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тaf watseka wonder.
 It was long ago and wisoly saxd, that,"ccoa zonfound the wise, and that "outi of the
mouthis of babes and sucklings, He hath perfested praise:"
The innocen
The innocenee of childhoon is often the
suthimest argument in the establishment of a great trath; and the unpressuning sim-
plicity of youth sometimes may hecome the cinmel of phenomena caleulated to skake the skepticism and prejudice of bigotry,
and to humbie the conceit of the pompously wise.
Such has been a faet of the last year, at
the city of Watseka, a fown of humble pe-
tensions on the eastorn ple Peoria and Warszw Railroud anioledo, Peoria and Warsaw Hailrodds, eighty-six
milessouth of Chicago,on the Iroquois river.
Watseka is noted for its orthodox senti. Watseka is noted for its orthodox senti-
ments and bitter aninosity against all in-
 are aristocratie and respectable, noted for
flueir intelligence and literary attainments. Its seciety organizations are carnest in se-
formatory measures, but the masses, like the population in all low and malarial dis-
titiots, are inest in tioinvestigation or ideas and primeples, and slow in the dispovery
and applieation of truths hitherto unknown
Them.
This towa has been swept by tilat wave
af exeiterient, on account of the presumed Insanity of one Luravicy Vennum, a young
girt belonging to an ungretentious family in thies suburbs of the eity. Her insanity, as it was thought to be, Jates from July 11th,
A. D, 18 , non continued until her perfect prestoration
tarought the aid of friendy Spiritusists and tarough the aid of friendly spiritualists and
spirits, on the 21at of May, 1878. spirits, on the 2ast or May, 1878 .
Thus, for ten montis and te
Thus, for ten mortis and ton days, did
these phenomena continue to excite and ag itate the people. The following is a true
narrative, and as full as the facts collected from the parents and relatives of the parthes named hetein and observations made
by the writer, will warrant. 1833, in Washington Co., Penn; ; Lurinda J. Smith (his wife), was born October. 14th,
1837 , in St. Joseph Cor, Ind. They were mar-1897, in St. Joseph Co, Ind. They were mar-
ried in Fayette Co, Iowa, Dec. 2d; ISj5. daughter of the above named Thomas $J$.
and Lurinda $J$. Vennum, was born on the
 seven miles south of Watseka: The family
moved to Iowa, July, 12th, 1884, and returnmoved to
ed to the vicinity eight miles from Watseka,
in Oct 1885 . In August, 1866 , they removed in Oct, 180a. In August, isê6, they removed
to Milford, , welve miles south of Watseka, and xemained there till March 1st, 1870, then
xroved out two and one-inalf miles from Milford until April 1st, 1871, when they moved into Watseka, locating about Corty rods
fiom the residence of A. B. Roff, the spirtt finm the residenes of A. B. Rof, the spint
daughter of whom, according toall the facts principal chatacter in this remarkable narrative. The family remained at this place
duving the Bummer The only acquaintance during the summer. The only acquaintazice
ever liad between the two famiifes during ever liad between the two camilies during
the
teason, was aimply one brief call or Mrs. which call was never returned; and a formal speaking acquaintance between the two gentiemen. Sinee 1811, the Vennum family have lived entirely sway fron the vieinity
of Mr. Rofft's and never nearer than now, on extreme opposite limits of the city. "dancy," as she is familiarly called, had gever been slick, save a Heght run of measles incidents took place, she said to her family:
"There were persons in my room last night, and they, calied 'Rancy! Rancy!' and I felt their breath on my face". The very next night she arose from her bed, sayyng that she could not sleep, that every time shetried
to sleep, persons came and called "Rancy to sleep, pertons came and called "Rancy!
Rancy!" to her. Her mother went to bed Fith her, atter which she rested and slept the reat of the night. On the11th day of July, 1877 , Lurancy had
been seming oarpet a part of the afterncon been sowing carpet a part of the afternoon,
when, at about six o'clock she latid by her






 states of being at the saxie time. Lying as what persons and spirits, stline could see, de-
scribing them and calling some of thom name. Amozg thase mentioned were her
nating sister and brother, for she exclaimed, "Oh,
mothert can't you see litile Laura and Bertie? 'They are so beazutiful!" ete, ete. Ber-
te died when Lurancy was but three years




 her stomach, some five or six times a day;
for two weeks she had the mostexeruciating pains, In these painful paroxysms; she would
dounie hersell back until her head and feet actually touched. At the end of two weel or about the 11th of December, in these
distressed attacks, she beame wreonscious and passed into a yuiet trance, ead, as ard
former times, would describe Heaven and spirits, often cailing them augels.
From this time on until the 1 se of ary, 1878 , she would have these trances and
sometinosa a seamingly reat obsession, from three to eight and sometiones as many as twelve times a day, lasting from one to
eiglth hours, oceasionally passing into that
state of ecstasy. when, as Larancy, sine ctaimed to bestasy, heaven During the time recorded, up to about the
midde of January der the care of D. Le. N. Ritwood, in the These M. D's are both eminent allopathic practicioners, and residents of Watseka.
Mris. Allison, Mrs. Jolly and other relatives Methodist. minister in charge at Watseka, wrote to the insane asylum to ascertain if the giri could be re-
ceived there. It seemed to be the general ents and a few who were only sympathetic observers and thinkers, that the girl should There were in the city of Watseka at this time, persons who had more humanity than
bigotry; persons who believe, in the language of Bishop. A. Beals, that "disease has a dynamic or spiritual origin; ; persons
claimiag to understand something of theoccult forees and phenomena of mind, and the. opposition to its potencies; persons who be lieve, God being "no respecter of persons"
and "wittout variableness or shadow turning," that power exists to day, as in the days of the Nazarene, to cast out devils,
Among this class were Asa B. Roff and his wife, who, with others, beeame thoroughly aroused to the importance ot arresting the movement, to take a bovely child from the
bosom of an affectionate fanily, to impris on her among maniacs, to be ruled and cared for by ignorant and bigoted strangers, who know less of catalepey thana a blind materialist does of immortality. These good peo-
ple ventured in the moet gentio and chrisple ventured in the moest gentie and chris-
tian spirit, to counsel with the parents aad advise other treatment, different from any that had been administered.
These earnest, seiz-saerificing souls, imbued with the conviction that uneultivated spirits had something to do with the case,
plead with the many friends of the chind, to withhold her from the asylum untilit could be better shown whether the girl was really hasane, or her unfortunate condition misht Mr. Bof
Mr, Roff, atter much persuasion, obtained and bring with him Dr. E. W. stavens, of Janesville Wis, to investigate the case. Dr. tevens, who, tor several months, at freQuent intervals, hai been in the city and a thrown out toward the Spiritualists on account of their opinions regarding the casse,
and the universal foment of mind in the city and the universal foment of mind in the city
over it, was formally invited by Mr. Ven-
num, through Mr. Rofif, to visit the family.
On the attornoon of January sist, 1878 the two gentlemien Fepaired to Mr . Ven
numm's residence, a little oitt of the city. Dr Stevens, an ontire straager to the city. Eamily,
was introduced by Mr. Rofe at four ocloct was introduced by Mr. Rof at four oclock
r. n.; no other persons present but the fam mon chair, her elbows on her kuees, her hands under her chin, feet curled up on the chair" eyes staring, looking every way like
an "old hag." She stid for a time in silence, she savagely warned him not to come ne or. She appeared sulleni and crabbed, calling her rather "Old Biak Diek, aud he
mother "Old Granyy." She refued to b reticent and sullen with all save the doctor with whom ghe entered freely into conver-
sation, giving her reasons for doing so; she said he was a Spititual doctor and would anderstaud her.
When lie aske olied:

## "Katrina Hogan."

"Sixty-three years.
Germany:
How long ago?"
"Thiree days."

## How did you come Through tie aiz?

## How long will you gtay?

Ater this system of ponzersation had manners yery muck, appearing to be a little benitent and conulpantialand shidghe would She was not a woman; and her real name
was Willie. On being asked what was her was Whit.
father's name, repleded " Peter Canning, and her own name was Willie Canning, a young
man; ran away from home, got into difticulty, changed his name several times and finmy lost his the and was nems here because
he wanted to be," etc. She wearied with answaring questions and giving details. Then she turned upon the doctor with a
perfeet shower of questions, such as, "What perfeet ghower of questions, succh as, "What
is your name? Were doyou live? Are you married. How many chiciren? How bal
boys? How many giris? What is your oc cupation? What kind of adoctor? What did
you come to Watseka for? Have you eve you come to Watseka for? Have you ever Australia? Egypt? Ceylon? Benares? Sand wich Islands? " and by along series of questions evinced a knowledgg of geography. She
next inquired atter the doctor's habits and morals by questions like the following: "D co? tea? coffee? Do you go to church? pray "" otc., ete. " She then asked to liave
the same questions put Mr, Roff. She declined to ask thome direet, hersalf, but through the doctor. They must also be re peated through hind teals. Vennum, makin
the white, some very unpleasant retorts.
When, at about hal-past five $0^{\circ}$ ocock, P . the visitoss arose to depart, she elso arose straight, stiff rad ulgid, as I have often seen senisitives fall with the " power" in Meqno list revival meetings, and believing it to. b of the same nature, the doctor took occasion
to proze it, as he has done on thoge smitten with the "poweri" by controising bocy and mind and restoring them to a nor
rational sfate, despite the "-power
The visitors being agaia seated, he toc her hands as they were held strigight up
wawds, like iron bars, and by magnetic tion soon had the body under perfeet control, and through the laws of spiritual scigace, was soon in full and freb emmunica tion with the sane and happy mind of Lu-
xaney Vemnum lergelf, who conversed with the grace and sweetness of an angel, declaring herself to be in heaven:
In this condition she answered the doctor's ingly insane condution and the intluencess that controlled her, with grent rationalicy
and underatanding. She regretted to bave such evil controts about her. She said she knilew the evil spirit calling itwelf Katrina and Willie and othiess. The doctor contin-
ued to suggest to her mind, thimes to pre ued to suggest to hor maind, things to pre
pare the way fors othange of intuences, by pplightening and inttrueting hor now whlle her mind was clear ind in this superior condition, and then asksd her, it sho mut be
controlled, if it would not be better if
were possible, to have a higher, purer, hap- the
pier, and more intelligent or rational conpier, and more intelligent or rational con-
trol. She said she would rather, if it could beso. Then on being advised, she looked described, and named, to find some one who vould prevent the eruel and insane ones by. She saon said: "There are a great many pirits here who would beglad tocome," and he again proeeeded to give names and de ome that she had never biown, but were known by older persons present. But, she said, there is one the angels degire should
come, and she wants to come. On being ome, and she wants to come. On being
asked if she knew who it was, she said: "Her name is Mary Roff? Mr. noff being present, said: "That is my daughter; Mary
Roff is my girl. Why, shehas been in hearen yelve years. Yes, let her come, we'll b Luraney that Mary was good andintelligent and would help her all she could; stating further that hary used to be subject to conditions like herself. Lutaney, atter due de-
ibezation and counsel with spirits, said that Mary would take the place of the former wild and unreasonable infleence. Mr. Rof said to her: "Have your mother bring you
to miy heuse and Mary will telikely to come olong, and a mutual benefit maiy be derived Como our former experience. With 3ary. though her, the sane minds of a better made to be bepip sarered by the angots in
Heaven anil Heavens acents in the flask by which a mortal body was tabe restored to with treive years experience in spirit hife, thild to be spirituailized and yoxperlded into fine medium, an unbelieving and seof fing city to be confounded, and the greatest truth the world has ever sought, establish-
ed beyond doubt or cavil. How far the conrate has been kept by the spirits and their
caithful coriaborers bere, the sequel wiil $=$
The object of the visit now being attainwant to stay in this heaven"? She answered.
""usways air,"
"But you will come baek toin the sake of
orar friends? "oar friends?
"When will you come bacl
"At twerke oclolek",
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"Yes, sii, r can.
"Atnine $0^{\prime}$ elocels, sin".
"Whin you come atrine ap
"I will", so she did.
Atter nearly three houzs of careful is vestigation, eonversation, and the applica mody, Mi. Roff ansi the foctor retired, leav-
ing the family satisfed that a nesi fountain of light and surce of hatisiof been reathed A new brim of truth reached and tonehed so use the tainge sompowing tamily--and ens opened the gate for her," and for the
inflowing of light where before was darkintlow
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nis.
On the following mina Mr. Fennum called at the oftice of Mr. Rof be Mary ase Mr. Yenumas words " She geems like a child real homerick, wanting to see he It now becomes necessary
of this narrative to give a brief sketch of the life of
mancor
The daughter of Asa B. and Amn Roft was born on the sth day of October, 1846, in Warron Ca., Ina. che tamily moved in Nov
of the same year to Wiliamaport, Ind thence in september, west, to Midd deport IIt, where they reeided till Jume, 188t, when of rellef for a sick child ; Texas, in घearch they returned to Gilman and remained ther and at Onarga, 1ll, thl the bailding of the toledo, Peoria and Wannaw Railiond, when and built the sin Midaleport Nov, 8th, 1859 and built the Eirst house in the new town of
South Middeport, which is now a pert
ide. Whatsa, where they soak ze-
In the spring of 1847 , when aboatsiz monghs which she remained several hours. After the t,she beeame eonscious and lays several days thout the family having much hope or seemed to have entirely recovered, A fowi
weeks later she acted, on one oceasion, like weeks later she aeted, on one oceanion, like eluid going into a fit. The pupils of her ut lasted but a few moments.' From the age of about six months, she had these spells as deseribed, once in from three to five
weeks apart, all the time increasing in force and violence the ting nereasing in when they proved to be real hits, having from one to three and sometimes four or five of them within a period of three or foxis anjoy, wood they would cease, and she would proached. At these times, she for few daps ould seem saa and despondent, in which oood she would sing and piay the most sudies masie, (lor whal the rest of her advanced, she had learned musie) and alo most always would sing that beautifulsong, We Are Coming Sister Mary," which was When she was afteen years old, and the rolence of the fits hat increased, the pao
 it sparta, Wis, and Dr. Frankiin Blales, Illinois, and ressident of Watseha, were employed to attend her. Dr.N. S. Davis, of
Chicago, Hlinois, and severai other promio ent physicians, had examined her. They ept her in the water cure at Peoria, 111 In months, but all to no purpose. In the summer of 18titsine seened to have relief, as she said, "of the lump of pain in the head." Drs. Fowler, Secreed and Pit wood were called and applied leeches. She
would apply them herself to her temples, ad liked them, treating them like little On Saturday morning, July 10th, 1864 , in one of her desponding moods, she secretiy,
took a knife with her to the back yard, and out her arm terribly, until bleeding excessely, shersinted. This occurred about nine atwo oclock Re M, when she became a ving maniac of the most violent kitud, in aichts, requiring almost constantly the serviess of five of the most able bodied men
o hold her on the bed, although her weight rab only about one huxdred pounds, and stie ad lost nearly all her blood; When gleceas ural and well and could do everything she desized as roadily and properly as at any
time in her life. Yot shosemed to know no ne , and could not resugnize the presence gersons at ally although the house was She had no sense whatitever of sight, feelnge or laaring in a natural way, as was the could read blind-folded, and de:every thing as readily ts when in healte by her
natural sight. She would dress, stand be betore the glass, open and search drawers, ick zp loose pins, or do any and all things lindfoldings.
Near the time, in 1864, when she eut her cyclopeat thred to the co de. Hall. he column till ghe came to the wor and read the subject through. On another ccasion she wook a box of her letters re ceived from her frionds, and sat down,
heavily Hilndfolded by oritical, intelligent nvestigating gentiomsh, examined and real hem without errot ac hesitaney. When Rev. J. H. Rhem, Editar A.J. Smith, MII,
Roft and otherd matpluoed and promiscu uily arranged some of their own letters rectly draw st she at onoe proceoded to cor amine them. If wrong alde up, she would quickly turn them; and read aloud the ad
dress thereon, and throw violenty amay very letter not her own; and re-arranged
wenty or thirty letters in the order she desired to have them. Rov.J. H. Rhen wail the
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POEMS





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She is a Spiritualist of long standing and
experience. Her visit to chicago is one of experience. Her visit to chicago is one of
pleasure, and slite expresses herself greatly
norant leaders, we should at once, in the ut
most kindness, assume our true pooition as
ter nost kindness, assume our true pooition
teacher, freeing ourselved from everything that would have a tendency to debase us,
cultivating only the purer and nobler qualittes of the soul, thereby hecoming worthy of the trust reposed in us. Thus weshall be and "lead them up out of the land of Egypt;
out of the house of bondage." Instead of being machines in the hands of any power, let us be men. Instead of being "lled captive by
the Dovil (ignorant, unprogressed influences or spirits) at his will," let us rather, though a proper comprehension and use of our own powers, lead eaptivity captive, and teach the
Devil how to do good and grow better.
Gooilness and nobleness will elevate into the truth, while wisdom widied to knowlo the truth, while wisdom adaded to known-
edge will save from allevininluences. When
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ars of reason.

## Ray Steto Camprieetinge

The Propreg Camp-nberina at Higho Gardner and Richardson, commenced July 16th and is to be continued antil August
5ith. The location is beautiful, the grounds well sbaded by high trees, unobstructed by underbrush, and ample arrangements for
"Tenting on the old camp ground." Dr. J. "Tienting on the old camp ground." Dr. J.
M. Peebles and Mr. J. Frank Baxter were among the speakexz, during the camp-meet-
ing, also, ockamie Allyn. They have a
fine dancing hall, and good nusie is provided. fine dancing hall, and good nuusicisprovided. Commenced on the 19th of July, and held
over the asth, at Nickersor's Grove, Har. over the asia, at Nickersor's Grove, Har-
wich. Gries $\mathbf{E}$. Stebbins, Dr. J. M. Peebles,
J. Frank Baxter, H. B. Storer, Cephas B.
 Thise wrilden caip-mesing.
July 15th. Reguas opened for oceupation Sundiay, July 2sst, by discourses from Dr,
J. H. Currier and Mrs. Fannie Allyn. Dr. Peebles, Mr. Stebbins, George A. Faller, Mrs. to spear during the meeting, which closes
Augut9th: Pienice every day, boating, bsthing and daucing are anong the attractions
ín Lake Waden. ONStr BAY Grove camp nibisyng bor 2d. Desides the usuak attractions, this
offers the additional inducementio of salto
water bathing fishing and sailing The water batiing, fishing and sailing. The land, with a streteh of three miles of glop.
ing ,andy beach. The spiritual and intel. ing sandy beach. The spirtual ana inte-
lectual entertainment will be farnished by
the following eminent speakers: J. Frank the following eminent speakers: J. Frank
Baxter, Mrs. Nellie J. T, Brigham, Dr. D. M. Peebles, Cephas B. Lynn, Dr. R T. Hallock,
Susie N. White, Dr. H. B. Storer, Sarah Byrnes-Snow, Giles B. Stebling, Dr. I. P.
Greenleaf. FannieDavisS ith, ParkerPillsbuty, and others.
Laike fleasant camp-meeting
Commences August 6th, and eloses Septem-
ber sad. We have heretofore given quite an extended notice of this meeting. It has secured the Fitchburg band-twenty-four
pieces-who will appear in new and splenof the oecasion. Some idea can be formed of the extent of the preparations, when it is
known that the association pay $\$ 1,500$ for known that the association pay 31,500 for
music alone. The best speakers have been music alone. The best speakers have been
engaged and everything earefully arranged
tor 1or a successunercok are engaged at Lake
and Mr. Vanderine
Pleasant. Durine the continuance of these Pleasant. During the continuance of these
various camp-acetings, most of the prominent speakers will he heard from their ros-
trams. The close relation of the different trums. The close relation of the different
camps, enables them to engage a few of the most interesting speakers, who can rotate from meeting to meeting; thus allowing all
to hear them, while in this manner the expanse of emply small to each association.

## The Mian Harmonions."

The editor of our harmonious Boston contemporary says in his last issue, that he is in reeeipt of articles against the arguments
of Mr. Hazard on mediumship, ete,, "which we would glady publish had we the space
to spare." There is in the same issre a ol spare." There is in the same issure a
column and a half from Mr. Hazard. Would it not have been as well to have omitted Bro. Hazard's oustomary nveekly colnmn,
and thus had space in which to enlighten and thus had space in which to enlighten this readers upon the other side of the ques-
tion. Probably this would hiave leen done,
but but for fear of ereating inharmony. The
publication of Mn: Fletcher's reply to Pickpublication of Mr: Fletcher's reply to Pick-
ering, was such a departure from the Banner's pusual custom, that tit nearly took away
the editor's breath, and he evidently has the editor's breath, and he evidently has
promised not to be "inharmanious" any promised not to
more. No indeed $h$ he is bopund to matntain harmony with tricky medums and to propitiate the "dark spitite". Well we have no objection; he has a purfect. right to choose
his own company. We are glad he is show* ing it in so marked a way, that there cani be
no yuestion as to his choice. .

Mrs A. E. Cutter, M. D., formerly of Bos ton, Maiss, and now of Loulisvile, Ky yove lectured in Mequhil, New Orleans and
Evansville, Indiana. Ste lectures upon Evansville, Indiana. Shie lectures upon
phyaiology and the lawis of life sand health:
as Carlons Visions.
We learn from the Kansas City (MO)
Times, that the people of that section have lieen having a genuine spiritual sensation.
Itappears that a colored girl had been deat and dumb for three monthr, only communticating with her friends ly writing on a
slate. One day she informed them that she sad had a vision, seeine both lier father
land mother, who had been dead someycars. They came to her and said thaton July yoth at 120 oloek she would able to speak, but
eould only talk for two hours. Alargenumber of her friends congregated at noon, and
at the time indicated her tongue was loons ened, time she conversed quite freely on difiarticulation beeame thick and-she ceased talking. She is eighteen years of age, and
writes on paper or slate without any appaf: wxites on paper or slate without any appazo
ent trouble; and by this means she cancomdo not seam to depress hor mind or troubst do not seam to clepress hor mind ar trouble
her in any manner, and but for beiag told
of her ailments, nothing particulariy would of her ailments, nothing particulariy would an obstruetion in her taroat, sonething lise a silver dollar, ard no human power could
velieve her, but site (her muther) would relieve her, but she (her mother) would
come again on August 18th, at which time again for an hour or so but no triends says that when her mother touches hes
throat she can speat at onee, but only just throat she cans speak at onee, but only just
for the time stated. Her mother also gave her particular instruetion to have her do this, she would lose the nse of them. do this, she would lose the use of theen.
There is nothing exeitable about the gilit,
and her converaation is straightorward and and her conversation is straightforward ame
rational, given withont any apparent conhas bren She is a strict believer in God, and she was nine yoars of age. A number of
physicians have visted her, but all prophysicians have visted her, but all pro-
nounce Lior case one that bafles their com-
prehension, and beyond their medieal sfill.

## Practical Spiritualism.

George W. Webster, of Bonair, Iowa, in
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