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The Philosophy of Mediumship.

Mediumship is subject to the most subtle conditions which by the great world at large are scarcely understood at all.

"As to the memory of spirits there is no question that they carry this with them; but that they always retain the memory of unimportant events we have no reason to believe."

Dr. C. T. Bufum of Worcester, Mass., while visiting me and sitting in my study, became influenced by Rnd Jacket, a highly intelligent Indian spirit who most generally controls him and from whom I have received many beautiful tests.

New Publications.

THE PHRENOLOGICAL JOURNAL for November has come to hand, abounding in articles illustrative of life.

THE INTERNATIONAL REVIEW, November number. International Communication by Language, Philip Gilbert Hamerton, London.

THE POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY, for November, as usual, is filled with valuable scientific articles, embracing The Natural History of the Oyster, by Rev. Samuel Lockwood, Ph.D. (Illustrated).

Alglave. Facist Anomalies, by Dr. Karl Muller. Confessions of a Reformed Smoker, by Francis Gerry Fairfield.

IN consequence of the act of Congress, requiring all postage to be pre-paid at the office of publication, after January 1st, 1875, the JOURNAL will be sent three months to new trial subscribers, for 25 cents, after this date.

Michigan State Convention.

The Michigan State Association of Spiritualists will hold their Ninth Annual Convention in Stuart's Hall, at Battle Creek, Michigan, commencing on the second Friday in December, 1874, at 2 o'clock P.M., and continue its sessions until Sunday evening, December 13th.

The platform will be free for the discussion of all questions tending to instruct and improve the mind and elevate humanity.

Day, Colchester's Fund.

All money donated to the above-named fund is to aid Bro. Lester Day for his loss in paying Bro. Charles Colchester's fine for not procuring a license as a Medium.

A PARTIAL GOD.

A partial God with partial man, Sure must devise a partial plan; Thus Calvin's God, if he speaks true, Burns reprobates—Servatus too.

Passed to Spirit Life.

In Felchville, Vt., Oct. 11, of diphtheria, BOAZER WILKINS, son of E. B. White, aged 6 years.

Passed to Spirit-life from Solon, Mich., Sept. 28th, 1874, Mrs. SARAH BRYANT, aged 66 years and 8 months.

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DEATH, OR THE PATHWAY FROM EARTH TO SPIRIT-LIFE.

CHAPTER I.

View of Death by the Churches—Mourning among the Ancients—Professional Mourners—The Chinese Method of Mourning—Fashionable Funerals, etc., etc.

Death, what is it? By the various orthodox churches it is personified, represented as a grim-visaged monster, relentlessly "cutting down both great and small." With dark, sullen complexion, eyes beaming with hate, and features wreathed with a demonic smile, he goes forth on his mission, with his soul actuated with no feelings of love for humanity.

That person must be hideous in nature that can picture a demon as emanating from God, and which becomes a permanent enemy to every progressive movement. The churches could not have a correct idea of death, without entertaining an exalted idea of God.

The various Christians, especially in the past, almost invariably feared the approach of death, regarding it as an enemy brought into existence through the instrumentality of Satan.

In all ages of the world, in case of death, mourning has generally followed, and sorrow been expressed in a variety of ways. The ancient Hebrews tore their garments, disheveled their hair, threw dust and ashes on their heads, and abstained from washing.

Hired mourning women were employed by the Greeks and Romans, and especially among the Syrians, hired mourners simulate all the sorrow that a person could manifest if genuinely afflicted.

The custom of preserving the tears shed at funerals once existed, and in the old tombs of Palestine, Greece and Rome, tear bottles, and lachrymatories, are often found, with sacred eye-water still preserved. The expressions of sorrow on the part of different nations, exhibit the peculiar views that the people entertain of death.

The Chinese mourn in white at the death of a near relative, but they graduate the color to represent the intensity of their affliction at the funeral of a not particularly dear to them.

The most costly robe in which the dead can be arrayed is of satin or corded silk. This is made with a puffed or surplice waist, and costs \$75. The robe generally furnished is made of cashmere and costs from \$25 to \$25, according to its quality.

The flowers for funerals are sometimes supplied by the undertaker, who will expend \$500 for them. Very often there are flowers enough sent by friends to decorate the house and the coffin.

The route taken by funeral processions to Greenwood is through the Bowery and across Catharine ferry. Sometimes funerals pass down Broadway and over Hamilton ferry, but there are so many detentions on this line that the other route is preferred.

The lowest price of burying an adult is \$25. That provides a coffin of stained wood, a hearse, one carriage, and a grave with two other bodies. Undertakers buy graves at Calvary cemetery at \$15 each, and place three bodies therein.

The Irish are renowned for their mania in regard to attending funerals. They will beg, borrow and cheat the undertaker to procure a carriage to attend the funeral of a deceased second cousin or friend.

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who are sun-stricken; the poor who die in Bellevue hospital, the babies who are poisoned by the heat and filth of tenement houses—all these, after being dissected at the hospital, are placed in pine boxes, and buried in a trench on Hart's island.

CONCERNING CRITICAN CUSTOMS

The fashion of sending memorial mourning cards does not prevail to much extent in this country. It is a very beautiful custom, and, as the cards are gotten up in England, one that would be quite an additional expense. Mourning cards of gentlemen are plain, with a wide black border.

It is not the satin robe or the velvet casket, it is not the green-tufted mound, the waxing willow, nor the imposing monument that feels the heart's deep anguish, but it is pleasant and comforting to be able to finish all that tender thought can suggest, upon the cold form that is so dear, and to make its resting place beautiful with memorials of love.

A FUNERAL IN WASHINGTON—EXPENSIVE MOURNING

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It is not often that eccentricities are manifested at funerals, but here is an eccentric character, who is worthy of passing into history. For ten or twelve years past, says the Patterson Press, one of the most notable characters about town was John Schofield.

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