncompromising worker for our cause. He is making the Journal one of the best Spiritualist papers in the land.

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E. W. Sprague,
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CARD FROM DR. PEEBLES.

On the 20th of this month I leave Battle Creek for London by the White Star line. I go to fill lecture engagements with several societies, among which are the London Spiritual Alliance, the London Psycho-Therapeutic Society and the Victoria Institute, the president of which is the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Halsbury, Lord Chancellor, D. C. L., F. R. S., etc. The subject of this lecture, or paper, to be read and discussed by the members, will be "Immortality, Its Possibilities and Proofs."

The third edition of "Demonism of the Age and Spirit Obsessions," is now in the press, merely proving that Moses Hull, president of the Pratte Institute; W. T. Stead, editor of the London Review of Reviews, and others properly grasping the spiritual movement, were right when they said, "this book was timely. It was needed as a signal—as a warning light by the wayside," etc.

My address in London will be:
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London, N. W., England.

UNION SPIRITUAL SOCIETY.

The Oakland Union Spiritual Society have arranged an excellent programme to be given at Fraternal Hall on Sunday afternoon and evening, the 26th inst., to commemorate the 57th Anniversary of Modern Spiritualism. We are sorry that the "copy" arrived too late to be inserted in this issue.

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PERSONAL.

Mrs. Sadie Eberhardt of 267 San Jose avenue returned last week after three weeks' absence much improved in health. She reports having done some missionary work among the people she visited. In some instances the farmers sent conveyances for her to visit their homes, where she gave messages from their loved ones. She found the people hungry for the truth of Spiritualism and were reluctant to have her go away from them.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Roberts of St. Louis, Mo., personal friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ragon of 1722 Market street, are making a tour of California and will remain in the city only a few days, when they will journey on to Los Angeles. Mrs. Roberts is well known in the East as a materializing medium, as many can attest to her work during the Fair last year.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

The annual election of officers of the Ladies' First Spiritual Aid Society will be held at their headquarters, room 8 Odd Fellows' building, on Wednesday at 2 p. m., April 5, 1905. All members are requested to be present.

Annie E. Wadsworth,
 Secretary.

PEOPLE'S CHURCH.

On last Sunday evening Mr. Arthur S. Howe occupied the platform in the absence of Mrs. Gillespie, the pastor. The subject of the lecture was "The Spirit of Investigation." Mr. Howe carried his audience back to the remote or primeval age in the history and development of the race, showing that the spirit of investigation has always been co-existent with the law or principle of evolution. The speaker argued and evinced by analogy and logic, that evolution as the materialist would urge does not belong exclusively to the material and physical expression of nature, but rather that evolution is the great moving power, coexistent with the underlying principles of being inherent in the universe, which comprehends and embraces the spiritual growth and unfoldment of the race. This thought was also given: "That at the first sensation of sorrow in the mother's heart for her dead child, gave birth to the great question of the ages, "After Death, What?" Mrs. Howe followed, giving a number of well defined messages.

THE LYCEUM.

Topic for Sunday, March 26, 1905, S. E. 57.—"Our Anniversary." The gem of thought:—

Fifty-seven years ago
 This March the thirty-first,
 Spirit raps bid us to know
 Their presence, best and worst.

Mingling with this, host unseen,
 In joy we've gone our way;
 Love has built the bridge between,
 And truth made glad the day.

Sing a song of cheer to-day,
 Our anniversary;
 Loving friends from o'er the way,
 Our anniversary.

For information concerning the Progressive Lyceum authorized lesson sheet of the National Spiritualist Association, address John W. Ring, Spiritualist Temple, Galveston, Texas.

On last Sunday the Lyceum came near being all that its name implies. The conductor, Mrs. Gillespie, having arranged to spend Sunday in the country, selected from among the children those who should lead in the different exercises during her absence. After the usual singing and calisthenics led by Mr. C. E. Wadsworth, Harold Hickman taking the lead, the school followed in concert, repeating the invocation, Miss Norton leading the dumb-bell exercises, Miss Sybil Steers taking charge of the picture tableaux and Miss Stone conducting the marching. Each young lady performed the task assigned her without the least embarrassment, which experience will prove of great value in the future of the school. The Lyceum will give an exhibition of the system to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock in Scottish Hall, 107 Larkin street.

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