

Voices from the People. INFORMATION ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS.

THE SECRET WORD.

For the Religio-Philosophical Journal. D. M. Everything that God has given To his children here on earth, Has a meaning closely hidden Till the spirit's "secret birth."

The New Departure in Christian Science.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: I humbly crave permission in your columns to ask Mrs. Mary H. Plunkett, or Mrs. A. B. Worthington, what change is necessary to be made in the theory of Christian Science to make it agree with the practice of one of its most honored exponents.

"Platonic love, a pretty name, For that romantic fire, When souls converse a mutual flame Devoted of loose desire."

"Perpetual Motion."

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: In the Journal of June 1, 1889, is an account of the discovery of perpetual motion by a Georgia man. Now it is time that all old errors be exploded. According to the definitions of mechanical and scientific papers, and the dictionaries, the phrase is understood to mean a machine so constructed that it will run without anything to drive it; that it will run itself until it is worn out, or until some part breaks.

Advice to a Young Man. So you were a little too pert and spoke without thinking, did you, my son? And you got picked up right suddenly on your statement, eh? O, well, that's all right; that happens to older men than you every day.

Mrs. Edwin McFarlin writes: Enclosed you will find money order in payment for your most valuable paper, and as long as it remains as interesting to me as it now is, I feel that I would scarcely know how to do without it.

The Psychograph and Horse Shoe.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: Some time ago I bought of the Religio-Philosophical Publishing House one of Hudson Tuttle's Psychographs. When it arrived safely and unpacked I tried it, but it was all Greek to me.

Then again the scene changes and I see this man, bent and broken in a prison cell, and another who looks up at his grating window, as if in fear, and exclaims, "Will she come again to night?"

I then wish that Prof. Buchanan, or some other good Psychometrist, had this old horse shoe to see what it would reveal. But now to return to my Psychograph. It occurred to me to try it with this horse shoe.

Running Comments of a Kansas Editor.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: I have been a constant reader of the RELIGIO-PHILOSOPHICAL JOURNAL ever since it began its life, and I always like it pretty well.

I have been told that I was not far enough advanced to understand re-incarnation, and I am willing to admit it. I can see no wisdom nor religion nor philosophy in a system which teaches that a soul can acquire no wisdom except when inhabiting a mortal body; and that every man who dies will live in the future be a woman, and every soul must have in the mortal body the experience of every other soul.

Lyons, Neb., claims the champion wolf hunter in the person of L. D. Higley, who in the past three weeks has killed sixty-six of the "varmints."

THE LIGHT OF EGYPT.

A Great Newspaper Recommends the Book to the American Theosophical Society, and Calls the Work a Bold Attempt to Establish a New and Western Form of Theosophy.

[The St. Louis Republic, June 15th.] Orthodox Theology, or the doctrine of the "Higher Catechism," as the Saturday Review contemptuously styles it, has of late made remarkable incursions into literature.

Inroad made by the dreamy and ancient Orient into the thought of the vigorous and self-satisfied Occident has met with no antagonist so bitterly opposed to it as modern Spiritualism. If Theosophy be true, Spiritualism receives its death-blow, and vice versa.

In Oriental Theosophy and Buddhism that doctrine is so intimately connected with the repulsive dogma of re-incarnation that the Spiritualist says of both (quoting from the book before us): "In their outrageous scheme of esoteric philosophy, the millions of souls who are ignorant of the laws of Karma, and that they are suffering for. They are ushered into the world for the purpose of undergoing the fiery torments of their old fossilized Karma, and are completely ignorant of the fact."

DIFFERENT KINDS OF HEADACHE.

A Physician Discourses on Causes and Remedies for Head Troubles.

"There are many kinds of headaches," said a doctor recently. "In these days the nervous headache is a distinct variety. It is generally located in front of the head, across the forehead over the eyes. It may be on both sides at the back, or all over. It is painful, depressing, disabling. A man feels at the light of one of the paroxysms like a hunter who has galloped his legs clean off his life. The spur is of no use, and the patient is left to groan and groan, and endure both whip and spur than make any kind of an effort which will make the head pain worse."

"Heaven Revised."

This neat and well-written little volume is written from a spiritualist standpoint, and, as we imagine, throughout consistent with the author's belief. It seems to us that the orthodox believer could read this book with both pleasure and profit, since the author is a profound student of the Bible, and has interspersed her work with many beautiful quotations from the sacred records.

DEPENDS ON THE EYE.

Sometimes a Witness Thinks He Sees a Certain Man, but Is Very Much Mistaken.

"It would never do to put me on a jury where the only evidence against an accused was 'yes, that is the man,'" said Lawyer W. S. Forrest to a number of newspaper reporters who were discussing the possibility of his being called upon to testify in the case of the man who was supposed to have seen the furniture salesman, the real estate clerk, and the Carbons.

"The prisoner looked a little bewildered, but King told him to sit down and keep still, and the trial went on. The woman, whose house had been burglarized, identified the prisoner in court as the man whom she had seen leave the house, the pawn-broker in whose shop the goods were found positively identified him as the person who had pawned the stolen property; the policeman swore that this was the man whom he had arrested for the crime."

"The prosecuting attorney looked at the policeman and the policeman looked at the bailiff and the court smiled. Then the other James O'Brien was brought in and swore that he was the one arrested for burglary at the house, and that there was no man like him in the jail named James O'Brien who had been seen."

"Do you see the man who robbed you in the court-room?" asked Ingham. The witness looked quickly at the middle of the table, but he saw him with my full beard instead of the smooth-faced man the detective had pointed out to him. He did not know what to make of it. He looked all over the court-room and up in the gallery and finally said, "Yes."

Spiritualism and Psychological Society.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: A correspondent of the Washington Star, "H. H. S.," in a recent letter to that paper declares that Spiritualism is "booming" just now in New York; that doctors and diagnosticians, and all sorts of success, through spirit-mediums; that Wall St. speculators get their tip "tips" from similar sources; that a "very wise" Psychological Society is established here; that although it is natural for the imbecile to adopt the faith, it is a remarkable fact that many of the most intelligent and able among the upper classes, are among the believers, all which is more or less true.

The subject of Spiritualism, however, is not unusually booming just now, although it seemed so to the mind of this casual observer; but is leaving human thought quietly like a summer breeze, until some stormy wind of a legal prosecution arouses uncommon attention.

Notes and Extracts on Miscellaneous Subjects.

A Vienna lad of six attempted suicide to escape a strapping. It cost \$5,000 to cable a speech by the President of Chili to Europe.

There is a company organized in England which insures you against burglary. There are no fewer than 28,729 known thieves over sixteen years of age in England. Statistics just published show that there are 2,372 soldiers six feet or over in height in the British army.

The income of the Free Church of Scotland this year, \$339,939, being an increase of \$45,000 as compared with last year. The flood dumped fully \$200,000 worth of lumber which could not be identified on a farm near Milburn, Pa. Many poor men have been thus enriched.

The number of books belonging to the late M. C. Clarke, who died in 1887, and was in the Museum of Natural History, is estimated at 8,000 to 10,000. Nearly every branch of science is there represented. A painting of the Madonna, dated 1384, has been discovered in the village of Mesembria, an old Greek colony, near Bourgas. It has been removed to Sophia, where it will be placed in the Natural Museum.

Thirty thousand letters written to General Boulanger from sympathizers have been seized by the French government. Among them were offers of service from government officials, both civil and military. The Cherokee Indians support over one hundred common schools, with an aggregate of 1059 pupils, and a high school for boys with 211 students. They are just completing a seminary that will accommodate 165 students.

The largest ferryboat in the world is the Solano, used in carrying trains across the straits of Corquiza, between Benicola and Forts Costa. It is 460 feet long, and has a capacity of forty-eight freight cars and two locomotives. Dr. J. Taft, dean of the dental school at Ann Arbor, Mich., is the proud and happy possessor of a jaw taken from a 2,500-year-old tomb at Rome on which "bridgework" was done, similar in character to that done by the dentists of the present day.

A curious discovery has just been made in Eng land, in the neighborhood of one of the spithead quarries, between Benicola and Forts Costa. It is 460 feet long, and has a capacity of forty-eight freight cars and two locomotives. A Newfoundland dog in California which lost its mate was found no less than three times trying to dig open his grave. After the last visit the body, for some reason or other, was disinterred, and the dog upon sniffing the coffin took to the woods and thereafter refused all food.

The city of Buenos Ayres, in the Argentine Republic, has expended during the last six years \$10,000 in constructing sixty magnificent school buildings for 600 pupils each. They will have the finest buildings in the city, and a collective exhibit of them has made a sensation at the Paris Exposition. The Argentine Republic is now, after the United States, the country which spends most in proportion to population, for education.

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Advertisement for Samartian Nerveine. It includes the text: "SAMARTIAN NERVEINE IS UNFAILING AND INFALLIBLE IN CURING" and lists various ailments it treats, such as "Epileptic Fits, Spasms, Falling Sickness, Convulsions, St. Vitus' Dance, etc.".

Advertisement for Tar-Oid. It states: "A new method of compounding TAR. SURE CURE FOR PILES, SALT RHEUM" and provides contact information for The Dr. S. A. Richmond Nerveine Co., St. Joseph, Mo.

Advertisement for Dr. Warner's Corsets. It features an illustration of a woman wearing a corset and the text: "DR. WARNER'S CORSETS" and "Over 14 Millions Sold in this Country alone.".

Advertisement for Ridge's Food. It claims to be "THE MOST RELIABLE FOOD" and lists ingredients like "Wheat, Barley, Oats, etc.".

Advertisement for Tobacco Habit. It offers a "Quickly cured" method for tobacco addiction, mentioning "WATER FREE" and "MONEY BACK GUARANTEE".

Advertisement for a watch. It features an image of a pocket watch and the text: "I OFFER A Genuine WATCH \$4.50" and "WATCH \$4.50".

Advertisement for a poultry book. It says: "12,480 Eggs from 100 Hens" and "If you want to MAKE MONEY with BUT LITTLE WORK send for 12 articles on Practical Poultry Raising...".

Advertisement for a French paper. It mentions "A French paper states that at Cherbourg a short time ago two sailors were from 9 in the morning till 5 in the evening under water at the depth of ten meters...".