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SOUL-COMMUNION TIME-TABLE.

The 27th day of each month, and from 12 m. to half past 12 p. m., being the time fixed and inspirationally communicated through THE WORLD'S ADVANCE-THOUGHT for Soul-Communion of all who love their fellow-men, REGARDLESS OF RACE AND CREED—the object being to invoke, through co-operation of thought and unity in spiritual aspiration, the blessings of universal peace and higher spiritual light—we give below a table of corresponding times for entering the Communion in various localities:

When it is 12 m. at Portland, Oregon, U. S. A., it is at—

Austin, Texas.....	1:43 p. m.
Augusta, Maine.....	3:03 p. m.
Boston, Mass.....	3:28 p. m.
Baltimore, Md.....	3:08 p. m.
Burlington, Vt.....	3:18 p. m.
Berne, Switzerland.....	8:41 p. m.
Buenos Ayres, S. A.....	4:18 p. m.
Berlin, Prussia.....	9:09 p. m.
Buffalo, N. Y.....	2:55 p. m.
Constantinople, Turkey.....	10:11 p. m.
Cape of Good Hope, Africa.....	9:26 p. m.
Charlottown, Pr. Ed. Id.....	3:58 p. m.
Columbia, S. C.....	2:48 p. m.
Columbus, Ohio.....	2:38 p. m.
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Caracas, Venezuela.....	3:46 p. m.
Chicago.....	2:20 p. m.
Dublin, Ireland.....	7:46 p. m.
Denver, Col.....	1:08 p. m.
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Edinburgh, Scotland.....	8:01 p. m.
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Frankfort, Ky.....	2:33 p. m.
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Georgetown, British Gua.....	4:18 p. m.
Havana, Cuba.....	2:51 p. m.
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Harrisburg, Pa.....	3:03 p. m.
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Little Rock, Ark.....	2:03 p. m.
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New York City.....	3:15 p. m.
Newport, R. I.....	3:28 p. m.
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And peace will prosper, when the world is free!

Then those who toil will be the ones who own;
The slave no longer then will bow the knee;
The king will then be driven from his throne;
The people regnant, when the world is free!

Then greed and poverty will pass away,
And all will share a true prosperity;
The god of Mammon with his feet of clay
Will be demolished, when the world is free!

Then will be little law—the Golden Rule
Will be enthroned, the law of equity;
The priest will vanish with his creed and school;
And Truth will flourish, when the world is free!

Then will be happy homes, and happy men,
And happy women, raised from slavery;
And happy children. All the dark has-been
Will be forgotten, when the world is free

O, when the world is free! Transcendent time!
The Golden Age of dream! The years to be!
From better unto better men will climb
Unto the highest, when the world is free!

THE natural consequence of having a far-off God is to have a near-by Devil. When the world recognizes the God within, the Devil and his Hell will vanish clear out of sight.—L. A. M.

LIVE NOW.

ONE of the great obstacles to progress in Self-Reform, is the waiting for something to take place that will change our environment for the better, so it will be easy to live the ideal life, not realizing that it is we ourselves who must control our environment. Each one has the power within himself to make his surroundings harmonious if he will exert it—evolve the Divine soul force. Be loving and fear not! Keeping always this attitude of mind will sooner or later make our environment all that is desired—hatred will give place to Love, dishonesty to Honesty, lust to Virtue, discord to Harmony.

They who love and fear not, will go on gaining in strength and power and wisdom until they find themselves free and with unlimited powers. Yes; unlimited! There are no restrictions on the unfettered soul. It can then control the elements, even the power of gravity is overcome at its command. And all this is possible here and now! It is not necessary to die before we can live. People have always been preparing to die; it would be wiser to prepare to live.—LUCY A. MALLORY.

CARELESS THINKING.

THE greatest detriment to one's true upbuilding is Careless Thinking; and yet the world fosters the very conditions that are inimical to his thinking for himself. It is everywhere lauded as a virtue to think in accepted grooves of thought, but a crime if one thinks for himself, no matter how good and just his thoughts may be. This is because the world is full of automatic thinkers; people who do their thinking mostly as marionettes move.

It has been the custom of the great majority, in past time, to think according to the ideas of those persons accepted as the standard in medicine, theology, political and social matters, and never inquire whether the standard may not be all wrong. The average physician did not question

the correctness of his pharmacopœia; the theologian accepted the infallibility of the creed's interpretation of the Bible; and the politician, the laws in the statute books. To question any of these was, and is still, to a great extent, to be considered "crazy," a "crank," and outside of the pale of all "respectable" consideration. The thinkers who would point out the errors in these "infallible" standards, could have no standing in church, state or society; they were, virtually considered, pariahs, and to ridicule and malign them was considered perfectly legitimate.

These automatic thinkers are mentally and spiritually slaves, and do not realize that it is only by continual thinking in new lines that perfection can be attained in any state or condition. It is they who repeat: "What has been will be! You cannot change human nature!"

The careful thinker knows that there is always room for improvement; that because a thing has been, does not compel any one to accept it; it will go if one so wills it; the human nature may develop into the Divine nature.

The *Free Thinker* has come to liberate; he cannot be put down by sneers, ridicule and malice; and whenever careful, untrammelled thought takes possession of the minds of the nations, Love and Justice will do its work.—LUCY A. MALLORY.

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DOES FOOD CHANGE OUR NATURES?

THE idea that one partakes of the nature of the thing he eats is accounted absurd by those who eat the flesh of animals; but, surely, all must admit that one's physical body is affected by the food he eats, and unless one has a healthy body, the spirit manifests but poorly. The man who feeds his body on liquor manifests an insane nature, the glutton manifests a vulgar, unrefined nature, and so on. It is also true that eating the flesh of animals makes the body unhealthy and unclean, and to the extent that it does this will it affect the manifestation of the spirit.

In the fact that the hungry lions refused to eat the prophet Daniel, we have a most potent illustration of the power a pure soul evolves who refuses

to eat murdered flesh (as did Daniel) as a matter of conscience. A murderous spirit breeds destructive influences, and the flesh eater is never safe, not only from the ravening, wild beasts of lust, hatred and passion, but from the wild beasts that roam the forest. The world will always have to deal with ferocity as long as it evolves ferocious passions and appetites. Not alone this, but the atmosphere of murderous influences, generated by the hunting, vivisection and slaughter of, and other cruelties practiced toward, animals, is the most favorable for breeding those insect and animal pests that make life burdensome. Such an atmosphere evolves these as surely as an atmosphere of hatred and revenge in a community causes men to make revolvers, knives and other death-dealing instruments to supply the demands of the inharmonious individuals therein.—LUCY A. MALLORY.

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IMAGINATION distinguishes the spiritual man from the purely physical man. It is this spiritual attribute that shines forth in all the great Teachers and geniuses of the race. That which distinguishes the great artist, the inspired poet, from the ordinary individual is pre-eminence in imaginative powers. The mere material man has no imagination. He follows the beaten mental track of the majority, and is ruled by customs, prejudices and dogmas. All his ideas have been thought out for him by others, and he has nothing but ridicule and contempt for the one who is imaginative; he calls him "a crank" and "a visionary." But that glorious imagination, so much despised by the ordinary man, is the governing power of the universe. Great spiritual beings govern nations and worlds by the unfolded powers of their Divine imagination.—L. A. M.

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GOOD is The Way! Go not off into by-paths, lest you become lost and cannot hear the still, small voice of the Divine Guide, and are devoured by the wild beasts of passion, hatred, greed and all manner of evil.—L. A. M.

TEACHINGS OF "HEATHEN" MESSIAHS.

THE teachings of the great Messiahs of the so-called "heathen" nations, are often superior to those of the Bible, and many of them, especially those of the Buddha, who lived six hundred years before Christ, bear so close a resemblance to the best teachings of the New Testament, that it would almost appear as if the latter had been plagiarized from them. This is the decalogue of the Buddha: "Thou shalt not kill; thou shalt not steal; thou shalt be chaste; thou shalt not bear false witness; thou shalt not utter falsehoods; thou shalt not blaspheme; thou shalt avoid all impure speech; thou shalt be disinterested; thou shalt not avenge injuries; thou shalt not be superstitious." It has been truly said that the moral code of Buddha is admirable. It cannot be surpassed from the standpoint of gentleness, charity and benevolence. He is not only tender in his love for all men, but he includes all animals within his love.

Lao-Tsze, the Chinese Messiah, who was born 604 B. C., expressed himself in this wise: "Rejoice in the success of others, and sympathize with them in their reverses, as if you were in their place. Aid men in their need. Have pity for widows and orphans. Show yourselves humane towards all animals."

Confucius, born 551 B. C., said: "Learn and reflect, and love one another. To be humane is the foundation of all; it is the noblest of virtues. Hate the crime of the criminal, but if he returns to virtue receive him as if he had never committed it.

Manu, who lived several thousand years before Moses and Jesus Christ, says, in Sloca 92, sixth book of Manu: "Resignation, the rendering of good for evil, temperance, probity, purity, the subjection of the sensual nature, the knowledge of the Supreme Soul, truthfulness and abstinence from anger, these are the ten virtues in which consists our duty."

And it is these "heathen" nations, who have moral codes superior to that of Christianity (for in the Christian scriptures respect for the lives of animals is not taught) that sectarian missionaries have so long made the Western nations believe

were steeped in degradation for lack of Christianity; that they were unworthy of any respect, for they were idolators. But is it not apparent that idolatry (the worship of money, position and property, and of religious ceremonies, dogmas and days) dominates in all Christian nations and has taken the place of Christ's spiritual teachings, as well as it has, to a certain extent, displaced the good teachings of "heathen" Messiahs among Oriental nations?—LUCY A. MALLORY.

CRUELTY.

CRUELTY is a discordant, destructive force, antagonistic to the beautiful laws of harmony that govern the universe.

The vibrations constantly ascending from the Union Stock Yards of Chicago are enough to sink the city.

The vibrations ascending from bribery, corruption, cruel legislation, selfishness, saloons, houses of ill-repute, the slaughter of innocent animals, the brutishness of butchery, man's low estate of gluttony and animalism, the brutalization of our children in many ways, the degradation of our young men in medical vivisection hells—cruelties that sicken the soul—may well make us tremble before that Day of Judgment that surely awaits us. Be not deceived, oh, puny man. Jehovah's outraged law of mercy will avenge itself, and you will be the hapless victim of your own cruelties.

But when man outgrows his cruel and destructive forces, when he loves all God's created life with a tender and pitying love, when he sends out vibrations in harmony with the laws of the universe—noble and Godlike—then will cyclones disappear, disease begone, death a beautiful transition, and science, that fair Goddess, will smile upon a world redeemed from every manner of cruelty, and man at last enjoy that blessed fruitage of peace and happiness so long foretold by seers and sages.—Mary W. Barr, in *The Light of Truth*.

WHEN we make a physical journey we keep on going until we arrive; when we make a spiritual journey we keep on thinking until we reach the goal.—L. A. M.

KINDNESS TO ANIMALS EIGHT THOUSAND
YEARS AGO.

A REALLY instructive lesson may be drawn from the beliefs and practices of a people who separated from the South-Asiatic branch of the Aryan family before the peculiar Hindu doctrines obtained a foothold, and in that far-off time migrated westward and northward, establishing themselves at last by the shores of the Caspian sea, and laying there the foundations of a mighty empire. These were what are known as the people of Iran, ancestors of the Persians, a most remarkable people in ethical development for that early time, judging from what remains of their literature. This people had a prophet named Zarathustra, who lived nobody can tell when; as Aristotle reckons, eighty-seven hundred years ago. Even if his date be set at half that distance, so pure are his precepts, in many respects, it is startling to think of them as coming from so high an antiquity. Very considerable of his teachings remain, and of these, injunctions of kindness to animals form a notable part. There are specific penalties for all sorts of cruelties perpetrated upon dumb beasts; explicit directions as to the care of domestic animals, and the proper treatment of their diseases; and all given in the same solemn form as the laws for the protection of human beings. Even in their worship the Zarathustrians remembered their animals, mentioning them in their prayers. One of the psalms chanted in their temples runs in this way:

"O, Lord, pure and fair, we will be sincere; what we believe, that will we profess and do. This is the highest service we can render Thee. So with heart and hand we pray that for the cattle pleasantness and fodder may be distributed, to the oxen and the cows, to the strong and the weak."

And here is a part of the confession of sin to be recited by all the faithful:

"Of all and every kind of sin which I have committed against thy creatures, against dogs, birds, or any kind of animal, if I have offended against any of them, I repent it with thoughts, words and works, corporeal as spiritual, earthly as

heavenly, with these words: O, Lord, pardon! I repent of sin."

These are excerpts of a liturgy which began to be used in Iran, God only knows how long ago—before the pyramids were built, perhaps. No Christian state has laws one-hundredth part as considerate of dumb creatures as were the laws of that country in that far-off time; no Vegetarian or Anti-Vivisectionist of our day ever dreamed of carrying kindness to animals to such an extreme. The doctrine was rooted in the religion of that people as it is not in ours. They began by acknowledging obligation to all helpful, sentient creatures; and the ground of their duty to man was that he was one of these. On the contrary, Christianity began by avowing the duties of men to one another because they are brothers, made of one blood; and consideration for animals came afterward, as a result of the kindly spirit established between man and man. So this sentiment arrives late in every Christian nation, and as yet has found no name in any Christian tongue.

It is easy now to understand how it is that Christians have come at last to care for animals. The injunction to do so is not in their creed, nor in their scriptures. Paul scouts the idea that God cares for oxen.—*Newton M. Mann.*

[The above is from a well written pamphlet, entitled "Kindness to Animals in the Christian World," Price five cents. Address N. M. Mann, P. O. Box 703, Omaha, Nebraska.

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SPIRITUALISM.

SOMEbody says: "Oh! it is only the ignorant who take up Spiritualism." Very good, but I shall be compelled to remind such people that Christianity originated with a carpenter's son, and was propagated by ignorant fishermen and unlettered mechanics. God does not always choose culture for his spiritual work; He usually prefers manhood. But we find that science is beginning to realize that there is something more than chicanery in this matter. There is a society in London called the Society for Psychical Research. At the eighty-fourth meeting of this society, January 29th, 1897, its president, the celebrated scientist, Prof. Sir William Crookes, the discoverer of the "Crookes Tubes," delivered an address. In this address he brought forth some evidence that is well worth considering. Now a man like Professor Crookes is beyond question. What he says may be absolutely believed as the truth. He began twenty-six years ago to investigate psychical phenomena. To-day he announces his firm belief in the existence of the soul after death. A great many of Professor Crookes' experiments were made in his own laboratory with the aid of Mr. Home, a medium of note. These experiments were conducted along strict scientific methods, and the results are extremely interesting. Let me give you an idea of some of them:

The handling of red-hot coals without the slightest trace of harm to the medium; the materialization of spirit forms; the movement of bodies without direct contact. The medium was lifted from the floor and suspended in the air without contact with any visible agent. We will not take the space in this article to go into detail concerning Professor Crookes, but will refer all who are interested, to the April (1897) number of "Borderland," where they will find the experiments fully outlined.—*Rev. Marion F. Ham, Unitarian, in The Light of Truth.*

MAN will be a mental slave as long as he allows the senses to dominate the spirit. A man's mind is the Holy of Holies—the Temple of the Living God, not made with hands, Eternal in the Heavens.

THE COMING RELIGION.

RELIGION, interpreted by orthodox creeds, has turned this world into a slaughter-house or battlefield. But religion, interpreted by the light of reason, or the unfoldment of the moral and spiritual faculties of the human mind, is "the coming religion of the New Dispensation.

The mind will remain in darkness until it obeys Nature's Divine law, and unfolds the light. Without the unfoldment of the moral powers of the human mind, it could not receive, or understand Nature; for God (or Nature) can only reveal the hidden laws to the human mind as fast as that mind unfolds.

Instead of going to "the promised land," as the orthodox teach, we have to grow into a higher condition of intelligence and happiness, or remain in Egyptian darkness. Those who have started out of that darkness, by unfolding their own moral powers, will have many an enemy to slay, for they will find the occult saying to be spiritually true, that "our foes are those of our own household."

—*A. C. Doane, in The Philosophical Journal.*

WHY cannot humanity lay aside its contentions, outgrow its toys and idols, and walk, hand in hand, up the golden stairs of progress, to the plane of Love? All that is necessary to do this is for each to cultivate his or her own garden (the mind) and allow no weeds of evil and hatred to grow therein. Do not stop your work to dispute about who made the garden, but just keep the flowers of Kindness, Peace, Love and Wisdom blooming therein. Keep no barking or biting dog there, in the shape of any creed, to scare away your neighbors. Make this garden a Peace Society, and the world will become one grand, Universal Peace Society.

A. C. DOANE.

THINGS constitute the wealth of the sense world; Love and Wisdom, that of the spiritual spheres. The sense life is transient; the spiritual life is eternal, yet people waste all their energies to acquire the burden of "property," so that the energy left to get wisdom, is not enough to enable them to gain more than ten cents worth in a life-time.

MAN HIS OWN DEITY.

H. H. BROWN.

DID it ever occur to the biologist that since evolution ceased on the external line of organism, and continues in man in the same line as in all the links before him, on the line of egoistic or self development, that the Mental Scientist has given him the next link in his chain of theory, and the clearest possible demonstration yet of the truth of his hypothesis of evolution?

Has the physicist yet discovered that in telepathy and thought transference he has the most positive of all evidences for the truth of the hypothesis of molecular motion, also known as the atomic theory or etheric vibration? Has the physiologist discovered that in the present trend of the thought of self-mastery, in the volitional control of the entire physical system—making digestion, respiration, circulation, etc., as subject to the conscious thought and will as are now hand and foot—there is for him an explanation of the evolution of the nervous system, from the sensitiveness of plant and jelly fish, to the conscious control of every part of the body?

Yet it is so! Nature, from amoeba to man, has been working for conscious selfhood. Man can say, "I am," but, though "given dominion over all things," he cannot say, "I am master of my own body!" He—like the Europeans in Africa, who have the mastery only of the exterior outline—has only an external control; there is a "darkest Africa" within that is yet beyond his control, that breeds disease, crime, unhappiness and death.

This region will only be conquered when the whole nervous system becomes subject to the conscious thought, as is now the cerebro-spinal nerve. The sympathetic nerve is controlled by the ego. The knowledge how to do this is yet held in the sub-consciousness. The line of evolution has ever been to make this latent and sub-conscious knowledge—which is spiritual—conscious; that is, intellectual. To do this, a nervous system must be evolved, and that system must gradually be given into the control of consciousness. In gaining this control of his body, man is only doing as part of the Infinite Energy what

that Energy has been doing along the whole line of evolution.

If the theory of evolution be true, man will as surely yet control every internal organ as he now controls that of speech, work and locomotion. In doing this, he will intelligently and consciously repair and restore bodily tissue, as he now unconsciously and instinctively builds it. He will then have conquered disease and death, and will ripen off, in maturity, from the tree of life, instead of falling, as now, imperfect and against his will.

If biology in its deductions be true, it finds in this result its climax and the evidence of its own truth. Physics also finds in the conscious use of thought, to this end, the resultant of its previous deductions—for they as surely lead to this, as the deductions of Franklin, Morse and Henry led to the electric light—and physiology will have done its work. Dissection and vivisection are no longer needed when the whole body obeys the conscious thought, and man is neither subject to disease nor accident.

This line of thought was called out by The World's Advance-Thought, and the above reasoning is intensified, by the recently announced discovery of Prof. Schenck, of Germany, of the possibility to control sex of offspring. Embryology has long been of great service to Mental Science, and this discovery points the way to the complete control of the body by the conscious Self. Since no organ of the body so readily and quickly corresponds to the conscious thought as that of sex, it is natural that physical science should there begin to verify the deductions and known phenomena of metaphysics. Thus the philosophy of evolution and the deductions of physical science come in at the right time, to help on the movement for which the last decades of the century are remarkable. They will continue to help on the work, and the coming century will know Man as his own Deity.

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ALL IS GOOD!

JENNIE B. BURKE.

WHERE is no bad, from every side of Life—
The unseen and the seen—

The mighty Voice commands: "Be Good!"

And though but slowly we evolve

Into that Perfect Life,

Sometime t'will all be understood

How our young souls grew into good

Through errors dark as night.

All is Good!—some in a less degree;

But the Cause of everything

Thereby shapes man's destiny.

All of Life is inspiration

From the unseen Force around;

And the harmony of creation

Sings glad songs in every sound!

If we'll tune our souls to hear it,

We can catch the joyous strain,

Sung through all the higher kingdoms,

Heard in Nature's sweet refrain.

In the sublime and mighty beating

Of the Master-Spirit's Heart,

Our material hearts are leaping,

Full of Life in every part!

And our forms—His earthly shrine—

Can be fashioned weak or strong;

So much of Him, that they are good;

So little, that they are wrong.

Around our lives the Light doth shine;

Within our souls reigns Health Divine!

But we can grope within the dark,

On some far off stepping stone,

Until the Law will break the heart

Of our material home.

But though we failed to see the Light

That shone around our way,

And though our walk was in the night

Of Life's most bitter day,

Yet, some glad day, somewhere,

Love will reclaim His own;

The Father knoweth where we are

On our journey to His throne.

FREE WILL.

IT is said: "God gave us a Free Will to choose life or death—Heaven or Hell." But a Free Will is not a matter of gift, but of growth in wisdom. Man's Will is enslaved just in proportion to his ignorance.

The infant's Will is without any freedom whatsoever. It does everything from blind impulse. From the very commencement of its growth and education its Will is hedged around by conditions over which it has no control. It cannot walk by the exercise of its Will, it must wait until the body is strong enough; then it must learn how to do that, as well as other things, before it can begin to exercise its Will even in a tentative way. It learns to exercise its Will gradually, according to its capacity to assimilate knowledge.

Even the religion of the individual is forced upon him, for he becomes either a Protestant or a Catholic or an unbeliever from a compulsion of circumstances that leaves the Will entirely out of the question. In fact, so little does orthodox religion believe in the exercise of a Free Will, that it is ever anxious to inculcate its doctrines in children at an age when their Wills are least developed.

The average woman has the most enslaved Will, owing to her financial dependence on the Will of man. Her Will is generally merged into what her husband wills. Rarely is she allowed even an opinion of her own in regard to the questions of the day. In religious matters she is a slave to the dogmas of her creed, in the choice of which she has had no more chance to exercise a Free Will than in choosing the color of her hair. She rears her children in accordance with the circumstances and conditions that prevent her from exercising a

Free Will. Only as she expands her mind and acquires knowledge does her Will gradually become emancipated from the slavish conditions that surround it and hedge it in. As long as she remains in ignorance, her Will is in the custody of her father, brother or husband, the priest, the doctor and the opinions and prejudices of her neighbors.

And man's Will is also enslaved by his ignorance. He wills according to circumstances, and these seldom leave much freedom to his Will. In politics it is subject to the will of his party; in business it is restricted by his means and other things too numerous to mention. The Will of the man reared in the slums cannot be the same as that of him who is reared in good conditions.

The greatest freedom of Will is in self-dependence. The individual who has emancipated himself from the prejudices, bigotry, superstitions and errors of the world, is more free to act according to the dictates of his own intuition and reason, and can assert his individuality.

The education of the world has been to the end that all might be brought down to one common level of uniformity. It is almost considered a crime to exercise the least freedom of Will in any direction, but praise is mostly awarded to him who, with the imitateness of the monkey, will conform his Will to the enslaved Wills of the majority, and glory in his chains and bondage.

Only in the perfect exercise of the Divine nature is the Will free.—LUCY A. MALLORY.

SPIRIT OF SAVAGERY.

IT would seem as though we were still living in the "Dark Ages," to hear "Death to the Jews!" resounding in countries boasting of a high degree of civilization like France. In all France there are but sixty thousand Jews, the majority of whom are poor, yet the mob, countenanced by Catholic societies, has rioted against them, breaking up their property and menacing their lives.

The Greek Catholic Church, in Russia, in expelling the Jews (the Jewish children in Russia were classed far in advance of Catholic children in their school studies, in all parishes) allowed Jew-

esses to remain who would take out the yellow tickets of prostitutes, An infamous alternative worthy of the hideous days of the Inquisition.

And yet the Catholic Church claimed in the Parliament of Religions, at Chicago, that it stood essentially for the Brotherhood of Man, but it is in the Catholic countries of Europe that this revival of the "Dark Ages" is taking place, led by the most bigoted and fanatical members of that Church. Such tyranny cannot last. It is but the rage of the ignorant against the progressive, for in art, science, literature, commerce and finance, and in all progressive enterprises, the Jews are leaders in all the countries where the cry of persecution is being raised against them.

Emile Zola, the well known Parisian novelist, should be sustained by all liberty-loving people, in the noble stand he has taken in defense of human rights.—LUCY A. MALLORY.

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WHEN people are told to love their enemies, they say: "That is impossible; it is out of the power of human nature to love our enemies." But they are loving their enemies—their worst enemies. Men pamper their pride, and feed and glorify their lusts and passions and appetites. What is this but loving their enemies?—doing good to those elements within their beings that lead to destruction. Flesh and liquor and lust, how many love them, although they destroy. How many there are who call their hatreds good, and yet hatred is the worst enemy one can have, within or external to the being. To love one's external enemies is not to love their evils, but, by sending them our best thoughts, to change them from a state of antagonism and hatred to that of good will. External enemies will generally do us less harm than the internal ones that we cherish.—L. A. M.

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EVERYTHING in the universe is trying to think through you, and the spirit that succeeds in making its thought flesh (materializing it), through your willingness to have it so, is copartner with you in your body and mind.—L. A. M.

LAW.

REV. G. W. KENNEDY.

THE necessity, the rightness, the approval of law is a most universal recognition. Order, harmony, government, are the philosophy of creation; God's objective revelation of Himself. Universal recognition of law grows out of the knowledge of personal accountability. Notwithstanding the necessity for law and its creative enactment, no law of the Creative Government is tyrannical, arbitrary or improvident; all such laws are of human invention, and reflect not the Divine.

The stability of government depends upon loyalty. Government cannot be established without the consent of the governed; it certainly cannot abide without that consent. The governor and the governed must be in harmony. Human inventions to these ends are often a failure; order goes to anarchy, and philanthropy turns to tyranny. The dying Madam Roland exclaimed: "O, Liberty! Liberty! how many crimes have been committed in thy name!"

In relation to law, there are some principles and rights universally conceded: the power that establishes can disannul; the law makers can be the law breakers by removing the law as a statute. Law as a rule of action ceases, when the contractors dissolve the terms of a contract. This removes all arbitrariness from law, and makes order and harmony possible. There is nothing arbitrary in law.

God never punishes the individual for breaking His law; the punishment is in living in the disorder of a broken law. God will never punish a sinner; the punishment consists in being out of harmony with God. The transgressor accepts, first, disorder, then all its results come in; disorder, rebellion and sin are the poison of the soul. The sinner accepts and elects his own destruction. Harmony, loyalty, love, is life; the opposite is destruction, death.

PROF. E. A. WHITELAW, of 497 Franklin Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., late of San Francisco, has been appointed Director of the Musical Department of the Spiritualists' Jubilee at Rochester, N. Y.,

June 1-8, 1898, to whom all matters relating thereto should be addressed. Prof. Whitelaw is President of the Brooklyn College of Music. Music is to be a great feature of this semi-centennial celebration. Send in your name, address and contribution to Frank Walker, General Manager, Hamburg, N. Y.

Two organizations of women in New York City are doing much to promote good government. These are the Woman's Auxiliary to the Civil Service Reform Association, and the League for Political Education. They co-operate, and are carrying on most valuable investigations concerning all the social and industrial conditions of Greater New York. Strange to say there is no protest from the anti-suffragists against women taking up this arduous and engrossing labor, much of which would be unnecessary if women had the ballot.—*Woman's Tribune*

THE Austrian Parliament has adopted a resolution favoring International Arbitration. There are about three hundred Peace Associations. The most important one—the Interparliamentary Conference—has twelve hundred members, who belong to the various parliaments of Europe. The good work of this Conference is making itself felt in all the parliaments of civilized countries. A movement was initiated at the Universal Peace Congress, held last year at Budapest, to encourage the preparation of school books which should be free from glorification of the military spirit.

THE consciousness of Immortality unfolds with the purification of the life. All we can learn by the witnessing of spiritual phenomena is that there is another state of existence, but consciousness of our Immortal state must be realized within the soul itself. The difference between the two is, being told that a city exists, and living in it and realizing its existence. The eternal cannot be known in that which is transient, for the latter is the shadow of the spiritual substance, which is within the being. To "know thyself" is to be Immortal.—L. A. M.

ABOLITION OF CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

[From an address delivered before the Literary Society at Ballston, Oregon, by Wallace Yates.]

THIS nation boasts loudly of being a "Christian nation," as instance the hubbub we raised about infidel Turks destroying Armenian Christians, and how we did criticise those Christian nations in Europe for not putting a stop to the slaughter. But what do we see within our own borders which is a very large exemplification of the lesson of the mote and the beam? Why, we see so-called "Christian" organizations, of one kind and another, getting up monster petitions to Congress, with duplicated and triplicated lists of names thereon, to put "God in the Constitution;" while, at the same time, they uphold laws and customs that provide for the taking away the lives of their fellows, and pray for the success of armies, and even furnish chaplains to accompany regiments bent on slaughter. How incompatible are such methods with true Christianity; for the Nazarene emphasized his two commandments by declaring that, "whosoever sayeth that he loves God, and hateth his brother, is a liar." More definite in the line of what we are here to argue was his saying: "I say unto you that ye resist not evil; but whosoever shall smite thee on the right cheek, offer to him also the other." And again: "Love your enemies; do good to them that hate you; that ye may be the children of your Father which is in Heaven; for he maketh his sun to shine on the evil and on the good, and sendeth his rain on the just and on the unjust."

Here the Nazarene shows that through love to the neighbor we may attain to the love of God, and that it is thus through the second commandment that we learn to obey the first. But the lesson here given, not to judge and condemn others is totally ignored in our courts, which make a man swear on the very Bible they repudiate. The nearer nations conform to these precepts, the higher is the grade of civilization, of which the Quaker policy of William Penn furnishes a striking example.

The experience of nations shows that capital punishment has had no effect in repressing crimes,

but rather the reverse. When they hung a man in England for stealing to the value of eighteen pence, men concluded that they might "as well be hung for a sheep as a lamb;" and, on the theory that "dead men tell no tales," the robberies of the footpad and burglar were usually accompanied with murder. And, to-day, in the South, the torture and burning of negroes for certain crimes has no effect in repressing such crimes, but by exciting ferocious passions tends rather to increase crime. And our legislators are beginning to realize this, and to see that the theory that executions tend to prevent crime is a false one, so that in most States such executions are shut off from the public and only a few newspaper men and officials allowed to be present.

It will be said that the decrease of hangings of late in this country is the cause of the great increase of private murders, but I deny that any such connection can be proved. Murder is in the air because the children born during the late war are uppermost in society now, and are working out the evil propensities implanted in them by "patriotic" and vengeful mothers. This is shown by the great increase of the war spirit—most of our institutions of learning training their students for war, and an ex-president publicly advocating military training in our public schools. All public encouragement of murder will only add to the mischief; and we should do all in our power to repress the prevailing murderous spirit, by constantly keeping in mind the teachings of the Nazarene and inculcating the spirit of brotherly love.

No man can adduce the smallest proof that we can put down murder by murder, or that it ever could be done in the past, and whereas most private murders are the result of passion and hot blood, the state is infinitely more criminal that puts a man to death deliberately and in cold blood, without the possibility of his defending himself from the immense power of the great national murderer.

EVERY man is a Divinity in disguise; a God playing the fool.—*Emerson.*

JUSTICE AND ECONOMICS.

LUCINDA B. CHANDLER.

PART I.

THE principle of Justice is the mathematical element in human relations. De Quincy says: "Mathematics has not a foot to stand upon which is not purely metaphysical." The adjusting, equalizing quality and power eternally operating in the universe, is metaphysical." Every atom, every element is mathematically related, and the balance of all atoms and all force is continually preserved by this principle of exact relations.

Adjustment to ever changing conditions, and equal opportunity to every unit of the social organism, is the mathematical problem of social order and the justice of political and social ethics. Civilizations have decayed for lack of this order, this governing principle of the universe and of all things.

There is one undeviating condition imposed by nature upon the possibility of gain, whether in the form of the possession of things, or the attainments which expand and develop man's powers of mind. This condition is work. The contribution by man of energy, faculty and skill to the natural resources of the planet produces material wealth. The exercise of mental faculty unfolds the powers of mind.

The worth of the individual is in exact proportion to well directed activity. Work is the measure of worth. Labor, therefore, is the only correct standard of the value of material things; for labor alone produces what supplies man's necessities. The supreme necessity of physical existence--food--can only be obtained by labor in the portion of the globe most habitable to man. The products of the forest and the mine are valueless till man has by labor fitted them for use.

The so-called precious metals are of the least use and importance to human welfare. Iron is far more necessary to man's welfare than gold. Nature has fixed the measure of importance and value in the commonest things and in the exercise of human energy.

Human society has proceeded in an opposite idea: that the measure of value and importance is

in the rarest things and those most difficult to obtain; and that a non-producing element of accumulation, and which draws its profits from the producer, without the exercise of energy, is a safe factor in political economy. Society has made the fatal attempt to set aside the principle which governs the universe. It will continue to fail till statute laws and public economics coincide with the mathematics of justice, of the planet, the solar system and the universe.

When the commercial forces of the social organism are not balanced by justice, maintaining equal opportunities for each and every worker to obtain a livelihood by the operating systems, disturbance is inevitable. Each and all must work in harmony to supply the tissue building for the whole body. As soon as any one is obstructed in its normal exercise, is a depleted or congested member, disorder results, and the whole body suffers.

Increase without the application of energy, of productive labor, is contrary to the order of the universe; to the mathematics of justice, on which all order and harmony depend.

That the shareholder in Western Union Telegraph stock may gather one thousand dollars a year for an indefinite period upon shares for which he paid but once and while rendering no service to the public, and that the operator, on whose competent and faithful service vast public interests depend, can only obtain a second thousand dollars by working and earning it, shows the prodigious aberration of our economics from justice.

Private property in land by individuals and syndicates, who apply no labor to it, and the endless power of the dollar to accumulate, are the most flagrant violations of justice. That which man cannot create and which is equally indispensable to every human being cannot in justice become an individual monopoly. That which man has produced cannot be made a factor of increase to the non-producer without interfering with and lessening the opportunity and freedom of the worker to produce, and to enjoy the reward of his labor. The interests of the capitalist and laborer are not identical when the investment of a sum of dollars continues indefinitely to bring to the in-

vestor a definite increase without his adding to the original investment, while the worker must continually add to his investment of vitality, energy and skill in order to secure a constant income, and even then the income may be indefinite and precarious.

A CLEVELAND paper recounts a story which should arouse all Ohio women, at least, to the need of women taking some active part in the direction of municipal affairs. A young German woman, Agatha Wilker, complained that she had been the victim of an assault. Her assailant was arrested, but gave bail, and was immediately freed to await his trial. But the girl was held to give testimony in the case. She was poor, a stranger, and a foreigner, and could not understand what was necessary for her to do; therefore, according to a barbarous system that has come down to us from an ignorant and brutal past, she was sent to jail, there to await the law's slow process in dealing with the real culprit. Forty-two days Miss Wilker lay in jail, where there was no matron to look after her. She could not speak a word of English, but she wept incessantly over the double disgrace of the assault and the imprisonment, and begged piteously for freedom. Although her health failed she had only prison fare and was forced to endure the company of the vile criminals in the jail. Not even a change of raiment had she had during these many summer days. It soon became evident that the long strain had brought her to the verge of mental collapse and she was removed to the Deaconess Hospital.—*The Woman's Tribune.*

ON the occasion of the Yale-Princeton football game, which Yale won, seven students were injured, and over one thousand Yale students indulged in a drunken debauch in New Haven, creating Bedlam for two nights and a day, in that city, and behaving themselves more like maniacs than sane persons. There must be something very defective in the manner of educating young men in the great universities of the country, when a thousand young men of "respectable" parentage have no restraint on their passions and appetites.

STATE CHURCH.

JOHN R. MACKINTOSH.

THE Federal Constitution says: "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican form of government."

Any State may establish a Republican form of religion, which shall not "abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States," and no other.

Christianity is a form of hereditary, kingly, theocratic government, too despotic for enlightened people. Fortunately for us, the Reformation, yet going on, has subjected it to secular government and relegated its jails and tortures to another life; though its Bible and cults are yet used to mould people to arbitrary, hereditary, kingly government in this world.

"THE SCIENTIFIC SKELETON," by Samuel Blodgett, is a very interesting and important work. Its "aim is no less than to revolutionize scientific thought concerning the cosmos." Mr. Blodgett boldly challenges the correctness of the theories so long held by scientific men in relation to the sun being a ball of fire, the origin of the planets, and he explains the insufficiency of the law of gravitation and the centrifugal and the centripetal forces to account for the movements of the planets in relation to their orbits and the sun, and the fallacies held as to the causes of the winds and the tides. The book will certainly prove a thought stimulant; and we advise our readers to send for it. It is only twenty-five cents. Address Samuel Blodgett, Grafton, N. D.

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JUBILEE YEAR.

THIS is the Jubilee year of Spiritualism, also for the movement for Woman's Emancipation; and this is fitting, for in the ranks of Spiritualism women have always been admitted to an equality with men. Spiritualists recognized the Motherhood as well as the Fatherhood of God. It was the thought force given through Shakerism and Spiritualism that gave women what liberty they have gained in the past fifty years.

Andrew Jackson Davis, the founder of Modern Spiritualism, opened the way, with his revelations from the Spirit World, through which the wonderful progress of the last half century has been made; and this is but the first step—the sowing of the seed, that will be harvested in the coming century; then the race will awaken from their sensual sleep into the real Divine Life of spiritual unfoldment

Whatever in the life of the world has tended to progress, has been Spiritualism in operation. It is a mistake to suppose that those who are known as Spiritualists have been the only ones to receive benefit from what is called "Modern Spiritualism;" for its advent was the birth of the Divine Light into the world, and was to all countries and all peoples, and not exclusively for any particular body of people of some special rank, belief or condition. The fruits of Spiritualism will be the Millennial Age. We may rejoice with exceeding great joy!—LUCY A. MALLORY.

DR. RIGGS, of the New York City board of health, made the statement before the board of estimates, that one out of seven persons who die in that city are victims of consumption. This is not to be wondered at, considering that so much flesh food is eaten that comes from murdered animals infected with tuberculosis.

GERTRUDE DE BIELSKI says, in an exceedingly interesting article, entitled "Light on the Science of Astrology," published in the January "Hermetist": "The orbit of Neptune is so immense that about ten thousand years must have passed since it was actively engaged in earth's atmosphere

before. The reign of Neptune's activity is about a thousand years, and gives indication of the marvelous heights to which the planet Earth may bring the human race at certain intervals of time. During the present reign, just begun, of Harmony and Love,—the 'Millennium' of which the prophets have foretold,—the mind of man will respond, and the soul of man will expand, in sympathy with the active principle of this wondrous magnet of Peace in the far distant realms of space, bringing to the race now existent upon the planet, indications of possibilities of greater heights than earth has yet achieved."

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ASPIRATION.

Tune: My Maryland.

MARTHA J. POLLOCK

WITH duty's tasks I fill my days;
I fix my thoughts on Wisdom's ways;
Sweet peace and faith and joy are mine;
I radiate Christ's Love Divine!

My soul expands in Love's pure light;
My heart is filled with calm delight,
As Truth unfolds its mystery,
And God reveals Himself to me!

I roam in spirit through all space;
Great happy angels face to face;
I sing my songs, repeat my prayers,
While Heaven within me holds my cares!

The flesh is weak, to earth it clings,
And reaps the fruit affliction brings;
But I am spirit, God is mine!
I radiate Christ's Love Divine!

[This soul-inspiring song was written by Mrs. Pollock for the Circle of Harmony, which meets every Friday, at 2 P. M., in the parlors of The World's Advance-Thought. The first verse represents states of Consciousness: the first line is the Physical Consciousness—the discharge of daily duties; the second, the Soul Consciousness—the reaching out for Wisdom; the third, the Ideal Consciousness—faith that it will be given; the fourth, the Spiritual Consciousness—radiating Love—*Love Divine*. Ed.]

THE answer to "what is life?" is involved in life itself, and evolved to our comprehension in degree that we live a pure life (the God within us) in thought, feeling and action. The same may be said of other questions relating to Immortality, etc. The All-Wise evolves answers to our questions livingly, and not by word of mouth, as men do. Each one can only know that which he lives, in any state of existence.—L. A. M

REV. W. D. P. BLISS, the National Organizer of Union Reform Leagues, in the interest of Christian Socialism, is meeting with great success. He has organized leagues in all places he has visited.

WISDOM'S WAYS.

"THE LIVING CHRIST," by Paul Tyner. Price \$1.00. The Temple Pub. Co., 33 and 34 Masonic Temple, Denver, Colo.

This work logically asserts that death is abnormal; that immortality of the physical body is possible. The author says that Jesus Christ is now living upon this earth in the same body that was crucified nineteen hundred years ago, and that he has seen and conversed with him. The book is well written, and the reader is so impressed with the earnestness of the writer that the "Living Christ" will be a great factor in the way of overcoming death.

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