











Voices from the People.

AND INFORMATION ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS PERTAINING TO THE HARMONICAL PHILOSOPHY.

Love's Whispers.

LORENZO TO LUCY. Oh, come! gentle lady, come dwell with me, On that isle of Eden afar, Where our home shall be by the summer sea...

A Kindly Whisper.

BY DR. D. ANDROE DAVIS. Stand upright my mortal brother— Nobly act and do thy part! Cast no burden on another, Lest it fall upon thy heart!

What I Like and What I Don't Like.

To the Editor of the RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL: There are many things in your worthy paper which I admire. First, it is printed in good fat type, upon a clean, beautiful sheet; second, its editors and contributors understand their business...

"Progress" writes: It does appear to me that the light begins to dawn, and Spiritualism is becoming an acknowledged fact. We want a few more of your kind of family newspapers, fearless and outspoken, giving honor where it is due...

Morning, Noon and Night

I send the enclosed little poem entitled, "Morning, Noon, and Night," as an evidence of spirit control. It came as follows: I saw in the paper an advertisement, by Mr. Burdett Smith, editor of Smith's Illustrated Pattern Book...

MORNING, NOON AND NIGHT.

Dreaming in slumber one spring time I lay; My head was pillowed on the lap of day, When light-rosy fingers, with dewdrops spread, Scattered sweetest perfumes all over my bed...

Geo. W. Webster writes: Brother Geo. P. Colby has just returned from a trip out West from here, and has many interesting stories to tell. He has received letters from where he has been, and all speak very highly of his mediumship...

Milk as a Preventive of Lead Poisoning.

The Journal de Medicine reports in a recent issue a remarkable instance of the regular consumption of milk by workmen in white-lead factories. It was noticed in some French lead mills, that among a large number of workmen, two, who daily consumed a large quantity of milk, remained free from the injurious effects of the lead...

John E. Malcomb writes: I saw an article in the JOURNAL of Nov. 26th on re-incarnation, (that I liked very much), which doctrine I hate. I once stopped taking a celebrated spiritualist paper that advocated the miserable dream, Reincarnation could not understand how it could be done...

Extract of Letters from a Spiritualist to an Orthodox.

I wrote you last to let you know I am not dead, and not about to die. Notwithstanding my spirit father tells me it is like extracting your very spirit to try to change the education of a life, I can hardly help keep measuring out the truth to you in broken doses...

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Spirit Rappings Forty-five Years Ago.

In the fall of 1833 my father was returning home from a neighbor's about a mile away. After crossing a narrow vale the road ascended a gentle slope, the top of which was crowned with a bent ledge of rock, that rose but little above the general surface...

Two or three weeks later, my father, with two or three others and myself, were helping a widow lady a half a mile west of the place where my father heard the rappings...

Spiritual Phenomena—We, the undersigned, feel it a duty and a pleasure to say that we attended the séance at Dr. D. McLennan's last evening at Portland, Oregon, and instead of a cabinet or usual rope tying, we held the doctor's hands in our own while guitar was played...

Baron Du Pèstet, in his last address, as reported in the Revue Magnetique, of Paris, says: "I know magnetism. For more than sixty years I have struggled to affirm it; for more than sixty years I have combated the platitudes and prejudices of the false savants who represent official science."

Matter is transformed from one form or substance to another, in an infinite operation. He who remains in the corporeal change and vicissitudes, thus rapidly rising on, like one wave upon another, will entertain but a humble opinion of mortal affairs.

MAGIC OR WHAT? Simply a Question of Whether Snake or Juggler is Quicker.

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In India the favorite snake for exhibition is the cobra, partly because of its more striking appearance, and partly because its deadly character being so well known any trifling with it appears to the uninitiated public the more wonderful. Nor, indeed, do the performances of the Hindu snake-charmer lose, on better acquaintance, all their marvelousness, for courage of a high order, arising partly from the confidence acquired by long practice, is manifested in seizing and bagging the dreadful obidian.

For the cobra's bite there is no remedy except instant amputation, and the snake-charmer himself knows this well. As a means of personal security he confides in his dexterous sleight of hand, but, in case of accident, he carries a broad-bladed knife.

MAGIC OR WHAT? Notes and Extracts.

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"God made the country but men made the town." The birth of Christ was welcomed by the Spirit-world with exceeding joy.

You cannot dream yourself into a character; you must hammer and forge yourself one. Each next higher sphere, in the aerial order gives soul, life and action, motive and idea, to the next lower.

Dr. Tallmager's "Four Gates of Hell" sermons are still attracting much attention, and draw crowded houses. Angel messengers are ever on the alert to succor the afflicted. It is the mission of spirit-life.

It was the divine purpose that mankind should share each other's burdens, and so prove themselves the children of one common parent.

The man who gives most freely to his brother in affliction, is the most Godlike, and by far the most worthy to be extolled.

It is natural that mankind should recognize a controlling power in the universe, for by so doing they learn what they are and what they may be.

So far as we have been informed, all religions are man-made; and the best proof possible is the fact of their continual changing.

Watch against constitutional weakness of mind and passion. See them in their vileness, and they will never break out into act.

Jesus says: "Give, and it shall be given unto you; for with the same measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again."

Nothing is more deplorable than to see men of ability, intelligence, and education totally given up to the pleasures of this world.

Nothing can be more natural or beautiful than the longing we feel that the sweet blossoming of our children about us should and will come to a perfect fruition.

Judge McAllister, and his estimable wife, are both avowed Spiritualists, and it is said that they are cordial and hospitable to all who visit them at their pleasant home in Waukegan, Ill.

Happiness comes in response to a desire of that which is good, and is expressed in harmony with the spiritual laws, for it is the spirit that rejoices or mourns.

The hope of the Egyptian was that he should rise again, as Osiris arose from the dead. That God was not only his Savior, but his representative.

The King-worship of Egypt was at first deification of man after death; and subsequently, even before death, as he personified the god Horus, or rising sun, the first fruits of his grave.

You might as well try to form a conception of what gold is in its primitive state, from the ornament which is worn, as attempt to delineate the person and character of Jesus, from the modern modes of thought which prevail.

Men will soon recognize the fact that every human being has an immortal soul; that that soul cannot be lost, nor indeed was ever in danger of being so, and that that soul is capable of improvement without limit.

Mr. Bergh, who has taken such an interest in the prevention of cruelty to animals, lately refrained from inviting clergymen to one of his meetings in Baltimore, because "they prove such a disturbing element."

The real mission, the inevitable culmination of the Spiritual Movement, namely, to cover the earth with groups of happy homes, where congenial souls may meet and mingle, on principles of fraternity, equality and equity.

This secret spring of operation is hidden from the observation of man; he only sees the results which arise, and because he accustoms himself to regard the issues as of paramount importance, fails to trace the operation of the cause in the effect.

It behooves all parents, and more especially Spiritualists, as far as in their power, to so instruct and train their offspring in the rudiments (at least) of a practical education, by which they can steer clear of superstitions and errors arising out of old creeds and dogmas.

He who reigns above will debar none from enjoying the sunshine of love and sympathy; and as he will not separate long souls in mortal so he who is wiser than all, will not tear his children's hearts sunder. Rest assured we shall meet again.

It is little children are guilty of original sin—and they certainly do not understand or believe in the blood of Christ—how do they get into Heaven? Jesus evidently means that the virtue of pure simplicity of heart is the characteristic of the blessed.

It is claimed by some that there is a power in truth, earnest prayer, whose direction the devout ought to follow. Such an appeal reaches the soul of every being in existence, and when the answer comes, it is a natural response from a natural source.

Dean Stanley is the only prominent minister of the English church who has preached in the pulpits of other denominations or offered his own to outside divines, though in this he was overruled by those highest in authority in his own church.

Quiet, serious conversation on the baseness and wickedness of a lie, the nobleness and uprightness of truth, and its value in all the relations of life, will more improve a child than any storming, raging and threatening for having spoken an untruth.

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