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The War Demon.

It was foretold that the world would yet witness such a terrible conflict between the nations, as to give all people a surfeit of war and incline their hearts permanently to peace. The prediction certainly appears in a fair way of realization. After our own fearful war of four long years was ended, there ensued a struggle between Prussia and Austria, which culminated in Sadova, and then followed this present strife between Prussia and France, in which hundreds of thousands of men, right from the fields of productive industry, have been either killed outright, or left maimed and helpless for life. And to crown the whole, and make this terrible picture complete, an outbreak between Russia and England is threatened, involving Turkey, Austria, and perhaps Italy, and promising in the end to engulf every power in Europe on one side or the other in a general contest. Thus will the demon of war have become temporarily supreme. Not a single power in Europe that shows itself capable of stemming the tide. Russia chose her time adroitly for coming forward with her denunciation of the Paris Treaty of 1856, and from this alone it may be reasonably inferred that she intends to push her advantage to the utmost. That means the absorption of Turkey, the establishment of her power on the Mediterranean, and the blocking of England's path to the East. It is not for a moment to be supposed that England will sit down quietly under this. And when she strikes with the weapons of war, the Continent will at once become engaged. Every nation will be in arms.

No matter whether such a contest lasts for a longer or a shorter time, it is certain to beget, before it is over, such a perfect horror and detestation of war, such a surfeit of blood and violence and destruction, that the hope is strongly entertained that the reaction in favor of peace will become a permanent sentiment in the human heart. All this fighting for the sake of a half-dozen ambitious or obstinate rulers. It is pitiful. Has the mind of man no higher aims to propose for its best action than what are involved in the slaughter of unnumbered but innocent people? The same contesting powers are active in the invisible world also, striving for the mastery. The demon of war on our plane is receiving all the aid possible from the lovers of violence and passion in the other spheres. The struggle is a severe one, and is probably to become the most severe known to civilized man; but as we believe implicitly in the final triumph of good everywhere, so we put perfect faith in the eventual overthrow, and for all time, too, of this spirit of violence and murder. If one general struggle is to end it, welcome its coming; that thus the result may be the sooner known. Poor humanity has enough else of burden to carry through life, without pausing in its career to destroy its kind. The new age is to be based on ideas of true fraternity, and war can have no possible fellowship with that. Hasten the day when these fierce and wicked strifes are brought to an end. Speed the dawn that ushers in peace and good will everywhere among men.

A Challenge.

No class of religionists are more intensely earnest than Spiritualists, says a London daily paper, and several of those who are resident in this and adjoining cities, having read the manner in which Signor G. Damiani has thrown down the gauntlet to the Orthodox disbelievers in Spiritualism in England, propose to get up, by subscription, a fund to be used as a basis for challenging the opponents of Spiritualism to a full and thorough investigation. Signor Damiani is a Sicilian gentleman, who offers a thousand guineas for any respectable scientific or educated man who, after a thorough investigation, will prove Spiritualism to be an imposture. On his part, he takes the oath of proof, and pledges himself to demonstrate:

1st. That intelligent communications and answers to questions put proceed from dead and inert matter, in a manner inexplicable by any generally recognized law of nature.

2d. That dead and inert matter does move without the aid of any mechanical or known chemical agency, and in defiance of all the admitted laws of gravitation.

3d. That voices pertaining to no one in the flesh are heard to speak and hold rational converse with men.

If such a challenge is given, it will perhaps secure a thorough investigation by men of marked ability and recognized honor.

The Giving Habit.

At a recent breakfast in New York, at which were present a number of American clergymen, and the Rev. Dr. Cather, of London, the discussion being on an association for doing good works on the English plan, the Rev. Mr. Punshon, the English preacher, narrated the following anecdote of two English partners in business, who were approached one day in their office for contributions to some benevolent object. One of them gave cheerfully, but the other refused. When the visitor had gone out, the illiberal man, with tearful eyes, said to his partner, "I would give half my fortune to be able to give as liberally and cheerfully as you have just done. But I have never given a shilling in my life, and I feel that I never can." The story carries its own moral.

Yes! Yes!

Rev. Mr. Hepworth broke out with this exclamation, in his late Sunday discourse in this city: "How I do hate people that always go with the majority!" And he fell at once to berating those who served this or that party for five thousand a year. He would have carried the matter out as he thought if he had but spoken of the tendency among modern preachers to go with their sermons to the pulpit that yielded the largest salary. It is n't politicians altogether who attend sedulously to the increase of their pay. The ministers have a remarkably soft spot on that side, too. What has Mr. Hepworth to say for himself, for example, who left his Boston pulpit to double his salary in New York?

Compulsory Education.

The superiority of Prussia in this trial by war, is cited as the best of current reasons for compelling the entire body of children in a nation to attend school. We could wish so excellent a cause to be supported by a happier argument, for it is little to say in praise of any system of public education, that it will turn out better fighting-men than a condition of popular ignorance. We could rather wish the argument to be like this: that it provided resources for making a population at once more intelligent and happy. Yet intelligence unquestionably proves a protection against war, particularly if directed to the steady elevation of the race. Thus England to-day has a dangerous class under her throne and aristocracy, who have been crowded off the land to make way for the cattle of the large proprietors; and by-and-by, when the hour of commotion and readjustment comes, as come it will, we shall discover at a quick glance that England's pride has proved her weakness, and that her willful neglect of the under classes, who are the real population, is the true secret and key to her overthrow. She will simply be called on to pay the cost of her past living. And so with France, too; if her peasantry had been as well educated and schooled as the entire population of Germany is, we should have witnessed very different conclusions in the current struggle from those which we see now.

As human nature still averages, and until it is everywhere an established fact that parents of every grade would send their children to school at all hazards, if schools were known to be publicly provided, it is a serious question whether there should not reside in every State, or possibly in the Federal Government, a central authority, capable of enforcing attendance on the public schools, so as to guarantee the intelligent discipline which is known to lie, with public morality, at the foundation of every well-ordered State. England began to see her way to this conclusion some little time ago. In Switzerland, public schools are a part of the public system of government. We must ourselves take advanced steps on any we have yet taken. There is an element of ignorance, so large already as to be positively threatening, developing itself in our villages and smaller towns as well as in our large cities, which we are called on to provide against in the only way that secure provision can be made. We cannot have too many free reading rooms and libraries, nor open them too freely for the youthful appetite to feed upon. A vagrant boy may, in a few years, be turned from an inchoate savage into a fine specimen of civilized culture. The difference lies chiefly in opportunity. But the State is bound to provide free schools; and if it goes so far, may it not yet become its duty to compel all youths to attend them? There is a mutual relation between them, and unless the State performs its part it may at last find itself powerless against its ungovernable wards.

Collyer Proves Burns a Medium.

Rev. Robert Collyer, in his lecture on "Robert Burns," before the Parker Fraternity Course in Music Hall, this city, Tuesday evening, Nov. 29th, pictured most graphically Burns's condition as a medium; how he used to be entranced—or, under a "spell," as the speaker sometimes termed it—when he received the inspiration that gave forth his sweet poems, that now find admirers in every household. Mr. Collyer must have had large experience with spiritual mediums of the present day, to have drawn so vivid and truthful a sketch of Burns as a medium, without himself having witnessed the manifestations through Burns. But after making out so clear a case of mediumship in Burns, we thought it very bad taste on the part of Mr. Collyer to kick at those whose similar experience had learned him the truth in regard to Burns. He probably did not imagine there were any Spiritualists present—though half of his large audience were firm believers in spirit communion through the agency of mediums—and thought the slur would be well received; but he evidently felt he had made a mistake, as he saw that his effort at brilliant witicism, delivered in his most fascinating style, fell on the audience like a piece of soft putty. It is not always safe for an orator to go out of his way for the purpose of ridiculing those who believe in the spiritual philosophy, especially here in Boston, unless he wishes to insult a large portion of his audience and display his ill breeding.

Changed Spheres.

Mrs. Experience Baker, (wife of Judah Baker, a well-known merchant of this city,) closed her earthly pilgrimage of fifty-nine years on Saturday, Nov. 26th, 1870. Funeral services were held at her late residence, 385 Broadway, South Boston, on the following Tuesday. Miss Lizzie Dutton addressed the large number of friends present in most appropriate and eloquent language, giving utterance to sentiments in regard to the future life and condition of the departed spirit that must have touched every soul present; while the sweet and cheering songs of the Music Hall choir added in soothing aching hearts. Mr. and Mrs. Baker have long enjoyed the blessed truths of Spiritualism, and the knowledge thus gained proved sufficient in the hour of trial. It opened the door to immortal life for one, and is a shining light to guide the other in earth-life till his time shall arrive to join his companion in the higher life. Mrs. Baker was a rare type of the noble woman. She was loved by all who enjoyed her acquaintance. The poor who shared her generous bounty will ever bless her memory. Truly "earth has one angel less—heaven one more."

Indian Affairs.

Gen. Parker, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, gives in his report an encouraging account of the relations with the various tribes. No serious outbreaks or hostilities have occurred during the past year, and quiet has generally prevailed among them. The exceptions are very few, and with these the prospect is that by judicious management a more hopeful and promising condition of affairs will exist in the future. This is indeed gratifying intelligence. It took us a long time to convince the nation and its rulers that justice to the Indian wards of the Government, instead of by unscrupulous individuals solely for gain, would eventuate in peace all along the border, and save millions of dollars to the treasury. We were condemned for our plain talk. But time rights all wrong. We are satisfied.

"Is It the Despair of Science?"

We have seen a note from the first of American poets, in which he says: "I have read Prof. Gunning's little book with deep interest. It is written tersely and vigorously; its literary merit alone is noteworthy. The theme it discusses is grave and important, and deserves the earnest consideration of scientific men."

Mrs. J. H. Foster, medium, in Brooklyn, N. Y., advertises in another column that she will hold private sances.

Christmas Gifts.

As the holidays are near at hand, and as many of our readers no doubt intend to make Christmas presents to their friends, we would suggest the following as suitable books to purchase for this purpose, viz.: "THE FOUNTAIN," with Jests of New Meanings, illustrated with one hundred and forty-two engravings. It is a book teeming with thoughts for men and pictures for children. "THE YEAR-BOOK OF SPIRITUALISM." A record of its Facts, Science and Philosophy. This work contains interesting essays by the leading Spiritualists of Europe and America, etc., etc. "A KISS FOR A BLOW," by Henry C. Wright. This book is printed on fine tinted paper. "BRANCHES OF PALM." This work was given through the mediumship of Mrs. J. S. Adams, and is replete with grand truths every friend of progress should possess. "POEMS FROM THE INNER LIFE," by Lizzie Dutton. We especially recommend this talented book of poems, which has already reached its seventh edition; full gilt binding. "POEMS," by the well-known medium, Achas W. Sprague, now a resident of the spirit-world. "THE SPIRITUAL HARP." A collection of vocal music for the choir, congregation and social circle. "THE VOICES." A poem in three parts, by Warren S. Barlow, Esq. It is a live poem upon a live subject. "ALICE VALE." A story of the times, by Lois Walsbrook—a writer of merit. Also, "HELEN HARLOW'S VOY," by the same author. "POEMS OF JEAN INGELW," elegantly bound—tinted paper, gilt top, etc. "THE FAITHFUL GUARDIAN," or, Out of the Darkness into the Light: A story of struggles, trials, doubts and triumphs, by J. William Van Namee. "VOICES OF THE MORNING," by Miss Belle Bush; a splendid volume of poems, that everybody should have in their libraries. The beautiful poem, "The Artist and the Angel," is alone worth the price of the book.

All the above works are for sale at this office. For prices, see advertisements, or send for our catalogue.

"In Memoriam."

The numerous friends and acquaintances of the late Henry C. Wright will be interested to learn that his mortal body lies in an enclosure on Oak avenue, (lot No. 4, group 291) in Swan Point Cemetery, Providence, R. I., and that over it a handsome marble obelisk, eight feet in height, has been placed, bearing the following inscription:

"HENRY C. WRIGHT, Born August 29, 1797; died August 16, 1870. The steadfast Advocate of Anti-Slavery, Peace, Temperance, and Human Brotherhood. Erected by his Hellenic friend, Phoebus Fisk."

"So this alone the task to speak
Of comfort to the poor and weak;
And dry the tear on Sorrow's cheek;
But, mingled in the conflict war,
To pour the fiery breath of storm
Through the harsh trumpet of Reform;
To brave Opinion's settled frown,
From eremite robes and solitary gown,
While wrestling loved and loved for down."

The "Hellenic friend" who erected this monument, wished to be allowed to do so as a heartfelt tribute to the memory of a world-embracing humanitarian and reformer from one born on a foreign soil. He also caused a monument to be reared, at his own expense, some years ago, over the remains of Captain Drayton, at New Bedford, the latter having been imprisoned at Washington for assisting a certain number of slaves to obtain their freedom by flight.

Two Great Subjects.

The two lectures, "The Word and the Works," and "The Unity of God," by two of our ablest inspirational speakers, Thomas Gales Foster and Emma Hardinge, delivered in the Music Hall course of lectures in this city last winter, and published together by us in pamphlet form a few weeks ago, at the low price of twenty cents, ought to be sold by the hundred thousand copies and distributed broadcast. Spiritualists cannot spread the truth in a more effective way than this.

Before the pamphlet was issued, we received numerous calls for it. One correspondent writing from Washington, says: "Great interest is manifested in the Orthodox portion of our community in regard to Maj. Forster's lecture on 'The Unity of God.' I procured all the Banners I could find containing it and distributed them among preachers, professors, and Doctors of Divinity. And now I suggest that you print it in cheap form for circulation. I will take fifty copies, and I know of a number of friends that will do likewise. A friend at my elbow also suggests that you print Emma Hardinge's splendid lecture, 'The Two Bibles of the Nineteenth Century; or, the Irrepressible Conflict between the Word and the Works,' in connection with Forster's. These two lectures would do immense work in detroning theology, and opening the eyes of the spiritually blind."

Friends, everywhere, we have complied with the above request, and the pamphlet now awaits your orders. Don't wait another day without sending for one or more copies.

The North-western Woman Suffrage Association.

The annual Convention of the North-western Woman Suffrage Association commenced at Detroit, Mich., Tuesday morning, Nov. 29th, with a small attendance. Mrs. M. A. Hazlett, President, delivered the annual address. Susan B. Anthony spoke for a few minutes, urging chiefly that the women engaged in the movement should aim to hold the balance of power between the two great parties of the land, and not content themselves with joining either republican or democratic organizations. In this way only could they secure real power in the nation, and obtain the rights at present practically denied them by both parties. In the afternoon, resolutions claiming the ballot as a right, and expressing determination to continue efforts to have their principles incorporated into the legislative action of the State and Union, were reported and discussed. In the evening, addresses were delivered by Lillie Peckham, of Milwaukee, Adam Elder, of Detroit, Judge Broadwell, of Chicago, and others.

Music Hall Spiritual Meetings.

Thomas Gales Foster will give his second address in the Music Hall course, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 11th. His ability and soundness as a lecturer are conceded by all. He never fails to win the earnest attention of his large audiences. His time is limited here, owing to engagements elsewhere; and those who would listen to his grand discourses should not miss this opportunity. Hudson Tuttle, of Ohio, gave an interesting lecture in the above-named hall, Sunday afternoon, Nov. 27th, on "The Evidences of Spiritualism." The quartette rendered the music in artistic style. Miss Thomas, who sang the air in "Gates Ajar," has an unusually fine alto voice.

Spiritualists must not allow our Children's Lyceums to languish for adequate support. It is all important that they be continued in every portion of our country.

Movements of Lecturers and Mediums.

Mrs. Laura H. Hatch, of this city, the musical medium, has become so fully developed that her musical efforts are truly astonishing, and baffle the shrewdest skeptic. While entranced she plays upon the piano with extraordinary skill; but her vocalization is still more startling. We heard her, a few evenings since, sustain the four parts of a quartette, with an entire change of voice in each part. No artists in their normal condition would venture on such a feat. She went from treble to base, tenor to alto, with perfect ease, and not the slightest strain or defect in her voice could be detected, and when asked if such efforts did not overtax her strength and exhaust her vitality, she replied in the negative, adding that she felt rested and more quiet for having been under spirit-control.

A. B. Whiting will lecture in Louisville, Ky., during December. Address care of Henry Turner, Jefferson street, between 22d and 23d, Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Helen R. Leeds has resumed her sances at 26 Dwight street, Boston.

A. E. Carpenter, State Agent, is on a lecturing tour in Western Massachusetts. He proposes to lecture in Baldwinville, Dec. 5th; Athol, 6th; Orange, 7th; North Leverett, 8th; Sunderland, 9th; Leverett, Sunday, Dec. 10th; Amherst, 12th; Belchertown, 13th; Wilbraham, 14th.

Miss Julia J. Hubbard speaks in Manchester, N. H., Dec. 4th and 11th.

Lyman C. Howe, says the Chicago Religious-Philosophical Journal, the distinguished trance speaker, has been occupying the rostrum at Music Hall the last three Sundays, and we are free to say that he has nobly sustained the reputation that preceded him here. His discourses are logical, eloquent, and well calculated to instruct the most critical audience. His poetic improvisations are grand, and calculated to instill within the mind a love of the beautiful.

Mrs. Emma R. Still, the inspirational speaker, is spoken of very highly by E. Heywood, of Princeton, for her intelligent and impressive eloquence as a lecturer.

J. H. Powell was well received in Providence, and gave two most excellent discourses. The evening discourse, "Where are the Mighty Dead?" was a most triumphant vindication of Spiritualism. His services will be required there again.

Judge S. B. McCracken, of Detroit, Mich., has entered the lecturing field.

The American Spiritualist speaks as follows in reference to Father Baker: "This dear, good brother, formerly one of the editors of the American Spiritualist, and an earnest worker and speaker in the gospel of angels, is now in a disabled condition. He is very poor, and almost helpless. He has recently had paralytic shocks, benumbing his limbs and side. He is unable to earn anything, even scarcely write a letter, yet his head is clear, and his heart full of love. For months he has been expecting to be called to the spirit-world. Now, brothers and sisters, there is no one more deserving of our love in the shape of dollars than Bro. Baker. We, too, shall grow old by-and-by. Give him a greeting that has soul in it. Send your heaven-blessed gifts to Joseph Baker, Janesville, Wis."

Miss E. Annie Hinman recently gave four lectures in Keeno, N. H., to audiences that crowded the hall, says a correspondent, "and the people were deeply interested. A great change has taken place here."

Mrs. S. A. R. Waterman, the psychometer and medium, now resides at Kankakee, Ill.

Silver Wedding in Charlestown.

Washington Hall was, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 30th, the scene of a large and happy gathering of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hatch, in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding. The hall was crowded—exercises conducted by Dr. A. H. Richardson. The Boston Lyceum Quartette (Messrs. D. N. Ford, C. W. Sullivan, Miss M. A. Sanborn and Annie Cayvan) executed a fine selection; Sarah A. Byrnes gave the invocation; N. S. Greenleaf, of Lowell, performed the marriage ceremony, blending tastefully the elements of the ludicrous and the solemn in his address. Dr. J. H. Currier, of Boston, made the presentation speech—quite a liberal supply of presents having been brought by the friends; Dean Clark read a letter from the fellow-workmen of Mr. Hatch, sent with a present from them in token of their appreciation; Dr. S. Grover read an original poem; Maria Adams and Stella Coggins sang; Miss Lucette Webster recited finely a poetical selection, as also did Capt. Brown, of Nebraska; Charles W. Sullivan and Mary A. Sanborn sang (by request) "Mr. and Mrs. Snibbs;" Mrs. Susie A. Willis, of Lawrence, Fannie B. Felton, of Everett, Dean Clark and I. P. Greenleaf, of Boston, made a few pertinent remarks; George A. Bacon, as a representative of C. Fannie Allyn, read a letter and poem prepared by her for the occasion; and songs were sung by C. W. Sullivan and Hattie C. Richardson. After a speech by Mr. Hatch, in response to a hearty call, in which he expressed, as far as his feelings would permit, his gratitude to the friends assembled, the festivities of the evening commenced, a collation was partaken of, and those attending departed with mutual good wishes.

Historic Americans.

The lectures of Theodore Parker, entitled "Historic Americans," have been issued in a volume uniform with Mr. Parker's other works, says the Boston Daily Advertiser. Mr. O. B. Frothingham contributes a brief introduction, explaining the circumstances under which these four lectures, on Franklin, Washington, John Adams and Jefferson, were prepared in 1838, and three of them delivered in the first Fraternity course, with the last flickerings of Mr. Parker's strength. The essays are perhaps the most remarkable examples in existence of the writer's peculiar power and method, his province of idol-breaking, and his skill in turning history into purposes of argument.

We have not yet seen this work. The publisher probably forgot us.

J. M. Peebles and the American Spiritualist.

The last number (Nov. 19th) which we have received of our lively contemporary, informs us that this gentleman, (who was for some time editor of the Western Department of the Banner of Light,) is about to be added to the list of editors already engaged on the American Spiritualist. Should he be obliged to return to the East, (he being by appointment U. S. Consul at Trebesond, Turkey,) he will act as its foreign editor and correspondent; otherwise he will enter upon the editorial duties connected with the Spiritualist, at the commencement of its fourth volume—Jan. 1st, 1871. We wish Bro. Peebles success in the new position he is about to assume.

There is to be an octavo Sunday paper in Boston.

Spiritualist Lyceums and Lectures.

Boston.—Mercantile Hall.—Sunday morning, Nov. 27th, a good number of scholars and spectators attended the session of the Children's Progressive Lyceum at this hall. Songs by Charles W. Sullivan, Maria Adams, Hattie C. Richardson, answers to questions, and remarks by Mrs. Cora L. V. Tappan, Hudson Tuttle and George A. Bacon diversified the exercises.

Spiritual Conference.—Meeting called to order by the President, H. S. Williams. M. T. Dole chosen Secretary pro tem. Question for consideration: "Clairvoyance—What is its nature, and what are its proofs?" In the absence of the regularly appointed introducer, the President called upon Mr. George A. Bacon to open the debate. He confessed himself unprepared to do justice to the merits of the question. Clairvoyance was defined to be clear-seeing, or seeing through other than the usual channels. Its method or mode of action was replete with mystery. Science was unwilling to fully admit its claims, though not a few scientific men recognized its facts. Pure or simple clairvoyance was not to be confounded with spirit-seeing, so called. A. J. Davis, one of the earliest and very best of clairvoyants, disclaimed being a medium. The nature of clairvoyance was spiritual. This was its origin and basis. In numberless instances it had demonstrated its independence over and its superiority to the physical senses. Its operation was analogous to that of intuition. Dr. A. P. Pierce and a score of others, of this city, have given overwhelming evidence of possessing this wondrous power. The speaker related several deeply interesting facts which had come under his own observation. The fruits of clairvoyance were a mass of extraordinary facts, which no man or class of men could gainsay—of a personal, social and medical character, ameliorative and humanitarian in tendency, purpose and result.

At the close of Mr. Bacon's speech, Messrs. Wetherbee, Carpenter, Wright, Albro, Packard and Chesley followed, some remarks being also made by Dr. H. B. Storor and a lady whose name was not given.

Voted to continue the question for debate on Sunday evening, Dec. 11th. John Wetherbee was chosen President for the next month. Adjourned.

Temple Hall.—O. M. Huggins, President, Boylston-street Spiritualist Association, informs us that two interesting exercises for spirit communion were held at this hall, 18 Boylston street, Sunday morning and afternoon, Nov. 27th. In the evening, Mrs. Abbie N. Burnham lectured. Subject: "A tree is known by its fruits." A large audience was present, and marked attention and general appreciation were manifested.

"The Temple Hall Lyceum met at 170 Tremont street—Mr. Maguire, Conductor, Mrs. Dana, Guardian. This Lyceum was fairly attended, but still we need encouragement and assistance." Speaking by the children and other exercises completed the session.

Dorchester.—Union Hall.—Mrs. Floyd continues to interest good audibles by her labors in this hall, every Sunday and Thursday evening, and much attention is being attracted toward Spiritualism in consequence.

Charlestown.—The last meeting of the Social Science Association with the First Spiritualist Association took place at the residence of Dr. A. H. Richardson, 93 Main street, Thursday evening, Nov. 17th. A pleasant gathering of mutual friends was the result. Remarks by various speakers and general conversation consumed the time.

Oak Grove.—Harmony Hall.—The meeting of this Lyceum, Sunday morning, Nov. 27th, was well attended. The regular programme of this and kindred institutions was varied with answers from the younger groups to the question: "Which is the most beautiful—the sun or moon?" and by the older ones: "Are amusements conducive to health?" Declarations were participated in by Misses Rita Willis, Lillian Perry, Ellen Murray, George Martain, Minnie Black, and Master George Pierson.

In the evening Dr. John H. Currier, of Boston, addressed a crowded house. The lectures thus far carried on under the auspices of this Lyceum, have been very successful.

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 29th, this Lyceum, through its Committee of Arrangements, gave a "pound party" at its monthly hall for the enjoyment of the little ones, although the occasion was improved by those of larger growth as well. A recitation was given by Miss George Martain, and dancing, games, marching, &c., &c., were participated in. The highest degree of satisfaction was evinced by the numerous company present.

Chelsea.—A correspondent writes: "Sunday, the 27th ult., Granite Hall was well filled with an appreciative audience, to listen to Dean Clark, who spoke with eloquence and force on the duties of Spiritualists. His remarks were appropriate and truthful, and were received with amen. Charles A. Hayden, of Malen, also addressed the audience in his own peculiar manner, and was greeted heartily. The choir sang, to the admiration of all, and Mr. J. Frank Baxter played and sang two most touching and beautiful pieces. The meetings are the most pleasing and instructive this season of any previous. This month the platform is to be filled by Thomas Gales Foster, of Washington, D. C."

North Scituate.—Concord Hall.—J. P. Greenleaf delivered two eloquent lectures at the above hall, Nov. 27th. Subject A. M. "Not so—let all grow together until the harvest." P. M., "Reason."

Waltham.—Prof. William Denton is continually at work in the lecturing field, receiving everywhere the attention of large audiences. He addressed the Spiritualists of Waltham, Mass., Sunday, Nov. 20th, and lectured at Marlboro and Hudson, Sunday, Nov. 27th.

New Subscribers.

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