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DEDICATION.

TO THAT SILENT OCCULT FRATERNITY WHOSE LOVING HELPFUL THOUGHT IS PROMISED TO EVERY EARNEST READER OF THESE ESSAYS, THIS BOOK IS GRATEFULLY DEDICATED.

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PUBLISHER'S PREFACE.

The rules herein formulated for the use of man's Occult forces in all business and art, and for the development of his Occult powers, have been *demonstrated successfully* in the previous sale of these essays, and in the practical affairs of hundreds of people who have voluntarily written us in acknowledgment of the helps so received.

Readers throughout the United States and foreign countries, have sprung up, as if by magic, in answer to our wishes and thoughts. Foreigners of note have asked permission to translate into other languages, and publish this work at their own expense simply for the good it might do.

The rules, herein given, apply with equal force to *your* business, and to other practical affairs.

In publishing this subject matter in more permanent form than that of the Occult Science Library Magazine, in which it has previously appeared, we feel that we are only answering the wants of thousands toward whom we will, in time, have occasion to feel thankful for patronage.

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AN OCCULT PUZZLE.

Why is it that "The Power of Co-operative Thought to Produce Results in All Business and Art," is so dependent on the occult principle that "Love is Power;" that, by studying "Woman's Occult Forces," you learn "How to Rule Your Kingdom;" that, by observing certain "Useful Occult Practices," which are given in this publication, you get in harmony with "The Esoteric Laws of Happiness," and, thus, obtain "Occult Helps" which it would be difficult to gain in any other way?

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INTRODUCTION.

The occult fraternity which this publication represents, invites readers to join them in the daily observance of the occult practices herein formulated and explained.

It is a proved fact, now backed by modern science, that all power is inherent in every heart, and that all growth comes by the development of such powers. Do you question it? Has not modern science been forced to concede the occult principle that "thought goes in waves," and, therefore, that it generates and controls vibration? Is not vibration the essence of all manifestation, and the agent of thought in all creation?

He who has learned the laws of thought, and gained thought control by observing the necessary occult practices, can gratify his every desire through the magic of a wish.

Occult Science, if truly understood, opens for man the door to almost unlimited power.

The connection between business results and thought, and between man's thought and its omnipotent source, is so intimate that success is the sure result of certain moods of mind, or ways of thinking. An effort has herein been made to show what those moods are, and to formulate rules by which they may be produced at will and maintained.

Man's surroundings are vibratory pulsations which have solidified into the forms and moulds produced by his undercurrents of thought. The occult practices

herein given are for the purpose of changing those undercurrents into ideal forms. To produce such ideal thought forms, is to manufacture vacuums of ideal circumstances and surroundings into which their corresponding vibratory power is bound to flow and solidify. Thus, it is held, that all practical affairs, such as business undertakings, mental and social accomplishments, matters of health, etc., as well as questions of morality and spiritual growth, can best be dealt with by going direct to vibratory causes within, and, if possible, in connection with trained Occultists, and by occult methods.

This publication aims to show how to connect at will with the omnipotent vibrations of those etheric Love atoms within the inner chambers of the heart, which, being the essence of man's Divinity and cause of his immortality, are the exhaustless source of his occult powers. To awaken them within, enables one to awaken them in others.

An effort has been made to lift the veils which have shrouded occult mysteries for so long, and to reduce their principles to simple and practical rules which all may follow in the development of their occult powers.

The rules, though simple, have deeply esoteric meanings which will be appreciated by those who are esoteric students.

Those who are not esoteric students are invited to apply the rules in their practical every day affairs, and, then measure their value by the results so obtained.

If true, the rules can be outwardly demonstrated; but, such demonstrations will be perfect only to the extent that they are fully and faithfully applied.

The demonstrations need not be *complete* to be *con-*

vincing even to the most skeptical minds. To the degree that they are complete, will life take on new and higher meanings.

As all power is within man so all development of those inherent powers must come along the line of increased self-knowledge, which is the line connecting man with his Infinite source. True self-knowledge, therefore, can come only as we approach the fundamental principles of that science which is truly occult, because *fully* representative of first principles and Infinity.

Physical science proves that the atom has, within itself, some mysterious power which enables it to evolutionize, but, as physical science fails to include certain important connecting links, it leaves man in the dark—in the shadow of materialism. These connecting links are dealt with in this publication.

Physical science is formulated from the comparatively few evolutionary facts which have been collected from observations covering a period of only a few thousand years; therefore, it cannot approach in completeness, that more occult science which pertains to eternity and the entire evolutionary history of the soul, and offers proofs and demonstrations of its principles, which, though different, are even more convincing, and are superior to those regarded as sufficient by physical scientists.

True Occult Science deals extensively with that principle of Love, or, Truth, which is the essence of Divinity, the cause of thought, the life of man, and the vibratory backing from which he derives his occult powers.

Love is that complicated organism which we call the Universe, and it is only when we understand its science,

or the true laws, meanings, and relations of each part, that we can make use of its combined powers within ourselves.

Of what use are the scattered parts of the most complicated machine to one who has no way of getting them together.

Man should spare no pains or expense in learning to understand his occult powers, that he may use them to enrich his own life, and to benefit others.

This publication aims to outline the esoteric principles of human nature, with sufficient clearness to satisfy reason and the head; but, its better lessons are to teach the *heart* its own inherent potentialities and Divinity, thus enabling man to answer his true relations to all created things.

It places in man's hands the possibilities of great powers and great success, which involves, on his part, the responsibility of using such knowledge and powers in loving service to his fellowmen. It shows why the occult undercurrents which now control civilization are such that laws and occult rules which have been known only to the few who were prepared for them, are now safe in the hands of the many. In fact, such knowledge is their only safety. The powers of darkness, which have had almost full sway, now see in the diffusion of such knowledge, the dawn of a new cycle which will wrench from their grasp the victims of their malign, hypnotic influences. It is only natural, therefore, that they should, with the vigor of a death struggle, seek, as their prey, the defenseless ones who neglect to so arm themselves with such knowledge. This warning is something more than a false alarm, as many will learn to their sorrow. The

misuse of occult powers would result in great disaster and misery to the one misusing them.

This work deals chiefly with the question of circumstances and the practical needs of life in all its relations.

It holds that the mystery of the tiniest flower, if fully explained, would also explain the laws of the universe; and that man's practical needs are so closely related to questions of ethics and immortality, that to wisely perform the duty of each hour, is the best way to build a "mansion in the skies."

Powers of Silent Co-operative Thought to Produce Results in all Business and Art.

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"Thoughts are things." Your body *seems* to be a solid, but in reality is only a *rate of vibration*, a mode of motion.

Your atoms are quivering at such a rate of speed that they seem to be stationary, but are ever changing to the poles of thought. Ask any scientist if it isn't so.

Then do you ask if thought is powerful? Yes; so powerful that a thought of fear will sometimes turn a person's hair gray, even though the fear afterwards proves to be groundless.

One object of this publication is to teach some of the laws of thought so that you can accomplish without effort, in an hour, results that would otherwise cost a struggle of perhaps weeks or months. Do you know all about thought and the powers latent in man? If so, you can dissolve or disintegrate this earth in an instant. You have every power at your command. You already know all I intend to say. Some single ideas regarding this great power thought are worth thousands of dollars. I have learned some, the value of which I cannot compute by any cash standard. I hope to give many such in this publication and also to show ways of putting

them into practice. Farther on in this number is an extended explanation of one, and the means of putting it into immediate practice. Briefly stated, it is this: Each day at the noon hour by dismissing all thought except a desire for the good of others you will draw and acquire power that will help you in all your needs. Do you know why it will so help you?

A large and ever increasing number of persons who have taken the opportunity to learn something about this great power thought are, with as much intelligence as possible devoting that hour to the generating of such thought forces as will best help those who need help. For every mite of thought and good-will you contribute to that general fund you will receive many returns of principal and compound interest. The ones who thus give the most for the benefit of others will receive in return the greatest increase of power from the combined thought. All the work of the world in time will be based on this emulative plan where each strives to *give* the most, but before competition can be done away with great changes must first occur. I will deal with this subject in later issues.

Your surroundings are your magnetisms, the fruit of your character, and always governed by law.

Knowledge—and particularly knowledge of such laws—is *power*. Yes, power to make of yourself whatever you please, simply by finding out these governing laws, and *applying* them.

Only the occultist can fully comprehend the tremendous importance and mutual advantages to be derived from co-operative thought. Among students of occult science there has been a demand for the

carrying out of this plan to more thoroughly unite not only themselves but others who might also desire to draw, for their individual needs, on the harmonious forces, and increased strength so generated. We are surrounded with materialistic thought, and burdened with dangerous, insidious unseen forces, which we are sure to absorb unless always in a warlike, positive mental attitude. To many of us such an attitude is neither easy or agreeable.

The frequent, though perhaps needless moods of despondency, discouragement, petulance, hurry, anxiety and bodily weakness which come to us partly from the above causes, are continually reminding us that we need this hour of silent thought—this proposed "church of silent prayer," which will clear the atmosphere and be to us a source of daily strength, companionship and inspiration.

To the Occultist it seems deplorable to see the almost universal waste of force shown in the face and character of nearly every person with whom he comes in contact. He cannot pass persons on the street or see them in crowds, even in the most casual way, without noticing it. Successful business men, whose very success blinds them to the realization of these wastes, often point to their so-called success as evidence that the opposite is true and forget that there were grander heights, a broader success which they failed to reach.

Is it not possible that they are the ones who have the longer road to travel in correcting their faults and making the most of themselves, for until we realize our needs we are not likely to make much progress toward supplying them.

It is the purpose of the author in this series of publications to furnish keys of knowledge that will unlock some of the unrealized latent powers and potencies that lie slumbering in the character of each reader.

When the apple is ripe it falls. Those who are ripe for improvement and an enlargement of power, capacity and fortune will easily find, in this line of thought, clues that will be of great service. If it is ground they have covered they will be the first to see the advantage of joining in the practical co-operative thought plans suggested. In its review they may also find new ideas.

The term Occult Science embraces most every branch of knowledge or science, but is here used chiefly with reference to the study of man and his improvement.

Behind every branch of classified facts, which we label with the name of some of the sciences, it is easy to see there is a mystery, and therefore to the hidden or occult must we turn for the true science of things. This is especially true in our study of that greatest of all subjects, *man*. His body is a mere mask, as the word person signifies, behind which the real deathless and eternal man acts much as a true actor would masquerade in the clothing or "make up" best suited to the character or part taken.

It is easy to see that if there is such a thing as getting behind these outside appearances to the real hidden occult facts or "generalizations" that such a field would, if explored, be most fruitful in results.

The real essence of things lies below the surface, and when we reach their very center we find ourselves

in a new and radiant world with most everything changed. Our power increases and can only be measured by our degrees of such knowledge.

Electricity is powerful in the hands of an Edison, but not so just previous to the time of Benjamin Franklin. It is a proved fact that man has within himself latent powers greater than electricity, a knowledge of the laws of which would place in his possession great possibilities of usefulness to himself and to others. He now works his mental batteries the wrong way, He acts on the principle that his *body* is doing the work. and therefore in his struggle hustles and hurries it about to the point of exhaustion. Yes, exhaustion of its *real* force—thought. How can a person put out his thought so it will accomplish results even far from his body when he is on the dead run all the time. His very efforts are driving farther from him the things he seeks. A little knowledge of the laws of thought will teach him to *reverse* this process and accomplish much more without struggle or effort.

Such knowledge will give great power over ones health because it enables one to deal with causes. The so-called science of medicine is based too much on the false assumption that man's *body* originates disease. The learned men in the time of Harvey strenuously denied the theory of the circulation of the blood and he was almost mobbed for advocating the idea. In these days of rapid progress we should think for ourselves and remember that the man was nearly mobbed who carried the first umbrella. It is difficult for learned men to unlearn their few fragments of facts, many of which time is proving to be fictions. Twenty years

ago nearly all physicians denied the principles of hypnotism, and to-day are exhibiting relatively the same ignorance by simply nibbling at that little fragment instead of delving deeper to the *law* on which hypnotism is based.

Orthodox Christians have had many of the rea teachings of Christ written in their hearts, otherwise Christianity could not have survived a theology founded on the doctrine of hell and depravity of man. Many still believe in the depravity of man, but even this fragment of an obsolete theology is destined to crumble beneath the power of Christ's words, "the kingdom of Heaven is *within you.*"

To Occult Science belongs the distinction of proving why these things are so, which is the first step in their attainment, and is the search-light which will make luminous the truths contained in every book of the Bible. If orthodox persons care more for the truths of that sacred book than they do for the glaring absurdities they have blindly built from it into their crumbling structure they will welcome this search-light and our teachings all the more because thus proved to be the real teachings of the Christ.

Occultists have long known that these would be years of great awakening when such truths would rapidly come to light, and bring in their train great changes and readjustments that would sweep away great fortunes, great humbugs, and the general *de-bris* which has resulted from our blindness and materialism. This is according to the great law of cycles shown throughout nature. A great 5,000 year cycle ends next year, and now is the time to learn how to readjust

ones various relations in life to suit the new conditions that are at our very thresholds.

It is not my desire or purpose to shroud this subject in needless mystery or to claim supernatural, adept powers in these hidden mysteries, but to prove and *demonstrate* to the understanding that they are *not* supernatural, but founded on natural laws, which, for good reasons, have been hidden in this materialistic age except to a few in whose hands they were safe.

The very nature of these ideas is in many respects so unlike our old methods of thought and action that they will necessarily seem marvelous, and they carry with them possibilities no less marvelous.

Many of these ideas also seem dangerous in their possibilities, and are so in the hands of certain unprincipled persons, so is fire dangerous, but the time has come when general knowledge on the subject is the greatest safeguard against that danger.

Another wonder in our Creator's wisdom is that such knowledge carries within *itself* a peculiar safeguard. This safeguard is that it is impossible for a person to go far or deep into this subject until it is safe for him to do so. In other words, he cannot understand or believe in certain of its basic principles until he has the purity and morality making them safe in his hands. It farthermore teaches a code of morals that is *sublime*, and offers rewards for obedience that are almost irresistable. Does this seem strange? Have you never thought of it while studying these subjects? If you haven't studied that far please note it in the future. After all it is about what we should expect from *Infinite* wisdom.

This subject has an important bearing on ones health, his business, and every relation he sustains to the world. If he studies simply its outer forms so that he may, through hypnotic influence, bend some one to his will for some selfish purpose, or wreck vengeance on his enemies through the use of unseen forces, he will find the way barred to more important and practical knowledge, and will be sure to reap for himself in so doing a rich harvest of retribution instead of its normal fruit, which is the extreme opposite. As the acquirement of wealth carries with it a corresponding responsibility for its proper use toward others, so the acquirement of this order of knowledge correspondingly increases ones responsibility for its proper use. This responsibility in regard to the use of wealth does not seem to cool the ardor of many people. They pursue it just as vigorously, and seem to almost "spoil" for an opportunity to show that they would be equal to such a responsibility. In the pursuit of the knowledge in question, the inducements are much greater. Although its code of morals is as strict as our ten commandments, one need not fear that its strictness would hamper them or make them unhappy, on the contrary, it opens up that "place of peace which passeth all understanding." "The kingdom of heaven within." Do you ask why? It is because it shows *why* you greatly enhance your business success by making it *honest to the core*. *Why* you can't do a wrong to another in *any* way without doing a greater one to yourself. Do you fear that this would interfere with your present business and abridge a degree of its success for which you have perhaps struggled for years? This is

not probable, but if so it will bring in its stead a *greater* success in business that you will attain *without effort* or struggle. Has not the depletion of your life forces, caused by that senseless struggle for wealth or position, led you many times to join in that silent cry for "*rest*"—"*rest of the soul*"—which goes up unheard from the hearts of countless thousands? Then do not let your lack of faith bar you from that rest which a little knowledge will silently and noiselessly bring to you.

Thought is a very high rate of vibration which is capable of dissolving or changing all lower rates. Every solid in the universe being only a rate of vibration is ready to become fluid to any higher vibration. Your body is already ninety-four per cent. fluid (as any physician will acknowledge), and is easily ready to become one complete little ocean of harmony, if properly acted upon by your thought vibrations. A little knowledge of Occult Science will show you *how* to so act upon it. Read the above paragraph over twice, and see if it can be successfully disputed. Then is Occult Science *practical* in its bearing on your health? Yes, intensely so. What would any dying man give to add even ten years to his life? One man offered $1,000,000 to have his life prolonged fifteen minutes in order that he might give the remainder of his fortune away to charity. One would at least be willing to study and learn. Why not give that study and thought to this subject previous to your deathbed. Your entire environment, your friendships, your every surrounding is your magnetism and ever changing to the poles of your thought.

Figure this out and see if it isn't the most practical lesson you ever learned. It is not our purpose to disintegrate this planet. It is designed and run with too much wisdom and knowledge to make such a thing desirable or possible to us at present. It is, however, our purpose to unite in thought and dissolve many of the obstacles to our progress, to harmonize many of the needless discords in the lives of some of the members of our brotherhood and to deal unitedly and therefore with ever-increasing knowledge and power with some of the unseen and inharmonious forces which surround us and mar our peace, our health, prosperity and advancement.

All space is filled with living realities. The cross vibrations surrounding us continually affect us for evil and are all the more dangerous because insidious, subtle, unseen and unrecognized.

Occultists know and Physicians will agree that bodily disease consists in *cross vibrations* and that health consists in harmony—harmonious vibrations—harmony in the life currents. Likewise harmony—harmonious vibrations in our surroundings and social conditions are the things we most need.

Can you not catch a clue to our methods? We propose to deal with causes. Instead of doctoring effects, which is like damming the Mississippi, we leave the circumference of things and go to their center, the unseen underlying causes. We look to intelligent and united thought as the harmonizing power to help our discordant chaotic conditions—our cross vibrations. There is no readily available way of dealing with them that is more practical than our Home Silent

Thought Brotherhood, which is divided into twelve degrees (thus providing for the different stages of knowledge and other requisite qualifications).

The first degree is to include all persons who have needs. (who has not?) Each and every reader of this publication is invited to be silent and dismiss during part or all of each noon hour all thought except a desire for good, first to themselves and also to others. Each person will so acquire power simply because they place themselves in a condition to receive it through their co-operative and harmonious thought vibrations, which includes the more powerful vibrations of those of the other degrees who have more complete knowledge and training.

The second degree includes all yearly subscribers of this publication, whose continued interest is thus reasonably assured. To them will be given a subject for daily contemplation, which will throw them more distinctly en rapport with the higher currents of vibration generated during the noon hour.

The third degree includes such persons as pay a fee of $1.00 each, for which they will receive a book giving further instructions as to how such forces and currents can be still farther drawn on for their individual needs.

The fees for the fourth degree are $2.00 each. The member thus admitted will be given a written delineation of his character for his use, pointing out to him the characteristics he will need to give special cultivation in his more advanced studies along this line, with instructions as to such cultivation.

Members of the fifth degree will be given extended

astrological and other calculations concerning their past, present and future. This will determine their eligibility to farther degrees.

By special care and strictness at this point we are enabled to avoid inharmonious elements in our more inner and powerful circles and keep out all who use such powers simply for selfish motives. Such members are given further instructions for their use and improvement.

Persons who are really bad at heart are not likely to be drawn to us, but if they are so drawn we admit them to the outer degrees and do them all the good we can. They are the very ones who most need help. After the fifth degree all members are especially instructed in the absolute *necessity* of basing all such work on the everlasting principles of RIGHT, JUSTICE and GOODWILL. A special hour daily is also given to individualize all co-operative thought currents with such principles, so that any discordant or impure elements that might enter into the outer circles are thus neutralized and spiritualized.

You will therefore see that we are amply fortified against the dangers of impurity to an extent that would be hardly possible in a co-operative society of only one degree, and are thus enabled to add to our numbers and the cumulative force that could be safely acquired in no other way.

The work and purpose of the sixth degree is partly explained from the above. They are also given special instruction and help in reference to the acquirement of perfect health, and the proper use of thought force in trouble or in business matters.

The seventh is the last of the exoteric degrees. Members are given extended instructions through books and otherwise, and the personal help of esoteric members in case of sickness or other *real* need.

Membership fees for the fifth degree are $3.00 per year, $4.00 for the sixth degree and $5.00 for the seventh.

The five esoteric degrees are at present given to only those who thus devote their entire lives to the service of mankind. It includes extended instruction and practices, the aim of which, in the language of Swami Vivekananda, is "to open to us the door to almost unlimited power, to be used to help those who need help." It is the desire and ambition of students of the esoteric degrees in time to establish a great school of philosophy that would be almost unlimited in its influence and powers for good. In the future some of these esoteric degrees may be given to other than those who devote their lives to the work, but always under rules so exacting and rigid as to exclude all inharmony and those whose purpose it would be to use the knowledge and powers so obtained for selfish purposes or show. These deeper instructions are within the reach of all, but with few exceptions can only be safely learned by direct contact with a teacher.

If the first seven degrees and helps awaken the necessary qualifications and a true desire for same the teacher and opportunity will not be wanting. We do not for our various degrees desire or solicit very large or promiscuous classes. The purpose is rather to unite those of similar mental calibre for their mutual benefit, development and instruction. Force and instruction is

always more easily gained through a harmonious unity of minds who think alike, and not by argument for the sake of argument.

Without desiring at present to make special claims of giving you that force, we simply say it will come to you because you thus place yourself in the best condition for receiving it. You can, if you choose, make for yourself similar conditions in other places. As to our charges, we would say they are much too high if you fail to see the end in view. If you do see our intents and motives, you will see also that the gain to you in power to be acquired cannot be measured by dollars.

We desire that you should utilize these helps in the above and other ways that will from time to time come to you. Supposing you have a business perplexity that is worrying you. At the noon hour, by placing yourself in a receptive state, you become en rapport with harmonizing vibrations. (Later you will understand why). These vibrations reach out far and near in the unseen, and help to *harmonize* the *very vibratory forces* and *causes underlying* such perplexities. Sometimes it will come in the shape of a new idea, which will prove to be the right one. At other times you will, when you actually come to the difficulty feared, find that for some mysterious reason it has disappeared. Or you may, without knowing it, simply drift to the right act. Have you ever noticed how easily the warm noon-day sun can level the most uneven surface of snow and cause it to disappear? Heat as easily expands a bar of solid steel twenty feet thick. What mere physical force could do the same? When we get a force like

heat or thought that can deal with the various rates of vibration of things we get into the region of power where work is not effort or struggle.

By drawing on such infinite forces, a part of which we are, we will sometimes find that at the noon hour the ache or pain we had, passes away, or the misunderstanding we had with a friend or other person has been cleared up as easily and noiselessly as the July sun melts ice, and not through any hypnotic power but by the power of harmonious thought vibrations of many minds with motives based on the Eternal laws of *right, justice* and love (or sympathy). These are examples of how the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood can be utilized in every affair of life. Does this seem marvelous in its simplicity? See if a thorough trial will not prove it true, and as marvelous in its power for your good.

We do not call this a "cause," but a *business*. We place a certain value on our ideas and the helps to be rendered as we would on any merchantable commodity. As we receive that value we are placed above the temptation or error of soliciting favors or donations for doing a good work or even for our proposed School of Philosophy. We think ours is a good work and think it is all the better for making it support itself as it goes along. In its growing success we are proving the very principle and laws we teach. Can we do you a greater favor than to show you a law for the attainment of success, which is as much your property to use as it is ours.

One of our basic principles is that "thoughts are things." Good thoughts are constructive. Evil

thoughts are destructive. The earnest desire to do right carries with it great power. Right and justice carries with it a rate of vibration that is immortal. Thought vibrations are intense and powerful in proportion to their approach to right, purity and the Eternal. High motives and purity are thoughts of great power for good to yourself and to others. I am not trying to preach but to demonstrate *why* a business founded on absolute justice and right is the one most apt to succeed. People say, "Oh, yes, honesty is the best policy," but seem afraid to *trust* it and *stand by* it in the little things when they get in a corner and fear the loss of even an insignificant sale. Honesty just for the sake of policy is not the *genuine* article. It does not carry with it the high rate of vibration. Do you realize the importance to you (in dollars) of this very demonstration? Do you realize how satisfying and strengthening it would be to KNOW to a *certainty* that even from the standpoint of business success *alone* that you could *always* and under *all* circumstances, great or small, afford to stand right by the truth and make your business honest to the *core?* You cannot afford to do anything less than that. It is the most valuable precept you can entertain, and increases in value to you until you reach the point where you lose *entire* confidence in *lies* or the *powers of deception.* Do you see what this one principle will do for you?

First. It will get your business thoughts into the region of high and powerful vibrations (where they belong), and appeal to that in others. These powerful thoughts will go out far and near, even while you sleep, and gradually saturate and mingle with the minds of

people you are in the future to deal with, and will form thought links, or invisible wires connecting them with you, and will help influence them to come and deal with you.

It is said, "a man must have his thoughts centered on his business in order to succeed." This is the philosophy of it and these are the invisible wires that will lead customers to you.

Second. Thoughts with high and pure motives will connect with the best in people and will attract chiefly persons of character and mental calibre, who are the very ones most likely to have money to buy your goods, and even if you credit them with their purchases they are the ones least apt to cheat you. Tricky thought would bring to you tricksters, who in time would in some way injure you, even if it was only to speak ill of you.

Third. Such thoughts of right and goodwill, being *constructive*, will inspire your customers with the same spirit of goodwill, which is also vibratory power that will do you good, even though they never speak it in words. The opposite would do you harm.

Fourth. These very principles will in time show forth in your countenance, in every curl of your lip. In your very *attitude*. Your confidence and strength will increase as you learn by the many proofs that will come to you that this law is *correct* and *absolute*, and in time you will be perfectly serene, even though failure stares you in the face.

Fifth. These principles are harmonious by nature, and otherwise could not be *eternal*, for reasons that are apparent. They will tend to bring harmony into your

life and surroundings, also friends or others to your rescue, who are able and willing to help you if trouble comes. The very instincts of such friends will tell them that you can be relied on, even if they have not had actual proofs.

The thief little knows of the real unseen forces that attract him to his chosen victim and perhaps carry him right by places and persons he could rob with more ease and success.

How little we realize that some species of dishonesty or deception and even the reading of theft, murder, scandal and burglary in the morning papers—perhaps at breakfast, when we are (or should be) in a negative absorbing mood—will connect us with the thought current that is apt to bring the thief or trickster to us.

Sixth. Principles of honesty in your business will tend to bring you honest helpers, who won't watch every chance to "stab you in the back," or take advantage of you should you be absent or other opportunities occur.

Seventh. Fear, hurry and anxiety are thought forces that are destructive to your business and to your ability to manage it. Honest principles relieve anxiety and fear, thus giving the cool head to act wisely in a business crisis.

Eighth. Thoughts produce actions. Any species of dishonesty will lead to dishonest acts, and to an attitude that will create suspicion in people and cause them to avoid you, even though they themselves do not realize the reason why. Our common proverbs, such as "Honesty is the best policy," "A man is known by the company he keeps," "It takes a rogue

to catch a rogue," are all founded on universal experience.

The experiences of others, however, without understanding the principles, are not sufficient to give you that *supreme* confidence in "honesty," which takes away *all* fear and causes you to unfalteringly trust it when under the severest tests. What percentage of Chicago Lawyers or their Clients would really be willing in trying *every* case to fearlessly uncover every point, and earnestly and unreservedly try to get at the true right of the case regardless of which side the truth might hit? This *should* be the attitude of Lawyer and Client as it is of the true Judge, and it would insure more satisfactory results to the majority concerned.

These facts show how shallow and hypocritical is the pretended confidence in the proverb, "Honesty is the best policy." I repeat that universal experience is insufficient to inspire UNLIMITED confidence in this proverb, and to actually *demonstrate* its truth from first principles and show the *laws* on which it is based, is of great value to every business man, as its practice will prove.

Our aim is to suggest how you can use your spiritual powers to the best purpose, so they will bring first to yourself and also to others the greatest returns in both material results and happiness.

A spiritual power that is always available is your *thought.* The greatest power you have available is the *combined* thought of yourself and others working unitedly and in sympathy for a common result—your mutual good. Money represents value and gives power to obtain many desirable things. If the ready cash of the world was laid at your feet, with an invitation to

help yourself, and you could do so without injury to others, would you not lay in a good supply without waiting to be teased?

The power of money to bring happiness is indirect. Common sense and study will make of your thought a power to bring happiness DIRECT, and money as well, with the additional safeguard that you can always rely on it to make more money if that you thus gain is taken away. Such powers, unlike money, can never be taken away from you, and you will learn that so long as you stay in the direct thought current of Infinite good that all things needful will come to you without struggle or effort.

The powers of the sunlight give life to vegetation without struggle or effort. Yet a maiden can intercept that sunlight with an umbrella. Let us learn how *not* to intercept the sunlight of God's forces, which were planted within us to use for his eternal purposes. Such forces come gently and noiselessly from within. Do you ask for proofs? Are you one who cannot believe in the reality of anything that isn't heralded by trumpet blasts? Study the principles, if that is not sufficient, apply them as directed, and proofs will then be forthcoming as they are needed.

Within yourself are powers capable *now* of bringing results and happiness greater than you have ever dreamed of or even read about. Results which would revolutionize your life and methods of action—yet a peaceful, noiseless revolution from an unlooked for source, as is usual with the coming of spiritual powers and light. These principles teach that by your hurry and over-activity you are driving *away* the very things

you seek, and show a way to accomplish infinitely more and without effort.

Look at the mania for labor-saving devices. Look intelligently within yourself and you will find one greater than all you have known.

The kingdom of heaven is a kingdom of *power* as well as one of harmony and peace. After nearly 1900 years of failure to find it *without*, isn't it about time to take the word of the Christ that it is "within you" and then search for it in that direction?

It would take *much* longer to give even a "bird's-eye view" of this subject or to enumerate the many practical bearings it has on life. The subject is Infinity and therefore Infinite. In describing things that are Infinite we can do little more than to say Infinite, and then let the mind grapple with it and bewilderingly try to comprehend. To try to do more is like trying to give a separate name to each drop in the ocean—a hopeless task.

In the next issue I shall try to show how this mysterious spiritual law which binds all humanity together will, through the powers of co-operative thought, bring to us very wonderful companionships and friends, and how they will aid us. I hope to at least interest even those who still think that co-operation is impossible unless you bring people's bodies together.

POWER.

The Occult secrets of power may be revealed to him, who, by the aid of modern science and the microscope, learns that all material particles are divisible and porous, and that matter is only a "rate of vibration."

Thought generates vibration. It is, therefore, a creative power, and, the essence of all manifestations. Thought and man, the Thinker, are natural correspondences of Truth, the eternal. The will in man controls thought, and the principle of Love controls the will.

Love is therefore the original principle of Truth within, which we call God, and is the exhaustless source of man's Occult powers.

In following, closely, this line of connections which ties man to his source, who can doubt that by keeping in close touch with that backing, he is able to develop and manifest wonderful Occult powers.

The development of Occult power is shown to be so closely alied to the laws of Love and ethics, that man could not take a shorter cut to that life which is the fulfillment of his ten commandments.

Love Is Power.

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"Do not love. *Be* love." Cease in thought to cling to the *unreal* "friends" which come to you through the accident of circumstance. You will thus pave the way to you for your *real* friends. Shut out in thought even "*Angels*" if they do not belong to you, so that your *own Archangels* may come in. For every "friend" you lose for truth you will gain a better. It is not in the order of nature or "good for man to be alone." The law of love will take care of that. Your real friends are the ones who are on your line of march. Their proper selection is too important to be left to the uncertainties of outward condition. There is a higher law which, if fairly understood and faithfully applied, will bring them to you with unerring certainty. Silent co-operative thought will, through the law of affinity, bring you the aid, comfort, companionship and inspiration of real friends.

It is only reasonable and natural that the chemical powers of co-operative thought should act with perfect freedom in the unseen and bring together persons of like motive and mental calibre, with the same degree of scientific accuracy which would under proper and foreseen conditions attract into a perfect crystal the various elements of its chemical compound.

The chemical powers of love are so exact that they attract into a unit the countless millions of worlds and systems of worlds which make up the universe.

Man has that entire power latent in his heart. The law of love applies to the atom the same as to the uni-

verse and is the power within the atom which makes its evolution possible. To master the secret of your heart is to open the door to your omnipotence and place within your easy reach the accomplishment of your every undertaking.

Books then become of no further use to you because you have in your awakened intuition the correct answer to every question through a direct channel to your fountain of omniscience in your heart. It brings you face to face with that something within which can never be destroyed because eternally pure and perfect.

Misery becomes impossible, because misery always arises from fear or unsatisfied desire.

Sickness and sorrow is banished because the soul settles down to its normal condition of power, joy and perfect bliss.

Your occult forces are powerful in proportion to their approach to the purity, perfection and eternity of genuine love and right. You will never find happiness or satisfaction so long as you look outside of yourself for it. You will never learn the secret of real occult power to accomplish great results in business and art until you find it in the exhaustless resources of your own heart. Occult forces without limit are within your easy reach as soon as you really learn the greatness of your own nature. You must reverse your present methods of education which chain useless crowbars of facts to your mentality and shut off the flow from within. The word education means to evolve, educe or draw out. The nature of man is such that a time comes when it needs no outward pumps to draw soul from its fountain and through its instrument

the body. All you have to learn is how to turn on its spigot, through silence, calmness and introspection. The forces of soul are already generated and only too glad to flow into all your relations of life.

Look at the multiplied uses of electricity. The question *was* how to harness it. The question to-day is how to harness the much greater and invisible forces of thought and love so that the lives of ourselves and others may be made *full* with the joy and happiness that will follow in its train as its result.

Knowledge of your real nature is the natural forerunner of great results. It enables you to properly readjust your selfishness, fear, pride, sexpassion or any other quality in your character that may be now dominant as a blind leader.

Your power is always evolved from within—from the heart. It finds an outlet chiefly through the avenues of brain and thought.

Intellectual cultivation with many has been carried to the point of "mental leprosy." Our schools are scourged with such tendencies and with the tendency to scatter thought forces which is one of our national defects. Education should cultivate the art of calmness, repose, deliberation and concentration.

There is a certain consciousness of strength which springs from ignorance.

How frequently do we see exhibitions of it in the unmeant gallantries of our "Lords of Creation" who think they *compliment* woman when they say that she is *man's equal.*

Woman is rapidly demonstrating that many such words spoken in ignorance as well as in jest, are truths.

Woman is the real leader of a peaceful, noiseless revolution which will reconstruct society from the foundations up. Occult Science proves that her wisdom of the intuitions and heart is better than his bruto-intellectual wisdom which is based on the already crumbling assumption that "man is his body" and that the body and intellect are "the whole thing" as the boys would say.

If he should lose an arm or a leg would he thus lose any part of the *real* man? Would it necessarily imply a loss of any part of his *manhood* or of his soul, which is eternal?

Man's body will continue to die until Occult Science unlocks the latent potencies of his heart and soul. Such knowledge will enable him to *fully* represent and manifest his *real deathless nature* in a body which will thus become deathless also.

The "tree of knowledge" so planted in his "garden of Eden"—the heart—thus becomes a "tree of life." Re-read the first chapter of Genesis with this as a key. It may give a clue that will illuminate the story of man's spiritual creation and the history of the soul. Science has upset many absurd theological interpretations of a sacred book, the truths of which Occult Science will again make luminous.

Intellect is good as a servant, not as a leader. Intellectual knowledge by *itself*, UNAIDED, is a tree which yields nothing better than mouth puckering green persimmons and other bitter and poisonous fruit which is fit food only for a cynic or pessemist who wants to supply vitality to his misery.

Society must have something more substantial for

its heart starved multitude than froth and frappe or the husks and dead fruit on which they have been "brousing" for so long.

Is it surprising that it has been lead to the feet of Occult Science and that royalty and the nobility in Europe and exclusive society circles of New York, Boston and other American cites should now consider the Palmist, Astrologer and Occulist such desirable acquisitions as factors in some of their entertainments?

The Infinite has thus caused that tyrant Fashion to meekly "let down its bars" that a multitude of good but commonplace people who have not the courage of their convictions and who consider it "better to be out of the world than out of fashion" may receive these truths.

When society thus instructed becomes truly representative of the affections and heart and gives its members the pleasures and satisfactions of its warm, sympathetic life-giving heart currents of real love they will never again be satisfied with the hollow mockery of its soulless shell and base counterfeit.

When society learns that the body is only a medium or instrument through which the soul may act it will have the power to become a grand orchestra of a million pieces capable of bringing forth one Divine harmony and its deep inspirations from the truly musical, the notes of which each individual member is a contributor.

The magical vibratory powers of the calm reposeful loving co-operative thought currents, which at the noon hour go from the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood, out into the unseen, are forces which work night

and day for the good of each member, and are sure to come home to him freighted with the rich blessings of health, business results, loving companionships, inspiration and happiness.

To depend on your shrewdness, to overreach your neighbor, to hustle and hurry your body about until it is fagged out, and to generate the damaging and discordant cross vibrations of hateful, cynical, impatient, anxious, fearful, selfish or hopeless thought is to shut off the currents of helpful force and drive successful results farther away.

"Thoughts are things" which produce results in all business and art. Co-operative thought in connection with the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood is the collective force which *multiplies* such results, because "many hands make light work."

If the earth was covered with ten feet of snow and you had to get rid of it would you prefer the slow process of shoveling it to the rapid process of melting it by a July sun? The mental density which would choose the shovel is little better than that which will cling to man's present harsh, noisy, lumbering body straining antiquated methods of business after better methods are offered and also the easy means to carry them out. Thought is an ever ready power which is always available.

An investigation of its laws at once leads to the all inclusive basic law of love which is a fundamental "generalization."

Love is the power which binds all humanity together whether they know it or not.

"Nature abhors weakness." Love is power. Love

is the mother of nature, therefore for nature to love power is only to show the proper instincts of offspring. The created should love its creator and conform to the laws of its ever evolving nature. We may have implicit trust that, to follow obediently, the leadings and tendencies of our constitution will bring us out safe at last through open or winding passage to a fulfillment of our destiny according to our creator's intention. God is love and cannot make mistakes.

People prosper in proportion to their ability to make of themselves an unobstructed channel for the optimistic forces and higher laws of thought and nature.

"The world is founded on the optimistic, self-acting and all inclusive law of love. This law can be safely *trusted*, even though its limited manifestation appears in the form of selfishness, hate, cruelty and all that is brutal or that which we call evil. I wish to show the connection of all these things so that we may lie with childlike trust in the motherly lap of nature and give an uninterrupted passage to her life-giving currents, thus becoming strong with her strength.

It is impossible for us to successfully resist the currents of nature and we interfere with them at our peril.

She teaches with calm superiority that "there is a higher law than that of our will, which regulates events," and governs every atom of the universe.

That law is the law of love. To fully trust it will reverse our present slow, bungling, and convulsive methods of business and make our lives not only more successful, but easier.

We can well afford to trust our intuitive impulses. The theology, which represents man as degraded and de-

praved, and life as a great, though hopeless struggle against the forces of nature, is rapidly becoming obsolete. Occult Science, which is the coming theology, represents man as Divine by nature. It shows the uselessness and injury of his frantic struggles, despairs, and gnashing of teeth against the relentless and invincible laws of nature which manifest in lower forms as brute and brutal man, but gradually grows on the slow tree of cause and effect until man is taught that *all persons* and *all things* are *related* and that he cannot do a *wrong* to *another* in *any* way without doing a *greater* wrong to himself.

His very instincts of self preservation will then cause him to throw a loving and helpful arm of protection around the weak and lowly ones who are traveling in ignorance the long road from which he shall have then evolved. He will then no longer hang men for their so-called crimes any more than a loving mother would hang a helpless child that might awkwardly pull her hair in an effort to caress her.

He will not take away the life he cannot give, even from a brute, for purposes of food, when he learns the destiny of that brute, its relatedness to him, and that he cannot even indirectly so interfere with its evolution or cause it pain without suffering its reaction on himself. Meat is not the natural food of man. Fullness of life and all it implies can come only when he obtains the strength-giving powers of his natural food.

If he eats other food the narrower limitations of its life-giving powers will recoil on his head and the further penalty of discordant cross vibrations will, in some way, enter into his life as a consequence, as surely as effect is tied to cause.

"Love is the fulfilling of the law." Do you *presume to think* that the Almighty has *failed* to provide the *certain means* of *fulfilling* his law? The very idea is *absurd* in the face of the unity displayed in his works.

You are not an exception to this rule. Your nature is also founded on the law of love and its law will be *fulfilled* beyond question, in spite of any frantic, senseless and purile efforts you may make to govern things by your own intellect or will.

The Almighty will in time claim you as his own and you cannot prevent it no matter how much you try.

Does this fact give you license to sensuality and all that is brutal? No. It says that you *cannot* break the law of love (your higher nature) without suffering its self-acting and inevitable penalty. There is no uncertainty about that.

The very instincts of selfishness would guard you against invoking these penalties, and would therefore become the pathway to the practice of virtue.

Some physicians practically preach and recommend to young men the accursed doctrine of polygamy under the name of "physical necessity" on the ground that "nature is always right." Why don't physicians recommend it to their own daughters.

Man's real nature is "The image of God" and not that of brute and he should not follow the example of animals in "Polygamy" after he has outgrown the elementary stages of his brutehood.

The Divinity in him is *ever* calling, however feebly, to cast aside the waists and dresses of infancy and ignorance and wear the suspenders and pantaloons of true manhood and his higher nature.

Infinite love, life, wisdom, and power are *always* ready to act through the most lowly person as its instrument.

There are etheric atoms in every heart which represent and are capable through freedom, knowledge and self-trust of giving expression to all the powers of the universe in their flow through the faculties of brain and body. We need not fear our tendencies toward selfishness.

The untaught, childlike, selfishness which snatches a toy from another, gradually expands through knowledge and experience into the ever widening relations to family, friends, state, and nation, until man learns his relation to *all* persons and things, and the fact that to injure others is to do the greater injury to himself.

Not until then is his business likely to be honest to the *core*.

The restraining power of conscience is over estimated, nor is it strange when we enquire the cause and its nature. Your present conscience is built from the accumulated sediment of the knowledge and experience gained in your past lives. About one-fifth of the people of the world believe in an endless future, but not in an endless past, or in other words an infinite future from a finite beginning. The other four-fifths believe also in an endless future, but see that as a logical necessity a thing which has one end must have another.

The logic of this is that an endless future necessarily implies an endless past. Thus the seeming injustice of the wide inequalities of condition and circumstance, and many other theological enigmas are cleared up by

this evolutionary theory which will be dealt with in later issues.

We need not fear but what the Infinite wisdom will evolve our dominant selfishness into aspiration and up the long pathway to perfection—until it lisps the all inclusive commandment "love thy God (or law of thy nature) with all thy heart and thy neighbor as thyself." Let us not loiter to malign or make faces at selfishness or its creator, but trust ourselves unflinchingly to the strong and faithful arms of Infinite good thus getting in line with the forces of the universe, as did Napoleon, "the man of destiny," whose imperfect following of the law strongly biased the current by the imperfections of his dominating character.

Let us abandon lies and apologies and the rank hypocrisy which skulks and dodges like horse thief or charity boy every time the word selfishness is spoken, and always remember that the perfect law which created us can never make mistakes and can be trusted to answer for our preservation and the fulfillment of our destiny.

One cannot teach the occult laws of thought, as applied to business success and art, without thus preaching a most convincing code of morals and ethics. It will be found that the inducements of material success will win followers for the laws of thought and love and for these ethical teachings where mere preaching will not.

Every heart vibrates to whatever teaches its own omnipotence. Imagine a space within your heart filled with the ever living fires of your immortal soul. Then imagine another space, within that space, the etheric

atoms of which represent the omnipotence of God's love. This soul of your soul, and life of your eternal life, cannot be dealt with from the occult standpoint, without meeting with some response through the vibrations of the heart's atoms.

You may, by your actions and ignorance bury it so deeply that only the brute in you will manifest.

Your body whose human form then belies humanity will hang on but a tender thread, having outlived its usefulness.

How can I help to kindle the fires and revive the dying embers of such souls and bring to light the divine "image of God?"

Has the "negative" of that image become too faint and indistinct? Its many coverings of darkness can be torn away only by the miracle of knowledge.

Even though only one atom remains, it contains the essence and a solution of the mystery of life, the love, which is God, the thought power, which is godlike in omnipotence, and the kingdom of peace and harmony which is your heaven. This remaining atom represents all the powers of the universe.

Does it seem impossible? Pollywog and whale are of equal dimensions in the sight of God.

That atom in your heart is real love, but not the base counterfeit which passes current at par in our boasted civilization. It is ever calling, however feebly, for you to recognize its powers and sweetness. To recognize it will enable you to manifest it.

When you see a woman's face that is as sad, haggard, despairing, forlorn, and ghastly as that of the man in the moon, you may generally calculate that she has

been the reaper of a matrimonial harvest of disappointed love which shattered the pure and beautiful ideals of her girlhood.

She is too apt to become in her hopelessness and disappointment like a certain kind of fish which, if washed up on the bank of the sea, will lie there and suffer an undying death, even though only a foot from the water.

The activities of society or the household may bring forgetfulness as would business to a man, but only knowledge can bring her back into true relations with her own soul and restore her ideals.

The sun always shows its willingness to shine and lighten the dark places of earth, yet it is very easy to intercept its light. Self-conscious of its powers and worth, it seems quite satisfied to shine, and shine, and shine. Equally godlike in dignity, gentleness, persistence, and reserve force is that misunderstood and misused love principle which dwells in our hearts and is the essence of our lives, the seat of all our powers.

It allows intellect to usurp its rightful throne and parade its reflection in its sacred name.

Its counterfeit is of the brain, true love is of the heart. The brain is to the heart what the moon is to the sun, viz.: its reflection and satellite. Unreal love bears a like relation to real love.

The key of knowledge is always ready to unlock the chains of ignorance which tie us to our imaginary hitching posts, but like the horse which has more than sufficient strength to break his tie strap, we fail to realize our powers and remain tied, continually looking in the wrong direction viz.: outside of ourselves for our deliverance.

"As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." It is to the invisible forces of our thought and heart that we must look for freedom and power. Love is the elixir of everlasting life, which gives our souls immortality. Thought is its willing servant. Love is a clock which will run forever without being wound. Its eternal vibration of perfect bliss is the solved mystery of perpetual motion.

Its perfection would enable you to create a universe from the most lowly atom, to get the joy of perfect companionship even from rocks and trees, to command perfect truthfulness toward you from the biggest liar in the world, to obtain the willing co-operation and help of every person who lives, to place around you or yours a charm of protection that would make you safe in fire, earthquake, contagion, or in a den of the wildest animals. All persons have within themselves these omnipotent potencies but in different degrees of manifestation. All are seeking happiness and bound for the same goal. Proper appeals, in the true language of love to the love faculty in others, will invariably meet with a response. Effect is always tied to cause. It is not the mere words or beauty of expression which gives force and power to the language of a writer. It is what there is behind his words.

To awaken the love principle in yourself is the only true and unfailing way to awaken it in others. We are on the verge of an upward impulse. Great currents of invisible force, are now being turned on the world for its good. The ending next year of a great 5000 year cycle marks the ending of an epoch in our history and the beginning of a greater epoch.

Cyclic Karma has already begun its readjustments and the near future will bring greater changes.

The rumbling of consequences has been heard for some time by those whose ears have been attuned.

All have heard the rumbling but few have understood what there was behind it. The dim light which is breaking is already exposing the corpses of our dead materiality and the pale ghost-like faces of men and women who have wandered far from the sunlight of truth in their worship of the idols of sense.

The might of right and love is needed in the varied changes and readjustments which are to come. Teachers of Occult Science will be in great demand, because all will need its evolutionizing and revolutionizing truths as a guide for the readjustment of their affairs to suit the new conditions which are coming. A harvest of satisfaction is waiting for those who forsake the ebb tide of the past with its worship of the things of time and sense, and mount this great incoming wave, which is to *sweep* from our planet the *de-bris* of the past and its stifling carcasses. This will be a forerunner of the little golden age which is at hand and which will make character building more prominent in our lives. This is a prophecy founded on knowledge which many readers will understand.

Do you ask what are the first and most important steps in character-building? The answer is, *true knowledge.* Lord Buddha said after long meditation, that "the cause of all misery is IGNORANCE." The Christ said "the kingdom of heaven is within you," indicating thereby what the sages of all ages have

agreed; viz., that to "know thyself" is at once the essence of *wisdom*, *peace*, *happiness* and *power*, therefore no matter *what* your aim and purposes in life may be to "know thyself" is the short road to their accomplishment.

Self-knowledge at once *withdraws vitality* from your misery and ill-fortune, causing it to wither and die. Nature thus steps in and says "I hate a vacuum and therefore will fill with the optimism of truth and success, the place made vacant in your dear heart by the death of your misery and ill luck." The result is *happiness* all around.

Then do you see the value of the fourth and fifth degrees of the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood? Benjamin Franklin said, "a single idea is sometimes worth thousands of dollars." Do you see how character delineations, conscientiously made from a *thoroughly understood* and strictly *scientific* basis would yield many ideas relating to that "self knowledge" which is the essence of all wisdom? This is partly in answer to a flood of inquiries which have been made in reference to the purposes of these degrees.

The next number will aim to throw a few "X rays" on the true nature of God's crowning work, woman.

Woman's Occult Forces.

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Occult powers are born of calmness and repose. Occult forces have slumbered in the world's readjusting pot until fermentation has aroused the first drowsy symptoms of the coming awakening.

The Occultist can see in recent facts the "star of Bethlehem" which points to our beloved American "cradle of liberty" as the "manger" in which the gentle oriental child of occult wisdom is to be born.

American womanhood is the honored "Virgin Mary" of this "Immaculate Conception."

Our occidental civilized savagery, by according to woman a position of relative freedom, and for other reasons, has earned for itself a right to the refining and helpful influence of this oriental infant which is being "born of woman."

Chicago is and is to be a central "power house" for the generation of individualized spiritual strength.

The real history of Chicago reaches back to prehistoric times.

It was a focusing point for occult forces long before the Indians killed skunks on what are now its principle streets. The negative condition of its soil is adapted to the transmission of occult forces. As an occult center an inland city is almost a necessity in order that its electric currents may perform complete circuits.

All things transpire in the spiritual before they take outward form in act or event. Did you ever ask yourself what it is that draws together the forceful souls which make up a great city? It is not geography alone. "Thoughts are things." The invisible becomes interlaced with a network of great currents of force compared with which the ocean tides and electric currents are as nothing.

The future of Chicago is already known by true Seers who could have foretold its present known history long before it transpired outwardly.

The Occultist is one who has passed beyond the stage which would be tempted to use such knowledge merely for the sake of stock jobbing or real estate speculation. He does not have to worry about his winter's coal.

Deeply occult knowledge cannot come to one until it is safe in his hands.

It takes but *little* knowledge to show the desirability of readjusting our God given "selfishness" so it will be in true relations with the basic principle of love, thus making deeper mysteries safe in our hands. We cannot hope to accomplish great results in business or art until we do so. "His strength is as the strength of ten who has his quarrel just" because he thus gets into the region of morals and high vibrations which is to draw on the omnipotence within.

The scientific calculations of the Occultist enable him to foresee many coming events and therefore he can be of great service to those who listen instead of scoff.

Until the year 1900 persons living on the purely material plane will be subject to unusual fits of depression. Suicides will multiply. Surprises will be in order for

the unawakened, and frequent jars of the "spinal vertebra" come to those who are not already in right relations with the soul.

In foreshadowing a mild harvest of retribution and disaster, I wish also to show the causes which underlie a greater upward impulse, and thus be rather the hopeful herald of coming prosperity, and a little golden age, the beginning of which many of us will live to see, instead of a pessemistic advance howler of coming calamities.

A dose of the physic of disaster may be very wholesome in relieving us from the impurities of a clogged liver of materialism and selfishness.

Love is the only true basis of happiness. We may profoundly venerate the ancient and benevolent Physician of cause and effect, who kindly administers the Divine metaphysics which bring temporary sacrifices and readjustments, but in its train a wealth of more permanent peace, power, wisdom and happiness.

"Thoughts are things." It is only reasonable that the humid heat of uninstructed selfish thought should generate an occasional thunderstorm, if not a cyclone, of cross vibrations of discord, and that its lightning should strike here and there; but how refreshing is the atmosphere afterwards.

The straying traveler should not whine, even if it takes a shower or drenching to induce him to seek shelter of the only farmer who can put him on the right road.

Can we not have the foresight to take our dose of metaphysics now, and bid a kindly, but advance adieu, to the worn-out materialism, which has served its pur-

pose, and is about to be washed away by a spiritual thunderstorm? Must we blindly wait until we experience the actual pain in the stomach, and financial chemicalization?

Woman's opportunity is at hand. Great souls inhabit the brains of woman as well as of man. The construction of woman's brain demonstrates scientifically that her "wisdom faculties" are a nursery for the training of occult forces, and a natural outlet for the coming outpouring. Man is made up chiefly of angles instead of curves. Woman's acoustics give an easier flow to the musical vibrations of love and occult power.

Thought vibrations easily become harmonious and musical, when slightly touched by the magic wand of love. Perfect love is the deathless principle in man, and is the perfection of music to all who understand the art of listening. We never need to be without music, any more than a woman needs to be without beauty. Beauty is the sure result of a rythmic flow of love's vibrations. To interrupt its rythm, is to produce angles, instead of beautiful curves and outlines; harmonious thought currents quickly show forth in beauty of form and feature. Let woman learn from Occult Science, how *not* to break love's electric circuits. Until then, her appearance will tell tales on her angry, hating, envious, jealous, anxious or other disagreeable thoughts, and their accompanying cross vibrations and inharmonious currents.

A loving woman, who understands her power, can play a beautiful symphony on the heartstrings of the densest man, even though he has never before been favored with anything more musical than a frightened

cat could produce, by promenading the keyboard of a boarding house piano.

The occult standard of womanhood is an easily understood, scientific mirror, which reveals the secret of woman's charms and powers, enables her to correct her faults, and opens the door to her almost unlimited possibilities.

She is the natural ruler of love's paradise, and should know how to perform the trust with the grace, tenderness, fidelity, wisdom and dignity which its sacredness should inspire.

It is my desire to reduce life's deepest occult mysteries to a few, simple, unerring and self-evident rules of conduct, which all may acquire and apply in crossing the bridges of today and forever, and leave the vague, visionary and winding paths of metaphysical speculations to those who have time to waste on side tracks at way stations.

The last number gives the keynote to woman's greatness, and shows *why* her heart is a "Closet of God," from which we discover the causes which relate her to all persons and things, and from which we easily foresee her destiny, and foretell the events which will follow her as slow effects.

To abandon a position at the circumference and get into the channel of that inner lighthouse, which gives an uninterrupted flow to the rays of Divine love and knowledge, at once opens up the subject without the use of words, and throws a piercing searchlight on its obscure relations and inter-relations. Words seem almost profane, after seeing by the inner eye those

sublimely transcendent visions, which thus cast a faint advance shadow of man's approaching greatness.

Rules, therefore, should refer chiefly to the opening of that third eye, or wisdom faculty, which sees through walls and obstructions and at great distances, which medical science knows as the pineal gland, and which soon will be generally known and better understood.

Rules should also show how to use that inner spiritual power, which, without effort, goes out from the body even while it sleeps, and deals with the *causes* or *rates* of *vibration* which control outward events and enable one to accomplish more in an *hour* than they now do in days or weeks.

Let suffering humanity thus learn how to deal successfully with their present practical needs, such as poverty, distress, want, discord, unhappiness, sickness or old age, and they will find that the duty of the hour thus performed will gradually build for them their "mansion in the skies."

The Creator of man did not forget to relate his needs to morals and immortality, and instilled into his *very constitution* that precept of faith and trust, "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

Let him thus become that "wise man" who "rules the stars," even though he is now the "ignorant man" who "is ruled by them." Man's lifeboat of ignorance will be tossed and buffeted about on the ocean of fate until self-knowledge awakens his occult forces, or that "Christ within" which is *able* to say to the troubled waters: "Peace; be still."

We little realize the creative power of our thought.

It is tremendous, it is unlimited. All creation is through thought. Man's power to think is infinite and eternal. To him there is nothing unthinkable, nothing unknowable, nothing he cannot in time do if he sets about it right.

In using thought force, the difficulty is then, even after we understand its power, and that every thought creation, whether in the form of desire, hope, imagination, faith, aspiration, or direct thought, is building for us the thing desired, and actually bringing it nearer; still, we cannot banish our fears, our anxieties, our moods of hopelessness and discouragement, all of which are thought forces, but which send the thing desired farther away. Sometimes it thus becomes a case of one step forward and two steps backward. Control your moods and you will in time control your environments. Stop, now, and *break* the chains of your imaginary servitude and slavery. You have forged them for yourself. Slavery is not your natural heritage. God, the principle of all truth, endowed you with the inherent right to *think*, of all truth, and thus, by the power of creative thought, draw on the exhaustless resources of His omnipotence for the accomplishment of your every undertaking. Who can say of what you shall think, and, therefore, create?

In that respect you are absolutely free *now*. Exercise this Divine prerogative with royal freedom. Set no limitations on your possibilities. Your thought has power to do for you whatever you want to do. Your strength is in proportion to your courage, knowledge and faith. Your starting point is yourself. By understanding yourself, you will understand all

that exists, have command of all power, and get on that indestructible line which connects you with God Almighty. Spiritual liberation may be yours *now*. That deathless something within will cry for liberation until its cry is satisfied, by an *outward manifestation*, through *you*, of that perfection and omnipotence which it represents, and that, too, no matter *how* lowly may be your *present* condition or circumstance.

It is true of the drunkard in the gutter, or even the atom, as well as of the Prince or Saint. One man might cast a million shadows, each of which would be a complete reflection and image of himself.

Each man, in his infinite power to think, is the *complete* image of the One God—truth. Mankind is the million individualized images, each representing the same thing—God—and, truly seen, they are indissolubly related by ties (of a common nature and origin) too deep for anything to put asunder.

May this knowledge awaken in man that universal charity and love which will at least do justice to the meanest, weakest and most defenseless of his fellowmen.

As all are actually related, self-preservation demands that he should so act.

Before man can do unjust acts he must first generate deeply harmful thought vibrations within himself. It is easy to see that they would thus play havoc with his very life centers, even though they exhausted their force, vitality and velocity before reaching their victim.

It is suicidal to bathe in thought currents of hate and injustice, because "Curses come home to roost."

Generate thoughts of truth, right, justice and good will to all, and you will throw around yourself the only safe armor of protection against the shafts of such insidious and invisible thought currents of hate, and will thus get into the current of harmony, strength, and Infinite good.

Right is might. Get on the track of its omnipotent thought vibrations and all things at once become easier.

Woman cannot long remain in the gutter of helplessness, when she substitutes thought "Castles in Spain," or in love's ideal paradise, for the thought gutter of aimlessness, and hopelessness.

Love, thought, vibration, sound and form, are interrelated. The human brain and "face Divine" are mirrors of the mind, because *built* by the mind.

The form, size, and quality of the brain corresponds to and determines the power of the mind. The brain undergoes various changes, from childhood to old age, because the *mind* changes. Every event is first a thought, and is registered in the astral light. It can be read long before it transpires in the material, by one who has a cultivated clairvoyant or wisdom faculty. The clairvoyant faculty, or third eye, is a veritable reality, and was discovered in the human brain, many years before the Rochester rappings of 1844, which was the beginning of modern spiritualism. The author has several books published long before that time, which clearly describe the faculty, and its functions, fully covering the ground which modern science has since been forced to concede, and the wider range of facts, which the developments of psycic phenomena, have proved, all of which Occultists knew, for *ages*

before. This third eye should be cultivated, until it can get truth at first hands, by seeing the God within, face to face.

Its cultivation, will go hand in hand with the cultivation of occult power. Occult power should be cultivated until by the power of that deathless something within, "death is swallowed up in that victory" which manifests a deathless body. *Then* man is *able* to say "Oh, grave, where is thy victory." By simply realizing *why* that something within is already deathless, he should *now* be able to say, "Oh, death, where is thy sting." The death of the body does *not* signify the death of the *real* man, but the throwing off of a worn out envelope, which has paid its debt of usefulness to the higher self. It has contributed its brick of service and experience to the superstructure of that castle of character which builds for eternity.

It is a waste of time to build for time, or sense, or for other than eternity.

Construct of plastic thought an ideal body, an ideal business, an ideal home, ideal friends, ideal surroundings and an ideal character. Live the ideal life. You are not restricted in material or cost. Thought has power to draw on the Infinite reservoir of primordial matter. Select ideals that won't have to be changed. Be sure to build in a way that will do credit to the generous giver of omnipotent thought, who thus placed Infinite resources at your disposal. To have one ideal today, another tomorrow and still another, next week, or next year, is to waste precious force on a crumbling foundation of sand and can only result in a meaningless and chaotic conglomeration of wasted

material, which is an insult to your dignity and your Creator.

It is all important that man should understand *how* to harness his spiritual dynamite to the electric wires, of an understoo d thought system. He has been self-hypnotized by the unsound belief that he is a weak, fallen, depraved, and degraded "worm of the dust." Orthodoxy has nursed that "wormy theory," until most people accept it, without even questioning its truth.

Occult Science teaches the art of tapping the springs of omnipotence within, so that by the power of creative thought, man can do whatever he sets out to do. It offers special opportunities to woman, who is relatively restricted, in her choice of a field for accomplishment. She may choose the subjects of her *thought* and *follow* them with absolute freedom. It is her special province. Her faith is thought power. Her love, morality, fidelity, and purity, are wombs where occult forces are safely generated. Her intuitions offer an easy channel for their outward flow.

The law of evolution shows why we should have a kindly fellow feeling for the "worms of the dust," but with equal force shows why we, as thinking beings, should not allow them to "set the pace" for our progress.

The flashlight of creative thought has power to bridge the chasms of eternity's cycles, and quickly reach that final goal for all, which is the outward manifestation of truth's omnipotence.

When man learns that an instructed woman can by the aid of an inner sight, or wisdom faculty, foresee

dangers, and weak spots in his business, he will be only too glad, to avail himself of her loving help. When he learns that if trained in concentration, she can turn the X rays and occult forces, of her higher self, on to the causes which produce business results, he will be only too glad to have her loving thought permeate every nook and crevice of his business relations, and thus be for him the helpful organizer of great results.

We will suppose that he has a dangerous lawsuit, or an important undertaking on his hands, involving thousands, or even millions. Can she not by centering her consciousness within, to that higher self, which knows no mistakes, or weakness, send thoughts to him, which will connect *him* with *his* higher self also, and in turn cause him to deal with that higher self of each and everyone with whom he comes in contact? Thus *everyone* concerned is lead to do the right thing at the right time and in the right place. The natural and necessary result is that each one, even down to the least important, does whatever is necessary to produce one great, harmonious, and successful result. That which may have been feared, drops into its proper place when the time comes, and that too without the slightest strain, or effort.

This is the true way to accomplish great business results. At night when you retire, instruct your higher self to teach you during sleep. This will assist in leading you to the right act the coming day.

Instruct your higher self to permeate every detail of your business life with the power, and harmony, that will bring a righteous success. The quiet of the sleeping body gives its spiritual forces even more free-

dom to act, than they would have if biased by the intense desires aroused by what your mere reason might deem wise.

Instruct your higher self to give the body that rest which will renew its power to accomplish results the following day, without strain or effort. In the morning, before beginning business, instruct your higher self to gird you with the right thought, the right speech, the right act, then dismiss all fear and anxiety as to results, and follow obediently, leaving to the sure revelation of time, the solution of all riddles, and the adjustment of all difficulties and obstacles.

In every act during the day, at least in every important act, realize that it is your *higher* self that is doing the work, and that it has the *power* to penetrate *behind* the *outer* shells of every person or thing with which it deals, and affiliate with the *souls* of persons and things, or that in them which *cannot* make *mistakes.*

The silent words of that deathless something within, are *words* of *power.* Thus business is made as easy as it would be to close a large deal which was controlled by some millionaire, who, without the asking, would say, "No further words are necessary, please step into my private office and I will give you the check, and wind the matter up."

The higher selves of persons, and things, are always the "millionaires" who control all business situations, and the millionaire within yourself always has an irrevokable entree to their "400." The question is, how to awaken this force within, how to use it, how to reach it in others.

This is the occult power which is inter-related with morals and all the deepest mysteries of life. Its fathomless resources make it unnecessary to cheat or steal, or to break any of the commandments. There is something within man, which would *always* rather do right, than wrong. That is it. There is something within, that would *always* rather do good, than harm, to others. That is it. Its power cannot be utilized until it is safe in your hands; until your selfishness merges into love. Let me tell you that which will bring that safety period to you now, viz: Do you not understand how the life of justice and love greatly increases your power to gratify normally *everything* your nature craves? How it enables you to obtain much more money, better friends, better surroundings, fame, and happiness? Selfishness is founded on the idea of doing things exclusively with reference to self. The question then arises, *what is* your true self. It is that God of power within, which is indissolubly related to all persons and things by ties so deep that to do injury to another is simply to do injury to a *part* of yourself and the penalty for infringement cannot be escaped any more than could be the penalty for cutting off your finger or head or the infringement of any other natural law. I do not say disobey the laws of your constitution. I say *obey them*, and that to *disobey* is the *only* wrong. The questionis, what are those laws? One is the "law of necessity," or selfishness. Follow it obediently, but not blindly. Every instinct of selfishness demands that you study deeply the laws of thought, and of man's nature, for otherwise you cannot make the most of your practical situations in life.

Begin by so learning how to improve your health, or circumstances, and you will soon see that the life of justice and love, offers selfish and material rewards for obedience that are almost irresistable. A truly instructed selfishness needs no restraints. Does this seem too good to be true? I know it is quite contrary to the usual teachings of the churches, which are, to "be unselfish," "sacrifice yourself for others," etc., and which may lead a few persons to sacrifice *present pleasures* for the *still selfish* hope of *greater* pleasures "bye and bye," but it cannot alter *man's constitution* or the universal *law* which says that "nature is always right." We interfere with these laws at our peril, and if we could attain the vantage ground of complete knowledge and universal experience we would see that this much abused world is not out of joint after all, and that seeming evils are only the prods and pokes of necessity, which assist in bringing man into true relations with nature and the soul. If we will banish the darkness of ignorance by the light of knowledge, the illusions of so-called evil will vanish and selfishness take care of itself. There is no reason why man should not surround himself with all that would gratify his finer tastes. God is no beggar, and man is endowed with the power to draw on the exhaustless resources of Infinity for the gratification of his every want.

That *man* is given this unlimited power to think, and thus create, does not signify that the Infinite intended that we should live like skulking tramps or vagabonds. Do you ask if the Christ did not so live? If the Christ had the conscious spiritual power to create and instantly draw on the bank of the Infinite for all

material needs, was it not a *very* good reason why he should *not* lug them around with him all the time? Would you chain a dozen crowbars to your feet for fear you might need them sometime, especially if you could get them whenever wanted? If you *knew*, to an absolute certainty, that the ready cash of the world was at your immediate command, would you care to load your pockets with gold?

Let man demonstrate by *actual experience* the ability to draw, through the power of thought, on Infinity for an *abundant* supply of money and all it implies, He will then no longer care for vast accumulations, knowing they would be only a useless care and burden, nor will he withhold such needed help to his fellowman, as he may have the impulse to render, or try to do less than justice to all in his every transaction.

Spiritual liberation is to come, not by stifling selfishness, but by the development of that omnipotent power within which can *afford* to be generous. Courage and generosity generally arise from a consciousness of superior strength. Learn how to develop your inherent spiritual strength and spiritual liberation will take care of itself.

"God helps him who helps himself." Man should help his fellowmen to help themselves and not regard them as helpless, forlorn or unfortunate, or to cry with them for company. By first attaining equilibrium of soul, or spiritual strength, and the abundance incidental thereto, he will thus be able to throw others into right relations with their own fountains of strength and supply and to give them outward help on all proper occasions.

That sickly, helpless "sympathy," which says:

"Poor, unfortunate Jones!" even if it does also give of money, generally does more harm than good. Poor Jones is already suffering through failure to realize his own inherent strength and your thought images of helplessness are *powerful* to forge even stronger chains, or thought currents, which load him with greater misfortunes. Is it *kind* to render such a morbid pleasure and injury, when you have the power, perhaps, even without the electric shock of *seeming* coldness, to look *behind* the *outer* shell, which is temporarily weak, to *that within* him, which is so *strong* that it *lives forever*? A *flash* of recognition of his higher self may bring to him, from it, a bright idea or some seemingly unimportant event, help or person which will take him out of his "slough of despond." and then *keep* him out. Much of the help which simply stuffs the mouth of the beggar only induces him to come gaping for more. It is not the true way of helping. True help is spiritual help. True strength is spiritual strength, which can and should be applied to practical needs and everyday duty—that true line of the soul's advancement.

Let us keep out of thought currents of misfortune, knowing that true help to ourselves and others is of the affirmative kind, which constantly enlarges the stream of Infinite good, and wins followers by thus demonstrating the beauty and poetry of a life of such rapid, effortless advancement, along the direct line of our connection with the Creator of all.

The influence of a thought reaches to the ends of the universe, therefore, the main thing is to *live* the *life*, looking not to the fruits of action, knowing that life or action and its fruits are one and inseparable.

Subject for January: "How to Rule Your Kingdom."

MASTERY.

The only perfect mastery is self-mastery, "He that ruleth his own spirit is greater than he that taketh a city." The true self, or spirit, is related to all things, and, therefore, perfect mastery includes that Omnipotent principle of Love, which is able to rule all things, even the will. Infinite Love permeates endless space, therefore, man need not look far away to find it. He may find it within his own heart.

The principle of Love is so basic in man's constitution that mankind is always more than willing to be ruled by it.

You need not fear that you will deprive others of what you obtain by trying to demonstrate your true Occult powers. On the other hand you will thus *give* to them as Love only can give. Study vibration, study the laws of thought, study the Omnipotence of Truth and Love and so be able to wield its gentle, resistless, and all pervading powers.

How to Rule Your Kingdom.

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Have you a wish or cherished ambition which lies very near your heart?

It is within your power to gratify it. An effort will here be made to show how. The purpose is first to briefly show the omnipotence of thought by showing the close connection between business results and thought and between man's thought and its omnipotent source.

Second, to show that success is the sure result of certain moods of mind or ways of thinking, and

Third, to show what those moods are and how they may be produced at will and maintained.

The power to think has evolved you from the most lowly atom. That power is the deathless principle within, which will never leave you until it makes of you a God in power and perfection. The universe is your natural kingdom. As an atom you simply desired food. That desire was thought, an individualized thought organism, which created for you a stomach and the ability to gratify it.

With each step it created a new want or thought and also the power to gratify it, and will continue to do so until you have dominion over all that is. Where do you stand now? What sort of a kingdom are you ruling today? To the extent that it is less than the universe, to that extent do you need self-knowledge.

Your permanent thought forms (moods) solidify.

As the power to rule is within yourself, so are the barriers which prevent the present demonstration of that power. Those barriers are self-ignorance. The unlimited power to think is the link which connects you with your omniscient source. The laws of thought is that *self-knowledge* which will enable you to demonstrate the omnipotence of thought and its source.

As omnipresent *truth* itself is God, so is man its co-existing "power to think" of truth, which is all that is. That power is God's method of demonstrating through man (and every man) the omnipotence of truth.

Truth itself is the eternal vibration which originates the vibratory powers of thought. Modern science proves that every *solid* is only a rate of vibration, or mode of motion and the Roetgen X rays give doubters an opportunity to occularly demonstrate that fact. Then every solid is only solidified thought, and therefore the manifestation of truth or God. Nature is God manifest. If truth itself is God, it is easy to believe in its omnipresence and omniscience and that each atom is omnipotent potentially. If man is the power to think, it is easy to believe in the omnipotence of thought. It would, of course, be as omnipotent as its source, for the power to think of one thing implies the power to think of any other. As thought is vibration, and truth its co-existent source, it is easy to see the connection and oneness between God, man and so-called matter, which science proves is only a rate of vibration. The theory of evolution is thus cleared up to him who will follow the reasoning closely. It is plain why the slightest power to think, or vibrate, as is shown in the atom's desire for food, would *live* and

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grow into manhood and Godhood. Man's power to think is Infinite and eternal. It is the soul. Man then has that power within him now. It is no more unreasonable to believe that his thought vibrations can, with knowledge, create, and so manifest and control, or even *dissolve* forms and solids, than it is to believe that the sun can dissolve ice, or expand the largest bar of solid steel by acting on its rate of vibration through the same vibratory law.

The purpose here is not only to show you that you can realize your fondest ambitions and accomplish seemingly impossible business results through the power of thought, but also to break down entirely your belief in limitations, so you will generate new ambitions along eternal lines. You will thus begin the conscious thought constructions, which will hasten their fulfillment.

If you can but fully comprehend the absolute truth of thoughts omnipotence, you will be able to destroy entirely the belief in your limitations and drive away all fear and other negative and destructive thought forces which constantly work against you. In its place will come the calm assurance that your every undertaking must in time be successful. That is the mood of success. Thus you take one long stride toward the goal of thought control, which means the control of thoughts creations, the mastery of surrounding conditions and rulership of man's kingdom, which is the universe.

Man's surroundings are his vibratory thought magnetisms, the fruits of his character, and governed by the laws of thought.

Your permanent thought forms (moods) solidify.

The ties between certain thought moods and business success are so intimate that to live permanently in such moods is to produce permanent success as its legitimate and necessary sequence.

Most every earnest student has asked himself the important question, Is it possible to produce those moods at will, and if so, how? It is desired to here outline plans which will enable students to answer that question for themselves in the affirmative, and by following simple directions demonstrate their value by the actual proofs of successful experience.

There are various avenues of the brain through which thought forces can function, and the effort will be to outline a definite, systematic and thorough plan which may be used to organize these thought forces so that better co-operation, proper distribution of duties, proper modes of mutual assistance between them, and the best direction of their united energies will be maintained.

In other words, the effort will be to show how each faculty may be made to contribute its quota of thought power to the combined current which will produce the success of any proper effort or undertaking.

The dynamic power of thought is so great that most any person can be very successful if he goes about it right and holds to the successful mood with sufficient persistence.

The trouble is that ones thought forces are usually so lacking in organization that moods of success are quickly followed by moods of discouragement, worry, anxiety and fear, which are the moods of failure.

Little success will come until it is learned how to

produce at will and maintain those moods of mind which cause and control success.

The choice of a plan and purpose is important. Many worthy enterprises fail for lack of properly chosen ways and means. It is essential that every faculty of judgment, intellect, intuition, conscience, ambition and inclination should have its full say before a plan is chosen, because any faculty that does not approve of the plan chosen is likely to afterwards balk and become worse than a dead weight.

"First know you are right and then go ahead." But how? According to the laws of thought. By controlling your moods.

When successful moods become permanent, success is a certainty.

If your thoughts of determination today are counteracted by thoughts of discouragement tomorrow and by worries and anxieties *all* the time, little progress is likely to be made. After such an experiment a person is likely to say, "Don't talk to me about the power of thought. I have *tried* it and find there is nothing in it whatever." "It is only a humbug." It is not claimed that the constructive power of *one* thought of determination is greater than the destructive power of *ten* thoughts of discouragement, indecision or worry.

It *is* claimed that permanent moods of calm determination to accomplish a just purpose, if backed by thoughts of unwavering hope, faith, trust, goodwill, desire, aspiration, ambition, imagination, expectation, and based on a thorough understanding of this law, will *command* success in the accomplishment of that

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purpose, because they are the underlying *causes* of which success is only the fruit and slow effect. They are the creative vibratory forces which work night and day in the unseen, and form currents into which results are bound to flow.

The universe is the vacuum, thought is the mould, and its vibrations are the *essence* which is ever ready to solidify if the mood is held to. It always corresponds to the thought form. As is the business thought, so is the business result. All real action is of the thought world and its accompanying result is only its material correspondence. Faithfulness in producing favorable thought causes will ever bring new proofs that they and their material fruits are one and inseparable.

It is a law of philosophy that darkness is merely the absence of light. It is a spiritual law that if your surroundings are disagreeable it is because you have failed to fill your surrounding vacuum with the right kind of thought forms.

If your successful moods are not permanent their thought moulds will be neutralized and perhaps destroyed by negative moods in which you manufacture other thought moulds of fear, anxiety, worry and discouragement.

It is as easy to fill your surrounding vacuum with what you want as it is with what you don't want. There are no walls or intersections in the universe which are able to bar permanent thought forms or moods from their material correspondences. Man's nature, however, is such that he cannot hold permanently to a mood or thought mould that is not in harmony with absolute truth and the

eternal laws. No question is ever settled until it is settled right. The laws of thought are as relentlessly invincible as truth itself, which is their source. If you choose plans and purposes that are not based on right you will have the omnipotent and eternal vibrations of truth to contend against and your plans are bound in time to get the worst of it. If, on the other hand, you *do* base your plans on justice and good will you thus avail yourself of the helpful powers of universal currents and therefore have nothing to fear, no matter how dark are outward appearances.

You have nothing to do with temporary appearances, as your work is to deal with *causes* in the unfaltering faith, that as is the cause so will be the result even though sometimes slow to follow.

In laying your plans it is therefore of great importance that they do not oppose the vibratory tides of universal justice.

In maintaining the successful mood your *chief* business will be to keep at bay the destructive and opposing forces of fear, anger and their satellites. Rules should be outlined with that purpose in view.

You may know as an absolute certainty that there is no power to so keep them at bay equal to that consciousness of strength which comes from knowledge of the laws of thought and the sincere conviction that your "cause is right and must prevail."

Thought vibrations are rapid and powerful to produce success in proportion to their approach to the eternal principles of morals and love.

Evil desires carry with them only low rates of thought vibration, because not backed by the accumu-

lated velocity of an eternity. That power which would be required to start a large balance wheel if constantly applied to it for an eternity would increase its velocity to an incomprehensible rate of speed.

If your cause is unjust you can nevertheless accomplish results, but they will be but temporary, and in time will have to be torn down and built over again.

Life is continuous, and as Longfellow writes, "The grave is not the goal, dust thou art and to dust returneth, was not written of the soul," which is the power to think.

Unjust plans are the product of evil desires, and as they produce discordant vibrations are necessarily and to that extent self-destructive.

You can never *really* build until you build right. To try to do less is just so much waste of time.

Your inherent desire to do right may be temporarily dormant, but its never ending vibrations will balk and interfere with any unjust plans as surely as breathing will continue during sleep.

The thought that a just cause must in time succeed and that it is noble to temporarily fail, or even die for it, should be sufficient to quiet your fears, drive away all other destructive thoughts and sustain you in the darkest hours.

"Where there is a will there is a way." The laws of thought show *why*, that if the *will* is maintained it will *make* the way, even though it has to reach to the *ends of the earth*, as it is able to do, for aiding forces. It is able to form roads or currents from your "Rome," in every direction to the ideas, persons, opportunities and events that can best aid you in carrying out your plans.

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Whenever things look gloomy and discouraging, spend the time in *rejoicing* that *behind* the scenes your mood can make them as calm, serene and bright as the most beautiful summer day.

Always remember that the spiritual or thought world is that "behind the scenes," where events really occur, and that it is ever your privilege to so deal with *causes*, and snap your fingers at any temporary *appearances*.

Never get frightened at the rockings of the boat of fate or results, so long as you have power to "walk on the waters" of spiritual causation. Be faithful in sowing the thought seeds of success in perfect trust that the sun will not cease to shine and bring a generous harvest in due season.

It is not necessary that your mind should ever be in a positive mood. You must first *receive* force before you can give it out. Receiving force necessarily implies the negative mood. When in the negative or receptive mood, to be calm, serene, hopeful and determined is to so *polarize* your mind toward success that the new pulsations of life so received will reach throughout every link and avenue of your previous thought moulds or thought constructions.

In time you will be as cheerful, joyful and calm in such moods, even though appearances look dark, as is a thirsty cow when given the opportunity to drink. If your mind is polarized toward success while in a positive mood, your progress will be none the less rapid during your negative moods. It is during the moods of bodily inactivity that the mind is most free to connect with the new idea, or the new opportunity which

you are seeking. During positive moods your thought vibrations are kept chiefly in the channels of previous thought moulds.

The negative mood is the one where the intuitions are most active; the thought is then not given a positive direction by an effort of will or intellect.

Reason is very inaccurate in the selection of suitable persons and opportunities to carry out its plans. That work should at least have the entire *approval* of the intuitions.

During negative moods thought acts according to the law of affinity or natural selection, and of coarse goes unerringly to those who are in the same thought currents.

That is why it is so important to form thought currents or moulds of success. Such currents are formed by constantly maintaining the mood of success.

The present methods of business actually drive success away by its worries, anxieties and overactivity.

Bodily overactivity is founded on worry and anxiety. Worry and anxiety form thought moulds which bring failure. When man thoroughly learns the thought laws by which all business results are produced he will rest in the calm assurance that he is actually making more progress during restful sleep than he could by the most intense and anxious bodily overactivity.

During sleep the mind acts with perfect freedom in the unseen, and has a wide range of material from which to draw for aiding forces in carrying out its plans.

Thousands of miles are as one mile to thought vibrations and its law of affinity. Your body should have

an easy time of it. It should act only when prompted to do so by your intuitions or higher self.

When you fully trust thought forces to do your work, and daily demand more faith in its laws, you will be lead right and your business results will multiply.

There is another method which can be used successfully in the better organization of your thought forces and in obtaining thought control. That method is something as follows, viz.: When you are unable to control your fears and depend fully on thought forces, and during periods when things seem to be at a standstill, give each thought faculty a cheering word of encouragement. Say to your faculty of determination, something as follows, viz.: Do not falter or be afraid, for in addition to your own thoughts of determination I have an army of brave thought soldiers ever working in secret in undermining the very *causes* of these unfavorable appearances and you will soon see a more encouraging outlook, so work steadily on without the least concern as to the final outcome. If it is your hope that is weak, give it the same helpful words of encouragement, and the same can be done in bracing up your thoughts of desire, conscience, aspiration, imagination, ambition, expectation, understanding, faith, trust, assurance, order and every faculty through which your thought forces can function

If you are discouraged, undecided, anxious, angry or worried it is a sure sign that some of these natural helpers are off duty or perhaps working for the enemy. You can also talk to your caution something as follows, viz.: You need not feel in the least excited, I have a strong and thoroughly deciplined army at my

command and we are *sure* of victory. You have been a noble sentry during my long period of unconscious growth, but as I have recently received the strong reinforcements of new ideas and am now consciously backed by the omnipotence of Infinity, there is no longer any possibility of danger. I will not need your further help for the present. In fact your fears really interfere with our success. You can take a long and much needed sleep and dismiss every fear as I am more than able to fight the battle, and will be sure to call on you if you are needed again.

In these and other ways the powers of mind can be specifically dealt with and soon become so thoroughly organized that the mood of cheerfulness, trust and success will become chronic and fear a thing of the past. Then the successful mood will not need to be produced or maintained by an effort of will.

Perfect understanding of the laws of thought is, of course, the short and main road to perfect manifestation of its powers, but until that time comes the smallest help should not be despised. More complete self-knowledge is the road to perfect understanding of such laws and should be the main dependence, but that should be backed up by thorough and constant training in all the details that go to make up perfect thought control.

The living, far-reaching, vibratory pulsations of the "*I can and I will*" needs the support of that concentrated mood which is able to eat, walk or do the easiest act, and think of *nothing else* but that act at the time. Do you ask if your entire thought should be concentrated on such an unimportant act as walking?

Matter is "a rate of vibration" or solidified thought.

Yes, it *should*, unless you dismiss *all* thought, for while walking may be unimportant the *mood* is *all important*, and if you have your mind on something else during your *unimportant* acts, you will form a habit which will make it impossible to concentrate when the *important* acts come, and the chances are that your faculties will otherwise organize into squadrons, which means to *disorganize* and perhaps get into trouble.

Supposing the thought faculty of caution, which knows nothing except to *fear*, should get excited during such unguarded moments and call a meeting of other non-combative thought faculties, such as reason, memory and observation. After a little private conference they call on imagination for the purpose of enlisting its assistance, which they easily do. They then decide to call on determination with the view of getting it to change its purpose. They naturally present their tale of woe something as follows, viz.: Observation is the first spokesman and tells how gloomy and doleful is the outlook. Memory chimes in and says that no one ever before succeeded in such a crazy, unheard of way.

Reason is in a very serious judicial frame of mind and says, I of course know nothing about the facts except what observation and memory have told you, but from these facts I hardly see how it is possible to succeed by such methods. Imagination then jumps up and gets the floor, immediately beginning to tell of its visions of failure, which so excites caution that it at once makes a very earnest and abject appeal to determination, to change its plans and go back to old methods. It explains how at least a *living* is thus

assured. Memory interrupts by saying, "Yes, that is so, as past experience proves," and gradually the excitement increases and intensifies until a regular panic is created and caution goes into a genuine epileptic fit.

Do you presume to think that such a meeting would have no effect in undermining the purpose of determination? It is a case of five against one, so of *course* it would have its effect.

The chances are that determination would be completely won over, and they would in turn present the same doleful case to hope, and each other faculty, and get reinforcements at each step. Of course combativeness is not afraid, but combativeness is an executive faculty and therefore is not there to defend the thought plan chosen, as it is busy WALKING (as *all* the faculties should be, *however* unimportant the act *seems*). The act *may* be unimportant, but the mood is NOT, and by concentrating the entire mind on even unimportant acts the mood of success is maintained and the calamity of fragmentary groups avoided.

In considering plans EVERY faculty should be present, but how CAN they be when some are busy "walking." Plans should not be reconsidered unless all the faculties are again given a full hearing. If you try to do two things at a time, negative and destructive thought forces will thus creep in, therefore to avoid that by a constant habit of concentration is all important.

The way then is to concentrate all the faculties on every act, no matter how small. "Whatever is worth doing is worth doing well." It is much better for

caution, memory, imagination, observation and reason to walk or even tie shoe strings than it is to traitorously try to undermine determination and its thought constructions.

You may depend on it that to let the mind wander while you are doing small things will get you into mischief and make it impossible to concentrate on the important act when its turn comes.

Your thought does not cease to work while you are doing the small act, because it is the *mood* of mind that wins success and not the direct thought alone. So long as the successful mood is maintained its vibratory pulsations will continue.

Training for concentration will increase your happiness. If your whole mind is without effort concentrated in walking or eating, you will forget the past misery which might otherwise make you unhappy. Power and happiness therefore mean about the same thing. In order to insure the constant presence of your higher self or overshadowing soul you must make of your body a fit habitation and environment for it. No habitation is fit for it except the mood of happiness and cultivated faculty, for that is also the mood of health and success. The presence of your higher self insures the success of your every undertaking, because it is *that* self which has the unlimited power to succeed in every undertaking.

A time will come to you when your every wish will be gratified and when you will have only to think of a thing in order to have it come to pass. It is a spiritual law that the desire to do necessarily implies the ability to do.

Your permanent thought forms (moods) solidify.

Many persons have an absent look which has its beginning in the habit of sending thought in advance of the present act. In that way the body becomes an unfit temple for the indwelling of the higher self.

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Subject for February: "Useful Occult Practices."

Useful Occult Practices.

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The fairy story of "Alladin's Lamp," which accomplished such wonderful things for him, only illustrates the true principle that man has within, a power which, if understood, would enable him to gratify his every desire through the magic of a wish, and entirely without effort or strain.

If your world does not entirely satisfy the deepest longings of your nature, it is time you learned how to manufacture a world that will.

The practices herein formulated being founded on the laws of your "Alladin's Lamp," will bring proofs to you of its existence and powers, and will also bring from within the priceless knowledge of how best to use it in so manufacturing such a world for yourself. The effort is not to give a large number of practices at present, but to give practical ones that can be easily applied. The rules are so simple that many will doubt their efficacy, but perhaps will be led to try the equally simple methods of obtaining proofs, viz.: by practicing them.

This publication undertakes to prove that man is born to be rich, that his constitution in its varied and expensive tastes implies larger demands on nature than a mere subsistence. A narrow philosophy and nar-

rower religion may try to argue these wants down, but man will continue to want until his desire to know is satisfied by that complete knowledge which is Infinite, and as Infinite in power. It would be the height of cruelty for the Infinite to create wants that could not be satisfied.

The Infinite is eternal and could not be cruel for the reason that cruelty is discordant vibration and self-destructive.

Did it ever occur to you that man's *desire* for and *hope* of immortality is for the above reason almost unanswerable proof that he *is* immortal?

Man's principle of immortality or *soul* is his power to think, and its counterpart is truth, or God, which is the irresistable magnet that will keep the soul alive as long as truth exists, which is forever.

Man's indestructible power to think implies constant growth until he has acquired the complete knowledge and experience which will enable him to demonstrate the complete mastery and co-existing immortality of himself and his source. "Knowledge is power." God's method of manifestation is through man.

Limited observation is sufficient to teach that nature's relentless law of necessity taunts and insults man with the pains of cold, hunger and starvation until he is forced to learn how to supply himself with food, but at each step, with each thought, a new want is created; and so will it ever be, until he answers his true, intimate and unlimited relations to all persons and things.

Every instinct in man is a thought, and as such, contains within itself the indestructible power to gradually satisfy its wants.

"Co-operative thought generates power."

Painful experiences in the early stages of evolution only awaken that sympathy, which will never rest satisfied until it is able to minister to and relieve the wants of *all* other sufferers.

It is a good thing for philosophers and religionists to argue that man's real wants are few, and that he should not allow his selfishness to conflict with the rights of others, for their arguments substantiate the fact of his non-separateness from his fellowmen, and also unknowingly confirm the very principles of a deeper philosophy, viz.: that man's constitution and non-separateness from others implies *sympathy* and the loving desire to *serve* them, and *that* in turn implies the strength and power to do so, which only comes from widened and ever-widening relations.

To give, implies that we first receive. Self-help necessarily precedes true help to others, and self-knowledge precedes self-help. Man's very soul is his power to think, and therefore helpful occult practices are necessarily founded on the laws of thought.

Vibration through the vibratory power of thought, being the essence of all created things, is the "Alladin's Lamp" which is always available in accomplishing results in business or art.

Do you not see how? If vibration is the essence of things and thought the power which generates and controls *vibration* then is it not easy to deal with the essence or vibrations of things at a *distance*, and thus control them by the power of trained thought?

Do you not see how you can manufacture a world to suit yourself?

True thought training leads to the development of

an interior method of thinking, which enables one to awaken the higher vibrations of thought and thus accomplish undertakings seemingly impossible. That interior method of thinking is best attained by observing the law of silence, which is a species of thought training.

The real origin and essence of vibration is that something within which transcends thought and which uses thought only as its medium or agent.

Its depths can best be reached by that profound silence which comes only when the mind is perfectly steady and to produce which we should observe the occult practice of silence.

Silent thought is more potent than spoken words. Speech interferes with the focusing power of the mind by drawing the attention without. "Matter is retarded motion." Words likewise retard the vibrations of thought.

A word when hitched to the vibrations of a thought for the purpose of expressing it, first acts as a dead weight, but gradually gains momentum and velocity as its use is thus repeated, but it never can attain the velocity of the thought itself, which is the thing it but weakly and imperfectly represents, and is also the *cause* of its increasing momentum.

When a word is bandied about with a variety of conceptions regarding its meaning it gradually attaches to itself an increasing load of inharmonious vibrations.

For this reason the word God, or any other word which is used chiefly with sacred intent should never be used in criticism or blasphemy.

Sacred words are sacred because they refer to things

permanent and thus acquire correspondingly high rates of speed or vibration.

Profane persons little realize the disastrous vibrations they invoke on themselves by thus attaching discordant and destructive thoughts to the high vibratory currents of truth, which makes their harmful effects that much greater.

Such punishments are not vindictive, but come from the infringement of a natural law. If man will trifle with vibratory causes he cannot dodge the reaping of the legitimate consequences.

Persons should abstain from the use of disagreeable words as well as disagreeable thoughts.

To use a disagreeable word even on the printed page of a book will generate discordant vibrations which build themselves into the "aura" of the book as well as into the character of each reader. Each reader will increase the unpleasant vibration by his thought, for all of the associations of the word will partake more or less of its character. To merely think of it necessarily repeats its vibration.

The mere presence of a good book adds to a room the helpfulness of its vibratory charm.

To use words involves a greater responsibility than people realize, and should be done with great care.

Wise "speech is silver." "Silence is golden." Even thought is retarded motion when compared with that which it represents, viz.: omnipresent truth itself.

When thought becomes so silent and interior as to be supersensuous, its powers will be correspondingly greater. Many have asked on what laws the occult practices of the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood are

founded. As its name implies, it is founded on the laws of *silence*, *thought*, and *help from within*, and at a *place* where all should find it ever available for their daily needs, viz.: at *home*. The deepest occult students are the quiet ones, who realize that to run around for truth is an unnecessary dissipation, because it can be found at home and from within by the proper observation of a few fundamental laws of thought. It is the purpose of this society to enable its members, without expense, to avail themselves of the wonderful powers of thought in all their affairs, under the best possible conditions, and in co-operation with others of similar motive and the best mental calibre.

The brotherhood of man is as fundamental in man's constitution as is the fatherhood of God, and is the basis of all religious teachings, therefore no one will wish to dispute the fact that better results are obtained by organization and harmonious co-operation, providing it is along sound lines.

Students of occult science will of course realize that it is unnecessary that people's bodies should be together in order that they may co-operate in thought. On the other hand, distance overcomes the usual outward distractions and acts as the greatest of all safeguards in the maintenance of that harmony which is all-important.

An occult practice which each reader of this publication is invited to join this Brotherhood in observing, is to dismiss all outward thought and be silent during part or all of each noon hour, in order to draw for each individual need, on the harmonious thought-currents so generated by their united efforts.

"Co-operative thought generates power."

By simply dismissing all thought at that time except a desire for the good of yourself and others will help to connect the personality with the higher self, which is able to live forever and equally capable of accomplishing all results in business and art when so brought into use.

A successful, just and righteous business is not beneath the dignity of any soul. The soul's closer connection with the outer self can be secured by this easy and natural process of silent thought. Thought-helps to others should always be by thus helping them to help themselves.

The subscribers to this publication whose continued interest is thus indicated, are each given our special subject for daily contemplation at the noon hour which it is believed will add to the helpfulness of the noon observance by throwing the person still more *en-rapport* with the combined current.

Those who desire it can also obtain from us two very inexpensive books (50 cents each) which are especially connected with the vibration of this current, and which in themselves are particularly helpful and strengthgiving whenever used (because vitalized by the vibrations of deep truths). In other words, these books are especially impregnated with the blessing of kindly thought vibrations.

The most simple ring can by such a process be made more valuable than would be the most expensive necklace of diamonds if given in hate. People fail to comprehend the opportunities they have for dispensing helpful blessings in their every act, even with every piece of money they pay out and in everything

they do "Bread" thus "cast on the waters" is sure to "return after many days," and will ever do so as long as there is such a thing as natural law.

Each book thus given out is accompanied with special directions for its use during part of each noon hour.

All development and power comes through interior unfoldment, and the Brotherhood's other methods of helping members to help themselves are based on the laws of man's constitution and are along the line of giving them special individual self-knowledge from the best and most scientific and reliable sources we know, the character of which sources previous numbers indicate.

It is suggested that those who unite in the daily noon hour observance should, so far as is possible, use the same room each day in order that it may become a focusing point for helpful forces. If so used it will in time become more and more saturated with helpful thought vibrations, and if used *exclusively* for such purposes will thus become a church of silent prayer or "holy of holies" that will be ever available. Daily needs can thus be answered by a daily supply of strength for character building and the accomplishment of all proper undertakings. Those who observe this hour regularly find that the vibration soon becomes a daily sentinel which announces the hour of noon with the regularity of a clock.

Beware that you do not let the essence of your thought vibrations ooze out through words or overactivity and habits of hurry. Power is too precious to be wasted. It should be husbanded.

The law of vibration explains the esoteric signifi-

cance of words and explains why mere literary genius is freezing cold and insignificant when compared with any expression of truth however awkward, which comes direct from the fires of life in the heart. The significance of words should always be measured by the degree of soul they express.

Silent daily meditation, if subject to proper methods, opens up a channel which enables one to dish up truth red hot, from the ever living flame of its original source within.

Do you ask what the noon hour observance will enable a person to do?

It will assist him in doing for himself whatever he wants to do. It will furnish the attractive power which will bring on the wires of co-operative thought, one's *real* friends. That class of friends which are too great to feel sore whenever he fails to do that which they want him to do. It will enable him to be a better friend to them in return.

It will enable a person to build up a righteous and more successful business as well as to strengthen every good quality and supply every need.

Success is based on character or the vibratory powers of thought and is best attained by asking for wisdom and qualities instead of for the things themselves. It is the permanent mood of mind, which sends out the vibratory thought causes which solidify into material success.

At the noon hour a person should first demand wisdom, to know his real needs and the best methods of supplying them. One may safely ask for more faith in the powers of thought, quicker intuitions, true

dignity and self-confidence, freedom from the tyranny of other minds, a higher and broader sense of justice, including justice to self, the power to be truthful at all times, more strength, better health, more courage, love, thoroughness, exactness, precision, deliberation, freedom from fear, worry, anxiety, anger and anything that would produce cross vibrations and discordant conditions, greater powers of concentration, power to make more money and to use it where it will do the most good to the greatest number. In fact there is no quality or need which is not helped by daily renewing one's hold on the higher self. There is a place of peace in the soul and to find it is to shower its blessings into one's every relation in life by thus connecting its vibratory currents direct with the fountain head of vibration.

New thought and new idea is the essence of success, growth and happiness.

This simple noon hour observance has power to manufacture that attitude which will ever look forward to, and not dread, the coming day, because it will supply the strength that makes the difficult circumstance pleasant exercise instead of painful effort.

The heart and pulsations of the body vibrate to the tune of your thoughts, and your attitude, gait, health and surrounding conditions are only the correspondences of your permanent moods. By changing your moods your environments quickly change to correspond.

The laws of vibration explain more of life's enigmas than would at first appear.

The cat's eye is a rate of vibration which, because of the cat's needs and thought desires, has adjusted

itself to the lower vibrations of light so it can see better at night than by daylight, but as the cat changes its desires through the knowledge that there is better food than mice, so does its eyes likewise gradually change to suit the better conditions of daylight.

The microscope deals with vibratory law when it reveals to us worlds within worlds. The Roetgen X rays likewise show that to higher rates of vibration, flesh, which is "matter," becomes invisible, thus strongly suggesting, if not proving, that still beyond, in the still higher rates, is a world to which *our* entire world is an illusion, and that "matter" does not really exist.

It is only another way of showing that the microcosm and macrocosm are one, and that God exists in every so-called atom. Yes, and that his omnipotence is not only latent, but may be manifested in every man.

At another time it will be shown how reasonable is this theory that God is truth itself (therefore omnipresent, omniscient and omnipotent) and man its co-existent power to think ("his image"), therefore having power to *create* through thought, and thus manifest all the beauties of truth's omnipotence. Every occultist knows that the atom is an illusion and based on the false theory that a particle (having magnitude) can exist without having parts. Any intelligent scientist or materialist will frankly acknowledge that the "atom" is only a *theory*, and that matter is a rate of vibration. No microscope exists which is sufficiently powerful to make the atom visible to the human eye. The microscope, on the other hand, *explodes* the atomic theory by showing that no two particles of matter actually touch each other, and that all particles are divisible and

porous. The gradual improvements in microscopes have as gradually proved that the law of divisibility and porousity of all particles forever prevails, and that a particle cannot exist as an independent entity, because it would mean to be capable of sustaining itself *if separated* from the laws of adhesion, cohesion and gravitation, which are laws of *vibration* or *thought*, and not of matter. *That* it is clearly impossible for any known particle to do.

In other words, vibration or the *laws themselves* are the *reality* which manifest through thought and have their origin in truth, which is God, the eternal vibration. "In the beginning was the word, and the word was God." All is vibration, and thought is the power which moulds it at will.

If "atoms" exist they must be indivisible or non-porous. In other words they must be like a geometrical figure, without parts or magnitude, and therefore if multiplied even an infinite number of times, would never make something having parts. How many zeros would it take to make the number 1? Anything without parts can never make something having parts.

God or truth is the one "atom" which is indivisible and without parts, and so long as man believes in his separateness from that source or from all of its other manifestations, just so long will he separate himself from the satisfaction and happiness of the complete manifestation of that atom's omnipotence.

Man enlarges his relations and happiness by getting in line with the currents of nature's highest vibrations. It is possible for him to call up thunderbolts of power by simply tapping the currents of high vibrations. The

only line of high vibration which really offers lasting power and happiness is the line which best enables man to answer his true relations of loving service to his fellowmen. The law of life is so perfect that each "atom" of the universe is perfectly able to take care of itself. It is a great mistake to think that the world needs our help. What we need is the ability to help ourselves. The only law which could produce perfect unity among an infinite number of parts is the law of love, where each person best helps himself by rendering loving service to others. That is the law of our life, and therefore that is the only life which will permanently satisfy us. Loving thought attracts of its kind. It is life and life-giving.

Loving thought service to others is not sacrifice; it is the only way we can truly help ourselves, and therefore the only true selfishness. It manufactures for us the only world that will ever satisfy. The world does not need our help, but we need to help the world in order to truly help ourselves. Love is the law of life, which originates the fires of eternity in man's heart. Its vibratory motion is the only "friction" which can produce the true fire of life and bring us into contact with the bright things of the world. When we are able to minister to *every* living being, then only will we reap the blessings of perfect happiness, by thus coming in contact with *all* the bright things of the world.

The occultist has means of knowing that the next three years will be very trying to unawakened souls. Nature will find methods of making such people think, and fortunate are they who turn to the spiritual side of life without waiting for nature's strong hints. With

many the pressure will become so great that they will commit suicide. Such efforts to escape will, however, prove worse than futile. Man may kill his body, but his appetites, passions, etc., will remain as a thought organism until the *natural* period of death, when it will then partially disorganize for a time.

Hunger and thirst will remain, but not the same power to gratify it through the body. Suicides act as vampires, and so partially gratify their desires through the bodies of others.

Criminals who are executed when hate is in their hearts thus become more dangerous dead than alive.

The invisible is filled with living realities, and people little realize to what diabolical influences they expose themselves by certain habits which have their origin in corresponding moods of mind. It is no wonder that Shakespeare's "Hamlet" thought it "better to suffer the ills we have than to flee to others that we know not of." The laws of nature tend to equalize all varieties in condition. "Reaction is equal to action and in the opposite direction." For five thousand years the pendulum of nature has been swinging along the lines of materialism, ignorance and unbelief. Occultists know that its present halt signifies the beginning of its backward swing into the daylight of higher spirituality. Great financial changes, earthquakes, extremes of heat, suicides, etc., will be frequent and certain during the present period of readjustment. Those who are not ready to adopt new thought methods will suddenly find themselves confronted with unexpected obstacles. Business methods that have been successful will no longer apply to the changed and changing con-

ditions, and will become worse and worse as the materialistic wave recedes. It is like suddenly *opposing* a strong wind and tide that have been at your *back*.

Astronomy strongly supports these assertions by showing that a complete change of the equinoxes, which occurs only once in 2,140 years, will occur this year. It also shows that several of the planetary influences get into the same "sign," or house, of the Zodiac, and it is only natural that they should be disturbed by the same difficulty in adjusting their vibrations that a dozen willful persons would experience who tried to live in one ordinary room. Many families whose members love each other very much when at a distance, begin at once to quarrel when they get in the same house.

Do you ask what are the necessary steps to take in meeting the changed conditions? Change your mental polarity. Obtain spiritual self-knowledge. Observe occult practices that will repolarize your "atoms" in accordance with the true laws of your constitution. Adjust your business methods to the laws of thought. Learn thought-control, so that you may keep the mind steady and maintain permanent moods of success.

Do not expect materialistic methods to be successful in the future any more than you would expect the boy's child-voice to remain the same after he had passed the age of puberty. These subjects will be dealt with in future issues.

"Co-operative thought generates power."

Subject for March: "Esoteric Laws of Happiness."

HAPPINESS.

The difference between happiness and misery is so great that no effort should be spared by man in trying to be happy.

Earnest efforts should first be directed to a full comprehension and understanding of its laws and underlying principles, for, their application then becomes a comparatively easy task. Science affirms that man cannot even *think* of anything which has not its correspondence within his nature, and, likewise, man cannot obtain happiness, except through the normal activity of faculties which are inherent in his constitution.

If man can avoid the diseased or reversed action of his faculties, his happiness is assured. Man's nature is based on the everlasting principles of Love and Truth, and, until his actions are so based, he must suffer the painful and unhappy consequences of perverted and outraged natural faculties.

If the vibratory activity of the elements in man's organization constitute his happiness, he will never be successful in finding happiness, until he looks *within* instead of expecting to find it from without.

ESOTERIC LAWS OF HAPPINESS.

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All sensations of pleasure arise from the harmonious action of vibratory forces within, and all pain from the *inharmonious* action of those same vibratory forces.

Are you living the life of harmony and happiness, or of discord and misery? Are you able under all circumstances to maintain the mood of happiness, which is also the mood of success? Thought is the ever available power which is able to mould vibratory forces into harmony, happiness and success.

You have slowly manufactured thought moulds during a long period of evolution, and your present capacity for happiness and present stage of evolution is represented by the sum total of your previous thought moulds.

Happiness has ever been the goal of your previous lives along the slow road of evolution; and likewise, happiness will *always* be the irrisistable magnet and goal toward which your thought efforts will polarize according to your soul's best light and your ever growing knowledge and experience.

All material things down to the "atom" are magnets of varying degrees of intensity, according to their various stages of evolution.

A magnet is organized vibration. You are a magnet and thought is your organizing power. Every lov-

ing and harmonious thought helps to harmonize the vibratory energies which lie slumbering in your constitution, and promotes your happiness to the extent of its harmony and intensity. Thoughts of fear, worry, anger or discord as quickly mould your vibratory energies into inharmony and misery.

Every thought has a magnetic effect in proportion to its inherent power and intensity, and sinks down into your unconscious mind as a sediment, and thus builds, according to its kind, to the strength of your vibratory power.

What kind of thoughts are you thinking today? Can wealth increase your happiness when you allow it to breed anxious cares or fears of its loss?

The universe, in all its parts, is overshadowed by that perfect and eternal organization—God, the principle of truth—which gives every person the impulse to *think*, and which will thus *compel* him to continue to so organize until he "*knows*," and thus becomes at one with the source of thought. Not until then will the purposes of man's constitution be fulfilled. No law of the Infinite can miscarry. Sooner or later you will be forced, by your nature, to co-operate with the perfect law of happiness, until its purposes are fulfilled through you.

Your thought will, in time, so mould and diffuse the vibratory energies of your body that they will be unable to hold its forces together, and it will die; but this will only give your soul a much needed breathing spell, similar to sleep, in which it will collect its scattered vibratory forces, thus create a new body (magnet), and again renew its work of organization, or character building, under circumstances more advantageous,

because more in keeping with its advancing condition.

As the body is only a magnet, made up from your vibratory energies, it is easy for your thought to mould new bodies from time to time (as the old ones disappear) that will be more truly representative of your growing thought.

Death, like sleep, gives the soul an opportunity to concentrate its diffused thought forces, and life, as we know it, like wakefulness, is that process of diffusion which makes such concentration necessary.

The esoteric laws of happiness necessarily relate to the laws of thought because they are both the laws of man's constitution.

These laws cause the never ceasing impulse to outwardly manifest and as persistently to strive to burst forth in a heavenly melody of human happiness. It is only a question of learning how to touch the proper keys within.

To polarize your thought to the true basic principles of your constitution, is to so touch those keys; because you thus touch the inner vibratory chords of that song of life which is joy and perfect bliss and the natural condition of the soul. The song of happiness is the true song of life. The human constitution is perfect from eternity to eternity.

Its purposes are bound to be fulfilled.

Are you looking for happiness from without? You are looking in the wrong direction, and in vain, unless you first learn how to find it from its only true source within. A wise and gentle Nazerene once told where to look for the "kingdom of heaven;" viz: from within. You may be his disciple.

What, except self ignorance, is to hinder you, a

thinking being, from conforming *now* to the perfect laws of happiness. Ignorance is surmountable. Your power to think implies the power to know. Who shall say of what you shall think? The power to think of, and know one thing, implies the power to know all things. "Knowledge is power." Complete knowledge is omnipotence. There is a process of interior thought, which, when properly trained, enables the thinker to get, from within, complete knowledge concerning any subject, though he has never heard of it before.

This process of thought is closely allied to the esoteric laws of happiness, and to the occult power which is able to deal with things at a distance, by thus dealing with their vibrations. Perfect concentration on the highest plane is at one with perfect organization, perfect vibration, perfect happiness, perfect knowledge and omnipotent power. To attain one of these objects is to attain all of them. The daily noon hour observance of the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood is thus helpful.

It is one process of following along that inner line of connection which ties man to his source. Man is the power to think. Happiness, as well as all other objects and attainments, can only be found from some process of thought, and from *within*, instead of from without.

To think new thought is life and happiness, therefore, thought is that eternal reality which will feed the quenchless flames of hope in the human heart, until its every hope of happiness is fully realized. Hope is a species of thought. By looking without for happiness man is forever running away from its true source, which is from within, and which comes by a process of thought which arranges into perfect harmony the

vibratory currents of his organization. Looking with out is a diffusive and disorganizing process, which springs from ignorance and from the impulse to remedy ignorance by knowledge.

Looking without for happiness and knowledge, through experience, is the slow evolutionary method of remedying ignorance, therefore that impulse was not created in vain. The creator made no mistake in adopting that method for the early stages of evolution any more than he did by creating reason and other human and spiritual faculties which enables man to adopt a quicker method after he has reached a certain point in his evolution. Have you reached that point now? Do you realize what it means to be a human being? Do you understand how limitless are the possibilities it implies? Do you comprehend its unspeakable powers of happiness? Ignorance must be banished before perfect happiness is possible, and your nature will force you to look without and thus obtain knowledge of your own nature, through the slow evolutionary method of experience, until you come to your higher senses long enough to learn how to find such knowledge from within.

Man is that organized thinking power, which, from the smallest beginnings has evolved his present conditions; and, as his *Divine* nature, which ever leads him on, is related to all persons and things by ties too deep to ever be severed, he must continue to evolve until he outwardly mainifests in full those inherent relations and possibilities.

Life means thought. Thought is ever an organizing power. Organization necessarily implies fidelity to the organizing power. The power to think is the self, and

fidelity to that power, though seemingly selfish, is not depravity or evil, as some religious teachers would have us believe.

Is it evil, if it is the sure and only road to that greatest of all goods, the life of love, as taught in precept and example by the Christ? Fidelity to the self will ever prevent man from receiving the teachings of the Christ, until he is shown that to live the life of love is only a higher fidelity to self in its never ceasing search for happiness.

The horrors of hell is ceasing to be an adequate "scarecrow," and the time has come when man must be taught plainly and explicitly the truth that his nature is Divine, and therefore so intimately related to all persons and things, that to live the life of love is the only true selfishness or fidelity to the *real* or *higher* self.

Is it true fidelity to self to in any way injure another when it is found that to do so is to injure a part of the higher self?

One cannot teach the esoteric laws of happiness, or of business, according to the laws of thought, without thus teaching a code of morals and ethics, which is more convincing than the scarecrow of a million orthodox hells.

Man nas outgrown the stages of fright, infancy and ignorance, and will no longer choose to skulk into the back door of an undeserved heaven after he is given the privilege of erectly walking in at the front door in all the majesty and dignity due to his inherent Divinity.

When will man learn to accept the teachings of the Christ that heaven is not a place or locality, but a con-

dition within, and that its happiness may be found now by observing those esoteric laws of thought which bring into harmony the vibratory energies of his constitution.

Man's constitution is based on the principle of love. Love means organization, because organization means perfect adjustment of each and every part. Could love leave out any part and still be harmonious?

Man's early stages of knowledge are inclined through ignorance to leave out many parts. Love, which is the principle of his being, cries out against this, and thus originates the impulse to diffuse or reach out. That is why man looks without for happiness. This impulse to diffuse or reach out tends to disorganization, and therefore thus attacks another primary and vital principle of love, which is organization. The one is a centrifugal force and the other centripetal, both as necessary to evolution and the rounded out character as they are to the rounded out globe.

To send out thoughts is to diffuse, as it sends out thoughts vibratory energy. As diffusion tends to disorganization, when man has diffused until he can't hold his body together, it naturally and properly drops away.

When it drops away, concentration, which means to collect scattered forces, follows, as a necessary sequence and when fully collected, the impulse to diffuse again comes, because love, which is the principle of man's life, will not allow any of its principles to be permanently violated, and therefore will persistently refuse to leave out any part to which it is related. As it is related to *all* parts it will not rest satisfied with anything less than complete evolution.

It can be seen how beautifully this law of evolution is adjusted, and how the birth, growth, death and re-birth of man in continuous rounds over and over again, has in each step a definite purpose, which relates to the gradual expansion of man's outward life in the way of character building, and always along the line of cause and effect.

The diffusion or scattering of man's vibratory thought forces causes death of the body because it loosens the soul's grasp on it, but the soul cannot die, therefore, then passes into a period of rest, in which it has time to collect its scattered vibratory forces and build into its organism, by that process of assimilation, the essence of its experiences in its previous earth life. After this process of concentration and rest, the basic law of man's constitution, which is the law of *love*, again gives him the impulse to reach out or diffuse and thus come into active outward relation with its other parts. The law of cause and effect then outwardly embodies or re-incarnates the soul in surroundings which result from the vibratory thought energies previously generated, and which are modified by the thoughts and experiences of its last earth life, and to that extent different. This process of growth through re-birth or evolution goes on until man outwardly manifests his true relations to all things in the universe. Then comes a long period of involution or non-manifestation, but, the original impulse to evolutionize or outwardly manifest, though for the time latent, will again burst forth in its very maximum of power, which will lead, according to cyclic law, which is the law of vibration, to a repetition of this long process; but I will not now attempt to deal with that logical absurdity

which says the principle of evolution signifies constant improvement in species but never perfection.

If man devotes his entire thought to money making or other selfish ends he thus generates causes which may tie his lower principles to earth, but having no body through which to adequately manifest, they soon tire of the purposeless role of ghost or spook, of obsessing the bodies of mediumistic persons of similar tendency, or of pretenses of giving spiritual instruction to the living.

Even the unnatural stimulous afforded by parading in the name of "George Washington," "Abraham Lincoln" or some big "Indian," as is sometimes done, is insufficient to withstand the counteracting influence of the soul's higher principles which never entirely relax their hold on the lower principles, and which by rest and concentration are gradually able to withdraw the force of such energies from such nonsensical pursuits. It is no doubt also possible for higher principles of the soul for a time after death to communicate with the living.

The selfish habits of a lifetime are insufficient to permanently alter the soul in its course towards that perfection and happiness which is its natural and eternal polarity.

Thought forces always generate vibratory organisms and they will live until their energies are exhausted. To think involves a correspondingly great responsibility. To think is to generate vibratory seed. To continue the thought is to sow the seed and furnish it with a backing of fertile soil, air, sunshine and other conditions which make its reaping a foregone conclusion and absolute necessity. This power can be used to bring

success and happiness as well as to bring a rich harvest of retribution.

What are your present ideals? Where have you set your stakes of limitation regarding your future happiness?

What kind of thought seeds are you sowing for immediate or future reaping? Are you by your thought moulding your inherent vibratory energies into currents of harmony, or of discord?

Have you joined that army of deluded persons who think that "happiness is not of this world," but who continue to chase the "will-o'-the-wisp," which postpones it to an indefinite time in the future?

If so, then halt! "Right about face."

Eternity is now. "The kingdom of heaven is within you."

If your every moment is not the perfection of bliss it is because you have failed to fully comprehend the esoteric laws of happiness.

The deepest philosophy teaches that joy and perfect bliss is the natural condition of the soul, that man's constitution is *perfectly* adapted to its attainment, and that enjoyment or happiness is the only legitimate function of every organ of the body, every faculty of the mind and every element of man's entire nature.

Yet how few do we find whose lives make even a distant approach to the attainment of its perfection. It is a significant fact that the vast majority of people absolutely fail in this the proper and *sole object* of their pursuit.

In casting a scrutinizing eye abroad we are easily convinced that such failures are not for lack of effort. In fact the ones who give themselves the greatest

pains and penalties in pursuit of means for subsequent enjoyment, are, as a rule, the very ones who most signally fail in attaining it.

It is not the fault of man's nature, or of his intentions, or of any innate depravity in his constitution, for happiness is the only legitimate and normal function of his every faculty. It is because through ignorance he seeks wrong methods. Misery is an illegitimate child, a child of ignorance, for which man should blush with shame. To glory in misery is not to honor the creator by obeying his laws, but to glory in shame as do some abandoned women. To be unhappy is to justly suffer the judgments of infringed natural law. The din and clatter of man's mad search for happiness from without will drown the music of that eternal slumber song within, until self-knowledge pays the debt of ignorance by setting up a thought polarity which will rearrange the vibratory forces within into equilibrium harmony, peace and happiness.

Happiness can come only from the normal activity of faculties already possessed. Man's nature cannot yield happiness to itself from anything outside of that nature. That principle is self-evident and therefore needs not the backing of dogma authority or experience. Even every breath we draw, and every movement of the body, is calculated to produce happiness but not when the body is covered with boils or the nerves tied into knots of anxiety and worry. Harmonious vibration of forces within is happiness, and thought is the power which makes their harmony possible.

Until the mind is right, property, titles, honors, fashions and other worldly ends cannot contribute materially to enjoyment, for not until then can man

assume their accompanying cares and responsibilities without worry and anxiety.

Thoughts of worry, anxiety and selfishness produce discordant vibrations, and tend to turn the pleasures of worldly possessions into gall and bitterness.

The power to think enables man to set up conditions which will keep him in close touch with the higher self. This is the secret of happiness and long life and is also the law of success. On that point we have the authority of the Christ who said "Seek ye first the kingdom of God;" which is the kingdom of heaven and within "and all these things will be added to you."

That promise is literally true because founded on an unvarying law.

Business statistics show that only about one person in twenty actually succeeds in business. Observation teaches that a still smaller percentage attain real happiness. The Christ method is in harmony with the laws of thought and man's constitution, and will be always successful to the extent that it is faithfully applied. True success and happiness mean about the same thing, viz: the mood of harmony and equilibrium which is able to drive away every worry or trouble. Life, health, ability, equilibrium; beauty, music, morality, harmony, happiness and success are all children of one vibratory father or cause and thought and self knowledge is the "Moses" which is able to lead man out of the wilderness of misery into the "Canaan" of their perfection. Happiness is the God which the human heart always loves and worships with unwavering fidelity. It is an unvarying law of thought that whatever the human heart earnestly and permanently craves that it will in time get in all of its fullness. It is be-

cause every hope is a species of thought, and thought is the only creative power.

The esoteric laws of happiness are the esoteric laws of business, morality, and every good thing in life. The best method to obtain any one of them is the best method of obtaining all the rest because like the rays of an electric light they all spring from the same center.

To pursue one thing to the exclusion of everything else is to run away from the opportunity to most easily obtain that very thing.

Life and its ideas should be rounded out. To truly see one thing is to truly see the universe. If we can truly learn the mystery of a rose or an atom we will understand God and all his works.

It is from the most interior vibrations of thought that man attaches himself to the perfection of harmony and happiness.

A pig may be relatively harmonious and happy but as its harmony relates to only the low rates of outward vibration it is not to be compared in its stage of evolution and powers for rapid growth to even the *misery* of a highly organized person. Until we get in line with the vibrations of universal law we may expect misery, because such forces within are the real source of our life and are ever yanking us into the whirlpool of their rapid currents in order that we may become harmonious with their higher rates of speed and greater harmony. It is however, possible for us to learn *now* the general laws of man's constitution and thus escape actual misery while on the evolutionary road, and rapidly acquire that balance and happiness which comes from an equilibrium of our centifrugal and centripetal forces. We are thus able to constantly *diffuse* and widen our relations

but as constantly to *concentrate* and thereby keep a strong and loving bond of union between the body and the higher self. We diffuse at one breath but concentrate as we draw another. Happiness is the true mode of growth and true purpose of life, but not always the measure of the stage of evolution.

Thought on the subject of man's constitution is able to open the direct pathways in the wilderness of ignorance to that stage of self-knowledge which makes it possible to tap the inner vibratory chords of power and happiness in the human heart, and that, too, by *affirmative* methods instead of by suffering the miseries of a thousand deaths along the otherwise slow road which is made slow by the adoption of misery's negative methods.

The power to be always happy is not always properly estimated. It is not commendable to be bound by chains of slavery to low circumstances. Many persons are able to be moderately happy so long as everything goes just right with them, but the loss of friends or relatives or even of money or property at once reverses the normal action of their faculties and throws them into convulsions of inharmony and misery. It is my aim to clearly show the continuousness of life and the impossibility of actual death of the soul or thinking power and thus take away from the living all cause for mourning when their friends pass into the unseen.

Life is the power to think which implies the power to feel, neither of which can be taken from man by any process of physical death. Death is only a change of thought vibration. To mourn therefore must give pain to those for whom we mourn. To do so knowingly is heartless and cruel instead of the opposite. Man is

created for eternity and should not make himself the slave of any circumstance. To do so is to chain himself to an imaginary hitching post. Friendship and personal love is the fusing power which weaves into one fabric of harmony the thought vibrations of two or more persons. In other words, as they have the same thought polarity their thought vibrations become interrelated. Death tears such fabrics and makes necessary a readjustment of the thought vibrations (which produced them) to suit their new conditions unless they weave into the fabric in advance the vibrations which comes from the thought polarity, or idea, that death is only a change that cannot separate the vibrations of *true* thoughts or tear any fabrics woven from them.

If you have not already polarized to that idea, you may, when death comes in your midst, at least ease the pain and misery (which comes by thus severing the vibratory web) by fully occupying your mind with other things until vibratory readjustments can be gradually made. The only way to prevent a diseased action of any faculty is to keep up a constant healthy and normal action of all faculties. As all human faculties pertain to thought and are outlets for thought, it is to true thought control which we must look for the power to drive away misery from whatever cause it comes.

Thought control enables the most sensitively organized person to weave vibratory fabrics of love and friendship, which outlast the grave misunderstandings or separation, and which are the same though not reciprocated and through every fleeting change of worldly circumstance.

The merely magnetic attraction and personal love which demands possession, is as a thing of yesterday when compared with that deathless principle of eternal love which is deep down in every heart and which seeks only to give, asking nothing in return, knowing that true love is always in time reciprocated because it bears a perfect relation to all things. Pure love is a thing not of yesterday but from everlasting to everlasting. It is possible in our relations with the world to bring out the deeper vibrations of love.

The personal love which exists between Beau and Sweetheart may be made so steady and truly representative of the higher self that their happiness will not be disturbed by any discordant vibrations of criticism but will gradually attain that plane of harmony where criticism or discord is impossible. Every one should in self defense learn to withdraw thought from any subject which would cause a disturbance of vibration, at least until proper vibratory adjustments can be made. By such means the mood of happiness may become habitual.

Stop now and analyze the circumstances of misery which you have forged for yourself. Have you uncontrolable fears and anxieties? Do you hanker after riches and their burdens of care, or fear the loss of those you have? Have you the religious dyspepsia which fears that you are not sufficiently religious but which is the more miserable the more religious? Are you overworking your body in the vain hope that it is the true road to success? Are you in a constant state of irritation, fret, worry or anger, owing to your family or other surroundings? Have you lost friends or relatives or become estranged from them through

misunderstandings? Have you lost your bodily health?

Whatever may be the outward cause, your actual misery springs from the reversed or diseased action of your facuilties and you thus produce chaos and discord among the vibratory energies of your constitution which were calculated for happiness only. They all may by the power of thought be made to vanish into thin air by any process which throws you into close touch with the higher self and which thus restores their normal action and equilibrium. The soul of man is deathless. You may manifest that state of mind and faith which defies the power of fire, flood, earthquake or even death itself and which is able to command from unseen elements an outward manifestation through you of all the things and circumstances which makes life beautiful.

This mood, unlike riches, offers a basis for independence which is not transient. If wordly possessions thus obtained, disappear, it offers the ever available power to obtain more. Riches come on the currents of such moods like the waters of a river, and like the waters should flow on and be dispensed as freely for the good of humanity, in the sure knowledge that their omnipotent source will not dry up. When the right state of mind is attained and maintained, it will be as easy to obtain happiness, even through the most unfavorable circumstances, as it is for a Mozart to extract music from a cat gut.

HELPS.

True help is self help. Every person must, in time, learn to depend upon himself. Upon the Infinite within.

Our modern charities, although well meant, too often lead to the opposite result.

To that extent they are a failure. Their bungling material methods are not to be compared in virtue, to the silent methods afforded by Occultism. Any true Occultist, without the sounding of trumpets, ostentation, and outward display, can help thousands, where free soup kitchens and many other charity organizations so imperfectly help only a few.

Your desire and ability to truly help others will grow with your ability to help yourself by Occult methods.

Generosity is generally an overflow of strength. You may become a true Occultist and so help others while at home. It does not require any pilgrimage to the jungles of the Himalayas.

Every Occult power is represented within each heart. One Occult power, which all should constantly cultivate, is the ability to acquire Occult knowledge from within. Thus, at each step will they as constantly enlarge those Occult powers.

Occult Helps.

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It is to occult sources that man should look for the wisdom and power to solve his practical difficulties and abundantly supply his many needs.

The true Occultist never gets "hard up" until he has exhausted the resources of Infinity, and that time never comes. It is no easier to find the deeply occult forces in nature than it is to find your spectacles, if wanted, when ignorant of the fact that you already have them on. Your thought is a deeply occult force, but like spectacles, may be used as an aid in searching in the wrong direction for a fuller consciousness of its real powers.

The Infinite within is very occult to most persons, and yet ever present and ready to help in time of need.

It is your "Prophet" which should not be "without honor in his own country" within your heart.

The Infinite "helps (only) him who helps himself." To do otherwise would be unmercifully cruel, for it would interfere unjustly with the already perfect laws of man's constitution.

Do you ask if earnest prayers are not answered? Yes. An earnest "prayer is the heart's sincere desire, uttered or unexpressed." Desire is thought and thought is creative. It is therefore ever capable of bringing its own answer. Prayer is answered *because*

of a law and not in *opposition* to law. There is no such thing as "Special Providence." Prayer does not imply the necessity of interfering with the already perfect and all-inclusive law of things. The perfect law of love is the law of all things.

Infinite wisdom never makes mistakes to be corrected, and therefore "Special Providence" or interference with natural law, if such were possible, is unnecessary and would produce chaos instead of greater harmony. Perfection in its highest and most exhaustive sense is already the law of your constitution.

Your heart is a miniature universe. It gives you the power to think and thus generate the occult powers of thought. The power of desire in the atom is the power to think, which makes its final evolution possible and necessary.

The sooner you turn to the powers of thought and the within, the sooner will you consciously breathe the exhilarating and rarified atmosphere of your kingdom of heaven and manifest the potencies of its inherent occult powers.

Can you not see how futile it is for man to expect help from the Infinite except to the extent that he thus helps himself under the workings of natural law?

"Ask and ye shall receive."

The laws of vibration and of thought show why true prayer opens the door to a kingdom of Infinite peace and power.

In prayer must you listen if you would hear the melodious breathings of that Divine Orchestra which plays only on the higher octaves of vibration in the human heart? In profoundly reverential prayer must you persistently listen if you would catch the enchantingly

rapturous responses of that esoteric song of love and life which is voiced by the higher principles of every living thing in the universe and which forms the grand chorus of God to which millions of worlds and systems of worlds are forever marching in perfect harmony. This Divinity within is your song and your true vibration. You will be able to make the world march to the rhythm of your melodies to the extent that you find within, the key to the eternal vibrations, which are their melodies also, because the melodies of universal law. In many of the laws and acts of man there is no more melody than could be found by a sufferer from insomnia if compelled to listen to a tin pan brigade or to the midnight screechings of a dozen cats who were most earnestly and ferociously striving to adjust their difficulties.

As deeply occult forces are reached by the vibratory law of true devotion, the power of evil and of the misuse of such forces is therefore comparatively limited. Great power is possible only to high rates of vibration.

High vibration is possible only to that which has acquired velocity by long continued motion.

The eternal esoteric laws of man's constitution are ever the same, and therein are the occult vibratory powers which, being backed by the acquired velocity of an endless past, are capable of sustaining him for an endless future and until he outwardly demonstrates their omnipotence.

The vibrations of evil thoughts and desires have no such backing. They are the comparatively recent product of evolutionary ignorance. Their vitality is drained at every step by that same evolutionary process of increasing knowledge.

Ignorance was their only cause, and as that ignorance is outgrown by ever-expanding intelligence, they naturally die step by step for lack of proper sustenance. They run against the eternal laws of nature and necessarily result in that increase of knowledge which gradually withdraws their vitality. It is perfectly useless to try to outwit the everlasting laws of truth. Vibratory law shows why right is always more than a match for wrong.

Its occult science puts in the hands of man a weapon of knowledge which always makes honesty in him more than a match for the dishonesty of multitudes.

Evil desires are retarding motions which cast souls into temporary whirlpools of downward gravity.

The vibrations of truth within are the whirlpools of upward gravity in man's constitution. Man should devote a part of each day to such inner thought polarization as will steadily enlarge the soul's vibratory powers and capacities and bring gradually nearer the time when its Infinite reservoir of truth will be completely filled and its powers completely demonstrated.

The soul, like a kite, will constantly press onward and upward so long as it is properly anchored and kept in the steady vibratory winds of truth, but let it be enticed by deceptive "trade winds" or temporary breezes of evil, and for want of proper and steady vibratory nourishment it will lose much time in thus partially tearing down what it had previously built.

An evil heart does not choose the path of devotion, and until it does, can not easily find the higher octaves of vibration or reach more than the mere outskirts of occult knowledge and power, such as hypnotism, etc. The study of hypnotism does not necessarily imply an

evil heart, but as its method of action is to first influence the outer in order to reach the inner, it is liable to carry to the inner the discord and inharmony of the outer and thus enlarge and intensify the vibratory chains of bondage, ignorance and weakness which it perhaps seeks to break or overcome. It has power to deal only with the lower octaves of vibration. By a misuse of will (or positive thought) a hypnotizer shuts off the current of vibratory force or consciousness which flows to the brain of his subject, and as a result the body goes to sleep. Then he piratically assumes control of the defenseless body and sends his own vibratory thought force to it. As it has surrendered its God given powers of resistance it meekly carries out the will of the hypnotizer, thereby establishing a precedent for its surrender to other positive, dominant and perhaps less friendly wills.

One should never allow themselves to be hypnotized unless they are also willing to be obsessed by every diabolical psychic influence which belongs to the invisible. The law of cause and effect and of vibration shows why the earth-bound principles of persons who are executed, of suicides, and of others who die before their time or who live very material lives, should, for a time after death, seek just such living subjects, as their victims and from whom they can most easily suck life forces which will enable them to imperfectly sustain and thus prolong their own. Being disembodied they naturally gravitate to the points of least resistance, according to a philosophical law.

Every person by his thoughts and habits creates the magnetic aura or atmosphere which determines the character of the psychic influences surrounding him.

All space is filled with such living realities. The insidious methods which are used by invisible psychics to drain people of their force will be dealt with more at length in latter issues. Hypnotism is an interesting subject, which, having served its main purpose, is a good thing to outgrow and then let alone.

The philosophy of vibratory law explains a method by which persons may go directly to the harmonious vibrations of the inner and then by about the same process reach the vibrations still farther within the soul, and thus deal with their correspondingly greater powers. They thus increase their psychic sensitiveness, and also their individuality as well, because they come closely in touch with the higher self, which is their only safe protection against malignant influences from occult or unseen sources.

Understand hypnotism for what it is, in order to guard yourself against its dangers, but then abandon its slow, tedious methods and limited powers, to those who fear the path of devotion or who know no better way.

Thought is the keynote to vibration, and interior thought is the pathway to the most occult and powerful vibrations in nature. Nature is the manifestation of God through human nature.

Within you is a "wheel within a wheel," which to you is the within of all wheels. It is the direction all must go if they would "get in on the ground floor" of occult power.

Your life may be rough on the surface, but no person or thing except self-ignorance can prevent you from getting in touch with the deep vibratory undercurrents of that place of peace within, which is your

temple of Divinity and which is able to bring the peace and harmony of Divinity into your outward life by thus forming such vibratory connections. It will do more because high vibration is the essence of *power* as well as harmony. When we enquire the cause of vibration, we see that high vibration and its power is possible only when backed and constantly supplied with vitality by its first cause, which is truth. Thought and true merit in man, the thinker, is the natural correspondence of truth, which is God the Infinite polarity.

Would you reach and thus deal with the esoteric undercurrents or higher selves of every person or thing which comes into you life? You have only to reach such undercurrents within yourself, knowing that they will seek their *own* and so gravitate to such principles within others with the same unerring precision and fidelity with which water seeks its level. Would you extend your outward relations in life? Your higher self has vibratory connections with every living thing, and therefore the true way to so extend your outward relations is to get more closely in touch with that higher self.

All persons are comparatively ignorant and they continually make mistakes in conduct even regarding personal matters, concerning which they are most conversant. Then how can it be safe for one person to use hypnotic suggestion in regard to what another should do, concerning whose life he knows still less, or perhaps nothing. To do so even with the consent of the party so hypnotized, and in the most trivial matter or in reference to disease, is to prepare their minds for the reception of diabolical currents of hypnotic force from less moral sources or from the invisible. He who takes the

responsibility of doing so should remember that vibratory law so connects all persons concerned in its infringements, that not one so concerned can possibly escape its consequences and penalties until they are paid in full. The execution of Divine justice in reference to the laws of man's constitution is not characterized by the ridiculous abortions which are seen in the execution of man-made laws. A deep responsibility rests on the shoulders of him who teaches man how to use the occult forces in nature. He is personally responsible for everything which is done by virtue of the knowledge so given.

If man is taught the use of such powers and he thus pulls down upon his head a "Tower of Babel" his teacher is likewise responsible and a sufferer.

It is not strange that such knowledge has been kept secret in past ages except to the few who were ready to safely protect it and to properly use and not *misuse* such forces. Do you see how great are the inducements for complete consecration in such a work? Do you think one would want to be crushed by the appallingly great disasters which would unquestionably come to him if he should teach such laws in a way that would lead to their misuse? Do you think one could afford to allow questions of personality or ambition to enter into such a work? He who answers yes, little comprehends how relentlessly invincible is the justice of vibratory law. The daily prayer of such teachers should be for greater consecration. May all who are helped by such teachings offer for the ones who give them, a prayer that they may be inspired by true fidelity to the truth and the higher self in their work.

This is the beginning of a new cycle, and the time

when to know such truths but to withhold them from the world, also involves a deep responsibility.

Is it not a crime to withhold from others knowledge which will enable them to shield themselves from the dangers of hypnotic suggestion or other unseen thought forces and influences? Is it not almost a crime to withhold knowledge which has such a vitally important bearing on one's life in every practical and spiritual way? It is clearly the duty of every earnest student to use active means in extending it. "A little knowledge is a dangerous thing," especially concerning such forces.

The inducements for conforming to the true spirit of these laws are almost irresistable. Their powers when misused or abused are but limited for reasons already given, and the safeguards against their misuse or abuse are inherent in the laws themselves, therefore the chief responsibility rests on him who withholds such knowledge and who cowardly shrinks from the enormous responsibility involved.

There are many practices known and used by Occultists for obtaining development and thought control, which if used in ignorance of their relations and esoteric meanings would perhaps destroy the body or lead to other disastrous consequences.

Complete renunciation of the soul to the higher life opens a safe door to esoteric vibrations which would play sad havoc with a body not yet wholly free from passions, animal tendencies and worldly desires. The steep and narrow pathway of initiation should not be undertaken until the time is ripened by a little preliminary work. A few spasmodic yearnings of the soul for light and esoteric knowledge is not a sufficient

basis for undertakings in the direction of occult knowledge which involves the absolute necessity of unwavering fidelity and devotion to the higher self and to the cause, and which to him who through lack of courage, turns back, involves a fate worse than that of Lot's wife.

After all, truth is simple and such simple occult practices as those used by our Brotherhood are replete with esoteric meanings to awakened souls who intuitively read between the lines. Many observers of our noon hour practice catch the rhythm of sympathetic co-operative thought vibration without understanding why it is so easy to thus get into the vibratory undercurrents of their own souls.

To reach those deeper vibrations within yourself is the first step in getting into sympathetic relations and companionship with the same principles in others. To see into the depths of another soul and so move it to action must come by first seeing the God within yourself face to face. Let every person sit at home and thus deal with vibratory causes as the true method of bringing into the outward life all pleasant circumstances and loving companionships which surely follow as effects and necessary consequences. This is the true method of business and art and of happiness and companionship.

One companionship based on these deeper vibratory currents of the soul is worth a million of the ordinary frappe or surface friendships which pertain to only the very low rates of vibration.

In dealing with the within man is dealing with an eternal public. Vibratory law shows why.

To make sure that you deal with the governing and universal laws within is to make sure of correspondingly wide effects without.

Are you a musician desiring large audiences and complete success in your art?

Go first to the within and deal with the higher octaves of musical vibrations.

When you touch the almost overpoweringly harmonious notes which relate to the universal love principle in man, if your technique and instrument are what they should be, you are ready to reach the hearts of an audience almost as universal. The reason why many musicians do not succeed is about the same as the reason why water does not rise above its source.

Life, as well as music, is vibration and every life has its musical key. The way for a musician to touch the key to every heart is to extend his musical keyboard so it will include the higher octaves. When it reaches the God vibration of universal love every heart will respond and echo to its magic harmony and the warmth of its fires.

That keyboard may be so extended by simple occult methods of going to the within.

Musical moods naturally beget the musical vibration in others. Acts are only the manifestation, expression and extension of the vibrations of thought. Produce the proper thoughts by getting to the proper depths within and the law of vibration being the cause will take due care of all its outward correspondence.

All things are thus founded on the realities of their merits. The same rules apply to the success of a writer. If a writer is not duly appreciated there is a screw loose somewhere.

Some writers say that they can write equally well on all subjects which sometimes means that they can't write very well on any subject, because to write only

from the head is generally to reach only the head, or not even that. The weak vibrations which emanate only from the head, generally die for lack of sustenance before they get very far away from home. The vibrations which emanate from the heart, if along sound lines, are backed by the exhaustless sustenance of their eternal source. By a simple law of gravitation they act as the natural outlet for many tributary streams.

True Occultism, like the first and great commandment, pertains to the heart and to its eternal realities. Man's divine nature within is the God which he should love with all his heart, for only thus can he get command of that principle of love and powerful vibration which is able to straighten out all the tangles of his outward life. The great commandment of love is the basic law of man's constitution as well as the law of the universe, and Occult Science teaches why it is the only life by which man can make the most of his powers.

Are you an Artist? Are you capable of that high appreciation of the artistic which satisfies the esoteric principles of harmony and beauty within?

Your success is likely to be limited unless founded on such realities. Every pursuit in life should be founded on the basis of actual worth and followed by those who recognize and depend on its worth.

The follower of any occupation who has not attuned his vibrations of appreciation to its inner meanings and actual worth, is an untuned instrument from which little except discordant notes and acts can reasonably be expected.

Let every reader who would truly live his individual life, at each noon hour join the Home Silent Thought Brotherhood in going to the within for help, strength,

wisdom, comfort and happiness, and thus get in closer touch with his higher self and the rhythmic vibrations of sympathetic co-operative thought currents.

This beginning, if faithfully followed, should assist in putting each person on the right track if he is not already there. He will be led right to the extent that he keeps in close touch with that higher self.

That condition forms vibratory connections which are able to reach to the ends of the earth for patronage. Do you ask what should then be done? Let us suppose that at the end of the noon hour meditation you are looking out of the window asking yourself that question.

If there is a high wind can you not then and there sow seed, by simply thinking that such winds have power to carry the vibratory energies of your productions and your thought wherever the winds go? Whether your work is music, art, literature or any other commodity, if founded on its actual merit, you may thus reach to the ends of the world for patronage and thus set up causes which will carry your work to whoever would be benefitted by it.

If you watch the sunshine can you not think that wherever the sun shines your work will be known and appreciated to the extent that it ought to be? If it rains you can think the same of the rain. If you read a newspaper you may sow seed by thinking that wherever newspapers are read, your work will go if it ought to go, remembering that as thought has vibratory power to stand one editor up in a corner and reach the vibratory powers of his soul, it likewise has power to image a million editors standing in a row and thus deal with their soul principles collectively. Thought is not limited by size or numbers and rules which apply in

sending it to individuals, can be adjusted to apply also to any number of persons or things.

Thought has unlimited creative power and the only thing which limits our thought is ignorance, which it is possible to overcome.

Thought which is founded on an evil desire, for reasons already given, has comparatively little vibratory power, therefore the only way to deeply influence a million editors is to get in line with esoteric principles which mean their good as well as your own.

A person who uses such forces for business purposes, that are not founded on justice and good will to others concerned, will bring to himself misery and disaster in proportion to the potency of the powers so used. The punishment therefor is the self acting penalty of infringed natural law from which there is no possible escape.

The only safe way is to qualify every such use of thought force by the thought and desire, if this is not right or best let it not be.

A person should not use will force on individuals or suggest details as to what they should do. He has the right and it is his *duty* to deal with and so awaken the higher selves of people with whom he comes in contact, but should steer absolutely clear of anything which borders on hypnotic suggestion. Co-operative thought does not mean hypnotic suggestion. It means that where many people, by the same simple process and at the same time, periodically connect themselves with their higher selves, they thus add to the power of the rhythmic connecting currents of vibration and help each other in thus helping themselves. The desire for right must be something more than an idle word. It is the *thought* which carries the vibratory power.

Hypocrisy and insincerity are boomerangs in proportion to their vibratory intensity and depth.

It is an unvarying law of thought that the greatest occult power goes hand in hand with high character and an altruistic purpose, because great power only pertains to the high vibrations of eternal things. If you are a business man and wish to get on a sure foundation by the accomplishment of results through the power of thought, you should first by methods of concentration get into the regions of esoteric vibration within your own heart, and put forth an earnest desire or prayer to be led right.

Then slowly form your plans, basing them in every detail on the principles of love and justice, including justice to self. Let us suppose that as a manufacturer or merchant you wish to deal through some general channel which affords an outlet for your goods. Go first to the within and attain an inner key of high vibratory power. Then make friends with the *spirit* (or esoteric vibration) of that channel and with the higher selves of the persons who control it. Let the sincere desire and thought go forth that you each may be led by your higher selves to every thought, word or act that should enter into your business connections in every respect. You thus set up in advance the vibratory causes of wisdom and power to be so led. Do not fear if the way should open up slowly. Remember that as you are dealing with causes you have nothing to fear from any unfavorable surface appearances.

Your body should act only when led to do so by the higher self. Trust to the thought powers behind the throne and in time you will be astonished at the good results. This law has been demonstrated and will

always prove true to the extent that it is faithfully applied. Surface disturbances must be disregarded, and to the extent that you are in the region of esoteric vibrations within, you will have the faith, courage and power so to do.

The world has yet to see the wonderful things that may be accomplished singly and alone through the wonderful potency of this great agency, thought.

Many materially minded business men unconsciously follow thought methods, and if truly seen their success can be measured by the degree to which they avail themselves of its power.

This philosophy absolutely explodes the commonly accepted idea that dishonesty is more than a match for honesty. One cannot get far in the study of esoteric vibrations without being fully convinced that the opposite is always true. Man is always comparatively weak until he learns how to draw on the omnipotence of truth within.

To reach the deeper soul vibrations through the key of interior thought, enables one to bring the same principles of action to the surface in others and thus absolutely compel perfect honesty and truthfulness, even from those who otherwise would be farthest from it.

Sooner or later all persons must learn to rely on the powers within themselves and dispense with all crutches or helps from others. This we strongly urge on the part of all members of our Brotherhood. Our aim is unity of goal but freedom of individual action.

Do you ask if we do not help members in times of great need when they are unable to get from within the right vibrations for themselves? Yes, we do. That, however, is kept chiefly as a separate department. At

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By the power of spiritual thought one person may assist another in coming into closer harmony with the higher self, and also in coming into harmonious relations with the spiritual undercurrents surrounding him and to which the surface conditions must always quickly change to correspond. That is what we aim to do. Such outside helps should not be appealed to until one has exhausted his available opportunities to do that same thing for himself, because sooner or later all must learn to rely on their strength from within.

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SPECIAL.

The phenomenal growth of The Home Silent Thought Brotherhood and the success of this publication have warranted us in publishing it in more permanent form. The first seven essays together with other matter will be furnished in a handsome cloth bound volume for $1.25. Subscribers who return the seven numbers so far received will be allowed their cost (viz. 87 cents) toward the payment for the bound volume, or on receipt of three new subscriptions and $3.75, they will be presented with an extra copy free of charge.

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TESTIMONIALS.

Thousands have voluntarily expressed their thanks for the help which, through our work, it has been our good fortune and pleasure to render them.

Their kindly "thoughts are things" which will in turn help others. The following are from letters we have received. We omit the names, as the letters were not intended for publication.

Woodlawn, Kansas, Feb. 19, 1897.

As one of the members of the Brotherhood, I am prompted to write to you in my needs which are ———— C. E.

LATER. (March 4, 1897.)

I want to tell you that I think your special thought in my behalf has done me a great deal of good. I was led to rush around until I got two of the notes renewed, and then the *sweetest peace* that you can imagine, settled down over me, and I was without a *particle* of fear or doubt. Even the thought of Mr. ———, who sold out the stock on which I had the mortgage (for —— hundred dollars), who then went away, and who won't even answer my letters, didn't cause me the slightest uneasiness. Oh! if I could just learn to live that way all the time, I would be so glad, etc., etc.

LATER. (April 14, 1897.)

I have just received a letter from Mr. ———, who sold out that mortgage stock, and who is one of the parties I am trying to collect money of. He has sent me —— hundred dollars this month, but wants to keep the remainder six months longer.

I sent him that October copy of the Occult Science Library, as per your suggestion, and he answered by letter and seemed to appreciate it. He thanked me for it and also for the money I had loaned him, and said I needn't give myself any anxiety about it, as he would pay every cent of it. I had the most fears about this one. I then suffered *so much* with fear, and seemed to have no power to control it. There is now one great improvement in myself, and that is deliverance from fear. I am tempted sometimes to be fearful, but I have the power to drive it away. You wanted me to send you any letters I might write to any of these people, so I will send you this one to Mr. ——, the first one I have written. I suppose you will forward it to him, etc., etc.

Yours very respectfully, C. E.

TESTIMONIALS.—Continued.

Chicago. Dec. 3, 1896.

Yours came this afternoon. You are right in saying "we all have needs, no matter how far advanced we are." It does not seem to me that I am far advanced, for my aspirations lead me so much farther than I am. There is no limit. It seems to me the deeper and higher I go the *more* I need. The magazine seems most inspiring. I shall speak of it to those who may be interested, and shall hope to aid the work by some members, if in no other way. With the highest thought for success in so noble an undertaking, I am sincerly and cordially,

Countess ——.

Galena, Ill., March 9, 1897.

Please send at once all back numbers. This publication has just been brought to my notice in such a way that I feel I need and must have it, every number. A. G. D.

Topeka, Kan., March 22, 1897.

I write to ask if you can oblige me by keeping for me a file of the Occult Science Library beginning with the first number, Oct. 1, 1896, until I can send you the money for my subscription to same. I do not wish to miss a single number and can not at this moment send you the $1.50. hence my request.

I also desire to ta e the degrees as detailed in the October number. To that end, I now accept your invitation on page 11 and will observe as much as I can of the noon hour.

E. M. B.

Boston, Mass., March 12, 1897.

I received your Occult Science Library this morning, and I believe you must have heard my humble cry for the light. I had been trying so hard, and to have you send me just what I needed, has made me happy beyond expression. I will try to get you other subscribers. H. S.

Topeka, Kan., March 6, 1897.

I heard the January number of the Occult Science Library read before a metaphysical class, and thought it so helpful that I could not get along without it for daily study. A. W.

Chicago, Jan. 12, 1897.

I like the magazine very much and find it helps me in many ways. I think you are on the right track. M. C.

Chicago, Sept. 15, 1897.

A copy of Occult Science Library is at hand. I want to subscribe for a year and also take the degrees. A. H. R.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 5, 1897.

I assure you of my entire sympathy with the aims and scope of your new periodical, and my conviction that it will be a success. I am very glad to avail myself of the noon hour observance. I deeply realize the importance and helpfulness of

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co-operative, higher thought, and am anxious to partake of its blessings and privileges. I have been growing just a little discouraged in my efforts to rise above natural perplexities, and so this comes very opportunely as a form of help I need. S. M.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 25, 1897.

Your Occult Science Library was put in my hands by mere chance. It brings me renewed hope that just now, when at a very critical period of my life, I may receive help from other minds older and stronger than my own. L. C. M.

Puesto Plata, West Indies, March 21, 1897.

Mr. Ernest Loomis & Co.

Gentlemen: – Please find enclosed $1.50 for subscription to Occult Science Library. I am very much interested. May I translate such portions of your paper which would be of special benefit to the people here, providing I credit the same to you?

Dr. V. L.

New Orleans, La., March 1, 1897.

Gentlemen:—Emerson's Essays and current number of the magazine received, but not the 25 extra copies of the magazine which I ordered. I have carefully read all the back numbers to date. Intense satisfaction comes to me by reading these pamphlets and I would not part with them for their weight in gold.

You can put me down as one of your members who has been appalled more than once by the immediate accomplishment of his desires by the use of thought forces. To-day I felt very forcibly the delicious serenity which increased in my consciousness during the noon hour. J. M.

New York City, March 10, 1897.

I send you another list of names. I think your books more logical, scientific, and practical than any I have read. All others seem to begin in the middle and leave out half of the explanation. If you have time to read an illustration: I once attempted to study harmony by myself. I had a book on the subject, but the whole thing was "clear as mud." Some years later I went to Leipsic to study music. Though I did not understand a word of German, yet the man at the blackboard made the whole thing clear at a glance how and why it was. This seems to me to be the way you write your books; they are plain and clear. Why should any one vaguely allude to certain things in a science and ask you to accept them. It is so much more comprehensible to begin at the beginning as you do.

St. Clair, Mich, May, 1, 1897.

I write you this in behalf of my sister, etc.——

It is almost wonderful, the help I have received just from observance of the noon hour in regard to health and in other ways. B. M.

TESTIMONIALS.—Continued.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 13, 1896.

You are, I see, up to the era in which you live. I know the power of Silent Thought units. I am satisfied that such power, and not ballots, is to relieve humanity of its yoke and burdens. Once in the Inner Life, and the charm of all true culture, and the beauty of life, become apparent. W. C. G.

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 1, 1897.

I like the way you handle this subject. One does not have to wade through a large volume to glean a few facts.

J. W. S.

Portersville, Cal., March 22, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I think yours the most practical articles on the potency of thought, which I have ever seen, and I have studied the subject somewhat myself. C. C. H.

Muskegon, Mich., Feb. 5, 1897.

I have received the January number of Occult Science Library. I am delighted with it. The style and forcefulness of the teaching remind me strongly of the beloved Prentice Milford so much missed. I have been studying kindred schools of thought for some time. Your little book has brought me light, and given a fresh impetus to my thought. In hope of increasing its circulation, I append a list of names. A. P. S.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 10, 1896.

I approve of every such effort put forth to benefit humanity, when it is along sound lines. Sincerity in effort will eventually be crowned with success. U. N. G.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 20, 1896.

Gentlemen:—The copies of Occult Science Library left with us on sale yesterday are entirely exhausted. Kindly send one dozen more with bill. ——— Pub. Co.

Topeka, Kan., April 4, 1897.

I have been a close student on these lines for seven years, and have read everything bearing on occult subjects that I could buy or borrow, and heard six full courses of lectures. Your essays are so free from the cant phrases which so many use, that I am particularly pleased with them. I cannot tell you how many I have loaned them to, and many of these friends feel strongly drawn to join the Brotherhood. W. A.

Chester, Mass., Feb. 9, 1897.

I received your magazine a short time ago, and I have feasted ever since It has been a good thing for me. I send one dollar on my subscription. I am a paralytic, and have not had the use of my right hand, or walked without a cane, for thirteen years. I feel sure I shall walk some time.

M. E. R.

TESTIMONIALS.—Continued.

TWELVE DAYS LATER.

Chester, Mass., Feb. 21, 1897.

Your noble magazine and the precious noon hour have been such great help to me already that I feel I must let you know what a wonderful work you are doing. *This morning I have walked without my cane* for the first time since I had the shock thirteen years ago this afternoon. You have done a wonderful work. I wish you God speed. M. E. R.

Chicago, April 12, 1897.

We are all deriving much benefit from your grand work and the noon hour. M. K.

Porterville, Cal., April 29, 1897.

I wish to join the Brotherhood. The numbers of Occult Science Library, which I have read, are greatly profitable to me, and I desire to aid this great movement in mental and spiritual progress. M. C.

Ochre River, Manitoba, Canada, March 23, 1897.

I have never before read anything which so thoroughly meets with my ideas. H. C. R.

Chicago, March 26, 1897.

I desire to thank you for the great uplift the perusal of your magazine has given me, and to express my delight at the manner in which you treat these subjects, so valuable, and yet so difficult to present to the untrained mind. You make the subject so exceedingly plain and practical. The thoughts are grand and must certainly be inspired. God bless you and your work. C. H. S.

Montreal, Canada, March 10, 1897.

I have placed myself according to directions, enrapport with the Brotherhood, and the result has been so satisfactory that I feel eligible to the third degree. If you consider me a worthy candidate for the fourth degree, I shall feel truly honored.

I am often surprised at the results of these spiritual aspirations, and, being already convinced of the desirability of co-operation in other things, I am fully prepared to join forces with others in the same line of thought. M. S.

Chicago, Ill., April 19, 1897.

Third degree books received, and the vibration came with them. Many thanks. R. J. B.

Chicago, April 9, 1897.

I could never tell you how much good the "Library" has done me. I have always some number in my desk to aid me. Wishing you the grand success your noble work deserves, and thanking you for the great benefit it has been to me, I am,

Yours truly, J. S.

TESTIMONIALS.—Continued.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 20, 1896.

I would like to be a member of the two first degrees. I have been a member of Swami ———'s class, but have a desire to further develop the powers within.

Lately, through concentration, there came to me a wonderful demonstration, and I desire further knowledge and growth from within, through the help that comes from co-operation.

D. B.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 13, 1897.

I am greatly interested in your noon hour work. Observing the noon hour in whatever longitude the individual may be, will eventually belt the globe with a continuous flow of good thought.

I, to-day, interested a friend who may subscribe.

W. C.

Scranton, Penn., March 10, 1897.

I just received a copy of Occult Science Library. It was the right number, sent at just the right time. It lent a gleam of light that helped to unshadow many obstacles. Inclosed, please find two dollars, for which please send the little magazine for one year, with the back numbers. E. C. H.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 6, 1897.

Your Occult Science Library came in due time. I like it very much. It is just the thing to put into the hands of a large class of thinking people. Good breathes its own praise, and begets its own recognition. Will send a few names of earnest seekers. L. H. G.

Santiago, Santo Domingo, West Indies, March 4, 1897.

I love your magazine, and have loaned mine out. I hope you will get some subscribers thereby. I hope some time in the near future to meet you. I trust you will meet with every success and encouragement in your noble work. D. B. J.

Darien, Conn., March 29, 1897.

How can I ever express my thanks in words. Your helpful thoughts have been of wonderful help to me. I just "drink in" such truth with the same enjoyment as I do good music. Had I known of these truths a few years ago, my life to-day would have been different. B. A.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 20, 1897.

After carefully perusing your magazine handed me yesterday, I can say I am heartily in sympathy with every thought therein expressed.

You would confer a great favor by explaining what qualifications are necessary for joining the advanced Esoteric Class referred to in your advertisement. N. D.

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