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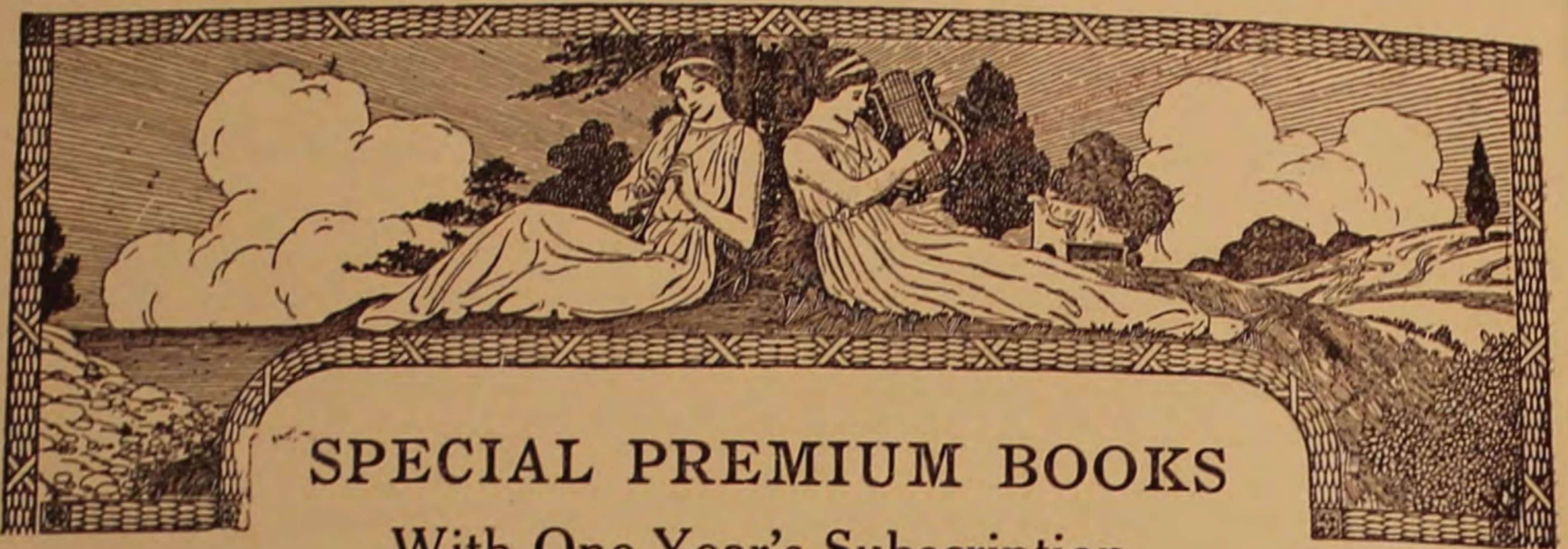
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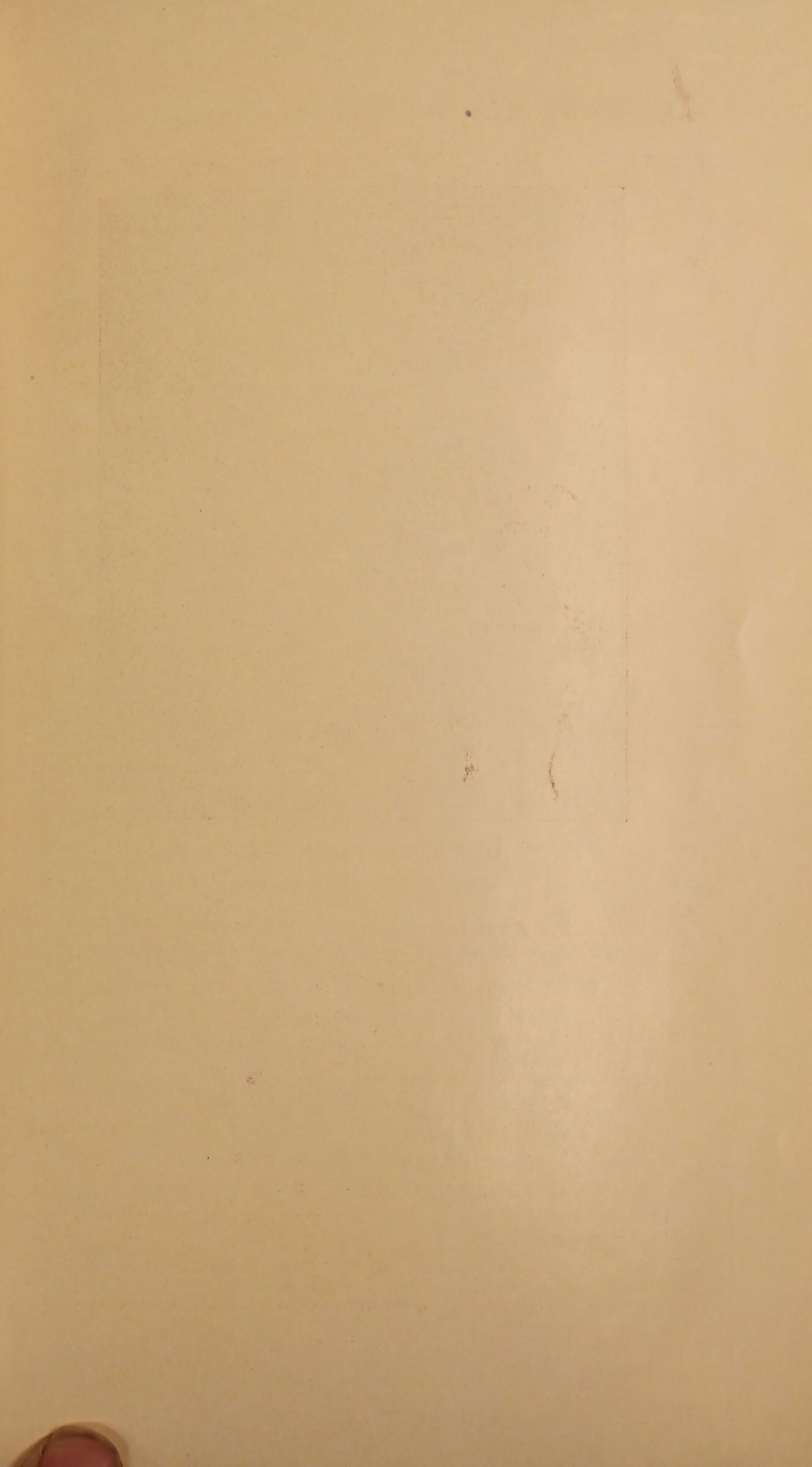
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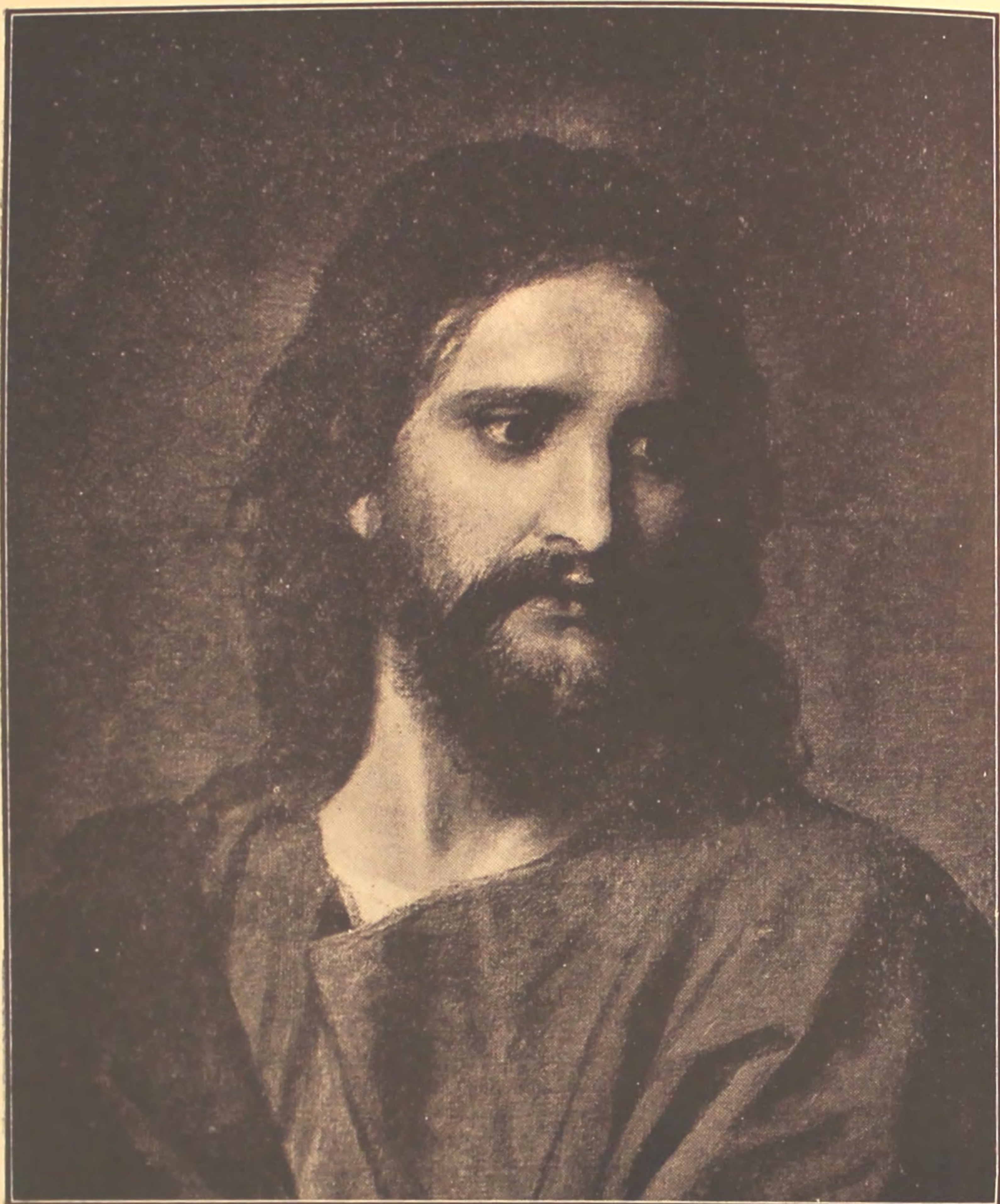
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Full brimmed with sorrow and with tears,
Ring out the old, with carnage torn,
Anew the Son of Peace is born.
His bloodstained cross shines as the sun,
The fairest garlands Truth has won
Now deck the brow torn by the thorn:
Ring in a gladsome New Year's morn,
Proclaim: "Again in hearts of men
Our Brother, Christ, is born!"

—Aletheia.

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THIS day thou art a goddess, midst the Immortals crown'd,
No more the speech of mortals hath power thy soul to
wound.

And as thy light is given, all radiant shall it shine,
Hear now the Voice of Heaven in counsel all Divine:
Thine ears to outer sound be dumb, unheard Earth's clam'rous
tongue—

Hear in thy soul the melodies at Heaven's altars sung!
No more shall specious pleadings mistaken pity move,
But every needy toiler thy sympathy shall prove.

The race of man grows stronger as higher manhood wakes
And Spirit in full function its' loftier mission takes.

O'er every earthly portal, o'er Heaven's loftiest height
Behold Truth's banners gleaming, her torches burning bright
Where gather the Immortals in God's encircling Light.

—ALETHEIA


THE GREATER GOOD

By Aletheia.

I sent my soul thro' farthest realms of space
The shining path of Greater-Good to trace
And, lo—my search was not in vain for One,
Swift, walked before me: as the glorious sun
His countenance was radiant: with transcendent love,
With patience for my falt'ring feet, beyond, above
He gently led me on; in lofty verse
Chanting the music of the Universe!
The marvels of Celestial worlds were bared
Thru potency of thought. The Spirit fared
Forth radiant, beyond words to designate—
I followed on to that fair, farthest gate
Where strong-soul's destiny doth conquer Fate.
The wond'rous scroll of Life's perfected plan
The Master placed within my keeping for a span,
Soft saying: "Where tower the lofty halls of Truth
Thy Angel Guardians led thee in thy youth
'Til thou at length received art in Christ's own band—
To heal henceforth by word, by look, by touch of hand.
Turn not aside from e'en the lowliest plea,
Stretch forth thy hand in loving ministry.
Whether on mountain height or in Life's deepest vale
Withhold no word of love, nor cheering message fail:
Where arrogance or pride rules hearts of men,
Thro' flinty-surfaced scorn, pure love again
Shall pierce, and yet again, and not in vain.
'Til love for all mankind doth reign, alone,
And kinglier consciousness ascends the throne,
Man doth not find his own exalted state
But 'midst the suppliant seekers must await
The coming of the Spirit-crowned King.
Quaff deeply Hope's eternal spring—
And when, complete in beauteous Truth's array,
Thou art apparelled, and when naught can sway
Thee from the Spirit's lofty task—
Steadfast thy cross to bear, all thou shalt ask
The Son of Righteousness to consecrate
For others' good, Great Wisdom shall create
And make thee master over love and hate!
Wouldst heal thy soul of every selfish aim?
Thine be the service, his who will, the fame.


VOICE OF TRUTH

By Aletheia.



NOT of thyself, oh Man, art thou able to lift one stone, yet through the power of the Spirit, in obedience, thou shalt remove mountains. Obedience is unquestioning acceptance of the tasks laid upon thee. Take up thy burden and strength shall be given thee. Nought shall be required of thee that is beyond thine abilities. Shape thy Will to obedience, with gladness and thy burdens shall become blessings.

Recognition of the demand upon thee is in itself the proof of thy powers. Thou shalt be fed through the Spirit. Mortal strength is of small avail but spiritual strength is omnipotent.




In so much as thou shalt, through obedience, become a channel for spiritual power, in so much shall power be given thee. Walk thou uprightly before heaven and earth and pause not to consider the mind of man.

Lead My children into the fair fields of spiritual vision. Let thine outpourings be from the influx of Spirit, for My Spirit is the Spirit of Truth poured out upon thee with love and exceeding great compassion. Oh my Beloved, be unto all men as a true testimony of patience and of Faith! Falter not. Speak thou of My mercies and of My love all the days of thy life.

Receive thou My inspiration and minister unto them that have need of thee.

When thou art led unto the high mountain, take heed that thou prayest there in silence; in due time thou shalt be led thence.



The morning and evening are as one in My sight, then wherefore fearest thou the morrow? The morrow and the morrow are fair to behold; for behind the darkest cloud shineth the sun forever.

Strive not only to enter into soul consciousness, but to dwell therein. There shalt thou walk in beauty midst celestial light, while yet thy spirit is united to the mortal flesh. The earth body is but a garment to them that are pure in heart, and as a garment the spirit may cast off the body and resume it at will.



When in silence the spirit is invited to dwell within the living temple of the soul; soul and body become as spirit, receiving and reflecting and radiating all light, all love, all truth.

Fair is the citadel of the understanding soul. The mind that accepts and uses the wisdom placed before it is as a city swept and garnished for a festal day, but the mind that merely devours books and quotes doctrine is as a storehouse heaped high with grain molding into dust behind fast locked doors.

Open the windows of thy soul, oh Mortal, let in the light if thou wouldst give out light. The torch of Truth is ever ready for the hand that would steadfastly bear it.

Singleness of purpose is necessary to achievement. Achievement is the goal of existence. In achievement only is progress obtainable. He that strives most achieves most and he that conquereth pride, prejudice and passion hath achieved more than he that buildeth a city.



THE CHRIST in Jesus was the greatest spiritual manifestation of all History yet an ignorant pagan priest-craft secured his crucifixion. From time immemorial the Earth has persecuted its saviours, seers and prophets.

Spirit-return, so-called, is in reality spirit-manifestation; oftentimes through human organisms. This is permitted as a testimony of the immortality of the soul. All creeds and sectarian factions admit the presence of guardian angels; many sects teach the "Communion of Saints;" this is neither more or less than gatherings of progressed Spirits freed from the earth body, communicating with, or inspiring the spiritual mind of the human being. Spirit has the power to manifest in its ethereal form, radiant, vital and beautiful.

The writer has been blessed with wondrous visions of Jesus, the Christ, dating from early childhood. She can sense His radiant strengthening presence with un-failing regularity, in inspirational speaking and oft-



times in writing. To sense the Divine Presence, is not perhaps so awe-inspiring as to see the etherealized form of the Christ, but both are inexpressibly comforting and life-giving.

The most beautiful appearance of the Christ Form was thus: The writer, somewhat saddened by a temporary suffering was gazing over the hills overlooking the city, the unspoken prayer for succor in her soul. Suddenly the window-panes and sash seemed to disappear; framed in the opening was the form of Jesus, inexpressibly radiant, beautiful, benign, compassionate. From the hem of His garments of white linen, radiated an exquisite border of light, merging from golden to blue, and from blue in to violet. From His entire presence radiated a luminous effulgence, and from His inmost Being came these words,

“Peace—be still and fear not.”

To know is peace; an inexpressible certainty of the regenerating power of love divine fills the being. There is then no room for doubt. The soul once weak and error-laden rests its burden in the infinite Fatherhood of God. Faith in the words of Jesus, who hath shown the Way, the Truth and the Light, is the faith unquenchable.

The God-Spirit manifested through the Christ in Jesus, shall be manifested unto all who have Christ-like faith. The world, to such, is full of joy and beauty. There is no night of sorrow any more, for the Presence, ever ready, fills the soul with loving companionship; in fellowship the angel world enters and becomes a part of God's Kingdom on earth. Through Divine Inspiration all the “Great of Earth” have become great. Surely to help the world to understand through soul science to open the eyes of consciousness is a labor of life and of love eternal.

IN SOME countries those who by experience, suffering and self-abnegation have eliminated the personal and enthroned the spiritual are called adepts, yogis, or Masters. Prominent among these are the inspired seers and prophets. The great minds of earth



are not limited to any particular country or sphere. We frequently find a Master manifested in a being who comes to light amidst the most ordinary surroundings. Whenever the higher spiritual self becomes the controlling self, the individual becomes a Master.

All Masters, in the spiritual sense, show, as a predominating characteristic, love for humanity—the universal uplift becomes the dominating force of the Master's life. All Masters are disciples of Truth. The Master Mind is manifested in the feminine as in the masculine body. The Master is at once dominating and self-effacing; selfish ambitions are swallowed up in the desire to do something for the universal uplift; where formerly the aspirant for fame desired honors, he now desires, above all things, to be honorable; where he formerly desired to lead, he now desires to be worthy of such leadership as he may be selected to assume; where formerly he desired to be observed and praised for his deeds, he now earnestly desires strength to do worthily, and cares not to be observed of men.

The fruits of the Master's labors may be gathered by other hands; the Master's desire is to produce and to continue producing for the needs of all who are not yet able to produce for themselves; the Master's effort to enlighten others is induced by observing the lack of comprehension in the less enlightened—a desire to unselfishly disseminate good regardless of recompense. The Master is a laborer satisfied to earn sufficient to enable him to perform his share in the world's work.

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VOICE OF THE PROPHET

ARISE, arise and sing my songs,
Too long thy voice hath silent been;
Arise, proclaim my truth and teach
The warring world sweet peace to win.
Arise and tell the world my Truth
Comes now to dwell in hearts of men
And when her kingdom hath been won
No more shall sorrow reign.

To stay the cruel warrior's hand,
The Conqueror Peace must rise,
Hark, over all the bloodstained earth
Voice of the Prophet cries!
When o'er a wild discordant Earth,
Pure Brother-love shall reign
All nations' banners shall be furled,
No more shall men be slain.

Where the muck and reek of battle
Stains the earth, befouls the skies,
Where our brothers die like cattle
Slaughtered 'midst their tortured cries,
Soon the mighty winds of heaven,
Shall destroying madness stay,
Floods and torrents wild and raging
Shall, in turn, the slayer slay.

See the Herald of the Dawning,
Fast emerging from the night,
Opes the sunkissed gates of morning,
Man shall know the rule of right.
As the ocean wild and raging
Merges into perfect calm,
So shall peace and Love triumphant
Flood men's souls with healing balm.

Over all Earth's wide dominions,
'Neath the high-arched heavens far,
See exalted Truth's fair pinions
Sweep the skies once tinged with war!

—Aletheia.

THE GREATER LOVE

By Lotta J. Darling.

MAN has sought to form his laws to harmonize with God's laws. In observance of the natural laws of chemical combination, man found that the ingredients of the human body must be opposed and varied for healthful reproduction, hence the law preventing the intermarriage of near relatives.

It has long since been proven by Christian civilization that man partakes of two natures, body and soul. We are aware that God's laws operate upon both of these natures while man's laws act more definitely upon the former. A clergyman performing the rites of matrimony acts as a functionary of two laws, one of man, the other of God. He binds the body with the former, and with the latter he invites the soul to an eternal sisterhood in the common love of the great hereafter. Hence we are led to infer that there may be two distinct loves, a body love, and a soul love, a passion love and a spiritual love. The former a tangible, conceivable thing, the latter inexpressible and less definable, yet felt and known to exist; like music it thrills us, like air we feel it and are blessed by it. Though the sun shines not we know it is behind the cloud or else it would be night and man would be wholly a brute.

We claim the true love which binds a sister to a brother or the love that reveres a parent to be the same higher love that links man and wife, that the bond of matrimony only binds parties to certain regulations and customs of our race and age.

The good book says, "In Heaven they are not married, or given in marriage—that the body returns to dust and the spirit to the God who gave it." That man dies a mortal and rises an immortal, etc., hence we draw a line between body and soul, attaching a lower love with the former and a higher love with the latter, thus giving significance to our classification of love. Since finding that there are two loves combined in wedlock, we will proceed to investigate their peculiar functions:

First in order is the lower love or brute instinct for companionship which we will find by careful analysis to be the seeking of one property to find its opposite or in other words, one person seeking his or her animal affinity. It is too lamentably and too universally the fact that this lower phase of love is usually the one that is considered in this (should be) sacred alliance of marriage. And even the chemical science of this animal

love life is totally neglected in the education of man and thus he mates with the same philosophy as the dumb brute. This love finds birth in chemical proportions and dies in chemical dissolutions. Our hospitals of today are crowded with victims of this awfully tyrannical lower love.

Secondly, we come to the higher or soul love which springs from a divine origin and is a spark lodged in the infant breast which may by proper culture assume powerful proportions and cause the passions to fall trembling at its feet. It is the beauty and grandeur of this world and glory and majesty of the world to come. It is of God and by him given in the form of clay called man for a proper tillage, that it may be ripe and ready when death comes to separate it from the lower love which we have just defined. This higher love is a vine of steady growth and has no fluctuating pulse, but lifts its gentler tendrils up along the clear blue sky till it reaches heaven and fastens itself for eternity. It is indeed sad to contemplate how little this love enters the marriage relation of today, even the lower love which is fluctuating love of the passions is sometimes stimulated by mercenary motives and aroused to brilliant wooings only to die when its object is attained and its desires supplied.

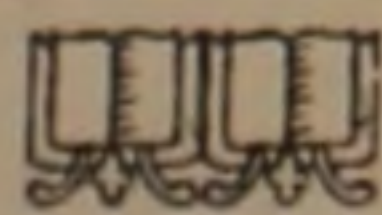
In contrast, how beautiful and sublime to consider a union of heart and soul joined in wedlock where the lower love bows in obedience to the will of the higher, where the spirit predominates, and the passions submit. The exercise of the higher love over the lower love may be considered the grandest culture of man. The lower love is only given as food for the higher. But, alas, the order has been sadly reversed. The passions are permitted to feed upon the soul and weeds are cultivated where eternal flowers should bloom.

How many human forms we see walking about us with debauched passions enthroned above an enslaved soul! Can such persons love long and truly? Do you wonder why so many marriages are full of misery? If you do you now have a reasonable explanation of the cause. As long as matrimony builds her superstructure upon the sands of passion there can be no security for permanent peace in the home, but when she builds her temple upon the "Rock of Ages" it will stand the "wreck of matter and the crash of worlds."

It has been said that love sometimes comes at sight; It is possible that the lower love does, but the higher love is a beauti-

ful flower of constant growth and to be obtained must first be cultivated. Many persons wait to "fall in love" or have a love come to them. If they possess more of passion than spirit, more of the lower than the higher love no doubt this can easily be effected; but if the latter predominates (as it should) they will never "fall in love."

We sometimes see a full-blooded, passion flooded man fall down and worship some fragile beauty, with a selfish desire to pluck her as he would a flower and bring her down to his own lustful level. He wonders why she does not love with promptitude, he does not realize that her love flows from a higher fountain down through the valley of her soul, vivifying her passions with divine softness. He does not understand that she walks in beauty beside the still, calm streams of a nobler love, that the Christian graces walk by her side unseen, and that **her** love **must** have time for growth, while he, poor deluded man, marshals his passions and marches over his enslaved soul to offer his brute love for the pure gentler love of this christian woman. And perhaps, after a time, under the shadow of necessity and custom she surrenders herself to a life of secret woe. How truly may we exclaim, "mismatched!" He a lover of weeds, she a lover of flowers; he a lover of earth, she a lover of heaven! This is no overdrawn picture, dear reader, for we meet with just such unions in our everyday life. The question is often asked, what is true love? We will add that it is the higher love holding a sceptre over the lower love and ever pointing onward and upward to the great common love of the hereafter, the cultivation of which is man's grandest opportunity.



GOD'S FLOWERS

By Marguerite Head.

AROUND thee lie the meadows of thy God,
 Sweet-fragrant with the flowers He hath wrought,
 New souls enwrapt in mantles from the sod,
 Each one designed by God's own loving thought.

THE CAT'S PAW

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THE Judge continued: "From the evidence it is very plain to be seen that you have grounds for a case against the publishers of the Directory in question but it is a case for the civil court. I advise you to secure attorneys and prosecute to the full extent of the law; meantime I must put you under bonds not to attempt to interfere with Mr. Wasgood nor with any of his employees: I, therefore, order you to give bonds in the sum of five hundred dollars—"

"Five hundred dollars!" exclaimed Fanny, "I haven't five hundred cents. My earnings for the work I have been doing remain unpaid, and if I had five million dollars I would not sign a bond which would be a tacit agreement that I am guilty of the charges made against me."

One of the attaches of the Court whispered "Come sign it, it's only a straw bond, then you will be free."

The words were meaningless to Fanny who was unaware of the petty subterfuges of the law when unable to convict.

She stood immovable, with flashing eyes and undaunted determination. The Judge squirmed in his seat. He paused irresolutely, then with a wave of the hand motioned her to go. The man with the strange, sad eyes who had befriended her in the House of Detention came forward. He took her gently by the arm; "Come," he said, "you are free, it is all over." As he led her through the crowded court room, lawyers and spectators made a dumb show of applause, a whispered murmur of admiration and approval swept the room. There was a sharp reprimand from the desk.

As they neared the exit, Fanny's guide whispered: "Be very careful not to say a word to anyone, or to exhibit any show of indignation. Wasgood and half-a-dozen of the sharpest lawyers in town are outside just waiting to create some demonstration that will enable them to clap another warrant on you, on any pretext. Go by them as quietly as you can. Campbell Carrington

is among them." The peculiar emphasis in his voice as he mentioned this name, brought a sudden recollection to Fanny's fagged brain. As she passed the expectant conspirators, Fanny saw the woman of the painted face and brown fur coat seated in Wasgood's automobile which was waiting at the curb.

The group suddenly paused in their conversation and Fanny walked within two feet of Wasgood and stood looking at him—for a moment. She said nothing. In her soul rang the words: "Vengeance is mine, I will repay saith the Lord." Whether the man sensed the unspoken words, or whether he felt a fear of her, Fanny knew not but, with a gasp Wasgood staggered and fell back into the arms of his henchmen. They lifted him into the auto. Fanny passed on out into the world of light and sunshine, once more.

There was a strange, cold brightness in the day that she had never experienced before. She suddenly felt aloof and alone in the world—such a cruel world! The sense of indignity swept over her like a searing flame. Then, remembering the prisoners she had promised to try and help she went to the office of the Evening Star, laying before the police news editor the names for investigation.

As she was about to leave the building thought of the woman who had defrauded her mother, who had secretly aided Wasgood in his attack upon herself, surged over Fanny's mind. With an uncontrollable impulse she sought her. It was noon hour. As Fanny entered her presence the woman clutched at her desk and began to tremble from head to foot. Fanny poured forth a torrent of condemnation and accusation. She told the woman that she knew how she had connived not only to injure Fanny, but how she had persecuted and hounded through the same devilish wire-pulling others, whom she had succeeded in depriving of liberty and even of life.

"But," said Fanny with an unearthly radiance in her countenance; "I will interpret to you the meaning of your emblem, which you, with your pretended wisdom, have failed to grasp. The coil of the serpent signifies the knowledge of evil, the evil of hypnotism, the subtlety of lies. The circle of light signifies the power of good. I am free today for I have dared to speak Truth, the Voice of God, against the Snake. As the Infinite Voice has led me and the guardianship of the Master has protected me, I live free and unscathed. From this hour I shall devote my life

to utter the inspired Truth of God in every possible place and season against the unspeakable sophistry of the **Pythoness.**"

Fanny seemed to herself suddenly to be standing out of her own body and to be listening to her own voice as to that of a stranger. She went out and down the elevator as one in a dream. With the same sense of the unreality of all that had before seemed real she found her way at length to her mother's door. She entered and tried to explain that all had passed off to her credit—Strangely enough she was met with doubt and incredulity. Her relatives acted as if they believed her to be speaking falsely—Her mother in what was an attempt to soothe her said, "Yes, poor child, we are going to send you to a sanitarium at once—until your poor mind is restored!"

Fanny felt as if the last rope had been snapped. In vain she endeavored to make it clear that she had been vindicated—at length her sister came in and said: "Oh mamma, I saw some of the people who were at the trial and they said Fanny was wonderful! That she completely demolished the testimony of the witnesses. Why, one man said, "Your sister ought to be a lawyer."

"Hush child," she has been pronounced insane"—and we must get her to an Asylum—said the mother brokenly;—

"Why, mamma, who told you such a thing?" Expostulated the sister. At this moment Fanny's aged father came in and said: "Well, is she ready?—'Mrs. Mac' will be here in a few minutes with a carriage to take her to St. Elizabeth's—"

'Mrs. Mac.' So the serpent had been busy with its coils—had succeeded in hypnotizing both her father and mother into a belief in the hideous lie that the woman had promulgated—The power to speak left her.

When the full realization came upon her that her parents had actually accepted the woman's lies, and refused her own truthful account of the matter, Fanny sank upon a bed unconscious—as she came to herself, she heard her sister saying: "You sha'n't take her I say—she is not insane—there is nothing the matter with her but grief and you will take her over my dead body. She is ill,—perhaps dying—"

Fanny heard another voice say: "Yes, she is dying—her pulse is quite gone—see she is already turning cold"—At this moment the walls of the room seemed to recede, Fanny was conscious of the fact that she was on a bed but she felt herself suddenly stretched upon a cross, nails were driven through her hands and

feet. For five hours of mortal agony she heard the voices of those of earth but faintly—she was conscious of her mother's presence in the room and at her bedside but still she was nailed to the cross—her arms were extended—her feet pierced by a single nail—the agony was terrible beyond description. Suddenly she seemed merged into the personality of the Man of Calvary. As her earthly father bent over her saying that she was “crazy”—she understood the cry of Jesus to that **Father in Heaven**, who could understand and know when earthly parents fail.—Crying out in her anguish, she said: “You are not my father, **God is my Father**, I am come to do the work of him that sent me.”

Then the room was filled with angels who were so **Radiantly Present** that the human beings, members of her family seemed mere shadows—She heard her friends of earth weeping over her dying moments and mingled therewith rose the triumphant voices of angel choirs.—A voice cried, “Thou art my beloved sister—enter thou into the joy.—” Then, slowly but painfully, she seemed dragged back to earth—“Oh if they would only let her go, out there where no one was misunderstood, where truth was plainly discernible—and where falsehood could find no masks—ah—!” She felt a pain at the touch of her mother's hand, rubbing her body in the endeavor to restore her. It seemed to the dying girl that her mother brought her back from the Great Beyond by the sheer force of human will.

Something was dead, someone had gone out,—yet still she was conscious that her poor, weary body and tortured soul must take up the burden of Earth existence for yet a little while.

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A TRIBUTE TO AN ANGEL GUARDIAN

By Marguerite Head.

HOW sweet thy presence seems, Thou Shining One!
 Thy aura radiant as some golden sun—
 Oh, lead me upward by its wondrous ray,
 Till at thy feet I kneel me down and say,
 “I thank thee for thy great and loving care.”
 And then God grant that I may see thy face,
 Benign, as ever, with His tender grace.
 Ah, free at last to breathe celestial air!—
 Clasp once my hand, thy watchful mission done,
 When thou hast called me home, Oh, Shining One!

ABUNDANT LIFE AND HOW TO OBTAIN IT

By Lida Briggs Amerige.

ON awakening there is a new sense of strength, but gradually through lack of knowledge and discipline our thoughts undo the process which is ever striving to produce equilibrium. Nothing destroys vital force as much as contention or inharmonious argument, so it is well to avoid both unless you wish to scatter what has been gathered from hours of sweet repose. Seek congenial companionship and surroundings.

Hurrying through one's work or pleasure is also a great dissipator of vital force. Take life easy, for haste makes waste. Many deny themselves pleasures and recreations as they go along and hurry to save up enough to keep them in old age. When they reach a period where they think they can "let up" a little they find their capacity for enjoyment gone.

Fear is another scatterer of vital energy. It is the outgrowth of ignorance, as we fear that which we do not understand. Only the truth will set us free. As immortal souls there is nothing that should terrify us, yet all are more or less subject to fear. The very air is freighted with it. We fear sickness, accidents, loss of money, or power, or each other. We must strive to shut out these devitalizing thoughts and substitute those of perfect faith and trust in the Power that gives us life.

We should have faith in, and strive to co-operate with, Infinite law and trust to its outworkings. If we would only realize that whatever comes to us is the best that could happen to us at that particular time; that we have attracted it to ourselves; that it is necessary for some purpose, we could say "All is good" and learn the necessary lesson through it. Changes must come in order to have progression. One door never closes until another opportunity is prepared, so rest easily on the current of life and let it bear you along peacefully and trustfully.

THOUGHT ATMOSPHERE

We all have our atmosphere or aura and are surrounded by it. This aura cannot be seen with the ordinary eye, just as we can not see the earth's atmosphere, but it is there nevertheless. We generate our aura and its quality changes as our thoughts change. We can govern it and use it as our protection or let it ruin us, just as we will.

We absorb the thought atmosphere of those around us just as a sponge does water. Our very clothing is saturated with our

thoughts. Many rooms have a calm, peaceful atmosphere while others are so permeated with sad or unpleasant thoughts that sensitive ones feel the influence and cannot remain there long without being affected by them. Some homes are so filled with the gloomy thoughts of their occupants that one feels no pleasure in remaining there even if furnished with every luxury.

How often we meet perfect strangers whom we feel that we would not care to know intimately while again we meet others whose countenance shines with benevolence and kindness and feel that it would be a pleasure to know them. Each carries their atmosphere wherever they go and sensitive ones with clairvoyant vision can tell at a glance our true character.

COLOR OF AURAS.

According to knowledge obtained from those possessing clairvoyant vision the aura of one in intense anger shows dark coils and waves and sharp lightning flashes. Is it any wonder that such indulgences bring on sickness of body and depression of mind and cause the loss of friends? When one does not control one's emotions one creates bonds which tie and fetter and are only to be dissipated by generating pleasurable and gentle emotions. Sympathy and compassion create a clear rose colored aura; wisdom and religious feeling create a clear blue; a high type of intellect creates clear yellow; devotion to high ideals creates pure violet. When we are highly developed we radiate life as from a sun.

ATTRACTION.

Whatever thoughts you think become as magnets to attract or repel, and your atmosphere goes with you radiating good-will to all, or polluting the air for others to inhale. Each thought has an interior power, which is exactly like the thought itself in nature and quality, and will express it in the body. The ideas held in mind become manifested in life, so think only of that which you wish to bring into manifestation.

This is the way to attract to you the things you desire. Live on the sunny side of life. Count everything a joy, believing that all things are working for your greater good. Keep in a calm quiet state of mind and feel peace vibrating through you. Exercise the power of thought in healing any adverse condition—physical, mental and moral.

In order to generate a harmonious aura it is well to make affirmations of truth. These are to be accepted, not reasoned over, and, if held in mind, will mould your life into their own likeness.

AFFIRMATIONS

An affirmation is a mental exercise which when sufficiently repeated strengthens the good, and crowds out the injurious thoughts. It is easy to say "I am strong" when the body shows forth perfect health, or "I am happy" when everything goes right, but we must learn to make these statements in spite of present conditions realizing that by so doing we are helping to bring about the desired results.

A few affirmations are hereby presented to the reader which may be changed to suit individual needs:

"I am master of myself."

"I can and will do whatever I desire to do."

"I am moulding my mind and body now."

"I am bright, cheerful and happy this minute."

"I am growing each day in health, strength and power."

"I am looking forward not backward, upward not downward."

"I am reaching out to the Source of Power for help to overcome."

"I am letting go of all thoughts of sickness, sorrow and anxiety."

"I am selecting only the thoughts which shall create harmony within."

"I am at peace with all the world and realize more the Great Love which enfolds me."

"I am a part of all that exists and live, move, and have my being in Infinite Life."

"I am given dominion over all things, and will make this body a temple of health."

"I am looking on the bright side of every event, and evolving power to get good out of each."

"I am avoiding all irritability, impatience and pessimism, and growing amiable, so everyone likes me."

"I am refraining from censuring, criticising and condemning my fellow traveller along life's journey."

"I am attracting to myself the friends, the work and all that I need to make my life happy, useful and prosperous."

- "I am becoming receptive to the inflow of Divine Love, power, health, knowledge, success and plenty."
- "I have no fear of the future, of disaster, sickness, disease or poverty, for I live in God, am supplied by His bounty."
- "I will enjoy re-creating my body after my ideal. While eating I will realize that the food is being converted into blood, bone and tissue harmoniously."
- "I will direct my thought forces with love to any organ of the body that does not do its work perfectly."
- "I am free to live my own life. I am not held down by any condition or environment, and know that I have the power to shape my life as I wish it to be."
- "The path before me grows brighter, and I know that the future holds greater happiness for me than I have realized in the past."

By affirming these and other vital truths you will fill the mind with new thoughts and crowd out accumulated rubbish.

The majority of people need to pass through many bitter experiences before they are aroused to think and live according to the new light which is given them. They refuse to die to the old, hence cannot live in the new and realize the happiness and satisfaction it brings. There is wonderful truth in the lines by Goethe:

"Die to the old; live to the new;
Grow strong with each tomorrow,
Else drag with thee to life's dull end
A lengthening chain of sorrow."

(To be continued.)

PRAYER

Lord of the hilltops and the heights,
Let thy peace and power uplift me;
Lord of the valleys and the streams,
Let thine ever-growing, ever flowing
Vigor and usefulness flow to me and thro' me;
Lord of the great winds and of the gentle breezes
Send thy mighty blasts and thy soft zephyrs
About me, that my soul may stand firm,
Unswayed by any winds that blow.

—Aletheia.

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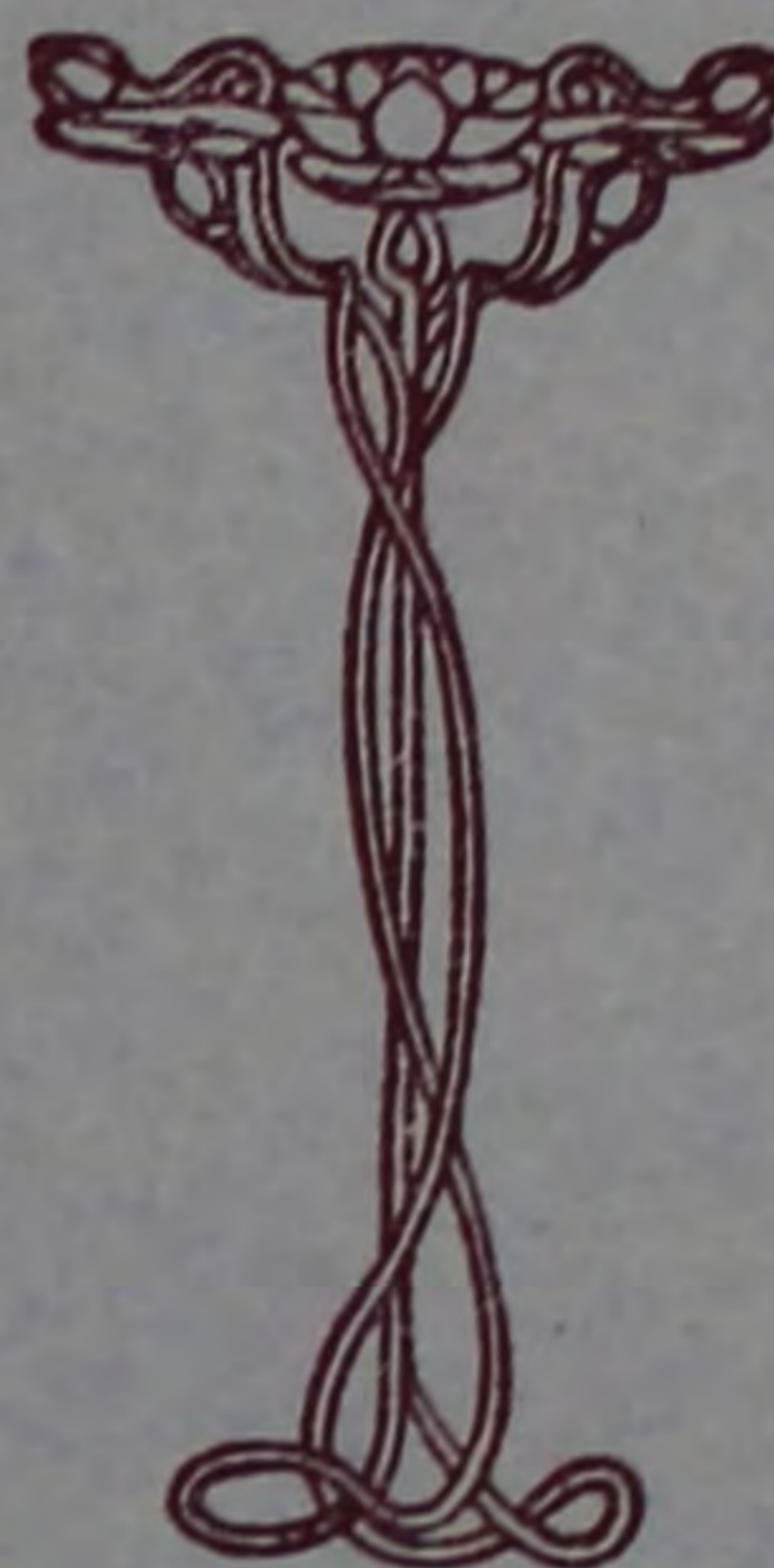
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