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### SOME EXPERIMENTS IN PSYCHOMETRY.

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The diary of my brother, the late Marcus T. Janes, occasional contributor to the columns of THE OURNAL, contains the record of a few striking exriments in psychometry, which I think have never en made public. They were suggested to him by rading the work of the late Professor Denton, enitled "The Soul of Things." They seem to me to have some value to students of the yet uncompreended powers of the human mind, because of the colute certainty of honesty and sincerity of the inestigators, and the remarkable patience and acuracy with which my brother always pursued any bject which commanded his attention. It should e said that though deeply interested in the study of sychical phenomena, he was only an occasional inestigator, and was never carried away by overredulity into extravagant statements, nor was he erer, by conviction or association, a partisan advoate of spiritism. His attitude was that of the scienthe investigator, with a mind open for the reception of all demonstrated truth. The fact that the experiments were made and the data recorded purely for the satisfaction of his own mind, and not for publiation, also gives them added weight and interest to the scientific student.

It should be stated that the parties to these experiments were my brother himself, and our mother, who is still living, and whose recollection of the circustances attending the investigation confirms his

"My mother, who, like Mrs. Denton, held each secimen in turn upon her forehead," says my brother in his notes, "was totally ignorant of the leality from which the specimen was taken. In some instances, for the sake of testing the possible uplanation of the vision being caused in some way by the action of my mind upon hers, I purposely gate her a number of specimens to select from, and was not myself aware what she had taken until I afterwards consulted the catalogue." The specimens were not seen by the sensitive subject, the only makes of information concerning their character contend by sense-perception being through the sense of touch. Nor was she familiar with the objects by perious knowledge.

I.

Specimen: A pebble, from the bed of Still River,

Mrs. Janes: "I have no definite impression as to as appearance of the place, but my mind wanders to by father's farm."

My brother adds: "The specimen was taken from

II.

Specimen: A shell from a mill-pond belonging to Joseph Hollingworth, Woodstock, Conn.

Mrs. Janes: "It seems to me that I see grass near a body of water, and a sandy beach close down to the water's edge." My brother adds: "She afterwards said that she kept thinking of Mr. Hollingsworth's wife, who lived in the house only a few steps from the pond."

III.

Specimen: A piece of jasper iron ore.

Mrs. Janes: "I can think of nothing but a yellowish look, like iron-ore."

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Specimen: Stone, from beneath Table Rock, Niagara Falls.

Mrs. Janes: "It seems to me that there is water of two colors near me, some white and some darker. I seem to be near a high precipice, I should think it was a mountain. A large rock hangs out over my head."

V.

Specimen: "A pebble from the southern shore of Lake Erie.

Mrs. Janes: "I see a large, moving body stretched out before me; I do not know what to call it; it looks some like water. Following the shore along with my eyes, it seems to me that there is a large fall. I think it must be water."

VI.

Specimen: A piece of volcanic lava.

Mrs. Janes: "I see occasional light flashes, then all is dark. Now the sun is shining on rough looking rocks. I seem to be traveling; I think this specimen must have come a long distance. Now I see those light flashes again, and it seems to me there is a mountain near me."

VII.

Specimen: Piece of rock from the summit of Mount Washington, N. H.

My brother says: "After holding it on her forehead for some time she got no impression in regard to it; but just as I was about taking it from her she said: "It seems to me that I am going up, up—very high. I think this must have come from Mount Washington."

VIII.

Specimen: An Indian arrow-head.

Mrs. Janes: "I see several dark forms, some sitting on the ground and others standing. They look like Indians."

My brother adds: "There were a number of other experiments, equally satisfactory, of which I neglected to make a record; but the above are sufficient, in my estimation, to establish the general correctness of the statements made by Prof. Denton."

These experiments were conducted privately, without thought that they would have other than a personal interest as tests of the more widely extended and elaborately conducted experiments of Prof. Denton. There was no possibility of deceit or collusion. Only in the second and last experiments above noted, was there any probability that the impressions recorded could be obtained through the sense of touch.

It is not specified in the memoranda whether the object in each particular experiment was known to my brother or not at the time when the test was made; but as both methods were tried in turn, and there seems to have been no difference in the results of the experiments, depending on his knowledge, the hypothesis of "mind-reading" as an explanation appears to be excluded.

If there be something in the nature even of inanimate things.

"The insensible rock

And \* \* the sluggish clod, which the rude swain Turns with his share, and treads upon,"

thus capable of impressing the psychic personality of human beings with its own history, how vastly are the wonder and glory of this visible universe enhanced to our understanding! There is no more "brute matter." "The divinity is in the atoms."

Upon the great world-mother we must hereafter bestow a higher reverence, and stand in awe even before the sanctity of our physical bodies.

The query also presents itself, How many of our own changing moods do we owe directly to surround-ing physical conditions? I am not, myself, subject to visions or given to the investigation of psychical phenomena. My life is too closely filled with affairs of seemingly more practical moment; affairs, at all events, thrust upon me by compelling circumstances, attention to which is the evident duty nearest at hand. Occasional experiences of my own, however, predispose me to the belief that there is more light yet to break forth from the divine revelation in the physical universe, as it is related to the mind of man. Some years ago, while strolling across lots in a country region, I picked up a white silk pocket handkerchief which had been dropped by some previous passer-by. Unable to discover the owner, it has remained in my possession until the present time. I know nothing of its previous history, save what I may infer from its character and workmanship. It is of that quality of material known as Chinese silk. Occasionally, on a cool night, or when exposed to a draught of air when sleeping, I have made use of this handkerchief as a night-cap. Repeatedly, while thus using it, I have experienced dreams of such a startling and unusual character that I have at last come somehow to connect them in my thought with the influence of the handkerchief. These dreams all have about them a decidedly Oriental flavor. Once, I was wandering in a jungle, with tigers as too near companions. The impression was exceedingly vivid as I awoke. Once I beheld a hand-to-hand conflict between two men in foreign costume, with poniards of a peculiar character, such as I am not aware that I ever saw. These visions were utterly remote from my daily thought or occupation, or from anything suggested by recent reading. My friends will not accuse me of a penchant for the "dime novel" style of literature.

What is the explanation of these and multitudinous similar facts in human experience? How may we extend the boundaries of science over this vast field of the unknown? Investigators with time, opportunity, and the requisite scientific temperament and attainments, should by no means neglect this fruitful field of experimentation. There is in it the possibility of an outlook into a larger universe, and a nobler conception of the nature and destiny of man. BROOKLYN, N. Y.

#### FALSE REMEDIES.

Br JOSEPH T. DODGE

The labor troubles in which the country is incolved naturally command a great deal of attention and thought. In THE JOURNAL of August 11th in as editorial headed "Evolution of Work," we find there is no reason, therefore, why workmen sho instead of a share of profits, receive wages and the manager all the net profits of the concern, unless the wages are calculated on the basis of a percentage of the profits . . . . As the two hands and the brain are all indispensable to each other, so are the manager the workman, and the capitalist. The last named should have a due return for his money invested, but the net profits derived from its use should be divided among (those) who have put it to good account, acpording to the value of their respective services in the realization of those profits."

While I do not wish to controvert the latter part of the above quotation as an abstract proposition, yet as a contribution to the solution of the difficulties in question it is not only useless but positively mischievous; because the remedy proposed is, except in a small way, wholly impracticable.

Our friend, the editor, is entitled to the highest respect in the field to which he has devoted most of his life, and I should sit at his feet in respect to Herbert Spencer's writings and the science of evolution, but I feel justified in calling in question his proposed remedy for the dissatisfaction among wage carners.

I. The whole quotation involves the false assumption that all employers who use capital make a profit. Palpable as may be the falsity of the assumption, let us note some examples: A prospector finds a vein of ore, sinks a shaft and finds its direction and attempts to run an adit at a lower level to work the mine. The adit is run at great expense; finds no ore and the expense is a total loss. Again; a manufacturer making a new article is unable to find a market and suffers great loss. Or he he makes a staple article and a great panic coming on his expected profit becomes a great loss. Every reduction of a tariff is liable to destroy the profit of some manufacturer.

II. The remedy is impossible of application. most of the cases where a large business is done nothing short of infinite intelligence could determine the value of the "respective services in the realization of those profits." The brightest and most experienced men will differ in their views on such a matter, and no system of book-keeping can determine the relative value of the services of different men. It takes about 2,000 men to operate a steel rail mill where rails are made by the "direct process" from the ore. Consider the superintendents of the different departments; the metallurgist who has charge of the blast furnace; the men who have charge of the various engines and machines and fires; the expert who manages the blast in the converter: the foreman at the rolls and the finishers who straighten the rails and we find that the pay of all these men has been determined by some trusted agent of the employers and whether determined rightly or wrongly it has been accepted by each of this great multitude. Of all the fields for making a living in the world open to him each has come to this establishment without compulsion and joined in its productive forces. If anything can be settled by agreement between two men, it is settled in his case that a given wage is the full equivalent for a given amount of labor. The fact of long employment adds no more to the duties of the employers towards the men than of the men towards their employers. If because one establishment has prospered it should attempt to divide its assets among its workmen, then because another has failed its workmen should re-fund a part of their wages. We are not warranted

Take the case of the construction of a railway. Eliminate the idea of contraction and suppose the company, assuming the position which contractors usually occupy, employs foremen and directs the foremen to employ laborers to carry on the work at prescribed wages. When that work is completed what intelligence, short of infinite, can say whether the work accomplished is worth what it cost? The men having no capital, did not wish to take any risk in an enterprise whose value was to depend upon a multitude of unknown conditions, and they very wisely accepted fixed wages, payable monthly.

wisely accepted fixed wages, payable monthly. In the case of mining, profit sharing is entirely inapplicable. Those who incur the great risks cannot afford to share their gains and bear all the losses. In farming no one has yet suggested that the hired laborer should call the farmer to account for his profits. The profits of any large business cannot be conclusively determined at the end of each year. The gains of one year may be swept away the next. If profits have been distributed, bankruptcy and ruin of the business may result.

In the case of contracts on public or other works the profits, if there are any, can usually be determined with exactness, but contractors have never resorted to profit sharing as a means of interesting their men in the success of the work. They have frequently interested them by giving them sub-contracts, to their mutual advantage.

If profit sharing is offered as a remedy it should be generally applicable. On the contrary it is generally inapplicable and generally spurned by the workmen. Two principal reasons exist which make wage earners decline offers of profit sharing. First they want their wages at very short intervals because they habituate themselves to enjoying all that their labor will buy as soon as practicable and secondly they have so little faith in their fellow-men they do not regard such offers as of any value. Very earnest and serious efforts have been made on various occasions to induce workmen to take an interest in the ownership of the property of their employers but rarely with any success.

In whatever direction we turn the only safe rule, outside of cooperative labor, is for the employer and employe to know definitely the wages of labor. Periods of great prosperity are sure to be followed, sooner or later, by periods of depression and adversity. The employer who does not realize this is likely to fail. The wage earner is under equal obligations to provide for days of misfortune.

It is clear enough to me after a long experience that the proposal to divide profits as gratuities among workmen will be wholly impracticable as a policy for employers and contains no guaranty against demands for increased wages on the part of the laborers.

If THE RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL was the most proper organ in which to discuss economic subjects I should like to point out that the accumulation of large fortunes is not in itself opposed to the public interest and is less to be feared than the low moral development of the lower grade of laborers.

#### EDITORIAL REMARKS.

We are glad to be able to present on this subject an article from so competent a thinker and writer as Mr. Dodge, who we wish would write more frequently for The JOURNAL. Our estermed contributor does not we notice object to our assertion that the manager and the workmen should share the profits derived from the use of capital but he affirms that it would be wholly impracticable, except in a small way. Our reply is that in most cases, where the rule cannot be directly applied, it can be so indirectly. Moreover there are necessarily some cases in which the rule would not apply; as where workmen are employed merely to erect a manufactory and thus prepare for the earning of profits, but have nothing to do with the subsequent operations. It is an error to suppose that the proposed remedy assumes that all employers who use capital make a profit. No one can deny that workmen are entitled. sings then get of equital itself to living grapes

otherwise they would not be able to w capital could have no return. no actual profits, they would have to with their living wages, a fact whi hand, requires that if there are profits should take a share of them. cases it would be difficult to form a pro of the value of the services of each by Mr. Dodge, but it would not be fact the present wage roll could be used pose of fixing the relative share of protshould be received by the workmen, their living wages. apply, or if the men themselves prefer then they would not be entitled to profit not follow in any case that the profits of should be actually divided. They could by be left in the business to earn interest, an way employers and employés would grain many cases become partners, and the wage at with its attendant strikes and boycotts, would mately come to an end, except in certain and

Of course it will take a long time below that one can be brought to see the feasibility and the instrability of such a change, which is really the statistic of a system of co-operation for the 6d to tory system and its extensions; a return to the the when the class distinction between employed with the case of the case of the case of the properties of the priciple of co-operation have been not in late years, especially in Great Britain, and it is been proved to be both practicable and succeeding its results.

#### INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

BY PROFESSOR J. B. TURNER

Free trade must be, first of all, honest trade, which each party honestly pays for all the took uses and privileges he obtains. Contriving monopolize, to one's own use, privileges and a vantages wholly made at the cost of others is in a sense honest free trade. Therefore, internation trade cannot be governed by the same principles between those of the same town or city: as is a sumed in our mere political economy dogmas. In each international case must be judged of on a ball of its own merit, by a commission of experts are of all the facts in that case; and not by theoretic economists, or by a crowd before a political stunspeaker. For example, there is not the slight analogy between the old English corn laws and or protection of our iron and coal mines, or any man facturing interest that really needs such protestion

When two men want to trade, they meet togethe and each presents a fair bill of all the costs m charges of production and delivery that have esten into his product. And this is the only way to still any case of free and just international trade; by ciprocity," or expert commissioners, capable of u derstanding all the costs, needs, and requir for producing and delivering the goods to the ul mate consumer. To attempt to decide such que tions between us as a nation and all other onto nations, without any conference of reciprocity. to decide them, school-master fashion, by so-ca laws of neighborhood trade, can result in milit but the grossest blundering, guess-work, and a lessness. In all trades, each trader must present own bill of ultimate costs, and not leave other) ple to judge of it or guess at it at arm's length. between all foreign nations, the actual costs benefits of their own market will, of necessity, be item to be paid for, either by tariff taxes or si more ingenious scheme of internal taxation, by wi the importer pays that cost by simply lowering prices without even knowing himself that he

We talk about protecting our laborers; but I are heard of a political party that even tried to do !! The only way possible to do it is to put a tarif at on every laborer that enters the country; just as !!

per cent of their wages for the privilege of

dinary tariff duties are for the protection of and not of laborers, except in so far as they
ply and diversify our employments, and for a gire a wider scope to the activities of labor the a water respect to the actuardies of labor, ther nations and peoples freely rush in, under them, and take away their employments. In this benefit to labor, as a whole, but more of a bene to the poorer foreigner than it has been to ou er clinen laborer. You cannot protect sheep cal by laying a duty on salt, or by taxing alcoho ourse, there will be blundering abuses of all sorts will schemes which will need incessant amendnts by the constant vigilance of the most experi gioners. But the worst scheme possible to be rised is to charge no tariff and no tax at all for the ntimed enormous costs and uses of our own home det built wholly at our own expense: by far the and costly and magnificent market ever built up in tistory of the world; while our complex political unlition wholly prevents us from getting it by any en of internal taxation, as England does for most purt, or by any other mode than by some sort of a wiff either blundered into by political stumppeikers, or wisely agreed upon by the reciprocity of erests by our most expert commissioners, who amid devote their whole time to its care, whatever

Again, protecting American laborers and their families is not throwing them single-banded and ime into the power of such vast and greedy commions and corporations of wealth, as our Ameri on industries necessitate and imply, until they are mestres necessitated to combine under some form despotism of their own to relieve themselves and heir fellows from either the real or fancied despotin and neglect of their fellow-citizens. Some mode of protecting themselves, and the whole country sm such recurrent disasters must be devised; and our legislators in either party are not competent s this task, they had better hang up all their red tope and go home, and give the people a chance to smisome one to Washington that can get there without the help of Coxey's tramp cru-miers, and who can and will attend to the real and argent business of the Republic

But we are the youngest, and yet among the mutest of the nations of the earth, and I have no init that our successors can and will ere long learn to inable with success all these great and pressing and sometimes threatening difficulties of our Re-

Since the days of the Bonapartes, England has managed to spread both her labor and her capital shread over all the lands and seas of the world, un-Il she has made herself the central money and labor market of the globe, toward which the labor and capital of the whole world tend to flow. To ascribe the miversal dominance to tariff tinkering or any ther single line of policy as many of our scholastic mists do is sufficiently shallow, to say the least of it. It has been built up, as were the pyramids; not of any one single stone, but of all the stones that as is them, carefully combined and united together.

Hence, as exactly just international free trade in ods, and freedom of intercourse in morals will forremain an ideal of the future, unattainable in the past. For every year will continue to bring ways new emergencies and differentiations, as well its own unchangeable laws, to neglect any of ich, would be like neglecting all differences of nate and weather, because all our sunrises are un-

logiand is entirely "practical." With our tariffs ed, she would practically make us pay the means costs of our own market, and us and tions pay about half the expenses of her own verament, without realizing they had paid at all, through her scheme of internal

Any citizen who can talk English is worth more to

#### THE RELATION OF EVOLUTIONARY THOUGHT TO IMMORTALITY.

BY C. T. STOCKWELL, M. D.

|Presented to the World's Congress of Evolution-ists, held in Chicago, September, 1893.]

In the creation of ethical relations, man especially allies himself with God, and realizes a true and real sonship, becoming a co-partner, a joint worker with him; thus realizing the manifest purpose, and em-bodying in himself the fulfillment of evolution.

Man the fulfillment of evolution! Evolution fulled in man! Can one grasp the full meaning of such a conception? Can we take in the deep import and implications of the stupendous fact, and still fall to see a way opened whereby personal immortality

The physical life, as we know it, is indeed tran and fleeting; change, change, never ceasing change is the order here, fully written out on every page of our own experience; nevertheless it forms the course the channel; it leads up, in its orderly and rational functioning, to the ethical life; "and here is estabished permanent (because ethical) relations to the Infinite Self Existent." The union, therefore, of the personal life, by self-conscious purposing, is immor tality; and it may be, and is, achieved here and now, by entering upon the up-rising course of an ethical life. And we have in the laws of physical life, it would seem, a most pregnant suggestion as to the laws which relate to spiritual progress, viz.: A constant moral change, a continual "dying to our old selves to rise to newer heights; a constant rebuilding of our choices to nobler purposes, and death to baser." Natural laws are thus seen to reach over nto the spiritual world, and to apply as effectively to the life and growth of the spirit as they are seen to do in the physical life.

I am not expressing here merely personal convictions, nor attempting to east, in a philosophical manner, my own theory in regard to this matter. What I am trying to do is to hint, essentially, at the drift of evolutionary thought, as it is reflected from the crest of the common thought of those who are infuenced most largely by the deeper and more subtle facts of evolutionary science.

I wish now to turn to another of our noted scien tists. In 1890 Prof. LeConte, of the University of California, delivered before a popular audience in Berkeley, of that State, a notable address on "The Natural Grounds of Belief in a Personal Immortalit In this address he embodies many thoughts of his scattered about in his various published writings, and in addition several other points not found elsewhere

In this address we have a treatment of the subject as nearly masterful as it is possible to present, and one that falls, to the thinking, reasonable mind, but little short in its real value, of all that can be involved in actual demonstration. It is unquotable in the sense of parts affording any adequate idea of the line or strength of the argument. Consequently reference must be had by those interested to the article

The best epitome of his view may be, perhaps, ound in his own words as compared with other alternative views: "There are three possible views, he

hed in The Andover Review, July, 1886.

the whole scheme and come out with a profit to created, underwed, and eternal both ways, back-cry Englishman that touches it with his fingers or ward as well as forward. Therefore, as it never be his pen; much as everything the Pope looks upon is gan, so will it sever end. This is substantially the made to yield a profit to the church.

Leaving each individual laborer to be thrown into other philosophers. (2) That it is derived from Leaving each individual laborer to be thrown into the hoppers of our great milks, and ground through with other raw materials, so as to produce a profit to the manufacturer, is not protecting labor.

View, of Plake, of Leaving, and perhaps, of some other philosophers. (2) That it is derived from the hoppers of our great milks, and ground through with other raw materials, so as to produce a profit to that at the moment of creation of the first man, and the manufacturer, is not protecting labor. ortholox riew. (3) That it was indeed derived from God, but not directly; created, indeed, but only by axtural process of evolution. It pre-existed, only by known process of evolution. It pre-known, indeed, but only as embryo in the womb of nature, gradually developing, and finally coming to birth as living soul in man. Thus, it does not possess immortality of its own right from the beginning, nor is it endowed supernaturally and at once, but it attains immortality by law at a certain stage of its velopment. This is the view I have striven to en-

> "I hold up these three views before you. As ra-tional beings which will you accept? The view of Plato, namely, that of self-existent, uncreated, eternal spirit. I think few will accept at this time of the world's day. The usual view is surrounded with insufferable difficulties, as I have already partly shown, and it is, morever, wholly unscientific and irrational. It is, in fact, a practical surrender of reason. What is there left but the view presented above? The other two views are, in a certain sense both right, but also both wrong. Plate is right in asserting pre-existence, but wrong in denying origin by creation. The usual view is right in asserting creation, but wrong in denying natural process. The view I have presented maintains pre-existence in embryo, and creation by natural process. It com bines and reconciles the two other extreme and partial views, and is, therefore, more philosophical than

According therefore, to Prof. Le Conte's viewand is it not, from the standpoint of man's best and widest knowledge to-day the most reasonable of all views-"the process of evolution through all geological history was naught else than a gestation process for the birth of spirit. In the evolution of man spirit, at the stage where self-consciousness is at tained, breaks away from physical, umbilical con nection with nature, but only in order to enter into higher moral relations of filial love and obedience with the God of nature, the Father of Spirits. Can there be a grander and more ennobling view of nature and of man than this?

To the objection that this view is based upon anal ogy, Prof. Le Conte replies that analolgy is based on the unity of nature and is, therefore, a legitimate mode of reasoning, although of various degrees of reliability. But the analogy on which he bases his view is something more than a mere analogy. This sudden appearance of a new force, producing new phenomena on a higher plane, may be shown to be in accordance with a general law of nature It is not, then, a poetic analogy. It is a scientific

Another recent writer on the scientific aspect of the question of immortality is found in the person of Prof. Du Bois, of the scientific department of Yale College. He, avowedly, bases all his conclusions upon the accepted facts of science. The cornerstone of his argument is as follows: "The universe in all its parts is the visible manifestation to us of underlying mind, and all interpretation by us of the phenomena of nature should, therefore, be guided by the assumption of underlying purpose." This principle he holds to be the direct outcome of what is known of nature, and as necessary for harmonizing our knowledge as was the assumption of the existence of Neptune. Had Neptune not been found to be within the reach of the telescope. thus verifying the accuracy of the assumption, the fact

answers emanating from my own or Mr. Uminds, so contrary often to our own thought.

S. A. P.

# LAW REGULATING LIFE.

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away."
What is the meaning of this quotation so often bead at the funeral of to-day? When the earth is encome bered by an individual, does a higher power from your side cause his removal?

There are many of these passages in your Bible. the text is merely the human conception of an over ruling power, who acts his pleasure, giving or the ing or rewarding or punishing as he chooses. man's conception of God, always was and will be like himself, so in the olden times they gave like attributes to him. The laws of the universe are in scrutable, are immutable, unchangable. The Lori God, Jehovah, the over-ruling power, is a part of or I may say is this law. Obey these laws and has piness results, disobey, evil results or as you seem sometimes through ignorance, which is evil in one form, disastrous results take place, that may be prevented by spirits sent from higher sources to give proper information and advice. This is often done, but often times it is considered better to let the nat. ural results take place, as in the case of your martyred president. Such things are often prevented by the guardian spirits. You cannot see these thing clearly yet, but you will in your time. It is a most absurd statement and might be considered by creel and dogma believers, as blasphemous when they make the statement that the Divine Being gives to inhabit and pollute your world, criminals and idious; that He takes away your most cherished ones and those who are seemingly most needed to benefit mankind. Certain laws bring certain results and to power in the divine universe will or can stay these laws. Spirit messengers might so have impressed Garfield's brain that he would have known that the assassin was about to slay him and so have prevented him. Or the brain of the murderer could have been impressed and so have hindered him, had it been wise to have done so. There are explanations of all these mysteries but in our sphere we cannot so control language as to bring it to your comprehension.

There is a law which doth control,
All matter, be it in form as fine,

As sweetest flowers or birds that doth extol, It is the law, immutable, eternal and divise.

# ELLEN SCRIBE'S EXHORTATION.

(WRITTEN AUTOMATICALLY.) More tangible, more palpable, much more real will be your life after what you, very erroneously, call death. Until this word, brought into your world by ignorance and superstition, is discarded entirely and the ideas it has created are eliminated as much as possible from the human mind, fear can never be wholly cast out. The fear of the unknown; and why should this real, true life be unknown to you? will tell you why. You have been so educated, so trained, so steeped, as it were, in sense and in materiality, that nothing could appeal to your true being all these ages. This has been going on with the exception of a break in the clouds for short periods. when a few would rise out and become, as you term them, saints and martyrs for the sake of the truth as they found it, as the light broke in upon them and awakened their ignorance-steeped souls. Now has come to you this period in the cycle. Oh, I beset you, ye mortals, not to let this epoch pass unheeded Open your eyes and behold the glories that are yours. Listen to the voices coming constantly to you; proclaiming aloud, that your deaf ears may hear. Cultivate by meditation and aspiration a per ception of spiritual truths and an understanding of spiritual attributes. They can and will be made clear to you if you will but hold yourself open to

We read your thoughts, dear one. But what is

would not have invalidated the reasonableness of the scientific hypothesis. The conclusion would have remained, because its existence was seen to be a ne cessity in order to explain and account for all the observed phenomena. He asserts, as a demonstrated scientific conclusion, that back of all phenomena in nature we are forced to recognize controlling mind. Testimony on this point is united and overwhelming. Granting, therefore, that mind and purpose lie back of all material manifestation, the question of man's future state becomes one upon which science has much to say. Without this guiding principle facts appear devoid of significance, and immortality becomes but an hypothesis which science cannot settle-but with it order, mutual relations, everywhere spring into view, and the hypothesis gives way to certain conviction. Man-intellectual, moral, ethical, spiritual man-is the result of all the mighty processes of evolution; and unless designed for some end commensurable with the vast agencies which have called him into being, what a ridiculous mouse the mighty mountain has brought forth! A process seen clearly to rest upon everlasting purpose, a plan conceived in intelligence and discerned by reason, is found to be but aimless and purposeless activity, which ends by destroying the very object attained. Can such a conclusion stand for a moment the test of reason? Demonstration, even in science, can go no further than to show the high probability of certain observed relations; and the very existence of any relations at all can be accounted for only on the basis of underlying reason and purpose. Therefore, we may hold immortality a demonstrable truth of science itself, because such faith is at bottom the soundest basis of demonstration which science can claim. The development of a conscientious indefeasible personality, of a spiritual energy in accord with eternal purpose, capable of cooperation and fit tool for higher things-this is an end which alone satisfies reason, science, revelation, faith and hope. This alone is commensurate with the whole mighty process. The attainment of such a personality we begin here. And this personality science tells us as certainly as she can tell us anything, is not born to die.

Such are some of the thoughts that come from the mind of one who lives and breathes in the atmosphere of evolutionary thought, and founds all his convictions upon the basis of accepted science.\*

\*The full paper may be found in the December, 1891, Century.

(To Be Continued.)

# AUTOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS.

"Conditions."

Very often reference was made in these communications in regard to necessary "conditions," for instance on one of the evenings when I sat down to write when Mr. U—— was busy with his work at the opposite side of the table, complaint was made that they would prefer "a warmer greeting from B. F. U." I remarked that I was ready and willing to communicate. "Your individual"—so much was written—then ensued a long stop.

Q .- "Why not go on?"

A.—"We are not strong enough to do with your aid alone."

Q .- "Why?"

A .- "Blended powers are of greatest use to us."

On another occasion when he was occupied and I did not wish to interrupt him, was written, "We wish B. F. U—— would give us his attention—don't mean to annoy, but we have our conditions, and want his willing attention."

When there arose a little difference of opinion between Mr. U—— and myself as to the meaning of certain phrases written I emphasized my own views with some force. When I took my pen again, expecting something entirely different, in answer to a question having no reference to our dispute, which had quickly passed out of my mind, I got instead of the expected answer this: "Want you two to be in sweet accord, otherwise we cannot give you the best

and highest which waits for such as you when in more harmony."

Now the question is did my sub-conscious self thus gently rebuke me when my conscious self had not the least thought of having been in the wrong? Once when Mr. U—— rather sharply criticised some statements made, the same tone of gentle reminder was used thus: "Brother, your intention is all right, but your antagonistic attitude challenges disputation. Your spirit is not one of lovingness, and Love is the essence of Being." Now, though my hand wrote thus, I personally had not thought that Mr. U—— had shown much antagonism in his criticism.

Very frequently when I asked a question no direct reply to me would be given, but an intimation made that if Mr. U—— would ask, the answer would be forthcoming. This vexed me sometimes and I asked why less attention was paid to my questions than to his. The reply was, "We are as good friends to you as to your husband, but we are obliged to go along in the way we are going, because we cannot break the laws which govern intercourse between your phase of existence and ours."

Harmony of minds was frequently intimated to be an indispensable condition in such sentences as these: "Earthly jars are arrows sent against higher spiritual aspirations," "Sympathies and antipathies are stronger here than with you, for here we separate the wheat from the chaff. We only care for the spirits who are at one with us. Changed conditions make new relations." When asked how they knew when they could best reach us, the reply was, "Placed as we are, we wait with spiritual vision your hours of leisure when we can come into rapport with you."

Once when Mr. U—— was very tired and said he could not in consequence give attention to the writing, the pen immediately wrote, "Your condition of exhaustion is most unfavorable, and the note of dissent makes rapport still harder." He then remarked that he was not unwilling to give time when he had it to spare, and was not too tired. On which this very polite reply was penned: "Thanks, dear partner for the suave explanation—zealous as we are, we are often perforce of some adverse environment obliged to delay communication with you."

When some message was given whose meaning we were in doubt in regard to, they wrote: "Lessons given from our side cannot be easily understood when the perfect conditions of mediumship are not determined on your side, or ours."

We discussed once the propriety of asking a mediumistic acquaintance to sit with us and see what the result might be, asking the question of our unseen friends:

A.—"Wait. It is always best to test even mediumistic persons since their control and yours may be on very different planes, and belong to altogether different spheres. You do not on your plane wish to take into your confidence every one who professes to think and believe as they think you do."

I think there is a very excellent thought in the wording, "Every one who professes to think and believe as they think you do," a thought which struck me with its truth as I read what was certainly not in my own mind.

When we asked certain questions regarding their mode of life, etc., and only vague and evasive answers were given I said I thought it rather cowardly on their part to avoid giving us straight-forward answers—to which this reply was made: "Cowardly or not, we have got to obey conditions the same as you have;" and again, "Seals are set as to some of your questions. Conditions are so different you could not understand straightforward answers to the questions just asked."

I must close this number with one more kindly statement from this source: "Dear ones you are in the right path but you must understand what obstacles are in the way because of the limitations of your environment."

I ask the reader of these communications thus given to seriously consider the probability of such

wish time applied to the trifling things of your subly life, in comparison to the lofty fitting of your sold for its eternal home. Learn of your future that may be ready and not stumble and falter by the say; but there is time for all, even in your account dime, if you will wisely allot certain portions for his purpose. Call it worship, if you will, and come your altar as faithfully as a Roman Catholic does whis devotions, and you like him will be developed, all grow in spiritual wisdom and beauty.

We have written long to you. We feel that we will weary you now. It will not be so if you will fellow our advice. Indeed we would wish to say semmand, if it would not sound too harsh to you. Go now, dear, and know your spirit friends watch over you constantly.

ELLEN SCRIBE

Tender friends watch ever o'er you,
Drawing you with silver bands;
When the earthly cords are loosened,
Reaching out with loving hands.

#### SPIRITUALISM ANCIENT AND MODERN.

Mr. J. D. Shaw, editor of the Independent Pulpit, seems to have become interested in Spiritualism. representative of the Dallas News recently interviewed Mr. Shaw who said: "There is no doubt in my mind but that Spiritualism is much older than Christianity, and that what we call modern Spiritualism is only a revival of what has existed in one form or another since prehistoric times. The Bible is full of Spiritualism, and seems to have been written by spiritual mediums. Moses and Daniel were writing mediums; the prophets were all clairvoyant and trance mediums, and so was John, the revelator. Samuel and Paul were clairaudient, while Paul was also a healer, and so was Peter. Jesus was a medium for both healing and materialization, he was also a great mind-reader and a medium for the development of other mediums; in fact, we find in the Bible instances of nearly every phase of mediumship claimed by the Spiritualists of to-day, but before we note these it may be well enough to designate some points of difference between ancient and modern Spiritualism, though these differences are neither so great nor so numerous as those between ancient and modern Christianity.

Ancient Spiritualists generally attributed the power producing spirit phenomena to God and angels, while modern Spiritualists attribute it mainly to the spiritualists of persons who have lived upon the earth, though many modern mediums claim that they are influenced by divine power. This difference may be accounted for on the ground of human ignorance as to the true source of this power. What Moses considered to be the finger of God, writing upon stone tablets, was doubtless the same as what a Slade or a Home now tell us is the finger of some disembodice spirit. writing between closed slates. Anciently many things were attributed to gods and angels that are now known to be natural effects of natural causes.....

The Bible does not use the terms 'circle,' 'séance, 'clairvoyance,' etc., but it clearly describes what we now call by these names. At a séance given by Jesus, as recorded in the seventeenth chapter of Matthew, the circle consisted of Jesus, Peter, James and John. On that occasion there was what is now called a 'materialization.' Moses and Elias who had long been dead appeared talking with the medium, spirit light was seen also and a voice was heard. After the death of Jesus he is reported to have appeared in a materialized form on several occasions, two of which as stated in the twenty-fourth chapter of Luke, occurred at and near Jerusalem, first to two of his disciples and afterward to the eleven, gathered in a room just as people gather now to 'hold a circle,' or have a séance.' We have a most striking description of a circle and a séance in the first and second chapters of the Acts of the apostles, at which spirit lights were seen, and some of the mediums spoke in other tongues than their own. So it appears that they must have held séances occasionally just as the Spiritualists do now, and, as further proof that the

Spiritualism of the Bible is in many respects similar to what we hear of as existing to-day, I will note a few cases covering the different phases of mediumship, though to note them all would extend this answer beyond a reasonable limit.

In addition to the materializations already me tioned we have a striking instance in Joshua v. 13. 15, where a spirit calling himself 'captain of the host of the Lord' appeared with a drawn sword. John xxi. 1-18, we have a full-form materialization of Jesus which occurred some time after his death For instances of clairvoyance, we refer to the proph ecy of Ezekiel and Revelation. In the twenty-se chapter of Revelation what John took to be an angel turaed out to be the spirit of one of the prophets. These ancient clairvoyants sometimes saw other objects, as in the case of Elisha's young man, whos eyes were opened to see horses and charlots of fire round about his master (II. Kings vi. 17) Zechariah saw a flying roll twenty cubits long and ten cubits wide (Zech. v. 1-2) and on another occasion he saw four chariots come out from between two mountain (Zech. vi. 1). Samuel as represented in I. Sam uel iii. 4-6, was clairaudient and so was John as reported in the fourth chapter of Revelation. Dreams and visions and acts of healing are too numerous to mention, while independent writing was the means through which Moses obtained the decalogue, not upon slates, but two tablets of stone. This phase of Spiritualism was also exhibited through the mediumship of Daniel, when a handwriting upon the wall appeared at the feast of Belshazzar. In Ezekiel iii 14, we have a case of levitation, also in Ezekiel viii 2-3, and Acts viii. 39. While for a 'test séance' go to Jacob's well in the fourth chapter of John and to the land of Zuph, in the ninth chapter of I. Samuel also the woman of Endor who brought up the spirit of Samuel as related in the twenty-eighth chapter of

In addition to these examples of practical Spiritualism noted in the Bible, the ministration of angels and spirits is promised, and we are directed to try the spirits, whether they be from God or not, indicating as the Spiritualists teach, that there are good and evil spirits among those that visit our planet. In the twelfth chapter of I. Corinthians we are told of spiritual gifts that are conferred upon the faithful and why may they not continue to our time, as the Spiritualists declare they do? Now people will believe what the Bible says about those spiritual phenomena that occurred thousands of years ago, while they reject the same things that appear right here in our midst. I have my doubts about many of those Bible séances and also about much that is being told of modern séances, but within a reasonable extent l find them agreeing with each other. To doubt all the phenomena of the present time is foolhardy for, while no one know the source whence they come, they or some of them, surely come to pass and, observing the resemblance between the Spiritualism of the present and that of biblical times, reason would suggest that both are manifestations of the same occult power.'

# WHAT IS THE REMEDY?

About 150 years ago began the introduction of "machine labor." The labor guilds were very old and very conservative institutions. Many of them had existed for over 1,000 years. Like all very old institutions, they should have been reformed and brought up to the times. Their members were handicraft men, or hand laborers. When machine labor began, instead of adopting these machines and changing their organization from hand to machine labor, the guilds men gathered in mobs and tried to destroy the machines. Machine labor thus passed under the control of capital. In the contest that followed, capital became organized into corporate bodies; labor unorganized, at the mercy of capital; where before, in the guilds, we had the corporate organization of labor and capital unorganized. The old guilds, using only hand labor, ceased to be a power and passed out of existence, as mere hand labor could not compete with machine labor. The

modern so-called "organization of labor" is value less for the protection of labor. The trades are mere voluntary societies, with no efficient trol over members, and no power to enforce their rules, regulations or contracts in court, The worth less, inefficient workman usually creates the strike, and not unfrequently controls the trades' union-The strong corporation deals with the workman as an individual, hires and discharges, uses him well or ill, as it pleases, regardless of the trades' union. The only remedy of the trades' union is to beg for arbitration or order a strike. Labor and capital then confront each other in a position where each is in the attitude of a person assailed by a blackmailer of an unlawful intruder; each feels called upon to resist the other to the utmost.

What is the remedy for this state of affairs? Briefly, it is the "corporate organization of labor" as a balance and check to the corporate organization of capital. Let the trades' unions become self-governing corporate bodies, then the efficient workmen can and will control the inefficient. No new laws are needed. Then let labor contract in the mass, not as individuals, through its corporate head, with corporate capital. Say a railroad company wants 500 engineers, 500 firemen, 1,500 brakemen, etc. The labor societies would agree to keep them supplied with that number of men, of specified degree of skill, etc. All differences among the laborers would be settled among themselves, in their own corporate societies. Capital could not oppress, because the labor societies would soon become the stronger body, and differences between the two classes of corporate bodies would be settled by an ordinary suit in court, while work would go on. There would be no strike. because there would be nothing to strike about. The reserve fund, now used to support strikes, in the event of differences, would, in most cases, be used to ease or buy the plant carrying on the business or manufacture. In a generation, most of our great industries would be owned and carried on by labor, in place of capital. While capital would soon assume a subordinate position, living by interest on money loaned, etc.; but leaving the real direction of society to other forces. The issue of the whole matter would "voluntary co-operation," in place of "state socialism," which last, with its terrible forces of oppression and its threatened destruction of all individual liberty, is the great danger of modern society. ELDRIDGE MORSE, in the Snohomish Eye,

> AGAIN "the land of freedom" is showing how this old country can beat it on its own chosen ground. A "Christian Scientist" has been convicted of illegal treatment of disease. The counsel for the defence said: The defendant, and those of the same faith with him, believe, as a matter of conscience, that the giving of medicine is a sin; that it is placing faith in the power of material things, which belongs alone to the Omnipotence. To the Christian Scientist, it is as much a violation of the law of God to take drugs for the alleviation of suffering, or the cure of disease, as for a Methodist clergyman to take the name of his God in vain, to relieve his overwrought feelings. It is as much the duty of the defendant, as his conscience and understanding teach him his duty, to visit the sick and afflicted, and relieve their distress of mind, as it is for the Presbyterian minister to go into his pulpit on Sabbath morning, and preach the Word of God according to the understanding of that denomination, or visit the bedside of one of his sick parishioners, and administer that religious consolation which is so dear to the heart of the Christian, and which is apparently so necessary to their spiritual welfare. The plea was in vain; the Supreme Court of Nebraska convicted. The "regular practitioners" of all kinds seem to have their own way in America. A few similar cases have been known in England, but the prevailing sentiment is strongly in favor of freedom of experiment; and we very much question whether a "Christian Scientist" would be interfered with in this "old despotic country."-Light (London).

#### OBJECTIVITY OF FLUIDS PERCEIVED UNDER THE FORM OF LIGHT IN THE HYPNOTIC STATE.

Annales des Sciences Psychiques for May-June has a remarkable article contributed by Col. A. de Rochas, on 'The Objectivity of Fluids Seen Under the Form of Light by persons in a Hypnotic Condition," in which, after a resumé of the reports by earlier writers, Delenze, Reichenbach, Endlicher, he describes in great detail experiments with a go subject in La Charite hospital under charge of Dr. Luys, named Albert L---, and who was a designer by profession and who was thus enabled to present designs and even paintings to which the subject had the faculty of affording all the precision desirable by the means of the simple precaution of putting his eves in a suitable state, a state in which M. Luvs has foreseen by means of the opthalmoscope, that the back part of the eye presented a phenomenon of "extra-physiologic vascular erethism." According to the observations of M. Luys, made with the assistance of Albert L-, "the left side of the human body presents a blue color. The eyes, the ears, the nostrils, the lips disengage irradiations of the same color, and these irradiations are more intense as the subject is more vigorous. The right side disengages red fluids through the organs of sense and their in tensity varies equally with the state of the subject.

Pushing his investigations further, Dr. Luys was the first to discover that in hysterical subjects, masculine or feminine, the coloration of the fluids (or emanations) from the right side becomes violet and that in cases where there was paralysis by disappearance of the nervous activity, luminous colorations of the skin werk sprinkled with black points. He likewise demonstrated that the emanations or fluids from the eyes continued some hours after death and that, if the skull of a living animal is opened the right lobe is of a beautiful red, the left of a beautiful blue.

Reichenbach and Luys indicate colorations inversely placed. DeRochas himself found after experiments covering more than fifteen years that the descriptions which numerous subjects of these emandions were, as to color not in agreement, the same subject even, disagreeing from one moment to another as to colors without being able to discover the law govering these discrepancies.

"What is constant, what must be regarded as proven with the same certainty as this or that historic fact of which we are not ourselves witnesses, is the luminous appearance perceived by a great number of persons in the conditions we have shown."

The question to be determined was whether this sensation was subjective, the simple result of the imagination, or objective, that is to say the action of an external material cause and, in this last hypotheses, what may be this cause.

Having this problem before him he secured the assistance of a distinguished physician who superintended the report of his experiments willingly, but to avoid unpleasant remarks, declined to permit the use of his name.

DeRochas puts his own name to the report, "spite of counsels of friends to avoid the legitimate distrust which attaches to anonymous writings, especially when they relate to facts, the verification of which is difficult; I am moreover one who scorn to slink away before any enemy whatever."

The experiments with the subject Albert L—were made with an electro-magnet, twenty-two in number with great precautions against advising the subject of the fact of the passing of the current and yet the subject saw the colors of emanations from the magnet, blue at one end and red at the other, a mixed blue and red when the current was suddenly reversed, then at the end of some seconds a substitution of blue for red and red for blue; finally when the current stopped nothing at all. Various devices were adopted to deceive the subject, but it was demonstrated in every case that when a current was instituted the subject perceived emanations colored from the poles of the magnet.

The principles of refraction and polarization are also brought into play and many experiments made with this subject with spectroscope and nicols prisms ons, "made a great number of times, in very different conditions, have constantly given the same results." The existence of the emanations or effluvium is regarded as proved.

All subjects describe the emanation (effluve) as a flame proceeding from the body; in case of powerful magnets from the ends of a straight bar, from the branches of a horse shoe magnet as prolongations. The length and intensity of the effluvian emanation vary according to the subject; these two qualities depend on the sensibility of the individual and may serve to define it.

The designs made by the subject at the time and painted in colors are described—form of flame or effluvium presented when the north pole of magnetic bar of iron is placed against a bar of steel; various forms of effluvium from the ends of two magnetized bars brought together where the poles are alike, and some where the poles are unlike—negative and positive. They are represented in the article in reduced form.

The different states of hypnosis affect the state of the vision of the subject—he not seeing the effluvia or emanations in a state of waking or profound hypnosis.

The perception of the effluvium can be influenced by suggestion, hence the author's urgent counsel to avoid every possible hint or suggestion. The persons present should be limited to two operators beside the subject.

On the question whether the production and perception of the effluvium (emanation) can be explained by our present knowledge of the sciences, "the distinguished physician," X——, goes into a tolerably elaborate explanation, involving discussion of the theory and action of light, and concludes: "It results from all these considerations which are general and apply to all the forms of energy, that the production and the perception of the effluvium or emanation are by no means incompatible with the principles of science as they are now understood."

De Rochas concludes this very interesting paper with an urgent appeal for renewed investigation by other men of science to this new branch, "the investigation of which will probably be the glory of the twentieth century as electricity has been that of the nineteenth century."

It is in fact "only in consequence of the repeated and concordant declarations of men worthy of confidence for their scientific probity that it will be possible to form the public mind, and, (admitting that there are in nature other forces than those of which account is made in the present courses on physics), openly to allow them to enter upon the investigation of phenomena of a more or less elevated order, touching the nature and properties of the agent the exteriorization of which we have here proven by digital effluvia or emanation (emanations from the fingers) and which, in our organism, serves as a bond between the soul and the body, as I shall attempt to show in an article to be published hereafter."

# LIGHTS AND SHADOWS OF SPIRITUALISM.\*

We have been looking through 'Lights and Shadows of Spiritualism," by the highly gifted medium D. D. Home. It is a sad commentary on the weakness of human nature. If it were not for its two last chapters entitled 'Higher Aspects of Spiritualism," its sensible readers would be tempted to say that Spiritualism has so many shadows that its lights are scarcely visible. At least such would be said of modern Spiritualism which occupies the larger part of the work. Its first and second parts which treat of 'Ancient Spiritualism' and 'Spiritualism in the Jewish and Christian Eras' are compiled largely from William Howitt's well known 'History of the

Supernatural." The third part is chiefly an incidents which came under Mr. Hotice or which he took pains to verify for us aim of which may be said to words of William Howitt, "to put an end to the rageous trickery that passes current under the of Spiritualism." The English Quaker Spi had himself suffered much through denouncing to sters, and he feared that Home would be from publishing his work by fear of the clam would raise among spirit mediums and their frie Home, like the late Colonel Bundy, was, howe too honest in his intentions, to be deterred from e rying out the good task he had set himself. ver he never was a professional medium. He sap Against men and women who are I have nothing h say, provided they be honest. For myself, however I have all through life felt an invincible repugaano to making merchandise of the gift bestowed on me

The author begins his history of modern delusion by an account of the Apostolic Circle of Auburn, N ., established in 1850, and of the subsequent caree of the Rev. T. L. Harris, one of its prophets. Strange as it was the credulity of the persons associated with the spiritualistic ventures of this enthusiast, it was out done by the folly of the believers in John M Spear's "new motive power," imparted by a baby to a machine! The Harmonial Society of T.E. Spencer and the genuine craze of a certain Mr. Xreceived revelations from the persons of the Trinity, were no better. Well may Mr. Home say that peo. ple "appeared to have taken leave of common sensa and to be utterly destitute of reason." Among such delusions the author places that of Allan Kardee, who was a pagan by education, and "received his own doctrines as messages from the Spirit-world," Home affirms that before he knew of the death of Kardec, he received, in the presence of the Earl of Dunraven, a message in French, saying, "I regret to have taught the spirit doctrine." votes a chapter to the Eddy phenomena as described in the book "People from the Other World," and it speaks well for his impartiality that he simply dismisses the book as presenting "not a single proved fact either for or against the 'materializations' of the Vermont homestead." He does. however, ascribe most so-called materializations to trickery, and he devotes four whole chapters to their exposure. Nevertheless he does not think them impossible, and he refers to a case of materialization which occurred at one of his own séances. He remarks, however, that "in every instance where these phenomena have occurred through my own mediumship no preparations were made, and I, as medium, was seated among the other persons present." This is very different from the ordinary cases of "materialization," which would be the most valuable of spiritualistic phenomena if it could be satisfactorily established.

The author warns his readers against trusting to phenomena which occur in the dark and he expresses his regret that all his séances did not take place in full light. Many of them were in the light, however, and Mr. Sergeant Cox, who founded a Psychological Society for the investigation of what he called psychic force phenomena, said in a letter to the author, "In the investigations in which you so kindly assisted me there was nothing of this precaution and mystery. You sat with me anywhere, at any time, in my garden, and in my house; by day and by right, but always, with one memorable exception, in full light." Nothing can speak stronger than this for the genuineness of the phenomena which occurred through Home's own mediumship. The book closes with an account of some of these, which the author appears to value especially for the evidence they give of the continuance of identity after death. This he was evidently strongly convinced of, and his honesty of purpose renders his testimony to the truth of Spiritualism of the greatest value. Perhaps he erred somewhat in not giving sufficient weight to the evidence to be derived from other sources. This was due doubtless to his detestation of fraud, which he found to be so rampant. The present work gives an ple evidence of this and at the same time of Home's

\*Lights and Shadows of Spiritualism. By D. D. Home, London, Virtue & Co. Limited. 26 lvy Lane, Paternaster Row, 1877. own conviction of the genuineness of many spirit-

#### THE EVOLUTION OF IMMORTALITY.

We read in the book on this subject by Dr. C. T. Stockwell that "we have become self-conscious beings, and consequently immortal . . . . Immortality is not a question of time or space. It is measured rather by the terms of quantity and quality, and is to be in us if anywhere. In each individual immortality is inherent. It was germal at the most distant point of his physical history. It came to high at the moment of self-consciousness. He is endread by an infinite immortality, and can lay hold, here and now, upon all that he will." In this passage immortality is brought within the scope of doctrine of evolution, and it is seen to depend on the same principles as are now recognized as having governed the development of the physical organism of animals and man. And yet it is something more than this. Consciousness of self far transcends consciousness of eternal nature, although the actual process of development need not differ. According to the philosophy of which Herbert Spencer is the acknowledged exponent, development is due to the action of environment, which "so acts upon an undeveloped organism as to first produce a feeling. This feeling, in process of time, results in the evolution of organs of sense. Through, or by means of these organs of sense, sensation is evolved, and, in like manner, we finally become conscious beings, and know the reality of the objectivity of our en-

Every stage of this process of development here sketched is accompanied by a higher degree of knowledge, or, as we may say, of consciousness, using this term as comprising sensation as well as attention. That knowledge is of something external to self, and every degree of it must correspond to a higher external or cosmical reality, this being what is meant by environment. The environment must itself be regarded as having different phases of reality. Hitherto we have done little more than recognize the physical cosmos, but why should we stop here? There must be something in external nature corresponding with the sense sensation of the animal organism, and on a higher, or rather a more inward, plane with the self-consciousness of man. Dr. Stockwell says truly, "were there no real spiritual objective forces, is it reasonable, in the light of physical laws even, to suppose that man would have developed any spiritual apprehension of Deity, of spiritual things, of immortality? When man becomes self-conscious, he first of all comes to recognize that his own bodily organism is in reality part of external nature, that is external to his own consciousness. In course of time he discovers the nature of his relationship to his physical environment, that the same forces and energies which are operative throughout the latter are operative also in his own organism. Unless the organism vibrated true to nature's vibrations these could never be understood by man

But man's self-consciousness reveals the activity within him of something beyond the physical. He has not merely sensations but thoughts about them, and it has long since recognized by Oriental philosopby that there is in nature a principle of being which corresponds with the psychical principle in man. Such a view would seem to be required by the volution philosophy, which could not properly admit of the development of the psychical out of the aterial except under the influence of a psychical vironment, even though the material itself possed a psychical germ. It is none the less true, oreover, of the more spiritual part of man's being, at on which his self-consciousness depends. Thus he very fact of man recognizing that he possesses a itual principle becomes evidence of the spiritualre, and the existence of man as a self-conbeing is evidence of the divine existence. an identifies himself as a part of the universal hole, and yet as possessing, as an individual organ-

ism the immortality which belongs to nature as a whole.

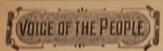
There is included in the consciousness of self some thing more than the recognition of the oneness of the self with its environment, that is of man with God Dr. Stockwell remarks that "taking as our starting point the premise that life-our own life-had its origin in God; that its mode and method of expression is dependent upon matter; that any pheno connected with life's history in the past are traceable directly and solely to this mysterious oneness of God and matter, we must inevitably conclude that the same immutable law, ever evolving and widening in its scope, is related as persistently to our fu ture as it has been to our past existence." It is to this past existence that we wish now to draw attention in connection with the action of self-conscious ness. If the self-conscious mind is compelled by its nature to look forward to an endless existence, it is none the less driven to consider its past as not having had any real beginning. Dr. Stockwell refers to a trinity of forces as standing back of and surrounding every individual being "governing and controlling its destiny." forces are the principle of inheritance, the impulse to differentiate, and environment. It is evident that each of these must have been in operation from the very commencement of evolution. And here we would point out that the evolutionary process may have had a beginning, and yet not the organic base which has been subjected to it. True, the latter cannot always have existed as a separate organism but there must have been some organic existence from which it became differentiated, and this can have been naught else than that which constituted its original environment. But the same environment regarded as an entity has continued throughout the whole process of evolution, although different aspects of it have from time to time been presented to the subject of evolution. Thus what the selfconscious being sees in regarding the future, he must also see in regarding the present, and therefore the past which was once the present. The object that meets his mental vision is the environing existence which the recognized facts of his own development require to be possessed of the same principles of being as himself. What that existence is we are told by Dr. Stockwell when he says, "the universe of matter may be said to be God, if we remember that the universe per se is an infinite organism, having an ego, and that the ego is the real of any organism: the thing itself behind phenomena." After referring to motion as evidence of will, he adds, "and so there must be behind, or in, this universe of infinite motion, and Infinite Will, an Infinite Intelligence, an Infinite Life, that by and through this infinite phenomenon of motion-life-is expressing an Infinite Thought. The universe of matter then is, to us, a materialization of a thought of God." Thus God is at the commencement as at the end of the material existence of man, or rather this is completely environed by God, in whom we live and move and have Each human being may thus be conour being." sidered a self-conscious centre of the divine existence, with all the potentialities of the divine nature.

One of the most important teachings of Auguste Comte was the organic nature of the earth. At first sight there is but little to recommend this opinion. We are so apt to regard vegetable and animal organisms as quite different from the earth on which they live, that to treat them as dependent on it for their existence seems absurd. And yet there can be no doubt that, whatever may be their cosmical relations, they actually belong to the earth as its offspring just as much as the leaves are the offspring of the tree. Not only is the earth's offspring the necessary result of the exercise of its organic functions, supplemented now if not originally by the energetic action of the sun, but without its offspring the earth could not continue as an organic existence. It would gradually decay and die. like the tree continually denuded of its leaves and thus prevented absorbing from the atmosphere the gases necessary to its life.

No hypothesis is more firmly established by the result of experiment than that by the phrase "ex vivo omne vivum." This is the onclusion to which Professor Huxley was at last driven, notwithstanding his assertion that sponta-neous generation must at one time have taken place as the necessary condition of evolution. He admits however, that spontaneous generation is not possible in the present order of nature; so that as he asserts the necessity of such a process he affirms by implica-tion that the order of nature has changed. But that nature could ever make so disorderly a change must be denied. The evolution of nature is never "per saltum," although to our imperfect perception it may appear occasionally to be of this character. The apparent jumps are nothing but the accumulated effects of a series of antecedent changes, each of which is too slight to be separately noticed or to have left But in the case in question there is no occasion for any change in the order of nature. This requires that every living thing shall have proceeded from a living thing or things. We must therefore trace back the wonderful tree of organic life to a living source, and this source can be none other than the earth itself, that from which all forms of life have sprung. The ultimate source is the Universal Life immanent in the universe

If the earth were not organic, how could she give birth to living "offspring?" Nor is this opinion inconsistent with the fact that life on the earth now appears to be dependent on the solar rays. The earth possessed at one time possibly all the attributes of the sun himself, and it would then be able to nourish its offspring by the warmth, light and electricity which emanated from its own bosom. Morever, as an organic existence it is not necessary that it should itself perform what we regard as the functions of an organism. It is sufficient that it contains the potentiality of such functions, and that it gives birth to organisms which grow and reproduce themselves, thus living in its offspring. Plants, animal and human existences are the leaves of the great earth tree, although they disappear from age to age. Mother Earth, like the tree of the forest which annually sheds its leaves, still retains her vitality, notwithstanding the fact that she now requires the impregnating influence of the solar beams, which are but manifestations of the Universal Life.

THE growth of cooperation has been, indeed, phenomenal. There is nothing like it in the history of the last half-century except, perhaps, the rise of railways. The band of twenty-eight pioneers has transformed itself into an army of 1,240,013, or about one-seventh of the adult population of the United Kingdom. The capital of £28 has grown into £14,-013,687, while the annual trade amounts to £50,300,-000. We doubt whether any but the English race could have achieved similar results under like conditions. In its character and in the noiseless manner in which it has grown, cooperative supply is peculiarly British. It is, after all, only a form of selfhelp; but, as it exists to-day, it represents a social and economic revolution quietly brought about by the people for the people. It has conferred vast benefits on the working-classes. Its advantages are by no means confined to the members of the societies, though, if they were, they would be of immense importance. The system has had a far wider influence, and its influence has been wholly in favor of the masses. If it did nothing more than it has already done, the institution would have fully justified its existence. The actual money worth of cooperation to the artisan population is enormous, but its value is by no means limited to the sum which every year it puts into their pockets. It has had a marked formative effect on character. In conjunction with the friendly societies and the trades-unions it has helped to make the English workingman the capable, selfreliant worker and good all-round citizen that we know him to be. It has been an educational element of the greatest importance, helping to turn raw material into a well-disciplined force.-Manchester Weekly Times.



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BY EUNORO S. HOLSROOM.

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've passed the dark portal that leads anto life fearth and its shadows and sorrows adding to such that the strip of the strip of the shadows and sorrows adding to serve and the shadows and sorrows adding to serve and sorrows and sorrows.

Bring roses, bring lilles, those emblems of love Bring music that heats to the music above. My name with their own shall the angels coroll: Rejoice, O rejoice, at the birth of the soul.

With spirits attending I'll visit my home; At dawn and at evening in silence we'll come; To them that with burdens and doubts are op

We will point the glad way to the haven of rest.

The death clouds are breaking. Humanity springs.
From height unto height on eternity's wings.
There love, as sweet sunlight, in harmony thrilis.
And the glory of God crowns the beautiful hills.
CHICADO.

#### STONE THROWING IN IRELAND.

To the Edition Mr. Giles II. Stobbins' letter in the Religio Philosophical Journal on the subject of "Stone Throwing in Ann Arbot" has suggested to me to inform your readers of one of the most remarkable occurrences of the stone throwing kind which I have ever seen or read of. It was remarkable for the public excitement it occasioned at the time as well as for the fact that although policemen and detectives exercised all their ingenuity to discover the cause, it remains a mystery to this day.

It occurred in and around the so-called "Quaker's Graveyard" in the city of Cork, Ireland, about the year 1850. Mrs. II—and I were of the Quaker stripe and at that time lived in Cork and attended Friend's meetings regularly; one of our children had been buried in the above mentioned cemetery, so we were interested in the public excitement which the stone throwing occasioned; although, like other Friends, we regarded it as a low superstition which was anything but oreditable to the Society, more especially as the common opinion (particularly amongst the Roman Catholic people) was that the stones were thrown by one or other of two persons, namely, by the "ghost" of a certain Quaker lady who had been buried there a few days before, or by the devil himself—some held to the first opinion and some to the other. But to be more "scientifically accurate," a la RELIGOO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL, I shall relate the matter in an orderly manner.

The burial ground of the Society of Friends, in Cork, Ireland, is situated on elevated ground in a rather remote part of the city, a long distance from the meeting house, it was surrounded by a high stone wall and immediately "inside the entrance gate was the house where the carcialice resided with his family. (I presume the land marks are still unchanged). The people living in the streets near there, observed, from time to time, stones in the air overhead which appeared to have arisen from within the cemetry wall, and fall in the street outside, and day after day those stones seemed to increase

that, and that although the stones for sometimes in the very midst of the people, even touching some of them in falling, no one had been hurt or in the least degree injured. Every means were employed to discover the source of the trouble, but all the efforts of police, dated the source of the trouble, but all the efforts of police, dated they not make the fireplace in the house had been taken down and the floors disturbed and all around examined, yet it remained a mystery.

"An' sure, your honor, it must be either the davil or the Quaker."

The excitement centinued for several weeks and no clew to the "perpetrators" was found. Had I known as much then, about "mysterious occurrences" as I do now, I should have taken a hand in with those who wanted to find out "who the fellows were."

Thos. Hanner,

STURIOUS, Mich.

# CENTRIPETAL FORCE.

Co THE EDITOR: A friend has sent me extract from The Journal of July 7, lich shows that you have an intelligent wisdge of this matter and that you an interest is the subject, and as my set in making my discovery public is ely for the sake of truth and the advenment of scientific knowledge I will you in a few words the kernel of the matter.

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I can demonstrate mathematically and experimentally that it is not true, and I can prove mathematically what that force is, and why it is centripetal. I have discovered that a body which has free motion can be made to describe an elliptical path by an impressed force acting impulsively at right angles to the line of the body's motion without any string fixed at the focus to constrain it.

At present we are taught that the resultant of two forces, two velocities, two momentums, and two energies, acting simultaneously at right angles to each other is the diagonal of the parallelogram whose adjacent sides represent in units of length the respective forces, velocities, etc.

etc. Now that is quite true under constrained motion and simultaneous action, but I have discovered that under free motion and consecutive action a curve is the re-

motion and simultaneous action, but I have discovered that under free motion and consecutive action a curve is the resultant.

To illustrate my meaning, suppose in a railway car we roll a ball across the floor of the car; the resultant velocity and direction actually is the diagonal of the parallelogram whose sides represent velocity of car and velocity of ball at right angles, because the ball is rolling on the moving car and is therefore under constrained motion, but supposing the ball is shot out at the window of the car then the resultant would be a curve because the ball is now moving with freedom. Now if a ball under such conditions will describe a curved path under the action of impressed forces alone, why of course any other body under like conditions will do the same; consequently the earth, moon and other planters are all moving with free motion in curved paths by reason of impressed forces alone and are not constrained to move in those paths by an attractive force of the sun's mass acting at a distance. I can prove all this as mathematically complete as Newton proved the existence and law of action of this force; it is as he proved truly a centripetal force, but is the resultant of two impressed forces or rather is a component of the resultant of three energies impressed on a body. The body in motion has kinetic energy in the line of, its motion, and my discovery is that it has also kinetic stability transverse to the line of its motion, which is equal to the kinetic energy in the line of its motion, which is equal to the kinetic energy in the line of motion will be a curve and the centrepetal force is that component which produces the curve or bends the body from the right line.

Now if such a body in free motion is disturbed by an impulsive force, at right angles to the line of its motion, which is equal to the kinetic energy in the line of motion will be a curve and the centrepetal force is that component which produces the curve or bends the body from the right line.

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wards their source, but also what is the vital power which through the action of evolution produces species of every kind. And the spiritual force which keeps the human soult in inductive communication with its God. This force is due to the persistence of energy and I have called it kinetic stability. The force of gravity I call the force of restution and we define it as the unearned increment of the bodies kinetic stability. Please excuse this scrawl as it is written hastily in a mountain village near where I am rusticating amongst the shady pines during the summer months.

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ROBT. STEVENSON.

Honr. STEVENSON.

Bo far as Mr. Robert Stevenson proposes to get rid of innate attraction of motionless matter as the source of centripetal motion, we quite agree with him.

Sometime ago in a short article cutiled
"Inertia" we endeavored to prove that
motion, and not inertia, must be regarded as a fundamental property of matter, and if such be the case "attraction of motion-less matter" would be a misnomer. Moreover we are prepared to admit that a body having free, direct motion will have its rectilinear path changen into a curve if it is affected by an "impressed" force acting impulsively at right angles." But the same result will follow if the impresed force acts by attraction instead of impulsion. Newton distinctly stated that although he spoke of attraction, he rather preferred impulsion as the cause of gravitation. So far as we know it may be a combination of the two. By gravitation Newton meant centralization, and if Mr. Stevenson can demonstrate why bodies sevenaon can demonstrate why bodies tend to a centre, or what is practically the same thing, why they exhibit centripetal force he will have solved the problem of gravitation. His proposed explanation is that the heavenly bodies have, in addition to kit etic energy in the line of their motion, an equivalent kinetic stability transverse to the line of motion, by which he means, we suppose, that the action of the impressed force at right angles to their path gives them stability. How far this idea is new to science is questionable, as it is becoming recognized by physicists that stability in a system of bodies is really the effect of their conof bodies is really the effect of their constant motion, due to the interaction of attraction and repulsion among them. Kinetic stability is said, however, to be the force which causes the planets, etc. to gravitate towards their source, the force of gravity being termed the force of restitution, but we fail to see how a force acting at right angles to the line of motion, thus producing a curve, can operate so as to cause bodies to gravitate towards their source, that is the centre, unless it is also attractive. We think Mr. Stevenson is on the right path, but his hypothesis cannot be regarded as strictly scientific so long as it requires the immediate action of a Creator. Gravitation is undoubtedly a fundamental law of Nature, and if God be the Power immanent in Nature, then it must be a fundamental law of the nature of God, but it must none the less be expressible in purely scientific terms.—Editors.

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#### WOMEN'S AUXILIARIES OF MEN'S ORGANIZATIONS.

ORGANIZATIONS.

The women of the United States owe a stat of gratitude to Mr. W. W. Black-gell. Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias. There had been an auxiliary granization formed, composed of the sights. There had been an auxiliary granization formed, composed of the sights, and sisters of the sights, under the title of "Pythian Sisers," The sisterhood, it may be supposed, was like all other feminine branches af men's secret orders, permitted to cook, prepare dimers and luncheons, and wait on the brutherhood upon festilve occasions. Itsems, however, that they are not to be seconded even the scant, left-handed sort of recognition enjoyed by kindred organizations who mistakenly consider themselves more fortunate than the Pythian Saters. The fraternal spirit of the knights, apposed to commemorate ideal friendship, the noblest example of self-sacrifice and unselfishness that history affords, is set sufficiently broad to include women, its "as between man and man" only; the siters have been invited to keep out. It is also be supposed that their cullinary services will be declined, however; indeed its probable that the knights will wisly reason that if the sisters are not distrated by pseudo-official duties their cooking will be all the better, and their own vants all the more satisfactorily protifed for.

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But seriously considered, it is a wholesome lesson. What women need, like the
seroes of the South, is to cultivate
oper pride and necessary self-respect.
No woman does or can respect herself who
will look down upon men's banquets from
gallery, when she is debarred from her
rightful place at his side, as his equal, at
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men, many of them are filled by men, due sistenbood meekly approve. In this world most human beings are spied at the estimate which they put to themselves. If they are submissibly grateful for being relegated to the place below the salt, there they will sin. I am not counseling the unwise uncement of mediocrity or the elevation of the inferior mind and character to silen which it is not able to fill. But protest with all my heart against the igent, educated, cultured women of country perpetuating in this modern that separation of the sexes in social solic affairs which is the direct incase of barbarism. Every woman endescends to look on at a banquet chishe was not bidden as a guest in this twentieth century despothich exacted that among savagrs should eat in vessels and houses

art from the men—a custom that obns among barbarians to this day.
The same is true of their subordination
those secret societies where they are
mitted to the outer portal as hewers of
odd and drawers of water only. The
ellef Corps and the Daughters of the
merican Revolution are two exceptions
the rule. Both are patriotic organizaons, and both are independent; both
ank equality with the Grand Army and
he Bons of the Revolution; indeed, the
question of equality does not arise, for
ooth have their own officers, their constiaution, and by-laws which they may alter
and amend as they see fit. The Pythian
Silsers will doubtless feel chagrined and
mortified at thus having the door of the
Grand Lodge or the Supreme Temple, or
whatever it is, slammed in their faces,
They should, on the contrary, send the
supreme chancellor a vote of thanks. If
he can thus awaken their sense of dignity
and make them understand how obsequious their position has been the affront
will in the end redound to their leasing
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Women should remember that every individual who voluntarily accepts inferior place or compensation when she might do otherwise does a vital injury to all women. There is a wide field wherelu women can work for each other; where they can aid and strengthen and encourage by precept and by example—the strong uplifting the weak, the educated enlightening the ignorant, the broad and the fair minded liberalizing the narrow and the petty. Here is a cause that can stand upon its own merits without begging for recognition only to be rebuffed.—Mary H. Krout, in The Inter Ocean.

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In the great carpet mills of Philadelphia, where, it is claimed, more carpet is made in a single ward than in the whole of England, the actual competition of women with men is a marked feature; in many cases they earn equal pay for the same work. In these mills the burlers earn from \$6 to \$10 a week. They work from 7 in the morning till 6 at night, with half an hour off for dinner. Those who do not live at home can get good board for \$3 a week, leaving quite a wide margin for dress or for savings. It would be of great benefit to them if they could acquire the habit of systematic saving, but to his they are generally averse. Some of them do save, however, and it is no uncommon thing for a mill-girl to save \$300 or \$400 before marriage. The first few years of married life are safely tided over by the united savings of the couple, and it is unusual for the children not to begin work by the time they are 14. They can earn \$2.50 and upwards, and this sum as a rule, goes into the family treasury. Thus there will often be five or six bread-winners in a family, and, if thrifty, a nealittle sum may be laid away. Thrift and economy are, however, rather exceptional virtues among the mill-workers. They eat twice a day the most expensive meat (10 cents and 18 cents per pound), and pay extravagant sums for early vegetables.—Lippincott's Magazine.

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#### MAGAZINES.

The Hartford Seminary Record closes its fourth volume with a number exceptionally large and important. Among the short editorial comments are thoughtful words on current topics, like the loss of democracy in colleges, the tremendous selfishness displayed by various parties in the recent labor outbreak, and the need of precision of language and thought in sociological discussion. The articles are three in number—all rather long, but striking in subject and manner. The first is an address by Dr. James Brand, the well-known Oberlin pastor, on "The Mission of the Church in the World." which is a keen and often brilliant setting forth of what he regards as the relation between the kingdom of God and the church, and of the duty of the church as a social or the kingdom of God and the church, and of the duty of the church as a social or ganizacion to bring in the kingdom among men of every class. The second is an original study by Professor Edwin Knox

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A recent statement in the Record that a young Japanese girl at Radcliffe college (Harard annex) is the first of her kind who has come to this country for an education has called forth several corrections which show that Japanese girl students, are by no means rartiles here. There is one at Bryn Mawr college, another at Wellesley and a third, Miss Fuji Tsukamoto, at Wilson College for Women at Chambersburg, where she is considered one of the brightest students. She will graduate this Jane and on commencement day will lead in a debate on the interesting question: "Have the more recent influences of the occident on the orient been abenfit to the latter." There was still another Japanese girl, Miss Tsune Hirata San, at Western Maryland college. Westmissier, Md., where she was graduated in 1890. Returning to Japan, she married and is now working in the missions at Nagoya. Vassar college also claims a Japanese graduate. Japanese boy students are common enough, and the girls also appear to appreciate American educational issuitations.—Philadelphia Record.

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### THE GRIPS OF ODD-FELLOWSHIP GIVEN AS A TEST.

T. C. P .- . Salem, O., writes: There .ives in this town an agnostic who is considered a level-headed man and who is prominent in a number of secret orders, including the Odd-Fellows. He has belonged to this order for about twenty-five years. Some four years ago he went to visit a sister who is married to a Presbyterian, but who is nevertheless mediumistic, though she would not let it be known in her family or in her church. This sister told our agnostic that she felt the presence of their dead brother and she thought he would have something to say to him if they could be alone; so it was arranged that they should sit up for a time after the family retired and give the influence a chance to make itself known. They took seats at a stand with writing material when she was partially entranced and tried to write, but only illegible marks were produced. She then arose from her seat and coming around to him took his hand and shook it with a powerful grip, then gave him the grip of the first degree in Odd-Fellowship, which he did not notice, but kept talking in a facetious vein. She then gave the grip of the second degree, which he noticed, when she gave the third degree. He then spoke up saying, "Well there must be an Odd-Fellow present," when all three degrees were repeated with emphasis and he was made to feel that his dead brother was really present. He had been instrumental in getting his brother into this order and this test was positive and natural. The sister, in her normal state, was opposed to secret societies and on being questioned as to what she had done, denied all knowledge of it. There is, of course, the remotest possibility that she knew the grips, but this is too remote to admit as a probable explanation of the phenomena. Names and certificates can be given if desired.

The Springfield Republican speaks of 'the werisome, grieving, destroying and dismal summer of this year of grace, 1894," and adds: "The story of this sumer is one of improverished fields, deteriorated crops, dried-up springs and brooks and wells, pastures that cannot fill the

cows' bags with milk, mowings that scarcely furnish the barns with provender for the winter. We have had no rain in this region to amount to anything since the first of May-and all over the country in our temperate North American zone there have been few spots where anything better can be said. There have been scarcely any electric storms—the crash and roll of the thunder would be a delightful sound to us, so rare has been any thing of the sort. There is no danger that stands by itself as the cruelest year of Rain has since fallen copiously continues. (Sept. 10) To those who have been compelled to remain in great cities the thought of the seaside or of the mountains is like the thought of heaven.

Mr. B. A. Cleveland writes thus in re

gard to materializations: Of the fact of genuine materialization I have no doubt. That phantom forms or spirit forms of the departed have been seen in all ages of the world I think we have abundant evidence. But when a form emerges from a cabinet and beckons me to come, and we meet a form that steps from the cabinet, and embraces me as a long absent daughter would a father and I feel within my embrace a solid form of flesh and blood, I do not believe that I am embracing a spirit. Flesh and blood cannot enter into heaven. If this supposed spirit should suddenly vanish out of sight, or if this solid body should dematerialize and sink down through the floor at my feet, I should then be puzzled indeed, but this manner of disappearance I have never The usual method is to take a few steps backward, and disappear behind the curtains of the cabinet, after mumbling a few unintelligable words. If this form of solid substance should identify herself by giving me her name, or some circumstance only known to me and my departed daughter, then I would be satisfied that there had been a personation of my daughter by the medium under control, and I should be partly satisfied that I had not been entirely deceived and that the medium might be honest, especially if the manager of the séance had announced that the forms might be materialization or personation. But to have the privilege of embracing the solid form of the medium without receiving any communication or identification, is to my mind unsatisfactory and such performances are too much of a deception to practice upon innocent and credulous people. Many intelligent Spiritualists will confirm my statement, and are anxious that there should be a more thorough examination of all mediums who advertise to give materializing séances, by competent committees.

Thomas Lees, Cleveland, Ohio, writes: I was not surprised to see your article "Public Tests" in THE JOURNAL of September 1st. It might certainly be read with profit by the bulk of those professing to be out and out Spiritualists. After over thirty years of close investigation, fully twenty-five of which have been devoted to the work of sustaining public meetings for the presentation of both the phenomena and philosophy of Spiritual ism, I am forced to the conclusion that the public as well as the private exhibition of mediumship is padded out (as I term it) beyond its legitimate proportions -especially is this true of what are denominated "public platform tests." Every impartial thinking Spiritualist will I think admit with you, that such tests as you alluded to are of no value, though they fill a gap maybe and help bridge over what might be an awkward pause for

them while waiting for the genuine arti-cle, so perhaps on the principle that even gold is better for some little alloy, the padding that almost invariably charac terizes all public mediumship may be essential to its value after all, (particularly to "the public test medium" themselves.) I have long since felt it was a mistake to watch for fraud among the physical me diums only. While the mediums for in-dependent slate-writing, occult telegraphy materializing, trumpet, type writing and other ophysical phenomena have been more or less guarded against (though only in a haphazard manner), the inspirational trance and public test mediums have been left wholly free to pad out their work to the fullest degree. Quality and not quan-tity in the near luture will be the criterion of the public test medium's value and prominence. As a test of genuine "platform test mediums," how many among the very best of them would be willing. I to demonstrate their spiritual gift if taken before a strange audience, in a strange city, not being allowed even to know the name of the State taken to far, I have found but one willing to try the experiment.

Thomas Harding, writes: The Harmonial Society, of Sturgis, Mich., met on Sunday, September 2d, and elected officers to serve for the ensuing year, according to Michigan laws of incorporation. election resulted in the choice of Mr. C. H. Rawson, for president; Mrs. Belle Stow for secretary; Mr. C. Cressler for treasurer. The executive committee consists of Mr. John Kelly, Mrs. James John son, Mrs. J. G. Wait, Mrs. C. Buck and Mrs. Francis, Sr. A soliciting committee of three was also elected, namely, Mrs. L. Buck, Mr. Peter Buck and Mrs. Susan Wait. The late secretary retiring info the meeting that he had nication with Mrs. Jackson, of Rapids, and hoped her services w Rapids, and hoped her services would retained to fill the desk during the month ing was quite harmonious and satiface

The September number of the Bulletin of the Psychological Section of the Men co-Legal Society (a quarterly published by Clark Bell, New York,) quotes win approval from THE JOURNAL in regard to Spiritualism and insanity and deeditorial to the subject from which the following is taken: Errors of belief as w matters of faith or of religion do not touch the question of sanity or insanity. An insane delusion cannot be compared with or likened to an erroneous belief upon any is made of glass, that he is the Christ or Messiah, that he is a king or emperon where there is an absence of the slighten fact on which such a belief is, or could be, founded, we say that he is the victim of an insane delusion. There is a distingtion between an hallucination, and an error of judgment or a belief founded upon either a mistake as to facts, or as to conclusions based upon false premises. The insane man frequently reasons correctly on many subjects outside his dominating delusion. The whole Christian Church believes in another world than this, peopled with spirits. The New Testament account of the life and death of Christ is replete with evidence of the existence of spirits in a sphere quite ou-side mundane knowledge. The Old Tes-ament Scriptures teach it unanswerally, and none who accept the Bible as the re-vealed word of God can logically deny the truth of spirit life, or existence outside of what is commonly called life or human existence, as we understand those terms.

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I find Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder to be superior to all others, for the following reasons :-

1st. It liberates the greatest amount of leavening gas and is consequently more efficient.

2nd. The ingredients used in its preparation are of the purest character.

3rd. Its keeping qualities are excellent.

4th. On account of the purity of the materials and their relative proportions, Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder must be considered the acme of perfection as regards wholesomeness and efficiency, and I say this having in mind certificates I have given several years ago respecting two other baking

The reasons for the change in my opinion are based on the above facts and the new method adopted to prevent your baking powder from caking and deteriorating in strength.

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