



THE ARTS, SCIENCES, LITERATURE, AND PHILOSOPHY

NOTES, ROMANCE AND GENERAL REFORM

Truth wears no mask, bows at no human shrine, seeks neither place nor applause: she only asks a hearing.

LUCILLE OF PARADISE

From the calm depths of heaven / Her soul was like the silver light, / Which she was summoned to float.

Let us make them a home where they can be restored to society; being virtuous and industrious they will be less new to others.

Is God ever Frustrated?

The Christian at work, a strictly evangelic paper, published in New York, devotedly inquires: "Is God ever frustrated?"

Cost and Benefit of the Clergy.

Michelet in his history of France (vol. 1, p. 304, note), estimates the revenue of the Church of England at \$47,397,825, and of the Christian clergy throughout the rest of the world \$44,000,000.

SATAN EXALTED.

"Wherefore, O Holy One and Just, is the Horn of Thy Foul Foe so high Exalted?"

FLOODWOOD.

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CONGRATULATIONS.

We now approach the most important era in the history of Floodwood. Mr. Dyatt and others conceived the idea of raising a secret order, and each member must wear a pin with a rising sun, and the word "Floodwood" on it.

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MODERN SPIRITUALISM.

An Interview With Dr. Napoleon Bonaparte Wallace.

[From the "Universal Inquirer"]

Mrs. Hill's belief in your house for a considerable period...

that these are Spirit-walks, and that it is possible to communicate with those who have gone there before us...

No, sir. I have never been anything but a sincere investigator...

Faith.

BY O. P. KINNEY.

There are few words in the English language so misunderstood, and more completely perverted than that of Faith...

Faith is a great propelling power. Without it we would do nothing—with it we can do everything within the range of human power...

Scientific and Religious Proofs of the Existence of God.

In No. 3, Vol. 15, of R. P. JOURNAL is found an article with the above caption, which I think demands a little attention...

Spirit is a unit. There is no part or contents about it. It is indivisible...

the silence of numbers and the harmony of sounds in nature, remain just the same? I answer, not because all these depend upon spirit...

All we know of things in any shape is what we learn from man's experience. I see no signs of a development in the general organization of man to which we can or must ascribe the name "God"...

Church Property.

In the Piqueuse of yesterday morning, an article appears relative to assessing church property which is exempt from taxation...

It is, perhaps, impossible that the church should ever grow so rich and powerful in America, and the danger of its influence lessened by the division of denominations...

Letter from Theodore F. Price.

BRO. JOSEPH—I have been for some time lecturing on the Harmonical Philosophy...

time, the place was packed, and I was listened to with profound attention by an audience, very few of whom had ever heard of such a country as the four corners of the globe...

Obituary.—Communicated.

DR. HUNT. The tidings of the death from this life on the night of seventh day of January, 1874, of Dr. Isaac H. Hunt, a long time resident and business man...

A careful study of the "Five points of Calvinism," satisfied him of their untenability, and he renounced his creed and its atrocious dogmas.

It could not believe that God had "chosen a certain number of the fallen race of Adam in Christ before the world began, to inherit eternal glory, according to his immutable purpose, and of his free grace and love, without regard to their merits or demerits..."

His mind revolted at the idea that a good man should be allowed to die, and that he should be allowed to die, and that he should be allowed to die...

He seemed to have been a man of a high and noble character, and his death was a great loss to the community...

In that faith he lived and rejoiced for many years, and in that faith he joyfully approached the grave, and peacefully passed its dread portals...

He seemed to commune directly with God and to receive his communications through the medium of his spiritual vision...

"Less dreary seems the untired way"

"Since thou hast left thy footsteps there." If Dr. Hunt had been more than human, but he would have been more than human, but he would have been more than human...

TESTIMONIALS.

Mrs. A. H. Robinson's Tobacco Antidote.

One box of Mrs. A. H. Robinson's Tobacco Antidote cured me of the use of tobacco, and I heartily recommend it to all who are afflicted with the same...

I have used tobacco between fourteen and fifteen years, about two months since, I procured a cure of Mrs. A. H. Robinson's Tobacco Antidote...

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Boaz, etc., in the Social Question, will be published in this department, if deemed worthy, and in the order received from contributors.

A Voice from Michigan.

Bro. Jones—Since I wrote you the private note, I have received numerous letters from eminent public lecturers, congratulating me on the position I had taken in regard to the Woodhull case.

In my opinion the worst feature of their practice and teachings is that which they of course hide from the public—murder of their children, abortion, and infanticide.

Outside of one's own family this free last question is not only a violation of the Spiritism.

There was a time in the history of the human race, when the brute began to merge into the human being.

Those who believe that angels "shed tears," because people possessing reason and common sense, denouncing immorality, preach and practice prostitution for a business, are welcome to believe it.

Spiritualists should steer clear of creeds, and scientific theories, and the law of the harvest and sowing, and parasitic that attempt to fasten upon us.

Let the Materialists of Europe and America attack the phenomena of Spiritism, if it is matter so little concerning them, and find those who will accommodate them, and they will not have long to search.

Again, I would advise Michigan City people do not desire to be annoyed by rakes and prostitutes, and I for one am glad to know citizens are so ready to lecture and denounce the position we have taken.

A Warning "Star."

Kansas advances show how the champions of social anarchism is (not) received to that region—a land of intelligent liberalism and practical common sense.

The following excerpts give a fair sample of the facts, and the press comments, which attend and follow the visit of "Queen of the Rostrum," in the West.

Woodhull is a 75 cent fraud. Her audience here was four women and some sixty or seventy men, nearly all of whom were disappointed.

The man who brought the notorious Woodhull here on a speculation is sad. We learn that the audience did not number over fifty.

Letter from California. The Journal—No. 16 of the Journal came to hand laden with more than usual interest and instruction.

hatched doctrines will be consigned to the tomb of infamy, never to be resurrected.

Your good paper is becoming more popular and more generally read here in this community.

GARDEN OF EDEN. Old Sambo to his hearers said, That God who dwells on high, Set man he made of mud so red.

But Genesis reveals the fact That man was made of ground, And God who dwells on high, A helper for him found.

In his own image made he them, And then pronounced them good, With flowers and fruits, and every stem, In Eden's bowers they stood.

The Devil soon came strolling round, To see what God had done, And there a snake pair he found, Who nipped and nipped around.

Good morning, lovely pair, said he, Sure God has closed your eyes, But if you eat from yonder tree, God knows you'll be wise.

Said she, that tree we dare not shake, For he has said it we partake, "That day we both shall die."

The Devil said, ye shall not die, Before I get you man and wife, Old Mother Eve rolled up one eye, And saw 'twas nice for food.

He tore the fig leaves off the bride, And skinned a billy goat, With which a dog and badger hide, Alas! he went upon his goat.

For Adam, who with quivering chin, Stood looking ghastly pale, He gave a coat of billy skin, Alas! he went upon his tail.

Thus God endorsed the Devil's word Which he utters them as snakes, Their death for many years deferred, As told them by the snake.

Then let mankind both great and small, The Devil give him heed, For in him wisdom came to all If Bible yarns are true.

According to the Bible tale, He spoiled God's holy plan, And started on progressive scale, The woman and the man.

Had it not been for Satan's snarl, They might obeyed God's will, And in the crooks of Eden's fence, They might be groping still.

Report of Quarterly Meeting. The First Quarterly Meeting of the Central New York Association of Spiritualists, for the year 1874, was held at New Berlin, on the 11th and 12th inst.

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Dr. John A. Elliott. In now prepared to give readings of character, definition of aptitudes to business, physical conformation, etc.

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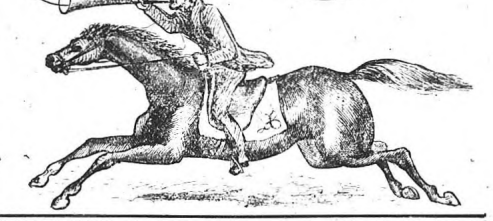
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DR. JULIA WILLIAMS, Practical Midwife, East Braintree, Pa. I have been afflicted with Rheumatism and Heart Disease for three years during which time I have not been able to labor.

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CHICAGO, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1874.

The Various Gods.

The "Old Clark street" Methodist Episcopal Church has become famous on account of the learned disquisitions of its gifted...

Gods are so exceedingly plentiful that it is not at all strange, that men like Judge Booth, Bradleigh, B. F. Underwood, and hundreds of others, should be so much taken up with...

The idea entertained by the ancients, exists to-day in a modified form, in the various churches. In place of numerous heads located on one body for a God, some denominations have three heads and three bodies—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, united in one dependent body and form.

The Bible God, however, the one who made Adam and Eve, is not a success. He was so obtuse that he could not find Adam and Eve when they had hid in the garden, and if when he raised his melodious voice, and called to them, he had remained silent, he would have been disgraced.

Then there is another God of Pagan mythology, that has a thousand well-developed arms. It was perfectly natural that the ancients should form a conception of such a God, for they fully realized the fact that everything they accomplished was through the instrumentality of the arms, hence they formed a God with a thousand, entertaining the idea that he, of course, would be instrumental in giving decisive victories over their enemies.

The formation of such a God, endowed with superior military, energetic and bravery, showed a noble and intelligent endeavor on the part of those who worshipped him, far surpassing the various members of the orthodox church, whose God just Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden, and would never have been able to find them, had they remained silent.

In the early ages of the world the lowest conception of an object of worship, consisted of a stone, bunch of rags, a snake, or a rude image, the effect of which was to excite in the mind of the savages, for they were nothing else, awakened in their mind a desire for something higher, real, tangible, life-like.

The spring storm, the fierce cyclone, the belching volcano, and other destructive agents, they regarded as intensely evil, dangerous in character, and calculated to cause untold evil to the country, but in the genial sun, the silvery moon and twinkling stars they observed beneficent agents, hence they ignored their rocks, their snakes, their bunch of rags and elevated their worship somewhat, paying their devotion to the elements, those that seemed to them to be productive of good.

The second reason, or cause, that has given such impetus to the religious faith, is found in the aspirations of mankind for immortality. Those who enjoy this life, wish to live hereafter, and this is the chief cause of their religious faith.

In the formation of Gods, the human mind, ever active, ever peering at the hidden mysteries of nature, and at the manifestation of unsearched forces, has invariably kept in view the fact that there is something in the world, whose bosom was not a particle of sympathy, or one feeling of human kindness, and whose principal weapon of warfare was a club, formed an ideal God, whom they armed with a monstrous club, and they worshipped him, believing that he would crush them and their enemies.

True, they have no sword and shield, no bow, no arrows, and no anything of the kind appended to them, and they are supposed to work uncessantly in all departments of nature—one, it is claimed, constructed this earth and the innumerable stars that shine so beautifully in the firmament; he glitens in the rainbow-tinted flower, sparkles in the crystal of the dew, and in the music of the stream down the mountain side, and in all departments of life is exhibited in some peculiar manner.

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The most casual observer will readily see that the course the RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL has taken in exposing the absurdities that the Woodhull infamy is any part of the religious faith, is entirely correct, and its position in public sentiment, and that the secular press, which always retreats to a great degree public opinion, is wheeling into line and demanding a thorough examination of the facts upon which our philosophy is based.

It is within the life of a generation that the Fox girls of Rochester, N. Y., gave the literary developments of what science has grown into a most wonderful manifestation, under the name of Spiritualism or Spiritism.

The first volume of the Soul of Things, by the eminent scientist, Wm. Danton, was published several years ago and has had a large sale. Those who are familiar with it will hail with pleasure the new edition, which has been just published.

N. Frank White is doing a good work in the East. His address during this month is Boston; care of BANES & DURING, during April, Washington, D. C.; during June, Bradford, Ct.; during July, New York, N. Y.

Dr. Samuel Maxwell, Trance Medium, the Speaker. PHONOGRAPHIC REPORT OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AT THE MEETING, FEBRUARY 1ST.

Dr. Samuel Maxwell held at the G. Oper's Hall, Dr. Samuel Maxwell is the speaker. The questions are asked by the audience, and answered by his controlling spirit, who exhibits remarkable intelligence.

Question.—What effect has Christianity on civilization? Answer.—Its effects in most cases has been most disastrous. On those who have accepted its tenets, its tendency has been to close their mind against new thoughts advanced by progressive souls.

Question.—What is the cause of meteoric display? Answer.—The cause is simply this. There are vast belts of meteoric matter around our sun. During the revolution of the earth, it comes in contact therewith, and attracts portions thereof, drawing them to it, the same as a magnet will pieces of iron, and the velocity of the meteoric stone is great, of course the friction causes fire, it illuminates them, and you call them shooting stars.

Question.—What do you regard as the chief balk of the priesthood? Answer.—The idea that there must be an atonement, and that we can not, be released from our wickedness only through the instrumentality of the blood of Christ, has ever been the chief stumbling block which the priesthood has resorted to.

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