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CHICAGO SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 1876.

THEORY VS. PRACTICE.

Views of Dr. P. B. Randolph, on Suicide.

No one has a right to shrink from duty; and our duty is to suffer—if we can't help it; and be strong—or at least try to be. We were born to die naturally, and when the measure of our years is full...

There seems to be a prevailing opinion that suicide is the result of insanity; that no one in his sane moments can possibly nerve himself sufficiently to draw a razor across his throat...

Many years ago, Albert Tirrell, of Massachusetts, was tried for a most heinous and atrocious murder of a little girl, and then to crown his piece of consummate villainy, he set fire to the house...

It appears from the Montreal Correspondence of the New York Herald, from which we glean these facts, that the troublesome corpse of Joseph Guilford, is still kicking up great excitement...

In cases of insanity where the individual has no knowledge or memory of what he has done, or is doing, like the somnambulist, then moral accountability does not follow—that is, when suicide is committed under such circumstances...

knowledge of a sinful act throws upon the soul additional accountability therefor. A murder perpetrated with the senses awake, realizing the enormity of the crime, overshadows the soul with its effects, and moral accountability invariably follows.

He who coolly perpetrates a murder stands in a different relation to the Ordinances of Nature, than he who unintentionally destroys the earthly existence of another.

One of the most deliberately planned suicides, was that of a young man at Hartford, Ct. In a letter written just before his death he says, "Do we not condemn keeping the lower animals in useless suffering?"

The Ordinances of Nature, glorious in their manifestations of power, and beneficent in their ultimate effects, issue the order that the little angel in embryo shall be carried in the mother's womb until the decree is issued for it to be brought forth...

Why not, then, kill "the incurable sick" as one casually pleads that we should. They suffer constantly—have none of the pleasures of existence—wherein the necessity of their remaining longer, then, on this mendacious sphere?

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The Arctic Exploration. In view of the fact that several mediums have said that an open Polar Sea existed, the return of the recent expedition sent out by the British Government will be watched with interest.

Rattle His Bones Over the Stones, He is Only a Heretic Whom the Catholics Don't Own!

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as the gates could not be opened, took the body back to the Protestant cemetery; the mob followed in the rear, throwing missiles, Seal, the driver of the hearse, being struck on the head with a large stone.

The rabble was composed almost entirely of a low ignorant class of people nearly all of whom were French Canadians. During the afternoon, Mr. Doutré found himself standing near a crowd of young ruffians...

This, then, is the state of society in Montreal to-day. The body of a man, who died six years ago, still unburied, armed men guarding the bones to keep them from being broken or burned.

The Iowa State Camp Meeting.

We are informed by a party who has traveled through various parts of the State, that the present outlook is that the meeting at Naabau, commencing the 22nd, will be more largely attended than the one at Iowa Falls last year.

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versal interest, the solution of which appeals not to commercial profits, pecuniary advantage, increased facility for transport and communication, but simply, in the first instance, to those higher feelings and yearnings which, whatever our remote ancestry, now distinguish us from the brutes.

Spiritualism and Re-incarnation.

The Medium and Daybreak says: "There is a tendency on the part of a few of our readers to induce us to devote a considerable portion of our space to the discussion of the doctrine of re-incarnation."

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McQueen, in a flaming poster, advertising that he will exhibit as an exposé of Spiritualism in the M. E. Church, at Owaso, Michigan, says, "Admission 25 cents. No half price. Ministers Free."

Christ had a betrayer for an apostle—the Pharisees paid him the "thirty pieces of silver." The temple doors were thrown open to the betrayer while the priests went in free, giving utterances to words of encouragement to the throng that demanded the blood of Jesus.

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James G. Burgess, of San Francisco, California, writes: P. B. Randolph took by mistake a dose of poison four years ago, I think. The spirits told him he should recover, but its effect would take him off the 29th of March, 1875.

WM. TILKERTON, healing medium, is located at 148 West Washington Street, Chicago.

Mrs. N. D. MILLER is holding seances at Dallas, Texas. She will be in Memphis, Tenn., the first of October.

This communication in this number given through the mediumship of J. J. Lucas, of Belleville, Ill., contains many valuable thoughts.

Mrs. JENNIE LORD WYNN held a seance at our seance rooms, Tuesday Evening, Sept. 14th. There was a large attendance of gentlemen and ladies.

JOHN COLLIER'S lectures at Grow's Opera Hall, on Sunday last, were listened to by a large audience, who seemed to be well pleased with his efforts.

This article in the last number signed "Mrs. M. P. Wilcoxson," should have been Mrs. M. J. Wilcoxson. Mrs. Wilcoxson has returned from a successful lecturing tour in the West and is stopping temporarily in this city.

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A Card from B. F. Underwood.

MR. EDITOR:—Permit me to state through your JOURNAL that my vacation is at end, and that I enter upon another campaign immediately. I will be in New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, during September; Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Illinois, during October, and in the other Western States as soon as I can get to them.

Associations or individuals wishing my services, should address me at once, at the Investigator Office, Palace Hall, Boston, Mass. Subjoined is a list of subjects on which I will speak.

Respectfully Yours, B. F. UNDERWOOD, Boston, Sept. 5th, '75.

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