

Seeks neither Place nor Applause : She only asks a Hearing. Solar a Year.

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Santa Teresa, the Healer. WILLIAM E. CURTIS.

The young Mexican girl, Maria Teresa Urea, who is devoutly believed by the Mexican catholics to be endowed with divine powers, is now somewhere among the Yaqui Indians in Sonora, Mexico, and although they are the fiercest tribe in that republic and irreconcilable in their hostility to the whites, they revere her as a priestess and obey her as if she were their queen. There is something strange-about "Santa Teresa," as they call her. She is a modest, unassuming Mexican girl, the daugnter of a small farmer in Sonora, with very little education; but at an early age she developed remarkable hypnotic or mesmeric powers, which cause the ignorant peasants to look upon her as more than human.

A touch of her hand is believed to be a cure for every mortal evil and one of her prayers of intercession a passport to paradise. She does not claim divine power, but confesses that she does not understand the source of her influence. Her family were Catholics, but she has never been strict in her observance of her religious duties. At the same time, she recognizes that there is something within her that gives her the unusual influence that she enjoys. In 1896 I saw her at El Paso, a plain looking girl of 21 or 22 years, in a speckled calico dress and coarse shoes, with a black shawl thrown over her head. Her hair fell in two braids to her waist, and she looked much younger than she really was. She was then living under the care of a gentleman named Aguirre, the editor of the Mexican paper at El Paso, having been compelled to leave Mexico by the authorities, who accused her of trying to incite a revolution. A band of fanatics somehow got a notion that she was to be the mother of Montezuma, the longlooked for Mexican Messiah who is to liberate the peons from servitude and restore the splendor of the empire that Cortez plundered and overthrew. Restless and dissatisfied politicians took advantage of the mania, and in the name of Saint Teresa, organized a revolution in Sonora and attacked the custom house and barracks at Nogales. Mr. Aguirre may have given the movement some encouragement, for he is an exile, and is "wanted" by the Mexican police. But I was assured that Teresa was not involved in any way. Trustworthy

people told me that she was just an ordinary sort of girl, without any special force of character or intellect, but possessed of a mysterious power like that of the magnetic girl who came out of Georgia a few years ago and seemed to have the strength of a locomotive in her slender fingers.

Santa Teresa has some such physical peculiarity, which gives

among the Yaqui Indians in an obscure mountain village in Sonora, which is constantly visited by pilgrims and sick people in search of her healing power.

Mystery of a Haunted House

The *Daily Mail* of Aug. 12 says: A matter which might engage the



last at 2 o'clock. In the apartments in the left wing of the house fearful cries have been heard, and noises such as the moving of furniture and the breaking of glass and the appearance of smoke are also mentioned. But it is the whistling noises which seem to be the most remarked.

The police took the business in hand and instituted an investigation. The official charged with the inquiry began by threatening the persons about the place with prison in case the affair turned out to be a practical joke. He had not finished speaking when from all parts of the house there proceeded the most terrible howls. The official adjourned the investigation.

In the neighborhood of the haunted house many people have fallen ill with fear. So far, investigation by the police and public has revealed nothing as to the cause of these noises, which are accordingly attributed to "howling spirits," and the numerous Spiritualists of Turin are in a state of high excitement over this manifestation which confirms their faith.

Promise Made to a Spirit.

The mysterious disappearance of John Baer, in 1865. near the village of Thornhope, now Hope Station, ten miles south of Winamac, Indiana, has been recalled by the declaration of Gabriel Fickle that he was bound by an oath administered by a spirit for a certain period of years not to divulge who were the murderers of John Baer. Mr. Fickle is positive in his statements that he shook hands and conversed with Baer's spirit in the last twelve months. The only clew ever furnished as to his mysterious disappearance was made by Gabriel Fickle, a friend. He says on that day he was out hunting between John Steele's farm residence and the old abandoned well near the railroad water tanks and that he heard several shots fired. Weeks went by, and finally Mr. Fickle connected the shots with the disappearance of John Baer. An investigation was instituted, but availed nothing. Years passed away, when one day a lot of schoolboys were fishing in the old well and drew up a man's head. They circulated the news and the farmers went to the well and found many bones belonging to the frame of a man, and a pair of old leather boots generally worn by stock buyers. Fickle's startling statements are that one year ago. as he was returning home from Royal Center, he saw a phantom-like specter moving rapidly down the railroad track toward him, and it walked up and said :

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her a mesmeric influence over people to whom it may be applied, and she has cured hundreds of sick and lame and blind. The Mexicans hang her portrait over their little shrines beside that of the Virgin Mary; but when we talked with her she laughed at the suggestion of her divinity, and indignantly denied that she was to be the mother of the redeemer of the Aztec race. She is now living

Society of Psychical Research is just now the talk of Turin. In an empty house of three stories, No. 4 Via Montserrato, in that city, there have been heard strange noises, which, in default of other explanation, have been attributed to spirits. One of the noises is described by a number of people, who have heard it several times, as like the whistle emitted by a siren. This was first heard on Wednesday

Hello, Gabe, don't you know me ?

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Fickle replied negatively, put forth his hand to shake that of the spirit, and to his horror found but an empty space. The specter laughed and said :

"Gabe, I am the spirit of John Baer, and thirty-four years ago I was murdered on this spot and my body was then carried to the old well and thrown in."

Fickle was seized with terror and he started to run, but the spirit stopped him and said :

"Gabe, remember this midnight interview. I was murdered by —, and they to day are in the land of the living. I bind you under a secret oath to never tell till I see you again."

And John Baer's spirit disappeared into the old abandoned well.

The Unseen and the Seen.

MRS. CHARLES LONG.

I will preface this chapter with the statement that my sister and I have had the automatic writing for nearly thirteen years, and our celestial friends have become, by this means, our dear companions and guides. They have frequently urged me to give their teachings to the public, and I now submit these selections from their letters to the readers of the JOURNAL, with the sincere hope that some of those who are interested in the study of Occult law will find in them the inner knowledge, and that they will put the principles to a practical use.

Moreover, I believe that the Central Force, of which my unseen friends are so anxious to have me learn, is the Divine Atmosphere described in Mrs. Underwood's automatic writing, and that the use of it would put into action those sublime faculties, by virtue of which, "Man *is* man, and master of his fate."

Dear C.: I want to ask you about my mental work; I think you can help me.

ANS.—By the deepest concentration of your inner self. draw from on the Central Force. I am giving you the power to receive the Central Force; I want you to have that, my power. The more that you receive of my great power, the more you can do. You will be able to overcome all things.

QUES.—Well, C—, we are glad to hear anything you have to say.

ANS.—My dear one, work, work on the Central Force. You have gained a little, and now more and more will come. When you have the full power, you will be very happy and strong, and you will be able to overcome all things, and that will bring you a peace that you have never known.

QUES. — Dear C——, shall we walk by the sea to day ?

ANS.—Yes, walk by the sea, for there comes great power. My dear one, from the sea you can draw the Central Force, as with each wave that breaks on the white sand, comes power to you.

QUES.—What is the Central Force? ANS. — It is the great Motive Power of the Universe; if there were no Central Force, there would be nothing. The time is coming when it will be used by people, but only for good. So few obtain it.

QUES.—Will the Central Force flow to a person in a discordant condition?

ANS.—Yes, and to all that will ask; it is free to all; it makes the heart very happy. They have only to knock and it will be opened to them; call, and it will come to all, four-fold.

QUES.—If it comes to all, then evil natures could use it for evil.

ANS.—No, it only comes to those of pure desires; it is love at its very best.

QUES.—Then evil natures cannot draw it, but discordant people who wish to improve, can ?

ANS.—Yes.

QUES.—Does the Central Force flow to all living things ?

ANS.—Yes; it is in every plant and in every blade of grass; it is in all the lovely flowers, and in the soft air that falls over you. It is in every ray of sunlight, and it is lating the world has begun in earnest. Corruption has gotten beyond control, and the effervescence from the putrefaction is too obnoxious to be hidden under the cloak of a hypocritical priesthood and hierarchy.

There exists within the body politic, festering sores which will eat out the very vitals of the Union, and a collapse is inevitable. Surely the whole world is a seething mass of hypocrisy, and the secret cannot be hidden.

Your earnest endeavors helped many souls to an understanding of right from wrong, and the effort was a commendable one. Had the majority been on the same plane, an upheaval would not have resulted.

It behooves all who believe in the fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man, to act in accordance with their belief. Munitions of war. plunder and rapine cannot be tolerated by the harmonial philosophy. nor by the professing Christian. Jesus suffered martyrdom before he would be guilty of stabbing a human being, even in his own defence, but commanded that they love their enemies and to pray for those who despitefully used them. A very wise adage is that "the pen is mightier than the sword." If that is the case, our government with a thimble-full of wisdom to direct the pen, dipped in the ink of human-kindness, wisely used, would have touched the secret springs even of the Spaniards' hearts; and inasmuch as all nations are made up of one blood, differences in opinion could have been adjusted and wars would not now exist.

Be wise, O, ye nations, be wise; Consider that man is your brother,

That angels look down from the skies And weep with the sorrowing mother.

Be she Spanish or American born, Her heart-strings are torn by a hattle, She feels in her home so forlorn,

As she hears the musketry ratile. And we call it a glorious triumph,

When hundreds are mangled and slain By the bullets our soldiers sent, If we only a victory gain.

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I'd die like Jesus on the cross, Before I would kill another, For someone would feel the loss have the good of the Association at heart—not to make any change in the offices of President and Secretary, but to re-elect the present incumbents with unanimous consent.

A PROPOSITION.

If the N. S. A. is to succeed, it must be financially supported. Now, if the Spiritualists of the United States mean business, and intend to have a National Association, they must endow it with sufficient means to enable its officers to carry on its work successfully. To this end, I make the following proposition: If all the Spiritualists of the United States will raise between them the sum of \$15,000, by October 31, on the close of the Convention, at Chicago, I will hand the President of the N. S. A., then and there, a deed in fee simple, of the present headquarters of the National Association, which is worth \$15,000 or more.

In addition to this free gift to the N. S. A., I will also donate the three handsome life-sized portraits of the Fox sisters—Leah, Margaretta and Katie—which now adorn the walls of the office, and which are cheap at a valuation of \$300.

In making this offer, I have no personal ends to serve. I have the welfare of the N. S. A. at heart. There are thousands of well-to-do and rich Spiritualists in the country; if they love the cause, let them come forward and raise the \$15,000, and we will then not only have handsome headquarters, but also a nucleus to a solid treasury. We will then, no doubt, have laid the foundation of a grand future N. S. A., which will wield its influence before our legislatures and in our courts, and which will be a shining light to coming generations. Let the answer to this call be prompt and generous. I am ready to give as much as I call upon the entire country to give, and I ask that the Spiritualists will meet me halfway, for with a home of its own. and with \$15,000 besides in its treasury, the N. S. A. can then go on with important work of sending missionaries into towns and villages, where the need is great for teachers of Spiritualism, and it can also send out more literature and do an immense amount of good. Now 1 wish it understood, that I decline to give the headquarters of the N. S. A. to this Association unless the Spiritualists of the country are willing to contribute their share to its treasury, that a sum equal to the value of my gift be thus secured for the future use of the Association. Should sufficient contributions not be received, the money will be returned, unless otherwise stipulated by the donors. Contributions to this fund will be gladly received by Harrison D. Barrett, Lock Box No. 3, Needham, Mass., and by Mrs. M. T. Longley, 600 Pennsyl-vania Ave., S. E., Washington, D. C. THEODORE J. MAYER.

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nature all you can, that will give great strength that will never, never fail you. You know the principle. One of my helpers, whom I called the Rajah, added: "Your work is in the right direction; it is the power to take the forces of nature and make them obey you. The power of the air, sea, earth and trees will help you and all, as that is life in its perfection.

QUES.—Do these forces come to me by a natural attraction, or must I hasten the process by an effort of the will?

ANS.—All is done by concentrating the will. July 5.—I want you to work on a still higher plane than you have done in the past, as the more you are in the higher plane, the more successful you will be, and you can help your C—.

QUES.—Please make that a little clearer.

ANS. - To leave all the little things of earth out. I want you to work on a plane so high that it will give power and strength, and a plane above the little things of earth; I wish you to come nearer to me in this. I want you to sit alone, as often as you can, for meditation. You must give me more time; you must work with me, and then you will gain a power in my life and I will gain a power in yours. If you could be more tranquil, as soon as you have overcome that, you will reach the plane that your C---- wishes you to. When you are tranquil, then I can give you my power; I am drawing.

powerful in the moonlight.

QUES.—Will this power that I am trying to obtain bring practical results?

ANS.—That great and helping power you will have, in time, but it will require time to obtain it; then you will be happy and strong in this great work; you will have the power over yourself to overcome all things in yourself. Your life will be one loving soul power to yourself.

QUES.—C—, can you not describe the Central Force to us?

ANS.—My dear one, I am sending great love waves of the Central Force through the room. It looks like white waves of crystal purity; it falls over you and our always helping sister; it glistens from its great purity.

Nov. 24.—Well, C—, here we are in the new house; what have you to say?

ANS.—Rest your foreheads on the table and draw long breaths, to get the Central Force.

We did as requested and then C—— wrote: "My dear one, I want you to write all these great truths that have come to you. Teaching takes your Central Force; you give out so much."

Coronado, Cal.

A Spirit Communication,

THROUGH MRS. F. A. LOGAN.

Dreadful scenes are soon to be enacted all over the world, and Shelby says the work of depopuOf husband, son or a brother. These are also my sentiments. MRS. F. A. LOGAN, *Medium*. Alameda, Cal., Aug., 1899.

Home for the N.S.A.

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In a few weeks, the Spiritualists of this country will hold another Convention, and it gives me great pleasure, as Treasurer of the N.S. A., to state that the Association is, financially, in a far better condition, than it was a year ago. When we last met, the treasury was in a deplorable condition, and it looked as if nothing but bankruptcy, and consequently disintegration, would be our fate. The new Board took up its burden with an indebtedness of about \$1,800 resting upon the N. S. A., and the prospects were exceedingly bad.

But the President and Secretary have worked hard and faithfully, and the result is that we will meet at the Convention with all our debts paid, and a nice little balance in the treasury. There is much credit due for this state of affairs to our Secretary, Mrs. M. T. Longley; she is certainly one of the most industrious, methodical and earnest workers it has been my pleasure to come in contact with. I have been Treasurer of the N.S. A. for five years, and naturally must be in constant touch with the Secretary, and therefore I know what I am talking about. Therefore, I beg of the delegates at the coming Convention—that, if they

Young People's Union.

The Second Annual Convention of the National Young People's Spiritualist Union, which was pre viously announced to be held Au gust 25th and 26th, at Onset, Mass., but which was unavoidably postponed, will be held Wednesday morning, Oct. 18, 1899, at Chicago, Ills.

The National Spiritualists' Association has kindly assigned one hour of the morning session of the above date for this purpose, and the meeting will be called to order

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one hour earlier than usual, so that two hours will be assigned to our uses.

The young people's branch is an active working organization, striving to interest the young people in spiritualistic work and provide facilities for their advancement. All parties between the ages of 16 and 40, who have complied with the requirements of the Union, will be eligible to take an active part in the Convention, and the support of all those interested in the advancement of this Union is earnestly solicited. I. C. I. EVANS, *Pres.*

More Automatic Writing.

BY SARA A. UNDERWOOD.

Although so many believers in spirit communications are firmly convinced that discarnate spirits can clearly perceive coming events in the material sphere and are willing to give their friends in the flesh advice in regard to evading possible misfortunes, yet almost invariably when I have questioned in regard to our own personal interests, I have been rebuked for asking such questions. Once when the business outlook seemed rather gloomy, I asked if there was any hope of brighter prospects. The answer was as follows: "Zealous as we are in your behalf we still must persist in denying your wish to make us break spiritual laws of discipline by any prophecies which might interfere with your true spiritual progress. Love works ever through devious ways-babes cry with angry ignorance of parental discipline-the mature man and woman understand why such discipline is absolutely necessary."

When inquiry was made as to the possible outcome of a certain business venture, this reply was given : "Spirits may not give true answers to sense questions of economics. We have over and over denounced the idea of spiritual fortune-telling, so we can only repeat what we have said before on that point. We are not the arbiters of your fate, nor may we now explain what later will seem most clear to you, but you have taken some lessons with understanding, and will yet understand spiritual laws as you understand a few physical laws." And again : "Ye must share with other mortals the experience of powerlessness of human will to turn the currents of the higher will from the determinations of human events." Once I asked if we should believe the prophecies sometimes given as from the spiritual world? Answer -"The band associated with your friend Pharos does not indorse spiritual prescience-more because of the need of earthly worldly discipline of souls worthy of exaltation to our spheres, than of the spiritual harm done through selfish knowing and consequent cowardly escapement of the legitimate outcomes of thoughtless acts and words." Question — "What motive have those spirits who make false prophecies, and untrue statements, often given as from your plane to people on this side of life?" Answer-"The motive which makes gossips, both male and female, so strong in force on your earthly plane-the desire to make you wonder and worry." It is to be observed that in these statements, while they do not approve of prophecies being given, or asked for, they do not say that they do not know what is to occur; and in my own case, a few wholly unex-

pected, yet pleasant, incidents have been foretold me by automatic writing which I did not believe could occur at the time when written.

When asked by Mr. Underwood if they could read something he had written and I had not seen, and reply to it through my hand, this was the answer: "Pharos answers that the mortal minds of mediums are the bridges by which spirits discarnate communicate with spirits in the flesh, and therefore by the immutable laws of spirit-life, such physical hieroglyphics are not understood save by the sympathetic vibrations between spirits and mortals."

Question—"But the written words being in my mind, is it not possible, from my sympathetic relation to the medium. for you to know what the words are?" Answer—"Thou shalt sometime understand the laws governing elective sympathies. They are of deeper significance than thou canst yet understand. So, thou wouldst misunderstand what clear answer we should give to this question."

Question—"Cannot you give me in one word—yes or no—answer to the question, Can spirits read mortals" writing?" Answer—"Well, yes and no; but no, so far as we must answer at this stage. Oh, inquiring friend, sometime you will be placed as we are, and will then see clearly the impediments to clear answers. Your state of pupilage now prevents."

The words in regard to "sympathetic vibration" led us to ask : Ques.—"Can you tell us anything in regard to the so-called law of vibration?" "Ans. — "Little can earth-bound souls know of this great law. Yet the fact of such law being cognized and recognized on your preparatory plane is greatly to be praised. Vibration is one of the fundamental laws of the Universe. But we who have gained the clue to this great force may not, by reason of your embryotic ignorance, give you the key to cryptogramic ciphers of occult wisdom which belongs to higher spirit spheres." Ques.—"But can you not give a hint which will assure me that you know whereof you speak ?" Ans. -"Vibration is one of the higher spirit laws. It is greatly in use on earth planes, but is not, and, until earth-bound spirits rise to higher planes, cannot be clearly explained. But ye are obliged to work under its wonderful power wherein purpose of the Whole of Being shines forth." Ques.—"Yet many human beings profess to know all about this law?" Ans. — "Professions are not accepted proof. Those ye speak of are sincere, yet spiritually-blinded by reason of half-truths which can only be shown in true harmony when sense-conditions are thrown aside. To even you, we may not explain perfectly the workings of spirit outside of matter; nor even within the lines of matter wherein the law of vibration is felt, seen, but may not be understood or explained." I give the above as specimens of the evasion of direct answers so often met with in these communications, since I think the varying phases and difficulties of such psychic investigations should be made record of, and studied, in order to arrive at clear and satisfactory conclusions.

Some Proofs of Spirit Return.

GEO. E. LOTHROP, JR.

To those who sneer and laugh at spirit mediums, the following facts and incidents are respectfully dedicated :

I had heard so much about the Psychical Research Society and their hundreds of private investigations, that I went to a Sunday meeting, placed a gold watch upon the pulpit for "a reading," and, to my amazement, an old lady medium whom I never saw or heard of before proceeded to describe perfectly my grandfather and his daughter, who died about 25 years ago, both of whom were unknown to everyone in Boston. The medium told how the young lady, Lizzie, died with consumption, etc., all of which was correct; and then each spirit took control of the medium and spoke to me directly, much to my surprise. She got no money by the test, and did not know the facts. How was this done? Shall we laugh?

A miner is warned by his mother's spirit voice to escape for his life. He runs, and as he reaches a safe place the mine caves in where he once stood. He ceases to laugh, and is converted to a fact in Spiritualism.

An engineer at night sees a vision of a child's face in the darkness. He wants to slack his train up, but the fireman laughs at him for being superstitious, and soon they crush a little girl to death who had wandered on the track alone.

A mother hears a voice while sleeping, saying: "Get up or you will be burned to death; the house is afire." She searches around and there is no smoke, flame or odor of fire, but in the shed she finds a fire burning which would soon destroy the place.

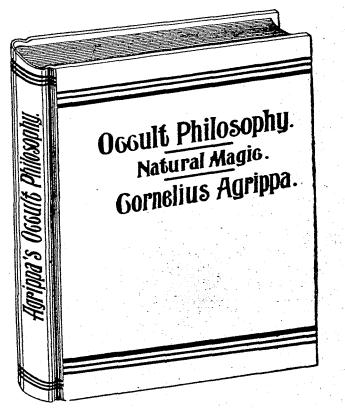
A lost man has baffled the police and press for 20 years. His sister says: "I will believe some of this Spiritualism if the spirits can tell me where my brother James is." The people sit down to a small table, and by lightly placing their hands upon its top, by pointing at the letters of the alphabet, the table tips when the right letter is touched, and spells out the message: "James is at No -, on -St., Denver, Colorado, and is tending bar," etc. The message is investigated and found to be true as gospel. A business man loses a workman, who disappears; 10 years after, his spirit comes to a seance and tells where he skipped to, and that he died in Toronto, Canada, under an assumed name. He also tells where he worked in various shops, etc. All of which are found to be true, after thorough investigation. A spirit says: "Mrs. So and So will die in three days." All the doctors say: "She will get well." The woman believed it, too, but she dies as predicted. Doctors all laugh. Some children run down cellar in the darkness and meet the spirit, or ghost, of their dead mother, who warns them away. They get papa to "come see mamma," and find an open well of water, which would have drowned all the little ones. Thousands of such incidents occur to honest people, and found the religion of Spiritualism. How is it done? Is it a laughing affair? Spirits do exist!

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A Dream Warning.—A lady dreamed that a boy—her nephew had been drowned, along with some young companions with whom he had engaged to go on a sailing excursion in the Firth of Forth. She sent for him in the morning, and with much difficulty prevailed upon him to give up his engagement. His companions went and were all drowned.

Fallen Minister.-The Rev. G. F. D. Howard was returned to the Ohio Penitentiary last week, says the Columbus Dispatch, from which he escaped Sept. 12. 1894. He was compelled to bend over a box while a lusty guard vigorously applied a hickory paddle. He was captured at Holston, Mich., where he was pastor of the leading congregation of that village. To charge up the misdeeds of this Reverend scoundrel to Christianity would be to do what church people do to Spiritualism, when some misguided medium goes astray. But such would be unjust, and we will not do it. An unbalanced organism was probably the cause of his misdeeds.

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Our Guardian Angels.

Many years ago, when we were occupying a Methodist pulpit, we well remember a sermon we delivered on this subject from the text: "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister to them who shall be heirs of salvation?" It was one of our best efforts, and upon its delivery in another city from where we were located, the church wanted me to take the pastorate.

We dwelled long upon the visits of spiritual beings to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Samuel, and other bible characters, and spoke also of modern intervention of spirits for the protection of human beings.

The subject is one which accords so nicely with the experiences of the daily life of thousands, and is. withal, so comforting and consoling, that if church members were left to their own feelings, they would never question its truth. Ministers, too, would gladly accept it, were it not for the creedal system and the fear of losing their power over the masses, who might rather consult the spirits instead of the clergy.

Mr. Geo. T. Angell, editor of *Our Dumb Animals*, in a late number remarks as follows on this subject :

SPIRITUAL INFLUENCES.

We have just listened with profound interest to a sermon by one of America's greatest preachers, in which he relates how the life of *Mary A. Livermore* (as she assures him) was once saved during her travels in the West by *hearing and instantly obeying a voice*. She did not know whence it came, but she leaped (as the voice ordered her) from one side of a car to the other, and instantly the side where she had been sitting was crushed in and utterly demolished.

It is widely believed by millions of the human race that there are sometimes near us spiritual powers, which we call guardian angels. Is the doctrine true? Those who have read the 13th. 14th and 15th pages of our Autobiographical Sketches, commencing with the heading "Almost Providential," may think that the foundation of our Massachusetts Humane Societies and their subsequent history have had some such help. How happens it that through their instrumentality millions of missionaries for the kinder treatment of dumb animals have gone out over the world in the form of that little book, "Black Beauty?" Whence came the more than thirtyseven thousand Bands of Mercy which they have already caused to be established in our country, and this little paper of ours going out every month to every editorial office in America north of Mexico. Were these things simply the result of human thought, or were they the suggestions of other agencies which have power to influence us? We prefer to believe the latter, and many things have occurred to strengthen our belief.

I am now. I had a large picture (4 feet long by 2½ feet high, with a heavy gold frame 6 inches wide, and the picture covered with glass) hanging on the partition beside my desk—the lower edge rested on a ledge above the window. The cord broke and the picture fell forward, turning a complete somersault, and the top of the picture struck my desk, edgeways, jamming up the cushion in my chair into one corner of the seat.

Unconscious of what was coming, I got up and started to walk across the office, my hand resting on the end of the desk, when the crash stopped me. If I had remained in my chair 2 seconds longer, that heavy picture would have crushed my skull, without doubt.

Our spirit friends, no doubt, induced him to vacate the chair, on that instant, though he seemed to have no occasion for doing so in the line of business, and stood close to it with his hand on the desk, wondering what he had gotten up to do. They evidently urged him to arise just to save his life-knowing that his work was yet unfinished; that his family needed his protection and care, and that he needed the experiences of the coming years to round out a useful life, and prepare him for the work of the spheres, in the world of spirit.

There are multitudes of similar cases to these we mention—all showing that we are in the care of our guardian spirits, who are ever near us, and protect us from many dangers.

The engraving on the first page illustrates spirit guardianship.

National Headquarters.

We have received a photograph of the headquarters of the National Spiritualists' Association at Washington, D. C., owned by Mr. Theodore F. Mayer of that city, and which he proposes to present at the National Convention in Chicago next month, to the Association. The property is worth \$15,000, and and he will give a deed of the property in fee simple to the President of the Association, providing that the Spiritualists of America will donate a like amount to the Treasury of the National Association, so as to enable it to employ missionaries and do general propaganda work, which is now so necessary to be done for the good of the Cause. This is a rare opportunity to place the National Association not only in good working order, but in a position to be able to prosecute the work before it, in a way that will be creditable to the Cause, to demand our rights everywhere, protect our psychics and hold up the light which has been committed to our care by the angel world. We hope that all who can possibly do so, will contribute to the extent of their ability, to this object. Every reader is requested to examine the article on another page, written by Mr. Mayer, the large-hearted and liberal Treasurer of the National Association, and then act promptly, so as to secure this grand donation.

Letter from Mme. Montigue.

We have received an interesting letter from Bordeaux, France, dated Sept. 6, written by Madam Florence Montague, so well known and loved in California, where her spiritual labors have been for some years mostly conducted. In it, she says:

Since I wrote you last, I have traveled through France, especially up and down the Pyrenees, getting strong by coming in contact with wild nature. I have almost succeeded, for sleep has returned and nervous headaches disappeared. Now I begin to turn my eyes lovingly westward once more, and the thought of going back to the land of my choice is happiness to me.

The press must have informed you of the scorching heat that has swept over Europe this year. My stay in tropical climates had not even given me an idea of this torrid wave. Much suffering and heavy loss of life have been the penalty, for in this so-called Temperate Zone, a severe Winter or Summer being the exception, the population is not provided with the necessary modes of existence to meet the emergency; and therefore is almost powerless to fight inclemency.

That is not the only foe to encounter by the way, whilst going through old scenery. Such old methods, antiquated ideas, conservatism and antediluvianism! Such narrowness, superstition and bigotry! It makes one feel like an old fossil, buried in the stone-age and petrifying again after having felt the vivifying rays of light and civilization. Thank heaven, that I can return to bask once more under that sun, and unfold under that heaven of upright stripes and beautiful stars.

I glory to see that our adopted country is peerless and without a rival, for sober reason has confirmed what intuition has revealed. How is our craft? Studiously I have been obliged to avoid active centers, and am altogether without news of the brethren. But my heart, my sympathies are with them all. Please convey greetings and best wishes to all. In a few days shall be in London, and thence to New York, where I would like to stay a while. Having the opportunity, the long-wishedfor visit to Eastern cities may be accomplished now.

Going to Australia. — We learn that Mr. W. J. Colville, the inspired lecturer, author and poet, who is well known in America, England and Australia, and has multitudes of friends all over the world, intends to visit Australia this Fall. He will visit San Francisco on his way, and remain here about 2 weeks, visiting his friends, holding classes and giving lectures. It is now about three years since his last visit to the Pacific Coast. The JOURNAL gives him a hearty welcome.

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GEO. T. ANGELL.

This reminds us of an incident which occurred in our family, 3 weeks ago, concerning which our son wrote as follows:

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Spirit Col. Ingersoll, through Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, before a large audience, lately made this announcement:

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The Work in British Columbia

Mrs. S. Cowell, of Oakland, is now in British Columbia, and has been making things lively there, as we notice by the local paper at Vancouver. It is called the *Province*. Speaking of her labors in that city, giving tests, etc., it says that "she sees hidden things, and does some peculiar test reading." It then adds:

Her last public lecture here was given to a crowd of interested people. After the lecture, she gave tests for an hour and a half. As she talks, she closes her eyes, and it seems the air around her is filled with forms and voices, and she sees words and names written in fire and scroll, held by hands withheld from the vision of mortals.



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105 The Spokesman Review, quarterly, Spokane, Wash., for July, 1899, is on our desk. It contains 72 large quarto pages, and is magnificently illustrated throughout. \$1.00 a year; 35 cents single copy. It contains the story entitled, "A Million-Dollar Check," and other true treasure tales.

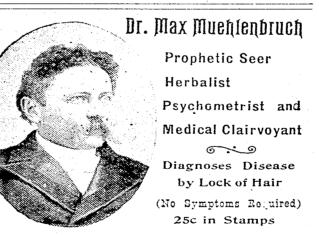
We have received a copy of the Spirit Medium, published in Merselli, Piedmont, Italy, by Sig. Conesto Volpi. This is an Italian Spiritualist periodical. In it we notice the life of Jesus dictated by him to Medium Mme. X, as well as other interesting matter.

Three mining men were in the audience. They carried some ore in their pockets and asked for readings. One, skeptically inclined, said that he had never met Mrs. Cowell before, but admitted that she had actually described the place from which his mineral possessions were obtained. She was drawn toward this man, and ran down the aisle, her eyes closed, and in a clairvoyant state said : "You have a piece of rock, longer than the other gentleman has, which I described; give it to me." He did so, and she returned to the platform clasping it tightly in one hand, and then described the mine from which it was obtained, telling him that he would find more than enough to repay him for his trouble.

She told him that the three of them were all interested in the mine; that they had all handled the piece of rock, and said : "You are here to get money to back the project, and I see you going back to win. You debated over this piece of rock, as to whether you should come here to-night to see what you could find out." They admitted that this was true.

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- When I heard a voice so tranquil—
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- That you the truth may know. You've mourned me long, my darling,
- But I'm with you every day. Only your doubts, my loved one,
- Can keep me long away."
- "You here, my love?" "Yes, I am here!" Oh, how my being stirred ! The voice I loved in years ago Was now the voice I heard. "I'm parcel of the Life and Love
- That fills your form each day.
- Thus.I am one with you, my dear,
- And with you I must stay. We blend as notes of music,
- Or rays in rainbow spray.
- In you I'm truly living; I'm incarnate in your clay."
- "But, darling, I am *I*; how, then, Art thou within my frame ?" "Because we're one in Thought and Love,
- One in Life's dearest name.
- The frame of clay confines you not; You play, as harper plays, its strings. I may play with you its chords,
- Or sing as chorus sings.
- Thus I am ever one with you In life and love and song,"-
- "But tell me, dear, how this can be,"-
- The trance then broke and she was gone. Not to the questioning mortal.
- But to the loving, receptive heart, Do the angels come in this union,
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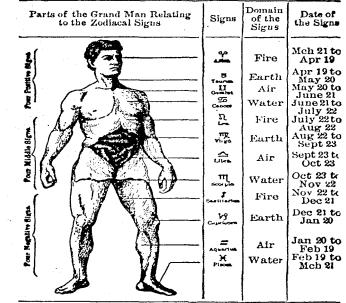
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MARY T. LONGLEY, Sec.

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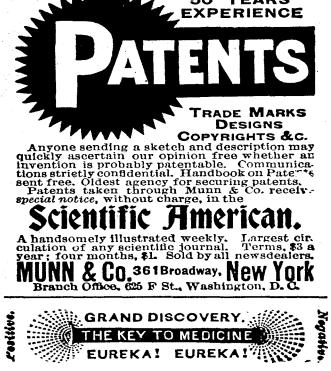
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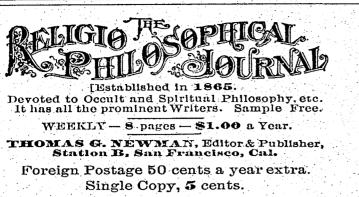
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Progressive Spiritualists.—The mu-sical strains of "Joy to the World" and "Send out the Sunlight" greeted the ears of the assembling audience at Occidental Hall' on the last Sunday of Sept. After the usual announcements by President Rider, Mr. J. T. Lillie sang "Beau-tiful Life," accompanied by Mrs. Sadie Cooke. Mrs. R. Shepard Lillie spoke upon the subject, "The Work of the Builders." This was one of the best of the many good lectures delivered by Mrs. Lillie in this hall. In it was the key-Lillie in this hall. In it was the key-note of progress. The old conditions were necessary, but are not adapted to the needs of to-day. There was a good collection for the N. S. A., an improsiva-tion of poetry by Mrs. Lillie, and "Beauckoning Hands" was sung by Mr. Lillie and Mrs. Cooke. The thinkers in our ranks cannot afford to miss these meetings. Take elevator. Admission free.

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The Ladies' Aid Society held its regular weekly meeting last Wednesday. After the business was attended to, Tests were given by Mrs. Albert Smith, Mrs. Place and Mrs. Kelly. Mrs. S. E. Cooke presided at the piano, and Mrs. B. F. Small read a poem by Miss Lilian Whiting. The afternoon was pleasantly spent and a goodly number were present. These meetings continue each Wednes-day at 2 p.m. The election of officers will occur on the first Wednesday in Oct.

Mission Lyceum. -- The regular monthly social of the Mission Children's Lyceum will be held at Excelsior Hall, 2319 Mission St., on Wednesday even-ing, Sept. 27. The exercises are always of a high order, and these socials are very popular.

Fraternal Hall, Oakland, was well filled on Sunday evening, 17th inst. The meeting is under the management of Mr. Thos. Ellis. Mrs. Heussmann, of San Francisco, occupied the platform, and will also on the 24th.

HermeticBrotherhood. -The usual silent meditation was followed by a song by Mrs. Francese Rogers. Mrs. Belle J. Morse read a paper on Astrology. Both the paper and the ready answers to questions indicated a depth of thought and extent of research which means the burning of "midnight oil," in the study of the complex astronomical system called Astrology. Mr. T. O. Hydenfeldt, a volunteer returned from Manila, an-swered questions like a veteran. He maintained that the war could have been ended in 30 days, if they would let the soldiers fight. He says that "the secret of it all is politics."

The Sleeper Trust .-- In last week's JOURNAL we stated that Mr. W. H. Yeaw and Mr. Jas. B. Chase had resigned from the board of trustees "in the interest of harmony." They want it understood that their action was taken on legal grounds, and that while harmony may be the *result* of their action, it was not their motive. They could not sanction the action of the rest of the trustees in the proposed change in the location of the Temple, hence they resigned.

Ladies' Aid Social.-The ladies will hold their usual social and dance at headquarters in Occidental Hall, 805 Larkin St., on the last Friday evening of the current month, Sept. 29. Musical and literary exercises, followed by dancing and light refreshments, will be the order of the evening.

Capt. H. H. Brown gave a most instructive address at 117 Larkin St. on Sept. 20, also very satisfactory psychometric readings (from a voice) to several. He also gave to a business man (from a letter) a reading of the party who wrote it; pronounced correct. All who wish to avail themselves of such a treat from a worker of 25 years' experience, should on Sept. 27 go to 117 Larkin St. and help make these meetings as of yore, when under the management of Mrs. Briggs.

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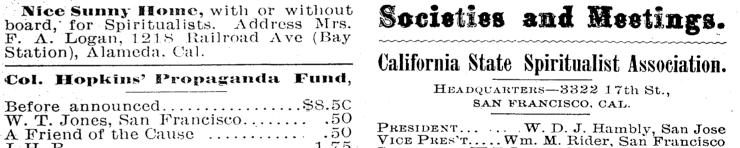
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Mission Lyceum Picnic.—Last Sunday about 200 children and friends went across the bay to Plittsville Park, near Fruitvale, Oakland. They went early and stayed late, and had a good time from start to finish. If you want to keep up with the procession, you will have to make the acquaintance of the officers and children of the Mission Lyceum. They meet every Sunday at Excelsior Hall, 2319 Mission St. Remember the entertainment and

dance given for the benefit of this Lyceum at Excelsior Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 27. It will be very enjoyable.

Universal Spiritual Association.— There was a good meeting at 20 Eddy St. last Sunday. The question under discussion was the words of the teacher of Nazareth : "Take no thought for the morrow." The spiritually-minded recognize the force of the injunction, but the materialistic socialists (who always have a chip on their shoulder) reject this, and fight for the form of godliness, but deny the power thereof. Next Sunday the discussion will be on "Self-preservation."

The Scott-Briggs Meeting, so long the popular Spiritualist meeting of the city, has been resumed after a vacation extending over a period of several years, at 117 Larkin St. Last Wednesday evening, Capt. H. H. Brown and Mr. Wilson occupied the platform, with Mrs. Rosie Stender at the piano. These meetings will be held every Wednesday evening, with good talent in attendance.

Oakland.-The Union Spiritual Society meets every Wednesday at 85614 Isabella St. Last week Mrs. Palinbaum read a poem, "Your God and Mine:" the doctor gave convincing tests of spirit return, followed by Mrs. Stewart, of Oakland, with spirit messages. These meetings are well attended and convince skeptics that there is no death. On the 27th, the noted medium, H. Allen, will be present and give a musical-circle manifestation for the benefit of the society. Vox.

Friendship Hall.-Mrs. C. J. Meyer entertained a large audience last Sunday evening at 335 McAllister St.

Mrs. Wren's Meeting, at 117 Larkin St., was well attended and very suc-cessful, last Sunday evening. This is the Church of Divine Spiritual Truth of which Mrs. Wren is pastor.

Mrs. Albert Smith, of Clairville, Cal., is here on a short visit to her old home.

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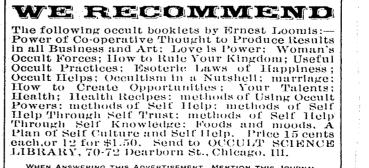
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