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## TELLS CATHOLICS OF SPIRITS RAISED.

Reports Talk With a Saint and Says  
Pope Sanctioned It.

Declaring that it was at the request of Pope Pius X that he should acquaint the Catholic clergy of the United States with the results of his studies of the occult, Dr. J. Godfrey Raupert, a member of the London Society for Psychical Research, lectured at the meeting on "Spiritism" last night, and, incidentally, told of having had personal and verbal communication with the shade of St. Ignatius Loyola.

The greatest efforts were made by the Catholic Library Association and Father Joseph H. McMahon, its mediator, to keep out of the lecture hall all outsiders, non-Catholic reporters and professional Spiritualists. The audience of 200 was made up mostly of priests and Catholic scientists and students. Every person inside had to be vouched for by a member of the association. The highest dignitary of the Church present was Bishop Gorman, who is in charge of the Diocese of Sierra Leone, West Africa. Dr. James I. Walsh of Fordham College, considered one of the most prominent Catholics in the profession here, was also in the hall.

A Catholic woman who begged hard to get it, pleading that she was interested in the study of the soul and any tangible evidence which might be obtained to prove its existence, was barred out. She complained bitterly that she had often been tempted to attend Spiritualistic seances, but because it was against the mandates of the church, she had not done so.

"And now the church has sanctioned a lecture on this subject," she cried almost tearfully to the lecturer, "and you won't let me in."

Father McMahon found her with her ear to the door later, and ordered her away, telling her that if she did not go he would have the authorities remove her.

The reason for the lecture was a subject of the most earnest controversy after it was over. It was learned that Dr. Raupert is not only engaged in lecturing to the Catholic clergy on the occult, but is also delivering lectures at the Dunwoody Seminary. After seeing him display photographs which he asserted to be actual reproductions of the astral body, hearing him tell of spiritual communication with the departed and of spiritual communications in writing to him, all with the sanction of the Pope, and this under the auspices of the Catholic clergy of New York, priests left Delmonico's bewildered and parishioners dazed. Many of the Catholic clergy took notes of the lecture.

The lecture opened just before 9 o'clock. The room was darkened that the lecturer might show his ghost pictures with the stereopticon. To devout Catholics, forbidden to venture within the realm of Spiritualism, the very opening of the discourse was strange and uncanny.

Dr. Raupert began by saying that he had visited the Pope recently and had been requested by him to tell the truth about his investigations of psychic phenomena.

Then he showed seven pictures in a series giving the development of a photograph of an astral body materialized by himself and a number of associates, who were pictured as sitting about a table, their fingers touching. The picture of the lecturer was recognized in the group about the table in the first picture. A second picture showed a spot of dim light over the center of the table. This light grew with each successive picture, blotting out the fingers of the mediums one by one until the plate was of nothing but the suffused light of the strange thing conjured up, as the lecturer

asserted, by the minds of the mediums. Finally the picture showed the astral body in the shape of a woman.

Dr. Raupert told his audience that these experiments were actual, as the camera reproductions showed. He said it would take many lectures for him to tell all he had learned in his study of the spirit world and communication therewith. He began, he said, with experiments in spirit writing, which he classified as direct and indirect.

Here Dr. Raupert told of an "indirect" experiment, in which a sheet of white paper, apparently illuminated, had left a table, floated in the air and had dropped to the table again with many scratches and dots upon it. When the experimenters found that they were unable to decipher the message and expressed their disappointment, he said, another try was made, and a message came to use a magnifying glass. This was done, and the original message was read clearly.

In the rear of the audience there was a display of skepticism when this was told, despite the assertion of the lecturer that he had been asked by the Holy Father to tell of these things. The audience was stiff and cold at first, but later became more interested, so much so that some expressed regret at having gone there to listen. Save for two or three overimpressionable men who left the room, the audience remained. Those who were fortunate enough to get in had been warned in a circular from the Catholic Library Association that it was to be "strictly understood that the lecture was to be strictly scientific, and that only those persons of a morbid tendency or disposition were invited."

After treating of manifestations from the spirit world by writing, Dr. Raupert told of "spirit voices," and gave as his own experience his seance with St. Ignatius. The lecturer it seems, is a convert from the Anglican to the Roman Church. He was a Protestant, he said, when St. Ignatius appeared to him. He first "became cognizant of a predominating intellectual presence," and then the saint appeared. He wondered and voiced his wonderment at the appearance of the saint to a Protestant, and then St. Ignatius told him it was easy to get in communication with him, as he had been reading his work every day and had drawn the spirit of the saint to him.

The final stage of the lecture concerned the complete materialization of a spirit to the lecturer. His instance of his own experience concerned the appearance of the spirit of a boy who had lived near him, just outside of London. Dr. Raupert said he had known the family of the lad well. The boy got into trouble and went away. His mother became anxious about him, and one morning he called on her, to find that she had received a cablegram reading: "Dead; will send letters."

Dr. Raupert said he remained with the mother all morning and then went home to his study. He was sitting at his table when the head of the boy appeared above the table top, then the shoulders, and then the full form. It disappeared, but reappeared in the same way. Then the astral body spoke and said it had been standing behind the chair of the doctor when he was speaking to the mother, but had been unable to get into communication.

Dr. Raupert said also that the spirit informed him that other spirit influences had told him that it was easy to get in communication with him, and that the spirit had come to him in his study to tell him that in life he had destroyed himself. The boy, it was found afterward, had committed suicide.

In closing Dr. Raupert advised Catholics to keep away from the study of the spirit world because

it involved great injury to the medium. He quoted a scientist as having said that 10,000 persons were in insane asylums as the result of efforts to get in touch with the spirit world. He told of a medium who took upon ten messages who was called so constantly that he was worn out by the effort to meet the demands of the spirit message senders.

For the limit of the audience's spiritualistic experiences Dr. Raupert showed two pictures. One of them was of the doctor standing with the astral form beside him. The doctor explained that he felt the presence of the spirit, but could not be sure of it, and he had asked it to move over to the other side of him. The next picture showed the spirit form on the other side. The form was that of a young woman in white holding a rose. The picture showed the doctor endeavoring to reach out and take the rose from the shadowy hand.

One Catholic, after leaving the lecture last night declared that this spirit lecture before the clergy and select laity of the Catholic church was the most radical and remarkable thing that had ever occurred in the history of the church in this country; and that if Dr. Raupert was lecturing at the request and with the acquiescence of Pope Pius the whole Roman Catholic people of America would be amazed.

—N. Y. Times.

**Illustration on a Small Scale.**  
I recently read in seemingly scientific terms that "The tail pole of a frog is several inches long, and is a very important part of the frog's anatomy. It is used for balance and for propulsion when the frog is in the water. The tail is also used for swimming and for jumping. The tail is a very important part of the frog's anatomy, and is used for many purposes."

It was a small stream near a bridge. It was a very long tail, named "Nimble Dick," put him in a glass fruit can about half full of water, with mud, moss and pebbles in the bottom to make it as homelike as possible, with a small stick arranged that he could rest out of the water. I fed him bread crumbs and little snips of lettuce. He evolved so rapidly I felt sure conditions were favorable, for within a few days, to my astonishment, discovered his tail was becoming shorter. Then a small bunch appeared on each side of the body and in two weeks little legs could be seen, through the transparent skin, that encased them. One evening, when he seemed unusually amiable (we were watching him by lamp light) there was a splash of water and a struggle that brought forth the right hind leg, and no more. I found him balanced on all four.

There was no shedding of the tail. It was simply nature's rigid economy. Nothing is wasted. The tail was perfectly absorbed in the formation of the hind legs, so that in a little less than four weeks he was a small proportioned frog with a slight projection where the tail had been. Early one morning when the grass was wet with dew-drops with kind wishes for his success in frogdom, I bath him a fond good-by, and never saw Nimble Dick afterwards. But I would like to know what was utilized in the forming of the fore legs. If any of the little frog biologists know, please tell me.

—Miss G. Osborn E.  
Maine, Mich.

Knowledge of things depends upon one's force of penetrating into them. The material, spiritual, social, physical, and each according to its nature or mental organization, is deeply interpenetrated by him imperceptibly at the border-line of the soul's sphere where the soul's energy wraps itself up in its own environment to its life.

## HOW DO MEN GROW?

A Lecture Delivered By Miss Elizabeth Marlow.

Today we are standing upon the threshold of a new era in American life. Amongst the dreamers and idealists there are beautiful signs being of the yet to be, and they are drawing for us wondrous pictures of a land which yet shall come. Philosophers and scientists are telling us most emphatically of the powers and improvements that may be accomplished. But, until we come down still closer in the same common place of the facts of life, I am sure that we shall not fully master these powers or realize the full sweetness of our song or beauty of our home to be.

We can only advance in keeping with the great majestic whole. So that there shall not be so many disputes in life, that we may evade some of the tragedies of the past, we would like to draw your attention to this fact—How do we grow?

As we study man's development from primitive times, we find that men grow from two forces, or from the impetus in two directions of life's great must. We said that life was one continuous must. We do very much as we have to. One direction or poise from which this great must plays upon us is from outer environment. Man came into individualized being and conscious knowledge of that being first thru his awakened sensibilities of his organism. He first felt the tremors of so-called sensual life that he had a boundary within, and about himself, and that he was surrounded by other objects, that they came together, there was awakened still more activity, which brought into life more sensibility. Thus man has developed the outward form thru the great touch of environment. And the must of that environment he has been obliged to feel to a great degree and be moulded by it.

But man has been a creature of fate and of public circumstances, and there is dwelling within his soul a force that you call soul. And as men are attuned to the great infinitudes of life, we find that variation and variety is the master-hand of this marked beauty. So that all of this something we call soul, does not always sing out in exactly the same notes, at the same time; but men sing the song of their own poise as the flowers send out the fragrance and colorings of their own peculiar individuality. Thus there have been, and still are, men who touch the key-note of conscious activity, while the majority of men do not, at present time, feel, or can scarcely feel, any existence, and it is because of this attunement your desire, your comprehension, your capacity for anything to do with this. It was the must that was born in all of you when, upon the shores of time, you were set out upon the tracks of eternal progress.

We are impelled from two directions,—from environment, and from soul-rhythmic action. Those who have set out upon the highest rhythmic state have been the molders and directors that have lighted up the way of all time. We see at once that men only grow thru their habits. There comes this awakened song in our throat; it speaks out, and as it speaks out we find that all the rest of it is usually in defense because they cannot appreciate or feel what the songster has felt and conceived. Not only thru the soul of man, but we are driven as well by climate, and our physical necessities and habits, for the first law of life is self-preservation. Man finds it necessary to preserve himself from the cold and the heat, from hunger and thirst, from the wild beasts and sting of serpents, and this has driven men together. And as they have come together they have found that this close contact, that

had awakened as well habits and sensations and concepts of things, first on the long plane of existence called our animal or physical states of life. We, after having been driven together by the elements of nature, find that we are not all, physically, exactly alike; that our tastes, desires are not exactly alike, and so to defend ourselves we have been forced to do certain things. And as we have been forced to do certain things continuously it has produced in our nature, our structure, that something we call self-action, development of the function and capacity of power. And as these have become a part of ourselves we call them our habits.

We have grown today first, under necessity, then automatically. Man only proceeded into the protection of himself from man and the elements some unexpected mechanism a NO, from that inner, impelling must, that said there is still another way, a better process, and thru its impelling power, man has learned to modify, how to rearrange and adjust his self. This brought out another habit, and so on, until today we are taking much about the art of living. So that we have today that which is termed society. And as men have learned to live together physically, have learned something of the art of associating thru the habits of doing things continuously, we now are touching another great portion of his being. For it seems that this is the opening era of the great intellectual room of the human family.

In living in this physical room we have done things from one blind, and in one degree of habit. There has been much of self-consciousness. For, as we have protected ourselves from the law of self-preservation, we have slid, as it were, from the great extreme of the first degree of things into its abnormal use, which develops self-consciousness, and self-consciousness, which is the love of acquiring, the love of controlling, of dictating, calling the product of our labors the very best. So long as we dwell wholly in this state of our own life, so long will tragedies continue. But as the mental phase of life has unlocked itself men have been forced to think; the majority of men have fought against having to think. In the past, they burned men at the stake because they dared to think. They only thought, because they had to. See the great history of the persecutions of that. It has been said that a thot, and a pen with a thot behind it, is more powerful than all the navies and swords of eternity. Thus we see that thot, let loose, is a disturbing power, just as the physical combinations are disturbing. For, as man has learned to modify, to rearrange and to adjust himself; he has learned to bring out himself, and how to dwell together most sweetly under the best of ways.

Thus we see that whenever men think, and that thot is let loose, the same as in the physical states of life, the majority have risen to defend themselves; they have given vital force to thot. Suppose you would speak a great thot to which no one was opposed and which none accepted, it would fall flat like the seed upon the rock, and would produce nothing. On the other hand, however, if you gave forth a wondrous thot, and only one or two accepted and disseminated it, it would not bring forth much fruit. But when men rise against you, be sure that your thot is destined to do something for humanity. The fiercer men struggle to defend themselves, the more action, in all ways, is brought out, and thot they do not carry out that which you have framed, yet eventually it will bring something new, something useful. So we see one small illustration in your own day, while all thru the history of recorded things we find that at times men have spoken indifferently, and at times been persecuted. But at last, under the im-

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WHAT A TERRIBLE THING!

Reports from St. Louis give us the appalling intelligence that John D. An, who would never have been heard of had it not happened that he was a cousin of the Hon. Wm. J. Bryan, had been married and that "The State of Missouri" had performed the ceremony in the name of the State of Missouri. I pronounce you man and wife.

What a terrible "catastrophe" in the name of the State of Missouri! Well, what should he have said? Should he have used the old custom and have said, "According to the ordinance of the State of Missouri, I pronounce you man and wife?"

It is as if it has always seemed a peculiar thing to put in a marriage ceremony or on a certificate. The writer, who also bears the onerous relation of justice of the peace, recently received from the legal blank publishers, some new marriage certificates. He was pleased to note that they said, "This certifies that I have this day joined in Marriage — and — according to the laws of the State of —, and that there were present as witnesses, — and —"

Nearly every state in the Union takes the position that marriage is a civil contract, but that on account of the results, it is a contract around which the State must throw more of a protecting arm than on ordinary contracts. It has also been proposed in sections of this State to take from the clergy the right to perform a marriage ceremony. That is, to make a legal, binding ceremony, the civil authority of a magistrate shall be required.

We have taken that position for years. We could never see why a minister should have any more authority to perform a marriage ceremony than any other person. We are behind even Mexico in this matter. There a civil service is an absolute necessity. If they want a religious service, that is their privilege but the civil service is the compulsory one. The heaven is working and soon the clergy will be deprived of this prerogative, and the sooner the better—Spiritualist as well as orthodox.

OUR CANADIAN PATRONS.

The Canadian government has cancelled its treaty with the States in second class matter (newspapers, magazines, etc.) making it necessary for us to pay regular postage on the Sunflower, thereby making an extra charge for postage of 32 cents a year instead of about 5 cents, compelling us to charge \$1.50 a year instead of \$1.00 as formerly. As this is the act entirely of the Canadian government, the publishers of American papers are not in any way responsible for it and are not receiving any money for their papers than they were before.

Under these conditions all subscriptions not paid in advance will be discontinued after this issue. So examine the tag on your paper and if you wish to continue to receive the Sunflower, remit for your subscription at once. This shows our American subscribers what the effect will be if

they do not make a vigorous protest against raising the second-class postage—as has been advocated by the third assistant postmaster general for the past five years. The effect of raising the postage from one cent to the present rate, to 4 or 8 cents a pound, as advocated, would be to raise the price of your reading matter at least one-half and probably double on the magazines. If you don't want that, make a protest to your congressman when that question is up again next winter. In the meantime, inform yourself on the subject so you can make a consistent protest, or make up your mind to content yourself with half the reading matter you now have and pay the same price for it.

A STORY BY A. F. MELCHERS.

In this issue of the Sunflower we begin the publication of what will doubtless be the last story of Arthur F. Melchers, "The Biography of a Soul." It is a story that will be of benefit to the world if it will heed the lesson contained therein. We are glad to publish this story by the many letters received regretting that the writings of Mr. Melchers will no longer grace the columns of the Spiritualist press. We have a number on hand and we have decided to use them for the summer season. This story will make between 30 and 35 columns of the Sunflower and we will run it between now and September 1. Therefore, we make the following offer: Send us 25 cents, silver or money order, and we will send the Sunflower from the beginning of the story to September 1, which will include the whole story. This, with the camp news and other matter that everyone wants, will give you the biggest 25 cents worth of reading you have ever bought.

Send in your subscription today and get the benefit. Send the names of five of your friends and \$1.00 and we will send the paper to all of them.

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Buffalo Note

N. H. EDDY, Correspondent. The First Spiritualist Church of Buffalo, in the Temple, corner Jersey Street and Prospect Avenue, Sunday, May 30, 10 and 7 P. M. Wednesday evening, June 6, 7 P. M. Children's Lesson Sunday, 10 A. M. Harmony Circle meets at Keystone Hall, 121 Main Street, every Sunday evening at 7:45. Chas. E. Hart, Secy., Buffalo, Pa.

Mrs. M. Whitaker, her son, Wm. Whitaker, and wife, have returned to their home 150 Norwood Avenue, from their sojourn in Florida. They report a very pleasant season at Lake Helen. Their friends are all pleased to see them back in Buffalo.

Harmony Circle, 351 Main Street, will hold a grand entertainment at their hall, Friday evening, May 31. A good time is assured all who attend.

MASS MEETING.

The New York State Association of Spiritualists held their annual mass meeting at the Spiritual Temple, the opening session being Friday evening, followed by meetings Saturday afternoon and evening and three meetings Sunday. Each session was of more than usual interest. There was a grand array of talent presented at each session. H. W. Richardson of East Aurora, N. Y., president of the State association, opened the meeting Friday evening. Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Twing gave short addresses, then E. W. Sprague of Detroit, Mich., gave an interesting lecture on "The truth and popularity of Spiritualism" followed by messages of a very convincing character, demonstrating the truth of spirit return and bringing much comfort and cheer to those who were so fortunate as to receive them.

Saturday afternoon those who took part were, Mr. Richardson, Mrs. Lane, Mr. Hoyt, Miss Woodruff, and Mr. Sprague. Saturday evening Dr. Lockwood gave the address, also Mrs. Twing and others were heard from. Most excellent musical talent was tendered to the interests of the audience. The rendition of solos by Mrs. Wattle, assisted by Miss DeWitt as pianist. The ability and musical talent was of a high order and much appreciated. The Saturday evening meetings were full of interest and enthusiasm. Among

those occupying the rostrum during the sessions were Dr. Lockwood, Mr. Charles Harmony Circle, Mrs. Juergensen, Mrs. Atchison, Mrs. Clara Watson of East Aurora, and all did well. Each and all did well. Dr. Lockwood made very forceful statements of the principles of Spiritualism. Each session was filled with excellent musical selections. Musical selections were given by Mrs. J. J. DeWitt, Miss DeWitt, and Miss DeWitt. The Temple Wednesday evening, June 6, 7 P. M. Several other persons were present, among them Miss Hubbard and Mr. DeWitt. A fair attendance was present.

HARMONY CIRCLE.

Harmony Circle members at a mass meeting at the N. Y. S. A. Spiritual Temple, Buffalo, N. Y., on Friday evening, June 6, 7 P. M. The subject of the evening was "The Biography of a Soul." The speaker was Mr. DeWitt. The meeting was well attended.

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of nature's divineness in the human ego. In the twilight hush when all is silent our hearts go out to the stars and seek the affinity of that consciousness we have been taught was in God. We are ruled by inherited power of love. That is the permeating instinct that makes man more than the beasts of the field. His powers are more lofty and filled with a greater resource in their action. In the great calm of death when all nature is silenced in the stilled form of the loved one, the voices play around our consciousness and whisper, "do we live again? and in a breath from the silence of the tomb comes the words, I am the resurrection and the life. I am the spirit that is filled with all the powers that animate every living thing in nature. I am the truth of all revelation and I am he who is divine. Who is this that speaks to us in these words of our consciousness? Man has said it was a Christian God. Man has said it was a Brahman, a Krishna, a Buddha, a Mohammed, a Confucius, or a Christ. Yet in the silence of our hearts there is ever the whisper. It is our own spirit in rapport with the voices and life of the ages. In the thunder and lightning that peals and glares above our heads, we hear not the voice of God or his spirit, but we hear the multitudinous echoes of a power that is collateral with our spirit and exists in those vast storehouses of space, that fill the rudimentary vacuum of a great planet and must await its passing or until its harmonies have been restored and peaceful silence once more reigns. The echoes of the God-voice are the purile truths of the unconscious spirit, quickening under the influence of example and want. Fear subordinates to the unknowable, and like the dark chamber to the child, we look out onto seemingly blank space, invest it with a thousand bogies, and our imagination runs riot in this field of oblivion to past ages. But the voice of science has played its part with the voice of the so-called dead. It has echoed across the centuries and bridged the gulf of ignorance with the brightness of reason and we hold our way today with almighty truths that are as permanent as the indubitable evidence of fact can make them.

AMBITION.

In pleasant days of childhood, Golden dreams were mine; Golden gods I set on high, And life's prospect was fine. No sooner had my gods to clay By treacherous time been turned; No sooner spent my dreams, Than I with fear was burned. For man and manhood's state Had set within a fire To realize my truer self, To use a little higher. I thot so false ambition's love, I struggled ill at ease, At last I sought some other means To kill her dull disease. But as I fought for space of breath This world can scarcely give, I saw 'twas thru her hid alone, I could most truly live. I saw, if not so falsely used, As some do for an aim, Ambition's road it may be made As virtue's path the same. M. S. WHALEY.

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A home without books, periodicals and newspapers is like a house without windows.

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The Last Story from the Pen of "ARTHUR F. MILTON,"

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Lily Dale, N. Y.



LILY DALE NEWS.

Mrs. Cady is spending a few days on the grounds.

Eloise Ely of Kennedy, N. Y., is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fuller.

C. M. Carroll, who has been in the Indiana oil and gas fields for some time has returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Winchester have returned from a visit to their grape farm near Laona.

Mrs. Helen Reilly has returned for the summer and is occupying her cottage on Library street.

While fishing for bullheads Friday evening, Lynn Nutting caught a 12 1/2 pound carp.

Mrs. Lutgen, Mary McConnell, Mabel Staples, and T. W. Litchfield were recent visitors.

The card party met at Mrs. Nutting's last week. Prizes were awarded and refreshments served.

Mrs. H. J. Turner of Newport, Ky., has returned for the summer and is occupying her cottage on Library street.

Dr. E. C. Hyde has returned for the summer. Mrs. Hyde is still at Friendship, N. Y., but is expected daily.

Webb Blanding has returned from Fuller's farm near Falconer, where he has been making some repairs on the buildings.

Mrs. Enches has returned from her winter home at Columbus, Pa. and is occupying her cottage on Fourth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Todd have been enjoying a visit from their two sons, Prof. Stanton, of Michigan, and Dr. Lafayette of Dunkirk.

George Smith and Mr. Curran of East Otto, N. Y., Mr. Heald of Buffalo, Pa., and Mr. Moran of Chicago have been recent visitors.

Mrs. Gates and daughter, Maud, and Virginia LaPearl, have returned from a visit to Buffalo, where they attended the mass meeting of the N. Y. S. A. S.

Mrs. Olmstead, who has been in East-town and Rochester the greater part of the winter is now occupying her cottage near Library hall.

Word has been received that Mr. P. W. Birkhauser, who had Mrs. Nutting's cottage last season, passed away at the home of his daughter at Florence, Neb., recently, of Bright's disease.

A. Campbell is building a neat house, with a compartment for a garage loft, and a place for an acetylene gas plant which has been ordered and will be installed as soon as received. He has also ordered a gasoline launch which will be here in a few days.

The weather still continues to be too cold for comfort, but is some warmer than it has been and we live in hopes. The grass has grown quite a little, and the wild flowers are in full bloom. Many people are gathering dandelions to make wine, it being considered a very healthy drink. Bushels of blossoms could be gathered.

Miss Bessie Greenamyer was married recently, in Buffalo, to Mr. Clyde Clark, and Miss Gertrude Greenamyer will be married June 4, to Mr. Fred Schenk, also of Buffalo. Both of these young ladies are grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Greenamyer, and have the best wishes of the community for their success and happiness in their new relations.

A letter received from George F. Kirtledge informs us that his health has so far improved that he has returned to his former position with the Erie County Independent at Hamburg, N. Y., published by Frank Walker, who has been prominent in Spiritualistic circles for a number of years. We hope Bro. Kirtledge's health will continue to improve so he will be good for a number of years' additional work.

MRS. HUMPHREY ANNOUNCES that owing to the fact that John W. King is in California, he will not come East this summer, therefore the place assigned to him on the program has been filled by engaging Mrs. Helen P. Ressegue of Hartford, Conn. Mrs. Lease has been called to England by business matters, and her place has been filled by engaging Mrs. Mary Seymour Howell of New York, formerly a worker with Susan B. Anthony. She will

be the speaker on Woman's day, and at her request her second date August 17, has been made a Temperance day.

The pastel picture so kindly donated by Mr. and Mrs. A. Reidinger, (nee Margaret Gaule) of New York, to assist in paying the debt of the Assembly, was raffled off at her home by a party of friends, and was won by Dr. Warne, who had 50 tickets.

The band and orchestra has been engaged. It will be known as the Lily Dale Assembly Band and will be under the leadership of Mr. Ernest Gerdon.

Arrangements have been completed for the school of music under the management of Mr. Wm. J. Sheehan of Buffalo, and circulators will be ready in a few days. Parties wishing to arrange for the course can address Mr. L. C. Hutchinson, secretary, Lily Dale, N. Y., or for private lessons address Wm. J. Sheehan, 567 Elmwood avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. Humphrey has gone to Washington, Pa. where she can be addressed at 140 East Wheeling street. She will arrive at Lily Dale about July 1.

BOSTON NOTES.

MRS. B. W. BELCHER.

DWIGHT HALL

The Ladies Lyceum Union meets at Dwight hall, 514 Tremont street, every Wednesday. Business meeting 5 p. m., supper 6.15, evening meeting 7.45. Good mediums in attendance at all sessions. Mrs. M. J. Butler, president.

DWIGHT HALL.

The Ladies Spiritualistic Industrial society, meets at Dwight hall 514 Tremont street, every Thursday. Business meeting, 5.30 p. m. Supper, 6.30. Evening exercises 7.45. The meetings are devoted to tests and readings by different mediums. Mrs. B. W. Belcher, president.

May 2 we are to have Mr. F. H. Roscoe of Providence, R. I., and we expect a good attendance.

We close for the season May 23.

APPLETON HALL.

The First Spiritualist Ladies Aid Society meets in Appleton hall, 9 Appleton street, every Friday. Business meeting, 5 p. m. Supper, 6.30. Meeting at 8. The exercises consist of remarks, messages and tests.

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MRS. B. W. BELCHER

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Horoscope and Outlook for June.

J. N. LARSON.

The sun is in the sign Gemini until the earth enters Cancer June 22. The moon is in Leo on June 22 and in Virgo on June 23. Mars is the ruler of the month for the first thirteen days. Venus is in Libra, Mercury is in Aquarius, Jupiter in Cancer, Saturn in Capricorn, Uranus in Taurus, Neptune in Pisces, and Pluto in Scorpio. The weather promises to be very much disturbed throughout the month of June. The weather promises to be very much disturbed throughout the month of June. The weather promises to be very much disturbed throughout the month of June.

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LAKE PLEASANT, MASS. Opens July 23, closes August 26. Albert P. Blinn, secretary, 17 Oak street, Norwich, Conn.

LILY DALE ASSEMBLY located at Lily Dale, N. Y., on the Casadaga lakes, opens July 12 and closes September 1. Laura G. Fixen, secretary, 1047 Carmen avenue, Chicago, Ills.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. The Semi Tropic Spiritualist association, Los Angeles, Calif., August 15 to September 15. George E. Lyon, secretary, 1974 1-2 E. First street, Los Angeles, Calif.

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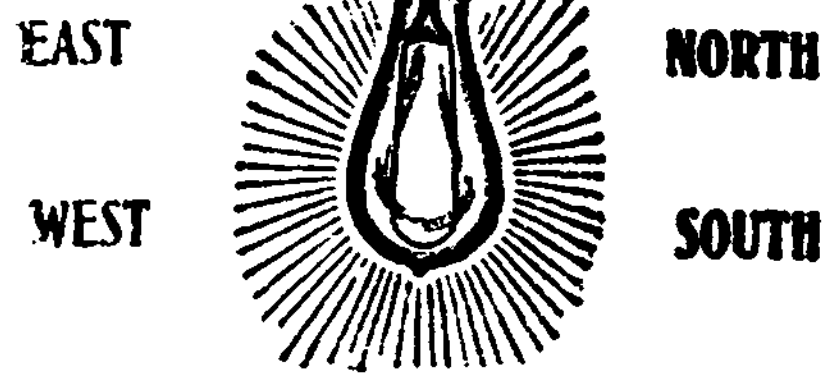








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Read the notice about the last meeting by A. F. Melchers that we published in this week's SUNFLOWER. 25 cents gives you the whole of this story...

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James A. Harvey writes from Hamilton, Ont: A fine audience assembled in Green's hall last evening to attend the social and concert given under the auspices of the Hamilton Independent Spiritual Society. After listening to a capital program, consisting of songs, recitations and instrumental selections, Mrs. Hanson on behalf of the society...

Rev. Frank E. Conley, the renowned trumpet player, has been doing a good deal of work in New York during the past week. Many have been comforted and brought to a realization of the unity of life thru communion with their loved ones who have departed from the physical body. He is sailing for Europe May 17, on the White Star Line, having received a special call to visit a number of the principal cities in England and Germany. He will endeavor to visit Lily Dale during the last ten days of camp, after which he will visit his home in Toledo, O., returning to New York for the winter. His many friends in New York wish him a pleasant journey and safe and early return to New York.

Mr. R. Fielding writes: Mr. Grumbine has been speaking in Washington after an absence of many years. He gave a course of lectures and instructions never before presented in

Washington. An exposition of the Bible mysteries, the Ancient astrological teachings of the masters of Egypt and India. These teachings are fully illustrated. He gave two lectures Sunday May 12, at Gude's hall to a large and cultivated audience. The Temple league meets as usual at Pythian Temple. Mrs. Farrow, Pres. Mrs. May A. Price is the speaker, after each lecture messages are given by several mediums. The Ladies Aid meets every Thursday at Mrs. Farrow's. Prof. J. C. Grumbine gave two very interesting lectures the themes were the Old and New Spiritualism, at 8 p. m. Occult Science and the Bible, the hall was filled to overflowing. Mr. Grumbine held classes in Mr. and Mrs. Hocker's parlors, 1714, 14 St. N. W. Many of his old students took up the studies again while he remained in the city.

DR. FOWLER'S NEW YORK LETTER.

It is very pleasing to the officers and members of the First Association of Spiritualists as the season's work is drawing toward its close, to note the increasing interest in the same as manifested by the constantly increasing attendance, notwithstanding the many allurements to attract, not only the "faithful" but all others as well.

On Sunday, May 11th, after some very interesting and appropriate remarks by the president, Mrs. M. A. Newton, Mrs. Gaule-Reidinger, in her preliminary remarks alluded to some length to her visit at Hartford, Conn., on the previous Sunday, in response to an invitation from the officers of the State Association to participate in the deliberations of that body at their Annual Convention, which was as usual a pronounced success in every particular. It was Mrs. Gaule's first experience in Hartford, and among the Spiritualists of Conn., all former invitations, because of having previous engagements, she was obliged to reluctantly decline. She spoke of the cordiality and enthusiasm which was manifested, and of the spirit of harmony and good-will which characterized all the meetings during the Convention, a full report of which will no doubt be furnished to our readers. Your correspondent is especially interested in reading the reports of these meetings, and of the several state associations, as, being an enthusiastic believer covering a long period of years, he is pleased to note the progress attending the efforts of those who are so valiantly laboring for organization, in our ranks, without which we can make but very little progress in establishing the truths of our phenomena and philosophy. Mrs. Gaule seemed to have brought with her from Hartford some of the enthusiasm before mentioned, for she was very happy in her remarks, and very generous in the number and length of her delineations and messages, going into minute detail in many instances, which was very convincing. One was very noticeable when she described to a gentleman in the audience a friend who was residing in Mexico, giving names, etc., then referring to a certain lot in a cemetery of which some information was wanting, describing the same as number eighty, which was very gratifying to the recipient, who afterward assured the audience that he was a stranger to the medium. So, with the many similar remarkable readings and messages she is constantly giving out to believers and skeptics alike, it need not be a surprise that her meetings are so largely attended. The lengthy and interesting exercises were interspersed with singing by the congregation and vocal and instrumental solos, which added to the enjoyment of the occasion. The sympathy and kind wishes of the many friends and admirers of Mme. Voigt is extended to her in her protracted indisposition which detains her from a participation in our meetings.

In reference to my notes I find I have neglected to mention a most remarkable reading given from a small packet which was placed with others upon the desk. A peculiar influence was experienced, when a deathbed scene was described and the spirit appeared to the medium, who was herself a medium, but whose transition had not been reported to Mrs. Gaule since her return. She said the funeral rites were then being said in a certain town, I think New London, Conn., giving loving messages to her friends in the audience, one of whose names

and said the packet contained a few flowers she had taken from the casket to bring there for a reading. The name of the spirit given was Mrs. Jacobs, which, with all the details were pronounced as remarkably correct. Mrs. Jacobs the living N. Y. was a valued member of the "Mr. Pittcairn Society" of Jersey City, N. J., of which Mrs. Anna Stewart is pastor.

Mrs. Gaule called attention to the Spiritualist papers on sale at the door, urging the audience to buy the same and circulate them among their friends. Our venerable Titus Mead, well and favorably known to the older generation of Spiritualists, was retained to the front and made his stand at book stand as before assigned to occupy a position in Parkley Lyceum. His friends all gave him a cordial welcome to his old position. It is the wish of the writer that the seed sown of all the campaigns who have labored to do so would be the result of the same for distribution, as there are many of our people who desire to attend to the opportunity of hearing and meditating upon the season among those people who have enjoyed greater privileges than the average of our people, and it is to be hoped that as the number of our churches and other friends who are becoming interested in our philosophy and phenomena are increasing, our summer schools, or camps, are furnishing the opportunities for obtaining more knowledge of the same under very pleasant conditions and surroundings.

Yours for progress,  
Dr. G. W. Fowler,  
115 E. 11th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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