


## BOOR FIRST-THE SEVEN.

Chapter IX-a breanfast scene
Reader, the Seven are in action. Two day READER, the Seven are in action. Two days
have elapsed since the death of Zorah.
A deed of brutal violence has been accomplishA deed of brutal liolence has been accomplish.
edi; the corpse of the victim has been deposited,
with with appropriate ceremonies, in the tomb; and
tears of bitter agony have been shed by the
mourners. In the great city, there has been no mourrers. In the great city, there has been no
cessation of the ordinary routine of trafic and amasement. The intervening Sabbath has
scarealy lesseneed the din of the crowded streets scarcoly lessened the din of the crowded streets,
or soberea the brisk activity and gaiety of the
people.
Yet there are many houses unvisited by the Yet there are many houses unvisted by the
voice occheerful kindness, Go where wewill
smong rich or poor, learned ori ignorant, the sad among rich or poor, learned or ignorant, the sad
experience of the world convinces us how sel. dom the presence of Love can be distinguished
among the houshola gods. The mansion of Owen Tracey was a brick
building in Third street, three etories in heicht, respectable in its external appearance, contain.
ing ten or twelve apartments. of different sizes, s suitaly, and even elegantly furnished. In a
pleasant dining saloon, communicating with the
 and brother.
The master of the house was attired in a
slovenly morring gown, coarse linen pantaloons,

 Tracey, timidly extending a cup of the bever-
age toward her husband.
"Of curse I will, madam," he renlied gruffly
 always take coffee at breakkast? ", "Yes," said Mrs. Trace, still holding the cup
toward him.

"It was not my fault."
"Certainly not. maam. I am always to
Hame, whatever may happen. Tou are an imWame, whatever may happen. Tou are an im.
naculate personage, my love; said the elder
racey, with a sarcastic sneer. "I an at least to be treated with respect,"
id the lady, with an undefinable dignity of "Who wishes to treat you with disrespect?" did the husband; "but don't bother me when I Mrs. Tracey turned to Alfred Tracey, and
iently dispensed the hospitalities of the table. he young man received her attentions with a
ixture of deference and regard, which she ould not fail to observe. He gradually diverted pon general topics. His voioe was subdued was insensibly beguiled into a frank expression "By the by," said the young man, "we had,
pleasant party at the Willoughbys the other "I don An, and one is always sure of meeting the best Mrs. Tracey Montressor, the rich traveler, whose singular
recognaition of you excited my surprise. He
seems to have been an old acquaintance of yours? "I knew him previous to his departure to the
East,' said the lady, reservedly. "His riches, or his eccentricities, have excited Alfred Tracey, keenly scrutinizing the counte"His name has been connected also with a ice bit of scandal. It is said that he has a beauhat his residence, in A - street, where he has been liying en garcon, is fitted up in a style of
oriental magnificence. All the young fellows about own have Willoughby told me, last evening, that she had been taken ill suddenly, on Friday night, during the absence of Mr. Montressor
and died a few hours afterwards. He added and died a few hours afterwards. He added
that Montressor had refused to see his friends and was
These se These sentences, slowiy and distictly uttered
were listened to by Mrs. Tracey without inter ruption. The unembarrassed countenance of the listener defied the penetrating gaze of the young marmer acquaintance of Mrs. Tracey and The former acquaintance of Mrs. Tracey
Wilfred Montressor had gained access to his yosom,they were at least, for the time, complel. Her reply was calm and col
destroyed.
"I pay little attention to scandal, Alfred.
We cannot judge of a man like Mr. Montressor by the ordinary rules of human conduct. The
qualities of his mind and heart, at the time I knew him, were such as to excite universal es them

## "Mr. montres abr

Aht the proud upstart we met at Mrs. Wir lougbby's the other evening. Pray, madam, "He visited at my mother's occasionally."
"And you met him in society"
"No, siry"

- "Money makes the mare go. You are r
you visit where you please. That was befor

ning," said the elder Tracey, with the glance of
a demon. He slowly folded up the journal he
had been peruseing, and threw it carelessly upon
At this moment a domestic enterd the apart
house.
Owen Tracey glanced at the inscription, and
audibly pronouced the name "Francis Mor-
timer,"
"The gentlemau is waiting." said the ser-


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| of |} roted tect or acquirements, whose time was deBut the involous, perhaps profiligate, pursuits, intentions, which he just made

prejudices and her suspicions.
"You do not answer me, my sister," continu ed the young man, in a tone af entreaty.
"My friendship can avail you little," said Mrs Tracey, sadley.
"d myself to their mociety."
"It is thither, chiefly-to your pleasant library itted."
time." "And we will read together the works of the
great authors who have rendered themselves immortal by their genius. Shall it not be so,
my sister? I my sister? I am constrained to acknowledge
that I have only dipped occasionally into the that I have only dipped occasionally into the
best English classics. I feel that the delights of best English classics, I feel that the cueiights of
novelty will be greatly enhanced by the as-
edge." "Flattery, Alfred, between friends," said Mrs.
Tracey, with a very grave expression of coun-
tenance.
"Ido not flatter you, but I am not insensible
of your merits,"
of your merits"
replied the lady, "that they are not easily replied the lady, " that they are not easily dis
tinguished by the best understandings. It is too much the way of the world to seek to win
friendship by appeals to self.love; yet, I presume,

## words, and prodigal of deeds."

Ing from the table bowed respectfully. On ris
commencin
est leisure.

and finally he himself took to his bed with some
inexplicable complaint. Strange sights were
seen and strange noises heard at night which seen and strange noises heard at night which
haftled all attempts at explanation. Suffice it to say, the family left after the first month. "An honest phlegmatic German who worked
in a carpenter shop in the Ninth Wark, next took in a carpenter shop in the Ninth Wark, next took
the louse. But all his phlegm and want of im-
a gination could not carry hin throu agination could not carry him through the sight
one eveniug, of a sceptre swingiog from a rope,
supported by the identical beam from which the supported by the identical beam from which the
old man han fastened the noose which launched
him into eternity, caused the German to leave even sooner t than, clis pred deceessor.
"The house was months without an inhabitant "The house was months without an inhabitant
but finally was let to to colored fanily. It was
not long however. before two of the blick man's not iong howe ver, berore two of the black man's
child ren, dying with the mensels, and he him-
self being laid up with a terrible fit of inflamma-
 demons in the botomless pit were torturing his
flesl) and muscles, he collected his few household flesi and muscles
inand moved
in the country.
he house the colored man's incontinent departure as we have descrived it, falling rapaidily intand de
cay. The children shun it, and content them solves The children shun it, and content them-
sith llirowing stones at its cracking walls selves with lirowing stones at ils cracking wall
and dilapitated roor from a safe distance.
There ire those who avart that the supernaturThere are those who avert that the supernatur-
al lights may he sometimes seen gleaming
throught he interstices of doors and windows throught he interstices of doors and window
when the wind is high and the nights are dark
and gloomy."

Slugular Freak of a Lunatic.
ing from Dixon Springs, Tenn., says:
Our communuity was startled on the morning
of the 1st of October by the information of the suicide of Lievi Pittus by the information of the
five or six miles northeast from this lived some the most extraordinarayy circumstances.
The deceased during the war received a fright from which he never entirely recovered, a and has
at various periods exhibited sllght aberration
 and some months since his reason bocame com
pletely dethroned. His insanity or mania
that a p plan to hang that a plan to hang. His hinsanity or mania was,
his enemies, and that thad been councocted by
pursuing him for that purpose. On the day of this purpose.
was unusually exeited, Sept. 2anth told hirs wife
whe
 they were after hims. He ran rapd, calling that that a
thicket, followed by his wife, and disapard a and nothing. Whe seenen then returned to tisappeared of the 1st. There had been search made for hing
during the unt the morning he morning of the but without success, and on that the search should be thorough and com phete, and neighoors were to rendezzous at hi
house, ond oning to that point through
the woods discovered lis dead body. He was hanging in the fork of a dimb bof an. He was
sugar treee sixty-three feet from the ground less for forty thee froet in diameter, and limb
cround He had
climed the body of the tree and ascended to upper limb and crawled out fifteen feet upon
that, and discovered that the fork that angled up
from the main lim that that, and discovered that the fork that angled up
from the main limb and droped himself into it
and so perished. Taking it altogether it is one of the most extraordinary suicides on record The name of this little instrument is said to
have been derived from "thumb-bell," beingl a Dutch invention, and was brought to En is of mencedits manufacture at Islington, whear Lorcess. Formerly iron and breass were wand suc , but
latterly steel, silver and gold have taken theiplaces. In ordinary manufacture, tainim plates
of metal are introdnced into a die, and then
punched into punched into shape. In Paris, gold thimbles
are manufactured toa large extent. Thinnsheets
of sheet ison, are are cut into dies of two incles of sheet-iron, are are cut into dies of two inches
in diameeter. These being heated red-hot, are uaily increasisunch in depth a number to give theles, proper prad
shape. The thimble is then trimmed polished and indented around its outer surface with a It is then of converted, by means of a smatl whee.
tion proce by the ceanenta-
tempered, scoured, and brought to a blue color. A tinin sheeto of gold is then intro-
duced into the interior and former by means of a polished steel mandril. Gold leasf
is then applied to the outside, and attached to it groove made to redges being fastened in a small
receive them. The thimble is then ready for use. Those made in this manner
do not wear out, as so many ordinary gold
thimbles do, but will last tor years. The gold coating, if cut awy by needles, may be easily
replaced, but the steel is of an excellent quality
and very durable.

Q38:Stopping at a village tavern in New JerHall, an English traveller, surprised that a sparse country should have reached such a perfection
in these meteorological manufactures said to tander, "Why, you have very heavy thunder here"" "Well, yes," replied the man, "we du consideting the number of inhabitants.
The whipping post has been abolished in

of life for the last eighteen years，I fear not
that it will fail me at the last． A few words of inquiry in regard to the far
amed Planchette．Are there all equally to be lepended upon，or are they counterfeits at this early stage of theis appearance？ have tried it；but with none has it worled in ny degree satisfactory．It was manufactured y Kerby，and Co．，New York．Robert Thomas．
Ssseo，Hennepin Co，Minnesota，Oct，2d 1868 Dear Br Dear Brother：Planchette work with work．Brother，we should say，spirits are ena－ $t$ ．When there is present a medium through hose atmosphere，or electrical elements the How good it seems to find an old man，just eady and ripe for the spirit land－saying，＂Spir arlsm is hie ardior on which have stayed $\mathrm{m} y$ ighteen（more or less）years，I fear not that it vill fail me at the las mple is worthy of imitation－How Your ex claim it to the world．

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Sir：I saw a notice in my Journal，request－ ng me to send my post office address，as you
had received my letter with one dollar of mon－ y．My address is，Jonesboro，Grant county， ndiana．I supposed when I wrote that as you the last three years，that you had become some at your office last spring and saw my name and dave another like it，nor do I guess there is an－ other in the United States ；yet if it is too much trouble to read from the list，I will get my
name and address printed on a card and send name and address printed on a card and send convenience．Yours，etc．A．B．Goodyкoontz． Retarks．
Reicarkes．
informed that his card would The brother is informed that his card would
very acceptable as a token of triendship． We like such tokens of kind feelings，but as we
have so many other things to think of，we have so many other things to think of，we
might be troubled to look up lis card，especial－ ly if all other correspondents should addopt the
same rule and fail to give their town and state same rule and fail
when writing us．
hames of persons and places as we wish it was，
trouble to give your place of residence when writing letters，we would suggest that in that
particular the good old and almost universal cus－ particular the good oud and
tom seems to be the best．

Brotimer Joxes；After the Spiritual Repmb－ you－and one from Brother Wadsworth，each criminating the other；and presenting a good showing of his side of the question．How then
（under the circumstances）could I determine Who was speaking the truth？So I concluded resurrected，and if there was a possibility of its
llving before I would send any money．In your ssue of June 6th，1868，I saw an appeal to your friends；in which was so fair a statement，and， couched in so enrnest，and modest language，
that it made me feel satistied I could send you The money with safety，and that the paper
would be continued．I will say here，that it grieved me much－to hear brothers criminating each other．
Brother Jones，－at the bottom of that appeal， I saw a short article headed，＂The Immensity of Divinity，＂which sent a thrill of exultation
throughout my being，and made me respond creat truth，a great truth．Because I have rea lized it since the are of fifteen，and have spoken of it thousands of times in my intercourse with men．In those few earnest and simple thoughts，
and that one simple expression of the＂Beloved and that one simple expression of the＂Beloved
One of Nazareth，＂（with your happy remarks One of Nazareth，＂（with your happy remarks
upon it．）I think it more exalting to the refined upon it．）I think it more exalting to the refined
and Spirtually minded；than all the scientific and logically written matter you could put into your columns．
Now Brother Jones，it don＇t take up much room－and I will suggest the idea to put it in one corner of your paper，and stereotype it for one year；so that all of the subscribers you get during that time could read it；because it is so elevating and inspiring．In fact，all such funda－ graphs，and stereotyped for sometime；that your graphs，and stereotyped for sometime；that your them．
Your remarks upon it are truly applicable and explanatory，and evinces that you have a
fill apprciation of the loveliness，and truthful－ ness of the expression．When I read it I wept．

## San Francisco，Aug．16th， 1868

## remarks．



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Muskootisk，Mimesota，October 26ill I868．

## Cotter trom Job smyth

good while ago for the Journal，the paper hes continued to come up to the present time，and now it has become so much improved that I bo I am owi should have attended to the matter before but fel：thatit was just as apt to be a failure as an way，and so put it off．Now its prospects bright．
ens，and I teel as though it would be a success． Please send me your bill and I will attend to it for I cannot do without the paper now． I like the style now－the story if well writte will be an attractive element．It is a time whe people like to read fiction．Uncle Tom＇s Cabin
did much for the slave．So well written storics did much for the slave．So well written storics
are calculated to reach many who would never learn otherwise．
Thave read most of the papers adrocating Sppritualism ever since Christian paners they and too much＂one idea＂and repetition of the same thing．Now I hope the Relagio－Prilosorfical Journal will be full of life，variety，long stories short stories，and lively stories．One good story， much matter if it $\underset{\substack{\text { minch } \\ \text { phy } \\ \text { ot }}}{ }$
Ot course you are in want of my advice or
I would not have given it．But send me the a stamp that I can feel proud to give it to my
unspiritualistic neighbor to read，and that he may get so much inter
subscribe for it himself

The foregoing letter probably expreses the who are in arrears in payment for the Journal．
Certain parties who had been interested breaking down the Jourxal，issted a lying cir－
cular for the purpose of preventing the resussi－ cular for the purpose of preventing the resussi－
tation of the Jocrmal．We assured our sub． scribers that we were in earnest inour efforts still of success in the minds of many whoare now owing for the Jounvar．will pay up promptly as Bro．Smythe proposes to do． There＇s no occasion for any one to enquire for the amount due，as it is easily perceived by the memorandum on the margin of the paper Reck－ which was on the 26 th of Sotember 1868 ，and at the rate of three dollars a year from that time on，in advance，whether it be for one year or
half a year．Come brethren let us have oul half a
dues．

## Letter．From Mr．Spetigue

Dean Sir：I wish to express to you how de lighted I am with the improvement you have
made in your paper；the enterprise and energr manifested in resusc itating the paper when life was almost extinct，through the inability of your predecessors，deserves the lighest praise
－is a powerful claim on the sympathy and support of every liberal mind in the West．The letters of your two correspondents，Mrs．Wilcos－
son and Mrs．Hyzer，in this號 Your congratulatory rem
the solid advance Spiritualism is makling in this city，have inspired me to write you a few lines not for self glorification，but to give an impetus to the movement in other places by showing
what can be done by a little financial ability and what can be
perseverance
Last January，the President of the First So ciety called a meeting，in Crosby＇s Music Hall，
and resigned his position，stating that the Socie－ ty was $\$ 345$ in debt，and no funds to pey it with showing a letter from Mrs．Warren，who had been ecturing for them，calling on lim for the amount
due her and stating that she would be placed in very uncumfortable circumstances if it was not paid immediatel．
the Hall，it was thought Lyceum turned out with must be closed，－the head．＂As the last resource Mr．Peters pro－ posed that the constitution and by laws be sus－－ pended and that Brother Spettigue be requested
to take the whole thing into lis hands，and work to take the whole thing into his hands，and
the institution on his own responsibility． the institution on his own responsibility．
After refusing for some time such a responst－ After refusing for some time such a responsl－
ble position－with much hesitancy I accepted the position，and went to work with a will．
On examining the books I found the subscrip． tion would not amount to $\$ 25$ per month，when they were actually incurring expenses of $\$ 4.5$ per week．I immediately turned my attention receipts were four fold
receipts were four fold．
I paid Mrs．Warren，－
I paid Mrs．Warn
Soclety，which liad
meetings twice every Sunday，throughout the
summer，besides 年ding meetings at the Court
House steps，paying over $\$ 1,600$ ，and this has been done in spite of tremendous opposition， from without and within，until to day its tring
are being felt in every chnrch in the city． Such has been the alarm of our orthodo ities to suppress our meetings as being danger－ ous to the morals of the community，a ple
which every despot in Europe which every despot in Europe has
crush the advance of human fieedom
crush the First Societyl feel ieedom
The First Societyl feel themselves strong enough to start again．They have engaged Li－ cess．I am much pleased to find parties hard at work tosustain these mectings．
So with Paul I rejoice that the gospel is preached．
Large houses greeted both speakers the last Library Hall last Sunday，and would have been happy to have furnished the First Ssciety with keep a reserve of inspiration to meet any emer gency that may occur，in looking at the past
and present，I am constrained to say with good old John Wesley．
rusting that this simple statement will spire others to throw in their energies to accom－
plish such grand and glorious results ；knowing that the truth can never die，and that Spiritual science，and its philosophy，the predominent re legion of this land；reconstructing the varion systems of trade，politics cte．，and so bring in the happy day when ye slall have no need say to your neighbor＂know ye the Lord
But all shall know Him from the least to greatest．
Chicago，October，20th 1868.
Letter from Dr，P．E．Handolph S．S．Jones：I am nearly out of hell．I
that good news？I now see othy I have b，
there．The Powers tell me that my time to there．The Powers tell me that my time to
a new role in the world is at hand，and that
I am to be made to thunder new truths into
ears of the people against the chicanery of politi－
cians and demagogues，North and South．I tell them I am willing．
I shat
and will call
ing three months．Meantime，I will be able
resum 9 my letters to the Resi／gio－Pn
I want a series of engagements for the whole
time I am West and a word from you，will time I am West and a word from you，will get
them fast enough．The first month，I will spend
in Wisconsin，the second，in Minnesota，and the thirr，probably in Ioveva，and Missours，in fact，
am not particular，but s this is probably my lecture tour，I want large audiences to speak be－
fore．I wish some able pen，would write the life and suffering of a spirit medium，for it would
be a deeper tragedy than was ceer seen on the mimic stage．That and the li
editor would cap the
for they go to hicaven through the twenty－four papers，covering twe twenty－four papers，covering twenty－four top
and the above will comprehend one of them． lately Jearnel that John Francis of Olathe writes for you，and I am glad of it，for I believe
him the finest brain in Kansas，and that with eighteen months，he will be one of the giants our spiritual tribe．Keep him writing by means，for he has the true metal，and plenty
it too．
medium named Jacksen．He wrote me to come and take a hand in the show，but not knowing
Jackson＇s reality，，I deelined until I consulted widh you on this point．I know Goodwin wel and of yore，he is smart，but who is this w
derful medium？Do yon vouch for him？ derful medium？Do you vouch for him？I
xais，grow so．It is a good sign．
Boston，Masz．Nov．2nd， 150
LWe are glad to hear from you brother，and we will venture the assertion that nine tenths
of the readers of the Joctiva will tail the ap pearance of your articles with delight．J

| Letcer from William Pail． |  |
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| Edron：I perceive from the margin on |  |
| will soon terminate；$a$ tew brief months and we part company；as I am poor and an invalid and |  |
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| see no possible way to renew my sulseription， much as I desire to do so． |  |
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| My circumstances are pecul |  |
| my political views hare alienated my friends and |  |
| relatives；and trials，persecutions，and poverty are my portion，although at times the dawn of <br> glarious future seote to arise and senter the |  |
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| dark clouds only to usher in impenetrabe dark－ ness ；and so time passes，and finds me clinging |  |
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| to the cherished isms，dispite the taunts，impre－ cations and dolefut liowls of ignorance，bigotry and intolerance，and I shall continue steadfast； |  |
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| though tyranny doom me to multiplied misfor－ tunc． |  |
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| The Joumat has been a delightful and wel－ |  |
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| come visitor，its pages abound with interestingnews，it is soothing to even invalids ：it unfolds the beauties of the Summer Land；it teaches | Mrrs．Eliza C．Crane，Sturgit， |
|  | I．T．T．Child，M．D．， 634 Rnee street， P |
| that the weary and heavy laden of earth arethrice welcome and cordially greeted on entering |  |
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| the portals of the Summer Land ；that their en－ |  |
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 I may write a more cheering contribution some
time in the distant future．
Tipton，Ind．Oct． 201858.
Ourbrother speaks from the abinndance of his
soul．He loves the truths of our philosopiy，
desponds and grieves over the lack of means to pay for that which contributes most to his hap．
piness．It is the result of a morbid condition of the mind－how many thousands are anficted in
the same way．Rise above it，Dear Brother－
live in and norvish the himher faculties of the live in and nourish the higher faculties of the
mind，and if you must starve any portion o man or woman need be without mental food， years subscripmion at a time．Itis not anse
any one to think they cannot raise one dollar to
pay for a months．We know of many a poor woman who
think nothing of doing it，besides supporting a large family of chiidren．But we will continue to send the Jorpsaf to you Brother rather than
youshould go without it in your hours of aflic－
$\mathfrak{C}$ axespamicuce in Brict．
 lectured to acceptance for the month of Oct．and
Miss Nettie Pease commences her lectures next Sunday，
Our first sociable was a grand success and our
es are united in their influence agninst us，but
＂they thatare for us are more than they that
are against us．．
N．F．Waterman，of Collwater，Michigan，
writes：
We are having considerable commotion in
our midst，caused ivy many very remarkable

speakers register．


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Ectigin-2yhilosophical Hournal CHIOAGO, NOVEMBER 21,1868 . OFFICE 44 , 86 \& 88 DEARBORN ST., sa FLLOOR.


 $\underset{\text { STEAM CARRIGGES for comion }}{\text { ROADS. }}$ We have long implicitly believed that steam
carrages for ordinary mngraded roads would yet be a success and come into quite common us. Such we hat the unvarying haw of progress.
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One of the greatest drawbacks or obsticles in the way of applying steam to such locomotives,
has been thie dificiculty of ascending inclined plains. $A$ shrewd Scotchman has succeeded tri-
umphantly it seems, by the account of a Scoteh paper, in surmount
mountable difificulty























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 which has ever yet been made in the use of
steam on common roads. It completely removes
the two fatal difficuties which have hitherto
barred the way to the use of traction enginesize, the mutual destruction of the traction en-
fine and the roads. The ind rubber tires, im-
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## The manifestations of spirits, or disom.

 the presence alone of those who believe in thefact and possibility of their power and ability to | ho so. And while this is the case, we are much |
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| amused and just a aitlte provored to note the | manner in which the seculuar press receive, treat

and attempt to dispose of such cases as occur
amongst the unbelieving. While they are often constrained to admit the facts, they studiously antempt to ascribe them to dreams, perverted
vision, or some other physical derangement of the body; or to electricity, magnetism or to
some other cause equally foreign and difficult to some other cause equally foreign and difficult to
be explained and accounted for. Stubbornly
refusing to accept the only true, literal and rational, and most easily explained philosophical and scientific explanation. Thus the Mononga
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free circles, asks:
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churches rest?"
To which the controlling spirit very truthful-
"As Spiritualism seems to be the great ab-
soring theme of this age, I believe that
greater amount of good in a smaller space o
time could be done by dealing with Spiritualism
 says, 'Let the churehes. rest! !"- that is to say,
they can; but there is such an internal commo
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church. Spirtualism seems to have gone int church. Spiritualism seems to have gone into
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What not this modern spiritualism is true or false
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itself there will be rest, and not till then." This is the voice of reason, no matter from
whom or where. It is a truth, and as suc
would be as much so coming from the lips of Oh as from the highest angel heart,every mind and soul must "solve the prot Truth is ever present. The elements are unfold, as the rose blooms to receive the dews Strange to contemplate the fact that human souls live, move and have their being in an at
mosphere of truth and know it not. But so it is Truth, the solution of the problem of religion philosophy or the law of our being, enfolds us,
encompasses us as the water encompasses the fisb; and we have not to go afar off to obtain it; Jut
merely to wipe away the obstructions, which like a veil obscures the sight of the truth. This cannot be done to or for the individual by outside or extraneous influences alone. The work mus truth for himself. It cannot be given as a gift or bought with a price. This process will in
evitable be an individual one, and hence slow. But to each soul who unfolds to this degree "all truth," the age of "peace on earth and
good will to men " has come. And the only dif ficulty in the way of perfect rest to that soul is the want of development of others to this sul.
lime and divine degree of unfoldment, with lime and divine degree of unfoldment,
whom he or she has to deal and mingle Hence the Millennium, or great mingle. like the great day of Judgment, is all a myth. For as the day or judgment is theach soul an Souls will continue, for indefinite cen turies to be


This week we have given much of our space
to various contributors, cach he found more or less interesting. One (a well written a under the caption of "Straws." We are pleased to lay Brother Thompson's essay before ou readers, yet do not wish to be understood as cisms against men and mediums, as he indulge
in against Mr. Fay. Our desire is, in conducting in against Mr. Fay. Our desire is, in conducting
a public Journal, when we can not speak well of a person to say nothing at all. And we fain would imbue each and every correspondent and contributor with the same Christ-llke spirit virtuous forbearance, and divine chaity.
Our mediums, whether of gooit or bad moral character, deserve all the support that Spiritual ists can give them, and far more than they gen
erally receive. Surely if our dear friends, an gels in the household of God, can deign to use medium of immoral character, we can surely be as patient to hear them. Mr. Fay we know to be a powerful medium for physical manifestations, as well as an able speaker in defense of
the truths of Spiritualism. Further than that we have nothing to say of him, only that wo ask especially for all mediums. We have wit nessed in Mr. Fay's presence, evidences of
spirit power and intelligence that in their true and intrinsic worth are of far more value to the
world than all he can do as a bad or wicked man, even if he were such, to counterbalance. We are speaking of the medium, and not on
his character as a man, with which we do no propose to deal. Were we to embark in such
a cause, we fear we should have an endless task; for there are few but would come unde
the ban of criticism. Let them that are without the ban of criticism. Let condemnation assail Brother Fay e prefer to cast the beams from our own eyes

## OUR STORX

The story we are publishing is intensely inter esting, and the moral taught will be found ex.
cellent. One brother, who neither subscribe for our paper, nor any other weekly Journal
devoted to Spiritualism, objects to the title of the story, "Wilfred Montressor; or the secret Or crime." So the world condemns our faith, our
philosophy, and our own believers occasionally phllosophy, and our own believers occasionally follows from noble deeds, and the evil to the all think alike.

## THE SOROSIS.

This is the title of a pert, neat, weekly publi-
cation of sixteen pages, published at 104 Ran dolph street, by Mrs. M. L. Walker and Co. It have no objecton, in fact are glad of it, but we
seriously think, it ought to be devoted to their
bies, which would include all mankind. babies, which would include all mankind. But
it is nodoubt the right paper devoted to the
right subject. We extend to it, the right hand Terms, 83 per annum.

## BLUNDERS.

In the absence of our foreman last week, our evil had it pretty much hisown way ; the fruits makiug up the forms. But he is again at his will strive to give our patrons as neat a paper
in mechanical appearance as issues from any press in Chic apo, or the West.

## MOVEMENTS OF DR. BARNARD.

## We understand Dr. Barnard, of Lansing Mich. has several engagements to deliver a course

 six lectures upon "The Scientifle Evidences of: Future Life, its Location, Character and Condi tion. These engagements lie along the lines of R. R. We are informed that hedraws large au diences and is doing much good in establishingthe truth of our philosophy. Keep him in the the truth of
harness.

## MISS R. C. R. D'EVERE

Mr. Spettigue informs us that he is in receipt of a letter from this lady, a Trance medium in the West, this winter and spring. From pri rate advices and from the BanNigr, he can confilently reccommend her as a test medium and
lecturer.

A convention of women in ger-
On the seventeetnh of last month a convention of women was held at stutgardt; but not, as
would at first be inferred, to discuss the question of female suffrage, but to discuss the follow
ing points: 1. To find out the best way and means to
teach young mothers how best to regulate the physical edicato establishment of small musuems of
literature, art, and industry. These muse
ums would not merely contain the best works o
und literature and artespecially adapted for woman, wom
but they would principally be akind of schools or academies. Places for meetings, lectures,
and the like, in which topics, such as the educa est, should be treated by competent women and
men, if these can be prevalied upon to assist in
the the movement. There would also be sunday
schools for women and girls of al classes, sav-
ing banks, supply associations, offices for those that wanted places, etc.
3. The commencent of a reform in dress, chiefly directed against the vagaries of fashion,
and the best ways and means to cary out this
and reform effectually. As a basis for this reform
the following points have been accepted, Which That nothing be declared "old fashioned"
ate and becoming found useful, appropri (3. That nothing new be adopted uuless it has proved itself to bo botio to the pursose
and answering the demanes of good tatie.

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A Midsmmer Night's Dream," which has he prent withdrawn, at McVicker's Theatre. Saturday the 14th will be the last Matinee. On Monday the 10 th will witness the appearlar tragedian, Mr. Edwin Booth; who is engaged for the week ensueing His reportoire for the first week is as follows: Monday, "Bratus;" Tuesday, "Merchant Venice "" Wednesday, " Rielielleu; Thursday "Othello;" Friday, "Hamlet;" Saturday, "The Apostate." Seats can be secured now at the
box office, and as of course, there will be a rush through the week, they should be secured as

The Riching's Grand English Opera are per-
forming with good success at the Opera House, and are drawing full houses. Our Daily papers

Another New Play has just been introduced
at Col. Wood's Museum by our indefatigable riend, Mr. Aiken, the sole Lessee and Manager or this popular resort for amusements. The
Daily Tribune says of it, and truly we have not a doubt, that "it is one of the most decided suc-
cesses Mr. Aiken has yet brought out, and seems to be good for an indefinite run."
It ias drawn crowdeed houses every night
his week; and as it will probably vin for som his week; and as it will probably sun for some
time, friends at a distance may have an opporunity to witness
It is entitled the Lancashire Lass. It is given
with Beautiful Mechanical effects, Handsome Scenery, and Elegant Appointments.
Matinees Wednesdays and Saturdays, at half
Ole Bull is again with us. He is to give con-
certs at Library Hall, on Friday and Saturday - verings, Nov. 13th and 14th; assisted by the Mowing Favorite Artists:
Miss Baron, (of Boston), Soprano : Mr. Gus tavus F. Hall, Baritone; Mr. Egbert Lansing, Pianist and Accompanist.
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Admission, One Dollar.
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Arlington Hall has changed hands. It has been thoroughly refitted and repaired, and will
be opened to the public on Thursday evening,
the 12 th inst., by Sharpley \&Cotton's Minstrels in a permanent place of amusement. five one. There is no doubt but that the new company will cause this to be an attractive re-
ort for all who enjoy this sort of fun.

England is actually 426 miles long. dies.
The wonderful invention, "the steam man,"
Canadian enterprise is aptly illustrated by an ust two weeks after its delivery,
Joseph Livtchak, a Russian editor, claims to The motive force is steam, and the rate of speed ighty miles per hour.
An English amateur has attained the great
peed of fifteen miles per hour with a veloci pede, and intends to challenge a locomotive. A man named James Alexander Thompson Catholic from the papers found on him to be burglary recently. He said he couid not swer whether he was guilty or not, but he sup posed
mitted.
It is estimated that over a million bushels of eed oysters have been taken from the new oyster bed off Bridgeport since Sept. 1 , and
there is no falling off in the supply, as yet. The
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lest packaye contained, as I thought, the final extracts from my journal; but there is a great deal of interesting matter still left, and which many of your readers know but little about. Yeal it in a dozen envelopes if you please, and use every precaution you can desire to prevent its being opened withont detection-on one oc asion Midlle-this letter you endorse, with the the midalle - this leeter yome medium, who is developed for that purpose. I have had more than thirty answers through J. V, Mansfield, 102 West 13th
street, New York, and not one at fault. In a lew days your letter will be returned, perfect a very word. One of my letters contained nine
questions, numbered in cancelation
Three months after the departure
addressed him the following letter
"April 5 , '69. My dear Joseph, you have now the truth of what Iso earnestly

## You have also learned from your dear Ann

 hrough this medium, was indeed from heland perlhaps you now think that her dying re-
uest, to give no heed to spiritualism, was no quest, to give no heed to spiritualism, was not na very different light and $I$ wish you to unbur den your heart to me fully. Your father. Mansfield, perfect as when sent, and with the "My dear father, my dear father, on the pended knees of my sonl-my spirit, do 1 im son. I was erring, wrong, wrong, wrong, all
wrong; though I thought I was right, and that you were, to all intents crazy upon the subject
of spiritualism. But, father, you are right, and was wrong, wrong, wrong.
Little could life realized what one shor four world from this; my mind was deeply ex our worlid from this; wy mind was deeply ex-
recised by thoughts of what you often told of life beyond the grave, and of my promise to dear
Anna, that I would touch not, taste not, handle not the subject so distressins

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pposite shore? It was Frank and my darling
Anna; who came bounding up to me, and all
I could hear for a time was "my brother," "My
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you come at last to join us in the realms of
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I clasped the hands of both-I kissed them
and we passed oh to a beautiful bower, which and we passed oh to a beautiful bower, which was assured they had prepa
ing I was soon to join them.
When seated, I said: Anna why do you She replied, "Joseph, I know all thout them, or I am with thenn every day; and though they them; yet I see them, and by and by willshow nyself to them unmistakably. But, my dear, dear husband, I implore you to forgive my last of Spiritualism." She wept, bitterly, and said: "Ob, could I
but have known the one thousanth part of that which father S.- in all the earnestuess of his soul, beseeched me to hear, how differently you in the mortal body."

threw my arms about
my bosom, and said: Ald Anna, darling, say no more, but pray to tulbornness,and This, my dear father, is a brief account of my entrance into spirit life. I hope soon to be able to tell you more minutely of what then, and
since, has transpired in my heavenly heme. since, has transpired in my heavenly home.
Father, I now see that had I heeded your advice, touching my health, in going to some healing or magnetic man, I should now be with my idolized daughters; but the promise to my dar-
ling Anna I would not have broken, even though it led me into the jaws of death
(I had implored him to consult Dr

## Ind, now, dear father, tell me, ob, tell me, if

## you can forgive me. And forgive me,

Father, fear not-were I in the body form not exchange it for all the wealth of Maryland. Rich, rich are you with treasure that never per-
ishes. Then let your light sline-fear not the sneers of the infidel world; butthank God, with your whole soul that you live in an age when
highway has been thrown between your world a highway
and this.

Tell the dear ones that $I$ am safe and that they will see me again. Tell them to look alot and seek the blessed truht of spirit communion. It will enable them to dwell happily and peacefully
wwaits them beyond the grave.
Father, do, do assure me, and Anna, that
ing:
Some weeks after this he conversed with me, hrough the dial, ata considerable length-much of it is too personal
course of it he said

## "Father, you are well fitted to instruct me,-- is the first attempt to conmune in this way

 I gaveand it
you.
Cruel was my treatment of you, for what you considered a reiigious duty; you intended it fo my good-1 received it in scorn. Lou were re only to give me some light-you cared not for the one's knowledge of the troth. And for all this ontent to sufe.
Dear father, a great change was wrought up-
on me when Frank and Anna unfolded the trutl as it regards my conduct to you. They told me that all our spirit triends had grieved that on unlike what is due from child to parent. They reminded me of your loving care of me in child hood and in youth, which made but little imression at the time, but which now I regard with amazement, and wondering how I could
have beon so insensible of your love. After Frank and Anna had been with me them instantly, although your mother had passed away when you were a child. Grandfather thing on their minds which I feared to learn. At length grandmother spoke:
you are a great sinner."
In an instant, all my guilt was as if printed in In an instant, all my guilt was as if printed in in agony. Every thoughtless word; every uncame up in terrible array against my agonized
soul. How bitterly I mourned and lamented. Grandfather then took me by the hand an said:
Jose Joseph, you have been a most ungrateful
hild. You here child. You have caused your father many bit
er tears, many sleepless hours, many an an guished moment; and all this against the
kindest father I ever knew. His only thought was for the welfare of his childsen ; and all the recompense he asked was their love. You Lift up your heart, to Him, in earnest appeal Lift up your heart to Him, in earnest appeal
for forgiveness, and lose not a moment to gain Then I got Frank to impress you to send me
hat letter, through Mr. Mansfield, and great was 'my joy to learn that he had succeeded urden from my heart."
About the same time I dispatched the follow-
"My dear sister, Maria. Nearly a year has your earthly trials, and you were ushered into a had ministered to your wants with such filial ore, and who preceeded you but a few sho And when husband and children, father and
mother, and hosts of dear friends had clustered first engaged your attention? Was it not that he New D:spensation, which your dear brothe o earnestly taught, and which I believe you
could not altogether ıgnore, was indeed true and have you not since learned that many of eality in spirit life
Give me a long letter,dear sister,and open
heart, fully, to your dear brother, Frank."
In a few days came the reply.
"My very dear brother. Yours of the 20th
s before me, and the joy it gave me to learn wou had addressed me among the dear derarted was, indeed, over
for me, and said:
"Father has called for you; now, Aunty Ma expecting much from you," Brother, that Frank is a darling, he is a pet
with all who know him. His brother Joseple thinks him a wonder-he is so good; and his entire aim and object seems to do every body
good. He never wasknown to play pranks upon earnest seekers atter truth, as some of the
spirits do; and when Frank is about, those fanspirits do; and when Frank is about, those fan astic spirits seldom attempt it. They quail un-
der the look of one so pure, so loonest, so
Well, brother I thank you for your faithful-
ness to me. I know full, well dear brother, that ness to me. I know full, well dear brother, that
often wounded your sincere heart, with m skeptical contradictions of truth so earnestly an feelingly spoken; although at last I did fed
more than I was willing to acknowldge; and et, even to my latest breath, I had doubts, i
when the candle of life is extinguished there was any assurance it would be re-lighted on the otier side. I was naturally of a skeptical turn mind, and although I tried to have faith and
hope through the church ; yet, brother, my on y hope was in your assurance of immortalit Is Spiritualism true? If so, God be praised-
隹 come messenger Death, -I
and all that is so dear to me

or, better yet, the sensitive bloom of the ane-
mone, would have ljeen a sufficient reward for none, would have been a sufficient reward for
that astonishing feat in heavy gymnastics, -the turning of that stone, -what a generous recompense and unexpected delight met us in the disovey of a lump of living coral, fastened to the bottom of the stone, which had served at
as roof and foundation to the building! In roof and foundation to the building
that Now England waters furnished any living pecimens of this industrious polyope, though well remembered secing a large fragment of rock coral dug from the bottom of a well thirty
feet below the surface, in an inland town of feet below the surface, in an inland town of Connecticut, a specimen of which I had cher
shed in my boyhood, without, however, know ing its significance.

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was this now before us in its living benuty course considerably agitated by its summary
introduction to air and sun. But we soothed its perturbed mind, or minds, in a bucket of sea,
water, and took it home to admire and study, where we had the pleasure to see it unfold
many arms from every little starry cell, till the whole base seemed c
In the centre of each animated bloom was the
mouth-a sort of fairy's work-pocket, gathered on as with a puckering string; and from the base of the pocket radiated the arms-a dozen
or so, of semi-transparent pulpy fingers, sott first families
as the anemone and urchin, and for the most of
his days a worker in lime and stonework, i
really one of the genuine oldest families, ante
dating, by many ages, us parvernus in creatio
rock coral, the porous depressions between the makes his personal home, into which he retreats in the ranks, is reponsible for his own arms.
He has also a stomach, to which he holds, in some sorst, a personal title, and he has a private
mouth, taking any quantity of precarious rations from those pulpy fingers
forage. But here individuality ceases; nutrition is a family concern, the common property of all,
and the coralline polype who should attempt to monopolize the product of his own gastric juice would be no better than a deadhead
the community. In return, the stocklolders ar furnisked with a company skin, to cover the
entire calcareous skeleton, within which they live; for the coral-lines wear their bones outside the flesh, like a stayed damsel.
In their infancy they are free denizens of the
great deep, navigating the stormy occan-wit
he foundations of continents, in gigantic reefs of the most durable hard finish-authentically,
by millions of years, the oldest branch of that venerable fraternity. After becoming fixed, they further increase by budding; a new mem
ber of the brotherhood blooms from the side o an old inhabitant, and works with the rest, as
well contented as if he had enjoyed the freedom of the whole Pacific.
By some secret chemistry of their vital organism they separate the carbonate of lime from
the water, and mould about them the solid fabric which we know as coral, in a thousand beau-
tiful forms, of oak trees, slrubs, lichens, ferns,
domes and columns, fan-palms, and vast wavy
leaves, like the tail of a peacock; every species guided by some wonderful instinct of its own
There, their palace tombs are formed like the convolutions of a human brain, as if the midri pore did some deep thinking down there out of sight; ; here they fashion cells like the bees,
fossil honeycomb, whose honey in ancient specimens is crude petrolcum ; and around the Australian shores they have built a monstrous dike,
almost a thousand miles in one continuous linealmost a thousand miles in one continuous line-
such a break-water as the combined nations
earth could not construct ranean they have sent up forests of splended red trees, of
as a jew
The coral builders camot live at a depth of
more than thirty fathoms, nor work where the more than thirty fathoms, nor work where the
tide leaves them far any considerable time. Yet in the very depths of the ocean their walls rise
abruptly, so that between two casts of the lead may be a difference of a hundred fathoms, while there are reefs that rise from forty to three hun-
dred feet above the level of the sea. Of course these busy boys never built them there; for
though they are masons, they have no ladders though they are masons, they have no ladders,
and though seafarers of divers sorts, they have no diving-bells. Some accommodating earth-
quake puts his shoulder to their submerged continent, and pushes it up into sunshine and air, or he sets his giant foot upon it, and send
it to the stormless depths, where its beautie are kept safe in everlasting calm.
When they lave fringed an island with their hiving belt, it sometimes sinks slowly out
sight, while they persistently build up their
border wall, till at last nothing is left but the
encircling reef. This gets tnmbied up from the encircling reef. This gets tnmbied up rom the
edges ly the breakers, piled still higher by light
drift, drift, pushed up by slow degree, or nudged out
at once by the elbow of an irate earthquake, and becomes a lagoonisland, an atoll, of which mul-
titudes are to be seen in the Pacific and the
Indian Ocean. Indian Ocean.
It is reckoned that lands to the extent of fifty
thousand square miles, at least, have been subthousand square miles, at least, have been sub-
merged, leaving only these atolls to record their
place, the gravestones buried islands ; and the deep sea reefs indicate a much greater loss,
where the subssidence was faster than the polypes could build; showing that real estate in
those parts had no appreciable difference from movable property.
4381t has been justly said that the greatest disas, in the first disappointment of youth's extrav agant expectations, we are disposed to rega

A mouse was once caught in a jeweller's sho which had a gold ring on its neck. The poor ron ths inery . The gentleman recognized the ring as on a pair that had disappeared misteriously somo the theft, but very unjustly, as it now appeared Probably the mother mouse, when out foraging rad taken the ring to her nest. A mendlesom young baby of hers had poked his head throug
it, and then had been unable to get it out agai The ring did not grow with his growth, and so
proyed a literal "choker" of a most uncomfort sort. What Mrs, Mouse did with her oth ing was never discovered. Some search ww Pet crows have a great fancy tor shinin things, but it is something unusual for mice to
make off with such objects. The little creature have a pecular babit of liding away their sup-
plies, in some convenient nook, intending to cal or them when they get ready. Some corn wa next morning, when the fire was made, all the On examination, they were found to be filled
with corn, which had been left there for safe Keeping till they could be carried off to the nest,
I lady's shoe also had a good many grains in it, much to its owner's surprise. The experiment
was tried on several evenings, and the shoe was robably thought to be the best hiding.place. But, alas! "the best-laid schemes of mice
and men " are often all in vain. 1 gooal old
mouser left in the kitchen to all such thieving tricks. It is the best mouse
trap ever invented, and destroys more of these
small thieves than we ever suspect. If all the cats were killed oft in any town, it would soo
$\qquad$ Letter from Santa Barbara Californa.
S. S. Jones: I will now comply with your
equest request and give your many readers an accoun
of this part of California. It is in latitude $341 /$ on, about $71 / 5$ sonth and 32 west of Chicago We are in latitude south of the southern part of Nature gave us a better harbor than it did
the citizens of Chicago. One fourth the expense of your bridges will construct pirss that will
make our harbor perfectly available and quite out going down the coast about forty miles, on
account of the mountains. That does not affec Will have one of the flnest seaport towns, fo
summer resort, health and recreation that cal ee found in America. We have mineral, an
hot psrings of excellent quality, beautiful moun
ain scenery, and climate that cannot be surpass world. Saratoga will be no whore es cept in reputation.
For the last three months I have obsel general temperature with sare,and will state that
on an average the mureury stands within three hottest day in June the mercury stood at $\$ 111$
degrees. While you were melting degrees. While you were melting down like
candles a few days ago, our thermometer indicausual. usual. The nights are invariably cool, and we
have few flies and no musquitos. The beauty
of our climate is caused by our latitude, land and sea breeze, the proximity of the mountain coast range of mountains. If the great arch he benefit of commerce, we would have had season, and much of the beauty of our clime would have been wanting. The reader can forn some idea of the interior of the state, with re-
gard to the intensity of the heat, from the f lowing story:
It is said that on the other side of the coast range, where they have no sea breeze, it is $\$ \mathrm{~s}$
excessively hot that a gambler,accustomed to the climate, returned the second night after death to
hunt his blankets. Our latitude and the same hunt his blankets. Our latitude and the same
philosophical principles which cause the deep now on the east side of Lake Merchigan and the
mildnessof the fore parl of their winters, our mild winters here. Our house plants grow throughout the year in the flower garden. Wo
seldom have frosts. This is our dry season and the aquous bless
ngs of heaven have fallen on us in homopathi ngs of heaven have fallen on us in homopathic
doses only, since the first day of May, and yet I
never saw east of the mountains a nicer looking never saw east of the mountains a nicer looking
potato patch than can be seen in our garden,plant-
ed since the rain. Other vegetables do quite as well.
There are about two thousand inhabitants in
our town. It was settled nearly a hundred years ago, and has just waked up, like Rip Van Winkle
to find the new bricks fast replacing the ancient and crumbling adob
months and that planted in sorch is now on th table. We have corn just up. I know of no
ceason why we cannot potatoes and spring chickens the year roun
Oats grow wild and are a pest. Barley was hat
vested long ago. All of these crops yield better than in Illinois. The fog in May ruster
the wheat badly on the coast. rents do remarkably well. Strawberries and
blackberries were ripe and in blossom in Apri, and of the former we lad a fine dishl late in June These fruits have a long season. Grapes grow
to perfection. I have seen the big vin here. It measures thirty-four inches around i
the smallest phace up the trunk. It shades ground enough for
village garden, and according to various estimates, produced from two to six
grapestlian I ever saw in the East.

Lemons and oranges do remarkably well. I
have seen ripe fruit, green and blossoms on the have seen ripe fruit, green and Olives, Almonds,
same tree. Figs are grown. Ol attention. They are said to pay fabulous amounts nd to succeed quite as well as the grape, orange Remon. The country in which these producof land well cultivated with these fruits will returna greater income than a whole prairie
farm. ising on acconnt of the grass growing all winer, Cattle were formerly slaughtered for the hide and tallow.
Timber is scarce and lumber is brought here by the cargo and sold at from thirty to fifty dol-
lars per. m. Land has about doubled in value nce I came.
mply with your request.
Santa Barbara, Cal.

## Lettor from B. M. Lawrence

Dear Frirnds of the Journal: Please say
to your readers that, soon as the political excite-
ment subsides, we are preparing to enlarge our
future labors.
We have invented a machine for curing dis-

The invention, like "every good and perfect
ift," or improvement, comes from a higher life,
nd is calculated to meet the demands of the nd is calculated to meet the demands of the
ge for a family gymnusium.
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improvements, either Medical, Musical, or Me

Mr. Anderson, the spirit artistat the National spirit picture, which we hope, will add to the terest of the eutertainments,
We are making some of our machines, which
we call the Hygienitor, to be nsed at Dr. Bnrdick's Remedial Institute. His Cure, has been with its compressed air baths, Russian and Turkmany respects, a real Hygienic Home. Some o Iterested in Spiritualism.
Mr. J. G. Fish, is speaking here with good
resslts. The Lyceum is in good working condi-
tion, and a growing interest is felt in the spread
of the spiritual religion of reason.
Buffalo, New York, Oct. 10th, 186
Captain J. Cook, writing from Oakland, Cal-
fornia, says;
I have always taken the dourrai and expect
o help support it while I live here on this foottool. Brother Jones, I will try and do some
to hing for the Jourral, here in this new city, Yan Franciseo some day, what Brooklyn is to

Some time ago the royal family of Prusbelsberg. They were playing at questions and
answers, and some one propo unded the guestion Who is the happiest woman in Prussia?
It was the turn of the Crown Princess Victoria to answer. She hesitated a moment
and then said, "You may laugh at me, but I am in dead earnest when I say that I believe I am the happiest woman in Prussia." This reply
delighted the old king so much that he jumped he, hastened to his daughter-inlaw, and kissed
bravo."

A lady relates a sweet little instance of a child's delicate thoughtfulness, She says; I
asked a little boy, last evening, "Have you call ed your grandmamma to tea? " Yes", he replied,
"When I went to call her she was asleep didn't know how to wake her. I didn't want to hallo at grandma, nor to shake her; so I kissed
che $\mathbf{k}$, and that woke her very sofly. Then I can into the hall, and said pretty loud' 'Grand-
ma, tea is ready.' And she never knew what ma, tea is
woke her."

2 The citron came from Media, the pome
cranate from Cypress, the plum from Syria the cherry and filbert from Castana in Asia Minor, the quince from Sidon, the olive and fig
from Greece, as are the apples and pears, though also found wild in France and even in Great Britain. The apricot is from Armenia. It was
first known is Europe in the sixteenth century an old French writer remarks that it was "or: ignally no larger than a damson, ; our gardeners have improved it to the present richness and
size."
 in particular, "I pay very little attention to what she says. Her remarks pass in at one ear iple that things pass readily through a pacinum," rejoined the lady,

Q:F God gives birds their food, but they must for it,-(Dutch proverb















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circle a spirit tsaid: . "There will be an Indian wan and Repub ican rivers, and late in the fall meny of you citizens will be called on to fight the Indians." This was early in

## Treatened

## "What will keep

will the filth day from this four Indian spy your city,going up the valley of Big B-rive And atter them on the same day, a white ma
will follow, mind be in town all day, he is thei will follow, and be in town all day, he is their
interpreter, and will follow them at night out of thest and cand Thians by the horses an vest and coat. rise. The white man will be very friendly, ask-
ing many questions under prtence of buying
for the up county traffic."
On the morning of the day specfied, the In dians came, then the white man, all was as time mentioned. And to day several regiments This communication is as well certified as the fact that the Relieio-Philosophical Journat
is printed in Chicago. What will our opponents say to this. Is not





This was done, and an answer by return mall confirmed this was in Kansas, over one hundred
member the
miles west of the Missouri river,and the improvement on Long Island N. Y. from the letter.

Sta Harbor, Oct., 18, 1868.
Friend Pratt : Mr. G-, has just shown
me a letter from you. I do not know when I thought of you, wondering how you were po
gressing. I am glad to hear that Spiritualism it flourishing with you. It is more popular with
us than when you lived here, it scems to be more generally understood. We have 1egular meet
ings twice a week. Our principle medium Mrs, well as preseribing medium. Dr. Miles attend our circle, and receives perscriptions for his patients, that is when it is difficult for him to un-
derstand their case. She is also a very good test medium. In trance she will predict certain events several months before hand, and invari-
ably these events have come to pass. As for instance, on Christmas night 1866, at a circle held at my house, 3 , Hat had departed the spring previnus, took possession of our medium.
The spirit appeared very melancholy. In life she had been the playmate of Mary S.-y. The would be with her in the Summer Land, and told us the cause and all the particulars of her death. We were very much astonished to hear
such an announcement. Mary had been married was so lively and well, with such bright she was so lively and well, with such bright pros-
pects before her, it seemed impossible for it to pects before her, it meemed meeting the spirit tola the knowledge to ourselves. Well, one of the leaders in the Methodist church, Capt John W-s,
begs an invitation to our circle, and the communication was repeated to him. He became
exceedingly excited about it, and although calltione to see ere, My ! my : what a tempest it created. It got to We felt very sorry that the communication had got out, our medium was bitterly persecuted, and
was obliged to leave her mother's house. But werallied around her and agreed to sustain her
-and she is now doing better than ever -and she is now doing better than ever. The
spirit came agann and confirmed all that had been in her silk wedding dress - that her death would take place in the month of May-that she would
not live to move into her new house. Well the result was, she was taken sick on the 25th of
April, and died on the 11th of May, and was buried in the dress as perdicted.
This caused the community to
Spiritualism, and they were anxious to investifrom the spirit of Mary. She pleaded hard to say to him-we felt a deliccey in inviting him, knowing that he had pronounced it all a humugit about three weeks after this Col. Peter $\mathrm{F}-\mathrm{h}$ the husband of the spirit) received a letter from Fall River, Mass, the purport of which was that am very auxious about my husband, said her
name was Mary Sleemy French, and wanted the eircle to write to Col . Peter French, Sag Harb N., Y. Which they did for a test, and it y
firmed to the letter.

the second generation.
On Friday evening we lectured in Marysyille
Kansas to a full house. Subject, "Thoughts on the Bible." In our usual style we criticised the
theories of Moses and Paul, and the teachings of the churches. Amongst other thoughts, we ad
vanced, was the fact that the English version of the Bible did not agree with the original text, in
Greek or Hebrew, and in support of our views
we quoted from Anderson's new translation we quoted from Anderson's new translation o
the New Testament, also the American Trac Union's translation.
We cited the disigreements of the four Evangelist on cardinal points in regard to their Mas
ter, etc.
When we finished a man ot medium size, ac tive positive temperament, got up, in a very pom-
pous manner, and said: "Fellow citizens, I have not one word to say against this man, the lecturquicken your spiritual natures in any one feature I shall bid him God speed. But in regard to the
Scriptures he has misrepresented, mal-quoted and malapplied every text and quotation made
and it is perfectlv evident to any one with any pretentions to Bibncal of Biblical is perfectly ignorant is perfectly ignorant
every well read scholar knows very well that the original Hebrew and Greek does the Scsiptures But when he comes down to the moral law, the laws of magnetism and elecrricity-if he can
quicken your spirits and increae your wisdom and improve your morals, then hear him, the knows nothing about, let him keep still, time I shall preach to you on this subject, show ing up the whole thing.

Cool, decidedly, was it not dear Journial read
Hold my friend (I said). I have something to say, and it is this : Ido not know what end of the dilemma our friend is on, or which to take
First he says, "I don't know anything about the First he says, " don thnow anything about the
scriptures. Second, "that the Hebrew and Greek
do not read as the English version does." Well, that is just what I told you, now who is right on his own testimony, he has convicted me, of a brew, for he, the Prof. tells you that, that I told you, am I right ? Again he says I "mis-quoted" let me see, sir, Matthew 3-13.16, quoting, is that
right? a gain, Matt. 16,13 , is right? again, Matt. 16,13 , is that right ? again
Gen. 18,13 , is that right, will you answer, are your words true. In fact I challenge you to pnt tion of the serptures to $n^{t}$ ght ; and I now, in the presence of your people, challenge you to, debate
the question, does the Bible sustam modern Spiritualism, in its teachings. Dare you do so, taking the rostrum to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.
"No I won't do it," said the Rev.C.
not. And yet you do not hesitate to judge harshly, yea, condemn bitterly, persuming on your position as a minister, a most cowardly attack,
and none but a minister would and none but a minister would make it.
Exit, minister with all the people lai Exit, minister with all the people laughing at
his tolly. Second. A man says why don't you let me see the spirits? Only let me see, and I will be
lieve, why dont they come to me? You will: "Yes,"
"You have a son going
"Yes, I have,"
"Well why do you send him to college? Why don't you ask the faculty to come to your hous and spread out their books and scientific appa
atus, and teach your son, yea, spread out on his plastic for your son, and sometimes he does not get it, enough, or is too lazy, or your money gives ont
and he falls short of the object desired. "Seek and he falls short of the object desired. "Seel
and ye shall find." "Sir" said a la
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