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BE KIND.

The thorny crown which all must wear
Should patiently be borne;
But never to another's brow
More closely press the thorns.

The highest law that earth can seek
In method or redress,
Is that which he so fairly taught,
The power of gentleness.

Ye cannot know the all in all
That moves another's life;
How many powers have brought to bear
Their fruits of love or strife.

Let ever gentle thoughts of all
Hold their sweet part with ye,
And through their guidance ye will learn
A greater charity. WATTS.



Wonderful Little Girl.

Viola Rosalia Oberlich, of Lake City, Iowa, is the youngest and most wonderful scholar of the world, being a 2-year-old baby with more knowledge at her command than the average High School graduate.

The precocity of this little prodigy vastly exceeds that of any other baby of her age. She performs marvelous feats in orthoepy, orthography, reading, drawing, notation, numeration, physiology, calculation, geography, arithmetic, geometry, botany, zoology, physics, astronomy and in numerous other sciences. Her memory tests, her keen power of discrimination, the wide range of her vocabulary, the distinctness of her pronunciation, the profundity of her reasoning and the ease with which she performs can be believed only by those who actually see her execute these wonderful mental feats.

The extensive range of her language is almost incredible. By actual examination, held when Viola was 1 year and 11 months and 25 days old, it was found that she knew over 2,500 nouns, by having either the objects themselves or the pictures of them brought before her.

The child can understand things which do not come into the mind ordinarily until the age of 15 or 16 has been reached. She knows by heart and can name the flags of 25 nations of the world, the portraits of over 100 famous men and women, representing nearly all the schools of thought; the leaves and seeds of a large number of plants, all the prominent colors, tints and shades; all the States and Territories of the United States, their capitals, nearly all the countries of the world and their capitals, all the prominent bones, organs and tissues of the human body; a large number of botanical terms; over 500 pictures

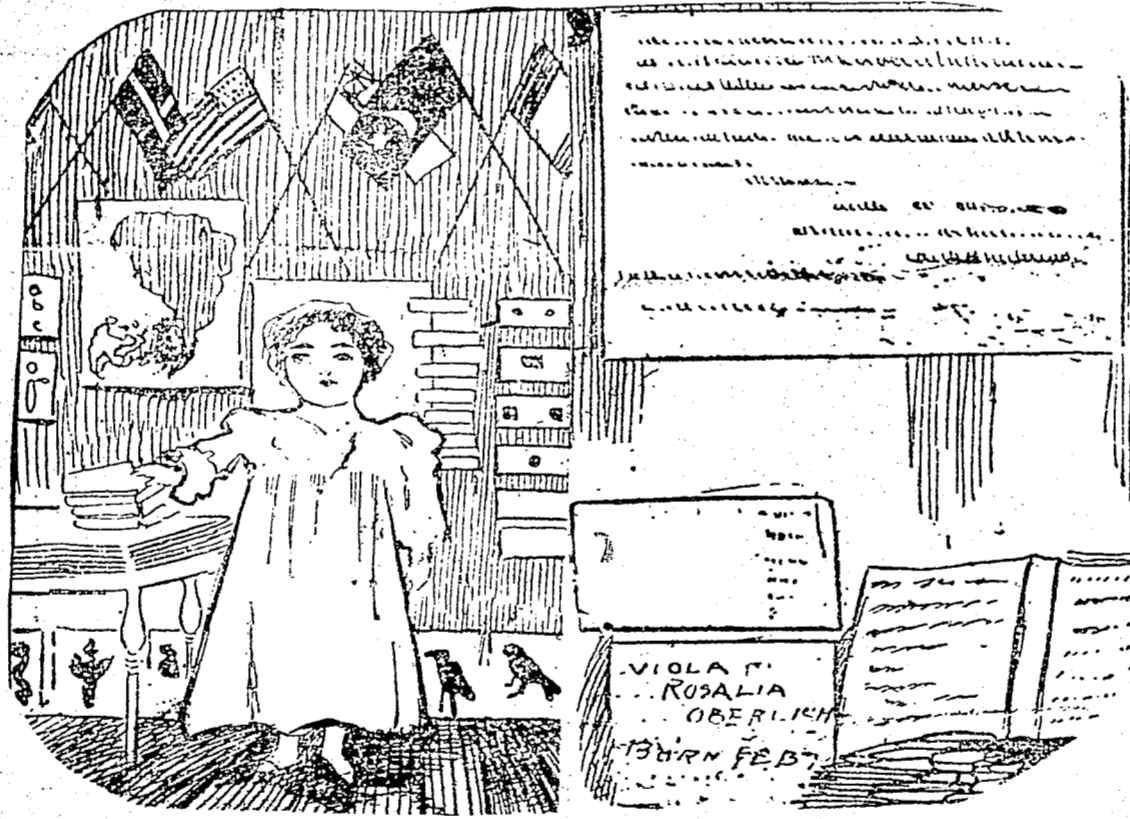
of animals in zoology, twenty punctuation marks, Webster's diacritical marks, all the money now coined and printed by the United States, both coins and bills, except bills over \$1,000; the sun planets and satellites of the solar system when represented by an orrery; all numbers not over 1,000 and the pictures of over 1,500 common articles of life.

The little tot, only a little over 2 years old, selects and carries to her father at call about 30 geometrical blocks. Perhaps not more than one person out of 500 could have picked out half of them. She knows the names of all and their definitions, and voluntarily corrected her father when he purposely tried to lead her astray. She selects in like manner, without an error, the photographs of 30 famous men, selects the flags of 25 nations of the world without making a single

of angles, and names by sight all the different kinds of lines and angles used in geometry. She can give the name and sound of all the letters, diphthongs and digraphs; can spell a large number of very difficult words; could distinctly, fluently and forcibly read by the sentence method a large number of sentences before she had attained the age of 1 year and 9 months. This makes her by far the youngest reader that ever lived.

She can also pronounce nearly every word in the English language, after hearing it pronounced distinctly, and perform a large number of other very interesting feats.

A number of them can, perhaps, not be executed by one out of 100 graduates. To have her give a full exhibition of all of them would require more than ten hours' time. —San Francisco Bulletin.



This Little Girl knows more than many High-School Pupils.

mistake, reads from cards and does other remarkable things almost incredible to one who has not seen her.

This infant has at least 3,000 nouns in her vocabulary. When she was 1 year, 11 months and 25 days old two teachers in the Lake City schools examined her and found that she knew 2,500 nouns. Instead of giving her only ordinary toys to play with, her parents have given her pictures, geometrical blocks, flags, leaves, seeds, etc., and she has learned to identify them while playing. She can give the names and sounds of all the letters, and can spell a large number of words.

Viola speaks very distinctly, fluently and forcibly for her age, gives concise and accurate definitions, makes philosophical experiments, gives the numerical value

More Marvelous Than X-Ray.

The discovery of a new force in nature unlike anything known hitherto is announced by Franz Rychnowski, the Polish engineer, of Lemberg.

Not only does it generate a new light and heat, but it has the power, defining it broadly, of controlling the action of anything within its zone.

"Electroide" is the name that has been given to this new force.

For the simplest explanation of its effect an ordinary spider is used. The insect is placed on a metal disk.

"With this small machine," said Rychnowski, "I am able to revolutionize the atmosphere for at least one metre. With a more powerful machine there is no doubt that I shall be able to control the move-

ments of all bodies for at least 100 metres.

"Look at this spider; it is active enough, but directly I place it upon this electroide-charged disk the centrifugal force of the rays causes the legs, as you see, to be spread out in a highly ridiculous manner. The tiny insect cannot move until I release it.

"But, to demonstrate the attractive power of my electroide, here is a wooden doll, which I will place in contact with the machine. The arms, legs and hair are of twisted wool. You see that directly they are charged the limbs fly violently apart. Now, dart your fingers at any part of the body, or throw these pieces of rolled-up paper toward the hands. You notice that the doll is too quick for you and has 'caught' the foreign body.

"Instead of a spider we will imagine a ship, or a fleet, or, say, a body of men, and for the doll let us substitute an enormous electroide machine. We have but to concentrate the rays upon the fleet and, obedient to the laws of attraction, the ships would be powerless to get away and would be compelled to move around in an elliptical orbit. With these same rays I could render the men *hors de combat* without killing them."

The machine by means of which electroide is germinated looks uncommonly like a sewing machine covered with flaps of canvas. Two or three transmission wheels, a crank, and a small, funnel-like orifice—that is all that meets the eye.

Rychnowski turns the crank. A faint gurgling and crackling are heard, and in the dark a pale bluish-violet flame plays around the flame like the ghostly light of tradition. The surrounding atmosphere becomes suddenly charged with the invigorating odors of fresh mountain air. A subtle, imponderable gas is being emitted from the orifice into the space around, only to be absorbed into every object in the neighborhood.

A disk is brought near and then plunged into water. A phosphorescence floats like a violet cloud upon the water. This is nothing less than the gas visible.

Rychnowski fetches from a corner what looks like a lamp and winds it up. It sheds a faint fluorescence, which has something of the luminosity of feeble daylight. It is a lamp filled with clockwork instead of oil.

Indeed, the electroide lamp, with its strange, new artificial light, was the first appliance made. It was not until afterward that Rychnowski discovered the force.

"Electroide is, I firmly believe, destined to become that universal energy which will supplant all other forces in the service of mankind. In one of its physical phases, it is nothing more or less than day-

light, and there is no reason why it should not be the illuminating agent of the future. It is destined to furnish us the key not only to the origin of life in organic bodies, but also the laws governing the movements of the heavenly bodies. With its aid I have moreover been able to demonstrate the tendency of all bodies to assume the spherical shapes, such as is followed by the simplest cell. With it we shall be able to preserve our food-stuffs, destroy micro-organisms, disinfect wounds through the bandage, give young wine the flavor of old, purify the atmosphere, extract for us the volatile substances from uncut flowers and give us their unchanged perfumes, distil our liquors in a cold state, and, above all, disabuse our minds of many a fallacy which now finds credence in our text books on physics.

"Depend upon it, there is no such thing as solar light and heat. The sun is not necessarily warm, and doubtless obtains its energy from some other body. These dynamic rays, passing around our planet from east to west, cause the earth, by virtue of their attractive power, to revolve from west to east."—*The New York World*.

Ingersoll's Memorial.

LIDA B. BROWNE.

The many-friends of Col. Ingersoll gathered at the Auditorium, at Cassadaga Camp, on Wednesday afternoon, Aug. 9, to pay tribute to his memory. A large picture of the noted man, tastefully decorated with evergreens and flowers, adorned the platform. The chairman, Mr. Brooks, with a few well-chosen remarks, introduced Prof. Lockwood, who spoke of Ingersoll as a citizen, a soldier and a patriot; giving just tribute to him in each of these capacities.

Chas. Whedon was the next speaker, and being acquainted with Mr. Ingersoll, well qualified to speak of him as a husband, father and brother. "We seldom find," he said, "a great statesman and one having the record in other directions, as orator, lawyer, etc., who also had the noble characteristics of husband, father and brother; but it is in his home life that his light shone brighter than anywhere else."

Dr. N. F. Ravlin paid tribute to his memory as a philanthropist and friend. "In this world of avarice, strife, hatred and untruthfulness it is hard to find one who embodies the dearest word in the English language—friend; but Ingersoll was a true friend to humanity, a friend of liberty, freedom and of truth. Being a friend, he was also a philanthropist, and gave liberally and without ostentation to many."

Cora L. V. Richmond commenced to speak of the only two parts of man or woman that could die, one the body and the other whatever of error, shortcoming or ignorance may have existed, when the control changed and Ingersoll himself touched lightly the brain of the sensitive medium and said: "The lips which syllabized my words, the form which I possessed is dead, but I am here. You are gathered to memorialize the dead, but I thought it a place to welcome the living, and I wish to be welcomed. I am standing here before you now where I was told that the two worlds might mingle, yet then I put my hand to my head and said: 'You are all deceived.' I had said that I would give myself over to a lunatic asylum if I believed as you

did, and would not go where I might have obtained evidence. Why? Because I had placed barriers beyond which I would not go. I came here to assist you to tear down the walls of ignorance and bigotry, but placed it between myself and the immortal world. If I had become convinced, I would be obliged to say so. I might not only have relieved my own fears, but those also whom I taught the everlasting silence of death.

"When the final change came, I could not give word to my family that I would assist and watch over them. I could stretch no hand across the valley that lay between us. I was there as a spirit, yet could not assuage their grief; I strove hard to gain an avenue of expression. I can neither rest nor progress in this spirit-world till I can seal the fountain of tears of my loved ones. I have gained knowledge here which I wish to give to all my friends. I sink into insignificance to those of you who have dared investigate and know of the future life while yet in the flesh. I will use my uttermost endeavor henceforth to break the bondage and silence of death to those who say: 'I do not know.'

"This is not another world. I have said that one world was enough at a time, but it is not unless it contains all the loved ones. I have found in this living, pulsing world what I said was impossible. It is not a bourne from which no traveler has returned. I know my own weakness and what kept me back from this great knowledge. I will come to every medium that I can and proclaim that I do know that life is immortal."

J. Clegg Wright spoke of Ingersoll as an emancipator and of the legacy he had left to humanity, and extolled him as a champion of individual liberty and freedom.

Automatic Writing—Notes.

MRS. M. KLEIN.

1. International complications will always be realized in a measure, as a natural result of international commerce and worldly ambition, and even arbitration may, in some cases, become an expensive and protracted method of settlement, unless the light of reason clearly illumines man's pathway. Good will towards all and malice toward none is a sentiment that will guard men against inhuman conduct toward each other, which in the past made and is yet making deplorable marks against the human races. Love to God and humanity is growing stronger in the human breast, however, and integrity and sound principle are making a vigorous struggle against injustice and oppression. God ever aids the right and it will conquer. When integrity and true principle shall be sovereigns in and over the nations, then the reign of righteousness shall be begun.

NOTE 2. Conflicts of and between nations always have resulted in the inauguration of that practical differentiation which is constantly going on in nature. Humanity could not keep pace with natural unfoldments and progress otherwise than by strong competition, combats and serious conflicts, and even with all these compulsory accessories, the world of men is scarcely even yet keeping parallel with nature's refining cohesive processes. Man should be far ahead and prove himself master of evolutionary processes.

NOTE 3. Causes of opinions and difficulties, religious and political, must be looked for in order to remedy grievous effects. We go to the root and say God, or the Spirit, which is the comprisor of all which is, the Source of all life, the compelling power of all activities, rules supreme; but, let us view this rightly, for it is, after all, a provisional government. For instance, this corporeal world which mortals call their world is but one, and the least of many millions of worlds, yet it has its continental and governmental divisions and provisions, and the subjects of each separate government are compelled to loyalty and service by its rules and laws. Therefore, a true American cannot work for the political welfare of Great Britain as a subject for a master, according to their laws, and be at the same time true to the stars and stripes. An American cannot be a Russian or a Prussian working for those rulers and their interests. If he does so, he proves a traitor to the American statutes. This all people understand. They also understand that God, the Supreme Creator, created all these people, and one has as much right to call him Father as another, regardless of caste, color or creed. However, it seems not to be apparent that all know that God uses angels, mortals and nature's forces as agents to do all these works, and that everything is supremely governed for the greatest good to the great number, and that, after all, man is required to conform his actions to nature's laws and rules. He is required to be obedient to the rules of the place wherein he finds himself, just as he is required to be true to the laws of the government under which he is a subject. Hence, God must be beheld in nature and that he is diversity in unity; that he is many-sided, composed of endless shades, qualities, substances and forces focused in the Central Source or Spirit. In order to incorporate all these endless grades and qualities of substance and forces and give form and stability to all things in accordance with the graded diversities, many methods of labor must needs be employed. All these divisions and subdivisions are means to ends and are an absolute necessity to represent and carry on this legitimate interactivity of diversified substance and force, so that the development of every cosmic particle can be compelled in keeping with nature's laws.

NOTE 4. We are aware of the grand efforts geologists and students of the natural sciences are making to ascertain facts and classify them. We are pleased to note that they examine nature through her own organism and formula of physical laws. We also observe that the race genius of the twentieth century strikes a new religious keynote; yea, more, all the world is getting ready and attuned to it, and this change will bring peace and prosperity to earth's dwellers, for they will learn to work for the general weal, more than for selfish interests. For this achievement, all angels and spirits labor with mortals in every way possible, for it is the aim and object supremely purposed. We, therefore, implore all to cultivate a disposition of kindness and good will toward all and so become attuned to the angel voices and to the inner voice often called conscience. It breathes to them what, in connection with their sense activities, has been decided by their

own mental court; then reason argues and decides again; and again the will is summoned to act as executor of what consciences approve and reason declares the proper thing to be set in execution. This makes each one his own judge. It is individual record-making and from this court there is no appeal.

Therefore, pay heed, each and all, to your own thoughts, as it is therefrom ill results come if thoughts are ill.

Van Wert, O.

Episcopal Endorsement.

The Rev. Dr. Thos. E. Green, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, preached a sermon on "Spiritualism" from the text 1 John 4:1-3. In it he said:

Twenty years ago the heresy hunter was keen upon the trail of the material evolution. We were treated to sermons and review articles without number assailing the materialistic philosophy of men like Spencer, Darwin and Huxley. Their philosophy, as you know, laid emphasis upon the material side of things. We were told that everything was material; that life came from protoplasm and protoplasm was sulphate of lime.

Twenty years have passed and orthodoxy is now contending for its life against the philosophy which says that there is no such thing as matter at all; that everything is spirit and that matter is but a delusion of mortal minds.

The religion of the bible and of the church is distinctively a spiritual religion. Practical christianity in the nineteenth century has gone astray from this conception of its faith. The average business man believes in Christianity because it is a good thing; but if I sat down beside the average man in this great congregation to-day and asked him what he was doing along the line of soul culture, he would probably gaze at me in blank astonishment, although he is a professed Christian man. He does not think from one week's end to the other about spiritual law, spiritual development or spiritual fruitage. I fear the same thing would be true of the average woman in our polite society of to-day. The physical and mental side of life has grown into the great dominating power, and yet the religion of Jesus is distinctively a spiritual religion. It deals with the soul and spiritual influences—influences that in ancient time were potent for some diseases, casting out evil spirits, for telling the future, raising the weak spirit of human life into conscious communion with unseen powers and strengthening it for the pangs of martyrdom.

The church carries the same philosophy. You see this in the sacramental life of the church. Devoid of their great spiritual mien the sacraments of the church are puerile in their insignificance, as mere theatrical or symbolical allegories. Any one of a hundred secret societies can furnish dramatic teachings infinitely superior to the sacraments of the church. Their validity lies in the fact that materially they are absolutely nothing, and spiritually gain their full meaning from what they carry to the souls of men.

The teaching of the church in regard to our present life is also absolutely spiritual; the relation of soul to the body; the absolutely patent fact the soul is not the body, and that in its purest action it does not depend upon the body, will be admitted at once. Thought, imagination, life, memory, faith and

hope fly clear of bodily presence and bodily control. Borne on the wings of the soul, they can pass under oceans and over continents and out into the infinite reaches of space. Wherever the infinite is there the reflection of the human soul can go, and by the determination of its conscious power this soul can shape and mold the human body to suit its will. This is the only fragment of truth amid the all, the grotesque rubbish of Christian science.

The history of God's dealings, as recorded in the bible, is the history of continued Spiritualism in the patriarchal age. Men were continually surrounded by visible spiritual visions. Angels and celestial ministers stood beside them in their daily life; warned them; guided them. In the age of prophecy, holy men spake as they were moved and guided by what they knew was a spiritual influence. Half of the Old Testament is fortune-telling. For these men told kings the future of their empires; told generals how they would fight and win future battles; told nations what God had in store for them, as well as for individuals. The prophets were inspired fortune-tellers. You know our Lord's continual preaching and evidence of spiritual control. You know that his apostles wrought wonderful work in his name, and the postapostolic ages continued this same phenomena.

Let us be frank and say that if we were just at all, we must believe in Spiritualism. There is no accounting for the growth of the Christian church without it. It would be infinitely harder to explain how the church lives at all, robbed of these proofs of her power than to simply believe these things without attempting to explain them. For 300 years the church marched through the world working miracles, communing with spirits, manifesting their divine power. Then Constantine was converted, the cross of the simple spiritual faith, Jesus, was welded to the iron crown of the Roman empire. The abbot of Monte-casino stood at the treasury door of the vatican, watched them carry in bags of silver and gold. "You see, ghostly father," said the pope, "the day is past when the church must say, 'silver and gold have I none.' And so is the day past, said St. Benedict, when she can say to the paralytic, 'Arise, take up thy bed and walk.'"

I pass now to a far-removed picture of human thought and theory, namely, the discoveries and conclusions of the most exact science that speaks to-day in the name of human wisdom. This is a sublimated age. Electrical and magnetic science have nearly changed our conception of the laws of life and energy. From the old idea of a world of matter and a world of spirit we are separated by a gulf fixed. We have come to the day in scientific thought in which Drummond's "Natural Law in the Spiritual World" shall stand as an exponent. We now know that this strange thing that we call vibration, beginning with the coarsest sound that motion can produce from sound to heat, from heat to light, from light to electricity, from electricity to etheric force and then to vital force, and then to mental force as brain, gives out thought and then on out into the stupendous ranges of the infinite—we know now that in some way that our minds cannot yet fathom, all this is one, and that this oneness is a revelation of the oneness of God.

There is a spirit within that has eyes and ears, even if we cannot hear and see—the hearing and vision that through all ages has been developed in those who have seen clearly the hidden things in the universe of spirit. We do not all have that faculty developed. Neither are we all musicians nor artists. The inspiration that governs clairvoyants is denied the most of us. But I believe that though dormant the power to commune with the spiritual environment of life exists in every soul that God has made.

We are standing on the verge of what I believe is a wonderful revival of Spiritualism in thought and in life. All of this phenomena, psychic development, hypnotism, spiritual control, Christian science, telepathy and the like are merely symptoms of the widening tendencies of human thought and life. There is no need denying facts as they exist. There are people who are mind-readers, who are clairvoyants, who have the faculty of sending their thought to far distances and take cognizance of conditions and things as they there exist, who see water and minerals hidden beneath the surface of the earth. You can no more explain how it is done than you can define intuition or the wonderful things that sometimes come in visions and in dreams.

Deep Breathing.

MRS. JESSIE E. WHITE.

Not having seen any reply to the article by Mrs. Sara A. Underwood upon the subject of "The Divine Spiritual Atmosphere" (in the JOURNAL, of July 13) I should like to gain further testimony, as I am averse to ignoring any subject which the higher spiritual forces deem it expedient to enlighten us upon. All of us, no doubt, have our ideas as to what the "Divine Spiritual Atmosphere" is, but the question here seems to be, Why must we "breathe deeply," even "holding the breath" while waiting for a reply from our spirit friends?

Perhaps I am unusually interested on account of a course of deep-breathing which I was obliged to practice while "under control" for trance-speaking before the speaking would begin. It seemed that there was an objective point to be gained before the exercise was complete, and this point seemed located at the left of the stomach at the waist line. The sensation—when the air reached that point—was as if the air had burst into a compartment before unused. The question is, Why was not the sensation experienced on the right side also? I have often heard it stated that the substance for materialization is drawn from the medium at this left side. Also, some clairvoyants hold sealed letters at this same point in order to decipher them. It has occurred to me that this organ, if such it is, might bear the same relation to the spiritual body as does the stomach to the physical body.

Now, if "deep-breathing" assists in communicating with the spirit friends, it seems reasonable that the ozone of the atmosphere must be retained a sufficient length of time to be assimilated, which will act as vitalized air, or an anæsthetic, upon the physical body, but as a stimulant upon the spiritual faculties, thereby enabling the spirit to rise out of and above all bonds.

I do not pen the above with a feeling of satisfaction, but with the

hope that it may act as "food for thought" until the subject will look so reasonable that we will all be induced to practice, more frequently, this healthful, enlightening exercise of "deep breathing."
New Whatcom, Wash.

Message from Fred Douglas,

THROUGH MRS. E. M. M.

"Vengeance is mine; I will repay," was written centuries ago, to benefit a rude, and somewhat unprogressive people. The man of scientific attainments gives these words a higher and occult meaning, viz: the power of good or evil, wrought through mental activities, ever benefits or retaliates through immutable Law.

Perhaps no better illustration of this precept can be given than is held before the white race of our beloved country, in the institution and upholding of the law, that permitted the enslaving of the colored races. Centuries ago, a cargo of helpless human beings were landed upon the shore of this country; a feeble beginning it would seem for the evil that grew, and its power to gratify the cupidity and all the baser passions of those who assumed the prerogative that "might makes right," forgetting that the same law that called upon Cain to account for his brother's life, still echoed through the ages.

The voice of Rachel weeping for her children, the moans of those who grieved for loved ones lost by a separation more cruel than the grave, outraged womanhood (for no law protected her from the embrace of her master), the terrible torture and death for those who dared to try to seek freedom. All these evils grew, until they assumed proportions known only to the spirit-world and the law of retribution. The mental effluvia cast off, by this people, utilized by spirit direction, reached its zenith in the year 1861. This evil had been fostered by the nation, and it was called to render an account.

The voice of lamentation was heard throughout the land; but it was the white Rachel whose voice was raised in mourning, for the pain, the anguish and the horrible tortures endured; "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, a life for a life," was exacted. The colored race is as dear to the great Mother Heart of all light and love, as their paler brethren. When the law of Freedom was enacted, only a part of the nation's duty was performed. Remember, my pale-faced brothers, that these people were brought here against their will, from a country where their color and temperament particularly adapted them to its climate and conditions. The treatment accorded them here has not taught them to turn to the white race with any special love or high regard. Their education has been neglected; many have advanced but slightly since their ancestors were torn from their native wilds; and yet they are expected to conform to the laws of a higher civilization.

Whatever crimes they may perpetrate upon the white race cannot exceed that which they have borne under the lash of slavery. I have perhaps written too plainly to suit the public mind; but my heart beats in strongest sympathy with all that pertains to their present and future standing. Remember, my paler brothers, that so surely as evil-doing brings its punishment through natural law, so surely does all good bring its reward; and let

much that is producing inharmony between the white and colored races to-day, be viewed, and acted upon, in the spirit of charity. Remember that I stand as a connecting link between both races, the black and white, to send forth love and sympathy to both.

With joy I send this message, hoping some may remember me as one who sought to render more plainly, the truer methods to be brought to bear in the rendering of justice to an injured people.

FREDERICK DOUGLAS.

[This was accompanied by a symbolical drawing by Honor (the spirit brother of the medium.) It is too indistinctly done in pencil to be reproduced in the JOURNAL. It may be described thus: Spirit Frederick Douglas is represented as laboring in that portion of the "Temple of Life" to which the colored race is assigned and of which he forms a part. The material before him representing the colored race is crude and unformed, yet not lacking in beauty and utility. It only needs the touch of the Great Architect to form material worthy of the builder. He is represented as toiling, ever seeking to use the square, the compass and the scale, to guide his efforts to render this material more potent, more perfect for the Master's service; while just above him is his inspiring guide, the Spirit of Progress.—Ed.]

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Bigotry.—After devoting all the spare moments of his lifetime to writing a book on agnosticism, the study and labors of Henry M. Taber, the millionaire, who died at his home, 42 West Twelfth St., New York, in February, 1898, have been in vain. All the plates and copies of the book already printed have been bought up by members of his family, and are to be destroyed. The book is entitled "Faith or Fact," and the introduction is by Col. Ingersoll. No matter whether they destroy that book or not, the family cannot destroy the fact that it was printed, and that orthodoxy so feared it, that the books and plates were destroyed.

Wireless Telegraphy was successfully used in this city last week. The *Daily Call* sent a steamer out into the ocean to get the first sight of the Transport Steamship, the Sherman, which brought the California Volunteers home from Manila. As soon as the big vessel was sighted by the operators who were six miles out at sea, a message was instantly communicated to the instrument located at the entrance to the harbor, which ticked off, "The Sherman is Sighted;" and from there a message was sent to the tall Spreckels building in the heart of the city—all without wires. This system of sending news is now shown to be practical, and its possibilities are enormous. It is one of the greatest triumphs of this inventive age.

On the announcement that the troops were coming, the citizens and many thousands of visitors who were in the city waiting to welcome the returning soldiers, became wild with joy, and the city was given over to unbounded enthusiasm from Wednesday till Sunday—the like of which has never before been known here—decorations, illuminations, booming canons, balloons, screaming whistles, processions and feasting galore.

New Occult Force.

The aura of the human body makes pictures. Metals are penetrated by a force acting like light in photography. Ottokar Hofmann, of Argentine, Kan., a civil and mining engineer, has made this discovery.

Pictures have been taken by this human-light, or body-halo, by Mr. Hofmann, which are distinct, and the limit of the accuracy and fineness of the reproduction varies, depending entirely upon the state of the body, says the *New York Journal*.

Mr. Hofmann has not given a name to the force, but many interesting experiments which he has recently made, to the statement that a human body emits rays, which act upon a photographic sensitive plate in a way which is both interesting and puzzling.

During the tests made by Mr. Hofmann several hundred persons were given a chance to emit the human ray. Some persons gave a faint demonstration on the film, others a very strong one, and a few gave no result, and yet after the lapse of a few hours the results were reversed, showing the difference of the chemical energy in the same body on different days. The temperature and moisture in the air apparently had no effect in the production of the rays.

Further developments are expected of a startling nature as the result of experiments with these newly-discovered human rays.

Episcopal Indorsement.

Notwithstanding the attacks made by Bishop Moreland, of California, upon the spiritualistic philosophy and phenomena, it is remarkable how many there are in his church organization who have come to the conclusion, not only that there is much truth in the philosophy, but they also indorse much of the phenomena, as well as the "new thought," in the line of Mental Science and the Occult Powers of the Soul.

A digest of a remarkable sermon, delivered by the Rev. Thomas E. Greene, at Grace Church, the most influential religious organization in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, may be found on the second page of this issue of the *JOURNAL*. We formerly resided in that city, and have since that time often visited it and have become acquainted with Mr. Greene. We have heard him preach some advanced views years ago. In this progressive age, it seems he has progressed with it, and now takes strong ground relative to the Occult forces in this world of magnetic currents. It will pay our readers to devote time enough to carefully read what Mr. Greene says about them. He is a remarkably advanced thinker for an Episcopal clergyman.

PREVENTION AND CURE OF OLD AGE, by Eleanor Kirk. 156 pp. Price 50c. For sale at this office.

Genuine or Fraudulent.

So much has been written and so many statements have been made about fraudulent manifestations through certain mediums, when it is positively known that genuine communications come through the same source, that many are puzzled about the matter. Miss Lilian Whiting, in the *August Coming Age*, remarks very wisely on this subject, as shown by the following:

All in all, the more one studies the whole field of psychic law and intercourse between the seen and unseen worlds, does it not seem that the conditions are full of subtle and complex variations which cannot be sweepingly relegated to the too arbitrary divisions of genuineness or fraud, but which are simply a series of mental phenomena existing in both the physical and the ethereal world? "Mediums sometimes cheat," admitted Mrs. Browning. "So do people who are not mediums." The friend in the unseen often forgets certain things. So does the friend in the seen.

Do we not, then, find that all the variations of phenomena that perplex us in dealing with those who have passed out of the physical world have their prototype in all our dealings with those in the physical world? For myself, at the present status of whatever study and research I have been enabled to make, I find this true. I find that all intercourse, either by letter, telepathy, or viva voce, with all my friends or acquaintances, or with strangers, on the present plane of life, presents a similar and a corresponding range of phenomena to that which I recognize in all forms of communication with those who are on the plane of life just beyond. I find in myself, and in my associates in this world, curious lapses of memory, unaccountable moods, inconsistent mental attitudes, inexplicable attractions and repulsions—all the variation of phenomena, indeed, that I encounter in intercourse and association with my friends in the unseen world.

Eddyism.—Mrs. Josephine C. Woodbury, the eminent authoress, has instituted several suits for libel against prominent Christian Scientists, among whom are Judge S. J. Hanna and Mary B. G. Eddy. The suits are the outgrowth of the controversy that arose over the publication of certain articles in the *Arena* concerning the origin of Christian Science, to which the followers of that cult took exceptions, and, strange to say, retaliated. They are now brought face to face with the effects of their retaliation in the present libel suits. The *Boston Herald* suggests that Mrs. Eddy and her followers need have no fear, for all they will have to do, will be to think that there are no libel suits against them, and there will be none. Everything will be as clear as noonday, and the serene happiness of the Scientists will continue to be the same sublime, super-celestial, super-normal, superfine, superlative and super-transcendental order it ever has been. So mote it be!—*Banner of Light*.

Ingersoll's Father was a liberal Congregationalist, and was persecuted for his liberality. It was wrath against his father's persecutors that made Col. Ingersoll a bitter antagonist of the Church.

Troubles of Theosophists.

The Oakland, Cal., members of Aurora Branch of the "Theosophical Society in America" have just received notice from Katherine A. Tingley, President of the Universal Brotherhood, that all Theosophists who have drifted away from the central body, of which she is the head, will come to a tragic end. In proof of the correctness of her prophecy, she cites a number of deaths and calamities that have befallen those who would not bend to her will. The *Examiner* of Aug. 20 says:

This information is the result of the withdrawal of Aurora Branch from the Universal Brotherhood and linking itself with the Theosophical Society, of which the brotherhood is an offspring. Incidentally, a suit has been filed in the Superior Court of Alameda County by the San Francisco agents of Mrs. Tingley, to recover the books and furniture of the Aurora Branch, valued at \$500.

Dr. H. Bowman, one of Oakland's pioneer residents and an ardent worker in the cause of Theosophy, has given bonds covering the attachment levied on the goods and chattels of the Aurora Branch, and will furnish the necessary funds to fight the claims of Mrs. Tingley in the courts. Dr. R. Arnold, president of the Aurora Branch, will aid him in his efforts to prevent the Universal Brotherhood from appropriating their library.

The troubles of Aurora Branch began with the death of William Q. Judge, president of the Theosophical Society, in 1896. Katherine Tingley was appointed by the dead leader as his successor. The constitution of the society made her all-powerful. At the Theosophical convention in Chicago a year ago, the Universal Brotherhood was organized, with Mrs. Tingley at its head. The office made her infallible, as far as the direction of the movement was concerned.

Dr. Anderson of San Francisco was chairman of the convention, and incidentally the delegate by proxy of Aurora Branch of Oakland. When the Universal Brotherhood was launched at the convention, Dr. Anderson wired the leaders of Aurora Branch to sever connection with the Theosophical Society and join the new organization. They did this, but shortly afterward were sorry.

Mrs. Tingley suspended members and changed officers at will. Dr. Bowman and others got tired of her despotism. They called a meeting of Aurora Branch and decided to return to the parent organization. A few of the members who would not consent to this wrote President Tingley of what had occurred and offered to remain faithful to the Brotherhood. The secessionists took the library and furniture belonging to Aurora Branch. No one dreamed of a contest for these books, tables, etc., until the suit was filed by Mr. Spinck, one of Mrs. Tingley's San Francisco agents.

Mrs. Underwood's Book on "Automatic or Spirit Writing, with other Psychic Experiences," referred to by Miss Lilian Whiting in the *Coming Age*, is for sale at this office at \$1.00, bound in cloth, or 50 cents in paper cover. The latter is clubbed with the *JOURNAL* for one year for \$1.35. Every Spiritualist should have a copy of this intensely interesting book.

A Spiritual Home is projected for Los Angeles, Cal., by the guides of Mr. E. M. Carlson, editor of the *Medium*. Prof. Carlyle Petersilea writes as follows:

An inspired picture is being painted by Geo. H. Brower, which will be disposed of to swell the fund, and Mr. and Mrs. Petersilea have donated many of their books for the same object. The Truthseeker's Society, 107 1/2 North Main St., have generously given up their comfortable hall to the workers, to be used Sunday afternoon and evening, for spiritual meetings.

An opportunity is now offered for Spiritualists to practically prove their gratitude to the spirit-world for the greatest blessing that has ever been vouchsafed to humanity, by attending these meetings, contributing what they can at the door.

What is needed at the present hour is the co-operation of willing and devoted friends of spiritual progress who will unselfishly donate a portion of their time, talents and means, to secure in the beautiful city of Los Angeles, a permanent home, where spirits, both in and out of the body, can meet and commune together.

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The *JOURNAL* hopes that the spiritual home may be created and be a grand success. It should receive the earnest support of every Spiritualist.

A Convert.—In the Asheville, N. C., *Citizen* of Aug. 8 we find the following, signed W. M. D.:

I have never taken much interest in Spiritualism, having been until yesterday a disbeliever about disembodied spirits communicating through mediums.

At the request of a friend I visited Dr. Schelsinger and had a sitting, and to say that what I saw and heard surprised me, would but faintly describe the results. They were, indeed, marvelous and to my mind inexplicable upon any other hypothesis save that of spiritual power.

During the sitting I received a communication from a friend (now in spirit life) recalling to my mind a circumstance which occurred in this city nearly 23 years ago, and which was known only to him and me.

I am no longer a skeptic, but a believer in this grand and beautiful philosophy. W. M. D.

Think.—Read what is interesting to you, and not more than you can thoroughly digest. It is more important to think than to read. Of what you read believe only what appears to you to be true, even though it claims to be inspired. Though it be true, it is not for you until it is true to you. Deny nothing, but receive only that which is for you. What is food for your neighbor might be poison for you.—*Positive Thought.*

Not a Medium.—In the *JOURNAL* for Aug. 3, we stated that Mr. W. E. Robinson, author of the book "exposing physical phenomena now poses again as a medium, and is working the Eastern States as such," etc. The information upon which this statement was based was received from a New York gentleman, who was, however, evidently misinformed. A correspondent from Massachusetts states that Mr. Robinson is a noted magician, kept quite busy at the Summer resorts, and is now preparing to go on the road again with the "Hermann the Great" company. Mr. Robinson is a constant reader of the *JOURNAL*, and is therefore posted on both sides of the subject. We have no reason to think that he is anything but a sincere and honorable opponent, who does not believe in much if any of the physical phenomena. We cheerfully make this statement in justice to Mr. Robinson, so that our readers may not be deceived by our former incorrect item.

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Birthday Party.

Please allow me to state to my many friends and inquirers, who wish to know if I am to have a birthday party on Aug. 31, who remember the spiritual feast they have had for several years and would like to be present. I am unable to do justice to a party, therefore have held out no inducements; but the poor, the sick and maimed are alike welcomed to the house, dishes and stove, and also the spiritual communion that always obtains in the sphere of harmony.

I want no flowers upon my bier,
No empty praises sung;
But friends to help me while I'm here,
Until my work is done.

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Truth that is earnest is the earnest of truth,
And the mind that expresses it expresses the
mind.
Much condensed matter is matter condensed;
The fence that divides, divides at the fence.
So all good thoughts are thoughts that are
good,
Like gems in a fountain, a fountain of gems.
To seek the best light is the light—we should
seek;
The source of this light is the light of its
source.
So mortals progressing, progressing while
mortal,
May glory in gleamings, the gleamings of
glory.

WALTER HYDE.

Force of Hypnotism.

Joseph McAuley, of Buffalo, N. Y., is serving a twenty-five days' sentence in the penitentiary for having hypnotized a young woman, Miss Jennie H. Beaton, on the street. Miss Beaton is an intelligent, sensitive young woman. McAuley is a man of ordinary appearance, apparently quite indifferent to the effects of his horrible power. Until last week the two had never seen each other. The New York World gives these particulars:

One night McAuley met Miss Beaton on the street, stared at her, made passes and began to exert a mysterious force, compelling her to follow him, which she did, until a policeman came to her protection. She said: "I was walking down Washington street, near Seneca, when I first caught sight of him.

He was an entire stranger to me. He looked me straight in the eyes. A thrill ran through me. I was frightened. I wanted to run away. As he stared at me I found myself turning around and in a moment I walked up street beside him. He had not spoken one word to me; he had not touched me. We walked a block north, then one west, then three north. Then we turned back and covered the same ground.

I tried to speak to him, but my lips would not frame the words. I turned corners as he willed. I could not step in another direction; something seemed to hold me right there.

He didn't say one word to me all the time I was with him, and didn't even lay his hands on me. I saw 3 policemen at Main and Exchange streets. I tried to cry out, but I couldn't speak.

I kept on walking with him, and I don't know what would have become of me if the officer hadn't taken hold of me. The minute he took hold of my arm, as we were turning back up Main street for the fifth or sixth time, I came to my senses and found I could talk.

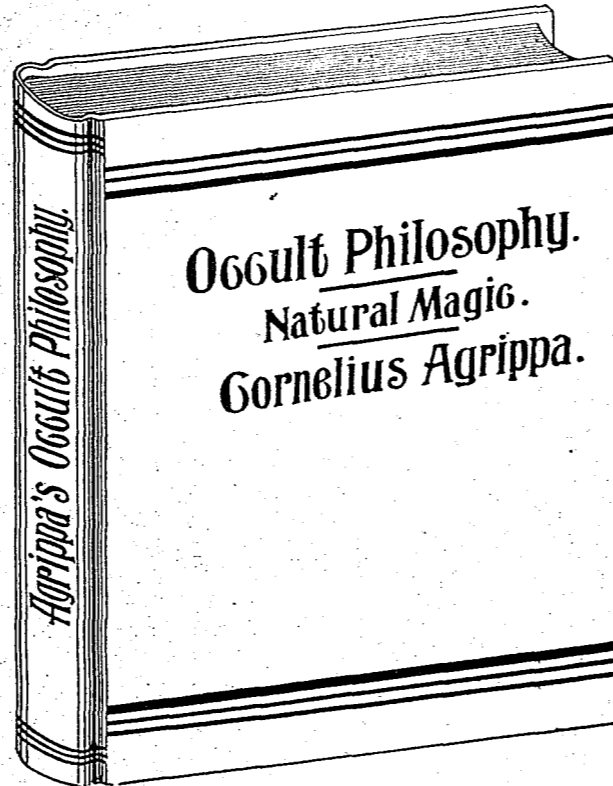
I cried out: "Arrest that man!" and he did so. When McAuley was in court he did not look at me and I experienced no sensation in looking at him. It was all in the eyes. He is an ordinary looking fellow. He would answer no questions put to him by the Court.

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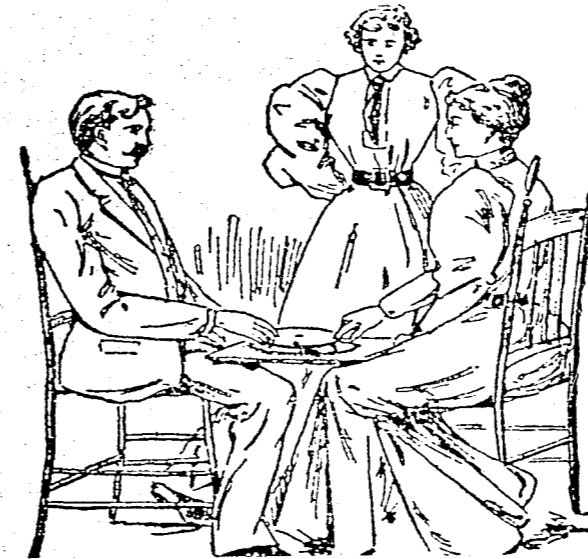
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Local News Summary.

Edited by M. S. NORTON.

The Choral, conducted by Mr. Carl Sawwell, which will sing at the coming Convention, is composed of the following named ladies and gentlemen:

SOPRANO—Mrs. Jennie Robinson, Mrs. G. W. Shriner, Miss Lillie Baer, Mrs. L. S. Drew, Mme. E. Young, Miss Brown, Miss Hurd, Miss Meda Hoskins, Mrs. E. C. Griffin, Miss M. Tracie.

ALTO—Mrs. Eva Pohley, Miss Alice Severance, Mrs. M. Stimpson, Miss Stella Collender, Mrs. Clara Hunter, Miss Daisy Place, Mrs. Sadie Cooke, Mrs. M. Tracie.

TENOR—Hugh Callender, W. T. Jones, Fred Rentsch, Walter E. Walker, Chas. J. Meyer, F. Foley, Chas. Evans.

BASSO—C. H. Wadsworth, H. La Faille, Richard Young, A. W. Rhodes.

Delegates—The following is a list of names of delegates to the State Convention so far reported:

PROGRESSIVE SPIRITUALISTS—G. H. Hawes, Wm. Rider, Mrs. Bernardine Hildebrandt, Mrs. Ella M. Stewart.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY—Mrs. B. F. Small, Mrs. Minnie Clark, Mrs. W. E. Nevill, Mrs. Sadie Cooke, Mrs. Sarah M. Kelley, Mrs. D. N. Place, Mrs. Lillie Jolly.

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FIRST SPIRITUAL UNION OF SAN JOSE—Dr. Barker, Wm. Vinter, Mrs. Hamby, Mrs. Biglow, Dr. Tripp, H. H. Nichols and Mrs. Archer.

OAKLAND PSYCHICAL SOCIETY—Mrs. J. M. Sabin, Mrs. H. E. Mitchner, Mrs. E. C. Moore, Mr. Geo. H. True.

The Ladies' Aid Social, for August, has been postponed until Sept. 3, when the Circe Amateur Club, of Oakland, will give an entertainment, with a farce called "Fair Play" and other specialties, at Occidental Hall. Admission, 10 cents.

Mr. D. C. Coleman, of Oakland, has been quite ill for several days and confined to his bed. We hope he will soon be out again.

Universal Spiritual Association—On Sunday afternoon, Aug. 27, those assembled at 20 Eddy St. discussed "the cause of fear." Next Sunday—well, of course, that is Convention day.

Delegates, Attention—The first session of the State Convention will be held in Memorial Hall, Odd Fellows' Building, on Friday, Sept. 1, at 10:30 a. m. Take elevator at Market St. entrance.

Next Week there will be all the Convention news and all the other spiritual news. Are you keeping step with the procession? If you don't take the JOURNAL you will fall behind. Fall in.

Mrs. E. R. H. Stoddard has returned and resumed her spiritual work. She may be consulted daily at 305 Larkin St. Take elevator.

Ingersoll Memorial—On Monday evening, Aug. 21, Scottish Hall was packed with liberal people, to do honor to the life, work and memory of Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll. Mrs. Clara Foltz read his latest poem, and delivered a splendid eulogy upon his life and character. She was followed by Dr. J. L. York in a masterly address. It was a splendid demonstration of respect to the memory of the noblest work of God—an honest man.

Our Soldier Boys returning from the war may well be proud of the reception given them by the people of San Francisco and surrounding cities. Nothing that could give expression to our joy at their safe return was left undone.

Oriental Hall, 506 McAllister St., was filled with anxious inquirers last Sunday evening. Mrs. Sarah Seal spoke briefly on "Blessings and Cursings," and the messages that followed, through the mediumship of Mme. Young, were simply marvelous.

Mrs. Sadie Cooke has the Sunflower Jewelry for sale, and takes subscriptions for spiritual books and papers. Her residence is 702½ Van Ness Ave.

Friendship Hall—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Meyer had a good audience last Sunday night. Dr. Don McLean, of Alameda, gave an address on Mediumship and Psychic Law; Miss Mabel Luckie followed with sweet music, and Mrs. Meyer with convincing tests.

If you want to keep posted about the spiritual meetings, study the Mediums' Directory carefully.

Camp-Meeting—We have received a program of the Southern California Harmonial Camp-Meeting, which will open at Sycamore Grove, Los Angeles, on Sept. 3, and last until Oct. 1. It contains 24 pages and is nicely illustrated. We hope that the Camp will be a decided success, not only as to numbers in attendance, but as to good accomplished for the Cause.

The speakers are: Mrs. R. S. Lillie, Mrs. J. S. Armstrong, Mrs. Maude L. von Freitag, Mrs. Ella Wilson Marchant, Judge H. C. Chittenden, Mrs. M. E. Reed, Dr. Chas. A. Andrus, Prof. W. C. Bowman, Prof. Delos Allen, Abraham Perry Miller, Hon. R. A. Dague, Prof. H. O. Blakely and Mr. J. Y. Briggs.

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Vocal and instrumental music will be furnished by Prof. Carlyle Petersilea, Mrs. John T. Lillie, Mrs. G. M. McMullin-Caldwell, Prof. Bach and orchestra, Miss Bach, Mrs. R. S. Bacon, Miss F. Bradish, Pres. A. E. Humphrey and family and others.

Thos. Ellis, who conducts the meetings at Fraternal Hall, Oakland, bears no relation to Thomas Ellis of Alameda.

A Photograph of the wreck described in the JOURNAL for July 13, has been received at this office from Superintendent Albert Smith, and is on exhibition here. The engine is bottom upwards. Mr. Smith wrote: "I went off on the opposite side of the track from the engine, but when I regained consciousness, I was on the same side of the track, about three cars back of the engine." It was wonderful that he was not fatally injured.

Mission Lyceum—On Sunday, Aug. 20, the subject being "Patience," Master Richard Werner, 12 years old, a member of Shore Group, was the leader and read the following:

Patience is a word which means a good deal, to the old as well as to the young, for it requires much patience as we journey through life.

How much patience our parents and kind teachers have with us; therefore we children should have more patience. We should have patience in the school-room and at home with our sisters and brothers and with our playmates.

When we want a thing real badly, and we hear the words, "Be patient," oh, it seems such a long time to wait, especially when a boy wants a "bike" badly and has to wait a month or two. It seems a long time, and takes patience to wait.

Patience is a virtue. How happy those children (and grown folks, too,) ought to be who possess that gift, for it helps, so much, to have patience; it makes us happier; it helps to throw light and sunshine around us.

Then let us pray for patience
To the kind friends above,
Who are ever listening to us,
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Program of the Fourth Annual Convention of the California State Spiritualists' Association. Odd Fellows' Hall, San Francisco, Sept. 1, 2 and 3, 1899.

- 1—Call to order by the president.
- 2—Report of Committee on Credentials.
- 3—Roll call of officers and members.
- 4—Emergency business.
- 5—Reading minutes of last Convention.
- 6—Appointment of Standing Committees.
- 7—Introduction of visitors.

Friday, 1 p. m.

- 1—Reports of officers.
- 2—Reports of delegates and committees.
- 3—Communications.
- 4—New business.

Friday, 8 p. m.

Reception to delegates tendered by the Mediums' Protective Association.

PROGRAM.

- 1—Opening choral, "Let the Hills and Vales Resound".....Convention Choral Club
- 2—Piano solo.....Dr. J. T. Roberts
- 3—Address of welcome.....President W. T. Jones
- 4—Response.....State President M. S. Norton
- 5—Violin solo, selected.....Prof. Richard Young
- 6—Tenor solo, selected.....Hugh Callender
- 7—Humorous reading, Mark Twain—Miss Marion Tracie.
- 8—Vocal variations on "The Carnival of Venice," Jules Benedict—Mmc. Bert Godair Adams, accompanied by Mmc. Coursen Rockel.
- 9—Recitation, selected—Mr. Meyer—Melville
- 10—Bass solo, "Watch on the Ironclad"—Prof. Carl Sawwell.
- 11—"Star Spangled Banner," Convention Choral Club.
- 12—Social dance.
- Dance music under direction of Prof. Richard Young.
- 13—Banquet to delegates.

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Saturday, 10:30 a. m.

- 1—Reports of Standing Committees.
- 2—11 a. m., special order, National Spiritualists' Association.

Saturday, 1 p. m.

- 1—New business.
- 2—Election of Directors.
- 3—Election of delegates to National Convention.

Sunday, 1 p. m.

- 1—Duet, Mrs. Jennie Robinson, Mrs. Eva Pohley.
- 2—Mental Science in Spiritualism, M. S. Norton.
- 3—Spiritualism in the Light of Reason, Religion and Research.....Mrs. Addie L. Ballou
- 4—Spirit Here and Now, Henry Harrison Brown.
- 5—Spiritualism in Our Daily Life, Mrs. Eudora B. Marcen.
- 6—Organization.....W. D. J. Hamby
- 7—The Lyceum, a Factor in the Formation of Character.....W. T. Jones
- 8—Where are we at?.....A. Mark Stoddard
- 9—Lyceum Work.....C. H. Wadsworth
- 10—The Next Progressive Step, Thos. G. Newman.
- 11—Enemies of Spiritualism.....Dr. W. S. Hall
- 12—Unknown Spiritualists, Geo. H. Hawes
- 13—Spiritualism.....Dr. Geo. W. Carpenter
- 14—The Good Outlook.....Mrs. Donner Stone

Sunday, 7:30 p. m.

- 1—Opening choral, "Star Spangled Banner," Convention Choral Club.
- 2—"Sweet Spirit, Hear my Prayer," Mme. Bert Godair Adams.
- 3—Address, Organization, Prof. W. C. Bowman
- 4—Vocal selection.....Miss Marion Tracie
- 5—Address.....Mrs. Elizabeth Lowe Watson

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