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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	1:48 p. m.
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Burlington, Vt	3:18 p. m.
Berne, Switzerland	8:41 p. m.
Buenos Ayres, S. A	4:18 p. m.
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Buffalo, N. Y	2:65 p. m.
Constantinople, Turkey	10:11 p. m.
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Charlottown, Pr. Ed. Id.	8:58 p .m.
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Columbus, Ohio	2:88 p. m.
Caracas, Venezuela	8:48 p. m. 3:46 p. m.
Chicago	2:20 p. m.
Dublin, Ireland	7:46 p. m.
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Detroit, Mich	2:88 p. m.
Dover, Delaware	8:09 p. m.
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Frankfort, Ky	2:83 p. m.
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Havana, Cuba	2:51 p. m.
Halifax, N. S	8:18 p. m.
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Honolulu, S. I.	9:51 a. m.
Iowa City, Ia	2:03 p. m.
Indianapolis, Ind	2:28 p. m.
Jerusalem, Palestine	10:31 p. m.
London, Eng	8:11 p. m.
Lisbon, Portugal	7:49 p. m.
Lecompton, Kan	1:48 p. m.
Lima, Peru	8:04 p. m.
Little Rock, Ark	2:03 p. m.
Milwaukee	2:18 p. m.
Mobile, Ala	2:18 p. m.
Memphis, Tenn	2:11 p. m.
Montreal, Canada	m.
Nashville, Tenn	2:23 p. m.
New Haven, Conn	8:18 p. m.
New York City	8:15 p. m.
Newport, R. I	3:28 p. m.
Norfolk, Va	8:05 p. m.
New Orleans, La	2:11 p. m.
Omaha, Neb	1:38 p. m.
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Salt Lake City, Utah	12:48 p. m.
Santiago, Chili	8:28 p. m.
Springfield, Mass	8:21 p. m.
San Francisco, Cal	12:01 p. m.
Tallahassee, Fla	2:38 p. m.
Vienna, Austria	9:21 p.m.
Vicksburg, Miss	2:08 p. m.
Vera Cruz, Mexico	1:48 p. m.
Wilmington, N. C	2:59 p. m.
Washington, D. C.	8:01 p. m.
Walla Walla, Wash.	12:18 p. m.
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HERE AND HEREAFTER.

"In the corrupted currents of this world
Offence's gilded hand may shove by justice;
And oft 'tis seen, the wicked prize itself,
Buys out the law. But 'tis not so above.
There is no shuffling; there the action lies
In its true nature; and we ourselves compelled,
Even to the teeth and forehead of our faults,
'lo give in evidence."

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MEASURE FOR MEASURE.

o not look for wrong and evil—
You will find them if you do;

As you measure for your neighbor,
He will measure back to you.

Look for goodness; look for gladness;
You will meet them all the while.
If you bring a smiling visage
To the glass you meet a smile.

Alice Cary.

BE STILL, AND LET GOD FIND YOU!

s far back as the history of man extends, be has been trying to solve the problem of Life through his reasoning faculties; he has been seeking for God in the noise and the darkness of matter sense, and the gods that he has found have been conditioned gods, made in man's own image, and endowed with such qualities as he himself possesses—anger, jeal ousy, cruelty, and a desire to be worshiped by word of mouth included. But since the advent of what has been called 'Modern Spiritualism," there are many who have developed a faculty or sense superior to any of those in ordinary use. This faculty or sense is called "intuition," "mediumship," "second sight," "the sixth sense," etc. All possess this sense, but, until within the last forty years it has never been consciously used to any extent.

This sense can be developed so that it can be used understandingly by all, but we must first learn how to be silent. There are mil-

lions of people in the world today who "sit in the Silence," and there are many organizations that have special times set apart for "sitting in the Silence," but there are very few in comparison to the number who know how to "sit in the Silence," how to come into the stillness of being. Yet in no other way can we find God. But the brightest intellects, the keenest reasoners, have never come any nearer Godany nearer solving the problem of Life than have those with the poorest intellect and least capable of reasoning. All the great scientists and philosophers of all times have been as subject to all the ills of life-sin, sickness, pain. sorrow and death-as are those among the least intellectual.

That which has given man real satisfaction and peace of mind has not come to him through reasoning it out; but it has come from this finer spiritual sense.

We have become what we call "civilized," and have wonderful inventions for physical convenience; we are far advanced in the arts and sciences, but we have never yet learned the art of being happy and at peace, and we never will until we develop this inner sense. This inner sense will bring us in conscious touch with Immortal Life. It will give us that "Peace that surpasseth understanding." Be still and listen for that which will come to you in the Silence. Be still, and let God find you!—Lucy A. Mallory.

There is nothing will transform an impure spirit to purity but good, clean thoughts, Ignorance and laziness may invent makeshifts, but in the end all will have to resort to this simple method to cleanse the mind-spirit and body. No priest nor preacher can ever do for you what you must do for yourself.

KEY THOUGHTS.

po your best!—that is the best prayer you can offer for help.

Life is sweet to the one who loves; it is only bitter to the hater.

One may have knowledge without Love, but one cannot have Wisdom without Love.

A thought is a mental step; and it may be a step in the light or into the darkness.

The wise are protected by their Wisdom; the ignorant are destroyed by their ignorance

Everything can be made a joy or a burden, according to the spirit in which it is received.

We must serve a spiritual apprenticeship without wages, before we can become spiritual masters.

Heaven is but a step from Hell. It is the distarce between a smile and a frown, a good thought and a bad thought, a kindly deed and an evil act.

Those whose hearts are filled with love are natural Spiritualists; for Heaven and its angels are so close to them that they cannot help realizing it.

Learn to close the outer door of thy being, that none can enter while thou holdest communion with the Divine within thee. Seek, and ye shall find the way to do this.

The tender plant can pierce and split a rock, in its efforts to get to the light, so all environments, circumstances and conditions must yield to the soul that keeps searching for the Light of Love and Wisdom.

Apparently there appear to be two sets of laws—the laws of Nature, external to man, and the Divine laws within his being; but these two are one, for they are the outer and inner rules of action of the One Supreme Intelligence.

Attaching one's self to an idea is like attaching one's self to a stake in the ground. The measure of liberty will be limited to the length of the thought-rope. The idea that includes the good of all will give one the largest freedom.

The average man is spiritually dead, for he does not take any time to become acquainted with himself—his property and society absorb all his energies; and when he comes to die, he wakes up on the other side of life realizing that he has squandered his powers with no actual benefit to his real self.

Conscious life is the most precious of all possessions, the Science of Life is the greatest of all sciences; the Religion of Life is the apex of all religions; to purify, expand, and conserve Life is the duty and business of all beings; to degrade Life is the worst of Hells, and self-inflicts upon one the worst of punishments.

Not the condemnation of the evil, but the exaltation of the good, is the way to individual and universal harmonization. The evil-minded condemn evil, and this of itself is the worst of evils, for its condemnation stimulates its growth, whereas the ignoring of evil, and the cultivation of the good, causes evil to die.

He who knows the truth of spirit communion does not need a minister; he who lives a pure life in thought, feeling, action and diet does not need a physician. He is not free who is not self-dependent, for as long as he depends upon others for Truth, he virtually denies the Author of his own being—his inmost self. He will be dissatisfied with Truth as long as he accepts it in driblets from others.

It is only the deep-seated inharmonies that prevent the life forces from making new organs in the body, in place of those that have been destroyed, for the Central Source is as capable of reconstructing these, as it is of making new skin where the skin has been torn away or burnt. Man's negative attitude toward the Central Power is all that stands in the way of the possibilities of that Power manifesting.

All those who write in defense of the old and corrupt and inharmonious order of things do not and cannot conceive of the condition of things under the New Order, when man shall labor to extend the dominion of Love, instead of Greed, over the face of the earth; and Nature will grow kindlier, day by day, as he expresses his love to all living things, for Nature is man's mirror and but pictures forth his own cruel or kindly moods.

The basis of all the progress in the world is the unfoldment of the individual spiritual nature—Divine goodness. This is the rising of the Celestial Sun of Being that gives growth to all the various forms of progress. The unselfish, loving, intelligent man or woman is in verity the Light of the World, and were it not for him or her, there would be no advancement in any channel of thought or field of endeavor.—Lucy A. Mallory.

"PEACE."

THE "Instructions Concerning the Master" is the opening chapter of the April number of "Peace." We wish that everybody had this number. It is a Bible and the Bible—with all the mystery and unnecessary words left out. Whoever will follow its directions will need no other teacher; they will not need "treatments" from any one. You yourself must be the Teacher, the Healer—the Master. All of these must be found within; there are none without-not in the earth, nor sky, nor any outward thing is the Master found.

"Peace" is sent out free to every one, so if you have only enough to get a foreign postal card (two cents), you can have this publication every three months; but all who can should send something, for it is supported by voluntary contributions. Address: Filius Lucis, 13 Bangor Road, Cardiff, England, G. B. Following is the opening chapter:

To the obedient and the ready;

To all who are willing to understand; To those wandering in the darkness, and unable to perceive the Light:-

Come now, and listen;

Come now and be made glad; Enter now into the revelation of Purity:-

The Master is not perceived by the senses,

Not comprehended by the reason,

Not realized by argument.

Not in the hills, nor in the valleys;

Not in the earth, nor sky, nor any outward thing is the Master to be found.

Creeds and schools and books cannot contain Him;

He dwelleth within.

Cease from thine outward search, O weary one! Cease from thy wanderings, O child of night! In thine own heart dwelleth the Master;

He is not hidden from thee but by thyself.

The Master is in the inward Voice.

The inward Light,

The inward Peace.

Behold I show you the dwelling-place of the Master,

It is a purified heart.

He who hath broken the bonds of self;

He who has slain desire;

Whose mind is quiet, conquered, and subdued; Whose heart is calm and mild, and full of peace,

He hath entered the presence of the Master; Unto him the glory of the Master is revealed. O thou who criest, and receivest no answer! O thou who wanderest, and findest no rest! O thou who searchest, and findest no Light! Bring hither thy fainting heart;

Bring hither thy blindness;

Come and listen to the instruction that is holy And, having listened, find satisfaction and rest.

There are gods many, and there is one God, 🕟

Even the All-One, the undefiled, the supremely Perfect:

There are saviours many, and there is One Saviour,

Even the supreme enlightenment of Wisdom; There are teachers many, and there is One Teacher.

Even the giorious revelation of Righteousness; There are Masters many, and there is one Master,

Even the Spirit of Truth;

And God, Saviour, Teacher and Master are

Plain and unmistakable is the way that leadeth to the Master;

Overcome thyself, this is the Way.

Purify thy heart, and thou shalt gaze upon the face of the Master.

Thou shalt become one with the Master, And shalt dwell with Him in Immortality.

The Master waiteth,

Yea, eternally waiteth;

Patience is His name;

He departeth not from Compassion,

And where Righteousness abides, there dwelleth He.

Hidden is He in Love;

Come unto Love, and thou shalt find Him.

The Light of Wisdom envelopeth Him;

Purify thine understanding, and thou shalt know Him.

Who, then, shall see the Master? Who shall comprehend Him?

Who shall dwell with Him?

Who shall hear His Voice? Even he who is of a pure heart;

Who is gentle, compassionate, and infinitely patient;

Who returneth meekness for anger,

Love for hatred.

Forgiveness for abuse,

And silence for condemnation. Clothe thyself, therefore, in the Garmen: of Humility;

Acknowledge thine errors;

Even thine inmost sins;

Thus confessing thyself, thou shalt find the Way of Love:

And finding Love thou shalt find the Master; And finding the Master thou shalt be at rest.

Deny thyself; Subdue thyself;

Conquer thyself

Let not good will depart from thee:

Be at peace with all; yea, even with the beasts; So shall the Highest Truth take up its abode

within thee; Unto thee the Heart of the Master shall be revealed;

Sorrow, and suffering and fear, and doubt shall flee far from thee,

And the knowledge of Immortality shall fill thy heart with peace.

The difference between being happy and miserable is dependent upon the spiritual atmosphere generated by one's thoughts.

ETHICS.

WALLACE YATES.

on the subjective world, sees by means of the perceptive organs of the brain, his new worldcomposed of various objects having form, size and locality. Hence, manifestation is individualism, and the fact that no two of these objects or things are alike is explained by the truth, the Infinite can only manifest through Infinite variety.

We further reason, that as necessary parts of the geat whole, no one thing can be of greater value to the universe than any other thing. Thus we deduce the doctrine of equality, and the just man will

"See with equal eye, as Lord of all, A hero perish or a sparrow fall."

On this basis of equality, we must assume the right of every man to himself; the right to absolute freedom of action consistent with the equal freedom of every other; and thus at one sweep we dispose of all codes framed by some men to regulate the actions of other men. Standards of morals set up either by gods or priests, or emanating from any "authoritative" source whatever, can have no weight with the man coming into consciousness of himself.

As to how codes of morals have been formed to regulate the great masses of men, the answer is easy. The great majority of men up till now, have been incapable of deep and sustained thought, but their minds have been receptacles for the thought vibrations of other and more positive minds. The strong thought of a dominant thinker, like Confuclus or Paul, goes out into the great ocean of thought, and is caught up by the receptive brains attuned to receive it. These reproduce his vibrations and thus add strength to the thought wave, and in their turn impress others who might have remained unaffected by the original vibrations. For the intertwining of the links of affinity between minds is exceedingly complex, and through some subtle train of connection between brains of various status of development, an initial thought-vibration of great power will at last reach the whole race.

The process may be observed on a small scale in a "revival meeting," but none the less applies to races and nations, and thus to "public opinion." Of this an able writer remarks: "Public opinion once formed, exer-

cises a dominant sway over the minds of a great majority, beating unceasingly on all brains, and awakening in them responsive undulations." It is thus easy to see how these thought processes may become fixed methods in the minds of men who accept without question the dicta of the stronger or higher-developed brains.

Thus, not only codes and dogmas of religion are popularly accepted, but race thought once settled gives physical form, color and temperament to great families of men; and where stagnation reaches its ciimax, as in the Chinese, the uniformity becomes exceedingly When these thought-vibrations monotonous. and forms become strongly fixed, it will readily be seen that any attempt to change, by the impression of a new and outside thought, it is a difficult operation. For, thought-vibrations received from outside sources are so modified by the national and race vibrations, that change must for some time be slow; and at times the resultant mixture may be of a kind to greatly astonish the enthusiastic reformer. Christian missionaries in China have probably experienced something of this.

The true line of thought, which seeks not to impose new codes of authority, secular or religious, but recognizes the individuality of men, and their inherent, latent, power, must eventually accomplish more for man's progress than all the vain attempts of the blind to lead the blind where both fall into the ditch of dogma, authority and ethics.

Here are a few nuggets of wisdom from the "Saturday Evening Post:" "Benjamin Franklin endures not because he had brains, but because he used them." "The human face is like the pocket book—it is not the outside beauty, but the value within that counts." "The sum of increase of all civilization is in the increase of good homes." We do not think that more pleasure can be gotten out of a dollar than by sending that sum for a year's subscription to the "Saturday Evening Post," to the Curtis Publishing Co., 421 to 427 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The power of discarnate spirits, in a material world, is all derived from the thought-forces generated by incarnate spirits. Thus evil discarnate spirits can never affect one who is all the time generating good thoughts.

Reproduced from the W. A. T. of January 1887. | WHY ARE WE MOCKED?

A. F. MELCHERS.

ALL but myself developed; I had to look to the others for information; and I had so much to inquire about! I wanted to know all about the universe; but was informed that I had first to become a medium, and that my time had not yet arrived. However, I insisted that I would develop, and, by untiring effort and continued patience, succeeded, after twelve months' practice, to get answers to mental questions automatically.

From that moment my trouble began. Although I received "tests" to my heart's content, I was mocked until my heart became discontented. Of course I attributed this mockery to evil spirits-believed all the good they told of me, but never for a moment thought that the evil which attracted these spirits existed in myself. I knew that some people were wicked, and naturally supposed that the law took care of such; but as long as I was not indicted for murder or theft I felt that I was good, and arrogantly supposed that none but high spirits would approach I thought it quite natural that historic personages should visit me. I saw no impropriety in inviting the Messiahs of the past to come and see me, and every great name that was written through my hand made me all the more vain of my personality. When told that I had vanity I became indignant; but later developments proved the truth of the charge through that very indignation. Truth always hurts our self love in this respect; when we get rid of an evil we care not how much we are accused of having it. As long as we are sensitive to it, or feel sore on a particular point of our character, there is spirituality lacking to neutralize its material or negative tendency. Freedom from it makes us positive to the evil, under which condition we can also forgive it in others. But the more glaring it appears to us, or the more an evil in others affects us, the more we have of the same evil ourselves. To the pure all is pure, and for the innocent no evil exists.

My vanity attracted only "great" spirits. and before long I was troubled with a "band." What became of this band I do not know; but I have since felt honored when an old friend of the past would visit me. Haughtiness or pride, conceit, self-sufficiency, etc., followed in

rapid succession, until the once pure mortal was but a bundle of evils. It took me about six years to convince myself that "like attracts like" in every particular of human character; and by that time selfishness, envy; jealousy, hatred, etc., were added to the list of my attracting forces. I could not deny having these evils, for they proved it too clearly by many little acts of the past which I had committed unconsciously—not knowing that they were evils. But ignorance does not erase the fact of their existence—the effects betrayed the nature of the causes within; and how they got there I cannot tell, except they were brought forward from old accounts of a previous existence. Nobody ever found fault with me so I must have been intuitively keeping them under control, so as to hurt no one else with them. But they were baneful to me, nevertheless, for pure spirits would not associate with me on their account; and whether my guide permitted these attractions to externalize my character, or whether mediumship naturally has this outcome, is indifferent—the same proved itself as a magic mirror to my realization, considerably lowering my estimation of self.

But this was not all. A simple knowledge of my evils was not sufficient. They had to be rooted out—neutralized by counteracting forces or qualifications having a positive effect. I was charged with all kinds of missions; and when too weak to execute them. had trials imposed upon me which amounted to the same things. Trials develop soul-force and increase the activity of the interior lifeprinciple over that of the exterior or human impetus, and thus allay its action or its impulse in behalf of self. I had been laboring under the delusion that temperance was a great virtue, and one which I possessed naturally. But I was surprised when informed that nibbling was unspiritual; that Epicureanism was animalistic.

After getting my evils under control, my attractions became more congenial, and I began to experience whiffs of peace, tranquility calmness of soul, and happiness; but I lacked real contentment. Inquiring the reason of this, I was informed that the spirit body contained too much matter; that my past world-liness and thoughtless mode of living had infused the spirit-body with gross essences not in accord with the entity of spirit itself, and that only strict abnegation would permit this

refuse, or impurity, to pass off into the physical form, whence it originally emanated, or through which it was injected. Impurities of material or animal impulses existed in the spirit, which were not in harmony with Divine Nature. When the spirit is freed from these material essences, it assumes a purely magnetic state, and may then be controlled by the soul-nature for a purely intelligent or positive effect. But as long as it has not reached this state, we are subjected to material conditions, and, as mortals, attract spirits who are in a similar state. If not exactly arrogant or selfish, such spirits are not sufficiently purified to have absolute truth, and thus in the capacity of "controls" have but very little knowledge concerning the philosophy of life, except what they had gained by personal experience.

I feel satisfied that as long as we are mocked there must be some vain, arrogant, or selfish force within, which lends the attracted spirits the power to play upon us—such needing a vibratory chord to give vent to their intelligence through a medium; where this does not exist they can not affect us one whit. If we are mocked, the cause is within us, there being no effect in existence without a cause as a motive power or foundation for the result. Passion may exist in the spirit body long after the physical desire or craving for gratification has died out, and be due to nothing else than over-indulgence in the past—the physical body imbibing only that which nature demands,—while the rest passes over into the spirit oody as a gross essence of the material, or super-sensuousness not natural to its spiritual state of existence. As such it must continue to crave in spiritlife, or even in earth-life. after the physical animus becomes allayed; and as such it manifests itself as the dying emotions of an old passion.

Such is mediumship, and no better guide to self-reform exists. Through it we see ourselves reflected as in a mirror; and, if inclined to philosophize on human nature, this is the fountain to gather from. "Man is an epitome of the universe," and through self-knowledge he learns the nature of causes. Self-purification leads to happiness; and as happiness, like truth, has no termination, we may continue this forever; and as we advance in the latter we obtain relief from spirit mockery—every step in advance attracting higher and purer influences; and, according

to these we obtain light or universal truths. Truth leads to contentment of soul, and such constitutes heaven. I am one of the many who are struggling for it, and hope that my little experience may benefit others.

It is because humanity is corrupt, that it has the parasites in church, state and society feeding upon it. Let human beings once become spiritually clean and these parasites will disappear, just as parasitic insects do not infest a clean physical body.

So many think that a text quoted from the Bible, to sustain their point of view, is infallible, but texts can be quoted from the Bible to sustain every evil as well as every virtue. Texts can be quoted from it to uphold war, theft, murder, lust, flesh-eating, polygamy, slavery, etc., and other texts can be quoted to sustain honesty, kindness, vegetarianism, love, peace, etc. A book that abets both good and evil cannot, in its very nature, be infallible. It is like man,—its author,—full of contradictions.

The sustainers of sectarian orthodoxy should think twice before claiming infallibility for their judgment in religious matters. John Knox, Calvin and hosts of leaders and church members who lived in an unprogressive past, declared music to be "the snare of the Evil One." Yet this "snare of the Evil One" is the main attraction of every church in Christendom today. And so with many things that have been pronounced "snares of the Devil"—the churches appropriate them, sooner or later.

The many friends of Judge H. N. Maguire will be glad to hear that he is still working for the Brotherhood of Man: At Golden Rule Hall yesterday afternoon, Mayor Jones introduced Judge H. N. Maguire as the speaker of the day. Judge Maguire is from Spokane, Wash., and is one of the most eloquent speakers who have been heard at Golden Rule hall. He chose for his topic a review of the conditions which have faced the American people and circumstances as they are now found.

Judge Maguire in a very lucid manner demonstrated that the population of the world is increasing with alarming rapidity and that if the people did not change their methods to conform to the new order of things a crisis would certainly arrive at no distant date.

-Toledo, (Ohio), Blade.

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Only he who would not be a Despot is fit to be a Freeman.

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WE MUST BE PURE.

The Light of Lights, the Innermost of Peace;
No scars can mar the exquisite outlines
Oi jewels that adorn the Crown of Life.
Nor shadows dim their sun-lustrous splendor.
Watch, then, O man; the slightest thoughtless act
May spoil your Gems that else had been perfect.
And close to you the peerless Gates of Bliss
That open to the touch of Perfect Love!

EVOLUTION.

ISABEL DARLING.

For I am the essence of all that hath been,—
Of chaos, selection, possession and change,—
And I am the prophet of all that shall be!
I lay in the depths of the far-reaching cave!
I slept in the slow-creeping saurian's heart!
I shivered the air with my storm-beating wings!
I conquered the world and demanded high Heaven!
And ye are but tools of my fashioning power;
Your triumphs are mine, your defeats and rewards;
As by me and through me and from me ye grow;
For I was and shall be! Forever I Am!
The author and finisher! oul of all soul!
Yea, I am the breath of the spirit of God!

JUDGE NOT.

people continually waste their energies in judging each other and finding fault with each other. They might with as much profit find fault with ounce bottles for not being pints and pints for not being quarts; for each individual is just what he is because of his organization, environment and ignorance, and the individual can only manifest in the degree that the organs and faculties of his mind and body are unfolded.

The condemners ever reason as if all people were made alike, and had the same capabilities and faculties unfolded, and as if they had made themselves, while they assert that "God made man." Then it is certainly God they should find fault with, and not man.

The world is so full of this spirit of judging and condemning that even those who are intelligent enough to know the folly of cultivating it, condemn their neighbors and manifest malice and hatred for them.

The world is in need of Light, and that Light is increased by increasing thoughts and speech and acts of Love. This is the regenerating force that can alone bring crude humanity into harmony. Be wise, be loving, be kind! In this is involved the happiness of the individual and of all mankind. Nothing in life is of more importance than this—it comprises all of true religion, true government, true society. All else is but the manifestation of discord, ignorance, superstition and spiritual blindness.

When one acknowledges that he cannot know anything of a spirit world, he admits his own spiritual darkness.

Materialists say: "We believe nothing that we cannot investigate with the five senses." But when something is presented to them that baffles their five senses, then they say, as Colonel Ingersoll said: "I know that it is easy to deceive the senses, and that the old saying, 'that seeing is believing,' has many exceptions." The materialist is just as bigoted and inconsistent in defending his crystalized opinions as the orthodox Christian whom he assails for his bigotry and inconsistency.

The Old Order is rapidly dying. The circumference is dying of depletion, and the center of congestion. The heart of the body politic has too much blood, and its surface too little. The result will be sudden apoplexy.

MAKING FATE.

The following is a fair specimen of the way people "amuse" themselves:

"We whiled away the time very agreeably on board, amusing ourselves from morning till night with rifle practice, trying our skill on the immense numbers of wild geese and ducks flying in every direction on our approach. We also fired at the stately rose-colored and white flamingoes, stalking gravely about in the shallow places of the river, standing upright and soldier-like on their long slender legs. Sometimes we sent a bullet whizzing into the midst of a congregation of thoughtful or sleepy-looking pelicans, standing motionless on the sand banks of the river."

And the men who thus amuse themselves are not savage barbarians, but British or American "Christians." It is murder, and murder of the most heartless description, done for amusement, regardless of the suffering inflicted on harmless and innocent animals. Many may be only wounded and linger for days in horrible agony, and where the mothers are killed, the young must starve to death. As long as people can thus "amuse" themselves, so long will that which they name "fate" amuse itself and make sport of them through their misery, suffering and sorrows.

The universe is governed by law. Put the hand in the fire and let it burn off, and all the prayers of all the world cannot replace that hand. Generate the forces of cruelty, that transmute themselves into diseases, disasters destruction and death, and all the prayers of all the world cannot put people back to the condition they were in before they generated the cruel forces.

The only way possible for humankind to avoid suffering in this life is to stop inflicting it upon anything.

Hatred, cruelty, murder is Hell itself, and generate the torments of Hell in the being. This is the real Devil; and it is always those who sustain this Devil, who live in fear of the mythical Hell, while they build up the real fire of torment, agony and woe within their own beings and furnish the fuel therefor.

The mind follows the pathway of least resistance; habit is the groove in which it runs. It is habit that rules the world.

WAITING.

piness to turn up by some fortuitous circumstance, but, Micawber-like, it never turns up, until we get to work ourselves and turn it up. Happiness is the culmination of Love's labor successfully performed—it is the spiritual blossom evolved from the fulfillment of duty.

But people are praying (preying) and waiting for a "Savior" to appear who will deliver them from their sins and transport them to a place of happiness; and while waiting for some one to do that which they are obliged to do themselves, they are getting farther and farther away from their salvation. There are innumerable Saviors already come; if the Saviors would manifest what they preach, and the people would listen to and work out the teachings. Salvation can never come through greed, selfishness, unkindness and sensual gratification. While these are cultivated by the individual, he will always be in need of salvation.

A Messiah could do no more than teach obedience to the Law of Love and Wisdom. Learn to conform to the mental-spiritual and physical laws of harmony. Bring the body and mind under harmonious control. This you know in theory; put it into practice, and the Savior will appear!

"Man in America today is not concerned with securing freedom of speech or trial by jury or liberty of worship or representation through the ballot. What he is concerned in is a chance to work, to do business, to spend or save or bestow what his efforts bring him.' While the worship of money is in itself the most pernicious idolatry, it, indirectly, fosters every evil in the world. When men's minds are filled with greed, there is no room in them for the Wisdom whereby they can discriminate between the true and the false, and they are easily deluded and led astray by the errors taught and maintained by the leaders in church, state and society, and all the parasites who fatten on the inharmonies of the world.

All of Truth is involved in Love. The purer the love we have the more of Truth we know. Men are befuddled with error because they are blinded by hate.—Lucy A. Mallory.

NORTHWESTERN ETHICAL EDUCA-TIONAL SOCIETY.

THE above is the name of a very important organization that has recently been inaugurated in this city, its object being to teach the sacredness of all life; the true relation of the human to the sub-human, and the full import of the commandment: "Thou shalt not kill!" to promote the study of the laws of ethics and their application to character building; to inculcate in humanity a love for Truth, Justice, and the generosity that makes the stronger supporters, instead of oppressors, of the weak; by individual thought, words and deeds to strive to promote Universal Harmony, and to hasten the coming of that glad day when there shall be no more hunting and destroying in all the Earth, for the world shall be filled with the knowledge of Universal Love-

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If, on entering a house in Russia, one does not first render homage to the "holy icon," before saluting the host and hostess, he is a marked man. This comes from the union of church and state in that country. A volume could not contain a recital or all the tyranny that has proceeded from that union.

WHAT SHALL WE EAT.

SAMUEL BLODGETT.

HERE is a great deal said in these times about a Vegetarian diet, and a great deal can be said on both sides of this question. After investigation, many honest and progressive people differ. Science has not settled it. I know many children take to flesh food for a part of their diet without ever having been taught. The possibilities of their having inherited a depraved appetite through long ages of false eating by their ancestors invalidates this as evidence that flesh eating is a natural diet; though if I were sure the instinct was not so depraved, I should consider it conclusive, for I do not think that Nature ever errs. Comparative anatomy is not conclusive. First, students in that line differ, and, second, there is no animal whose teeth and digestive apparatus are like man's.

Human beings have a wide range of adaptability in the matter of what they eat. They can exist upon a diet of flesh alone, or upon a mixed diet, and they can enjoy perfect health without tasting flesh at all.

All the elements of nutrition have to come from the vegetable kingdom first. When we take nutriment from the flesh of animals we take it second hand. They have digested and assimilated it first. If we take it from carnivora we take it third hand, it having been digested and assimilated twice. There is no doubt that we could live, and apparently thrive' on what is in the stomach and small intestines of animals, the food having been digested and partly digested, but not assimilated by them-I suppose this will go rather against the stomach of our genteel flesh eaters, but I believe they would like it if they did not know what it was, and that it would be fully as good for them as the flesh they are so fond of. If we had been brought up so, we should eat this, and it would seem to us perfectly right. It is simply a matter of education and habit. Flesh eating is not a refined habit. A little healthy criticism makes it appear as very disgusting.

All animals, including man, would not need food at all after maturity, if it were not for the process of elimination that is continually going on, the food being used to replace the particles of the old body that is being cast off as no longer useful in the animal economy, and when no longer useful it becomes poisonous. The poison of this kind that is in the

tissue of the slaughtered animal at the time of killing we must necessarily take into our own systems, if we eat the meat. If a person has vigorous excretory organs, they will cast this out without serious harm. If they are weak, this extra tax is too much for them. All butchers sell meat that is more or less diseased, and to cast out actual disease taken into the system by flesh eating is sometimes more than the most healthy can do. You cannot tell this until after you have eaten the meat, and not always then.

A great deal has been said and written about the dangers of pork eating, but very little about that of beef, which I believe is now getting to be the more dangerous of the two-There are several reasons for this, one only of which I will now give: It is the farming of calves for vaccine virus. I do not think the change thus given to the system is ever eliminated, and it carries with it a source of weakness and disease to humanity. I hope the people will not long continue to let the physicians enforce Jenner's nonsence. For a few years past there has been a great effort to make the idea applicable to other diseases. This is a medical superstition that equals in intensity and universality the theological superstition. It will be a glorious day for perverted humanity when we learn to trust unperverted nature.

I lay less stress on the ethical side of flesh eating than many others. To say, "Thou shalt not kill" is too sweeping an assertion. Whether it is right or wrong to kill is relative and conditional; not abstract, absolute and universal. The highest in creation at any given time have the best right to the earth; and if living means anything good, it means happiness; therefore the right to live carries with it the right to try and enjoy, and to be comfortable. When any of the lower order of animals stand in the way of this we have the right to send them to the wall. We have the right to kill anything and everything that must from the nature of things detract from our happiness. I pity a person whose sensibilities will not let him destroy fleas, mosquitos and bed bugs.

I believe in waging a war of extermination on any animals that, directly or indirectly, endanger the life and happiness of human beings. They have no rights that we are bound to respect. I do not mean by this to justify the torturing of any being.

[How are we to avoid torturing them if

they have no rights that we are bound to respect?—Ed.]

Cats, for instance, if well fed and allowed to propogate freely, would in a few years over-run the earth, and starve out the whole human family. A dense population will necessitate the keeping of comparatively few domestic animals.

The taking of life is no hing. Nothing lives that does not destroy other life to make its living. Vegetarians are in the business just as truly as flesh eaters, the difference being that they destroy vegetable life, while flesh eaters destroy that and animal life too. From an ethical point of view, a grain of wheat has as good a right to its life as any animal has. It has as good a right to have land to grow on, and fulfill its mission to increase and multiply as any animal has, or as man himself has; and the only ethical reason that we should confine our killing and eating to the vegetable kingdom is that such killing does not arouse our sympathies.

[According to this argument the physically strong and the intellectually strong have the right to kill off those less strong, in order that they (the stronger) may have all that is required for the support of the weaker—where would the killing stop?—Ed.]

To make a general statement that has no exceptions, we can say that life always lives upon life; that it is compelled to so live; and this is the way the creative balance is maintained. The only vital thing to consider is, what is natural and best for us to live upon. This is a complicated matter, as we have already seen, and the more we examine it the more complicated it appears. It is true that so far as domestic animals are concerned, people do not like to kill what they formed an affection for, and in tending domestic animals it is not uncommon for the tenders to come to like them almost as one of the family. The other side of the question is that the majority of those we call our most worthy men enjoy frequent recreations of hunting and fishing. Probably there are not five per cent. whose natures realy shrink from it. Is it more proper for the few to say they have the proper normal development than it is for the many?

[Probably five per cent. of the human beings on this earth believe that it is right to steal if you can without being caught at it. Is it proper for the few to say, "it is not right to steal?"—Ed.]

TRUE WORSHIP.

J. H. LUCAS.

THERE is true worship, and there is false worship. All false worship proceeds from an untrue concept of the reality, which pre-eminent reality, unseen by mortal vision, is inward and spiritual; too holy and too purely Divine to be perceived and appreciated by the carnally minded, those who are "of the earth earthy." It is an ever-living excellency, a renewing, upbuilding and an unchangeable reality.

True worship has been the same in all ages of the world; because the radiant thought concerning it was immutable, eternal and spiritual, and did not rest upon perishable, transitory and unreal forms.

Real worship cannot find appropriate and fullness of expression in external formulas. Therefore, no ceremonials, which have come to us through a long line of venerated ancestors, or through sacred traditions, can be regarded as worship in the true sense; because this worshipful exercise of the human spirit toward the Supreme Good far transcends all outward forms, or sensuous expressions however beautiful and attractive these may appear to the external senses.

It is a momentous truth, ever has been and ever will be, that God is a spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him "in spirit and in truth." This is the teaching and personal realization of one who had found the true and 'hidden wisdom" given to the soul in its earnest search for the Divine Reality. and its joyful perception of its exalted, spiritual relations with the Infinite Spirit. And the Infinite Spirit is ever seeking to draw men up to that exalted moral altitude in which true worship is possible. As the natural sun illumines, warms, fructifies and beautifies the earth, so does the Sun of Righteousness ever send forth a beneficent influence upon all aspiring souls.

"Worship him in spirit and in truth." Let the worshiper consider himself a spirit, which, indeed, he is, and, as much so as he ever will be, though temporarily occupying a physical body, and that he is in truth, as a spirit, holding communion with, and giving adoration to the Universal Spirit—the All of Love, Wisdom and Power. When he has reached this delightful experience, he will know something of the meaning of the words of the Christ, "The true worshipers shall worship the Father in Spirit

and in truth, for the Father seeketh such to worship Him." Every earnest soul, seeking greater unfoldment and higher attainments in the true life, has ever found helpful influences coming to him. And so, beloved, if you are cast down at times and discouraged and the world passes you by unnoticed, not understanding you, remember that the Infinite Spirit possessing boundless riches and blessings, and abundance of life forevermore is ever seeking you.

SPIRITUAL TEACHING.

F. P. WAGNER.

or many reasons it is difficult to teach spiritual truths; the principal one being the inability of the masses to comprehend them. The disciples of Jesus did not understand Books and journals of all kinds are multiplying rapidly that teach the way to a better life; but no two persons arrive at the same conclusion by reading these publications. It is said that not over six persons in the United States today can understand Emerson's essays. Only a few of those who publish New Thought literature fully understand what they are trying to teach. So many seem to travel in circles around a few ideas; which ideas they guard sacredly against all other ideas, as if they were all of the truth. All the churches, sects, societies and creeds are founded by some one formulating some ideas and getting others to endorse them. The endorsers have but a faint conception of the matter as understood by the leader, but they think he is wise therefore he is their Saint. The Mohammedans have the best creed of any society, and a Mohammedan declares that "there is one God and one Prophet, and Alli is that Prophet. and he that says he is not, is a liar and I will kill him." That is a pretty strong argument. Do not most of the creeds of the churches and societies mean the same thing?

The church organizations have been saying for ages that through them only can men's souls be saved. They teach that even repentance and baptism cannot save you unless you also join a church, and then you must die before the soul can receive baptism. But all this has never saved a soul. There must be a capacity and a desire to understand spiritual truths before there can be any advancement in this direction.

In going across the country at this time, the traveler can have a palace or tourist car, but some prefer to ride on the brake beam, or blind baggage of a car, with all the risk in so doing. So there are many who in the journey through this life make it as uncomfortable for themselves as possible. The one who rides on the brake beam into the Eternal City will not put up at a good house when he gets there. If an idolater should ask me to improve his idol, I would not remove the idol from him, but I would try to beautify it and give it a new virtue, one higher than the worshiper had before noticed. It is better, when called upon to inspect the work of a child, that we say to it: You have done splendidly for one so young.

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Of all forms of slavery, religious slavery to theological tyrants is the worst, for it is the root of all slavish conditions.

STUDYING DISEASE, NOT HYGIENE.

THE teaching in the medical colleges is most paradoxical and perverse. Disease is treated in its various aspects and details, but hygiene is never touched upon. The idea which seems to prevail among professors and students is that the sick man is to be the prey of the young saw-bones, and sickness is all he studies. Health is no part of his business, and he is not instructed concerning the natural environment, attributes and characteristics of that condition. Disease fills the doctor's purse. and the longer he can protract a case without being found out the better for him. Search any medical text-book on the origin and prevention of Bright's disease, cancer, blindness or consumption, and you will gather very scanty information. Medical science has not fathomed their origin, and that is why it is inadequate in the treatment of these afflictions. Volumes could be filled with quotations from medical writers of the highest standing, all purporting that the nature of disease is quite unknown to the drug dispensers. What, then does their treatment amount to? It is blind, selfish experimenting on life and health. We use this harsh and strong language in the faint hope of arousing a few of our readers from the indifferent attitude humanity manifests toward the way health is ill used and destroyed by perpetual drugging. Those who turn a deaf ear to warning and remonstrance will suffer in their own person, not we in ours. Examine and think for yourself. That is the only just course in a free country. If one is too lazy to read, too dull to reflect, that is another matter. If the world is progressing, the latest ideas must be the most mature. The medical advocates are averse to innovations because they do not possess new thoughts; they walk in the old ruts of their predecessors. They persecute new ideas, and by this act place themselves in the same class as the murderers of Socrates and the persecutors of Gallileo.—A. F. Renhold, M. D., in Physical Culture.

A handsome photograph of Chas. Filmore (Leo-Virgo), the editor of "Unity," accompanied the April number of that well known magazine. Those who have never read Leo-Virgo's refined and spiritual articles should send a dime for a sample copy of "Unity" to 1315 McGee street, Kansas City, Mo.

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[But how can the world be advanced to the plane of love and refinement as long as we advocate the eating of flesh (procured at the expense of the torture and murder of animals and the brutalization of their murderers) that incites to flerceness and fighting?. Love and refinement are the products of cultivation and do not come by miracle.—Ed.]

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