



H. C. Dean's Review of Free Thought.

Comments Thereon by F. J. Emery.

At Osceola not long ago, the M. E. Church engaged Rev. F. W. Evans to lecture, and he leaned to free thought, but like the leaning towers of Pisa, had never gone quite over.

His preliminary statement was, "Organized Christianity is essential to the highest attainable form of civilization among men."

Mr. Dean went on to say: "Whatever your God is, your morals will be—and that the people are the reflex of their own religion."

and marble statues innumerable are erected to Christian heroes—the butchers of the human race.

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win would never say the fattest hog was fittest to survive. In training for fat the vital force has been impaired; this, Darwin would not call evolution, but degeneration.

Mr. Dean makes Ingersoll say: "A man cannot control his thought" (Query: Did not Ingersoll say man's faith or belief instead of thought.)

Mr. Dean says: "No great improvements in science or art, outside of Christianity."

Mr. Dean made fun of the idea of changes as claimed by the scientist, that a man's dead body nourishes barley to make beer for a Dutchman, who in turn dies and nourishes rye to make whiskey for an Irishman, who again in his turn dies to nourish corn for a negro's hoe-cake etc.

Mr. Dean triumphantly asks what will you give us instead of Christianity?

The Christs and redeemers of to-day walk unregarded in our midst. They speak truths refined as ever Athens taught.

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A HAUNTED FARM-HOUSE.

The Remarkable Story Told About the Touchet Place, Near East St. Louis.

A Visit of Investigation by Well-Known Spiritualists.

(St. Louis Daily Globe-Democrat, April 29th, 1883.)

The old Touchet farm house, about two miles back of East St. Louis, has for many years had the name of being haunted.

The first manifestation was an inexplicable rattling of chinaware in the cupboard. This would occur at the dead of night when the cupboard was locked, and when there could be no rational cause for the contents being disturbed.

Quietness did not bring immediate relief, however, as a most tiresome wait of nearly half an hour ensued, at the end of which patience had begun to seem the least of virtues.

Three raps, as if made on the wall, clear and unnecessarily loud, came as an affirmative response.

Then occurred a conversation, of which the following is a faithful report, three raps indicating an affirmative response, and two a negative.

"Did you formerly live in this house?" Three raps.

"Why do you come here? Are you troubled?" Three raps.

"Why is he not visible—because he is too weak to materialize?" Three raps.

"Will you quit coming when your children's property and rights are restored?" Three raps.

The three last raps had hardly been given when the figure seemed to waff itself toward the door, and was dissolved from view.

A COLD, CLAMMY HAND. "It was a remarkable manifestation," said an old Spiritualist in the crowd.

Outside, the night air had grown perceptibly cooler, the katydid had lushed her song, and clouds obscured the stars.

The party on returning to the rear room on the first floor, formed a circle and proceeded to business.

room were locked and the keys placed on the mantle. Two blankets that had been brought in the vehicles were spread on the floor and the nine persons present sat down in a circle the medium being between Mr. Tuckett and the reporter.

"COME, GENTLE SPIRIT," etc., was sung, to give harmony and unity of feeling, as the medium said, and then the circle in the midst of a stillness so profound that each investigator could almost hear his neighbor's pulse beat, waited for the preternatural panorama.

The door only led into a smaller room, the windows of which were closed. Suddenly a hand touched the reporter to seize it and grabbed—only air. Looking toward the window, the distinctly outlined form of a woman made his blood run cold.

A GHOSTLY CRY SPELL. Quietness did not bring immediate relief, however, as a most tiresome wait of nearly half an hour ensued, at the end of which patience had begun to seem the least of virtues.

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into the fire, the offering goes into the sun; from the sun is produced the rain; from the rain, the nourishment; and from the latter the creatures are produced.

Would it be believed that Mr. Graves, who now declares that no forgeries exist in Jacoliot, that his book is honest and truthful, and is so declared by the best posted writers (this is a positive falsehood), is well aware of the testimony against Jacoliot, and has acknowledged that his book contains forgeries?

Mr. Graves states positively that not a single one of his parallels between Christ and Krishna was taken from Jacoliot, and that when he wrote them he had not even seen Jacoliot's book. Now for the proof of the untruth of these assertions.

On Sunday the secretary gave a short address on the relation of the two factors, "Spiritualism and Liberalism in the Association," showing that the term "Materialism," as has been sought by persistent misrepresentation to be applied to it, is in no sense synonymous with Liberalism, and has no place in the organic work.

The following officers were elected: President, W. J. Cronk, Flint; Secretary, S. B. McCracken, Detroit; Treasurer, Mrs. M. A. Jewett, Lyons; Director, J. H. Burnham, Saginaw.

Almost everybody in Augusta has heard of Elder Frank Ward, a minister of the Christian Church, residing on the Todus road, a distance of two miles from the city.

To manufacture his pretended parallels, this voracious chronicler has united the life and teachings of Buddha with those of Krishna, blended Brahmanism and Buddhism together as one religion.

Mr. Graves denies my statement that, according to his own confession, a portion of the parallels between the two Saviors were manufactured by himself, and charges me with a "defective conscience" for thus lying about him.

through China." In one of these, Buddha's most characteristic saying, "My law is a law of mercy to all," is attributed to Krishna; and in the other we have the nonsensical statement that a Mogul or Thibetan, if asked, who is Krishna, replies at once "The Savior of Men."

Michigan Spiritualists and Liberalists. Meeting of the State Association at Flint.

The annual meeting of the State Association having suffered a lapse through a misapprehension, the secretary issued a call for a meeting at Flint, which assembled last Friday, April 27th, continuing through Saturday and Sunday.

The regular engaged speakers in attendance were Chas. A. Andrus, J. H. Burnham and C. P. Allen. F. D. Lacy, Mrs. Mary C. Knight, (formerly Mrs. Gale,) and S. D. Moore, were present as volunteer speakers.

C. P. Allen closed a month's engagement at Flint on Sunday, and gave an interesting discourse from a number of subjects proposed by persons in the audience.

All the expenses of the meeting were provided for, with a handsome balance remaining in the hands of the treasurer—a result that has never been known but once before in the history of the Association.

A resolution appropriately thanking the society and friends in Flint for their hospitality, and also thanking the friends who had furnished music, Mrs. Owen, Mrs. Orell and Mr. Smith of Lapeer, and Miss Curtiss and Mrs. Connor of Flint, was adopted.

I should add that the new president, Mr. Cronk, is a representative Spiritualist and Liberalist, and a man of character and financial ability.

Dr. R. H. Bakewell is quoted by the Medical Record as deprecating the common practice of having night-lamps in bed rooms of children of well to do parents.

Mathilde Blind said that Mr. Lewes was more than a husband to George Eliot; he was like a mother, watching over her health, cheering her despondency with his own buoyancy, and creating the spiritual atmosphere in which her genius ripened.

"Glory to God!" again and again—a little remarkable from the fact that he had not spoken above a whisper for two months and a half. At supper-time our friend walked to the table, sat down and ate a hearty meal, and in the evening sang a hymn.

Flavius Josephus Cook's Statement about Zollner Refuted.

Soon after Cook's lecture in Boston where in he gave what every person at all familiar with Zollner's writings knew to be a garbled and unfair statement of that eminent man's views of Spiritualism we sent a copy of his, Cook's, remarks to Dr. Cyriax at Leipzig which brought the following letter in reply.

I had been in correspondence with Professor Zollner before I left America, and since my arrival in Leipzig, March, 1881, I became intimately acquainted with him; as he was without reserve in his conversation, I became fully acquainted with his idea about Spiritualism.

Zollner was of deep religious convictions; not of the bigoted, but of the purified Protestantism, freed from most of the dogmas of the church, was perfectly satisfactory to him; as he was very free and liberal already in his views, Spiritualism did not necessarily change them.

I state without a possibility of contradiction, that Prof. Zollner, if not a Spiritualist in the common sense, was firm in his conviction that man has a continuous life, and that it is possible for him to return and give evidence of his continued personal existence.

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The first census of India has just been completed. The population numbers 253,891,821 persons, occupying 1,372,593 square miles, and inhabiting over 43,500,000 dwellings.

This is a cloth bound volume of two hundred pages, 12 mo. handsomely illustrated. It shows that man is not of monkeys, but of natural order; yet that Darwin's theory is radically defective, because it leaves out the spiritual causes which have been the most potent concerned in his production.

Science and Art. Fruit may be ripened by the electric light, but it is said that this is unpalatable. Strawberries grown in this way last year under the direction of Prof. Siemens were worthless.

A small reservoir charged with liquid carbonic acid is used in the Berlin fire engines to make steam before the fire is well under way. At the Krupp works, it has been recently stated, liquid carbonic acid is utilized not only in the manufacture of compressed steel, but for production of ice and of seltzer water; also to give the pressure necessary for delivery of beer.

Among recent German inventions is a simple process, depending on the use of acetate of lead, by which every kind of color is applicable to sheets of zinc. By mixing black lead, for instance, with the salt, a very agreeable light-brown hue is obtained.

It is related that a lady at Parkville, Conn., when one of her children was taken with the prevalent fever, which tends to blend with diphtheria, and has proved so fatal, resolved to adopt preventive measures, to save the other children.

Application of electricity are not only making rapid progress in every part of Europe, but also in the Southern Hemisphere. There come, indeed from Otago, New Zealand, details of an invention as marvellous as any yet recorded in the annals of electrical science.

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