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TOLERANT RATIONALISM.

Sermon by Prof. David Swing.

There is none good but one only, that is God... It has been the effort of many, all the present era, to show that religion should be charitable toward all the variations of belief...

pitiless the clergyman because he does not know the infinite sweetness of deducing man from an ape... The bluntness of Calvin, that of being powerfully wedded to theory, may easily become the blemish of an infidel...

should forgive instantly the religious forms of thought, seeing that they belong to that vast group under the flag of liberty... The miracle could have gone unchallenged and have been recorded in the biographies of the saints...

Spiritual Leadership. The craving for a leader in any sphere of action, is a confession of individual weakness... An armed host engaged in internecine conflict with a similar host must follow a leader, at the hazard of destruction if it do not...

The destiny of Spiritualism is not to become a religion of rites and ceremonies, and of doctrines promulgated by leaders and conclaves... Mrs. Richmond's Lectures. A late issue of the RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL, (Feb. 22nd), contains an excellent lecture by Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond...









Voices from the People.

AND INFORMATION ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS PERTAINING TO THE HARMONIAL PHILOSOPHY.

Lament of the Prince of Chosin on the Death of His Wife.

[From the Japanese.] Walking at midnight when the world is still, Alone I seem to drift upon a tide Of ivory waters, while the dying moon...

My eyes are empty, but my heart is full. And shall be full of her forever more. Old church-creed salvation has reached culmination...

In the form of a "Note" the Newcastle Weekly Chronicle prints the following singular document, forwarded by a correspondent who states that it was found in the Augustinian Library, at Rome, dated 1675:

"Concerning the waves of the Myrtle Ship: By Riddolph Gelfner; August, 1675. Before the middle of the nineteenth century there will be Bedouin everywhere in the desert lands."

Dr. E. H. Benson, of South Bend, Ind., writes: "I am happy to see that Spiritualism is working up an interest never before known in this part of the country."

New Flower Medium for Drawing and Painting.

Mrs. A. J. Patton, of Towanda, Pa., has within the last year been developed as a flower medium for painting and drawing. She has executed under her spirit control, Zeo Yocle, a French spirit...

The spirit, Thomas Paine, has the following in the Office Branch. Life, as represented in the floral kingdom, presents the sweetest harmony. Human life should be and would be a counterpoint...

Interesting Letter From St. Augustine, Florida.

A. F. Giles writes as follows to Hudson Tuttle: From the oldest city in the United States, I salute you. About one month ago I came here to escape the rigor of our northern winter...

There are residents from colder regions who spend the winter in St. Augustine. I having been here near a month, have become acquainted with some of them and have found that not a few of them know something of modern Spiritualism...

A Spirit Forming by the side of the Medium.

W. H. Harrison, of the London Spiritualist, says: After some time thus spent in friendly conversation, I sat down to write a spirit rising from the floor along the side of the medium...

After the lapse of about five minutes, a cloudy white mass, about a foot in diameter, appeared noiselessly on the floor, where there was only light enough for me to see general outlines...

The Mediums' Meeting.

To one possessing a friendly interest in mediums and all that may tend to their benefit, permit a few words, and the result of the meeting of the Mediums' meetings held at Grow's Hall, in your city...

Doubles.

The London Spiritualist relates this incident: Another theory of these doubles deserves consideration. May not a spirit, by will-power, turn the spirit of a medium out of his body...

Ansels Edwards, writing from New Orleans says: Col. Eldridge, of Memphis, Tenn., has been lecturing for our association during the months of Jan. and Feb. Mrs. Eldridge who is a good writing medium...

The Astral Fluid.

According to the most learned metaphysicians throughout the universe, there is a pure, universal shining, fiery, and invisible fluid free from matter...

The Astral Fluid is the Hebrew Life, and the modern magnetic fluid, Nerve Aura, etc. of the mesmerist. It is also called the Corrosive Fire, by allusion to its purifying, or destroying character...

This astrologist reasons very much after the manner of Madame Blavatsky. She says: "Eliphas Levi expounds with reasonable clearness, in his Dogme et Rituel de la Haute Magie, the law of reciprocal influence between the planets and their combined effect upon the mineral, vegetable and animal kingdoms, as well as upon ourselves."

Message and Prophecy.

BRITON JOURNAL.—The following communication was written through the mediumship of a business man, thoroughly practical; one who makes no pretensions as a medium, but from time to time is influenced, and always gives the spirit an opportunity to use his hand...

I am standing by the side of the medium, and were it not imprudent, I could lift him bodily. I am so thoroughly materialized, although he cannot see me. I seem to have all the powers of my former earth-body, with my faculties as acute as ever...

The editor of the Spiritual Scientist, published weekly in Boston, Mass., wisely said, several months since, that "a man's worst enemies are in reality the evil or unprogressed spirits who are attracted to him through some want of development in his own spiritual organism."

on all points as to be absolutely secure against the attacks of the lower spirits in one way or another.

Mrs. Pickering's Circle.

The desire to "grab one of the forms" is, a resident told me, somewhat controlled by a member of the circle, who threatens to shoot the first one who "lays hands on any of the spirits."

The figures presented are genuine spirit materializations, to clasp one of them would be attended with disastrous consequences, and might endanger the life of the medium...

Remarkable and Mysterious Manifestations.

Last evening while Mr. Jesse Shepard was on a visit at a private residence in the city, there occurred some startling demonstrations of psychological and physical power, which cannot be explained except by a sudden access of an invisible electric force acting through the material agency of magnetism on matter and spirit...

Fraud Proof.

I perused your reply to "Golden Pen" and heartily coincide with the sentiments therein expressed. False prophets in olden times were severely dealt with, and we can very clearly perceive the reason for it, when we see, in these latter years, the number of false mediums...

Such a physical circle as you describe would be the last place I would take a skeptic in order to convince him. True, he might be puzzled to see such figures move and vanish to such a circle, yet he would away more than ever convinced that if such manifestations were all that Spiritualism rests its foundation on, it is unworthy of further investigation...

The Spiritual State.

Beboo Peary Chand Mittra, a native of India writes: "The spiritual state is for the world of essences, and spirit with which it is in rapport. Ecstasy and trance are mixed states of brain and soul."

Dr. J. M. Peobles.

Mr. Alexander Calder, President of the British National Association of Spiritualists when introducing Mr. Peobles to the members thereof, said: "He not only merits our affectionate esteem, but is entitled to our warmest admiration; for who among us has ever so truly roamed the world, disseminating at each step the seeds of knowledge, relating to our highest interests?"

A Strange Move. Mr. Peobles stated in England, that he was making arrangements for two Buddhist priests, who could speak English well, and were more than a match for the missionaries there to lead better lives; he might afterwards possibly bring them to England...

Brief Mentions.

Modern Spiritualism is "That golden key That opens the palace of eternity." Dr. A. G. Avery, of Jersey City, N. J., writes: No other paper is equal to the JOURNAL; it goes to the bottom of the soul. Jennie Williams, of Olmsted Falls, Ohio, writes: I think the JOURNAL the best spiritual paper I have ever read.

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A True History. Catarrh is the legitimate child of Consumption. Trophies and all palliatives can not, by any possibility, reach the ulcerated fountains in the head, whence the pestiferous, festering, corrosive matter issues...

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What the Press Say of T. P. Childs.

From Correspondence Journal and Messenger, Cincinnati. Mr. Childs has been a member of a church for over thirty years, and long before his connection with medicine, was well known in the Church for his piety, goodness of heart, and power in the pulpit.

The following voluntary notice appeared in the Boston Congregationalist of Jan. 31, 1877: "The publishers of the Congregationalist, with multitudes of other people, are somewhat suspicious of patent medicine, as a rule, and when we received the large two-column advertisement that may be seen on another page, we at first declined its insertion."

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Under date of September 21, 1877, Mr. W. D. Lincoln, of York, Neb., writes: "Dear Sir: My health is fully restored. The horrid and loathsome disease is all gone. My lungs feel all right. I shall recommend your invaluable treatment. I thank you many times for your kindness to me. I hope you will be blessed in your effort to relieve the afflicted."

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