

ational, each has its own peculiar history, associations, methods, leaders, etc., and a fusion, even if there be no difference in matters of belief, may be very difficult to effect.

R. M. Smith, professor of Political Economy and Social Science at Columbia College, in testifying on the 24th before the Congressional committee on Immigration, said that the large number of immigrants now pouring into the country hinders national progress.

Although the boards of trade and exchanges are fighting the Butterworth bill prohibiting dealing in "futures," if it becomes a law it is not likely to have the effect to prevent corners or similar artificial shortages in the supply of great agricultural staples.

The late Henry B. Stanton's date of the Gerrit Smith obituary notice is worth repeating. It was midnight; the Sun had five columns of notice in type, of the most desirable kind, written by Stanton, Gerrit Smith's friend and ally for forty years.

The Arena some months ago published the first of a "No Name" series of papers entitled "The Glory of To-day," saying that "the one who first sends in the correct vote on the authorship of this paper, will receive the Arena for one year free."

The United States Supreme Court has decided against the right of a state to prevent the importation from other states of liquor in "unbroken packages," on the ground that the legislation of Inter-State commerce is expressly granted by the Federal Constitution to Congress alone.

Mr. Hudson Tuttle writes: "Possibly I may have a discussion on my hands. Dr. Sprecher, a leading minister of Cleveland, in a sermon made such a violent attack on Spiritualism that I thought I would silence him if no more."

The conservative Presbyterians are very stubborn in their adherence to the old phraseology of their creed, but this is an age of revision and the Presbyterian Church has decided, though by but a small majority, to alter the confession of faith so as to bring it more in accord with the spirit of the age.

hides behind the corpse of a dead merchant and declines to commence proceedings for his own defence because he does not care to put himself in a position to be cross-examined and made to explain how he came to possess Stewart's millions.

The fourth annual convention of the Connecticut Spiritualist Association was held at Norwich, April 26th and 27th. Delegates were present from Hartford, Meriden, Stamford, Willimantic, New London, and other cities and towns in the State.

One of the speakers at the General Federation of Women's Clubs in New York said that "the American woman of the Nineteenth Century had set her face toward the lost garden of Eden, and is not going to stop until she gets there."

The Berlin Labor Congress was not favorably disposed toward the Puritanical Sunday law. It was resolved that a weekly day of rest should be given in all cases where a suspension of labor was possible.

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Resolved, That Spiritualism is what it claims to be, communication with our departed friends. First—It is fully sustained by the Bible. Second—By science. Third—By experience.

It has often been urged against the exercise of the elective franchise by women that they cannot fight, the idea being evidently that they are not entitled to a voice in the government, since they cannot be called upon to defend the government when it is imperilled by invasion or when its rights have to be defended on the field of battle.

The Roman Catholic Bishops of Wisconsin in opposing the Bennett law are only carrying out the orders from Rome. In his latest encyclical the Pope said: "It is a duty assigned to the Church by God to offer opposi-

tion whenever the laws of the State injure religion and to endeavor earnestly to infuse the spirit of the gospel into the laws and institutions of peoples." The Bishops, therefore, put themselves in opposition to the right of the State to control the secular education of children.

M. Paul Blouet, otherwise known as "Max O'Reil" in a lecture given in this city a few days ago said: "The American is an active animal, too active for his own physical good. There is an impression in some localities here that leisurely living is somehow disreputable."

GENERAL ITEMS.

Mrs. L. A. Slosson has removed to 434 West Randolph street, and will be pleased to see her friends in her new home.

Dr. E. H. Densole, Magnetic Physician, formerly of Sturgis, Mich., has located at 1035 West Madison street, where he will be pleased to see his friends.

Mrs. Ada Foye writes that the "College of Spiritual Philosophy" has engaged her services for some months to come, therefore, her stay in Denver is indefinitely prolonged.

James Parton is authority for this: Horace Greeley, in his joy at carrying an election expressed sometimes to jump up and down like a lunatic, and once cried out "Won't somebody kick me?"

The long promised series of papers on "The Women of the French Salons," by Mrs. Amelia Gere Mason of Chicago, will begin in the May Century, with a profusion of illustrations. The pictures in the June number (it is said) will be still more interesting than those in May.

In Milwaukee an ex-priest was unceremoniously received into the Episcopal organization as a volunteer deserter from the Romish fold; but Archbishop Ireland followed the fellow up with testimony proving that he had been unfrocked for dishonest and immoral conduct.

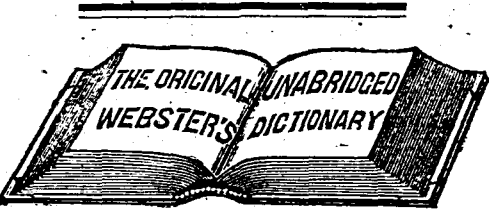
Religion of Man and Ethics of Science is the title of a book which Mr. Hudson Tuttle expects to publish soon. Mrs. Emma Ruddle also announces an early publication under the title from Soul to Soul, and consisting of a selection of her poems with the addition of eight pages of music to which her most popular songs have been set.

The greatest literary sensation of the winter in Paris was Camille Flammarion's astronomical romance, "Uranie," of which the Cassell Publishing Company are the American publishers. Up to the present time M. Flammarion has been known as the foremost astronomer in France, but now he has become at a bound one of her most popular romancers.

Mrs. Susan C. Vogl, business manager of the Woman's Journal, who died in Boston last week, did her first newspaper work on the Springfield Republican twenty years ago. She began journalism in Kansas when it was a territory, and she was one of the founders of the town of Sumner, Kansas, where she worked on the paper which was started there, the Western Spy.

Last week a deputation consisting of eight judges, including Judges Tuley, Grinnell and Waterman, visited the Mayor of Chicago and pointed out to him that the presence of women on school boards in England and in this country had been productive of much good, that Mrs. Ellen Mitchell, the only woman on the Chicago School board had proved a most valuable member, and suggested that two of the five vacancies soon to occur, be filled by women.

In Rhode Island where the "honest ballot" has long been suppressed by boodle, the Australian ballot system, according to the Providence Journal has yielded good results already. There is a marked "growth of independent voting" and it is believed that it will have a wholesome restraining influence on the power of the caucus, prevent the election of corrupt and disreputable candidates, and exercise a check upon the extravagance of partisanship.



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Then I knew the future was present, And the present would never go by, For it was out of the thought of my past life, Grown into eternity.

Psychical Science and the Church of the Spirit.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal. I must tell you that I have been bringing the subject of Psychical Science and practical medicine before some of the leading medical societies of the South, at the yearly meetings.

Practical Spiritualism: Reform.

To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: I consider the social, economic, financial and connected questions, which are now so widely and powerfully agitating the public mind, as a vital and essential part of Spiritualism.

ate and inseparable element of growth, if we are to have any growth hereafter upon this planet. Any Spiritualist, who is more than a phenomenalist, who has earnestly and devoutly studied, embraced and assimilated to his inner self the spiritual philosophy, and drank deeply from the life-giving waters...

With these preliminary remarks, rather more extended than I had designed, I will now introduce a motion or proposition which I think timely and practical. Pending the proposed election of an organization of Spiritualists, various suggestions have been made, among others, to join the Unitarian body.

Courageous and Timely Words. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: I asked the question "Is Spiritualism on Trial?" in the JOURNAL, (for which day I more clearly see the necessity that we arrive at a basis on which to build an organization representing pure Spiritualism).

Tests of Spirit Return. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: Speaking of tests of spirit return; at one of Mand Lord's circles, I became so much interested in others that I forgot all about myself.

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Spiritualism in Philadelphia. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: The first society of the Religio-Philosophical Journal has been honored by the presence of Mrs. Carrie Iwing, who gave good lectures, and closed with tests that pleased and edified her audience.

A Veteran Spiritualist's Testimony. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: From childhood I have often been clairvoyant and clairaudient. My pious mother, who was much annoyed by the phenomenon insisted it was all a dream, however soon it came true.

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A Voice from South Dakota. To the Editor of the Religio-Philosophical Journal: Sitting here alone as I am in my cozy home in Dakota favored with the clean pages of the JOURNAL for my companion and friend, I notice so many points in the discussion now going on among reasoning Spiritualists, that I become impatient to have a word say with you.

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