

Woman and the Household.

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REVENUES.

Who counts God's revenues to-day? What eye hath seen the half of gold...

In gratitude I lay my ear Close to the ground, and, listening, hear...

A departure in church life has just begun. For a long time progressive persons have insisted...

The handsome Beacon church in Kensington, Philadelphia, now in process of completion...

It lies with women to change an ancient, decreed and costly way of maintaining public worship...

Women are the natural pioneers in moral reform, the natural teachers of ethics.

A class for the study of Politics has been lately started in Boston. It is an important branch of the N. W. S. A. of Mass., and is most successful and interesting.

Something of the kind ought to be started in every neighborhood. Every woman as a citizen, having the same right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" as every man, needs to be intelligent regarding matters of daily interest in political life.

The PANSY. (D. Lathrop & Co., Boston.) Pretty stories and illustrations will be found in the Christmas number.

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LADIES' FLORAL CABINET. (New York City.) A magazine devoted to Floriculture and Domestic Art.

"To secure the equilibrium of sex is then the first step in reform, and we have retarded civilization by constant separation of the best elements in humanity."

Magazines for January Received.

THE POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY. (D. Appleton & Co., New York.) M. Pasteur contributes the initial article to this month's issue on inoculation against Hydrophobia.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY. (Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.) This number has an unusually interesting table of contents.

ST. NICHOLAS. (The Century Co., New York.) W. D. Howells's long-promised story, Christmas Every Day, opens this number, and his little daughter adds some amusing illustrations.

THE MAGAZINE OF ART. (Cassell & Co., New York.) The Magazine of Art for January has a curious frontispiece, a study of Cranes painted by a Japanese artist in 1830.

THE ECLECTIC. (E. R. Pelton, New York.) The January issue of the Eclectic opens a new volume. The first paper is by W. E. Gladstone.

THE QUIVER. (Cassell & Co., New York.) With the January number the Quiver enters upon its second year as an American magazine.

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ST. LOUIS ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE. (St. Louis, Mo.) The usual good reading matter is to be found in this issue.

BOOK REVIEWS.

[All books noticed under this head, are for sale at, or can be ordered through, the office of the RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL.]

MRS. HERNDON'S INCOME. A Novel. By Helen Campbell. Boston: Roberts Brothers. 16 mo, pp. 524. Price, \$1.50.

It is safe to say that no more noteworthy novel has appeared during the last decade. That class of laudrid and amiable analgesic, who spend a page of study over the lifting of an eyebrow or the meaning of a smile, find in this book a brave and successful reaction from their vapidty.

For this writer, life is too tremendous a reality to treat with paraffine. Human beings are our fellows; they suffer spiritually and physically, and the happy or successful must help the ignorant, oppressed and unfortunate—by direct gifts, save in extremity; most certainly not through existing charitable institutions.

Nor has the literary quality of the book been submerged by its moral purpose. Its charm increases from the first page to the last. The style is crisp and racy, yet finished, and there is not a dull line between the lids.

New Books Received.

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL UNITARIAN MINISTERS. By Rowland Connor. East Saginaw, Mich.: Evening News Printing House.

A LUCKY WIFE. A Story for Mothers, of Home and School Life. By Ellen E. Kenyon. New York: Fowler & Wells Co.; Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co. Price, \$1.00.

SPIRITUALISM AT HOME AND ABROAD: Its present position and future work. An address delivered before the London Spiritualist Alliance, Nov. 13, 1885, by the President. London: The Psychological Press Association. Price, 15 cents.

New Music Received.

WHERE IS MY DARLING LILY? Solo and Quartet. By S. W. Straub. Chicago: S. W. Straub. Price 35 cents.

Cатарrh and Bronchitis Cured. A clergyman, after years of suffering from that loathsome disease, Catarrh, and vainly trying every known remedy, at last found a prescription which completely cured and saved him from death.

The Atlantic Monthly. (Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston.) This number has an unusually interesting table of contents.

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Voices from the People.

For the Religio-Philosophical Journal. I have chosen her ground where the daisies around...

There let her repose, where the wild summer rose fills the air with its odorous breath...

Let no marble define her green resting place, But plant a young tree at her head...

Letter from Santa Fe, N. M. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal:

One of the most interesting places of this queer old city, consists of the rooms of the Historical Society, which are in the east end of the old Government Palace building...

The scarlet fever has been raging here for several weeks, but no children die but those of the low-class Mexicans. They depend on prayer, and generally lose their babies...

I have tried to find out how it was that I learned of the funeral train of a Mexican lady a few days ago; it was the most pitiful sight I have ever looked upon...

Prejudices Against a Science of Religion. We will begin with examining some prejudices that are connected with the very object of our study...

Let us take a single story from the Bible—that of Jonah, and examine the different acceptations it has received. We could hardly find a richer stock of interpretations violated by what I call the religious prejudices...

FATE. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: A thought comes to me on reading in your paper an article headed, "A Prophetic Vision"...

L. B. Tobias writes: The RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL is to me the most precious and dear to me; it is my happiness to see it weekly periodical. I feel as if I could not live without it.

THE DRILL OF THE GHOSTS.

An Old Sergeant on the Plains Tells a Strange Story of Governor's Island.

"The strangest experience I ever had," said the old sergeant, "was at old Fort William, on Governor's Island, in New York harbor, over twenty years ago...

"As I listened the uproar increased in volume until it was impossible for us to hear each other's voices without raising them to a high pitch. The guns were served with what seemed incredible rapidity...

"Some months after leaving the island I learned that during the Mexican war an artillery company drilled with these guns some time before they left for Mexico, and that they were nearly all killed in battle. I suppose it must have been a freak of theirs...

The Interior Endorses the Blood-thirsty John Calvin. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal:

I have just seen a sample copy of the Interior, a weekly paper bearing date December 17th, 1885, Chicago, Ill. My impression while looking over some of its articles was, that it savored of Presbyterianism, but on reaching the fourth column on the fourth page, some doubts arose in my mind which caused me to think my conclusion rather premature...

Figures Never Lie. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: In your issue of Nov. 28th is an article entitled, "The Reason why Father Adam ate the Apple," in which the writer very startlingly shows the inconceivableness of a long geometric ratio...

Mrs. Clara E. Sylvester writes as follows from Olympia, W. T.: I like your independence in standing by truth at all hazards, and your fearlessness in exposing frauds. I know there is genuine Spiritualism, and fully believe that it will pass the ordeal of complete separation from the chaff...

E. S. Jackson writes: You may put me down as a life subscriber, as I would rather give up all other papers than the dear old JOURNAL. I admire the stand you took years ago against frauds in and out of Spiritualism...

Dr. Samuel Spear on Spiritualism.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal.

Dr. Samuel Spear has recently been writing a series of articles in the Independent, all tending to lead one's thoughts toward a higher and better life, each succeeding article growing in interest...

This entire subject will bear careful, anxious, laborious thought. Does Spiritualism furnish this kind of work? It is a fact that at the date of the facts referred to, I was a member of the Baptist Church in Norwich, New York...

Prophetic Vision. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: The first portion of this narrative will be read by a large number who can vouch for its correctness...

Our Spiritual Diary. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: That there is a universality of belief from the lowest type of humanity of a continued existence after death...

Strange Incidents. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: In May, 1885, the writer being engaged, ordinarily, as an agriculturist in the State of Kansas...

His Description of the Death of Vanderbilt, Written Six Months ago. Washington (D. C.) Letter to Pittsburg Commercial Gazette:—Joquin Miller, the poet, is living in his cabin on the outskirts of the city...

Notes and Extracts on Miscellaneous Subjects. Texas Newspapers no longer say burn; they use the much finer word "ashify" in headlines. A writer in the National Druggist says that hens will lay profusely all winter if served with two warm meals a day...

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Spiritualism in Brooklyn, N. Y.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal.

"This city of churches and pulpits, the preaching of its pulpits of the doctrine of 'life and immortality brought to light through the gospel,' cannot furnish outside of modern Spiritualism one single fact of even the most infinitesimal proportions...

What supreme folly to talk as some of our friends do, of the superstitious, and yet those who thus speak will ridicule the idea of the supernatural. Their inconsistency is manifest. The bright intellectual light of the present age dissipates both the supernatural and the superstitious...

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