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## Out of the Body-Ovet the Ocean

My first experience of being consciously out of my body and helping my husband, came to me in. My husband had gone on a voyage to Lilower California and some of the Islands of the Pacific. We were living in a community of Southern Methodists, good kind neighbors, but very much bound in their beliefs. My daughter was attending the college, the princi
I had not had a letter from my
some time, when one night, after a very pleas antly-spent evening, daughter and $I$ went to our bed room. All at once a feeling of uneasiness came over me; I walked to the shelf on which stood my husband's picture. I took the picture said to daughter "Emma, your father is suffering very much; I wish he was home or I was with him." With that thought, I went to bed, I cannot say to sleep, for it must have been a trance, and in the early morning I awoke with a sense of utter physical exhaustion, but perfect repose of mind, for $I$ had what $I$ thought to be a dream. there appeared to be a deep silence-a hush of fear. It was night, but the sky was so full of stars that it was not dark. I could not see auy one on deck, evidently there was no watch being kept. A feeling of dread came over me, I stood voice feebly say 'Oh, my God must I die here alone? If Sarah was only here." A voice close to me said, "Hurry." I then placed my hand on each side of the companion rail and swung myself down into my husband's, cabin, My husband was in his berth. With unusual quickness I took in every detail of the surroundings. The lamp.was burning low and gave but a feeble ing on a table, but there was such a feeling of loneliness. As I alighted in the cabin he looked at me and said, You will always be a girl. Why did you swing, yourself down? you might save, but gyourself. I I did not notice what he "What's the matter, old man?". The tears gathered in his eyes and he said, "Darling, I am dying. I am glad you have come.'
m took hold of his wrist to feel the pulse, laid talk about dying and I here, no you wont die." I stooped, kissed his lips, then turned to the table on which, stood the medicine-chest, took therefrom two bottles and said to him, "Take a certain quantity of each of these, mix in water, until you sleep; you will be better in the morning, and soon well."
I' turned, walked up the steps of the cabin, and stood on the poop, looked around at the ocean, noticed how the sky, with its myriad of mass of trees and underbrush that grew on the island about a quarter of a mile away. Then
ening in my bed, with my child sleeping sweetly by my side.
A few weeks later there came a thrice-wel come letter from my husband saying, '•I have toen very sick, but am quite well again, thanks ta a most remarkable d did not think I had been asleep. For many days. I had been so sick that I had to keep to my bed. Nothing that I could take or do would help me or reduce the fever; I felt as though it was burning me up. On the fifth or sixth night I told the men to go to bed; I would
not have anyone with me. I could not talk to not have anyone with me. I could not talk to them, and the sound of their voices hurt me, dare have them sit and look at me. I wanted to be alone and think of my dear ones at home.
So there I lay, tossing about on that bed of God, if Sarah were only here!' Then I saw you


MRS. SARAH SEAL.
swing, or jump down the companion-way, right into the cabin, and I was afraid you had hurt yourself. I said, You will always be a girl; have hurt yourself.' You did not appear to notice what I said, but came close to me and 'Darling, I sme matter, old man?' I answered come.' Then you said, just in your old way, My, my ; talk about dying, and I here, no, no. You felt my pulse, laid your cool, soft hand on my forehead, then stooped and kissed me. The kiss appeared to rive me streng th; then you
turned to the medicine chest and took out two bottles, and told me to put some drops from each into water and take two teaspoonsful every half hour, until I slept; then looking at me, said, , You will be better to-morrow, and soon well;' then turned and left the cabin.

I was not conscious that I slept; I appeared as wide awake as ever wad him mix the medicine, remained steward, had him mix the medicine, remained slept far into the next day. When I awoke I was free from fever, and in a few days was well.

I told the men of the strange thing-they all think I was dreaming. Perhaps I
the spirit friend what they this.
had told my neighbors and his experience. I dream, and also that I believed it a a reality They could not understand, but wondered at it. When the captain's letter came I read it to them. They were thankful for their friend's recovery, butstill doubted the power of spirit to help spirit, in or out of the body.
Thus had my appearing to him, in spirit, dear spirit friends and guides had not helped me. Many times since then, have I been out of the form of flesh and consciously traveled in the realm of spirit.

Mrs. Sarah Seal.

## Experiments in Telepathy.

During the winter of 1896-7, I made a number of experiments, more or less successful, in mind reading or thought-transference, with the help of an intelligent young girl employed in the the results of which experiments I trust may prove helpful to others interested in the investigation of the human mind and its possibilities. This was reported in Light, London, England.
Our mode of operation was as follows: The percipient (the one whose mind is held in passive state to catch the thought of the other) sat
with closed eyes, some distance apart from the agent, or thought-sender, while she tried to get a mental picture of whatever object the agent had in mind. As these experiments were conducted with the sole view of satisfying ourselves of the possibility of such thought-transference, our manner of procedure was not perhaps such
as would satisfy scientific investigators, and $I$ am only stating our method so that others can try what results can be got for themselves through similar or more varied means. I wrote an account of the different experiments or the days on which they occurred, in a notebook In order to give a clear idea of our procedure i In order to give a clear idea of our procedure in the results of our sittings.
My plan was this. There are few persons who have not had the experience, when shutting their eyes either in the dark or in daylight, irrelevant subjects passing before their mental vision. As both Emma and I had had this experience, and taking into consideration the discussion regarding "thought-waves" or "vibrations," I wonder whether such pictures "were not the result of these outwardly invisible "waves"-and acting on this possibility, decided mental picture sent from the mind of the agent to the percipient. I must say that our success was beyond my own expectations.
My first experiments were made on December 20th, 1896. I acted as the percipient, Emma as the thought-sender. She said she would fix her mind on some object in the room in which we sat. As the poomes, \&c, the chance of ing the one thing selected was very small, even if we had not been anxious to learn if thoughttransference were possible by this method.

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I strove to keep my mind as possible, trying only to $n$ picture presented to my men some little time before any cl some little time before any cl picture came. heating apparatus, register, but I did not see it register, but istinctly the vision chair out of the half dozen or chair out of contained. I very, m room contained. being the object selected, but see only Mrs, A.'s chair,' E hands in surprised delight, sa is what I tried to make yo spoke of the first confused pic
she said that that was what s] she said that that was what s
of fixing her mind upon but of fixing h

Experiment 2.-She wish certain photograph, one of mantel, I saw a confused heal but not so as to distinguish or

Experiment 3.-She held cealed from view, a small cup pick holder. I saw a white ch pick holde
same size.
Experiment 4.-After 1 h with closed eyes, Fmma b with closed eyes, Emma, 6 kitchen a small plate contain
over which she had spread a over which she had spread a,
she held in her lap while I tri she held in her lap while I tr
impression. I saw at first impression. I saw at first. such as were used to get the As she declared that neither represented what she had in that this experiment was who and as I was somewhat tire won't experiment any more
she remarked that she had be she remarked that she had be
would get through soon, as is for the milkman to call and ready the pitchers for the m she had not been able to fix he on the plate of apples as she of worrying about the wilk. that I really had caught her 0 which was in regard to the pi

Experiment 5,-December 8 sion Emma acted as percipien agent. When she was seated and her back to the adjoining that room and took from a his small model of a cow, in ear taking it down it clinked a
hearing which. Emma exclai hearing which Emma exclai that! and I think from the so
or spoon. If it is either, don or spoon. If it is either, don
for $I$ shall be sure to think 0 no reply, but held the cow in with a newspaper. I held in of a real cow facing her, a $\because$ Emma, look at that cow con See how large its eyes are, an tail !" She sat quietly for a drew back in her chair quick Then I told her to look at wl hand. She was much please saw the cow as a real one, in saw the cow as ar real one, in walking oackward with its ey It was of the brown color of model.

We tried two other experim evening, but with no success, having entered the room whil berfor with our sucess interfered W
understand. Experiment 6.-December again the percipient. After s in looking about for some obj experiment, I found an empt had been left on a desk in an at the desk objected to my there was a possibility of the ing so common an object. Tl it in a handkerchief and pass room adjoining to look for so able, but not finding what I to use the cup, which I still $h$ handkerchief. We sat for so seemed unable to catch an her I went a little nearer, pu her I went a little nearer, pu ered by the handkerchief mentally willing for her to when she asked me Is it a instead of the cup; so, still
of apparel to the nose of a hound; a sniff, and he was to be put to death by bleeding; he died
away bounds the animal to trace and find the under the impression that his life-blood was child. When an escaped convict baffles the dripping away, when the sound was really human sleuth he is readily trailed and run down by the bloodhound. Is it not fair to assume that a characteristic quality is imparted to both apparel and footprint, and that the hound, by
reason of a superior sense of smell, is able to reason of a superior sense of smell, is able to detect it? To say that the animal follows a creature that has been deserted or lost finds its way home by following the imprint of horse shoe or wagon-tracks, which would imply a degree of intelligence few thinkers care to admit.
Persons that have been "charmed" by snakes say their senses were lulled by a peculiar odor declares that there is a whell-defined "charm" about the hypnotist; and patients are conscious of an electrical sensation when touched by the
healer. Reversing the picture, we find the healer. Reversing the picture, we find the
snake exhausted at the close of the act of "chare exhausted at the close of the act of couch after an evening of work, and, following conscious that "there went virtue out of him."
Brought to the bar of reason, the opponent of call it, vital energy, has one unfailing refuge viz. $:$ to declare such things referable to the imagination, the result of hypnotic suggestion, or the effect of mind over mind, to charge that
if any good is accomplished it is only temporary etc. Now, to my mind imagination seems potent factor in human life and affairs. We are dealing with an unknown quantity. Let us thank the Giver of every good and perfect gift for this singular, powerful faculty known as imagination, which enables us to banish disease, to replace gloom with sunshine, to make heaven And what is hy henotic
mand; the setting up of a train of ideas; an act of will. Then "suggestion" means the transference of thought, energy, sensation, or impressions from one mind or soul to another But it is claimed that the subject is solely responsible for the phenomena, evoked in hyp rience, yet he has never witnessed a case of spontaneous phemomena-has never learned of the jnduction of true hypnosis save in the pres-
Psychometry, popularlyknown as soul-sensing, yet strictly touch-sensing, embraces essentially
this: whatever we touch we impress or charge with a semblance of our personality, proof of which is given by the trained psychometer, who taking the article in hand, is able to sense and to voice an accurate description of the person or persons previously in contact with it.
The registering and measuring of externalized thought; the photography of though and of the or effluence from the finger-tips of the hypnotist and the magnetic healer-these are facts of recent demonstration; and the same is true of the photographing of the vital radiation-something that seems to partake of the qualities of Which we are made up, and that resembles the general shape and seems a part of and inseparaartists appear to have had an inkling of the vital radiation, as may be inferred from the aura that surrounds the pictured representations of saints. And in the time of Jesus the people must have realized, something of this outer, externalized energy, or they would not have brought the sick and disabled into the streets.
that "the shadow of Peter passing by night overshadow some of them."
The world at large has long been familiar With the fact that mind can influence mind-so familiar indeed that the axiom, "As he thinketh
in his heart so is he," finds ready acceptance among the intelligent everywhere. It is also well known that mind can be trained to influence made to serve as a curative agent likewise. The more advanced members of the medical profes sion have already mastered this proposition, as witness the sterling articles on "mental therapeutics" in the regular magazines, and the quiet
troduction of the system into regular practice.
Yes; it is true that mind can influence mind farmer who was made seriously sick by a number of practical jokers, who insisted that he was ill; it was all a hoax, but the man sickened just the same. Also the prisoner who was told that
caused by drops of water squeezed from a sponge
by the surgeon that stood behind the chair. A nobleman's neck had been bared upon the exe-
cutioner's block; the axe was raised to strike, when the cry, " Reprieve!" was heard ; the executioner touched the man on the shoulder, saying, "Arise, my lord, the king has pardoned that certain sights will cause as violent a revul sion of feeling as the most powerful emetics and we know, also, that sudden news will kill as well as make alive. We may as well admit,
then, that mind has power over mind; frankness then, that mind has power over mind; frankness and fairness will harm no one-least of all the medical profession, the members of which and all methods that tend to alleviate human sutfering.
With regard to the alleged "temporary guaranteed as permanent in the practice of medicine? What do we seek to accomplish by
dosage? Plainly speaking, we give medicines dosage? Plainly speaking, we give medicines
to support Nature-to arouse the life-principle into action. Medicine, then, is not so much an end in itself as a means to an end; it is a support rather than a positive curative agent. Then how can we be assured of permanency in the treatment of human ills"? A physician hav ing a known "specific" for human suffering
should not hide his light under a bushel; he is Should not hide his light under a bushel;
in possession of a formula worth millions.
But there is, in truth, no universal panacea. The fountain of perpetual youth has yet to be discovered. The golden age is in the future, not the past. No school of medicine has a monopoly fact remains a fact. "Wo sneer proves nothing-a may do ;" and this is as true in the done man may do "" and this is as true in the domain of have healed for ages by the laying on of hands,
and will continue to do so for ages yet to come. and will continue to do so for ages yet to come. Even if the cures prove but temporary, one
thing is certain: An effect has been produced; a thing is certain: An effect has been produced; We owe it as a duty to humankind to recognize ple behind the fact.-Dr. C.W. Hidden, in Mind for August.

## An EyerOpener.

The Kerang (Australia) Times, in its issues of June 10 th and 17 th, has a lengthy article entitled "No Longer Death," commencing with quota-
tions from Ernest Renan, Thomas Buckle, Wash ington Irving, Milton, Confucius, Dr. R.Chambers and Shakespere, all pointing to the cohtinuity of life after the change called death. Then have satisfied themselves by investigation that the continued existence of the Ego is a fact, it quotes largely from the last report of the Lrondon Society for Psychical Research, the testi-
mony of Dr. Richard Hodgson, LL.D. and winds up as follows:
our philosophers and leaders of thought, to say to all this? It is impossible to over-estimate the importance of actual demonstration of the survival of the personality after death. Have
we got such a demonstration here? Ifwe have we got such a demonstration here? If we have not, I should be much obliged to anyfrader who testing the identity and objective reality of the This is supplementod a few days later by a letter in the correspondence column by "An
Old Investigator," who, after congratulating the editor on his coirage and independence in publishing the articles refered to, gives a lucid
definition of Spiritualism in its scientific, philosophical and religious aspects, which will be somerwhat of an eye eypener", to many who,
from ignoranc 3 of the subject. imarine that from ignorance of the subject, imagine that
Spiritualism is made up of fraud, credulity and irreligion. We are pleased to see the country papers taking up the subject, which thousands are ready to investigate, if only sufficient light true nature, which has been obscured by clouds of error, created by a prejudiced press in the
past.-IIarbinger of Light.

Nothing has a supernatural character when rightly understood. Everything is purely natural and according to Nature's law.

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## San Franctisco，Oat．，August 11， 1898

Christianity stands in the relation of a natural daughter to mother Judaism，but in a very unnatural way has been an unrelenting persecutor of her mother for many centuries， creating a strong barrier between the two sys tems of religion．If ever this barrier is broken down，it will be by Spiritualism，which distinctly defines the true nature and mission of Jesus of Nazareth．It recognizes him as being purely human，but a sensitive or medium of the highes type，if he ever existed．Whether he did or not，the typical character remains．Christianity nstalls him as one person in the Trinity－a veritable God，while Judaism very properly refuses to recognize him as such，and hence a bitter fight between these two systems of eligion，which can never exist in amicable relations with one another．By showing the true character of the supposed founder of the Christian religion，Spiritualism offers the only solution and remedy for the bitter warfare．

日E The phenomena of combustion in liquid air are striking，says Gee．F．Baker，M．D．，in the Chautauquan for August．When first drawn from the liquefier，a lighted match does not burn n it more actively，nor does it relight if a spark be left upon it．But as the oxyon accumulates， the liquid and its vapor become energetic sup porters of combustion ；so that a bit of paper or of cotton waste dipped into it and lighted flashes like gunpowder．Even hair－felt，which is not itself inflammable，burns intensely after wetting it with liquid air．If a drop or two of oil be put on a piece of twisted newspaper and wet with liquid air，it explodes like a firecracker on igni－ tion．And if a few threads of oily cotton waste be drawn into an open gas pipe and saturated with liquid air，the explosion on lighting is like hat of a twelve－pound cannon and the iron pipe is burst into fragments．
A thin band of steel or a steel pen in its holder，having a bit of match at the end to light it，burns actively both in the liquid air itself and in its vapor，giving off vivid scintillations and under the intensely cold liquid fuse themselves into the glass of the containing tumbler．A into the glass of the containing tumbler．A carbon rod，heated to redness，burns with a
vivid light in the liquid air and produces solid carbon dioxide

Ber Bro．J．J．Morse，of，Inondon，England， writes on July 20，1898，as follows：＂I have just received the Religio－Philosophical JoURNAL in its new form，and heartily congrat－ ulate you on the same．It should win you troops of new subscribers，and make for itself a posi－ tion stronger than ever．I send you every wish for success and prosperity－and ${ }_{i d}$ will sometimes send something for yơur columns All hail Columbia．Go on and prosper．＂．．

Mrs．M．T．Longley，of Los Angeles，Cal． writes that a great deal of pressure has been brought to bear upon her，from both sides of life，to allow her name to be used as a candidate for the office of secretary of the National Asso－ ciation．We learn that she has acceded to the request，and will，therefore，be a candidate at the coming Convention，in October．If any change is to be made，Mrs．Longley will make an efficient officer，and we should like to see her elected to that office．

Prof．and Mrs．Longley intend to be present at the National Convention．We suggest that they also attend the California State Conven－ tion，and then represent the State Association at the National．The State Association will then perfect its］form of Basic Principles，and the representatives will have to present them at the National Convention and advocate their adoption．As representatives this Fall，we would like to see the following elected ：Mme．
Montague，Mrs．Longley，Prof．Bowman，Pipof． Montague，Mrs．Longley，Prof．Bowman，Phof． Loveland and M．S．Norton，if they can
Such would make excellent representatives．
nes Dr．Agnes Moulton，of Colorado，remarks when subscribing for the Journal，that the ＂Secret of Life，or Harmonic Vibrations，＂by Prof．Francis King，had been recommended to her by Dr．Wagner，of Denver，Colo．，with the suggestion to securc that book at once，by sub－ scribing to the Journal．From such excellent authority as Dr．Wagner，this is high recom mendation for our Premium Book，which he has thoroughly read and digested．Those who want to secure a copy of it，should do so as soon as possible，before the clubbing rates are discon－ tinued．Its price is $\$ 2.00$ ，but to every pur－ chaser we present a copy of the Journal each week for a year．This offer is good both for old or new subscribers，until further notice．
nes The wonderful fighting of the first three days of July，around Santiago，is described by expert writers in the Revicu of Reviews för August．Mr．Winston Churchill gives in detail the clearest account yet published of the destruction of Cervera＇s fleet．The story as he tells it forms one of the most thrilling chapters in the history of the American navy．This is followed by Mr．John A．Church＇s review of the land engagements that ended in the capitulation of Santiago，July 17．Both articles are bril－ liantly illustrated from Hemment＇s photographs taken immediately after the fighting．

Ws Clairvoyance can be developed．Mr．J． C．F．Grumbine＇s new book，entitled＂Clairvoy ance，its Nature，Law and Unfoldment，＂gives reviewing thistions for its develop is 93.50 （for sale at this office）$W, J$ ，Colville writes for
There has recently appeared an important and most instructive volume on the above fasci gifted brother，J．C．F．Grumbine．The lessons which constitute the volume are of great use and interest to all who desire to familiarize themselves both with the clearest scientific view of clairvoyance yet presented to the reading public and the most efficacious means for devel series of simple and very practical experiments which many of Mr．Grumbine＇s students in various places have found highly beneficial in many ways，besides being conducive to attain ing the central object for which they are lesigned，The style of writing，though clear which cannot be profitably glanced over and then laid aside．It is a vade mecum for the earn est student who desires to digest and assimilate what is read
To the thoughtful mind such a book is a real treasure，and one of its advantages is that it is and reading circles where meditation and friend
ly review are alike in order．The great charm of the book consists in its entire freedom from all unnecessary mysticism；the author teaches nature，rather than a special gift arbitrarily bestowed upon a few
As he tells us how to go to worle to unfold our latent powers，this author does really help his readers to practice as well as to theorize． lessons，each being followed with suggestions for special experimentation．All sincere stu dents of the psychic realm will do well．to read and study this excellent volume．

Users The many friends and admirers of The Nerv Time，Chicaoo＇s interesting reform maga－ zine，will be glad to learn of its rare good fortune．Mr．T．J．McBride，a wealthy Toronto manufacturer，was so well pleased with The New Time and its．reform policy that he forwarded a draft sufficient to meet all its obligations and leave a neat balance at the command of Editor Adams and his assistants．Why will not wealthy Spiritualists do the same for many of their struggling periodicals？They can and should do so，and thus aid the Cause．We supply The New Time and the Retigio－Philosopaical JOURNAL fors 1.75 a year．
nes＂Socrotes；Philosopher，Seer and Martyr，＂is the title of a very interesting article in the Arena for August，by Mr，B．O．Flower，its former editof．We here give some of the most interesting paragraphs
We now compe to notice one of the faculties connected with the life of this remarkable man the power or gift of the seer，present with practical thinker of the Periclean age．Indeed I know of no distinguished philosopher who affords so interesting a psychological study as Socrates．
It is stated that he fell into profound reveries at times；he beheld visions，heard voices，and was in intimate relationship with the invisible： a beautiful woman，who correctly predicted to him that he would not pass from life for three days，when all his friends，and he himself，sup－： posed that he would surely die in two days．In his＂Apology；＂when speaking of his life－work， teaching the people，he says：＂It is a duty
imposed upon me，and has been signified to me by oracles，voices，and in every way in which the divine power was ever intimated to anyone．＇ It would seem from the evidence which we possess that Socrates was clairaudient，clairvoy－
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A Alameda wis reorge Spirititual Society August 1st, at, Masonic Temple. M. S. S: Norton, State Organizer, and Mrs. Jennie Norton, state organizer, and Mrs.Jennie Robinson, medium,ot San Francisco, were present and particiated in the work of present and participated in the work of re-establisking of whai was year ago a most flourishing Society, but owing to nocontrolable circumstances the officers meetings. It is now proposed to reopen 4, and contic Building. Sunday, Aus. harter granted to the original Society, Otticers elected, Thomas Tllis, Jr, Pres.; Mrs. Ida Kellenberger, Vice-Pres, C. F. Forster, Sec; CGariess Bassett,  Mr. Forster, Mrs. Kellenberger. Dele- Mates to State Convention Mrs. Kellen- erger, Mr. Basisett. Alternates: Mrs. Geary, Mrs Ellis. Thos. Elxis, Jue, Pres. Then


#### Abstract

Oakland.-The meetings at Gier's Gall are increasing in interest and num- bers. Pror Loveland lectures in the titernoon at 3 o'clock, and Irene Smith nidedly educational in character, and are attracting the attention and attendance of thinking people. Sonue have been surptised and disappointed, as they surptised and disappointed, as they the the supposed Spiritualism meant nothing supposed spiritualisme meant nothing but a phenomenal show. They are grat ified to find the contrary. OBSERVER. A Helping Fland-Mme. E. Young increase in velocity and importance, and out of it may come results that will Startle a nation and dazuzle the world.". The first Wednesday in each month is. be devoted to a Journal meeting, At thesemeetings a cony of the Journan will be presented to everyone present Who is not a subscriber. Although the JouRNAL has been published 35 years, yet there are nillions of people who do not know of its existence. The frst meeting of this character was Geld fast Gednesday evening at 605 McAllister St. with gratifying results. On next Wednesday evening the Mediums Protectivc association will devote the pro- ceds of their regular meting to the sinne good cause. If we all fall into line sanhe good cause, If wedall fali into line and ive a log strong pulat there will be something happen that will astonish even he oldesti inhabitants.


Peoples Socieng.-We visited this
meeting last Wednesay evening and were pleased to note the large attend-
mece and enthusiasme of the audicnce.
Spiritualism is the best thing outi. Free Thought, Christian science and Theso-
phy will have to take second place. "The
word is moving on "o in the riarht direcphy will have to take wecond place. direc-
world is moving on in the rirht dithonstrate
tion, and we are prepared to demone tion, and we are prepared to
Dr. Knowles, Mecing.-Our reday evening, held in Occidental Hall,
305 Larkin St., and was favorably im305 Larkin St., and was favorably im-
pressed with its conduct, and we predict pressed with its conduct, and we predict
ultimate sucess for the psychic who con-
ducts it. long run-and the old stereotyped phrase
that "honesty is the best policy, " is just
as true now mis. Lillie's Soner wooks.-From all portions of the State comes inquiry for a
standard collection of Spiritual songs. standard collection of Spiritual songs.
We have not time to answer every one in
detail, but would say that the very detail, but would say that the very best compilation of which we have any
knowledge, is called, Golden Jubilee
Souvenir Song Book of Modern SpiritSouvenir Song Book of Modern Spirit-
ualism, "by Mrs. R. Shepard Lillie. The frontispiece has an excellent cut, of the
house at Hydesville. Hollo the second
onge you will find excellent portruits of page you will find excellent portraits of
the Lillies, which is worth many
times the cost. Some of the sonss are times the cost. Some of the sonss are
set to music; all are familiar, and altogether it is the song book best adapted
to our work. Information will be fur-
Fresno.-I desire to place on record
 events these words of prophecy have a
peculiar significance. Mns. Weston. Mrs. Ciparish, one of San rancisco's in the sherman House, on sth street. Many aged people were the guests of who is in her 103 rd year, and Dr. Flotaw, who is over 95 . Captain Diamond,
who has passed his 102 nd birthday, was expected to be present, but failed to children and three great grandchildren, in entertaining her guest. The afterE. Cooke delightfully spent. Mric. Sadie
E. Cook the music. The parlors were crowded with guests, who arl
united in best wishes for "، many happy returns," to the genial hostess, and
departed, hâving spent adclightful after-

Eureka-I I am not very well acquams to be quite a number of Spirituall
seet
its among them. They do not let their ists among them. They do not let their
ight shine as they ought to. There is here, and many sheaves might be gar-
nered, for the harvest is ripe. I wish nered, for the harvest is ripe. I wish
there could be a Society organized here,
but the everlasting question of money always comes uppermost. Personal communion with the loved ones gone before is the one trighte who are gifted with
life, and to those whe power of successful thought and
the pow the power of successful thought an
action, I send best wishes tor success.
Mrs. G. H. BERRY.
Advertisements.-A few gilt-edge department, but they must be local in character. We want to concentrate the give cordial help to those who wish to editor for information. The JoukNAL is
the best advertising medium in the State.
The Frec Mecting at Sixth and "overtow" last Sunday evening and speaks well for the popularity of the mediums who are conducting it-Mes-
dames Mobinson, Drew Gritin and
Tobias, assisted by Dr. Davis, Mr. Ellis of Alaned. Mrs. Mohnson of Hollister,
Mr. F. Mrown of Vallejo, and Mrs. that larger quarters will have to be secured soon. or else more meetings of
the same kind will have to be started in
order to meet the demands of the people.

Mime. Yomas.- It fills the treart of all lovers of spiritual progress with joy, to
see the intelligent, enthusiastic audiences which greet. this popular medium at every service. Our reporter was
unable to get ia seat last Sunday evening, and the most encourasing "sign of of the
times, was the vasit number of new faces which are constanty appearing at
these meetings. Spiritualism is the
best thing in the world:"

Chitaren's Eyecommo-We visited the favorably impressed with the general conduct of the mecting. The Joundal
lias abigstory for the hittie ones, and
in the near future we will give the chil dren an opportunity to speak for them
selves through these coloungh. On sun-
day morning of each week it will day morning of each week it will do ns
all good to forget the gray hairs athd
other out other outward signs of the ravages
time, and imayine that time turned
backward in his flight and that we are once more clothed in "pinafores", and who are able to instruct us. There is it
bright future for the Children's Lyceum. Universal Spiritual sociery.-The
subject under discussion last Sunday, at subject under discussion last Sunday, at
20 Eddy St., was, "Gan Man Rise Above
His Environment?" The conclusion arrived at was that man cin rise above
one condition after another and progress indefinitcly, but so fong is he hiss exist-
ence he will have environment. Proression is a law of nature, and the
watchword of Spiritualists cverywhere. The subject for next sunday is: "Is mane of this meeting is improving rapidy and its power for good is being corres-

Bemefit- Friends of the Independent
Freethought Bible Spiritualist
Society
 and literary. Mme. E. Young, R A. A.
Stitt. Mrs. Seeley and Mrs. Ladd-Finni-
can liave the matter in charge. Success Mr. Van Luven's frec meetings, at Gier s Hal, Oakland, are so wellatenage
that it may become nceessary to engrge
a larger hall in the near future. The a larger hall in the near future. The
best speakers are obtained and the met-
ings are very interesting

Mrs. II. J. Whitney, meeting last
sunday evening, at 30 Larkin St.) was well attended, and she gave some very
Birliday Recention--One of the the recentiongiven by of Dr.Cora A. Morse,
last Friday evening, in honor of the T6th birthday of Miss Amorette Beecher,
cousin of the late Henry Ward Beecher. cousin of the late Henry Ward Beecher.
The beautiful home at 621 O'Farrell St. was lavishly decorated with fowers and nog-rooms guests enjoyed the hospitality of Dr.
Morse, who is one of the most charming of hostesses. On Friday evening she was
in her jolliest mood. The affair was rendered the more delightful by coming as Dr. Morse's "Gleaner Girls" were out contributed to the eveningr programme
were: Mrs. Lida Mickock, the gifted elocutionist, ${ }^{\text {b }}$ who was heard in a variety
of selections; Mrs. Chandler, in songs Miss Nellie Dashiel, Mrs. Sadie Cooke,
the MeLellan Pros., Dr Payne, Mr. Will
C. Bailey. Mr. Morse, Mr. J. T. Lillie C. Bailey, Mr. Morse, Mr. J.'T. Lillic
and others.
The Ladies, Aid social will be held The Ladies' Aid Social will be held
at Occidental Hall, Friday evening, Aug.
12 . Mrs. J. J. Whitney will give a graphophone entortainment, also music
and reeitations, to be followed by. danc-
ing. Admission, 1Oc. M. NEviLL, Sec. The Numbers on the, South side of
Market street have, by vote of the Super-
visors, been changed pack to those for-
merly used, hence, ournumber is restored merly used, hence, our pumber is restored sent to 1765 (the new number which
prevailed for three months) will reach us prevailed for three months)
promptly.
Lersonals.
Our old friend and liberal Spiritualist,
Wm. Cullen, called to see us this week. Our old
Call Cull
Mr. and
will probi Mr. and Mrs. Longley of Los Angeles,
will probably be delegates to the State
Convention. Mr. H. I. C. Insclman, the Third-Street
rrocer, has just returned from a visit to frocer, has just ret
Mrs. R. A. Robinson has gone to the
mountains in searel of change aud
health Our best wishes go with her Mr. F. M. Brown of Vallejo showed his genia countenance in the city last sun-
day contemplates a trip East for
his health. Let the Jounval hear from hay health. Let the Jounnal hear from
him on his travels. Mrs.' Rebecca' I. Johnson, President Mollister, has been visiting friends in Alameda, Oakland and San Francisco, stay longer:
Thomas Ellis, Jr., Vice-President of the
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