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Is the Devil Dead?

NUMBER VIII.

We hold in our hand a pamphlet by J. Winchester, of California, claiming that a little more than 10,000 years ago a Continent existed, nearly centrally situated between the western coast of America and the eastern shore of Asia.

The instability of individuals, communities, tribes, nations, empires, etc., is one of the distinguishing characteristics of this world of ours—nothing fixed—nothing definitely established in any conceivable direction.

There is an intelligence connected with that murderer's knife, that destructive gun, that avenging stiletto, that dose of poison that is sent on its mission of death; and is there not an intelligence that superintends the creation, growth, and decay of worlds, and is as intimately connected therewith, as the murderer is with the razor which he uses to cut the throat of a companion?

that the supervising God of the Universe has not the power, intelligence and sagacity to manage things just as he should. It seems as if wrecks were being made constantly!

Calamities have been frequent in this solar system, and greater ones are yet to come, unless disturbing influences are banished. Prof. R. A. Proctor claims that the Moon has passed through all the stages of planetary life, and is now dead, ready to be buried in the grave yard of worlds.

Another distinguished savan, whose erudition enables him to grasp intricate questions, intimates that serious disasters must eventually arise, in consequence of the shrinking of the earth; causing, of course, certain portions of it to rise—for instance, the Atlantic ocean, which will discharge its waters, perhaps, over various portions of North America.

The power to crucify and burn heretics is denied them, but to revile and say all manner of evil things about a brother who differs with them in faith, is adhered to, as if it were a Christian virtue.

There is no contending power that is constantly at work interfering with the happiness of mankind, why all this uncertainty, why all this discord, why such antagonism? Is discord harmony misunderstood? Is the divine architect of the universe engaged in supplanting his own works—in destroying nature, wrecking continents, sending myriads of locusts to devour the crops of the husbandman and cause actual starvation?

Ascending from matter, as Darwin says, coming through all of the lower animals, is

man! He is a reflection of an unseen intelligence, that is not altogether good, nor altogether evil. If a reflection of an intelligence altogether good, he would never be actuated to commit any of those fiendish crimes that characterize the human race at present!

In ancient times, in those days of huge monster and extraordinary rapacious wild beasts, the earth gave expression to human beings who corresponded therewith—they were coarse, brutal, savage, and prisoners of fear, destroyed the aged and helpless, had no local governments, and lived in caves and holes in the ground.

The idea of evil ever permeating the human mind, in the ancient Egyptian Religion, we find that Typhon (or Set) as given forth by the historian, was the manifestation of the abstract idea of evil, as Osiris was of good.

Can the Methodist Church afford to endorse those of their ministers, who willfully malign the character of so noble a man, and one who has so faithfully worked for them a third of a century, as Rev. Samuel Watson? The Jews malign the character of the gentle Nazarine. They said all manner of evil things about him, and finally preferred charges against, and convicted him of treason, ay, more, when the Governor would have pardoned him, they said nay, "pardon the thief, but crucify Jesus"—the man without guile.

(To be continued)

Can They Afford to do So?

Let the following be read, and when read contrast the doings of the Methodist Conference, with that of the Sanhedrim that passed sentence upon Jesus, and tell us how he would have fared under a change of venue from the Jewish to the Methodist tribunal.

While 1900 years has made grand progress with the arts, sciences and philosophy, but little progress is manifested by the strict adherents to Religious dogmas.

THE HELENA VISIT TO HELENA. [From the American Spiritualists Magazine.]

Rev. R. W. Massey, of the White River Conference, having published in the Nashville Christian Advocate, over an anonymous signature, a number of falsehoods in regard to us and the Magazine, and after using every means in our power to have him make the amende honorable, and be refusing, we notified his Presiding Elder that a charge should be preferred against him at the Conference.

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These articles reach the scrutinizing eyes, and intelligent understanding of at least one hundred thousand minds each week. Hence it will be seen that Col. Olcott is mistaken when he enumerates certain things which can't be earned by reading "RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL

know what we did, we give our letter to his Presiding Elder:

Memphis, Sept. 4, '75. Rev. J. W. Boswell—Dear Sir: I deeply regret the necessity of preferring a charge of publishing a falsehood by one of the preachers of your district, Rev. R. W. Massey, over an anonymous signature of "X," what he must have known to be false, in regard to the Magazine favoring free-love.

I have used every means in my power to get him to correct the error; even suggested that he might get Dr. Summers, the editor, to do it, and that would be satisfactory; but this he declined to do, which leaves me no other alternative only as above indicated, or submit to the charge he makes against the Magazine.

I am, Yours Truly, SAMUEL WATSON.

Just before the time for the meeting of the Conference we received an answer to our letter, apologizing for the long delay, acknowledging reception of the Magazine, and stating that he would prefer the charges against Mr. Massey, if we still desired it.

Mr. Boswell saw us after the adjournment, and informed us it was too late to prefer the charges against Mr. Massey. Our reply to all the preachers who spoke to us about the matter was: "If you can stand it, I can."

As to the statements about what you said, to-wit: "that you would bring mediums, etc.;" that in five years the Methodist Church would all be with you, etc., etc. these statements were made from hearsay, of course. In another letter he says: "tell you again, were matters of hearsay. The charge of free-lovelism seems to be the principal one to which you except. I was governed in this statement by popular impression."

EASTERN WONDER WORKERS.

The Magic of the Fakir and the Spiritualism at the Western World.

Col. E. S. Olcott addressed a large audience in the Brooklyn Institute last evening. His subject was "Eastern Magic and Western Spiritualism." Premising that the contempt, anathemas, and derision which always follow the avowal of unfashionable belief would be his share, the lecturer promised that it would not be his fault if he did not give the enemies of Occultism and Spiritualism something to ponder over and explain away.

The fakir offers to be the medium of a communication from any deceased friend. The savant throws into a bag a lot of copper type, and picking them out one after the other without looking at them, the leaves rise and fall as certain letters come out, and by so doing spell the name and date of death of an old friend of whom he was thinking.

REMARKS.

There is no doubt in our mind that very much of so-called, Eastern Magic is the result of spirit power through mediums, commonly called Fakirs.

Much light is being shed upon that subject, through Modern Spiritualism. The RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL is an exponent of the Philosophy of Life, and weekly gives the readers well written articles, whose authors are among the observers and best thinkers of the age.

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JOURNALS," but impliedly, can be by the "study of books and many of them."

Not but books are all important for the dissemination of knowledge, but, a summary of many books are read through the columns of newspapers, by millions, while the books themselves, often reach less than thousands.

Letter from L. N. Daly.

On yesterday a number of the leading Spiritualists of Houston met and determined to form an Association for the purpose of advancing themselves and assisting honest investigators to a better knowledge of the immortality of the spirit than is afforded by doctrinal creeds.

In the past but little attention has been given to Spiritual phenomena by our citizens, but there is now a healthy spirit of inquiry caused principally by material manifestations in our midst. We have several mediums, none but one fully developed—the rest all very young, and promising.

It is singular that among the undeveloped ones, that the phase of mediumship with two of them, is that of materialization—one a young Miss only 13 years old; the other a young man of 18. All the phases of this feature of our Philosophy are presented in their writings.

My main object in writing this letter was for the purpose of inquiring about our organization. Would it be too great a favor to ask you to furnish us with a plan for our organization and government, and also how to build a cabinet, such as is usually used for that class of manifestations.

By furnishing the desired information you will no doubt forward the interests of your philosophy. Your paper has many readers in this locality, with a fair prospect of having many more in the near future.

L. N. DALY, Houston, Texas.

The most simple form of organization that you can conceive of which will constitute a body corporate under your statute laws, so as to enable you to hold property, if you desire to build a meeting house or hall and to employ speakers.

In our opinion no pledges of faith should be required of members, nor should a member be excluded from the society on account of any peculiar views he may entertain.

The simple fact that the society is organized for the promulgation of Spiritualism, is sufficient to guard it against the intrusion of all other subjects not appertaining thereto.

In constructing a cabinet, it is requisite to have it, when the doors and windows are closed, entirely dark. Build your cabinet of matched flooring, about 8 feet by 6, and 7 feet high. Place a door in the front, with a window hole in it of the size of one panel—or 1 foot by 3 feet. Cover that opening with double thicknesses of cotton velvet, parting both ways, to the right and left. Let the curtain lap by each other and hang a foot below the lower edge of the opening so as to occlude all light from the cabinet.

When you have a materializing medium, spirits will throw the curtain aside, and show themselves at the opening—and when strong enough will throw the door open and walk out.

The Devil and his Criminal.

BRO. JONES—Some of the readers of your paper are so much agitated at the appearance of the "old, old picture" of the criminal behind the grate at the head of the article, "Is the Devil Dead," that they wish me to ask you if the hideous out is expected to be used as a take-off of the coming year?

Very truly yours, EDW. CROSBY, Brattleboro, Dec. 16th, 1875.

We have no doubt that the appearance of that criminal-cursed feeling "of horror" to pervade your entire nature, and we are glad of it, providing your sympathy was so excited that you will devote all the time and means you can spare, in alleviating the suffering and conditions of just such depraved characters. The fair face of creation is disfigured by thousands of just such criminals, and the only way to remedy the evil, is for each one to devote his energies to illuminate the world with the teachings of the Harmonial Philosophy, and when that event shall have been fully accomplished, prisons will be turned into reformatory schools, and all depraved criminals be made better, and prepared for an advanced position in the Spirit-world. The JOURNAL is the best missionary agent to send forth to illuminate the world—to drive away its darkness and superstition. If that figure—true to life—which defaced the fair page of our paper for weeks, will not induce our readers to do something to alleviate the unfortunate—the poor darkened mind—then its mission was fruitless. Send us 30 cents—50 cents—\$1—\$1.50—\$2—or \$3 to scatter the JOURNAL broadcast over the land! Not one is so poor that he can't send 30 cents to have the JOURNAL forwarded to some seeker after truth for three months.

Fraternal Call.

Mrs. E. Morse, that most excellent trance lecturer and test medium, gave us a fraternal call on the 28th ult. Mrs. Morse has for the last three years been constantly engaged in the lecture-field in Iowa. Her guardian spirits have won for her a fame truly deserving, as one of the best speakers in the ranks of true Spiritualism.

Mrs. Morse will continue to receive calls to lecture and give prompt response in regard to her ability to make engagements anywhere, East, West, North or South.

She desires us to say that she utterly ignores Social Freedom, and never authorized E. V. Wilson to announce her as a speaker at his forthcoming meeting at Rockford, but on the contrary told him that she would not mix with them under any circumstances.

Address her in care of George Whittier, Esq., Joliet, Ill.

JENNIE LORD WEBB has at the request many friends gone to New York City for a month. She may be addressed at 459 Sixth Avenue.

Philadelphia Department

BY HENRY T. CHILD, M. D.

Subscriptions will be received and papers may be obtained, at wholesale or retail, at 634 Race St., Philadelphia.

The New Year.

The swift rolling tide of time has swept another year into the irrevocable past; leaving its lingering memories of pleasure and of pain...

We are conscious that each succeeding year has its advantage over those which have preceded it, the accumulated wealth can never be lost...

Taking control of the medium he said, "Well spoken, Brother; the beautiful truth of Spiritualism came to the American people over twenty-seven years ago for a purpose..."

How many of us have sat in the little circles watching the movement of the table, and as the communications were spelt out from our loved ones, how they were treasured up?

It is not in the ranks of Spiritualists alone that this work has been carried on; spirits have gone into all departments of society, and among all people; the churches have been influenced, and their doctrines changed through our labors...

We can endorse Brother Finney's communication, and would say that, these milestones along the pathway of life, should be profitable to us as seasons of self-examination...

RING OUT, WILD BELLS Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky, The flying cloud, the frosty light...

Ring out a slowly dying cause, And ancient forms of party strife; Ring in the nobler modes of life, With sweeter manners, purer laws...

Ring out the grief that saps the mind, For those that here we see no more; Ring out the feud of rich and poor, Ring in redress to all mankind...

Rise in the valiant man and free, To larger heart, the kinder hand; Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Letter From Wm. Fishbough.

BRO. JONES.—I wish to write a few additional words upon the subject of "Occultism." Many years ago I sketched a work which would occupy a portion of the field of inquiry, but which, without modification...

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Mrs. Robinson diagnosed and prescribed for the case, and the results will be seen by the perusal of the following letters.

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MRS. A. H. ROBINSON, Healing Psychometric & Business Medium, RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL PUBLISHING HOUSE, BUILDING, CHICAGO.

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Passed to Spirit Life.

Notices for this Department will be charged at the rate of twenty cents per line for every line exceeding twenty. Notices not exceeding twenty lines published gratis.

Passed to the higher life, Nov. 30th, '75, ELLIS FAIRBANK, of Ripon, Wis., formerly of Waupun, in the 50th year of his age.

Passed to Spirit Life Sept. 18th, 1875, GRIMMER S. HAWKINS, aged 68 years.

Born and raised in Western New York; has five children in New York, or Michigan. Any information wanted, address Samuel Ray, H. D., Bridgeport, Lawrence Co., Ill.

Passed to the higher life, Sunday evening, Nov. 28th, 1875, Mrs. EMMA E. CAMP, of Columbus, Pa., aged 54 years.

Mrs. C. had been a firm believer in Spiritualism for over twenty-five years, and lived during that time a life consistent with that beautiful religious faith.

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BY EDWARD CLODD, F.R.A.S.

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A Good Head of Hair Restored by a Spirit Prescription.

Restored by a Spirit Prescription.

Edwin Johnson. For the benefit of my friends and the world, I desire to make this brief statement. I have been almost entirely bald for about six years.

One year ago this month I wrote Mrs. A. H. Robinson, the leading hair restorer, 28 Fourth St., Chicago, as a last resort-or, rather, to please my wife.

Mr. Smith enclosed a lock of his hair, along with the above letter. It is about one inch in length, and of a dark brown color, soft and lively as that of a young man of twenty.

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OLD IS NEW.

BY FRANCIS H. McDUGAL.

There's a dark and sombre gateway opening to a palace fair, Every thing with life is gushing, Or with finest beauty flushing; Life renewed and beauty rare, Fill and deck that palace fair.

Anient and Modern Ideas of Hell.

BY M. B. CRAVEN.

History shows that the word hell became perverted in meaning during the Gospel Dispensation through the prevalence of contemporary Pagan theology, and made to reach in signification beyond what it implied under Hebrew religion.

sufferers reclaimed, and men restored to his pristine condition in Eden. In Christian and Mahometan theology, the torment is said to be eternal. Matthew speaks of the gates that enclose this terrible place, while John (Rev. 1: 18) describes a person that has the keys.

Richboro, Pa.

Honor to Whom Honor is Due.

FRIEND JONES:—Surely "the world moves," and as evidence of the fact, I think you will be interested in a tribute recently paid to a lady medium, by one of the men speakers in the Hixite-Friend's Quarterly Meeting at Croswicks, N. J., in which the speaker used the following language:

the many tests and communications which she gave "without money and without price," to members of the various churches, as well as to those outside the churches, taken leaving her business in business hours to give communications, even sometimes to entire strangers

A Plea for the American Spiritualist Press.

Madame Blavatski has written a letter to the editor of the Spiritual Scientist, No. 9, page 104, which, coming from so distinguished a person, is apt to cause astonishment. The letter is rather a whining complaint, that its writer had been in this country the object of cowardly, unmanly and malicious assaults, that she, a woman innocent of crime, had been defamed and slandered, and moreover, for nothing but selling the truth, had been treated in a manner, which in her country, and in every other civilized country, except America, would be considered as cowardly.

A SPECTRE IN THE WINDOW.

A Phenomenal Mystery that Disturbed the Quietude of McClellan Gulch. [From the Helena (Montana) Independent.] It seems that McClellan Gulch has just been thrown into a state of unaccountable excitement by the appearance there of an electric spectre, demon, or spirit, which has driven the camp from its propriety.

of the deceased it must have been photographed by a shock of lightning and remained until now undiscovered and revealed at last by an accidental glance of the surviving mine.

Why I am Not a Believer.

The above was the text preached from by Prof. Underwood, at our home town, St. Charles, on Sunday, the day after Christmas. The city of St. Charles and vicinity is largely Spiritualistic, and the liberal element when acting in concert, will outnumber any religious denomination.

The Cause Abroad.

Bastian and Taylor are in receipt of a letter from their friend A. J. Riko, an earnest and indefatigable worker in Spiritualism at the Hague, Holland, who reports the slow but steady progress of the cause in that country, and the springing forth of the good seed sown by the above mediums during their tour abroad.

Take Notice.

We again direct the attention of our readers to the new spiritual departure which has been made in this city. Let it be clearly understood that there are now two societies of Spiritualists in Chicago, the one meeting in Grow's Opera House, where the "social-freedomites" have been wont to congregate, and the other in the church, corner Green and Washington Streets.

Mrs. Blair, the Spirit Artist.

The above-named most wonderful medium of the present age, can be addressed for a few weeks longer, and until further notice, at No. 46 Beech St., Boston, Mass. When she gets ready to start West it will be duly announced in this paper.

Mrs. C. M. Monahan, healing medium of Boston, Mass.

Mrs. C. M. Monahan, healing medium of Boston, Mass., has received a letter dated Dec. 19th, 1875, from Decatur, Ill., containing one dollar and look of hair of a boy ten years old, requesting a diagnosis and an answer immediately.

Dr. J. K. Bailey.

The above named able lecturer and faithful Spiritualist, will answer calls to lecture, and can be addressed for the present at Canton, Fulton Co., Ill.

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