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Fine Dollar a Year.


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## I Memorable Seance.

From Light, of London, England, we copy the following account of a very memorable seance:
The following is a reliable record of facts, for I drew up an account of this wonderful seance I drew up an account of this
In the year 1895, my husband, General Noel, was stationed at Tarbes, a very dull, quiet city, eclipsed by its brilliant neighbor and rival, Pau, We resolved, out of fun, to try a few seances
with the help of several officers, and two - With

We hardly knew how to manage, though, owing to strange circumstances, we
us well acquainted with magnetism
ence, were theve gentlemen, under my influTerre (an Artillery officer) obtaining the most wonderful physical manifestations. We soon became, all of us, serious investigators, and, during nineteen seances, were the, ha
In October, 1895, in accordance with his wish, General Noel was promoted to the post of Al giers. (as commander of the Artillery in Al horrors and misery of packing! My husband, seeing all his belongings topsy-turvy, turned
for comfort and security to my wardrobe, which for comfort and security to my wardrobe, which was the last piece of furniture to be boxed up, taining shares for a large sum, also 6,000 francs ( $£ 240$ ) in bank notes put by for the ex penses of the journey.
Unfortunately, having a private key to my wardrobe, he quite forgot to tell me anything
about it, and (man-like) thought he had taken about it, and (man-like) thought he had taken all necessary precaution in
ehind a pile of petticoats
Three days afterwards,
ow bills he went to the, wishing to settle his property-gone! vanished!
A dreadful commotion followed this discov ery. We called in a police officer. The house was searched and everybody in it became thor oughly miserable and nervous. At last, at his wits' end, General Noel proposed to hold à se ance
Our home being bare, we asked Major Humblot and his wife (who were, later on, to follow their apartment. they would kindly lend us group. Unfortunately, three other investigators were absent and it was a very small party that gathered together the same evening in Madame Humblot's drawing-room. General Noel, myself, Major and Madame Humblot, ges Laloy, and as second and very important medium, my ex-maid Augustine. The history of this maid is as follows: For four years she had remained in my service. Accidentally, I had found out her marvellous magnetic and mediumistic power, but the doctors advised me to part with her, as her presence in my household
our loss (and knowing that three members were away), she modestly offered to join us (and very thankful we were to get her.
The seance began at about half past eight o'clock. We took our seats at a large round table, and the lights being extinguished, we joined hands in silence. After a few minutes the floor began shaking and moving, as if we were in for an earthquake. then took to rapping.
violently to and fro and the
My husband asked: "Who is there? ?
The following message was spelled out: Madame la Generale's guide."
"Will you help us?"
Yes. What do you want?"
". "e want to know if we shall find our port" Not lost."
"What has become of it?
-"Taken! Stolen!
"Three culprits - maid, coachman, work woman."
"How did they manage it?"
"'The day before yesterday Madame told her maid to put by some handkerchieris in the ward-
robe. Madame was dressing, but the door of robe. Madame was dressing, but the door of
the wardrobe hid the woman. She found $i t$, slipped it under her apron, and hurried to the


By D́r. Hansmann's Camera
By Dr. Keeler's Camera.
ARTIAL DEMATERIALIZATION PHOTOGRAPHED.
The above picture is the result of an experiment by Dr. Theodore Hansmann and Spirit Dhotographer Keeler, each with his own camera. apparatus some two feet from that of the medium's, both instruments being focussed upon the Doctor, who had formerly placed his own sensitive plate in, and set his own camera. Both plates were exposed, with the above result. If Dr. Hansmann is sure the plate was not changed in his camera, this experiment is remarkable. Neb., devotes over two columns (including the above picture) to a description of this experi ment by Dr. Hansmann, with comments by the editor referring to the partial dematerialization of Mme. d' Esperance, which occurred at a seance in Sweden, and which Count Aksakow has described in a book which has an English
translation.
"lingerie," where the workwoman was mending linen. The two put their heads together. On carried it with her evening the workwoman How was the coachman mixed up with it? Your maid, a widow with four children, and ten years older than Touis, made fierce love to him. They are affianced. She thought the money would blot out a few years, and the rob bery would bind him to her. So she told him all, and made him her accomplice. Tell them you know all! Thrust them from your doors! "Well! but how shall we get the money back ?"
"This evening! this evening! Louis, the sol dier-coachman-remembers what the police with five years' hard labor a poor soldier would be in for ten years! Oh! oh! the culprits are at daggers drawn!"
Here Captain Terre jumped, up and called, in a loud voice: "Stop! Stop! I see them!" All of us asked : "Where? Who?"
The table rapped: "Let him speak"
The Captain went on, excitedly: "I see Ma lighted up. There are three persons in it-two women and a man. They are hunting all over the room. They are quarrelling. They are very angry. Oh, they have got it with them Oh ! they are turning the bedclothes topsy Oh! they are turning the bedclothes topsy again. Now they are going up to the windows close to the wardrobe."
Augustine, excitedly: "I see it! I see Ma dame's room. Oh! but you are wrong, mon sieur! There are four persons in the room two men and two women! Go away! Go away! look! They tave brought one of those black Austrian caned chairs out of Monsieur's dress ing-room. And they are dragging it to the wardrobe. What are they going to put on the top of the wardrobe? Get off that chair
The table, rapping : "They want to put it where you can find it! They know you are consulting us! Of course, they know all about your seances." Captain Terre, wildly: "Let me reach the wretches. I will hurt them! I will scratch
their faces!"; Heposited near him, and leaning over the table fourished it wildly in the air. (The members, striking surreptitious matches, watched him in silence.)
The Captain : "Oh! They are leaving the Augustine: "They are filing out by the small door going into Monsieur's dressing-room. All is dark; we can't see any more."
The table: "Don't be alarmed. It is on the top shelf of the cupboard.
The General : "Which cupboard ?"
All the members: "Yes. Let us go, all of us. Come along!"
The table: "No! The General and Madame only, No one else. You may all of you go tomorfrow morning as early as you like. Let Monsieur and Madame hurry home. The maid will meet them and.ask for news. Say, "All is going on well, but nothing will be known before

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to-morrow" Then lock your dours and look for "Where?"
"It is on the top shelf of the cupboard. Good night! good night!"
Then the table rose up nearly to the ceiling, descended gently, bowed to each member separately, and became again a simple, solid, stupid,
ordinary bit of furniture. Not a word more could we get of it, pray as we might.
Home we went, very nervous and feverish. Home we went, very nervous and feverish. and locked) we looked at the bed. Yes; it did seem rather in disorder, and as if strange fingers had dared to touch it ; but beside the wardrobe, instead of one of the lovely white venetian chairs belonging to my bedroom suite, there was standing, forgotten, the identical diums had seen taken from Major Humblot's drawing room!
I jumped on it. Nothing on the top of the wardrobe! Nothing in the wardrobe! Nothing in or on the bed ! Rather scared, we also filed out by the small door into my spouse's dressing. ng-room was a large cupboard let into the wall, after the fashion of the eighteenth century. my husband kept his hats, gloves, ties and handkerchiefs in it. The police had hunted all over it, and, on going out a few hours before, the GenI rushed to it, threw open the clumsy door. a bed of ties was the object of our search We med search.
it, not even the 6,000 francs ( $£ 240$ ), which never could have been identified, as they were in notes and, of course, we did not know their numbers. I have purposely shortened the account of this memorable seance, the two instances of
clairvoyant vision being, of course, the chief clairvoyant vision
features of interest.
Perhaps your lady readers would like to know who is my guide. I will tell them. This most gracious and pure spirit is an Indian spirit, a
Brahmin. He came to me the very first time I sat at a table, and since then has oiven me many proofs of his presence. Several times he has kissed my hand, when $I$ was quite sure no mortal lips could touch me, and often he has pre first fowors
cluster of white roses. He in Algiers were chosen them on account of their name-Aimee Vibert. Aimee, as you know, no doubt, is the same name as your, English "Amy." Both
mean "the loved one."
madame Le Generrale Carmencita Noel.

## G Guardian Fnge1.

The second volume of the biography, or autobiography, of Spurgeon, which is being, published by his widow, gives an interesting account
of 'Mr. Ruskin's friendship in his evangelical of Mr. Ruskin's friendship in his evangelical days for the famous preacher, whose Surrey
Music Hall services he seems to have attended. There is a story given by Mrs. Spurgeon on Mr. Ruskin's authority, which, if it were not too late to verify it, might deserve the attention
of the Society for Psychical Research. A widof the Society for Psychical Research. A wid-
ower was in treaty for the occupancy of an old ower was in treaty for the occupancy of an old
farmhouse in the country for the sake of his farmhouse in the country for the sake of his
children's health. One day he took them to see children's health. One day he took them to see
it, and the young people set off on a tour of it, and the young people set off on a tour of grounds and examining the house, one of them suggested that the underground premises had not been explored. So the merry band went helter-skelter in search of a way below, found a door at the head of some dark stairs, and were rushing down at great speed, when midway they the bottom of the steps they saw their mother with outstretched arms and loving gesture way ng them back, and silently forbidding their urther passage. With a cry of mingled fear and joy they turned and fled to their father, telling him that they had seen "mother." The astonished father perceived that something close at the foot of those narrow, gloomy stairs they found a deep and open well entirely un guarded. Mrs. Spurgeon says Mr. Ruskin related this with an impassioned tenderness and power, which her pen cannot imitate, as an


Case of Telepathic Perception.
On August 12th, a young man named Livio Cibrasio, belonging to one of the most ancient families of Turin, while attempting to climb the peakk of Rociamelone, in the Maritime Alps, lost his way, and on the following morning a search party found his body, terribly crushed and Cibrasio, the unfortunate young man's father who was at Turin, and knew nothing of his son' expedition to the Rociamelone, on the night of the accident, aroused the rest of the family announcing with tears that Livio was dead. He had seen him distinctly, he said, blood flowing
from his battered head, and had heard these from his battered head, and had heard thes Words spoken in a voice of tergible anguish my head, and I am dead, quite dead." The other members of the family tried in vain to persuade the poor Count that the ghastly vision. was nothing but a nightmare, and the bereaved father continued in a state bordering upon dis-
traction, till the morning, when the official confraction, till the morning, When the official con This case of telepathy, or whatever name may be given to similar phenomena, is considered all the more remarkable as Count Cibrasio is a very quiet, matter-of-fact person, and has never suffered from disorders of the nervous system or dobbbled in Spiritism.-The Tivo Worlds.

## Frauds and Facts.

The editorial on the charges of Bishop Garrison, in the Journal of Sept. 15, suggests a
thought or two. First, a self-confessed fraud cannot be immaculate, unless he has met with a change of heart. Nevertheless a liar can tell habitually for years, need not always deceive His latest statements may be weakened by the knowledge of moral weakness in the past; but if he can prove his assertions it is proper to accept them when proven. His statements alone cannot be conclusive. But that frauds have been perpetrated has been well understood for many
years ; and that a ring exists in which a class of mediums, or frauds, or both, have played upon the credulity of the public, has been known by a large class of Spiritualists, for years, and
more is known of their ways than they dream more is known of their ways than they dream
of; and for all that are guilty no exposure can of; and for all that are guilty no exposure can
be too soon or too thorough. But when a man be too soon or too thorough. But when a man assumes that are, he is going beyond his sphere, and stultifies himself. I am aware that shrewd men have been deceived, when they thought they were very stire of all that occurred.
I have often been surprised at the way intelligent people accept as demonstration, phenomena
which to me appeared very unsatisfactory and decidedly suspiciopus. The tendency of such loose observations, and looser reports of seances, is to create profound skepticism among realy
critical and thorough observers. Hence, many minds have been prepared to accept the sweeping denunciations of such "exposers" and class all phenomena together as frauds. But such bluster never disturbs me. Whatever frauds may be exposed, if it be fairly and thoroughly done, must strengthen the cause of Spirituatism "independent slatewriting" is fraud because some is, is simply absurd.
Many slates have been written full, when the medium never touched them, and I have witnessed phenomena in the same line that Mr. Garrison cannot duplicate under the same con-
ditions, unless he does it as a medium. If it is ditions, unless he does it as a medium. If it is
a trick, it can be explained. If he will duplicate a trick, it can be explained. If he will duplicate
a picture we have of our daughter, under idena picture we have of our daughter, under iden can have one hundred dollars for his feat, and I will give the facts to the world as freely as I have the others.
Last winter I met a young man-Lyman Mat tock-in Chicago, and went with him to see the Bangs sisters. He was a stranger to me and to
the mediums and all such phenomena. Hence the mediums and all such phenomena. Hence he desired my co-operation. We selected a
clean, white canvas $20 \times 24$ inches, marked it on the back, on the sides of the stretcher, and on the front. We then repaired to the seance room, spread a sheet over the carpet, to keep the d-1
from coming up through the floor, set the table on the sheet and tacked the sheet to the carpet outside of the table. At his request I placed
the marked canvas under the table and closed it
in with curtains, while he and the two Bangs sisters stood back and looked on. From the time I closed it in and pinned the curtains around
the table, no one touched the table or went the table, no one touched the table or went
within two feet of it until three and one fourth within two feet of it until three and one fourth
hours had passed. At the end of that time I approached the table, unpinned and raised the curtains and took out the canvas still bearing the marks we had put upon it, and found a life like picture of his brother who had been several years in spirit life. It is first-class art work, with all the colorings true to nature, and all who knew the young man in life recognize it
readily. There was, under the table, an old photograph of the young man, which the medi ums had never seen. but it was enclosed in two envelopes, both carefully sealed, and was never in the possession of either medium until after the picture was finished.
Can Mr. Garrison duplicate this phenomenon under the same conditions? If he can, he can explain how it is d
such explanation?
Oh, no ! Brother Garrison, do not assume too much. Spiritualism has its quota of frauds, but it has also its unanswerable facts, which no man can explain independent of Spiritual philosophy. You were a staunch Presbyterian, I believe Were there never any frauds in the Presbyterian Church? Are even the ministers exempt from is the greatest fraud against God and humanity that priestcraft ever perpetrated. Not tha there is no truth or any good in the church, but the confession of faith and the way it has been used to deceive the ignorant and mock God, and build up the fortress of a few ruling lights who prostituto their intion an infinite lie, is the mo people in mate and stupendous fraud ever perpetrated against an innocent public.
Spiritualism has sustained a class of phenom ena for 50 years, that no magician has eve duplicated, under the same conditions, and no Scientist has explained without the aid of pose frauds (but be sure they are frauds before you go before the public with them), and clea away the shams such as you have been, and le the pure light of truth bear testimony that shall convict your rash denunciations and restore you to a rational equilibrium, and convert you to a sane philosophy of life and human nature, tha ionship even though a thousand frauds should bewilder the superficial observer and unreason ing fanatic.
Because mediumship has been prostituted to fortune telling and treasure hunting, it does not follow that it is a bad thing, any more than the demoralizing creed of the church and base character of many representative gospel luminaries, and proves Christianity a fraud.
Yours for the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.
Fredonia, N. Y.

## Franklin's Religion.

In a biographical article on "The World's Famous Scientists," John Ebenezer Bryant correctly says of Benjamin Franklin: "At home his personal qualities, admired for his abilities, and because of his wisdom and discretion intrusted with the most difficult and honorable employment. Abroad he was regarded, not only as the greatest man of his nation, but as one of the greatest of the age-as uniting in himself, indeed, the wisdom of the sage, the observing and reasoning talent of the philosopher, the polish, the tact, the discretion, the shrewaness sense and practical discernment of the successful man of affairs and the distinguished mental qualities of the accomplished literateur, and in countrymen and men of other nations, the opinion of all subsequent times substantially agrees."
This is undoubtedly a correct statement, and it is of interest to know the faith of this moral Jefferson, Washington, Girard and Lincoln His declarations regarding the teachings of Christ are sometimes quoted as being superior to other religious reformers, but it should be remembered that in his time the great Buddhistic faith was unknown. That religion has never persecuted, and forbade the use of intoxicants
nearly a thousand years before the birth of the Christian religion.
It is true that there were abstainers in the Orient at the time of Christ, and John the Baptist, who was one, was denounced by the tipplers as possessed of not an abstainer, was designated as a friend of "publicans and sinners."
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the one living, the other dead (so-called.) This is especially noticeable when the one living becomes dangerously sick. There is now a decided improvement noticeable by those who are observing the laws of the spirit, in the fact that they are not worshiping the spiritual phenomena as they once did. These symbols are now regarded as footprints, leading onward, to
those who see them, and also are sign words of the spirit language.
To better illustrate the facts I am attempting to explain, I will give two or three cases coming under my own observation, or of those on which we can depend as truthful. A young man just entering upon manhood, with all the hopes and expectations incident to one of that age, was attacked by what his physicians called quired oreat efforts for him to walk more than a few rods at a time. He even got so weak that he could scarcely walk, and was despondent and lost all hope of getting well. It was at
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his shoulders and looked anxiously in his face, his shoulders and looked anxiously in his face, three times. At this point the young man began to mend and has improved rapidly ever since. He responded to the word spoken in silence. Did his sister come to be his guide over the river?
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A lady, who was past the prime of life, was reported that she could not live more than a few days at most. She was afflicted with heart thauble. had not slept any for two weeks, more badly swollen. Every one near her was getting ready to attend her funeral. At this stage
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only a short time, came back, and was often only a short time, came back, and was often
seen with her. She began to improve at this seen with her. She began to improve at this
point of sickness, and when she had shown the plightest improvement her son did not return
Aniother lady, who was constantly ailing, doc. toring all the time, was often seen in vision leading a little boy about three years old. It was learned upon inquiry by the party who noticed this that some years before that her little boy died with throat trouble. The mother darling. She moved to a distant part of the State and was taken sick and died. No one attempted to speak to her, as her church was densely materialistic and led her away from those who were able to help her. I do not know if in any of the above cases the sick persons were aware of the return of the absent ones, nor was the fact then known, except in the case of the second one referred to herein, that selatives were, oead, he facts known to the one who saw this.
A child about four years old was playing in the yard when she saw her father in vision. she saw her father who had died the year bebefore, and that: he has come for me, the child said. The child was, to all appearances,
she complained of being sick and died soon
It is supposed that the distance between the material world and the spiritual world is very short. Those who are so often seen, soon after death, are usually dressed in the clothing they wore when in life. Beyond this belt of living, moving people, of all sizes and ages and dier visited by people in this life, where the dress is white, and be there many or few seen at once, they do not vary in dress, size, age or appearances. They glide noiselessly about, and seem to be all engaged in earnest work. People who
can talk in their last hours will describe their can talk in their last hours will describe their
friends who have gone before, and as they near friends who have gone before, and as they near
the gate of death they will also say: "I see far away yonder ladies dressed in snow white." Only a few people in good health ever see thus far into the spirit world. It is not necessary to die to reach Heaven
Since writing the above observations, and before I had sent this article to the JOURNAL, I received a letter from a friend in the South,
who reports nearly similar occurrences near who reports nearly similar occurrences near
F. P. WAGNER.

## Chtistian Science," So-Called.

Dr. John B. Brimhall, of the Minnesota State Medical Board, has recently been calling some Cloud to account for practicienc the hears of at. and relieving the sick and afflicted, without first having been licensed by the State Board.
The newly-discovered force, which Mrs. Eddy deserves the credit of bringing to light and, in a great measure, developing, and to
which she, owing to her lack of scientific knowledge and her strongly religious nature, gave the name of "Christian Science", has been butt of ridicule in the intellectual world for the last quarter of a century, simply on account of the unfortunate name with which the good and well-meaning lady loaded it down. That
she caught hold of and, in a measure, develshe caught hold of and, in a measure, devel of our natural philosophies had then told us anything about, is certainly true, and that she gave it an unfortunate and unscientific name is Mrs. Eddy asks us to believe that the healer at least must believe substantially as she does in God and Jesus Christ, but this has been proven to be simply absurd. As a marticular religious creed to avail himself of the benefits of the law of gravitation or the law of attraction, or to utilize the law of numbers in a geometrical progression, so it has been abundantly demonstrated that a person to either practice or re-
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quired to be a Christian, but, on the contrary, quired to be a Christian, but, on the contrary, number of Gods, and he may believe Jesus Christ to have been divine or to be a myth. Indeed, there is no dissuising the fact that the most successful mental healers of the day are persons who are regarded by the orthodox churches as being more or less heretical, and, n many cases, very decidedly so
postles went right along slowly Eddy and her apostles went right along, slowly it is true at irst, performing cures which dumbfounded the drugs and knives, they could not approach. Finally. within the last few years, some of the scientists of this and other lands have thought it worth while to make a scientific investigation
of the method by which Mrs. Eddy and her disciples performed their cures, and when this invciptes performed their cures, and when this they performed those cures by utilizing a certain natural law-a law which is a natural law in spite of the fact that up to this time it is not explained in any of our school and college text
books on natural philosophy; and that natural books on natural philosophy; and that natural
law may be summarized into these few words, law may be summarized into these few words,
viz.: that thought is a projeztile just as much us is a brickbat, and that it is one of the most powerful forces in nature, and that, having the velocity of lightning, it can be made to accomplish results very quickly, whereas, drugs can only accomplish the results claimed for them by
the more tedious process of working their way the more tedious pr
Had Professor Roentgen, when he, in the early part of last year, made his wonderful dis-
that he had discovered a Christian $X$ ray, and that none but a good Christian could find it, or credulous. He, however, told the story of his discovery in so plain and scientific a manner, that the whole world believed him, and in less than a week's time the wonderful rays discovand in all the leading institutions of learning in all countries reached by the magnetic telegraph -Duluth Tribunal.

## Spain and the Dust of Columbus.

According to the Paris Figaro, nothing can be more painful just now than the perusal of the Spanish newspapers. "They weep in silence over the loss of their fleets and the death of
their soldiers who fell in the defense of their country. They do not attempt to recall the vast Spanish colonies, or refer to what will remain demand one thing, and that is the return to Spain of the remains of Christopher Columbus." The Spanish press, we learn from the same source, is urging the government to stipulate in the treaty of peace for the return of the ashes of Columbus to Spain.
Says the Madrid Imparcial: "Let us leave the house; let us leave the city; let us leave
the country. All that we can do ; but we canthe country. All that we can do; but we canThe Lares of the Latin race in America are the bones of Christopher Columbus in his leaden coffin in Havana.
With doubtless sincere distrust of Americans who are supposed to be without reverence for the great mariner who pierced the darkness
which hid from Europe more than half the earth, the Provincia says: "The Americans must not touch that tomb, for who knows that they might not turn the cathedral of Havana into a theater or museum and put turnstiles at the doors. Where, for money, the public would Wh permitted to see the tomb of Columbus. not purchase the ashes of the immortal navigaAmerican town a tour through theins while Ame band plays ' Yankee Doodle, ",
There is something pathetic and, it must be admitted, honorable to the Spanish heart in this sentimental desire that in Spain shall hence forth rest the dust of the man who laid a continent at her feet. I do not believe the question ject of controversy between our country and Spain. The character, discoveries and achievements of the great navigator belong to the morld-to mankina, in and with whom Columbus has a corporate immortality. Historic propriety would require that his ashes remain where they are, but Spain's desire on this subject probably Columbus died in Sevi
Columbus died in Seville in 1506 and was buried there, though it was his desire, as expressed in In 1536 the son of the great discoverer was able to carry out his father's wishes. The remains were conveyed to the Cathedral of San Domingo. After Spain lost the island in 1795 the sarcophain was carried to Havana and there deposited to the chapel is a marble slab on which are inscribed words which, translated, read as follows: "Oh! body and image of the great Columbus, be yet preserved for a thousand centuries in, the urn and in the memory of our
nation." B. F. UNDERWOOD.

Bedi "Prof." Harry F. George, an alleged medium, is in jail at Waco, Texas, on a charge of swindling a woman out of her property by representations that he could, by virtue of his peculiar powers, draw from lottery companies a should be duly turned over to the woman. On these flimsy pretensions she turned over her property to him. There is no question at all which was the "fool" in this transaction, and there is little question that dupes will continue to allow themselves to be robbed by this class of vermin. The hope that such fakirs as will never be realized until Spiritualists outgrow their wonder proclivities and cease to patronize the fakirs.-Light of Truth.

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Another lad, oring all the time, was often seen in vision was learned upon inquiry by the party who noticed this that some years before that her little boy died with throat trouble. The mother never became fully reconciled to the loss of her darling. She moved to a distant part of the a demsely materialistic and led her away from densely materialistic and led her away from know if in any of the above cases the sick persons were aware of the return of the absent ones, nor was the fact then known, except in the case of the second one referred to herein, that elatives were dead, and not until they were who saw this.
A child about four years old was playing in the yard when she saw her father in vision. She ran to the house and hather who had died the year bebefore, and that: "he has come for me," the child said. The child was, to all appearances,
she complained of being sick and died soon
It is sup
material world and the distance between the short. Those who are so often seen, soon after death, are usually dressed in the clothing they wore when in life. Beyond this belt of living, moving people, of all sizes and ages and ding nt forms of dress, there is a place not so often visited by people in this life, where the dress is they do not vary in dress, size, age or appearances. They glide noiselessly about, and seem to be all engaged in earnest work. People who can talk in their last hours will describe their friends who have gone before, and as they near
the gate of death they will also say: "I see far the gate of death they will also say: "I see far away yonder ladies dressed in snow white." far into the spirit world. It is not necessary to die to reach Heaven.
Since writing the above observations, and before I had sent this article to the JOURNAL, I received a letter from a friend in the South, who reports nearly similar occurrences near

## Christian Science," So-Called.

Dr. John B. Brimhall, of the Minnesota State Medical Board, has recently been calling some of the so-called Christian science healers of St. and relieving the sick and afflicted, without first having been licensed by the State Board.
The newly-discovered force, which Mrs. Eddy deserves the credit of bringing to light and, in a great measure, developing, and to which she, owing to her lack of scientific gave the name of "Christian Science," has been a butt of ridicule in the intellectual world for the last quarter of a century, simply on account of the unfortunate name with which the good and well-meaning lady loaded it down. That she caught hold of and, in a measure, develof our natural philosophies had then told us gave it an unfortunate and unscientific name is equally certain.
Mrs. Eddy asks us to believe that the healer at least must believe substantially as she does in God and Jesus Christ, but this has been proven to be simply absurd. As a man is not creed to avail himself of the benefits of the law of gravitation or the law of attraction or to utilize the law of numbers in a geometrical progression, so it has been abundantly demonstrated that a person to either practice or receive the benefits of mental healing, is not required to be a Christian, but, on the contrary, he may believe in one God, in no God, or in any Chmber of Gods, and he may believe Jesus Christ to have been divine or human, and may Indeed, there is no disguising the fact that the most successful mental healers of the day are persons who are regarded by the orthodox churches as being more or less heretical, and, n many cases, very decidedly so
postles went right along, slowly it is true her apostles went right along, slowly it is true at medical profession, and which with all their drugs and knives, they could not approach.
Finally. within the last few years, some of the scientists of this and other lands have thought it worth while to make a scientific investigation of the method by which Mrs. Eddy and her disciples performed their cures, and when this they performed those cures by utilizing a certain natural law-a law which is a natural law in spite of the fact that up to this time it is not in spite of the fact that up to this time it is not books on natural philosophy; and that natural law may be summarized into these few words, viz.: that thought is a projertile just as much as is a brickbat, and that it is one of the most powerful forces in nature, and that, having the lish results very quickly, whereas, drugs can only accomplish the results claimed for them by the more tedious process of working their way into the circulation.
Had Professor Roentgen, when he, in the early part of last year, made his wonderful dis-
that he had discovered a Christian X ray, and that none but a good Christian could find it, or utilize it, the whole world would have been incredulous. He, however, told the story of his that the whole world believed him, and in less than a week's time the wonderful rays discovand in all the leading institutions of learning in all countries reached by the magnetic telegraph -Duluth Tribunal.

## Spain and the Dust of Columbus.

According to the Paris Figaro, nothing can be more painful just now than the perusal of the Spanish newspapers. "They weep in silence their soldiers who fell in the defense of their country. They do not attempt to recall the vasit Spanish colonies, or refer to what will remain of them after the conclusion of peace. They only Spain of the remains of Christopher Columbus."
The Spanish press, we learn from the same ource, is urging the government to stipulate in the treaty of peace for the return of the ashes of Columbus to Spain.
Says the Madrid Imparcial: "Let us leave the house; let us leave the city; let us leave the country. All that we can do; but we can The Lares of the Latin race in America are the bones of Christopher Columbus in his leaden coffin in Havana.
With doubtless sincere distrust of Americans who are supposed to be without reverence for the great mariner who pierced the darkness which hid from Europe more than half the must not touch that tombrfor who knows that they might not turn the cathedral of Havana into a theater or museum and put turnstiles at the doors. where, for money, the public would be permitted to see the tomb of Columbus?
Who knows that an American Barnum might not purchase the ashes of the immortal naviga tour through the difen the band plays ' Yankee Doodle, "?
There is something pathetic and, it must be admitted, honorable to the Spanish heart in this sentimental desire that in Spain shall hence forth rest the dust of the man who laid a continent at her feet. I do not believe the question ject of controversy between our country. and Spain. The character, discoveries and achievements of the great navigator belong to the world--to mankind, in and with whom Columbus has a corporate immortality. Historic propriety would require that his ashes remain where they are, but Spain's desire on this subject probably will not be disregarded
Columbus died in Seville in 1506 and was buried there, though it was his desire, as expressed in In 1536 the son of the great discoverer was able to carry out his father's wishes. The remains were conveyed to the Cathedral of San Domingo. After Spain lost the island in 1795 the sarcophagus was carried to Havana and there deposited n the chapel of the cathedral. At the entrance inscribed words which, translated, read as follows: " Oh! body and image of the great Columbus, be yet preserved for a thousand centuries in the urn and in the memory of our
nesp "Prof." Harry F. George, an alleged medium, is in jail at Waco, Texas; on a charge epresentations that he could, by virtue of his peculiar fowers, draw from lottery companies a should be duly turned over to the woman. On these flimsy pretensions she turned over her property to him. There is no question at all which was the "fool" in this transaction, and there is little question that dupes will continue to allow themselves to be robbed by this class of vermin. The hope that such fakirs as George will cease to demoralize Spiritualism grow their wonder proclivities and cease to patronize the fakirs.-Light of Truth.

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San Francisco, Cal., October 6, 1898.
0 The fifth session of the Liberal Congress will be held in Omaha, Neb, on October 19, 1898, in connection with the Exposition now open there. The "Call" says : "The aim of the Congress is to bring together the free men of the spirit, of all religions, for the study of the common life of the spirit. Believing that all earnest men, however they may differ, will differ with a deeper respect for each other's opinions as they come face to face with each other, in an expres sion of each one's thought, the supporters of the Congress believe, also, that earnest men will find that they differ less than they have supposed themselves to do, as they realize that 'unity of the spirit' which is thus discovered among those who love truth and hunger for righteousness, seeking all alike the life divine in all things human. The Congress exists to promote this toleration of reason, this sympathy of spirit." The officers are: President, Hiram W. Thomas, D. D., 535 Monroe St., Chicago; General Secretary, Jenkin Lloyd Jones, 3939 Langley Ave., Chicago ; Treasurer, Leo Fox, Continental National Bank, Chicago.

Pain and pleasure are the inheritance of humanity and succeed one another so continually that often there seems to be no interval between. Plato writes that Socrates, sitting up in bed, drew up his leg, and rubbed it with his hand, and as he rubbed it, said, "What an unaccount able thing, my friends, that seems to be, which men call pleasure, and how wonderfully it is related toward that which appears to be it contrary-pain, in that they will both be pres ent to a man at the same time. Yet if anyone pursues and attains the one, he is almost always compelled to receive the other, as if they were both united together from one head." He added " And it seems to me that if Asop had observed this, he would have made a fable from it; how the deity, wishing to reconcile these warring principles, when he could not do so, united their heads together, and from hence whomsoever the one visits the other attends immediately after; as appears to be the case with me, since I suffered pain in my leg before, from the chain now pleasure seems to have succeeded."

Mrs. Loe F. Prior called at this office on her way to San Diego, Cal., where she is to labor for the coming three months. She is a missionary of the National Association and an earnest worker, a good medium and a fine speaker. We congratulate the First Society of San Diego in securing her able services for the coming three months.

诲然 J. B. Jimerson, the Indian medium, who has been a feature of Lake Brady camp this season at Kent, O., has taken his departure in high dudgeon. He had been received with favor and treated as a social equal; in fact, almost lionized by some of the women visitors since the beginning of the camp season. He came to grief by introducing a wife, a white woman, and insisting on holding seances with her as the medium. The examining committee were not satisfied and refused permission. Mr. Jimerson is a full-blooded Troquois, remarkably intelligent, and well educated. He is a regularly authorized physician of his tribe, and showed his diploma bearing the seal of a chartered Indian school.

Mediums who, for the sake of "filthy ucre," will trifle with the holiest of all things, the communion of souls, incarnate and decarnate, are the most abominable of all persons, and should be despised by all truth-loving and honorable people. That such exist there can be no doubt. That they should be driven out of the Spiritualist ranks, which they dishonor by their presence, is also true, but great care and discrimination is necessary not to injure true and honest mediums by the methods employed to drive out the fakirs. We must not be rash, condemning none until absolute proof is produced of their fraudulent practices. Justice uemands this at our hands. We want no me emands diums but those who are honest and true and have clean records.

We learn with regret that Mrs. Sarah Howard of Sheffield, Mass., is very ill; her physician having no hope of her recovery. Mrs. Howard says she has known for a long time that this illness was coming, and so has sent a large quantity of her "prophecies" to the office of the Journal to be placed on record. We have not had time to read them yet, as there are so many of them, to read them all would take several whole days. They are 'on file," however, for future reference.

## Transition-What is It?

Modern Spiritualism has made clear this fact : that the transition from the outer or physical plane of consciousness to the inner or spiritual plane of consciousness is a real experience, says the London Two Worlds. You do not necessisarily go up to, out to, or down to, but in to your new condition of existence. You go out of the body into the spiritual state, and act on a spir itual plane of consciousness, and, if you realized that plane now, your eyes would be opened to see that it penetrates this sphere
There is a spiritual world: you are spirits now, temporarily clothed in flesh, with ' blink ers"on, but as much immortal as you ever will be, ten thousand million years hence. You are passing through the preliminary stages of your career, and the very purpose of your passage through matter is that you may attain the dig nity of self-conscious spiritual life, and accord ing to the couscious exercise of these powersthe divine possibilities of your nature which are inherent in every soul-will be your place among the dwellers in that better country. We have said that these divine possibilities are inherent in every one of you. Every spirit-being in it essential nature is pure and holy; the stages conditions, and qualities of expression varying according to the organism and its environments through which the spirit is compelled to express itself. When once you realize this, it will teach you to be tolerant-to recognize that the men and women against whom you may harbor harsh thoughts are as pure in their essential nature a yourself Their weaknesses are due to cause over which they have had little control.

## Clairxoyance.

Capt. Geo. W. Walrond has sent us a copy of the Denver News, containing the following, which he remarks is "، a good illustration of clairvoyance, or what is often called'second sight." Here is the item from the News:
Mrs. J. E. Button, the wife of a seed merchant whose establishment is at 1319 Fifteenth street, does not profess to be either a mind powers which oyant, yet she possesses intuitive of great value to her husband

A new set
A new set of harness belonging to Button was stolen from the barn at the rear of his store was Tuesday afternoon. Yesterday Button called at the police station and stepping up to the counter and addressing Clerk Zeagler, said: "I want that set of harness which you have here. It was brought in last, evening."

My told you we had it?" asked the clerk. aking her word for it, and she has no positive means of knowing, except through what might be called second sight. It is something that she does not understand herself. Now, for instance, if I were to invite you home to supper with me, we would find two places prepared at the table for us. Should I ask my wife how she knew that I invited a friend to take supper she for you both.' Tuesday night I went home mad or you both. Iuesday night I went home mad hadn't reported it to the police, and in fact I didn't believe it would do a bit of good to go to the police station to make inquiries. While I was cussing my bad luck my wife said, 'Ed, , quarters. It I ,
The clerk." looked over the list of recovered goods and found that Button's harness had been brought in Tuesday evening by Officers Boykin and Gregory. The officers arrested Carl Clay ton, alias J. B. Collins, for stealing the harness. He was sentenced yesterday to serve 30 days in
the county jail.

When you are impressed to do some good act do not wait and allow your fever to cool. Do it at once. The workmen at a foundry might as well wait for the molten iron to cool before pouring it into the mould.

Palmistry has been recognized in Scotland as a legitimate science for the past two years. The case which made a precedent arose from a palmist, who was charged before a magistrate and fined by him, appealing to a higher court, with the result that Mr. Justice Charles court, with ine result that Mr. Justice Charles reversed the decision of the magistrate on the
grounds that Palmistry was a science, and that grounds that Palmistry was a science, and
both the practice and imparting of it by lessons were quite legitimate

## The Exolution of Science.

When nature has advanced us scientifically we will be enabled to photograph, not only thought, but the breadth and depth of a man's mental and spiritual acumen. We will also be gathered around us, as they really exist. As the brain becomes more finely developed, such as the existence of more finely developed, such as the existence of doubt will never be known so plainly, there will exist proof so positive that doubt will forever be annihilated. Then, again, we will have positive knowledge in re gard to the unseen. And the truth of our friend's worth will, in itself, be a paradise to us. There can be no doubt that all this and more will finally be accomplished, for science, guided by the infallible guide, nature, is all-powerifu
in its never-ending secrets, revealed by the finely-developed powers of man. As thes powers become developed by the progress and evolution of life, so the developments of sci ence will become gigantic in proportion. There are now, and ever will be, the certain few who repudiate truth, contented to believe my father's beliefs, they are good enough for me


To The EDITOR:,
In the early 60 ,s, a poem was issued in
pamphlet form, entitled "The Geius of American Liberty," by Fanny Green
McDougal, whose inspirer must have been of a very bigh order, so much that
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pay to republish it.
Chicago, Ill."
[ Any one having a copy of this pam phlet to dispose of, will confer a favor on on us by letting us know how much they will sell it for.-ED.

## Two Workers United.

To the EDicar
On Saturday, Sept. 17 , two good honest Annie. Wagner and Mr. Paul Gillette, of omaha, Neb., were united in marriage
the home of the undersigned. Two kindred souls, thus officially made hus
band and wife, have affinities which band and wife, have affinities which
indeed make the twain become one, in
spirit as well as in flesh. May the spirit World, whose advocates and very able instruments they are, guide them sarely life, ;bless their work and efforts to bring
the light of the truth to humanity. the light of the truth to humanity.
Mrs. Annie Wagner is known to the
undersigned as one of the most honest, well-developed clairvoyant and test me-
diums. Her public platform work is of a very high order.
Mr. Paul Gillette, the Secretary of the Nebraska state Spiritualists, Associa-
tion, has developed as an excellent and
gifted inspirational speaker. His lectures are clear, to the, point, and very
powerful. and are a great help to the
Cause indeed. The work of these two cancot but be very effective and successfour years, and having observed their
work very closely, I cannot but do justice in saying that able workers and mediums and that I heartily recommend
them to all the spiritual societies in this them to all the spiritual societies in this They intend to take up the work in for engagements. All, correspondence please send in care of, the undersigned,
to whom it is an honor and pleasure to the Spiritualists of America. Gentzke, Publisher Lichtstrahlen, West Point, Néb.

Congratulations
To THe EDITOR:
When those who are accustomed to attend the Oakland College of Spiritual
Philosophy, assemble next Sunday after Philosophy, assemble next sunday a they will look upon the bright and
noon,
smiling countenance of $C$. $F$. Van Luven and know that something has happened.
Something did happen-it's a girl, and Van" is receiving congratulations The littlie daughter was born to Mr. and
Mrs. Van Luven on Monday morning, Sept. 26. She weighs eight pounds,
Both the little mother and babe are
doing well Mr. and Mrs . Van Luven are earnest
workers in the cause of Spiritualism and well known ou Mr. Van Luven has for a year or more
conducted the meetings held in Gier's
Hall. Local Socielies Attention:

To the Ediror:
The offcers and members of all loca Societies, especially those connected with
he National Association, should take pride in seeing to it that business-1ik
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tions are sent in to the October National
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weakness, and every Spiritualist should
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doing, terse business-like reports of progress and standing of these respective
world. Let every society endeavor to
send in the best possible report Now send in the best possible report Now
is the time to act. Let every society
speak. HARRISON D. BARRETT, Hpeak. Narrison D. BARrett,
Pres. National Spiritualists' Association.

## The 1Rexieuter.

des The Twentieth Century Astrologer has IT It is the spread of the Mother-Love help on this nobler spirituality, Olivia F. Shepard has started a monthly enti
tied Spirit Mothers, at 605 West Third
St., Los Angeles, Cal. It makes a good appearance, and contains fine reading

Cyrus C. Adams contributes a very timely, article on "Our Colonial Possesof our late acquisitions and our responsibilities in the new role of a home government. Mr. Adams handles his subject statemeuts are both interesting and
trustworthy. The ariicle is illustrated trustworthy. The ariicle is illustrated
with glimpses of the scenery and life of our new colonies.

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Dr. J. D. MacLennan, the celebrated healer, 100 Haight street, has reason to be proud of his twenty-four years record of healing. In that time he has laid he is still at it, looking as hail and hearty as when he first began healing. His remarkable cures if all published would fill a volume as large as Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, embracing the cures of men and women ranging from the pauper to the highest rank of society, With the exception of his extensive travels from which he has recently returned he has resided in San Francisco since 1875. In an interview with patients in his office a reporter of the Evening Bulletin relates an interesting story well calculated to inspire confience in the powers of the great healer
Here is a man from Butte county orty years old, who has been subject to three a week," he said, "each lasting from two to two and a half hours. thought I had exhausted all means o cure when I happened to hear of Dr MacLennan. I had but little faith in him, but he has restored me, and to-mor ow I shall return home a well man."
A pale-faced woman from San Jose, under treatment for female troubles, was week ago. Now she can walk several blocks and she is much encouraged.
A wife awaits her husband who i under treatment in the next room. No
benefit was perceptible from the firs treatment, but after the secoond the wife
was much surprised, for the sick man was much surprised, for the sick man,
who could not rach the offee without
her help, kept on his feet nearly all day. A Mr. Moore, of Portland, Oregon, 47
years of age, was under the doctor's care years of age, was under the doctor's care number of his father's family being eg were affected and he could not rememhad tried many physicians, but none
gave him any hope. He came to Dr f. D. Mactennan three weeks ago, Dr feels so well that he intends returning
home after another week. "I intend Portland papers," said he, "I think it is "Did you
"Did you see that little boy who was Portland, too. His name was came from He was paralyzed from his hip down. He could not walk a step. A week after on Geary street, and a few days after 1
met him riding on a wheel. Then I met him riding on a wheel. Then I
missed him and learned that he had gone
home cured after three weeks treatment
A pleasant, refined looking woman ulcerous cancer was vanishing under the great, healer's powers. "I live in Oakhere I consulted many physe coming high standing. They all told the same cer, and advised immediate operation. I whas about to submit to an operation when I received a letter from my sister
in the East, advising me to try Dr. Mac-
Lennan's treatment: I did so, and was Lennan's treatment: I did so, and was relieved of pain immediately, and the
ugly lump grew less gradually, until now
These are the true stories taken directly from the lips of Dr. Maccennan's
patients, and they are but a small part patients, and they are but a small part
of those met hy tbe reporter.-San Fran-
cisco Evening Bulletin.

Nature＇s Expreseion
We grow so near to nature＇s heart， Tn seekig
That mysterious nature does in in part，
Throurh all her processes of growth That mysterious nature does of prow，
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Without within above below， Without，within，a bove，below，
The boundless essences of aroree appear，
Varied as the shades of evening glow． Powerful as the beam of summer sun
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That breezes vibrate through the infinite． The tree－tops touched by the vital beam，
The message whispers through the leaves The message whispers through the le
To bud and blossom smiling seem
To und their beautylto the breeze． Splendid as the dome of countless stars
That light the pathway of the skies， Grand as the electric fash that stirs，
The gathering rain－cloudsinto sighs． The gathering rain－clouds intosighs．
The sighs，when broken intotears，
Scar the shoulders of the mountain peaks， Whostand like sentinels without fears
Guarding the treasure in their hidden depths． The rippling streams in joyous song
Murmur their wishes down the wood Murmur their wishes down the
The rocks and banks resound along
As if invaded in their solitudes．
 In nature＇s chosen hue confined；
In harmonious thought the whole expressed
The ideal essence unconfined．
To man endowed with conscious thought
Developed modes of change allures． All of life is not for naught－ But lasts as long as soul endures．
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Sacred and enclosed in its immensity Sacred and enclosed in its immensity
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self Poise. - We apprehend that it is no part of the duty of the Board of
Directors of the California State Spirit-
ualists' Association, either individually ualists' Association, either individually
or collectively, to stop and kick at every as they pass quietly along the pathway of duty. The proverbial bumble-bee still continues to make war upon the
lofty church steeple, and mongrel curs
still "bay at the moon." And yet the world goes round and round
And the genial seasons run,
Ad ever the right comes run, upermost,
And ever is justice done.
Ladies' Aid Social.-On Friday evening, sept. 30, the Ladies Aid Society
gave their regular semi-monthly social
and dance, at Occidental Hall. A bright and dance, at Occidental Hall, A bright ard Young opened with a violin sicho,
followed by Mrs. R. S. Lillie with an improvisation of poetry. There was a
song by Mr. Woolsey, accompanied by
Mrs. Sadie E. Cooke; recitation, Miss Tripbena Pritchard; instrumental trio,
Mrs. Waltham, Chas. Brockoff and Fred
Ernst; recitation, Lottie Brockoff, and last but not least, an original cornet solo, Young. Then followed dancing and a general good time. The ladies are doing
a good work, and deserve much better support than they are getting.
Mirs. Loc F. Prior passed through where she has an engagement for three
months, when she will return to her months, when she Will return to her short stay here on account of pressing engagements, and
few of her friends.
LEst Edward K. Earle, independent slatewriter, is again at his ol
330 Ellis St., San Francisco.
Mrs. RR. S. Lillie was greeted by a the song service conducted by Mr. John T. Lillie, Mrs Lillie gave an inspirational lecture entitled And God said,
Let there be light. Her guides con-
tended that light from the spirit-world was intended to lighten up the darkness caused by religious and political tyranny spirit influence, elevate mankind and
bring in a period of glorious light. Mabring in a period of glorious light. Ma-
dame Montague being present was in-
vited to the platform, and for a short vited to the platform, and for a short
time answered "mental questions," to
the delight of those present. The Matime answered "Mental questions," to
the delight of those present. The Ma-
dame is slowly recovering from her late illness, and hopes soon to be able to resume her labors in the spiritual field.
We hope that she may be able to do so,
and also to attend the National Convenand also to attend the National Conven-
ion, to which she is a representative
lium the State Association.

## A special meeting of the Board of

 ualists' Association was held on Satur-day, October 1, at 8 p. m. and the rou tine business was attended to. this special meeting of the stated that called to attend to general business, as well as to consider the accusations made in a semi-monthly periodical called the ums who held certificates of ordination,
or endorsement, issued by the State or endorsement, issued by the State proof of such charges, a letter was sent
to the editor, Mrs. Julia Schlesinger to the editor, Mrs. Julia schlesinger,
requesting her to be present to-night
and to substantiate the charges ; and if she had evidence sufficient to convict of holding certificates of endorsement from the California State Spiritualists' Association (and for no others could we be held
responsible) she was invited to present responsible) she was
the same to this Board for action.
A reply was received from her, asking A reply was received from her, asking
this question: What would you con-
sider evidence sufficient to convict of sider evidence sufficient to convict of
fraud? To this the Secretary verbally replied that the Board of course required
The letter was sent to Mrs. Schlesinger
on Sept. 21 , giving ten days to prepare on Sept. 21 , giving ten days to prepare
and present this proof, which of course
she should have possessed before publishshe should have possessed before publishinghis request to substantiate the charges of fraud, has been entirely igmeeting to even attempt it. requested to call on Mr. Wm. Emmette Coleman and ask him to prepare a
complaint embracing the clarges of
fraud made by him in the Liberator, and either in person or by letter to present
the same to this Board for action. He replied in writing. The following ex-
tracts will indicate his intentions: tracts can see no hurry for filing complaint
with your Board...I see that the ByLaws provide for an appeal to the State Convention.... So the matter most likely No necessity then exists for precipitate No necessity then exists for precipitate
action...Berore 1 make the complaint,
I wish to be well prepared to sustain it I wish to be well prepared eo sustain it. etc., from other parties. This takes time and labor, etc.... Many spiritualists, for the sake of the you know."'
and whitewash frauds,
W. EMMETTE Coweman
The members of the Board emphaticthe least desire to cover up fraud or "whitewash," anyone. They were ready to withdraw the certificates of endorsement, upon evidence being given that
the holders were practicing fraud, but
they must demand the proof before takthey mast demand the proof bet
ing any steps in that direction.
On motion of B. F. Small, seconded by
Mrs. R. Tohnson, the following was Mrs. R. I. Johnon, the forlowing was published in the Liberator against mediums ordained or endorsed by this Associ-
ation, and
Whereas, the officers of the California Whereas, the officers of the California demanded the positive proof of the
accusations made by Mrs. Schlesinger accusations made by Mr.
and Mr. W. E. Coleman, and
Whereas, the Directors have been called Whereas, the Directors have been called
together (causing some of the members
from 150 to 200 miles of travel) to obtrom 150 to 200 miles of travel) to obexcept the bare assertions already re-
ferred to-therefore be it Resolved, that in the absence of the proof demanded by this Board that it is are unfounded and incapable of being substantiated. $R$ Resolved, that in order to give the accusers further opportunity
their charges, this meeting we ad-
journed to Saturday, Nov. 5 and if journed to Saturday, Nov. 5 , and if such ponably concluded that they are unfounded.
Being put to vote, the foregoing pre-
amble and resolutions were unanimously adopted.
After
After other business matters were attended
Saturday, Nov. 5, at 8 p . m.
Thos. G . Newman, Sec.

Halme. Young's Mecting.-Oriental evening tor wruld be a good idea for some other people to take a pointer from the experi-
ence of the Youngs and do their own work in
Mirs. E. R. H. Sioddard has returned from the mountains to San Francisco,

Children's Department.

| Is father's eyesight growing dim, <br> His form a littlie lower? <br> Is mother's hair a little gray, <br> Is life's hill growing hard <br> Make not their pathway steeper? <br> Smooth out the furrows on their brows- <br> Oh, do not make them deeper. <br> There's nothing makes a face so young As joy, youth's fairest token; <br> And nothing makes a face grow old <br> Take heed lest deeds of thine should make <br> Thy mother be a weeper; <br> Don't make the wrinkles deeper. <br> In doubtful pathways do not go; <br> Be tempted not to wander; <br> Grieve not the hearts that love you so, <br> Much have thy parents borne for thee- <br> Be now their tonder keeper, <br> And let them lean upon thy love- Don't make the wrinkles deeper. <br> Be lavish with thy loving deeds; <br> Be patient, true and tender, <br> And make the path that ageward leads Aglow with earthly splendor. <br> Some day thy dear ones, stricken low, <br> And you will then be glad to know <br> You made no wrinkles deeper. <br> Mrs. Frank A. Breck. |
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## "I Can Keep From Swearing."

 A lad in Boston, rather small for hisears, works in an office as an errand bo for four gentlemen who do business there One day the gentiemen were chatfing him him: "You never will amount to much, too small." can do much business; you ar The, little fellow looked at them. do something which Ah, what is that?" they asked.
I don't know that I ought to But, he replied. anxious to know an urged him to tell what he could do that "I can keep from swearing," said the The four gentlemen did not question The four gentle

The Circle of Harmony, presided over by Mrs. F. A. Logan, last Sunday
afternoon, in Ocidental Hall, 305 Lar sting. The music on the piano guita and harmonica, performed inspirationally, was quite in harmony with the in was expressed spethes. the resumption pleasure meetings by Mrs. F. A. Logan.
The Young People's Society will
hold its regular Saturday-night dance at
Pythian Hall, 909 Market-st., Oct. 15 . There will be good markict-st. This socticty place. A good programme will be pre
sented.
Liberal Lecture.-Dr, I. L. York arge and appreciative audience in Scot opening lecture of a course. His topic Politics.
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it. We are glad to see that their efforts are appreciated. The hall was filled Mres Lyman C. Howe is engaged to Sundays in October, and in Pittsburg,
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hear. W. F. Barker, a medium and 118 Eddy St., San Francisco.

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solo, Miss Lena Clark: remarks by Mr. olo, Miss Lena Clark: remarks by Mr.
Jones and Mr. Colby
;ecitation, Miss Katie Krone; song, "'Columbia, the
Gem of the Ocean," Master Willie Gem of the Ocean,", Master Willie
Thompson: recitation, Triphena Pritchard instrumental solo, Mrs. Strain ; recitation. Merle Colby; recitation, Ger-
trude Albright; vocal solo, Mabel Pfeifer; recitation, Bebe Case, vocal Solo,
Miss Florence Merrill; remarks, Mrs, Solo Pearl Bryson; recitations, Lizzie A good attend agement to those who have worked indefatigably for this worthy cause, and the
Mission Progressive Lyceum bids fair to be an honor to the Mission. Mrs. L. S. Drew.

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