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## SPIRITUALISM AND THE LAW.

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A careful reading of the Spiritualist papers has convinced me, that Spiritualists, generally, have but a very limited knowledge of the law as applied to questions involving a belief in the phenomena of Spiritualism.

From time to time, I have gathered data, which I decided to compile for our press as a meagre, but, I hope, useful contribution to the cause. I say compile, because these articles will contain not so much of what my opinion may be as to the law, but rather excerpts from the decisions of the courts and particularly those of the last resort. If there are repeated quotations, reiterating the same doctrine from different sources, such repetition is made for the very purpose of producing upon the mind of the reader an indelible impression, whereby he may be fitted to rely with confidence upon his knowledge when called upon to defend our cause at times when special preparation may be impossible. I would advise the readers of these articles, who are interested in establishing the prestige of Spiritualism upon a solid basis in the eyes of the world, to clip those parts containing the legal decisions; because, it has cost many hours of patient labor, digging among law books, to collate and digest them and they may be helpful in future legal contests.

Shortly after the advent of Modern Spiritualism, the wills of Spiritualists, when not made in conformity with the views of their orthodox relatives, were usually contested on the ground that the decedent's belief in the phenomena of Spiritualism was sufficient proof of his want of soundness of mind as well as his incapability of executing a valid deed or contract and consequently, of his incapability of executing a valid will; and this too in the face of the fact, that the testators had during long years lived active lives, were known as good business people and had accumulated estates extensive enough to provoke the cupidity of their surviving heirs who did not think themselves sufficiently favored.

The courts, however, have made a marked distinction between the religious belief of a restator and an insane delusion growing out of his belief and controlling him in the disposition of his property. This distinction, applies not only to Spiritualists, but, to the believers in all faiths. I will illustrate: To believe that spirits can communicate with mortals and direct them in the affairs of life, has in numerous cases been held to be insufficient ground for breaking a will; but if the testator imagine that spirits have given him information prejudicial to his heirs-at-law, and on account of that supposed information, which is, in fact, false, he disinherits those heirs, then he was laboring under an insane delusion. In the latter instance, it is reasonable to hold, that in the absence of such delusion, he would have made a different will and that the contested will is not really that of the testator. Again, to believe in the Holy Spirit and its religious offices as taught by the so-called orthodox churches, is no reason for invalidating a will; but if the testator imagines that the Holy Spirit has urged him to disinherit a crippled child, for the reason that the child has been marked by its infirmity as a child of Satan, then the will is the direct result of that delusion. A belief in the existence of God as we all know, is no reason for upsetting a will, and yet, if the testator disinherited his children because he imagined that God had appeared to him and told him to do so because they had re-

fused to join the church, then, the testator was acting under an insane delusion, connected with his belief in God, and his will should be set aside.

There may be instances, as applied to Spiritualists, where there is no delusion when it would be undoubtedly right to set aside their wills, on the ground of undue influence exercised by communicating spirits. A will is intended to be the purpose and desire of the person making it, and not the will of another mind, whether incarnate or decarnate. Anybody may properly give advice to a person making a will, just as he may in any other business of life, and the mere advising and suggesting is not exercising undue influence; but to write or dictate a will or any part of it, of another person, without that person's thoro knowledge, clear understanding and unforced sanction, would manifestly be improper whether done by spirit or mortal.

There are people of mediocre mind and large vanity, who imagine that they "came into Spiritualism," thru the labors and designs of ancient, great and learned spirits, and that those same spirits among whom are to be found Jesus, Socrates and Plato, are sitting in solemn council, day and night, preparing communications applicable to the most commonplace affairs of these same people. Such people might easily be persuaded by a designing spirit representing himself to be some great character of the past, to dispose of their property against their own judgment, in the belief that they are yielding to superior wisdom in their unjust discrimination against those naturally entitled to a share in their estates. Sound judgment and horse sense can never be otherwise than a great advantage to any person in his dealings and confidences with men or spirits.

In reviewing the case of Robinson vs. Adams, 62 Maine, 369 (Redfield's Cases On Wills, 367) Judge Redfield sets forth the extent to which mere religious opinion is disregarded in considering a testator's capacity, as follows:

"More speculative opinion upon any religious question, however singular or absurd in the common judgment will not affect the validity of wills made by such persons. But when a will is unjust and unreasonable to the last degree and is the direct offspring of a belief which has no existence, in fact, so far as all human testimony goes, it can not be maintained."

In the case of Cass vs. Cass, 3 Humphrey 278, it was said:

"No belief as to future rewards and punishments or the principle of justice upon which they are to be administered, or other religious creed, can be regarded as evidence of insanity, since there is no test by which their truth can be ascertained, so as to determine whether they are delusions or not, and if so, whether they will yield to reason."

Many Spiritualists may not be willing to concede, that there is no test by which the truth of religious beliefs can be ascertained, but for just and practical reasons out of which grows the non-interference of the courts, it is a good doctrine. (To be continued.)

### Truly Rural.

The seventeen-year-old daughter of a certain Wall Street man recently visited for the first time the fine farm in Dutchess county for the past year owned by her father. The girl immediately became greatly interested in the prize cattle that are the especial pride of her parent, and asked many questions relative to their breeding, etc.

One evening, just at dusk, as the girl was standing on the veranda of the farm-house talking to the manager, there came a low, mournful note of a cow.

"Just listen to that cow," said the girl to the manager, "mewing for her colt." —Harpers Weekly.

## Christ and Christianity.

What Is to Settle the Great Questions of Religion  
When Authorities Disagree?

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Christianity is like a musical instrument on which each performer plays his or her own tune. Hundreds of antagonistic sects, all claiming the name Christian, view it from different standpoints and rules of interpretation, so it has become a horrid jargon of confusion. They all praise, honor and defend the good points, nice qualities and morals of Christ and Christianity; yet have little to say of the contradictions, errors, immoralities. When viewed from the standpoints of history, fact, knowledge, it is a far different thing.

"The Christ Question Settled" does not seem to have settled that question definitely and finally beyond the faith and opinion of the author. There are things pertaining to Christ and Christianity that remain unsettled and open to discussion; and we have not so much as a forlorn hope of their final settlement.

The Bible does not settle matters. A different interpretation of a Bible text is sufficient to the sprouting of a new branch sect from the old theologic trunk, and the parent stock sustains and justifies one as much as another.

Jesus Christ was a person of uncertain parentage; a wanderer without home and without honor in his own country. He made friends of ignorant fishermen, publicans, sinners and harlots. He assumed great authority and constantly spoke evil of the lawful authorities and made himself so intolerable in Jerusalem, he was finally arrested, brought to trial and executed for treason.

Let us look a little into his ancestry. His pedigree is traced from remote ancestry to Joseph, his father. One writer states "Joseph was the son of Heli" and the other says "Joseph was the son of Jacob;" and both affirm that Christ had no earthly father at all.

One account gives 28 and the other 42 generations from Christ to David, and in this long pedigree there are only two names alike.

This lineage of "God's Only Son" terminates with Adam another son of God; so God had two sons—one more than "Jesus the only son." If he was a son by miraculous conception and born of a virgin, as alleged, what is the use of any pedigree beyond that? If Joseph was not his father, then his genealogy is worthless.

The Bible reveals many other sons of that old bachelor god, that discredit "Jesus the only son." In view of these crooked statements, infidel thinkers are justified in saying "Christ is a fictitious character."

According to the narrative, Jesus got angry on many occasions and did some vigorous reviling of the Jews, because they would not accept him and his theology. He railed at them; abused, cursed, condemned, defamed them; calling them liars, thieves, serpents, hypocrites, wolves in sheep's clothing, generation of vipers. He made a scourge of cords, walked into the temple, drove out the Jews, upset their tables, and called it a den of thieves.

Any religious zealot or fanatic in our land, acting as disorderly as Jesus did in Judea, would justly be arrested and placed in prison or a lunatic asylum. In many singular instances, transgressors have been made to pay the penalties for infractions of the state laws. Jesus angered and provoked the Jews to crucify him, which they did by legal authority after lawful trial. Moreover, he said he came into the world especially to be slain to make his "blood atonement"—a doctrine absolutely false, according to Modern Spiritualism. Our wise spirit

teachers are emphatic in their statements that the fundamental doctrines of Christianity are false—that there is no pardon for sins or salvation by blood atonement, by a crucified savior, by faith and baptism; no damnation in hell fire; no devil; no hell; no god to pardon sin, and send sinners to hell and his favored worshippers to heaven.

How lavishly some folks do prate of "the beatitudes of the meek and lowly Jesus—the gentle and loving Savior—the perfect man; and vehemently aver that "He came to bring peace on earth and good will to men"—that "He is the great peace maker and the Prince of Peace."

That is not true. Jesus said, "He came not to bring peace on earth but a sword," which has been carried out to the very letter. He came to cause contention, strife, division, war and concomitant evils, which have occurred in the history of all Christendom.

The world would have been far better if he had stayed away and not come with his gospel fraud of salvation and damnation. His tyrannical attitude and disgraceful career in Judea, quarreling with the Jews, cursing, reviling and defaming them, which resulted in his own death, do not prove that he was a great peacemaker nor a prince of peace nor that he came to bring peace on earth and good will to men. His career, his conduct, his example, stand in antagonism to his own moral principles and precepts. He did more harm to humanity than any other man. History proves it. If his damnation doctrine is true, he should receive its full force and effect.

Christ (in captivity) said "My kingdom is not of this world; if it were then would my servants fight for it." History proves the reverse. Right then and there, one of his servants drew his sword, struck a man, cutting off his ear; a fair demonstration of the sword he came to bring on earth. His kingdom is of this world—very worldly in all Christendom, and his servants, adherents, devotees do fight for it like demons—have fought for it vigorously, heroically, thru all the holy wars of the Christian era, and left remarkable proofs of their fighting qualities in the wrong they did, the blood they shed, the ruin they wrought.

"The kingdom of God is within you" may be truly said of the warlike Christians who readily go to war under the hallucination of patriotism and heroism, to fight for their ideal god who "delights in bloody sacrifice." Men who thot they were doing the will of God, have perpetrated crimes too horrible to contemplate.

The best commentary on Christianity is the wars it produced in the Christian Era. It has not brought peace, but the sword of war, propagated itself by force, and bears the stains of blood, ruin, desolation, upon its historic records. If ever it had opportunity to show itself completely, it has been in Russia. No nation is more Christian; yet it has left ignorance to be fog, and superstition to mislead the people.

Compare Pagan Japan to Christian Russia. The Japanese rise immeasurably superior to the Russians—"washed in the blood of the Lamb," and whose "God sends them strong delusions that they should believe a lie that they may be damned."

Even the heathen Chinese in our land who learn something of the Christian religion in Sunday school learn to hate the Jews, first thing, and right before our own doors abuse and insult them. "You bad Jew. You velly bad man. You kill Melican man Joss."

Christianity has made of Russia a tyrannical government and a barbarous nation. There are no truer Christians than the Russians whose life, conduct and character are compatible with their religion. To the shame of Christendom it is

truly said "They pray and preach war—pray like saints and fight like devils." Members of the same church and faith fight and kill each other by the thousands and massacre Jews because they killed Christ—himself a Jew; a wandering Jew. They murder Jews just as in ancient times the Jews slew the Gentiles, sparing, neither men, women, or children; and all to appease Jehovah god.

No nation or body of people were ever made better, mentally or morally by being Christianized. A worse calamity cannot befall a heathen nation. Let the world judge by the effects of that bloody religion thruout the Christian Era. The doctrine of hate is a basic principle of the faith. "A man cannot be my disciple unless he hates his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters and his own life also." Thus saith the Lord.

### DR. CRAPSEY IS BOLD.

Undaunted by Trial for Heresy He Again Declares There Was No Physical Resurrection.

Ithaca, Y. Y., April 29.—Rev. Algernon S. Crapsey, whose trial for heresy was concluded yesterday at Batavia, delivered a powerful sermon in Sage Chapel this afternoon before a large and representative audience including President Schurman, ex-President Andrew D. White and Dean Crane. He chose for his text the resurrection, but asserted that it was spiritual only. He said in part:

"Nine-tenths of the talk of the resurrection is mere sounding brass or tinkling cymbal; there is no more sense in the talk of most men about the resurrection than there would be in my talking to you about differential calculus."

He said that the story of the resurrection was tradition and not history and must be dealt with accordingly. He said: "You must remember in studying the resurrection we are not dealing with physical facts in a physical world; we are dealing with the great mysteries of the spirit, seeing Jesus not with the actual eye, but with the souls of his followers. He was a manifestation to the soul and the spirit."—Cleveland Plaindealer.

### While we Are Young.

O youth, thine is a joyous time.  
One filled with happiness sublime;  
No pen can picture, tongue can tell  
The thoughts thy youthfulness impel;  
And thou shouldst not a chance abuse,  
A minute waste, a second lose,  
But win thy way by hand or tongue,  
Whilst thou art young.  
Whilst thou art young.

There is a work for us to do,  
A work for me, a work for you,  
A work for each and every one  
Whose duty 'tis to see it done;  
We should not let a day pass by  
Without an effort made to try  
To finish that which we've begun  
While we are young.  
While we are young.

Our elders, ever and anon,  
With eyes bedimmed, as years roll on,  
With faltering voice bemoan their fate,  
Their time had gone, it was too late;  
They'd let their chance in life slip by—  
Some paltry cause the reason why—  
They failed to push the work along  
While we are young.  
While we are young.

Then let us not procrastinate,  
Tomorrow, friends, may be too late,  
But do today what'er we find  
May be of service to mankind;  
And when we come to pass away  
We'll look back from that Better Way

With gladsome thoughts of deeds well done  
While we were young.  
While we were young.  
—I. C. I. Evans.





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### SECULARIZING EDUCATION IN ENGLAND.

The president of the British Board of Education, Mr. Birrell, is having his hands full in trying to bring harmony out of chaos in connection with the public school system in England. He wants to secularize the schools. That is, to get them out entirely from under denominational control, and is meeting with great opposition.

We would naturally expect the old established Church of England would object to this, but they seem to have waived that, and it is the Catholics who are putting up the barriers. Mr. Cruse, speaking for the Catholics, said: "If it were not for the clear and determined stand we have taken in this matter, there would be no public school problem today. If Catholics were willing to waive their claims, nine-tenths of the troubles of the Board of Education would be lifted from his shoulders. Purely secular education for our children would outrage our most cherished convictions."

No doubt; but Mr. Birrell evidently has counted the cost and knows what he is up against. He doubtless knows that educated England has reached a point where it will no longer stand for a state-supported religious education, and also the bats of superstition may fly back into their dark corners, the sun will still shine, and the wheel of progress will not turn backward.

By all means teach your children the tenets of religion—not one religion—but do it at home where they will get a rational understanding of it. The writer was forced to go to Sunday School where he learned religion as it was taught by organized Protestantism. At home he was questioned and the other side shown. Then he was left to decide for himself. Rationalism gained the day. Superstition took a back seat. If home training cannot hold the present religion in anyone, it does not look as the school training should be resorted to at the expense of the people, for whose religion are we to teach? The Catholic would object seriously to Protestantism being taught, while Freethinkers would object to any kind. The province of religious teaching is at home, and public affairs and institutions should be free from any doctrinal contamination.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The time is now approaching when there will be a crusade against Sunday amusements. Those more favored classes, who do not have to put in ten or even three hours a day on week-days, and only a portion of their time Sundays, will try to prevent having ball games, or any other sports on Sunday.

In view of this, the following from the Truthseeker is very appropos. "In an address recently in London, Dr. Emil Reich told his audience how to lessen the drink evil. He said: Open your theatres on Sunday to the people; show them such plays as 'Richard III,' and they will go in their thousands to enjoy it—anyone who has seen 'Richard III,' really well played, knows what enjoyment it is. En-

courage bicycling, love of the theatre, love of amusement, and the occupation of the temperance and teetotal orators is gone. Take away the glass of drink from a man; he'll get another; if he can't get that he'll resort to opium, or, what is ten times worse, tea, because the passion is from within, and counter-actives of the depravative order will never do; they have always failed. The argument will not appeal to Sabbatarians, who care nothing for the evil produced by their Sunday restrictions on amusements, if church attendance is thereby promoted."

Yes, encourage all good, harmless sports. Remember that "Man was not made for the Sabbath, but the Sabbath was made for man." If the Bible is authority for anything in connection with the Sabbath, it is authority for its use for anything that is good. What is of more good to humanity than healthy, hearty bodies? How can they be had by the working classes of people if they are going to be deprived of the privilege of going fishing, picnicking, or to any amusements on Sundays, instead of enjoying God's fresh air and a relaxation of their bodies, be compelled to sit in a stuffy church, that has been closed all the week, and only half aired for a little time Sunday morning, and "walk reverently to and from meeting?" Why do not such fanatics as endorse that line add to it, "No woman shall kiss her child on Sunday or fast day."

Freethinkers of all classes, let us be up and doing. Let us inform the religious element that we are willing to admit their right to attend church fifty times on Sunday if they want to. We will admit that we should take our sports far enough away from their churches so as not to disturb their meetings. We will grant them the right to employ as many preachers as they want to. We will grant them the right to build churches by the hundred, if they will pay for them. But we want them to grant us similar rights. We want them to grant us the right to employ ball players, athletes, balloonists, parachute jumpers, or to go fishing or picnicking if we so desire. We want them to pay the bills of their own churches and the taxes on their property so that we will not be compelled to pay for something we do not care for and we do not want them to compel us to attend church if we do not want to, while we want them to allow us to have theatres, parks, libraries, excursions, etc., conducted on Sunday. In other words we want a day of rest and recreation instead of a day devoted to worship of an imaginary being who does not show by any of his works that he esteems one day any more than another.

We believe in a day of rest and recreation—not one of compulsory religion. If religion can not come spontaneous, it is worthless. If you have to force men and women to go to church by closing everything else, it is a pretty poor religion and should be dispensed with at once for the good of humanity.

### CATHOLICS "INSULTED."

At the ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the new House office building in Washington, April 14th, according to the "New World," the Catholics were terribly insulted and in such a manner which will cause them to "sound the tocsin," in which event something is evidently expected to drop from the "15,000,000 Catholics in the U. S."

The New World is a leading Catholic paper, and as such it is supposed to voice the sentiments of a large proportion of its readers and patrons. The occasion for all this is that the Masonic order was invited to "lay the cornerstone." Of course, Catholics abhor the Masonic order. They claim it has placed them in a position where they have been injured not only in this country, but in France and Mexico, and that "every Catholic whose soul is not debauched by commercialism abhors Free Masonry."

We call the attention of our good contemporary to the old saw, "Whom the gods wish to destroy they first make mad." Then we want to put them thru a catechism that will probably read differently from any they learned in church.

Q—Who has used religious persecutions for centuries to keep free thought, progressive religion and education in the background?

A—Catholicism.

Q—Who brought on the Auto-de-Fé, and caused thousands of deaths by torture of so terrible a nature that even the minds of humanity revolt at the thought of it, after the lapse of three hundred years?

A—Catholicism.

Q—Who has used church "persecution" to compel the voter of this age to debase his manhood by being compelled to vote as his ecclesiastical superiors directed?

A—Catholicism.

Q—Who invented the "Holy Virgin" into whose embrace the "heretic" was given, the closing of the "body" causing sharp spikes to be driven thru the hapless victim, who was not guilty of any crime except the imaginary one of "unbelief?"

A—A Catholic priest.

Q—Who, if they could do it today, would bring back the old rule of the "Holy Inquisition" for the purpose of punishing unbeliever in Catholicism?

A—The Catholic church.

Dare they deny it? They can not. It is too plainly shown in every act.

President Roosevelt deserves the thanks of every man, woman and child in this country for not taking any class of religionists into consideration when a public event is to take place. Religious bigotry has nothing to do with this nation or its affairs. We would not condemn any man because he conscientiously believes in Catholicism; we would not discriminate against him in any way. But we would act the same towards anyone, of any other denomination. This is not a Christian nation, it is not a sectarian school; but it is for the PEOPLE religion or no religion, creed or no creed, and we would oppose a special grant to Spiritualists or Freethinkers as quickly as we would the Catholics or Protestants of any denomination.

### A North Country Creditor.

A small girl recently entered a grocer's shop in one of the suburbs of a large town in the north of England and said to the shopkeeper in a shrill voice, "Please sir, I want 'arf a pound of butter and a penn'orth of cheese, and mother sez she'll send a shilling in when father comes home." "All right," replied the man, who was used to this sort of request. "But," continued the child, "mother wants the change cos she's got to put a penny in the gas meter."

### PEOPLES' EDITORIAL COLUMN.

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### UNWISE CONGREGATIONS.

A heresy trial that inculcates itself is that of Dr. Algernon Crapey at Batavia, N. Y.

Though much unnecessary and irrelevant thunder was expended in the trial—magnifying, mystifying and wearing it along—it proved but the birth of a mouse, tho its parent was a lion. The whole question to be settled was: Has Dr. Crapey under his ordination vows, the right to say that Christ was not born of the Virgin Mary?

To find the defendant guilty is to place a premium on ignorance. The reverse is self-evident, and the most sensible course that the church can pursue in such cases is to say nothing about it.

Heresy—unless it descends to vulgarity or crankism—is always an indication of progress or enlightenment on part of the speaker; and to try all such for heresy would soon empty the church of its intelligence. The only interesting preachers today are the heretical ones, and intelligent congregations that own such a one, are wise enough not to institute a heresy trial.—A. F. M.

### HE HEALS THEM.

I would like to give my experience in psychic healing.

I recently heard of a gentleman of whom I knew but little, who was confined to his bed, under medical treatment. I felt an inward desire to go and see him, feeling that by so doing, I could treat him and help him. So I went and treated him as directed, and the next day he was up and out of bed, feeling much better. I have given him three treatment from which he has received much benefit.

I was also called the other evening to see a man who was suffering from severe pains in the stomach which prevented him from attending to his duties. I told him he

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would be better in the morning and he went to his work as usual. He said he felt better as soon as I left the house.

This is my first experience outside of my own house.

CHARLES HARDING.  
Woodstock, Ont.

### FOLKS WHO SEE THE FUTURE.

In the interest of justice I wish to speak in behalf of those who seem to me unjustly treated. The Aldermen of Buffalo are considering a tax of \$300 yearly on all clairvoyants, mediums, fortune tellers, etc. Already a hearing has been given on the subject, at which a minister of this city declared that "90 per cent of them were swindlers." How does he know? I am not a Spiritualist, nor a medium, nor a palmist. But I am well aware that all of those who ply these callings, are not fakirs. It is doubtful if all the mediums since Bible times have ever swindled half as much as insurance companies and banks and mines have done. This city tried to tax the poor hucksters \$300 per year. Why not tax real estate men who lie about property, and clergymen who preach other men's sermons? Because some deceive, would you class all as such? Then close up shops and liveries and factories and many other things. Hundreds can testify to real gain from those who profess to see the future. Prof. Hyslop says clairvoyance is a gift and cannot be denied.

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# METAPHYSICAL.

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## ASSERTION.

I will be—what I will be to be;  
You may say to me "Yea" or "Nay"  
You may offer me praise or blame,  
But I shall not stop nor stay;  
'Till the light goes out of the sun,  
'Till the salt goes out of the sea,  
And the savor out of the salt—  
I will be—what I will be to be.

I will be—what I will be to be;  
You may mete me praise or blame;  
If I may not fly—I will climb,  
And the net result is the same!  
'Till the light goes out of the sun,  
'Till the salt goes out of the sea,  
And the savor out of the salt—  
I will be—what I will be to be!

I will be—what I will be to be;  
You may bid me to kneel and serve;  
I will keep my course in the strife,  
And I will not halt nor swerve,  
'Till the light goes out of the sun,  
'Till the salt goes out of the sea,  
And the savor out of the salt—  
I will be—what I will be to be!

I will be—what I will be to be;  
I will be it here and now;  
Ye shall not vex me with "when"  
And ye shall not bid me "how";  
'Till the light goes out of the sun,  
'Till the salt goes out of the sea,  
And the savor out of the salt—  
I will be—what I will be to be!

I will be—what I will be to be;  
You may envy and frown and grudge,  
But the law forbids you to slay,  
And the ward forbids you to judge;  
Therefore, 'till the sun is dead,  
And the salt goes out of the sea,  
And the savor out of the salt—  
I will be—what I will be to be!

## THE LIFE HARMONIOUS.

"And when she had paused it seemed like the ceasing of exquisite music."

After all, isn't personality the essence and semblance of religion? The body given us to be the instrument of the soul, to obey the workings of the mind, is it not the highest form of religion, then when perfect harmony exists between the three functions, moral, mental and physical? And yet so much that is given to soul culture, so much time and money expended on the education of the mind, but alas! so little of either time, thought or money expended on the trine development which is really the basis of all the cults and phases of religion, the simplest forms born of the complexity of a thousand codes.

Trine recognized this and he gave us "In Tune With the Infinite." Bliss Carman worked out the idea in his "Garden of the soul," and the Bible itself abounds with injunctions to "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your father which is in heaven."

Most of us plod along thru the world and its daily rounds of duty and pleasures with but a thot of the joy and happiness that exists in the rhythmic life, in music and motion.

One class of thinkers would have us all soul; another make us of the earth, earthy; another would have us recognize mind only, ignoring body—but why not recognize the goodness of God by acknowledging, also the independence of the mind, the body, and the soul, all three working together, each equal with the other and thus producing that perfect harmony that perfect equilibrium which means harmony, music "sweet bells in tune."

There is no royal road to this state. No great stirring mass meeting with songs and throngs to set agog the emotions is required, but just the simple natural realizing sense that the soul is "God in us," the mind issues His command and the body carries them out.

We may not know one note from the other, and yet, if we will, these musical vibrations may become the undercurrent of our lives. Then there will be no despising, the material. The body, the uplifting of the mind and soul, means also the uplifting of the physical medium.

Why are casts and beautiful pictures, especially reproductions of the old Greeks, placed in our public schools? Why do they inspire us with lofty thots and aspirations and create within us renewed ambition? I will tell you. It is because every figure is suggestive of perfect equilibrium, of symmetry and poise, and instinctively we feel the power of harmony which they represent.

Only such a state of harmony between the mental, moral, and physical attributes could have produced the perfection which the casual student of Grecian sculpture finds revealed. To him it is not alone perfect physical development, but rather the acme of perfect refinement in a three-fold evolution.

Many a brilliant musician fails utterly to please because his efforts, fine in technique and perfect in execution tho they may be, are yet untouched by soul vibrations. The purely mechanical is unlovely, but mechanism actuated by soul-force is its apotheosis.

Surely, ere long we must have awakened to the power that lies within us, amend our system of education, and like the ancient Greeks, give bodily training an equal place with that of the soul and mind. Then, when this reverence for physical perfection is revered, the possibilities of the age will be realized.

Now we rush on, worry on, until as some one has said, if a man but stops to tie his shoe string he has lost his place in line and missed the goal, some one has passed him and reached there first.

Fundamentally, the poise, the balance that comes with the inter-training of the body, mind and soul is the quickest road to health and the shortest path to success.

"Be poised and wise and you own today," said Emerson, and it is true. It does mean everything—everything to all men.

Poise suggests strength. He who controls himself is greater than he who takes a city, and self-control is absolutely a necessary quality for him who would control others and circumstances.

Self-control, poise, this harmony which makes the personality we would have, is not gained in a moment. Rhythmic living must be cultivated and bodily control is the first point to be grasped.

Do away with all the little useless mannerisms, which, caused by one's nerves, jar upon others.

Get rid of the tensidity and rigidity. Relax, and forget the hardships of life. Convince yourself it is rather one grand sweet song, and let the shadows flee away.

See to it that every member of body has some exercise every day and then rest while you rest and work while you work.

This is not a dissertation on Physical Culture, but insofar as it is the neglected physical education that detracts from the harmoniousness for which we would strive, it is within the power of the teacher of physical culture to bring about this interplay of magnetism.

Ours is a wonderful mechanism, and only thru this trine development may all the possibilities of it be brought out. To this, intelligent thinkers everywhere are awakening. That training of each function in its proper relationship to the other two means unity, which is beauty, harmony, health and happiness.

Every bit of mental activity produces a vibration to which the body must respond as freely as its condition will allow, or, as Sir Humphrey Davy put it, "Every change in our sensations and ideas must be accompanied with some corresponding change in the organic matter of the body," and it is really upon this principle of the old philosopher-scientist that every one of these latter-day cults are founded.

The inter-dependence of mind, matter and soul, which sounds very technical and obtuse and even fadistic, is, on the contrary, simple and practical, and it is to be regretted that so much ado must be made over it, so many "creeds" evolved which tend to retard the day of the church universal.

—CORA MOORE, in the New York Magazine.

## Correlation of Soul, Spirit and Body D. A. V. & P. R. R.

ARTHUR F. MILTON.

Napoleon Bonaparte is credited with asserting that the man who conquers himself achieves a greater victory than the general who conquers a city. The test of this rests within the province of every one who opens a campaign upon himself.

We admit that the physical body of man has its needs. Nature has furnished us mortals with but one of a kind so far as the organic machinery is concerned—and all operate for like effects. But there is a big differentiation in the working apparatus of the spirit; which has more or less influence on the body—both in its manner of control and appearance—though the latter often belies the spirit or soul.

The souls of mortals, like their bodies, are of one kind at birth (whenever that may be.) But they are subject to growth, development or to increase of power—either of which term may stand for one idea.

Why some are born with superior spirits has not yet been made a dogma by either science or religion; though the reason may be approximated by the student of self-inspection being the only working tool that is enabled to break thru the stratum of matter that veils the spirit from material sight.

The spirit thus becomes the main object of our study—and this may be done by noting its influence on the body. Whatever that dictates the body is inspired to do. But the soul also dictates to the spirit—if we permit it. The soul being the law or life of the whole, and an exudation from spirit or God—the soul of nature—is in rapport with its parent stem, and intuitively conscious of that which is harmful to us. But in our eagerness to indulge the solicitations of the spirit we became insensible to the soul's warnings—i. e., to conscience.

That we are born with harmful weaknesses or passions are not of Nature's endowments. Our physical body is the donation of parent-hood. Our spirit-body is of the principles active in the latter at conception—a sort of like-attractable condition. Our soul is our own—a spark detached from Nature's soul, never again to be amalgamated with the original or lost as an independent existence.

To hold our parents responsible for our inability to overcome inherited passions, does not alleviate our case. They may suffer the sting of remorse for not having led purer lives themselves, and may lend us their aid to rise above these passions if they are not themselves struggling to be freed from uncurbed weaknesses, or endeavoring to right their own wrongs. But we must do our own campaigning (as a soul) to conquer the unspiritual in us.

Many may imagine that dropping the body frees the spirit from the pressure of physical desires. This is a mistaken idea. All the sensations and emotions are there as forces or principles, if not as organs. Every feeling not tempered by moderation or conquered as a ruling passion, manifests as acutely as in the flesh. It is these principles which impart the desires to the physical; and who can bring these under control—modify them to the extent of not being controlled by them—does more than the general who conquers a city.

Thus all depends on the power of the soul—the ego—to win out. And the power of the soul is increased with every victory—such being its growth or development. When superior in force or motion—spiritual vibration—over the forces or sensations of the spirit-body, the battle is won. In it is implied the control of mind over matter, and the soul is free—individualized to continue its progress freed from further attraction to material conditions. In that state it may be placed in the "balance" and found not wanting.

## Died Orthodox.

Aunt Jane was very orthodox  
In joy as well as grief,  
She passed away as she had lived  
Faithful to her belief.  
E'en when the parson said at last  
"Behold, the heavenly gate!"  
She turned and asked with saddened smile:  
"Now is my hat on straight?"  
—NEMO.

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Adelle Johnson.

Dearest Doctors: I am feeling fine now and don't think I will take any more medicine after my month is up.  
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## ROBBER FOILED.

## Presence of a Ghostly Escort Saved a Clergyman From Attack.

BY MRS. TOULMIN SMITH.

There was a clergyman whose twin brother died a short time ago. They were deeply attached to each other, and the surviving twin felt his brother's death most intensely. Some months went by, and on a certain occasion the clergyman was asked to preach for a charity in a church situated, I believe in the neighborhood of Dartmoor. He was to preach again in the evening for the same charity in another church belonging to the same vicar. To get to the latter church he had to cross a very lonely part of the moor. He was asked to take the offertory with him and hand it over to the vicar, who would meet him at the other church. I do not know what amount of money he had on his person, but at least it was sufficient to make one of the church wardens beg him to leave it in his care, as, he said, the walk across the moor was exceedingly lonely, and it might be safer for him not to have money on his person.

The clergyman, however—a big muscular man—was not at all alarmed, and preferred to hand the offertory to the vicar himself as arranged. He started on his walk of several miles. This led him across a part of the moor skirted by a thick belt of trees and undergrowth where anyone could hide. As the clergyman walked, however, he forgot all possible danger, so absorbed was he in thoughts of his dead brother, who he absolutely felt, was close to him, and walking by his side, although he could see no one. By and by he reached the other church, preached again for the same charity, and handed the collection over in perfect safety to the vicar.

Some time went by, and he himself had almost forgotten that special Sunday, when one morning he received a letter from a prison chaplain (I cannot say from what part of England), begging him to come, even at personal inconvenience, to visit a man who was a notorious thief and murderer, and who was now awaiting execution. The man had repented, but particularly wished to see this clergyman, as he had something of importance to confess to him. The chaplain ended by telling the name of the condemned man.

The clergyman replied that he had never heard the name before, and felt sure that the man must have mistaken him for some one else. But the reply came quickly. There was no mistake; the man was very unhappy, and could obtain no rest unless the clergyman would visit him. Immediately on getting the second letter, the clergyman hurried to the town, saw the chaplain, and was conducted to the condemned cell. There he saw a man he had certainly never laid eyes on before.

The man immediately made his confession. He asked the clergyman if he remembered a certain Sunday when he crossed a very lonely portion of Dartmoor. He, of course, replied in the affirmative.

"Well, sir," said the condemned man, "I knew all about your movements that day. I knew that you would preach for a charity in the church of the Holy Trinity, and would carry the collection across Dartmoor to the smaller church, where you would meet the vicar and hand him the collection. I was desperate, and meant to rob you, and if necessary murder you. I hid in the thicket by the side of which I knew you must walk."

"But you did nothing," interrupted the clergyman.

"No, sir, I couldn't."

"Why not?" was the answer.

"Because of the other gentlemen who was with you all the time, sir," was the startling reply.

This story seems to me to be a case of very singular coincidence, the spirit of the dead brother being so strongly felt by the clergyman that he fancied that he was walking by his side, and that same brother appearing, as if in the flesh, to the man who, but for him, would have attempted a terrible crime.

"Rejoice for a defeat as well as a victory; this will make you both brave and humble."

The true incentive to a useful and happy labor must be pleasure in the work itself.—William Morris.

## ODE TO DR. J. W. M. LOCKWOOD.

Dedicated to his Buffalo Class of February and March, 1906.

Thruout this world, in life's great span,

Thoughts are woven and seeds are sown.

To bring together and call our own—

The battles for truth are in the van.

In deeds that are mighty, with warriors bold,

In history's fame, with lofty muse,

Rewards of wealth, with lands to use—

Amid trumpet's blare their story's told.

But in our day and century, too,

We have warrior grand, with intellect great,

He stands alone, without wealth or state—

But Nature's tribute from him to you.

Mid scenes emblazoned from a misty past,

He hurls not anathema, but living fact,

And creates life from Nature's compact—

With reason as fulcrum—eternity to last.

No gruesome tale, or altar bright,

But living germs from Nature's store,

He gives life and color, and does restore—

With "Molecular Hypothesis," day from night.

Rends action from superstition's storm,

With volume of data, that hold but truth,

In lofty tones he peoples our earth

With spirits of men, in true Nature's form.

His God is spirit, thru all ages born,

With no sceptre to wield, or heaven to adorn,

But a solid issue, e'en to a grain of corn—

In principles of justice to all souls unborn.

To theology he gives nothing—not even scorn—

But fills its grooves with greater powers

Eternal the space and right to endure—

With knowledge as king, and wisdom to adorn.

In years to come, will his memory stand,

As a man of worth in every land;

With the spirit of his brain every man to expand,

In history's justice his future will stand.

And in this ode we all rejoice,

To bring the laurel in wreath so true,

From living past each spirit greets you—

Oh, Brother Lockwood, thou art all Nature's choice.

The Hart.

Thru Chas. S. Hulbert.

## FORESHADOWING.

'Twas asked of death, "Where is thy sting?"

Of grave, "its victory;"

But 'twas not asked of man on earth

To live eternally.

The here foreshadows "over there,"

And life, three-score-and-ten,

If lived by truth's and honor's cross

Will find eternal's when.

The limiting confines of earth

Restrain us, bound and fast,

'Tis but the freedom of the there

That lets us live at last.

M. S. WHALEY.

"Among the pitfalls in our way,

The best of us walk blindly,

Oh man, be warned, watch and pray,

And judge your brother kindly;

Help back his feet if they have slid,

Nor count him still your debtor;

Perhaps the very wrong he did

Has made yourself the better."

When the world has been unkind,

When life's troubles cloud your mind,

Don't sit down and frown and sigh and moan and mope!

Take a walk around the square, fill your lungs with God's fresh air

Then go back to work and smile again with hope.

—Cleveland Leader.

The hour is not wasted that brings with it tranquility of mind and an uplifting of the heart.

—Bradford Torrey.

## MYSTERIOUS CURES.

## Laying on of Hands

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No gilded sign is suspended over the door; no framed diploma or physician's license dignifies the walls of the humble home of Mrs. George Moore at the extreme edge of Andrews. And yet, despite this lack of professional dignity, the aged lady has a practice that is rivalled by that of no doctor in the county. Throngs of sufferers are at her home daily to receive the healing touch and be cured of their ills and pains.

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## At Twilight Hour.

When shades of night are hanging low

To shut the daylight out,

'Tis then that I most surely know

That angels are about,

I hear the flutter of their wings,

Their breathings soft and low.

'Tis music sweet the twilight brings,

Strains hushed long, long ago.

I hear the voices of my dead,

In melodies sublime,

And bend my ear to catch their tread,

As in the by-gone time.

The twilight is my hour of praise,

I sweet communion hold,

As in the well-remembered days

Of an unbroken fold.

"Tis only fancy," do you say?

If so, 'tis sweet conceit.

I love to think that those away,

In spirit forms we meet,

We love our dead. What harm, I pray,

To think that they are near?

From Heaven to earth how short the way—

They come loved ones to cheer.

How lonesome is the hearthstone now,

Where we together sat!

At twilight hour my head I bow

And ponder; it seems that

I see the white-rubed angels come—

I reach a welcome hand

To greet them in my cheerless home,

Back from the Summer Land.

"Wicked," you say; then sin is sweet;

I love to go astray.

If I may walk with those I meet

Along the border-way

Twixt earth and Heaven. But a breath

Two worlds to separate.

Parted for aye! Not so by death—

I spurn so sad a fate.

—STARR L. BARBER.

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## Horoscope and Outlook for May.

I. N. LARSON.

May starts in under the highflyer, Mercury, in Cancer, in the fourth aspect to the earth, in the sign Taurus, geocentrically. Mercury enters Leo on the 11th, but will continue to be the signifier from that sign from the fifth aspect and a little stronger than up to the 11th. Several important changes in the solar system occur a little later which will have great influence on the minds of the people, as well as on the weather and everything else.

May 19th Mercury slips away entirely and loses its influence for a few days, but Uranus, a much more powerful magnet, will send its mysterious vibrations for three days—the 19, 20 and 21st, when the beautiful orb, Venus, looms into power on the 22nd, just to say good bye to us, as we slip into the sign Gemini at midnight of the 22nd, when a wonderful horoscope of great power and brilliancy meets the earth and we will all land in a safe harbor, and all feel at ease once more after going thru all those seemingly treacherous breakers of the last ten days.

The first three weeks will be a period of uncertainty, dissipation and downright foolishness. People will be so careless and slack in their habits that it will not be safe to travel either on land or water the first twenty-two days of May, as those in charge will be thinking of everything else but their duty. Consequently accidents on every side will take place and thousands of lives lost simply thru criminal carelessness.

The general health of the people will be much below the average up to the 23rd, especially with colds and stomach troubles, and many people will resort to drugs and liquor to brace them up, which is very natural under such conditions, if not overdue.

The horoscope for the first twenty days will make the people very social and there is no human difficulty which can not be amicably settled while it lasts. This is a period for love-making, and there will be many marriages and engagements.

The general business situation continues good all thru May, especially the last two days, when great activity in all the various lines will be noticed. The speculative markets of the world will be unsteady and weakly. I therefore advise taking the short side on the stock market up to the 23rd, tho there may be a show of strength during the first ten days. On or about the 23rd there will be a great up turn which will run on wildly until on or about July 17th. This is one of the grand movements from May 23rd to July 17th, which I am urging all my friends who are in the market to venture strongly on, as such turns come only once or twice a year.

The "Chicago crowd" are going to try to run a corner in wheat from about May 1 to 11. After that date that bubble will burst, and wheat will follow stocks down until the 23rd.

People whose birth date comes between April 22 and May 23 any year should look out for breakers in the same period this year while the earth is passing thru their sign. The worst dates are May 1, 2, 7, 8, 11, 22, 28, 29. The same influence for evil will affect people this year who are born between July 23 and August 23 and October 24 and November 23, also January 21 and February 19, 1907.

Those who wish to know about my terms for personal horoscope will find my card on another page.

### Branding Baby.

Let a mother study the appearance of her child's body and decide whether there is about it any ineffaceable mark by which she could identify him anywhere and at any time. If there is nothing that time may not efface, then let her have him marked in such a way that she would know him. It is only a question of a few drops of India ink an operation no more painful than vaccination.—Family Doctor.

The arena of the new standpoint of science is that of the pupil's own mind.—Elmer Gates.

## THE REINCARNATION PUZZLE.

E. RUTHVEN.

The very remarkable and interesting "Experiment in Re-incarnation," by Charles Dawbarn, published last fall, prompts the narration of several singular glimpses of what may have been one or more former incarnations in my own experience. Understand that I do not believe in reincarnation—do not wish to believe it, for the present earthly experience is sufficient for all eternity, and while memory remains, shall not be willingly entrapped here again.

My first recollection dates back to the first year of this pilgrimage, most of which year I spent the nights weeping and wailing (due to prenatal conditions. While walking the floor with me, my father sang old ballads, and one, "Dearest May," always had a soothing effect. It seemed to recall associations entirely different from my surroundings then, and invariably presented a mental picture of the open end of a shed or partly enclosed piazza, where a woman in a light-colored gown stood by a shelf or table, chopping something in a wooden bowl. Beyond her it was dark in the shed, for the dusk of a summer evening was over all; above hung a crescent moon, and past the corner of the building, trees and sloping fields showed dimly. It all seemed familiar to me, and the memory is still distinct. After reaching maturity, I described the room, furniture, and its arrangement one night that I most perfectly recalled hearing the song. My mother was amazed, said it was correct, and that I could not have been more than seven or eight months old. At that age I had not seen a summer, so could not have imagined such a scene. So far as could be ascertained, my parents had never seen the place which the song recalled so vividly to me.

There were times during childhood when I felt like an adult, with ambitions and aspirations, impatiently longing for an active part in the world, but hampered by the body and limitations of a child. It was entirely different from the usual childish desire to be grown up.

The most striking experience that I clearly recall was at the age of ten years. Having played quietly with my dolls for some time, I fell into a reverie for a brief space, my mind being as calm and inactive as a still, deep pool; just at that "psychological moment," my grand-aunt, who was one of the household, passed through the room on her way out of doors, putting on a hood as she went. A sense of the crushing weight of ages fell upon me as I looked at her, and with it a painfully intense certainty that there had been a time somewhere, so long ago that it hurt to think of it, when I had seen her do just the same; motions and facial expression, house, room, myself—all had been exactly the same. As soon as my mind began acting, the feelings faded away, but they left an ineffaceable impression. A number of times since childhood, when the requisite mental conditions occurred, people and places have given me the same feeling, though not so oppressively strong as on that first occasion. It is probable that the worries and pressing matters which inevitably occupy the minds of most people suffering through their present incarnation, are what prevents them from catching stray glimmers of pre-existence. That some do is evident, as a writer long ago referred to it as if it appeared to him a not unusual experience.

Now geologists say this continent has been submerged and raised several times, and there is plenty of proof to back their assertion. Can it be that each time it was raised, history repeated itself so exactly that the same souls are re-incarnated in the same order as before, meet under the same circumstances, and say and do the same things over again? If that is the sad case, no wonder that some spirits who have "caught on," can foretell the future for mortals, and it is equally obvious why a higher power often restrains them from telling too much of what is to come. If we knew of all the sorrows and troubles in our lives years before they come—knew that we could not avert them, how many of us could keep sane? After bitter troubles in my own life, I asked spirit friends why they did not tell us before-hand, that we might have made it better; they said they were

not allowed to—that everything had to come as it did.

If we must undergo the same experiences with the same people through immeasurable cycles, what is the purpose of it? What can it be but an endless vaudeville for the Almighty? And only such a Being as the orthodox conceive Him to be, could find pleasure in a performance of which a large part is tragedy.

Although it looks as if predestination scores most of the points, when one considers the wonderful wisdom shown in the creation of, and provision for, in all things in nature, even the microscopic creatures; it compels belief that there must be a wise purpose in it somehow, and perhaps in another world we shall be permitted to know what is before our next turn on the stage. I hope there may be some other solution of these mysteries than is afforded by re-incarnation, for we are certainly held accountable hereafter for what we do on earth, and so may not relax in striving for better things. It is all part of the game.

### The Vegetarian Tidal-Wave.

It is said that when the potato was first introduced into France an effort was made to get the peasants to use them because they were cheap and would do away with so much suffering among them for that reason. A large field was planted and announcement made that the poor could have them without charge. They rotted in the field. Another crop was put in and the result was the same; the lower classes would have nothing to do with the new vegetable. Then a new crop was put in and it was announced that all the tubers were for the exclusive use of the nobility. All of them were stolen by the peasants and the career of the potato was established.

Thus it has always been. The poor are always looking for a chance to ape the rich and no sooner does a thing become popular with the upper classes than the poor are anxious to do likewise. Bicycles had their day. They became plebian and the rich abandoned them for the automobile. Now almost everyone wants an auto and cares little or not at all for the bicycle, which almost anyone can have.

For many years reformers have tried to promulgate the fact that a meatless diet is not only more healthy, but also cheaper than the average diet of the day. In spite of this fact poor people who could ill afford the expense insist upon using the harmful meat products. Of course, we should remember that it ought not to be necessary for anyone to abstain from meat from the standpoint of economy, but that is a question for the statesman and the voter to settle.

Now it transpires that the nobility of England has discovered that a diet of nuts and Vegetarian foods is far more satisfying than the old diet that has been the rule among them so long. Lord and Lady Charles Beresford are among the recent prominent people who are said to have taken up the new and better way of living. So largely has this idea grown among our English cousins that the butchers of that country are complaining about poor business and are wishing all sorts of bad luck to the new cult.

The fate of the potato is in store for the Vegetarian idea. Once it becomes popular among the upper classes it is sure to be taken up by the common people. So we may look forward to the early acceptance of this way of living among many people who today would laugh at such a notion. It is the way the world has of aping those above in the social scale, and it does not change matters any to say there should not be any social scale, or to say that there are no levels of society one above the other. For all that, we find the man without money always wanting to do the things that the man with money does.

While the Vegetarian may not relish this road to popularity or agree with the economic phases of it, yet he can scarcely fail to be pleased at the evidences of an early large growth for the Vegetarian cause.—Vegetarian Magazine.

The hour is not wasted that brings with it tranquility of mind and an uplifting of the heart.—Bradford Torrey.

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On Thursday evening there is to be held a real old fashioned social and entertainment. Mrs. Niver will assist. I cannot give the order of the program, as it is not ready yet, but I can assure one and all of a glorious good time.

The friends of Whitewater, as well as the school, will do all they can to make it pleasant for one and all. So come and enjoy the good things.

This is the first mass meeting since the convention in Milwaukee. Others will follow in different parts of the state, as well as grove meetings. Let us all arouse for the work there is to be done.

Truly the friend and well-wishes of all, G. H. Brooks, 114 President St., Wheaton, Ill., President Wisconsin State Association of Spiritualists.

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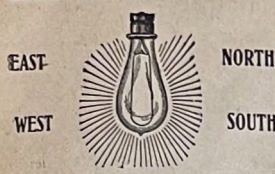
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Clara Watson writes; I think the SUNFLOWER very much improved of late—at least is much more interesting to me.

Titus Merritt writes from New York: Our meetings at Berkeley Lyceum, 19 W. 44th street, commenced October 1st, have been very successful and will close the last Sunday in May.

We would appreciate it if our correspondents would write names of people a little more carefully. If a word is not plainly legible we can usually know what it is by the rest of the sentence, but there is nothing to go by in proper names except the writing, and people object to having their names jumbled.

We have two songs from our correspondent, O. L. Harvey, written and published by him at West Lafayette, Ind. They are neatly gotten up in regular sheet music form, and will prove useful to societies desiring appropriate music. They are for sale by the author, price, we think, 25 cents each.

Geo. H. Brooks writes: I will remain in Milwaukee for the month of May and shall then close the meetings there. I hope to be able to spend a few days at the camp this summer, but may not. Kindest regards to all friends, and best wishes for the success of the SUNFLOWER. Home address 114 President street, Wheaton, Ills.

Dr. Peebles writes: I have so much work on my hands, as I am writing another book, that I have not had time to send you an article on the "Vegetable Diet." By the way, that word "vegetable" implies not only vegetables, but fruits, grains and nuts, etc. I wish a better word could be employed to specify or designate those who abstain from animal flesh, fish and fowl.

Charles Dawbarn writes: San Leandro was not much hurt by the earthquake, just a few chimneys smashed. It was worse in San Francisco, but it was the fire, and no water to fight it, that did the mischief. We have been feeding five hundred refugees a day, here. W. E. Coleman lost his magnificent library and slept out in the street two nights. Food and shelter is now provided and enormous energy is bringing order out of chaos.

Mrs. C. D. Greenamyre delivered her farewell address to a large audience on last Sunday evening. Before the lecture the audience was favored with a beautifully rendered solo, sung by Miss Elizabeth Hahnell, Mrs. Addie Frick also sang very sweetly a song entitled "My Mother's Favorite Hymn." The members of society and friends part with Mrs. Greenamyre with sincere regret. As a small token of their love and appreciation the society presented her with a beautifully engraved set of silver spoons. Should Mrs. Greenamyre return to Rochester she can feel assured of a hearty welcome from many friends.

Since my last report to your paper we have moved our meeting place from Son of England Hall to Green's Hall, E. King St. and much better and good situation. The attendance is increasing every Sunday. Mrs. R. S. Greenlee is a well beloved

speaker by the Hamilton people and will preach the funeral sermon on Sunday, May 6th, of Madam Leslie, late speaker in the Son of England Hall her last request being for a Spiritualist funeral, which unfortunately was not carried out. She was buried on the 28th of April. Mrs. Greenlee will name the infant son of John Graham on Sunday May 13th, floral ceremony.

S. S. King, president, writes: I write to let you know that the First Spiritualist society of Hamilton, is in a very prosperous condition, having started with seven members a little over two years ago, we now have a membership of about seventy with many adherents. Mrs. Ripley of Toronto was practically the mother medium of our society. We have had the honor of having her with us several times. She has just finished a month's engagement with us. Sunday evening her controls gave a grand lecture to a well filled hall of intelligent people and after the lecture some of the parents brought their children to the front, where Mrs. Ripley, while under control, gave the most impressive baptism of flowers to the dear children, that our society has ever witnessed.

Monday evening, after a parlor meeting, she was greatly surprised by being presented with a hand-bag containing a purse of gold, representing the golden opinion we have of her. We have also invited her to come to us again on her return from England. We have engaged Mrs. C. F. Allyn, of Boston, Mrs. Clark of Syracuse, and Mrs. Travis, of Hornellsville, N. Y., to follow up the good work already done here. We will also have the grand opportunity of hearing Bro. B. F. Austin the first of July, our "Dominion Day."

Mrs. R. W. Barton writes from Bradford, Pa.: I am pleased to write of the work here in Bradford. We are having large attendance at all meetings and the good work goes on. There are many Spiritualists here and the Sunflower Society is a good one with good true workers at the head of it. I finish my engagement the first of June and go from here to Covington, Virginia, and would be pleased to hear from societies on the way that would like engagements for a lecture, or in Virginia.

## OBITUARY.

MRS. FLORENCE OSBORN.

Passed to the "Higher Realms of Love," April 16, 1906.

Mrs. Florence Osborn, age 23 years. Leaving a husband, baby Olive (2 years) parents, brothers, sisters and many loving friends, to regret that so young and happy a life must be cut short; by the hand of disease ere her work was done.

Dr. Julia Walton, (President of the Michigan State Spiritualist Association) in her sweet impressive manner, gave us the Solace of our philosophy, and we know that she is near.

BESSIE G. OSBORN.

MRS. IRA M. SMITH

of Elmira, N. Y., passed to spirit life, April 5, aged 52 years. She leaves a devoted husband and two daughters, two sisters and two brothers, also many friends who will greatly miss her mortal presence.

Our sister had proved the peace and happiness found in the demonstrated immortality of spirit communion with her spirit friends. She and husband, with a few well chosen friends, had for several years held regularly a Monday evening circle in their own home. In this consecrated association, with the spirit loved ones they developed certain phases of mediumship. Without doubt she will continue to do a grand work as she returns from her spirit home thru the inspired instrumentality of her husband who is an excellent healer and speaking medium.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith were both officially connected with the First Spiritualist Church of Elmira during the settled pastorate of your correspondent. No sacrifice was to great that built for the welfare of our cause. Unitedly they labored side by side, taking the most trying tasks to be performed for the success of the church without one murmur. She worked also outside for the sick and dying. To my spirit vision is revealed many outstretched, loving hands to give her a joyous welcome into her new home. The writer officiated at her funeral.

MARY C. VONKANZLER.

## Good Words from Will J Erwood.

For the first time in four years the writer knows what it is to be free from the cares of executive work, a fact that is a source of great relief to him. Aside from the connection with the Wonevoo Camp Association, he now has no ties to prevent him from accepting engagements generally. With the close of the recent convention of the Wisconsin State Spiritualist Association, your correspondent has arisen to the position of "high private in the rear rank," as Geo. H. Brooks, that excellent worker from Wheaton, Ill., has stepped into the Presidency of that Association. In this change much wisdom has been shown, as Bro. Brooks is a man of wide experience and versatility. A strong board has been elected to assist him in the work. Among them are Mrs. Catherine McFarlin of Plainview, Minn., and Miss Louise Loebel, who is the new secretary.

Just before the Convention the writer closed an extensive missionary trip in this state; during this trip, Mrs. Coffman of Grand Rapids, Mich., served the Association as test medium. She is an excellent clairvoyant and clairaudient, as well as a trance medium, and her work was well received by the many to whom she ministered. She was also the test medium at the Convention, and did some very touching work there. As the speaker of the occasion we had the incomparable Cora L. V. Richmond, whose presence acted as a magnet for the people. This lady needs no encomiums from me, but as I believe in giving flowers while the worthy ones are still in the body, I wish to say—what is already widely known—that Mrs. Richmond's work is incomparable. The writer knew Mrs. Richmond when he was a little fellow, going to the Catholic church. He was mightily afraid of her, because he had been told that she was "in league with the Devil." The only fear he has of her now is that he will not be able to hear her as often as he would like to.

Bro. William Richmond, was present, and we enjoyed his companionship very greatly. All in all, our Convention was one of the best and most harmonious that the writer has ever attended in the good old state of Wisconsin. The genial president of the Illinois State Association, Dr. Geo. B. Warne, spent a day with us and greatly cheered us on our way. The way this excellent worker has grown in the last couple of years is a marvel. Then we had that dear young man A. J. Weaver, of the Morris Pratt Institute, with us. What a jewel his lecture was. Only those who had the privilege of listening thereto can understand. The school was well represented by Bro. Weaver and Secretary, Emma J. Owen. Many other good people were there, but as the State Secretary has undoubtedly written a full report I need not mention them in detail. I will simply add that it is my strongest hope that the Spiritualists every where in this state will rally to the support of President Brooks, and aid in carrying out the plans he has outlined for the coming year.

Relative to his own work, the writer will say that he is contemplating a trip thru Indiana, to begin very soon, and would be glad to hear from all points therein that desire a visit from him while enroute also the latter part of August and early part of September he will be in Kansas, and would be glad to hear from societies and localities where there is a desire for a visit from him while in that vicinity.

Being a sort of "free lance" now I will be glad to correspond with any society wishing a speaker during all or a part of the coming fall and winter season. Address me at Black River Falls, Wis., for the present. Fraternally,

WILL J. ERWOOD.

Wisconsin State Spiritualist Association Convention at Milwaukee.

The Wisconsin State Spiritualist Association held its annual convention in Milwaukee April 22 to 24 at Lincoln Hall.

Sunday, April 21, the local society held an afternoon and evening mass meeting at Severance hall, with an informal reception. Both meetings were well attended. Mr. Brooks acted as chairman. All local mediums, as well as Mr. Erwood, Mrs. McFarlin and Mrs. Coffman

spoke to the good of the advancement of Spiritualism.

The lectures of Mrs. C. L. V. Richmond during the convention, were received with much appreciation.

The work of Mrs. Coffman as test medium was well accepted. Following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: Rev Geo H Brooks, president, Wheaton, Ill.; Mrs Catherine McFarlin, first vice-president, La Crosse; Mrs Emma J Owen, second vice-president, White-water; Miss Louise G Loebel, Secretary, Milwaukee; Mr W E Bristol, treasurer, Oakfield.

Trustees: Mrs Amanda Snyder, Milwaukee; Mr A J Worthing, Oakfield; Dr F L Merhents, Milwaukee; Mrs Julia Smead, Milwaukee.

The convention was financial as well as spiritually a success.

The president will publish an open letter, telling the standing of the association as promised.

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## A Washington Visitor.

A visitor at Washington during the week of the recent wedding found he had never acquainted himself with the names of the President's children. He knew the names of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Theodore, Jr., but that was all, and he hunted up a sophisticated Washington acquaintance and asked the names of the others.

"Well," said the Washingtonian, "there's Archibald, Kermit, Quentin—"

"Good Lord!" interrupted the visitor, "What induced him to give them all names like Pullman cars?"

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## THE ORACLE.

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Under this Head Answers to Questions from our Correspondents will be given from time to time.

Question—What is meant by astral color or the color of one's aura? Can one see the aura or, broadly speaking, the aurora about people?

The astral color is the form of light one reflects from the photo sphere of conscious life. It is never the same, for it is vibrant with thot and feeling and changes as these change. The average color one expresses in his life, whether red or blue, yellow or green, whether coarse and dense, or refined and clear, is the astral color, because it is starlike as the word indicates, ambient, atmospheric, radiant. The aura, which is one's color sphere, surrounds the soul like an egg shaped, oval atmosphere.

Yes, anyone who is clairvoyant can see the aura, and often one not clairvoyant may discern its presence like a glittering, transfiguring light around the eyes of those inspired or seers. No doubt the placing of the halo about the heads of the saints grew out of actual observation of this unusual and mysterious light, which shone thru the eyes and appeared about the heads of holy men and women.

What is a guardian spirit?

A guardian spirit who differs from a ministering one usually attends a person born on earth, from the hour of birth. A male has a female and a female has a male guardian spirit. There is only one for each person. This person is a godmother or father to the child of earth, warning it in time of danger, helping it over some obstacles, impressing it with some good thots, inspiring it on its way and attending it in crises. It need not always be present as such a spirit is wise and knows the hour of its need. Let us thank God for these guardian spirits who comfort and bless us when the way is dark and lonely.

What is the matter with Spiritualism?

Nothing, so far as I can see. Spiritualism, like Theosophy and any other form of philosophy or religion, suffers from dry rot. Emma H. Brittan, the famous English Spiritualist, once said, that all that Spiritualism needs to make it perfect is Spiritualists. Spiritualism has fallen into bad hands and it is too big a proposition for the N. S. A. to handle. You cannot purify it except by purifying those who profess it. Like water, it is pure or impure by the addition of foreign matter. Spiritualism never would have been honeycombed with fraud if it had not been for the Spiritualists who were credulous or gullible enough to accept the spurious with or for the genuine without question. Spiritualism will outlive its worst enemies who are of its own household, and triumph over its fictitious substitutes.

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"To be happy do the thing you most want to do. If that is not possible, be as happy as you can by doing the thing you next most want to do."

To the receptive soul the River of Life pausest not nor is diminished.—George Eliot.

## A PLEA FOR PORK.

Most Hygienic Diets Are Deficient in Proper Food Value Says One Authority.

Even tho it takes pork four hours to leave the stomach and six more to be dissolved and absorbed, what does that matter so long as it is completely assimilated by the end of that time, as it is in 90 percent of all digestive canals? It is the slowest but also the surest, foods that we have to give off all its energy to the body. Its very slowness is what gives it its splendid staying powers for hard work, whether muscular or mental.

As a matter of fact I have seen more cases of dyspepsia cured by the use of breakfast bacon than by any kind of drug or restricted diet.

An adult alimentary canal which cannot digest bacon or ham is not to be recorded as healthy, and instead of humoring and giving in to a weak digestion, it should be braced up and under skilled supervision educated to take what is given it and make no fuss. Stomachs can be spoiled by giving them too little to do almost as easily as by giving them too much. A healthy stomach fit to cope with the emergencies of life must be able to digest not only that which is digestible, but much that is difficult of digestion, and this is the standard that should be aimed at in dietetic therapeutics.

As Prof. Max Einhorn puts it: "The diet in health should not always comprise the most easily digestible substances. For by doing so we weaken our digestive system."

Besides, a large bulk of indigestible residue is absolutely necessary to stimulate the lower bowel to proper action. We need "hay" just as horses do. Pork, including ham and bacon, is easily our second most valuable meat food, and has laid the literal foundation of our Western civilization. What would an army, an exploring party, a railroad gang, a lumber camp or a harvest field be without bacon?

Most of the restricted "hygienic" diets on which our patients put themselves are chiefly notable for the fact that they are deficient in proper food value, and whoever lives on them will be dyspeptic just as long as he does so.—McClure's Magazine.

## Mediums and Mediumship.

My personal observation of the mediums at Lily Dale the past twelve or fourteen years has brought me to the conclusion that no Spiritualistic camp or Spiritualist society can possibly exist without them as they are absolutely indispensable. I have also found that these good souls are the most abused people in existence and are treated shamefully by the Spiritualist themselves.

Mediums are often mistaken as to the quality and nature of their mediumship, but I have failed to run across one dishonest medium, or fraud, at Lily Dale; but once in a while I have found undeveloped mediumship, and on rare occasions an actor, or imitator of mediumship—but that person was soon discovered and pointed out.

Mediumship, in my opinion, is a dangerous business, as it opens wide the door to all kinds of influences, spirits both good and bad, and many of the messages are given by spirits who like the investigator, both skeptical and prejudiced. The medium is blamed for the nature of the communication, or cried down as a humbug and a fraud. The public as a rule, is very unkind, and many times unscrupulous "kickers" run to the managers and complain, and strange to say, some of the officers take stock in the complaints and jump at conclusions, thus putting psychics in a bad light.

Mediums are sensitive, and are easily discouraged. Mediumship is a rare article and should be encouraged. Mediums are the soul and life of a society and I know of people who come to Lily Dale every year, from far and near, purposely to consult them, and would rather miss all the lectures than their great pleasure of a sitting with a medium. Encourage mediums and mediumship.

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Of the City of Light Assembly at Lily Dale, N. Y. July 13 to September 2, 1906.

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- 14—J. Clegg Wright
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- 17—Dr. Geo. B. Warner
- 18—Dr. S. L. Krebs
- 19—Dr. Geo. B. Warner
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- 23—Conference
- 24—J. Clegg Wright
- 25—Prof. S. P. Leland, Ph. D. L. L. D
- 26—Wilson Fritch
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- 28—Wilson Fritch
- 29—Rev. Frederick A. Wiggin
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AUGUST.

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- 3—Rev. Chas. Laying Herald, Ph. D
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- 16—Marie C. Brehm
- 17—Mrs. Helen M. Gougar
- 18—TEMPERANCE DAY—Marie C. Brehm
- 19—PEACE DAY—Marie C. Brehm, Helen M. Gougar
- 20—Conference
- 21—Hon. Noah Webster Cooper
- 22—Oscar A. Edgerly
- 23—Hon. N. W. Cooper
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- 28—Mrs. R. S. Lillie
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- 30—N. Y. STATE SPIR. ASS'N DAY—H. W. Richardson, Carrie Twing,
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AUGUST

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