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Spiritual Phenomena.

"MORAVIA" CORRESPONDENCE.

[We have within the last six months been favored with many highly interesting communications from correspondents in relation to the wonderful spirit manifestations that have been and are now transpiring at Moravia, in Cavuga County, New York. Lack of editorial time to examine and space to print, has alone prevented their appearance before in the Banner. As the subject is one of the deepest interest to most of our readers, we have determined, however, to make room for several of them, as given below, which we think are a fair sample of others that have come to hand, but to which we cannot give place in our crowded columns.

' THE DEMANDS OF JUSTICE.

DEAR BANNER-Many of your readers, as well as many who are not your readers, are no doubt painfully perplexed by the Moravian-Keeler Andrews exhibitions. Thousands have rejoiced when reporters have been bafiled in their efforts to "explode the humbug," taking it for granted that if a humbug, those shrewd ones would have made a grand exposé. Hundreds are weekly paving large sums of money to see and converse with their spirit-friends, and are alternately rapturous or despairing, as they believe in or feel doubtful of these incomprehensible manifestations.

Of the intensity of feeling excited by these scances, none can have any conception until they have been one among a company of believers in them. I once beheld a joyous party of sailing pleasure-seekers suddenly confronted with death, as the boat was struck by a nearly fatal flaw of wind. I was a listener to the shrieks of many mothers, when a balloon made its escape with two little boys on board, and each one feared her precious child was lost. I was a looker-on when, in the midst of a hilarious crowd, a conspicuous gay young man was stricken dead to the earth with heart disease, and yet, strange as it may seem, I never realized more palpable consternation and dismay than at Mr. Keeler's, Thursday, 6 P. M., Oct. 26th, when, at the close of an unsually fascinating scance, Mrs. Andrews's mouth was found to be blackened by the printer's ink which had previously been applied to the tin trumpet through which it was asserted "the spirits" had been freely addressing us.

The little band of believers who had been especially invited by a most liberal seeker after rounding the medium by the best conditions, was determined to insure the very highest results possible,) were so happy in their implicit trust, so doubt." When he was about to leave, a gentlebeatified and transported by what they considered man thanked him for the address and the inforthe heavenly visitations, that the reaction was mation he had given, and asked to whom we were terrible. Further investigation proved that, on obliged. The spirit laughed, and said, "You have that occasion at least candor was at discount.

wide notoriety. M. A. CAMPBELL. Ridge Mills, Oneida Co., N. Y., Oct. 31st, 1871.

A WEEK AT MORAVIA. Leaving Albany on the 11:40 train, Sunday evening, Nov. 19th, I arrived (after a very pleasant journey) at the village of Moravia, Cayuga Co., N. Y., on the following morning, about ten o'clock. In the afternoon, I attended a scance in the spirit room. During the dark circle which precedes the light one. (in which the spirits show themselves.) the medium'sits in the dark room with the visitors, and remains mutil the spirits call for a light. After the lamp is lighted, she retires into the cabinet, the door if closed, and she is left in perfect darkness, while those visiting are in a light room, with the lamp so shaded as to throw a full glare upon the aperture or window in the cabinet at which the spirits appear. While in the dark circle, all were sprinkled with water, as if a small clothes-broom dipped in water had been suddenly shaken in our faces. It was veritable water (I felt the trickling down my face), but it soon evaporated. Lights about as large as the blaze of a candle floated around the room and near the ceiling. Almost every one in the room was patted on the hands or face; some were called by name, and some spirits told their own names. The visitors usually sing, and the spirits join in with them-generally one, two or three voices, male and female - and make splendid music. In the light circle, the first spirit that I saw was an elderly person calling himself Dr. Baker. He spoke through a trumpet for several minutes, and gave some very good ideas. After him came a young Indian girl.* She pointed to me, and said, "There are two men and a woman. who are trying to show themselves to you, but

cannot this day." The spirits notified us it was

time to let the medium out of the cabinet, and the séance closed. Tuesday, Nov. 21st.-At the scance to day, the dark circle was much the same as yesterday. When the light was called for, the company were singing "John Brown" A spirit with a white beard and long white hair came to the aperture. and said, "Friends, I am glad to see you here,' and delivered quite an address. He said, "You have come to Moravia to see strange things, but they will be seen in other places besides Moravia within a few months; and within a few years, at truth, (who, by excluding all skepticism, and sur- furthest, you will meet your spirit friends on the highway, and they will come into your houses. and you will recognize them without fear or been singing 'John Brown's body lies mouldering and our holiest, tenderest susceptibilities had in the grave,' and you did not know John Brown been cruelly trifled with, and we victimized by when he was talking to you." A pair of arms deception. Then came the rack of uncertainty with sleeves with peculiar bands at the wrist were shown. The hands were clasped together. much is fraudulent?" "Is it all produced by spirit as if in supplication or prayer. They were recognized by a Mrs. G., of Utica, as those of her sister. viduals?" were questions repeated and re repeat- who was drowned at Rome, N. Y. She knew the sleeves and hands at the wrist. A number of Nothing was substantiated by the attempted spirits came that were recognized, and some that were not. Finally, the seance closed for the fore-On going down stairs, I found that Mr. Wand Mr. C----, of Troy, N. Y., had arrived at Moravia on the common errand. In the afternoon, we again went into the spirit room. In the dark circle, floating lights were seen. Singing was executed by spirits and mortals, in which the spirits by far excelled. Spirits were around among the spirit patted Mr. W- on the knee, and said, 'Never mind Storms, W----." Mr. W--- seemed to understand, and thanked the spirit for the counsel. The spirits called for a light, when a number of spirits came and were recognized by and said to Mrs. B., "I am the son of the lady embroidered bands at the wrist, and ruffles on the liant ring on the forefinger, were shown; but nel-. Wednesday, Nov. 22d .- We went up to the spirit pointed to a lady sitting in the back row of the circle, and said, "Anna." The lady said, " Is that you, Lettie?"-when the spirit smiled, and pointed aperture keeping time with its fingers on the edge spirit of her friend, a young music teacher. The séance closed. In the afternoon, we again went to the spirit room. Dark circle about as usual. When the light was called for, the spirits commenced presenting themselves at the aperture. Many of them were recognized by the visitors. A young woman came, and called, loud enough for all in the room to hear, "Minervia," A lady who had

for the Moravian wonders have gained a world- | little sister." They conversed some time on sub- ; tions at once ceased, and the star became invisi- ; had found, on entering the cabinet, that a trap jects which they seemed to understand. A hand ble. The spectacles my son removed from my and part of an arm were pressured at. the aper- head were a pair that he placed there himself for ture. A lady-a Mrs. H., of Boston, Mass.-said, "Will that spirit let me see her face?" In an in- When he presented them to me, he said, "Mothstant the face came, and was recognized by Mrs. H. as her mother, who passed away in England find it necessary to use spectacles, wear these I about a year before. She had on a cap of dotted muslin, with a very high crown and full border peobles in gold frames. After the light was lit of plain material, with narrow lace on the edge. It was tied under the chin with strings of the aperture. I caught sight of a face in a corner of same material as the border, with lace on the ends. The spirit asked her daughter to forgive that spirit for me?" and at the same moment the the injustice done her, and said, " You were right, and I was wrong." She kissed her hand to Mrs. | if so, please come out in the light?" The spirit H. when she left, Mrs. H. told us her mother was bitterly opposed to Spiritualism, and persecuted full glare of the light, looked at the gentleman her greatly on account of her belief. Circle closed.

> and among them a little girl medium who saw and described spirits. We all went into the spirit room in the evening, to have a sitting with the little medium. She described for a number present. To me she said: "There is a young man standing by you, who calls you mother. He wishes me to tell you not to be disappointed if you do not see him while you are here. He fears he will not be able to show himself to you, but he will come to you, and so identify himself that you will know it is him. He wishes you to stay a few days longer than you intended, in order to give other friends a chance to come to you, so that you can see them." I intended to have left the next day, but that decided me to stay longer; The seance closed.

Thursday, Nov. 23d .- We went into the sniritroom at about ten o'clock. In the dark-circle, everything about as usual; in the light circle many spirits showed themselves, some of whomwere recognized. Circle closed. In the afternoon party of four (three ladies and a gentleman) arrived. They wanted a scance by themselves. We, who intended to stay longer, gave way for them: they said that they must leave as soon as the scance ended. They went into the spirit room. and soon we heard the plano, but as that was a common occurrence, we thought nothing of it. Soon Mr. W. came into the sitting-room, saying, "The spirits are dancing We sil then went into the parlor, which is situated immediately under the spirit room. They were dancing what seemed to be a quadrille, and had a person to call off. They danced the set, and seemed to finish up with a jig or breakdown. When the party came down tairs they told us that, as soon as the light was put out, a spirit voice called to a young lady of the party to go to the plano. She went and played a dancing air without thinking of what would mend danging in a shace of not he spirits con tense darkness. This was all the manifestation the party had, and the circle closed. Friday, Nov. 24th .- There was an early scance Troy leaving on the nine o'clock train. In the spirits. The same spirit who spoke to Mr. W. the first day he was here, came again and patgo away satisfied, if he could hear again a certain spirit-voice sing one that he had admired very much each time he had heard it. In a few moments the voice commenced to sing beautifully." "I would not live alway." . Mr. W. said he was satisfied, and the circle then closed, as the time had arrived for them to go. The carriage that came to take Messis. W. and C. to the depot. brought a young man to Mr. Keeler's whom none of us knew. At ten o'clock we all went into the snirit-room again. When Mr. Keeler attends a duties permit) he always takes a seat at the exoften two semi-circular rows) but Mr. Keeler being absent from this séance, I took his seat, which brought me next to the partition of the cabinet, um of uncommon power, possessing rare spiritual it was in a degree owing to his medium power were more numerous, and much more brilliant. continued; also the sprinkling of water. The singing by mortals, in which male and female spirit-voices joined, was splendid. Among the floating lights was one, star-like in appearance. that seemed to work by itself, or for a purpose of its own. Finally it became detached from the rest of the lights, and floated away to the extreme corner of the room, when it commenced to cross and re-cross the room, becoming a little nearer to me each time it crossed. It was nearly as high up as the ceiling. My whole attention was attracted to it. Soon it gained a position immedimy eyes to look upward, I was aware of a presence around me, and in a moment the sweet voice of my spirit-son said, "Mother!-mother!" He took hold of my left hand and patted it so lovinghis, as I could feel a hand on each side of mine. He then raised his hand to my head, and smoothmy spectacles, and then seemed to take hold with both hands and take the spectacles entirely from my head, and then place them back again-this the spirits called for a light, my son's manifesta- | exclaiming, "What does all this mean?" She

the first time, some seven or eight years ago. er, do not use those old glasses any more; if you put upon your head." They were a pair of fine the spirits commenced to show themselves at the the opening that gave me a start. I asked, "Is stranger gentleman said, " Is that Mr. Shumway? came square to the front of the aperture, in the and shook his head, and then turned to me and nodded smilingly. I was right in my first im-This afternoon a party came from a distance, pression-it was my husband! He stood before

me smiling; his lips were moving, as if holding an earnest conversation, although I heard no sound. As he seemed about to move away I called him back, saying, " Do not leave; I want to see you again." In a moment he was back again, and my mother stood beside him, looking so happy and smiling at me. She stood long enough for all in the room to observe that she wore a cap with a full border on each side, and, plain across the top, with loops of narrow white satin ribbon in the border on each, and tied under the chin with white satin ribbon. She wore (as in life) a band of brown hair across the forehead. The hand seemed nushed back a little too high, and showed some of her gray hair below the hand-which

was very natural. She looked precisely as she did when in the form. As she was moving away, I asked her to come back again that I might see her more. She nodded, smiled, and was gone, but did, not return. My hushand went out of sight, and returned five or six times at my request. Each time he came I looked at him closely; I saw a dimple on his cheek and a peculiar wrinkle in the out-corner of his eye-the same he used to have in earth-life when much pleased All was so life-like! My husband looked as he used to in health, and very much better than he did for months before he passed away; his lips moved as if talking, but I did not see my mother's lips move at all. I looked after them until they were gone; I felt the great question answered-that the soul lived on, and, under proper conditions, could return and look at, and be looked upon, by those left behind! The scance had been an exciting one to me. - All those that I had been associated with for a number of days seemed to rejoice with me at my good fortune, for they had all heard my son call me " mother," and had seen my husband and mother, and had heard and seen follow, but in a moment a set was formed, and all that I had. The circle closed. In the afternoon we adjourned to the spirit-room again. The more than eight feet by eight, and in the most in- dark circle was much as usual, except that the stranger gentleman attempted to play some tricks, which were detected at once. After the light was lit, a number of spirits came and were recogthis morning on account of Messrs. W. and C. of nized. A young lady in the circle had been stopping several days at Mr. Keeler's, and was known dark circle we were sprinkled with water, float- to every one in the house as Mrs. Smith; but at ing lights were seen, and persons were touched by | this circle a spirit came and said loud enough for all to hear, "Mary Brindle!" when the lady at once responded to it, saying that such indeed was. ted him on the knee, saying, "Give smiles where her name, but that, coming there a perfect stranyou receive frowns, W." Mr. W. thanked his ger, she had assumed the name of Mrs. Smith, in friend for his advice, and then said that he would the hopes that if her spirit-friends did present themselves to her, they would call her by her real name, and thus make the test greater. She recognized the spirit as that of her cousin, from Detroit, Mich. A number of spirits came who were not recognized. The scance closed. Saturday, Nov. 25th,--We went into the spiritroom at ten, o'clock A. M. The stranger gentleman had shown a good deal of distrust of the medium before we went into the spirit-room. He had offered the medium fifty dollars if she would allow him to sit in the cabinet with her. She was circle (which he does as often as his outside very indignant at being suspected of fraud, but told him that she had too much regard for her treme left of the inside row of chairs, (for there are reputation to allow any gentleman to sit in the cabinet alone with her, but said if any lady in the house would sit there with them she would have no objection; but there was no lady presand nearest to the aperture at which the spirits ont with sufficient nerve to sit in the cabinet, show themselves. In consequence of sitting next in the dark with the spirits. He told Mr. Keeto the partition my left hand was free. The next ler that he would deposit five hundred dollars seat on my right was occupied by a Mr. Eston, of in a gentleman's hands, and that he would for-Rochester, a quiet, unassuming man, but a medi- | feit it to Mr. Keeler if he did not prove that the manifestations of spirit-faces are a humbug, gifts. He was holding my right hand, and I think provided Mr. Keeler would get him admission to the cabinet with the medium, during the and good influence that this circle was, to me, one seance. Mr. Keeler told him he had no control never to be forgotten. The dark circle was more over the medium, with regard to his sitting with than usually interesting. The floating lights her in the cabinet, but anything he could do he would, to give him a chance to investigate; and The patting on the hands and faces of the visitors he further said: "Young man, I do not want your money, but if you can detect anything like trick or fraud, or that the manifestations are anything but what we call them-that is, spirits manifesting their power to mortals-I will give five hundred dollars." We then went into the spiritroom. The dark circle was very interesting. Nearly all were sprinkled with water and saluted by spirit-hands. The lights were numerous and brilliant, and the spirits sang as if they were intent on something. Two female spirit-voices sang so sweetly that many were affected to tears, and when the organ-like male voice joined them the ately over my head, and, while I was straining effect was indescribable. About the middle of the seance a voice spoke loud and strong, saying: "George, you can control the spirit of your fatherin-law better than you can your own spirit." There was silence, until a gentleman in the comly; he seemed to have my hand between both of pany remarked: " If there is a George in the room why does he not respond to the spirit?" Silence for a moment, and then the same spirit-voice ed my forehead. He drummed on the glasses of said, "George, you can rest your back better where you are than you will in your vault." Soon the spirits called for a light. When the light was ready, the medium arose, as usual, to go into the operation being repeated three times. Just then | cabinet, to be closed in, when she started back,

had been laid to detect trickery, if she was guilty of any. No one knew anything, about it except the stranger gentleman-it being his doings. We were all surprised, and all appeared to disapprove of It. The medium was furious; her indignation knew no bounds; she felt that she was honest and truthful, and wished others to regard her so. The stranger tried to excuse himself, but the medium could not or would not be reconciled to him, and all present sympathized with her. The stranger left, but, before going, he stated that he was the George that the spirit spoke to, and that he understood what the spirit referred to. He said that at the very moment the spirit spoke about his back it was aching and feeling very uncomfortable; yet none in the form (save himself) could possibly have been aware that such was the case. The medium informed us the next day that he had written her an apology before taking the evening train for home;

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Sunday, Nov. 26th - A housefull of strangers. I'wo ladies from Boston went into the spirit-room. In the dark circle almost immediately the younger of the two was patted on the checks and forehead by spirit-hands, and a spirit called her by name, saying:" Do you not know your brother D---?" She said he was a very dear brother who had passed away about a year previous. She was very much overcome, for she had not thought it possible for spirits to come back and make themselves known. The spirit-room was filled with strangers all day, so many happening to come on that day who could not at any other time, neither could they stay long.

I left on Monday, Nov. 27th (after a remarkably., pleasant_week's sojourn at Mr. Keeler's), well satisfied with everything 1 received saw, and heard. I cannot close this Without saying something about the place and the people. The house stands high up on a hill, where the air is pure and everything in perfect harmony, seeming to be a place where the spirits love to congregate. Those in the form are harmonious, and everybody seeins happy and at home in the hospitable Keeler mansion. The table is supplied with substanial food in abundance, and at a moderate charge. Mrs. Keeler is untiring in her endeavors to make all in the house comfortable. She is one of the most self-denying, patient, and, withal,, harmonious women that I ever met with. 'I love to recall her pleasant, sweet face, and her low, kindly voice, as she moves quietly around the house, looking after the comfort of all. Mr. Keeler is a man to be depended upon-honesty, uprightness and truth are denicted in every feature. He would not step aside from what he thought was right to please any ope. He is sociable and communicative, and firm in his belief of Spiritualism, and in this his sterling integrity shines forth, for he is willing to have honest inquirers come an tigate the manifestations at his house to their satisfaction, and he will help all he can. He says: "If there is anything wrong, I want to know it." He lives very independently, and is surrounded. with everything that can make a farmer's life desirable. He is cheerful and happy, and seems best pleased when all are pleased around him. ... He is doing a great work for both spirits and mortals. I say God bless Mr. and Mrs. Keeler. Mrs. Andrews, the medium, is a pretty, agreeable woman, but, like all honest mediums, she is exceedingly sensitive when suspected of practicing luplicity. I, for one; have the utmost confidence in her truthfulness, and think her incapable of ; practicing deceit. One thing is certain: she has been most unmercifully slandered, as all who have read the New York Sun must know. I shall be glad when the time arrives that a mortal with an organization which spirits can communicate through will be allowed the rights accorded to others, and not be the object on which petty malice can vent its spite and venom, I respect Mrs. Andrews very much as a woman and as a spirit medium, and hope that she may live long. and be the instrument for spirits to come to their friends left behind on earth. In so doing she will be happy herself and coufer happiness on those MRS. CHESTER PACKARD. around her. No. 83 Lancaster street, Albany, N. Y.

and suspense. "How much is genuine?" "How nower?" "Is it all the artifice of avaricious indied, with noue to give a satisfactory answer.

vindication, since some were convinced thereby that it was all charlatanry; others that it was noon. partly spirits and partly mortals, and others that the whole phenomena were presented by spirits. some good, and some mischievous. Now this uncertainty may and must be effectually resolved through the material senses of well-balanced, truth. ful investigators. Justice to Mrs. Andrews, who is placed in a most unenviable position, demands it! Justice to the aged pair (the Keelers,)-who visitors, trying to make themselves known. A have been apparently, and it is to be hoped really and truly so patient, persevering and praiseworthy in their development of these representations - demands it! Justice to the prominent Spiritualists who have endorsed and sustained these Moravian wonders, demands it! Justice to friends. One old lady came. She wore a closethe many who have been wrought up to an fitting cap, with a full border; her face seemed ecstasy almost frenzied by the supposed caress- very small. She had on a black and white striped ings of their beloved dead demands it! Justice silk dress. She pointed to a lady, a Mrs. B., and to the honest skeptic who craves actual demon- said, "Do you not recognize your grandma C ?"stration of future consciousness, and will not be when Mrs. B. immediately recognized her patermocked, demands it! And since no class of peo- nal grandmother. In a few minutes, a man came ple can be so intensely interested in the result as the Spiritualists, the glorious vindication of the just here, and your uncle C. C., your father's brotruth, if it is genuine, or the conscientious denun- ther." Both these spirits gave their names in ciation of the fraud, if it is spurious, should be full. A pair of arms with white sleeves, with alike their duty and their privilege.

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Dear Banner of Light, bring "light" out of this bands, then a delicately-formed hand, with a brildarkness, and merit the eternal gratitude of those who cling to the fond hope that all "these things | ther the arms, hand nor ring were recognized. The are so." Send a picked corps of brave men and seance closed. true, "with no nonsense in them," to sift this matter through and through. Prepare a caye to room at 10 o'clock A. M. Dark circle, with fasten over Mrs. Andrews, sufficiently fine to sprinkling of water; lights floating around; singprove no barrier to magnetic batteries, sufficiently ing by the company, in which the spirits joinedfirm to admit no passing through of false hands one splendid male, and two female voices. After and faces, carefully prevent any collusion with lights were called for, quite a number of spirits accomplices, and then patiently await the result. came, some of whom were known to the company, If faces, hands, and the other phenomena still and some were not. A young lady came and appear, Mrs. Andrews will be freed from the suspicion that now overshadows her, the cause vindicated, and believers triumphant. Otherwise the credulous will no longer be duped and to the piano. The lady got up and went to the the upright indignant. You, is the leading or plano; and played a lively air, the spirit at the gan of the faith or facts, owe this to the community for the encouragement of genuine medi- of the opening. The lady said that it was the ums, and the confusion of impostors.* If it be not done, we must all suffer together in the esti: mation of the public, as deceived and deceivers, and the spot upon our sun not easily obliterated,

• [In relation to this extraordinary feature in the phenomena dwelt upon by Mr. C., we think we can speak understandingly-having been one of a number who were present at a circle at the Banner rooms some years ago, instituted expressly under the strictest test conditions, to ascertain the verity of the electric transfer of color by spirit power- just arrived, and who was in the circle room for and we feel to assure our correspondent that we see no rea- the first time, burst into tears, saying, "My dear son to doubt the genuineness of the manifestations he witnessed. For fuller particulars on the subject, we refer Mr, Dampbell to "Mediums and Mediumship," (pages 89 to 44) by Thomas R. Hazard, also to pages 25 to 26 of "Eleven Days at Moravia," by the same author.—ED. B. or L.]

"This little spirit answers to the names "Sukey" of

MORAVIAN MARVELS.

DEAR BANNER-I send you the following extracts from a private letter of a very interesting. character, which I think you will consider worthy of recording in the Banner of Light. It was addressed to Mrs. C. A. Robbins, of Watkins. N. Y., one of the most able and fervid inspirational speakers on this continent, who had the goodness to forward it to me for perusal.

Beaver Folls, Pa., Feb. 20, 1872. M. A. T. "MY DEAR MRS. ROBBINS-You are no doubt expecting what Mrs. D. and I have found imposexpecting what site, is, and t have round impos-sible to give-details of our treat of all treats in the world. All the manifestations in that happy week at Moravia were enjoyed, for the most part, by a harmonious circle, ranging in numbers at the various sittings, from ten to tweive visitors, There were two very good singers among us, while I made the most of the plane by request of our spirit-friends. 'John Brown' and 'Auld our spinteriends. John brown and Auto Lang Syne' will beneforth be dearer to me than over. We were often accompanied by that fine volce—the same probably of which you spoke— and also a lady's of much sweetness. John Brown and also a lady's of much sweetness. John Brown appeared at the <u>apperture</u> several times, and talked to us. Also, Dr. Baker addressed us individually through the trumper, and told us that the spirits would soon be able to speak to us face to face, in the humblest cottage, taking the place which Jesus filled when on earth. This, he hoped, we should all live to see before leaving the mortal form. Spirits will then be occupying pul-pits, instead of kuman ministers, as now, and no more mediums wanted. * *

"I feel unable to describe the many spirits re-cognized by cthers-scemingly blessing us with the waving of their hands, and varying their movements and careases by sprinklings, pattings, dancings, and keeping perfect time with my play ing. I will attempt only to give you some of the details wherein I felt the closest interest-knowing you will not accuse me of egotism, but will consider the intrinsic value of the facts.

" My beloved came to me in a dark circle, calling me Mary, twice. Then he kissed and caressed me with loving taps on my cheeks. I

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held out my hand and felt his floger-touches on the palm. At other times he patted his own book - 'Life and Letters' - which lay in my

lap, One day we saw ten frees that we recognized, among them ny dear nother. She brought her gold specta les in her hand, but that day was not able to control the elements so as to speak. Then came a spirit, first shaking a blood-stained handketchief outside the a corturie; then the aphandketchief outside the aj erture; then she-ap-peared holding it to her nose, which concealed the features. I had never thought of her could but was impressed to ask, 'Is it my dear Aunt-Asne-Miny,'', when she waved her hand and ingers by way of assent. Many years ago, when she and my uncle, and I were' living with my family in the town of Cheltenham, England, we watched the sad progress of cancer, which com-menced in the nose and finally resulted fatally. My sister her favorite niced, which with the at the menced in the nose and infally resulted ratary. My sister, her favorite nieco, was with her at the last moment. What think, you of this test, my dear Mrs. Robbins?⁴ The next spirit who came that day, was a young lady with beautifal ring. that day, was a young lady with beautifal ring-lets, whom I instantly recognized as that of a sweet consin, who also passed away with cancer in the breast. I requested her to-speak my name and her own, and then watching her well-re-membered lips, heard her say, 'Mary-Janotte,' "Now I must tell you of my last visit from my dear methor who ecame with her being words."

dear mother, who came with her loving words of farewell. All instead to those words of love and connsel, only a few of which 1 can now give you. counsel, önly a few of which I can now give you. She said, 'Mary, will you forgive and forget?' I assured her there was nothing but love for her in my heart, and now, I added, 'You understand me, don't you?' 'Yes, I understand you. My child, you have been wronged, but it will be made right in the future.' About to retire, I asked her to show her dear face onco more; she aga'n ad-yanced and said, 'Mary, be careful and calculate word for the future.'' where the more is she aga'n ad-yanced and said, 'Mary, be careful and calculate word for the future.'' where the induce of words. * swell for the future '--kissed her, hand, so sweetly, * and retired. The deep jey of such a menting and Conversation with a fondly-loved mothor, is past

conversation where all expression. all expression. (*) Dear Mr. Robertson, for some reason, was not (*) Statement of the source of the sour able to show his face, but partly made up for this by manifestations of his preserve. I lost his let-ters in my black case, (which you remember) and in my distress went into the cavinet to ask him if In my discress went into the capture to ask him it he could impress me where to find them. I instantly rose, and walked into a room - tot where I slept -looked belind a large box, and therethey were. Thus was I male happy to go to the next circle, when a spirit said, in roply to the question if he saw any one standing near me, 'Yes, a leady-looking gentleman. Did u't he shrug his ahoulders, when you were flying about after those papers!'' I it quired, 'Did he impress me where to find them?'. 'Yes, and he impressed you where to put them, too, . It seemed cortainly worth while to have lost them, for the sake of what followed.

Affectionately yours, MARY HAY.

36 Edinboro street, Boston." ENTRACT FROM A LETTER

"Addressed to L. Hakes, of "Clay, Onondayo Co. New York," by a lady friend residing in Auburn : "My dear friend, I send you a brief statement." "My dear friend, I send you a brief statement of my visit to Moravia. I had a splendid sitting. I did not call for any of my friends to come; but my father, husband, brother, sister and uncle came; one after another, and talked with me in their own voices. There were only four persons present beside the lady medium. I never saw any of the family before and did not be them have of the family before, and did not let them know my name, or where I came from. They knew nothing about me, and I did not mean they should. We were seated in a dark room. My father first came, and addressed me as his dear daughter; he töld me of, his glorious hömö, and after dwelling, upon that subject for some time, he then pro-nounced upon me a beautiful benediction. It was Nonneed then the a coart in peneticity. It was seen uch then this when in earth-life he was a very moral man. Next came my busband, who said, Sarah, my dear wife, when you sorrow I sorrow, and when you are happy I an happy! Then he went on to describe the beauties of spirit-Then he went on to describe the beauties of spirit-life. Next appeared my sister. She stood for a mioment, as if in prayer, by the cablect window— which was so much like her. She was clothed in pure which. This was done in the light, the spirits having called for the lamp to be lighted. Then came my brother, who showed me his palsied hand, which looked just as get did when in the forme them he held up his sound hand, which had none of its fungers the hale the range me upon one of its fingers the black ring he gave me before he died; and it was on the very same linger upon Which he used to wear it. I did not remove It from his finger until after he was dead. I wish I could tell you all that I saw, it was so beautiful and convincing to me. The minute I went into the house, I felt a harmonious spiritual influence, and it remained with me all the day. If all the world should renounce this belief, I should stand firm, believing that this glorious faith I poisses

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free Thought.

VEGETABLE vs. ANIMAL DIET.

a face presented itself, and rather sarcastically MESSRS. EDITORS-Among your many noble answered, "I think there's as much as one or efforts I see (and I thank you for it) that you do two." Same face said we talked too much. It was recognized by a gentleman from Auburn as not neglect the dumb. animals, Recent state-Ives Parsons-to whom said Ives addressed himments go to prove that cattle, transportated from elf: "You seem to enjoy life pretty well, Allen." the West, come into our markets in a shameful "Yes," was the reply, "I do;" hearing which, our spirit-friend continued, "When I was in the flesh, state of prostration, having sometimes been for days, or many hours, without water or food. That I did not believe in immortality; if I had to live no human being has a right to use these poor again, I would not treat a horse so;" saying creatures in this way, I think will not be queswhich, he disappeared, when to our astonished tioned. That a two-legged animal, calling himgaze appeared the face and well twisted mousself a Christian, should assume this right, lowers tache of the Prince of Erie, James Fisk, Jr., habhim, in my estimation, below the brute he abuses. ited in the naval cap and uniform of the Boston Boston, I should suppose, had had enough of fe-Line, and was recognized instantly, by us, Tom ered, diseased, rotten meat.

Not long since The Israelite (an able and interalling out his name, to which he bowed assent. The medium from within the cabinet said he had esting Jewish paper published in Cincinnati) had 'a kind of buttons on his coat" she had never an article on the casicst method of slaughtering aniseen before; and Keeler said he had never seen mais. What right, I said to myself indignantly, him there before. After him came a face Ned have they to slaughter animals at all? Who gave thought to be his brother Tom; next, a child's them the right to kill, to "slaughter" those harmhand and arm, presenting through the lower open- less creatures God placed upon the earth? If for ing to Tom a pretty, small bouquet, but of peman's benefit, I am confident it can be shown culiar appearance. This was a tolerable test, as that they were for his benefit while they were friend Foster has frequently described 'Tom's lost lieing, and not (except incidentally) when dead. Is sister, Gertrude, as showing herself with such it not enough that a cow gives you luscious milk, offering to him. A number of hands were then splendid butter and cheese? must you needs add shown, six and eight together, and through three few more dollars to your thence stenchy, dasdifferent openings-one a lady's, with wedding tardly purse, by killing her and solling her dead ring on the middle finger - and voices called body to be consumed by human beings? Is it 'Charley," and "Charley Shaw;" but, as nothing not enough that the sheep gives you wool? must more important occurred, we shall end this seyou "slaughter "her, too, to gratify the vulgar ance, and after passing through a night of refreshstomachs of vulgar bipeds, called noble créatures ing slumber in a chamber next to the mysterions in God's image? "Thou shalt not kill" is a divine command-divine to-day, yesterday, and for-This was a lovg dark circle interspersed with ever. If you say this was applied to man only, I

Brown's hody, &c." A female spirit said, "Please would reply that I believe I can find more usegive me a light." The light was brought. Sevless, harmful men upon the earth than four-footeral faces now appeared, and one which kindly ed beasts, and that it would be a greater blessing said: "Dear friends, don't gaze so attentively; to rid the world of the former than of the latter. we cannot materialize." A beautiful hand and If you must kill, will kill, then hunt up the human arm appeared twice: next an old lady's face, and brutes, (if not a misnomer,) those drunken, idle another with a singularly large nose. A lady vagabonds, the leners of society, those who never with a red flower on her head was instantly regave and never will give, for the good of the race, cognized, and addressed by Doctor P-n, of a pound of wool, a pound of butter or cheese, or Flint, Mich., as Malvina, his sister, to which she even an egg, put them deep under the sod, and responded, "Yes, Charloy; it's me." Another felet their place be supplied by some hen, some male face softly whispered "Ida " several times. goose or turkey, some cow or sheep.

An old lady and what purported to be a child The Shaker, an interesting monthly journal partially appeared, but seemed by keeping in the ably edited by Elder Evans and G. A. Lomas, background to be unable to develop themselves says: "Since we take our domestic animals from fully. In this scance the first face seen was of a their native climate, to serve us in a forced; artifirather unpleasant cast, having eyes like balls of cial mode of living, should it not become our duty fire; in fact, so bright as to light up the entire feato provide for their comfort as well as our interest tures of a negro, back within the cabinet, to which and profit?" Heaven's benediction will most as remote corner it confined itself, not venturing to suredly rest upon all those who can thus plead protrude beyond the aperture. This was rather a for our dumb neighbors! Elder Evans made the remark, which I had never heard before, that the Our fourth and last began at 1:30, without Ned, grain-enting and herbiverous animals, the vegewho complained of not feeling well, and was tarians, were the workers; such, for, instance, as laughed at by Tom, who chid him with being the horse, the ox, the ass, the camel; while the afraid of the dark. In this scance a lady played carniverous beasts were the idle and generally the plano, feet were heard dancing on the floor, a offensive.

powerful bass voice joined in the singing and Two statements are constantly made to sustain brilliant meteoric lights shot around the room. A the argument that it was intended that man voice called, "North," and gave its name. " Edshould eat meat. These are, first, that man posward" was fully recognized by a gentleman pressesses canine teeth, and, secondly, that hardent, who was much affected, it being his dead working persons require it. If the first assertion brother. When the lamp was lit, a voice called be correct, then let us return to a very primitive 'Thorne," "Thorne," " Edwin," and upon Keeler, state, discard knives and forks, do away with who went for the delinquent, returning without cooking, and, like dogs, tear the flesh we must him, the violence of the spirits know no bounds; consume. This fant is we have little or no occa-sion to use said texts on preparing cooked meat the room and cabinet were shaken with a force beyond comprehension; a voice said: "Tell Thorne for the stomach, and hence the fallacy of the arwhen he comes again he will not suffer so much gument. As regards laborers who seek strength in the dark." Tom, who asked for the spirit's and muscle in pork and beef, may we not refer name, was answered, "Jem," and on pressing them to the ox, the horse, the bison, the elephant, Jem for his sirname, was answered, "Maybe you will go in a trance, and tell the rest." And so it and ask if these powerful creatures get their majestic muscles from dead hogs, horses, sheep, cows ended, for Tom, instead of taking chances of any and cats? (rabbits?) Must the working ox digest trance, shot off to relate to Ned all that had two or three pounds of beef per day, that he may passed, learning from him that when in the dark keep up his strength? There is nothing more strikingly simple, in Nature than the fact that other substances produce these results. Will you deny this, in the face of an unmistakable truth. and assert to-morrow that you must have sausage and chicken, mutton and ham to sustain you? The whole thing is foolish, false, wrong; in eggs, in milk, in butter, cheese, in our numerous vegetables, cereals and fruits, far more healthful nourishment can be found than in the flesh of animals. As a further support of my position, I can say that the mass of the people of India do not eat meat, and they are hardy, healthy, sprightly, Very many, too, of the stout Hollanders and Germans, the very models of robustness, seldom, except as a holiday feast, eat a particle of meat. In the "American Spiritualist" of the 24th of February, there was a very forcible article on What shall Spiritualists eat?" I will quote a few paragraphs; "Muller mentions a distinguished priest of India, who, when dying, said to his people, 'Eat only grains and fruits. Let the predaceous animals prey on carnage and blood! Stain not the divine gentleness of your natures by one act of cruelty, to the creatures beneath you! Heaven, to protect them, hath placed you at their head. Be not treacherous to the important trust you hold, by murdering them, nor defile your bodies by filling them with putrefaction.' . Pythagoras, living some 500 years B. C., recommended a vegetable diet. Neither himself nor lisciples tasted flesh. Aristous, the successor of Pythagoras in his famous school, was also a fruitating philosopher. Zeno, the stoic, Diogenes, the cynic, Plato, Plutarch, Plautus, Proctus, Empedocles, Socion, Quintus, Sextus, Appolonius of Tyana, Porphyry, Clement of Alexandria, and nearly all the more eminent of the ancient sages, abstained entirely from flesh-food, while Sweden borg, Newton, Wesley, Howard, Linnæus, Gassendi, Cuvier, Lord Moubodde, and hosts of others, learned and gifted, have testified against its use. It may not be out of place to further mention Shelley, Haller, Ritson, Lamb, Dr. Hufeland, Sir Richard Philips, Prof. Mussey, F. W. Evans, defender of the Shaker faith, Alcott, sometimes termed "the New England sage," and many of our media, by direction of their spirit-guides. While vegetables supply all the vital wants of the system, warming, repairing, reinvigorating and preserving the parts, thus/tending to physical health, energy, endurance and longevity, they are more wholesome, nourishing, and far cheaper. Economy, with the poorer classes, is an important item. Here is Dr. E. Smith's table, showing the relative economic values of the two classes of diet:

Vegetable fibrine and animal fibrine, vegotable albumen and animal albumen hardly differ, even in form. Prof. W. B. Carpenter says: Good wheaten bread contains, more nearly than any other substance in ordinary use, the proportion of azotized and non-azotized matter which is adapted to repair the waste of the system and to ficiency of a dietary from which the meat element G. L. DITSON, M. D. is wholly excluded." Albany, N. Y.

Written for the Banner of Light. TO A PICTURE.

BY MRS. C. L. SHACKLOCK.

- Those tender, loving eyes so pityingly Look down in mine, I seem as in a sacred place to be, Before a shrine.
- 'T is but the pictured image of a face, So dear to me,
- That when it faded from my fond embrace I could not see
- Aught fair in all the beauty of the sky, So drear the night!
- Behind the clouds of sorrow e'en the stars Withdrew their light;
- And in my pathway all the flowers lay prone Beneath my feet;
- My life, with all its wealth of sweetness gone, So incomplete.
- But oh the glory of the dawning light Which brought the day! Forevermore the shadows of the night
- Have passed away. I do not feel, as in the days gone by,
- Utterly lone; A spell, as of an unseen presence nigh,
- Is o'er me thrown. The tie I once deemed severed draws me near
- So near the gates, Where he, with loving smiles to welcome me,
- Untiring waits,
- That I can almost hear the music through Those "gates sjar."
- Ah, to the heart by sorrow purified, Heaven is not far!
- Mobile, Ala.

THE MENTAL CURE.

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To the Editor of the Banner of Light: Dear Sir—Books are multiplied now-a-days with such astonishing rapidity and fertility of captivating titles, that the keenest detective sense is challenged to determine to which new one we should ward the earliest examination-which one promises best to repay a thorough perusal. The Mental Cure, by Dr. W. F. Evans, invites inspection by a. title-page provoking curiosity, and a preface promising a novel and comprehensive treatment of the abstruse aspects of human nature. Spiritual philosophy-analysis of the realities and possibilities. functions and faculties of the inner man, and their relations to those of the outer man-has been so feebly represented till within a very few years, that a niche has always been ready and waiting in our libraries, to welcome the advent of every worthy contribution to this less cultivated portion of the field of literature.

- As an extra stimulus to the reader to make the acquaintance of this treatise of Dr. Evans, it may as well be stated at once that the work, though produced under what might appear upon the ex--ternal a purely normal condition, was in reality, from the constant normal intimacy of the author with the intellectual realm of the spirit world, the needful conflict between the alphabetic reconfrom the constant normal intimacy of the author

The New Alphabet: What It Is, and What It Isn't.

BY JAMES MADISON ALLEN.

The readers of the Banner have been long aware of the existence of a New Alphabetic Sys-tem, designed for universal adoption; have been told that it constitutes a New Discovery; that it is and pleu to repair the wasts of the system and to supply the wants of combustible material, under the ordinary conditions of civilized life in temper-ate climates; and we find that health and strength can be more perfectly sustained upon that substance than upon any other taken alone.' Dr. Guy, of King's College, London, says: "I have no hesita-tion in expressing an opinion in favor of the suf-ficiency of a dietary from which the meat element of others, engaged like myself in efforts looking toward educational reconstruction; and in order that the public may be the better prepared to appreciate the importance and value of the new Alphabetic System which they are called upon to accept and adopt. If the may be well to state that

In the first place, it may be well to state that it is not a new language, but a new method of repre-senting languages at present existing, or which may hereafter exist. It is not a new speech, but a new and scientific mode of *indicating* speech through the medium of the eye. It is to spoken language what the eye is to the ear. It does not, therefore, *interfere* in the least with the present speech of the world, or any portion; but yet, be-cause of its nice analysis of the elements and bean-tifully scientific modes of conforming thereto in the structure of its letters, together with its uni-form and rational maner of combining letters into words, it must inevitably lead to a more care-ful, distinct and artistic utterance, and to a more uniform pronunciation of any given language over all the territory occupied by that language. It all the territory occupied by that language. It must—by always exactly indicating to the ear through the eye the precise sounds which were in the mind of the writer as the words were penned (or of the printer as they were set up)—render (or of the printer as they were actively words and the printer are actively words upon the page really "speak to you," almost as if the writer were actually present and speaking! This—a positive and constant delight, such as

only those can know who have experienced itonly those can know who have experienced it-must also at the same time, through the law of social sympathy, tend to cancel individual, local and sectional diversities of pronunciation, as noth-ing else can; and the same principle, extended to the reading of foreign words, will render the lat-ter as "audible" and pronunciable as though they evere in the native tongue. The reader—by simply reproducing, the sounds unmistakably indicated upon the page—finds himself actually pronouncing a foreign language with the certainty and pre-cision of a nativel (A similar beneficial result is already enjoyed in the matter of musical and numerical notation, which is uniform throughout most of the civilized world, so that any one can read foreign music and numbers as readily as native.)

The great hindrance to the acquisition of foreign languages*-and hence to international acquaint-ance, friendship and peace-is therefore, by the

Trom all this, it appears that the new Alphabet-ism must incidentally and indirectly exert a greatly modifying influence upon the speech of the world, though not itself a new language; and we world, though not itself a new language; and we may, look for some future blending of all lan-guages into one composite planetary speech-or what is more probable, perhaps, the substitution in the place of all existing languages, of a radi-cally new, strictly scientific and completely universal. language; based, probably, upon the natural law of correspondence, which, we may presume, ex-ists between the periods individual elementary ists, between the various individual elementary sounds and the various individual elementary. faculties of the mind.

tacuities of the mind. Such a language would be self defining—each word would "explain itself", without the aid of dictionary definitions, like as, in PANNORMALPHY, each written word "pronounces itself" and each spoken word "spells itself," without the aid of

Bocken word "spens resent, while the and of pronouncing dictionaries or spelling books! When such a *language* shall be discovered and developed, it will be necessary to have at hand such an *alphabet* as is now being brought before the world—one, like the language, strictly scienthe and completely universal, in order that the peculiar features of the new language, the precise sounds and intonations of its various words, may be exhibited clearly and unmistakably—so that Hot-tentot and Swede, Chinaman and Cherokee, shall interpret exactly alike its symbols.

interpret exactly alike its symbols. The Normal Alphabet is not only useful and necessary for the correct and uniform representa-tion of the various longues now existing, but will be doubly so when the Normal Language shall apring forth from some fartile and illuminated brain, and clamor for means to picture itself to the over of the world.

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will be my passport into eternal life, and I truly think that it will be a beacon light to your declining health."

"WHAT TWO ACTORS SAW AT MORAVIA "* We arrived at the depot of the "Southern Central," and after a delightful ride of eighteen miles/ principally on the borders of Owasco Lake, arrived and alighted at Moravia. "Want to go to Keeler's, gents?" asked an obliging hackman; "just a going to take the medium up." So in we got, and in another street we stopped and got the medium.

As regards Keeler's, so much has been already said, we deem it superfluous to add more; suffice it to say, it is a comfortable house, where one is boarded well by two good, honest souls, now verging upon sixty eight, still hale and hearty, for the moderate sum of one dollar per dlem, while the scances cost the same amount, and number two daily-or fifty cents singly.

After partaking of a hearty breakfast, we, in company with sundry others, went up stairs into the spirit room, and viewed the cabinet, which stands open day and night-no restriction being used-permitting all to enter when and where they please, and scrupulously inspect each nook and crauny in the walls. At 10:15-the lights | Carpenter, accidentally sprained her wrist quite being extinguished-we found ourselves in the blackest of darkness, and, after sitting some halfhour, commenced to sing, . . . with others, a discordant version of "Old John Brown;" and after laboring hard until we sweat again, two round and beautiful mystic lights appear, and are succeeded by two more, still more, beautiful and bright, which radiate in half-circles. Directly after, Ned was touched by a clammy hand. Then we were treated to water, which was sprinkled upon our faces, while a sonorous voice in air kept calling "More!" and was supposed to mean more of old "John Brown and his marching on." After much hard vocal gymnastic exorcise, a spirit-voice desired the lamp might be lighted, and the medium entered the cabinet; but no sooner was she in than the doors were thrown open, and at 11: 15 the spirits announced by three raps that all was over. During this scance, some little relief was given to the discordant music by a charming spirit-voice joining, "oh, so succelly !"

Well, after this, considerable dissatisfaction was felt by us. "What!" said Ned; "is this all they can do"." Still, we were bound to see it through; and after dining at the very unfashionable hour of 12 M., at 1:30 we again took our seats in that intense darkness, our force being somewhat augmeated by new comers on the train. After a very long space of time, during which we laid ourselves and our lungs out extensively on "John Brown," we were treated to violent shakings of the piano, and also considerable water. Tom got quite a dose; but, strange to say, it did not even wet his clothes. Mr. Keeler, unasked by spirits, lit the lamp, and a brilliant idea took possession of Ned, who changed the tane, and struck up. "Kingdom Con.ing," in which all heartily joined, and were rewarded by seeing the black curtain in front of the cabinet slowly rise, and a female negro face, with a white handkerchief around her

"I'We are obliged from want of space, to omit the introductory portion of our correspondents' account satisfying ourselves by publishing that portion which particularly ro-istes to the manifostations seen and experiences had by them.-En. B. or L.]

vircle his suffering had been intense In conclusion, it is but justice to state that dur-

head, presented itself, and also showed us one of

her dusky hands. After this, a long silence suc-

coeded, and Tom asked Mr. Keeler, "Do you

think there are any spirits in the cabinet?"-when

room, proceed with seance No. 3, at 10 A. M.

ong sitting, lasting until 12 M.

ing our stay we had been extremely careful not to let a living person know our christian or sirnames. Mr. Keeler tells us the seances are not as good as formerly; the spirits are now preparing to make themselves visible in daylight, and in any of the rooms. To one and all, we would say it is beyond conception-no pen can ever describe Moravia and its ghostly visitants-and it is worth a visit of at least a week. The best mode of transit in our humble opinion, being by way of Erie from Hoboken to Owego, it only necessitating one change of cars; the Southern Central runningfrom the latter city to Moravia. Through fare from New York, seven dollars and ten cents.

T. A. Dow, EDWIN F. THORNE. New York, May 1st, 1872.

A-SINGULAR MANIFESTATION OF SPIRIT-POWER.

DEAR BANNER-I have just witnessed a mani festation of spirit power, which was, to say the least, singular, if not marvelous in its character. Yesterday morning my wife, Mrs. J. M. [Friend] severely, causing her considerable pain during the day. In the evening, while we were seated together, she was strongly influenced, and her right hand was controlled to make passes over the injured left wrist. The passes were peculiar, and were made apparently at right angles with each other, but without touching the wrist, which was covered with a cloth bandage loosely wrapped about it. After making these motions for some five minutes, I removed the bandage; at first there appeared a bright red spot over the injured part about as large as a five cent piece, which rapidly increased in size until it formed a perfect square an inch and a quarter wide. Within the boundaries of this square the surface of the skin appeared very red and inflamed, the cuticle seemed to be punctured in a hundred places, through which came a white fluid similar to the watery discharge of a blister. Strange enough, the skin looked entirely natural and free from inflammation up to the very verge of the sharply cut square. The pain became much less, and what promised to be a night of suffering was, instead, one of refreshing sleep. Next day the wrist presented the same appearance, but the lameness was nearly gone. I asked her spiritguide, Dr. Brown, how he was able to produce such a definite effect, and what his purpose was? Hereplied that it was impossible, to explain to me the modus operandi, but his object was to draw the inflammation to the surface and concentrate it in one pot. I write this as evidence of the power which under favorable conditions our unseen companions possess over the physical organism. I have seen many demonstrations of this kind through Mrs. C.'s mediumship, but none of so marked a character. The writing upon her arm in ed letters is of a similar nature, though for a different purpose. How the spirits do it I fear will be forever a mystery. A. E. CARPENTER. 46 Beach street, Boston, Mass.

If a horse says neigh to cats, do n't believe him he means yes

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. That cold countries require flesh-eating to generate heat in the organism, is an exploded notion. Prof. Liebig, in his "Animal Chemistry," says: 'Grain and other nutritions vegetables yield us, not only in starch, sugar and gum, the carbon which protects our organs from the action of pxygen, and produces in the organism the heat which is essential to life, but also, in the form of vegetable fibrine, albumen and caseine, our blood, from which the other parts of our body are developed.

work of a genuine inspiration. In private the modesty of the writer disclaims originality, when all his circumstances of culture and experience might fully warrant him a complete title to the matter and method of his production. Thus he prefers to give, perhaps, more than due credit to the avint work appendix a delight unexceeded by that of any the development of a new lan-malities, and adapted to meet all the linguistic demands of all mankind for all time, as the Panall his circumstances of culture and experience the spirit-world for the primal impulses and guiding genius of his thought.

An author knows best the purpose and intent of his own work. Then let the language of a portion of the preface to Mental Cure furnish the scope and key of the philosophy of the text. It 88.76:

"The design of the following treatise is to ex-plain the nature and laws of the inner life of man, and to contribute some light on the subject of Mental Hyglene, which is beginning to assume importance in the treatment of disease, and to at-tract the attention of physiclogists. We have tract the attention of physiologists. We have aimed to illustrate the correspondence of the soul and body, their mutual action and reaction, and to demonstrate the causal relation of disordered mental states to diseased physiological action, and the importance and mode of regulating the intellectual and affectional nature of the invalid under any system of medical treatment. We have also endeavored to demonstrate the value, as remedial agencies, of those subtle forces, both ma-terial and spiritual, which the improved science of the age is beginning to recognize and to explain the laws of our interior being, which render the so-called magnetic treatment so efficient in the cure of diseased conditions of the organism, have pointed out the laws which govern the action of mind on mind, and the transmission of vital orce from one person to another, and the potent ufluences of our inward states in the generation Influences of our inward states in the generation of pathological.conditions of the body, and in its restoration to health. * * We have endeav-ored to prove the essential spirituality of human nature, to elucidate its hidden, undeveloped pow-ers, and its vital and sympathetic relations to an ever-present world of spirits. * * * The au-thor claims no infallibility for his opinions and conclusions but submits them to the cendid to the conclusions, but submits them to the candid judg-ment of all men who love truth for its own sake."

An elaborate criticism of this work would merit liberal allowance of pages in the higher class of reviews. Nothing of the kind is undertaken here; the attempt only is made to advise and instigate the student of spiritual science and philosophy to accord this volume an early and studious examination, and to assure such that an ample requitalwill be realized.

The philosophy of this treatise is most subtle and difficult to illustrate in popular language; and yet Dr. Evans, with a remarkable intuition of the mental requirements of the general reader, has translated the most abstruse and novel spiritual ideas into the simplest and purest phraseology, at once scientific, comprehensive and comprehensible by any mind of fair culture. The reader will find himself in the-profound depths of the science of human nature, and wondering at the grand simplicity yet far-reaching relations of the mysteries of life, mind and spirit, when set forth by a mind fitted to "discern spiritual things," and intuitively endued with the logical method-to set them forth to another in a complete and rational system, and in the beautiful language of demonstrable truth. H. A. BURBANK.

The amount of \$26,000,000 was deposited in the Saving Banks of this State, last year; fully onehalf the depositors were women.

structive work upon which I have entered, and the linguistic labors of any who may be now or hereafter at work-upon the problem of a world norm alpha is adapted to meet all the alphabetic, orthographic and orthospic wants of all mankind for all time:

And here let me say a word more concerning the universality of the new alphabet. It is so con the universality of the new alphabet. It is so com-pletely universal as to provide not only for the exact and philosophical representation of all pos-sible speech-elements (or elementary sounds) (strictly.so-called, (and consequently of all possible languages); but also all corts of peculiar utter-ances not ordinarily considered as regular con-stituents of language—such as sobbing, sighing, meaning compliant coupling compliant discussion. groaning, grunting, coughing, gasping, liccough-ing, sneezing, kissing, gargling, snoring, clucking, neighing, sipping, smelling, etc., etc., may be just as clearly and unmistakahly indicated by appro-printe scientific symbols, or "letters,"

printe scientific symbols, or "letters." We have thus the means not only of "talking upon paper" but of doing a great many other things also! This truly wonderful literographic. achievement—which clearly entitles the system to be ranked as a scigatific discovery—is due to the "peculiar, original, and all-embracing classification (which lies fundamental to the whole system), taken in connection with cartian rational safe taken in connection with certain rational, self-evidently correct principles, rigidly adhered to in the construction and application of the new letters.

It must not be forgotten to mention in this connection that the system not only embraces the representation of sounds by letters adapted to writing purposes, but also includes a series of let-ters specially adapted to typic uses-distinct from the written, yet co-related to them in their forma-

tion, and equally scientific and universal. The Pannormalphic Movement, therefore, by aiming at a complete reconstruction of both the printing and writing systems of all nations, towers n importance infinitely above any system of mere "short-hand," designed for the rapid toriting only of some one language. It is an Educational Reform of the utmost importance, and world wide in its scope. It lies at the basis (as would seem to he too self-evident to require proof) of the New Educa-tion which is being slowly evolved in this time of chaptic confusion and universal change, and is designed and destined to exert an immense infla-ence upon the destinies of nations, upon the wel-fare of mankind throughout all coming ages. There lies at its basis a politico-moral idea. Being equally adapted to the languages of the most say age tribes as of the most cultivated nations, it shows no partiality to any one people, but emshows no partiality to any one people, bit em-braces them all in one grand brotherhood. It acknowledges no nationality, but universal fra-ternity. The solidarity of humanity is by it sol-entifically recognized, and all mankind has at last a common tic. It is a hint, and a prophecy that all national lines shall sometime be obliter-ated, that humanism shall eventually take the place of "patriotism"—that all forms of arbitrary and artificial "government" shall ultimately dis-appear from the face of the earth, and the reign of It universal equity and peace supersede the reign of tyrants, tyrannous laws and gunpowder! [Editors interested please copy.]

"Namely, diversity and abnormality of alphabetic systems.

Spiritualism has been pretty effectually knocked in the head by science in London, if we may give credit to the reports of the Dialectic Society, by which a series of searching experiments has been conducted. The worst of it is, the Committee of Inquiry found out more than they can compre-hend, and now tell us of wonders quite as great as the Spiritualism they have exploded.—Boston Investigator, May 15th.

This shows more than fourfold value in favor of the fruit and vegetable system of diet.

BANNER LIGHT. \mathbf{OF}

Banner Correspondence.

Pennsylvania.

NO MORTAL CAN TELL THE FORM OF THE SPIRIT IN THE NEXT WORLD — What the spirit is to the body we do not know, but what the body is to the body we do not know, but what the body is to the spirit we do know. Fleich and bone are the cov-ering for the spirit in this world; what that cover-ing will be in the next world no mortal can toll. Would vou tell me the shoe upon your foot is the foot? The shoe only acts, as a covering or pro-tection to the foot; the foot is within. So is it with the body and spirit. Fleich and bone act as a cover-ing to the spirit in this world; the spirit is within. The body is worth nothing to the spirit after ing to the spirit in this world; the spirit is within. The body is worth nothing to the spirit after death. It becomes a dead matter, and will re-main so; but the spirit is the life giving element, without which the body could not long survive. Hence death is caused when the spirit leaves the body. Our movial bodies canned by reason body. Our mortal hodies canot be resurrected. for there is nothing to resurrect. The spirit will not again enter the same body after it takes, its departure. In my opinion, the word resurrect, when used in a scriptural sense, does not mean to raise, but simply to call forth that which lives. As the spirit lives when it is separated from the body, how can it be resurrected? It can only be

called forth from its living abole. "In my Fa-ther's house are many mansions, prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Is it not evident the spirit, when separated from the mortal dent the spirit, when separated from the mortal body, will take up quarters in one or the other of those mansions? Each spirit will become a dwell-er therein according to standing. Classification is as necessary in the world beyond as it is upon earth. Mortals here live according to their stand-ing or position in life. They must be gifted with much higher qualities in the world beyond, if they wish to reach those mansions of superior they wish to reach those mansions of superior beauty. But it is in this world we are put on pro-bation. The formation of our character here has much to do with that hereafter. WM. P. LEAF. Philadelphia, May 24, 1872.

Tilinois.

FULTON,-Jacob Siler writes, May 20th, that Daniel W. Hull, one of the indefatigable pioneers of the spiritual cause, has made a decided mark of the spiritual cause, has made a decided mark in this city. His lectures delivered at Utz's Hall were favored by the attention of large audiences. He has spoken on the following subjects: "A Test of Christianity," "Angels' Ministry," and "Proofs of Angelic Ministration." Our corre-spondent says: "The able manner in which Mr. spondent says: "The able manner in which Mr. Hull delivered his discourses, and the impressions he has made here, will long be remembered by liberal minds as well as by 'the Christians,' who are already amazed at the effective influence be has brought to bear upon their 'holy fanctuaries.' Mr. Hull has been lecturing in the States of Iowa and Kansas, and is now homeward bound, but will deliver three or four lectures at Rochelle, on his way... He will return to Hobart, Ind., where parties desiring his services can address him."

EAST CAMBRIDGE. - William Stackhouse renewing his subscription, writes that to him the Banner is more interesting thau ever before. Such writers as Thomas R. Hazard, A. E. New-Such writers as Thomas IC, Hazard, A. E. New-ton and others, in his opinion cannot fail to en-lighten the public mind. "Spiritualism in the West is gaining ground; the masses begin to see that it, like all truth, wears no mask, bows to no shrine, only asks investigation, and there is a general inquiry to know more of the angel phi-losonby." losophy.'

Massachusetts.

WILLIAMSBURG.—Richard R. Farnsworth; writing recently from this place, speaks in grate-ful language of the good wrought for him by Spiritualism and the Banner of Light. His views concerning the destiny of the soul have thereby willing to listen while he speaks of his belief, who once sconted the whole matter as a delusion, and is encouraged by this sign of advance in public sentiment. The town where he resides has about fifteen hundred inhabitants. Mrs. Elljah Clary, a fine medium, is doing much for the cause there. Severe persecutions at first met Mrs. Clary, but she would not succumb, and at present she has triumphed over those who once looked at her as an agent of the "Evil One." Weekly circles are held each Sabbath by Spiritualists residing in the place.

GRAFTON,-T. Leonard Grafton writes: "I

Indiana.

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KENDALLVILLE. - George, W. Carpender. M. D., writes concerning his labors in the field of spiritual things. He was called, Feb. 20th, to at-tend the funeral rites of Allen F. Throup, of Steu-ben Co., who passed to spirit-life on the day pre-tend the funeral rites of Allen F. Throup, of Steu-ben Co., who passed to spirit-life on the day pre-tend the funeral rites of Allen F. Throup, of Steu-ben Co., who passed to spirit-life on the day pre-tend the funeral rites of Allen F. Throup, of Steu-ben Co., who passed to spirit-life on the day pre-tend the funeral rites of Allen F. Throup, of Steu-ben Co., who passed to spirit-life on the day pre-tend the funeral rites of Allen F. Throup, of Steu-ben Co., who passed to spirit-life on the day pre-

THE CLOSING SCENE. BY T. BUCHANAN READ.

Within the soher realms of leafless trees. The russet year inhaled the dreamy air; Like some tanned reaper, in his hour of ease, When all the fields are lying brown and bare.

The gray barns looking from their hazy hills, O'er the dim waters widening in the vales, Sent down the air if greeting to the mills, On the dull thunder of alternate flaus.

All sights were mello wed and all sounds subdued. The hills seemed further and the streams sang low.

As in a dream the distant woodman he ded His winter log with many a mufiled blow. The embattled forests, erewhile armed with gold, Their banners bright with many a martial hue, Now stood like some sai, beaten host of old, Withdrawn afar in time's remotest blue.

On slumb'rous wings the vulture tried his flight; ration, as a pillar and a light in the great spiritu-The dove'scarce heard his sighing mate's complaint. ridden, idolatrous world.

And, like a star slow drowning in the light, The village church vane seemed to pale and faint.

The sentinel cock upon the hillside crew— Crew thrico—and all was stiller than before, Silent, till some replying warder blew His alien horn, and then was heard no more.

Where erst the jay, within the elm's tall crest, Made garrulous trouble round her unfledge

young; And where the oriole hung her swaying nest, By every light wind like a censer swung; Where sang the noisy martins of the eaves, The busy swallows circling ever near-Foreboding, as the rustic mind believes, An early harvest and a plenteous year;

Where every bird that waked the vernal feast, Shook the sweet slumber from its wings at morn To warn the reaper of the rosy east— All now was songless, empty and forlorn. Alone, from out the stubble, piped the quail,

And croaked the crow through all the dreary

gloom; Alone, the pheasant drumming in the vale, Echoed in distance to the cottage loom. There was no bud, no bloom upon the bowers, The spiders wove their thin shrouds night by

night; The thistle down, the only ghost of flowers, Sailed slowly by-passed noiseless out of sight

Amid all this—in this most dreary air, And where the woodblue shed upon the porch Its crimson leaves, as if the year stood there, Firing the floor with its inverted torch

Amid all this, the centre of the scene, The white-haired matron with monot'nous tread,

Plied the swift wheel, and with her joyless mein Sat like a fate, and watched the flying thread. She had known sorrow. He had walked with her, Oft supped and broke with her the ashen cru And in the dead leaves still she heard the stir Of his black mantle trailing in the dust.

For while her cheek was bright with summer

bloom, Her country summoned, and she gave her all; And twice war bowed to her his sable plume— Re-gave the sword to rest upon the wall.

Re-gave the sword, but not the hand that drew And struck for liberty the dying blow; Nor him who; to his size and country true, Fell 'mid the ranks of the invading foe. Long, but not loud, the droning wheel went on,

Like the low murmur of a hive at noon; Loug, but not loud, the memory of the gone Breathed through her lips a sad and tremulous

At last the thread was snapped, her head was Life dropped the distaff through her hands sorene; And loving heighbors smoothed her careful shroud, While death and winter closed the autumn scene.

Oregon State Spiritual Convention.

A correspondent writes : "The annual June GRAFTON.-T. Leonard Gratton writes: I have read A. E. Newton's criticism on Mrs. Woodhull's speech, with great satisfaction. We owe thanks to both of them. Mrs. Woodhull, in intent, I regard as fint. The unprejudiced mind is logic as hard as fint. The unprejudiced mind is sure to receive illumination from the sparks that follow from such a friendly concussion of the two." absence of any paper of our own through which disorder, division, confusion, inharmony and Dis-

to give notice, we are dependent almost entirely ORACE upon the spiritual fraterrity. I am not upon the spiritual papers of the East; but, as disappointed, for I foresaw what was coming, and

Letter from D. A. Eddy.

of censure, by Allen Putnam, on Judge Edmonds,

published in the Banner of May 18th inst, to pass

in silence, without giving my views on the sub-

lect.

such endorsement.

EDITORS BANNER OF LIGHT: Dear Friends-I cannot, in justice to my conscience and the posttion I hold in the spiritual ranks, allow the letter

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Merrimae and Sullivan County Assoclation of Spiritualists.

Convention met agreeable to adjournment at Lempster Friday, May 3d. Was called to order by the President, and the call read by the Secretary. After instrumental and vocal music by Mrs. M. E. B. Siwyer, a few excellent remarks

were made by Bro, Geo, S. Morgan, On motion of Bro, Morgan the financial report of the When Allen Patnam pronounced in favor of and endorsed the Spiritual-Bhilosophy, we all agent for the Society, Mrs. Sawyer, was called for and subfelt stronger in our faith of its great truths and nitted; also by a vote accepted.

the benefit of its mission to humanity. It was Speaking followed by Bro. James Shepard. Elequefit and regarded as a valuable accession to the spiritual ouching remarks were offered to the mediums present by family to have a man of such world-wide fame our sister from the other side, Mrs. Harriet Huntley, through for scientific attainments endorse our religion and the organism of Mrs. Sawyer, and were listened to by the few present with rapt attention. give the unanswerable reasons he assigned for

Through the mediumship of Mrs. M. E. Witheo we received words of love and kindness from Sister Huptoon, the The name of Allen Putnam is still referred to, late earthly companion of our worthy President. Mrs. Sturand we trust always will be, with pride and veneevant, of Bradford, was listened to with attention. Mrs. 8. A. Wiley suggested that perhaps we did not sufficiently apal army, in its triumphant march over a priestpreciate the messages of love from our departed friends, and that we should express more fully in words and action our My object, in this note, is simply to express reappreciation of their efforts.

gret that he should have found, or rather imag-Our invisible friends were unanimously invoked to assist us in our efforts for harmony and concert of action. Adined he has onuse for censure or calling our yenourned to meat at 7 o'clock P. M.

erable patriarch, Judge Edmonds, to account for Evening Session .- Mr. Oliver P. Stearns, of Newport, was doing what, to me, appears to be perfectly right added to the Business Committee. Voted to invite the and proper in the premises. It is a source of profriends from Cheshire Co. to join with us in the Convention. found regret that so trifling an occasion should Invocation by Mrs. L. A. Sturtevant, Music : conference one induce our worthy brother to subscribe himself half hour. Excellent remarks were made by Mrs. Wiley, "Sorrowfully Yours," when there was, in fact, Mrs. Withee, Mr. Morgan and Mrs. Sturtevant.

Saturday, May 4th .- The morning session opened at nine more real cause for joy than sorrow, and no occao'clock with prayer and music. Conference of one hour, sion for coming before the world in the conspicuparticipated in by Bros. Shepard, Morgan, Mrs. Sturtevant ous manner referred to in the Banner. When and others. Music by Mrs. Sawyer and Mrs. Stearns / The Allen Putnam entered the spiritual fold, Judge first lecture was delivered by Mrs. Wiley ; second, by Mrs. Edmonds was an old veteran in the cause; had M. E. Withee. made as many and as great sacrifices as any man

Afternoon Session .- Prayer; music; first lecture by Mrs. or woman, and had given the power and influence Addie M. Stevens, of Claremont; second, by Mrs. M. E. B. of his voice and pen to sustain the "Delusion," in Bawyer, of Manchester.

its struggle for life, in early days, without stint Evening Session .- Opened with music-" While the days are going by." Mrs. Edward Reed and others participated or measure, and, although pronounced "crazy' by those in the bonds of ignorance, darkness, and in speaking.

After a consultation it was decided to hold a Spiritualist celebration at Lempster, on the stih day of July. The fol-lowing named gentlemen were appointed to act as Subsuperstition, has, nevertheless, given to Spiritualism a character and respectability that very few have equaled or surpassed. In what, then, con-Busifices Committee : Joseph Harvey, Sutton ; Erastus Nishsists the sum of his offending? On the thirteenth ols, Lempster; Capt. Mart Lane, North Charlestown; Steof April last, Bro. Jones, of the Religio-Philosophiphen Glidden, Unity; O. F. Stearnes, Newport; Stophen cal Journal, in reply to a communication from Woodward, Bunapee; J. C. Maxon, Newbury; Nathaniel Mrs. Woodhull, gives to that woman her real Lull, Jr., Washington; Edward Reed, Btoddard; Justiis Fisher, character and deserts. " Although it had been Munsonville ; George Shepardson, Marlow ; James Stevens, partially done by others, no one had as yet shown Houkinton; Alfred Kolley, Warner; A. A. Sturtevant, Brad ford ; ----- Bargent, Grantham; Freeland Hemphili, Acworth: up her character in so plain, concise and truthful Fred Wattress, Claremont; Gilbert Ward, Goshen; Almon a light as did Bro. Jones on this occasion. It was Berge, Alstead. The duty of said Committee is to take not only timely but absolutely needed that some charge of the business details, see that a place is provided one should held the mirror up to that infatuated for the agent to speak in, and that some means are taken to woman, that she might " see herself as others saw defray such expenses, and to render the agent such assisther." A thrill of gratitude and thanks ran ance as he is able.

through the spiritual ranks to Bro. Jones, for this The circle held in the evening, in the parlor of the Forest plain and independent expose. Among the thou-House, was quite successful. Many tests were given by James Shepard and Mrs. Withco. sands who expressed their gratitude in various

ways, was Judge Edmonds in a letter to Bro. Sunday, May 5th .-- The Convention devoted one and one Jones, and published in the Journal, May 4th. half hours to conforence, in which many good and original ideas woro presented. Indeed, our conferences were quite commending him for the truthfulness of this timeas interesting as any part of the exercises. Many kind and sympathizing words have been spoken, which have caused new resolutions to be formed, and imparted new strongth for the struggle onward and upward in the path of duty to see or comprehend any impropriety on the The first locture by Mrs. M. E. Withen, followed by Mrs. B. A. Wiley and A.Idio Stovens.

port of Merrimae and Bullivan Co. agent for the last quarter. called for and read. The doings of the Business Committee were approved. The following resolutions were adopted :

Were approved. The binowing resolutions were independent Whereas, The present engagement of Mrs. M. E. B. Saw-jer, as missionary and agent-for the Spirificallists of Merri-mac and Sullivan Counties, is now brought to a close; and deeming it proper to give some public expression to our feelings in regard to here, be it therefore; Resolved, That the thanks of this Boelety-are hereby-ex-tended to her for the able and instructive lectures she has given by during the three mouths that ended

of Allen Putnam, and regard him as a host in the spiritual movement, we cannot consent to see our worthy and venerable patriarch, Judge E imonds, subjected to public consure without at least more canse than appears in the communication of the former. And it is to be hoped that none who have the good of Spiritualism at heart will re-inave the good of Spiritualism at heart will re-spiritualism at heart will re-inave the good of Spiritualism at heart will re-spiritualism at heart will re-spiritualism at heart will re-trant the to be able and in the to be the former and the spiritualism at heart will re-trant the the spiritualism at hear the spiritualism at hea

Voted to hold the next convention at Bradford. The attendance the latter part of the Convention was quite large, and

Newport, N. H., May 13, 1872. SUMNER F. HURD, Sec'y.

columns of the Religio-Philosophical Journal, to. Merrimae and autival out to. It is carnestly desired that

father and sister, who had gone before. He requested to have a collin made to order, covered and lined with white, adorned with natural flowers; also exacted a promise from his mother that she would make the remarks at his functal, assisted by our much beloved sister, Mary E. Beach, of San José. Thus, which there years I have been called to part with all my children, just corring into man hood and womanhood, yet the southancher purpher and made strong. When I again ascend the creature, i can plet the wants of humanity with a better understan ung of ity trials. ; Mary L. Mus, A. D. Wiegen. From Weare, N. I. Woolwark, May 15th, Mrs. Andrew

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From Weare, N. H., Weddosday, May 15th, Mrs. Sarah-J. Buxton, agel to years.

From Weare, N. H., Wednesday, May 15th, Mrs: Sarah-J. Buxton, aged to years. The second secon

rom Beston, Mass., Mrs. Betsey Bowden, aged St years Through the beautiful teachings of Spiritualized, her life was rendered happy, and her transit from earthly scenes tran-quill. Her daughter, who has for many years been her con-stant attendant, is cheered by the assurance that her mother, though absent in form, is present with her in sairit, SAMUEL GROVER.

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CONVENTION NOTICES.

Anniversary Meeting at Hurgis, Mich. The Anniversary Meeting of the Spiritualists and Friends of Progress will be held at the Free Church, In the village of Stories, commencing on Friday, Jane the 14th, at 2 o'clock p. y. and continuing anill Sunday evening, the lath. A coordial invitation is extended to all lovers of trath, free thought, and religious liberty, to be with us on that occasion. The friends at Sturges will do all they can to provide for strangers from abroad in attendance at the meeting. *By order of the Executive Committee*. *Sturgis*, May 14th, 1872. Anniversary Meeting at Sturgls, Mich.

Vermont. The Vermont State Spiritonist Association will nicet in quarterly convention at Stowe, on Friday, June 28th and continue in stasion three days, closing Sunday, June 30th. Able speakers will be in attendance. It is understood that the averated divisions of the Vermont Central Redfread will carry those attending the Convention for fare one way. The stage between Watterhury and Stowe will do the same. Board at the Mount Mansheld Hotel, \$1,25 per day. By older of the Executive Committee. E. B. HOLDEX, Secretary. D. P. WHONG, President. Memi-Annual Convention. The Semi-Annual Convention. Vermont.

The Semi-Annual Convention of the Minnesota State Avio clation of Spiritionlists, will be held in Minnesota State Avio clation of Spiritionlists, will be held in Minnesota State Avio June 21st, 224 and 234, 1872. No return the stress on the railroads this year. E: V. Wilson is expected to be present, Let Kelvey's fluit be fitted for now is the time, if my wisa to be convinced through *tasts*, that Spiritunism is true. May 16th, 1872. HARRITET E. POPE, Secretary,

Annual Convention.

Annual Convention. The Spiritualists of Colorado Territory will hold their third. Annual Convention at Goddi, Col, on the sch hind; theor dury, Several speakers are expected. It is hoped that the Spirit-ualists of the Verptory will all attend. Friends vieting Col-orado from the East this senson will find a certical vectorie. P. Acuss, Scientary.

" Grove Meeting.

A Grove Meeting will be held at Salem, ind., commencing on Friday, June 21st, and, continuing over Sonday. Moses and Elving, I (tuil and other geod speakers will be in fattend-ance. The Spiritualists of Salem freque to see a nay triang from a dista. ee. Salem bi on the New Albany and Saly m Railroad, thirty miles from Louisville. S. Honne, M. D.

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ly article, and thanking him for the same. As for the copy of the letter published at the same time. a dressed to the Banner of Light,* I utterly fail part of Judge Edmonds, or any remark alluding Afternoon Session .- Invocation by Mrs. Sturiovant. Roto our worthy brother, Allen l'utnam, that should give offence to the latter; but it is what every true Spiritualist might with entire propriety commend. as it goes to show the damage that would, and which, I regret to ay, has already come upon the cause of Spiritualism, by a lopting and endorsing

the fanatical and incendiary projects, of Mrs. Woodhull. While we respect and honor the name

Lectures by Mrs. Stovens, Mrs. Wiley and Mrs. Sawver.

the best of feeling prevailed at every meeting.

Mrs. M. E. Witheo has been engaged as agent for the warned our people some months ago, through the

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The deceased had been for fifteen years vious. an ornament to the cause of Spiritualism, having shown, by an honest, apright life, that the principles of our philosophy, rightly carried out, could not fail to ultimate in good to the individual and to society as a mass. A cripple from four years to society as a mass. A cripple from four years of age, Mr. Throup had yet, by steady habits, se-cured a competency. His life companion—who (together with himself) was a medium—was also a firm disciple of the gospel of angel communion. Appropriate remarks were made at the funeral by Dr. Carpender-many persons attending who had not-newiously listened to a Spiritualist discourse. The occasion left a favorable impression. The Doctor also spoke at Camden, on the Fort Wayne & Saginaw railroad, in the evening Wayne & Saginaw raitroad, in the evening, producing marked results. Our correspondent wishes that lecturers passing the vicinity of Cam-den, Clear Lake and the surrounding country, would stop and minister to the wants of the many Spiritualists there residing.

Ohio.

THÓMPSON.-Ashbel Tillotson writes, March 15th: "Your recent reply to Rev. Austin Phelps's attack on Spiritualism is all that is necessary to demolish his arguments whenever the attack and wish to suggest the advantage to the cause of truth to print and circulate them together in one

One more suggestion: Let us print and circuwith Bishop Watson's reply to the same. Many would be induced to read Paine with Watson's antidote, who dare not read the former alone; and Watson's failure to meet Paine's arguments would be more convincing to some minds than the arguments themselves. Error will always prosper if it can shun contact with truth, hence it should be the aim of the reformer to compel truth and falsehood to 'grapple in an open encounter.'

WOOSTER.-O. L. Sutliff writes, May 16th "The cause of Spiritualism is prospering here in Wooster, and more free thought on religious sub-jects is expressed than at any former time. There is also a strong feeling in sympathy with Sister Victoria C. Woodbuil, and an indignation against her traducers." .

New Jersey.

A WRITING MACHINE. — In this week's Banner of Light I flud an allusion to a new kind of *type* for the use of the blind. Can you inform me how to proceed to obtain fuller information? I have long thought of the very great desirability of a machine for printing letters, manuscript copy, etc., as a substitute for the pen and the tedious, lice exhausting process of writing. Perhaps this is something of the kind. I hope so. I have in my mind's eye a "spectral" model for such a ma-chine, but hope somebody else has developed the spectre into a tangible, usable thing already before me. J. M. ALLEN. Ancora, May 18th, 1872.

[We copied the paragraph from an exchange. Those in terested are requested to communicate the desired information to Mr. Allen,-ED. B. of L.]"

Kansas.

EUREKA,-J. M. Hawthorn writes on the sub-Ject of politics as associated with Spiritualism. He desires no creed bound system, whatever its name. He favors an Equal Rights Party, in which labor of the second system. which labor reformers, internationals, temperance advocates, and woman suffragists can unite for the good of humanity, but he objects to having Spiritualism—any more than any other religion— embodied as a principal plank in its platform.

At the last September meeting, great interest vas manifested on the subject of education, and preliminary measures were adopted for establishng a Liberal College. At our meeting in June, the question will again come up, and we hope this time to give it some tangible shape.

When I intimate that nothing has been done, I mean that the main body of Spiritualists have done nothing: but there has been an earnest effort on the part of individuals which should not be passed over in silence. A stranger in Oregon gave a course of twelve lectures at Salem, during the fall and winter, on the subject of Astro-Theology. Although a Spiritualist of fifteen years standing, yet the lecturer made but little or no profession of Spiritualism, and hence was not. very cordially received by any sector party. John

S. Hawkins, a devout and influential Spiritualist, became interested in these lectures, and, perceiving the disadvantages arising from a want of paintings, scenery, etc., to illustrate them, generously proposed furnishing the capital necessary for the same. Arrangements were speedily made wherein it was mutually agreed between the lecturer and Bro. Hawking that the proceeds arising

from the enterprise, after deducting living expenses, should be sacredly set aside as a fund for founding a Liberal College. William Parrotte, of Salem, a highly inspirational artist and earnest Spiritualist, has been busily engaged in painting the scenes for several months, and it is expected that the work will be so near completion that it will be exhibited at our 'grove meetikg,' com mencing the 17th of June.

Bro. Hawkins has invented and constructed : Planetarium, which represents a 'flaming sun' in the centre of a zodiac seven feet in diameter. together with the planets of our solar system placed at different distances from the sun. By simply turning a crank. (behind the scene.) the

planets, attended by their moons, will revolve about the sun, Mercury flying around rapidly, and Saturn with deliberate pace, affording the spectator a clearer idea of the motions of the heavenly bodies than could otherwise be obtained. The second scene is a beautiful oil painting, representing. Eden as literally described in Gen-

eess. 'The third scene will be a 'Revolving Plani-sphere,' seven feet in diameter, on which are painted the equinoctial, zodiac, ecliptic and con-stellations. This is made to revolve at the point be a very accurate representation of the apparent daily revolutions of the heavens. This scene is designed to explain the Garden of Eden, the ser-nent the foll of wan beging them the mand the form

pent, the fall of man, bauishment from Paradise flaming sword, etc. The collection will consist of fifteen scenes, ir

panoramic style, requiring from four to eight lec-tures for a full delineation. The proprietors will yisit the States in the course of a year or two,

and since the lectures prove so interesting with out scenery, they will no doubt attract much at-tention. Here is the 'first brick' toward a Liberal College, and the Spiritualists of Oregon will have an opportunity to see and judge of its merits at their June meeting. Bro. Hawkins deserves the gratitude of all friends of progress for his architecture. public spirit in this behalf."

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neware of this "wolf in sheep's clothing," and the friends will keep her employed. Let every town some have, on all proper occasions since, continued to in its order. All should hear her. Address George B. Morraise my voice and pen against Spiritualists en. | gan, Bradford, N. H., Chairman of Business Committee. dorsing a theory of open prostitution in connection with a set of projects that only breed disturb ance with no corresponding good to humanity.

of Allen Putnam, and regard him as a host in the

In the spirit of charity and conciliation, I am sincerely yours, D. A. EDDY. Cleveland, Ohio, May 19, 1872.

. Addressed to the Banner of Light." Our corrospondent is evidently laboring under a mistake, as Judge Edmonds's original noto was not addressed to this paper, but to "DEAR COLDY." We have it now in our possession. hears every appearance of having been intended by the Judge as private and confidential. Indeed, we thought, on its receipt, that he had no idea of its publication, and that should we print it we should be violating a principle of honor; otherwise we would readily have given it place in our columns. We therefore declare that the seeming imputation that we "suppressed" the letter is utterly without foundation in truth. We were indeed much surprised -as was Mr. Putnam-when it appeared in the Religio Philosophical Journal, in connection with a lengthy intro. ductory article, and a heading in small capitals, which unequivocally stated that it was a " Copy of Letter addressed to the Banner of Light." This "catch lino" must have been subsequently supplied, and thus an injustice has been done us by the creation of a false impression on the mind of the ender. We have always been on the best of terms with Judge Edmonds, and consider ourselves to be so now. If he desired the publication of his article we totally misappreended him.--[-Ed. B. of L.

"Looking Beyond."

Allow me through the columns of the Banner to express my sincere opinion in regard to the work that has recently been published by our mutual friend and co-laborer, J. O. Barrett, en titled Looking Beyond."

It is a beautiful casket, with priceless gems admirably arranged to assist the looker beyond this earth sphere to solve the problem of life quite into the verge of heaven.

As we cannot ignore the fact that the path of all is on and on, it is wise to study and learn the road of those who are within hailing distance of us. The gifted author has so happily arranged a host of testimonials from those in the transition state, while passing over the beautiful River (called Death), as they were in full view of either shore; that they make its feel as though we were eye-witnesses of the different scenes. So magnetically do they force upon ,us the sweet influences of the Holy of Holies in the "beyond;" as the soul catches the inspiration of the time, that it seems itself drifting with the heavenly host. No one, however callous or indifferent to a future state, can but be made better while examining those witnesses under a condition where, above all others, dissimulation is impossible-where the words of fire roll out from their emancipated spirits like "apples of gold in pictures of silver." None can afford to lose so intellectual a feast to enrich themselves and adorn their library.

S. MONTROSS. Reedsburg, Sauk Co., Wis.

Charity is an eternal debt, and without limit.

S. F. HURD. CHEAP MEDICINES.

BY RICHARD, CRASHAW ... [Written in 1650.].

That which makes us have no need. Of physic, that is physic indeed. Hark hither, reader! wilt thon see Nature her own Physician he? Wilt set a man, all his own wealth. His own music, his own health; A man whose sober soul can tell How to wear her garments woll; Her garments that upon her sit, As garments should do, close and fit. A well cloth'd soul, that 's not oppressed, Nor chok'd with what she should be dress'd-A soul sheath'd in a crystal shrine, Through-which all her bright features suine; A soul whose intellectual beams No mists domask, no lazy streams; A happy soul, that all the way To Heaven rides in a summer's day? Would'st see a man whose well warmed blood Bathes him in a genuine flood? A man whose timed humors be A seat of rarest harmony? Would'st see blithe looks, fresh cheeks begaile Age? Would'st see December smile? Would'st see nests of new roses grow, In a bed of reverend snow ?-In a bed of reverand show or the second state of the second secon Whose latest and most leaden hours Fall with soft wings, stuck with soft flowers; And when life's sweet fable ends, Soul and body part like friends; No quarrels, murmurs, no delay; A kiss, a sigh, and so away? This rare one, reader, would'st thou see? Hark hither! and thyself be he.

Married:

In Morristown, Minn, on the twenty fourth anniversary of piritualism, by Harriet E. Pope, Samuel J. Chapman and Emily A. Pope, all of Morristown, Minn.

Passed to Spirit-Life:

From Stafford, N. Y., March 28, Miss Jano King, aged 35

From standig, R. Y., Match 29, Mass build think types as She had been a great sufferer for some months previous to her release from her body, but in anticipation of soon enter ing upon the realities of the higher life, some of the beauties of which she had been enabled to behold, she awaited with pattence and met with joy the great chanze. The consola-tions of our Spiritual Gospel were tendered to the family soil friends by the writer, from the text "Death is swallowed up in victory," which she returned and gave me for that purpose the evening previous to the family.

From Fisher's Station, Ontario Co., N. Y., May 4th, our worthy and highly esteemed brother, Charles Fisher, Esq.

aged 73 years. From nearly the advent of modern Spiritualism, he had been one of its most firm and consistent disciples. Being one of the early settlers, possessed of competence, and surround-ed by a pleasant family and many warm appreciative friends, he was at happily situated as possible for one to be in earth-life; yet he was ready and anxious to pass over to the "shin-ing shore" to Join the more numerous host of relatives and friends. Address by the writer, at the funeral, which was held at the spacious family mansion, attended by a large con-course of sympathizing friends and neighbors. J. W. SEAVER.

From San Francisco, Cal., of consumption, April 15th, 1872, Henry Eugene Chase, only son of Mrs. A. D., Wiggin, aged 18 years and 7 months.

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Rev. W. H. H. Murray on Individual Duty Toward the Vicious.

Sometime since this bold atterer of what he believes to be true, pronounced at the Park-street (Orthodox) church, Boston, a discourse on "The value of personal acquaintance and contact with the victous as the means for their reformation," from the text: " But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye-eat and drink with publicans and sinners?"-Luke v : 30. - This sermon gave evidence of a keen penetration of character, and a lively appreciation of life's better uses, and was frought with eloquence and pathes to the close. It has been printed in panaphlet.form, and deserves the widest reading by all classes. In the course of his remarks-a few extracts from which we herewith present-he makes the following plain declara? Jions:

"The "Church, friends, has passed-beyond the period of theological discussions. Itis day. • • • The character and the acts of Christ are a stronger proof of his divinity than his words. • • • If you touch nothing solled In the world you will keep your own hand white, beyond doubt, but you will never cleanse any-fhing. You cannot wash dishes at long range. When Christ went down to the house of Levi the publican, to the great feast Levi had made for im, and sat flown with those men whom society bim, and as nown with mose men whom society despised and hated, and justly too, he did not merely a brave act, but one of the wisest of his life. They were a despised, cruel, and merely a brave with neither social nor church connection. The only earthly reason that Christ could give for going down to eat and tak, and, as I suppose, laugh with these men, was that each one of them had a soid ! Yea, overy sharp-faced; thin-lipped, low browed, keen eyed money-gath-erer before him had a soid. He had no pions parents, no respectable family connections; he had never been religiously educated; he had no mother to pray for htm: he was not even a back-sliding church member; there was not a respectable man in Palestine, who would introduce him to his laughters, he was an earthly minded, unprinch

pled official. But he had a soil. That was ecough. Well, that feast cost Christ something. The fous and horified Plarisees tacked a name on to him which followed and clung to him, as a slanderous report often will follow and cling to a good man to his dying day. They styled him, after that, a 'friend of publicans and sinners.' They cried it in and hown through the whole country, that desus of Nazareth had been eating with the tax gatherers—fraternizing with the people's op-pressors and loose characters. The biggts and gossips of that day had a fine timb of it, I warrant; and fast and swift did they roll up that wave of calimny and misrepresentation which broke at last in bloody foam on Calvary. And what had he galard? This, I an-swer: he had got at last face to face with the men

large as the palm of your hand, into this huge bayou of bine mud. I ask you to tell me how long it will take to fill it up at that rate? Do you-think that the stench will be taken out of the air by sprinkling the lavender of the City, Missionary Society over the pillows on which your con-scienceanow sleep, undisturbed by the miasmethat every gust of crime blows up into your bedrooms? I know I am saying what will offend many; for religious egotism is always offended at any impeachment of its wisdom or earneatness. It hates the man who takes it by the shoulders, and turns about, and makes it look an ugly fact square in it about, and makes it look an ugly fact square in the face; and the fact is, that mon and women are living and dying by scores in this city, week-ly, without any knowledge of God. The eyes of their torment look out upon a hundred church-steeples as they close in death, and their lids droop over the redness of an anguish that you have never tried to alleviate. They go up to God with the mirk of their sins upon them, as leaves which a tormade above out of the soil as diamon which a tornado shovels out of the soil are flung up into the screaming air; they go up, as your doctrines teach, to be condemned. And who are those who will be condemned along with them? Can you tell me? I imagine, that, in their day of Can you tell me? I imagine, that, in their day of trial, their voices will be heard. They shall not be gagged before that great assize; they shall plead their cause; they shall pour forth their complaint: They will say, 'Condemn as not, oh thou who wert not known by us! We did not know thy law; we did not know the truth. • Bear not on us too hard, oh God!' And one shall combined one the mean in drunkantes. speak and say, 'I was born in drunkenness. My vernacular was the lauguage of obscenity. I learned to swear upon my brother's breast. To me the churches of which you speak, were only public bullings; I had no right to them, nor had my father. I went to school; but it was nor had my father. I went to school; but it was to wickedness. I graduated, but only from one degree of crime to another. Thy name was known only to give emphasis to our oaths. Oh God! bear not too h r d upon me, but remember in thy judgment my hard lot on earth."

The poor victims of misfortune find in him a strong advocate. He says:

"Their's is a hard lot., A child born last night in one of a thousand tenements of this city was born to a life long curse. It is not that he is born to poverty; that can be borne, and not kill. And some have borne it in the silence of a pride that jested away its bitterness, and made themselves insensible to its sting by their indifference: they took their crust in patience, and made mirth of it, and would have died from sheer staryation, or that they were beaten-died with a curve of human and that they were beaten-died with a curve of human on their lips, saying. 'Poverty, you joined issue with me in my cradle; and I have bought you, and I have won!' No; the curse that burdens them is not poverty. But they are born unto the cur-e of ignorance and its lead-like pressures to the curse of rank appetite, with its swinish in stincts, to the curse of last excendered of druck enness and all its coarse inflammations; to the

curse of instinctive and hereditary knavery, which shall not miss of teachers; to the curse of days that have no honest service. • • • Why are such ives repeated? Why are such creatures born? ahead—no cold, dry breeze to come from some point of the round heavens and blow its breath upon this constantly maturing corruption, and

upon this constantly maturing corruption, and check it at once and forever? There is. A change shall come – a blessed change. A wind shall blow – a mystic wind, whence and whither we know not, but in its pass-ing it shall pass over sum, and all big cleaving defilement shall part from him and fall away.

There comes a prophecy to my lips of that great by. If Ignorance bas cars, let her listen as I dav. production if; for her dull eyes shall yet be lighted and her now stolid features become mobile with intelligence. Her swarms shall lose their look of over against it, apprehending all its power and force and cunning, all its alliances and combina tions, and the strength derived therefrom, would Lawy to it. 'Thy day is set; the leer and cunning of thy look shall leave thy face, the ormality or thy neck be sweated off; thy brow shall life, thy whicked shrewdness be changed to useful skill; thy whicked shrewdness be changed to useful skill; thy

pilfering fugers acquaint themselves with hon-est industry; and being by the power of God re-newed in Nature, the force and energy of all thy powers, shall be devoted unto him, and man? "Say not that this is wild prediction. Do not call my words extravagant. Let not my prophecy followers whether whether the thing what he fail through your unbelief. This thing shall be, must be; for he who speaks along the line of God's purposes speaks safely?

It is hardly necessary for us to add a word to the above. Trufy great souls will tower above

Music Hall Spiritualist Erce Meetings. As announced in our last issue, the course of lectures so successfully catried out at the above named hall for the past fall, winter and spring, came to a conclusion, for the present season, on Sunday afternoon, May 26th. The two closing lectures-May 19th, by Miss Lizzie Doten, of Boston, and 26th by Andrew Jackson Davis, of Orange, N. J., were of the highest order, and called forth the warmest encomiums of those present on each occasion. Miss Doten considered the subject of "The Debatable Land" with her usual power of diction and impassioned eloquence. The question, so sneeringly asked by some of our opponents, as to whether it were worth while to endeavor to know more concerning the state of life to come, when we should be certain to learn all about it when the "life that now is" was ended, was fully answered, and the cheering and sanctifying influence of realized angelic presence upon the heart accepting it was portrayed in its true power. On Sunday afternoon, May 26th, a large audience assembled to listen to Andrew Jackson-Davis. Mr. L. B. Wilson, chairman, who was present for the first time after seven weeks' prostration by sickness, presided, and, in his additional capacity of treasurer, made the annual report, giving, in detail, all the items of expense and the moneys received during the term, from which it appears that the total expenses, amounted to 85032.12; receipts, \$4779.49; subscriptions due, \$260,00, which, when collected, will leave a surplus, on this year's work, of \$7,37. In addition to the above, he stated that the sum of \$722.31 (the supplus of last year, and \$700 realized from the Union Fair of 1871.) was out on interest, and would not have to be disturbed to meet the expenses of the term just closing, if the subscrip-

> tions now due were paid up promptly. He also assured contributors that every dollar received for the support of the meetings had been strictly appropriated to that object; and that all the expenditures had been made with as much economy as the interests of the meetings would allow.

Mr. Davis treated a subject which his published works have made known all through the civilized world-"The Summer-Land." His discourse was delivered with easy grace, couched in plain and unmistakable terms, and went far to elucidate, in the mind of the large audience present, the existence of a better country, as substantial as this, toward which all were hastening. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Davis adverted to the method by which, in boyhood, he had been brought face to face with the subject; told of the dark, vast tunnel, with a light in the further end-through which he had been spiritually hurried-which lies between the world of circumstance (the material) and that of sub-stance (the spiritual), and referred to the action of Nature always-in accordance with law, by which, from nebula and eliptic belts, worlds were rounded out which grew ripe and bore human fruit, in accordance with the same law of development. What was true of one, was true of all the spheres in space; what was true of one note in the infinite instrument, was true of every other in the octave.

It had taken him three weeks of daily effort to gain an intimate knowledge of, and become acquainted with, one fragment of Nature-a vine growing in his garden. He had found that that vine was obeying some law. It was composed of little atoms, and tended naturally to climb-theframe prepared for it. And why? Because the atoms floated up on a fluid; the fluid floated up on an other; the æther floated up on an essence, which was, the soul of the vine; that essence floated up on a law, which was the life by which the essence worked; the law floated up on a principle, which was applicable to the vegetable in all parts of the world: the principle floated up on an idea, an intelligence: the idea was that vine, and it finated up on God. And so he walked that day with God in the garden.

Between this world and the other (as blank pages between the Old and New Testaments) there were a few blank moments only; whether ve knew it or not, every one wrote or record (the blank leaves between the two existences), and the life we should begin in the world to come would be the life we had closed; in this; we were spiritual beings from the start. The lecturer spoke of the wonderful revelations through clairvoyance-the spectrum analysis of the spiritwith which he had been favored, and of the magnitude of that inhabitable sphere or zone among the suns and planets of space which has been so clearly nortrayed in the "Stellar Key." At the conclusion of the lecture, Mr. Wilson, in behalf of the Committee, called upon the audience for pecupiary assistance toward the sustenance of the meetings for the coming season, and as a result, two thousand five hundred dollars were immediately subscribed. The lecture course will commence again at the same hall in October Merged.

"The Present Age " of Chicago, has been merged in "The Golden Age" of New York. Col. D. M. discourse from one of the preachers present, who Fox will hereafter be identified with Mr. Tilton in the publication of the latter paper, Tribune Building, New York City. In alluding to the change, Bro. E. S. Wheeler, one of the editors of the Present Age, says:

the Present Age, says: "I am gratified at any consolidation and union in which the blending of interests and combina-tion of abilities conserves all the good of the past and insures more baneficial development for time to come. • • • Ever since the publication of the Golden Age the two papers have followed parallel lines of thought, and been actuated by a common purpose. It has been concluded that those ideas could be elaborated and that purpose served best by joint action under one head, with served best by joint action under one head, with expression through the columns of one sheet."

It is to be regretted that any Spiritualist paper should be so illy patronized as to be obliged, under adverse circumstances, to lose its identity great body of Spiritualists, or they would not alto the vital importance of more thoroughly mainto Spiritualism have come up and gone down, year after year, for lack of pecuniary support; and we suppose this will be the case until Spiritualism becomes popular ! Then wealth will flow into the coffers of the (now) "poor printer," and he will be considered as "respectable" as other laborers upon the earth!

said) is on a firm basis; but it has been placed man, the boy, the foreigner, looking for their there by extraordinary efforts and extraordinary places among us." овяен

The Religio-Philosophical Journal has put its subscription at \$1.50 for one year-(half-pricel)in order to induce new subscribers to patronize it. It cannot possibly sustain itself in this way for any length of time at such low figures. Spiritualists, send Bro. Jones the full price, (\$3,00) which is none too much for such a paper.

Flashes of Light from the Spirit-Land. This new encyclopedic volume on general spirtual information, is now before the public, and is meeting with a good reception. Those who are acquainted, even by repute, with. Mrs. J. H. Conant, the celebrated medium, through whose organism the matter from which this book was compiled was originally given, and with Allen dence: Putnam, its clear-beaded and profound editor, need no further guaranty of its interesting and useful character.

Many favorable notices from the secular press have been received by us, which from time to time we propose to give our readers, that they may know of the gradual but sure introduction of the spiritual idea among men. The Cape Ann (Gloucester, Mass.)) Advertiser, says of it:

" FLASHES OF LIGHT FROM THE SPIRIT-LAND, by Mrs. J. H. Conent. Boston: William White & Co., Publishers; Jompiled by Allen Putnam. We have perused this volume with much pleasure, as it treats upon a subject which is attracting much enough to lead them to an investigation. It contains much valuable information to such, and im presses the mind with the vastness of the subject and the varied <u>powers of Mrs.</u> Conant as a mellum for spiritual communications. The skep tic will find much convincing proof that there is a power outside of the organism of the medium which controls lier, and will also find the solution to many questions which naturally arise. This book, in our opinion, has been published at a very favorable time, and we feel impressed that it will accomplish much good."

Spiritualism in Milwankee, Wis.

J. B. Smith, under date of May 21st, informs us that the Spiritualists are moving in Milwaukee. and have elected the following officers to preside over the business of the Association: J. B. Smith, President; N. M. Grover, Vice-President; George Godfrey, Secretary; D. M. Brown, Treasurer; Dr. days of the prophets, so it was in the Son of Man's H. S. Brown, Collector; J. B. Smith, D. H. S. Brown, N. M. Graham, A. B. Severance, J. B. so it was in the Reformer's days; as it was in Burr, Trustees. He further says: "We have the days of the Reformers, so will it be to the hired a hall, and hold meetings Sundays, fore- end, so long and so far as a class of men are have a conference: in the afternoon a séance, with Mr. Wright as medium." He reports the appearance of many spiritual friends, the most of whom are recognized. "We have a good hall-have leased it for a year, and are progressing finely."

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A' recent Presbyterian Convention elicited a took upon himself to declaim against the awful tendencies of the times in the most frightful manner nossible to conceive. "We live in an age," said he, "when Mechanics and Traders threaten ; to eclipse the Cross"; which, adds the New York

The Old Canting.

Tribune, by no means proves that Mechanics and Traders are out of their place, but that the religion of the Cross is out of hers. And it continues its comments in the following impressive strain, which deserves to be read again and again: "When Christianity is made as everyday a matter in the actual world, as attractive to men mentally, as potent in its force on every whit of their outside lives as business or science, it will command the attention of the same class of think-, ers, and our churches will be filled with the foremost and weightiest men of the community, inby consolidation with any other paper. There stead of too largely with children and women. It must be something radically wrong among the is high time that Christ's truth should no longer be obscured by technical verbiage, bigotry and low their public organs to sink out of existence doctrinal mists, until it has come to pass with too. in this manner. Why our people do not wake up | many for a mere mystical theory, out of which dreamers, the sick and the aged contrive comforttaining their journals IS A MYSTERY WE ARE UN- ably to bridge over death; it should be known in ABLE TO SOLVE. But so it has been all through its real place as the spirit of life in all the prothe long years of our experience. Papers devoted gress which man has ever made or can make. The Presbyterian General Assembly have their share of work to do with the others in bringing it out of their especial holy place, and making it felt in every reform or question of the day. It is not the spirit of John Knox with whom they have now to commune in their quiet churches, but the spirit of the Magdalen and drunkard in the back

The Banner of Light (as we have previously alley, the Indian whom we have cheated, the wo-

Mrs. A. B. Severance.

This celebrated psychometrist, of whose powers we have on more than one occasion spoken in the highest terms, writing us from her home in Whitewater, Wis., recently, states that the great attention demanded by her invalid child has, for the past year, considerably interfered with the prompt answer, by her, of letters sent to her on business, but hopes her friends and patrons will exercise patience in the matter, and she will be as expeditious as possible. Any desiring such service as an excellent and well tested psychometrist can give, cannot do better than to employ Mrs. Severance. This we know by experience. We give below the following corroboratory evi-

DEAR BANNER-Allow me, through your col-umns, to say an appreciative word in behalf of one of the obscure yet faithful laborers in the great and good cause of the apgels-Mrs. A. B. Severance, of Whitewater, Wis. Personally she is unknown to me, but for several years I have had occasion, from time to time, to test her pow-ers as a medium, and can cheerfully commend her to the could ence of the public as one excel-lently gifted for her special work. She is in every way trustworthy, and her delineations and prescriptions in disease are most excellent. Yours in truth and for truth, Council Bluffs, Ia. S. A. MERRELL, M. D.

The Testimony of History.

We may try to believe that, as they are mostly good and well-meaning men who are driving at this scheme for converting our free government____ into an engine of oppression, so they will never be guilty of any actual wrong to those who happen to differ from them; but it will be found the merest delusion in the end. It is the same experiment tried over again. The world has proved its result innumerable times, and always with the same orucl success. The God-in-the Constitution party are only in pursuit of power, whether they really confess it to themselves or not; and when they obtain it, they will use it just as tyrants always have done before. Says the historian Froud, in his graphic sketch of the trial and burning of Ridley, Latimer and Cranmer, for their independence of religious faith, "As it was in the was in the days of the Son of Man noon, afternoon and evening. In the forencon we permitted to hold power who call themselves, the commissioned and authoritative teachers of truth." History ever repeats herself, read it how we will.

he wanted to better. He knew their names, their views their good spots and their had ones; had had a chance to study their mode of thought, learn something of their personal history and the history of their families, and to get their affections.

After stating that the common people understand the difference, intuitively, between deep, real sympathy and its counterfeit, he says "no sham passes current with them," and that the strongest point of the reformer of Galilee among the multitulle was the naturalness that accompanied his every word and act:

"He was a carpenter's son, and knew by ex-perience what manual labor was. He had never been drilled to write sermons in a modern theo-logical school, where the student, in order to stand high, must discover considerable more truth that God ever revealed ; nor had he ever got the prayer-meeting tone or the severe and solemn expression considered by many as humble and or-bodox; but he was a simple-spoken, grave-faced kind-hearted young man."

He then declares the great waht of the time to be a disposition on the part of good people to mix with and personally influence those whom they desire to better. "When a good man has won the respect and affection of a bad man, he has the evil in him at a tremendous disadvantage," Appealing directly to the pockets of a certain leading class in the community, he says that business men, of all others, should be the stanchest advocates of morality ! "By as much as you sink a single street or section of this city in drunkenness or any other vice, by so much do you detract not only from its capacity to produce, but also to consume. An ignorant, imbruted population buy little. As you press a man down to the level of an animal, you contract the circle of his wants. His value as a customer is lessened as his vices increase. You might as well banish one-half the local custom of this city as to allow public morality to fall away to that extent. • • • Every legitimate business in this city, every grocery and store and factory, is committed by the instinct of trade to oppose the increase of drunkenness and gambling and idleness in our midst. * * Here are entire sections of the city given over to be populated and possessed by viciousness, and we plume ourselves if we keep-it within its own bounds. We give up one house out of every three to be a brothel, a gambling-den or a rum-shop, and then rejoice that our morals are so well protected. We make one-half of the city-a safe spot for a lady to walk in by day, and one-third of it tolerably secure for gentlemen by night, and call our method of city povernment a success."

Speaking of the duty of the churches in the matter, after comparing the dens of crime exist ing in their midst, where poverty is the strongest incentive to wrong doing, to a staguant marsh before a gentleman's door, poisoning the air for himself and the children who are to come after him and which demands his personal attention that it may be drained and gradually made hard land whereon human beings can safely abide, he affrights the "sleepy" ones of his congregation and the public generally, by declaring:

All we have done, so far, has been this; We have bired some twelve or twenty men and wo-men to go down each year, and throw a thousand Bibles, and twenty thousand religious tracts as

the level plain of their creeds and catch the onrushing breezes of heaven - breaths from that mystic wind, whence and whither " the churches know not, but still blessed, and which-we know -from the tidings brought us by returning angels -blow over the border of the golden land of immortal joy! How long ere all the world shall catch the polian music whose burden of peace on earth, good-will to man, proclaims the presence of our new spiritual Christ!

"Have You Found Jesus ?"

A striking case of the superiority, to the human heart, of present inspiration to by-past revelation. occurred not long since in Chelses, Mass. The Young Men's Christian Association, at the close of the Spiritualist lecture course, at Granite Hall, next. engaged said place in which to hold regular Sunday evening meetings, while the Spiritualists decided to supplement the course already concluded by some test circles, lectures, etc., at Banquet. Hall (a smaller one) in the same building, and one flight below. Mrs. Western, of East Boston, was employed, for three Sunday evenings, as a medium for spirit-communion, and many convincing tests were given at her scances. At the close of one of them, as a gentleman-who had unexpectedly strolled into the circle, and who had received the most indubitable proof of the invisible presence of his son, who had been a denizen of the world of souls for fitteen years-was leaving the lower hall, in tears, the stream of worshipers from the upper sanctuary came surging down the stairs. and one, all on fire with zeal in the cause of his 'Master," approached the weeping man, affectionately placed his arm around his neck, and exclaimed:" My dear brother, have you found Jesus?" 'No," replied the stranger, the light of a great ioy beaming from his eyes, as the sun shines upon the last drops of a closing shower, " I have found my son; who has been gone from me for the last fifteen years! 'He was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found;' and that is of infinitely more relief to me!"

Visitors.

We had the pleasure of meeting at our office the past week several of our most noted workers in the field of reform, among whom were Andrew Jackson Davis, of Orange, N. J., William Denton, A. E. Newton, Allen Putnam, A. E. Giles, Giles B. Stebbins, of Detroit, Mich., Dyer D. Lum. of Maine, Mrs. A. J. Duniway, editor and proprietor of "The Northwest," published in Portland, Oregon, Dr. H. B. Storer, Moses Hull, and Ed. S. Wheeler. Our orothers appeared in good health and spirits, and felt confident that the full fruition. of all their labors in the past in behalf of Spiritualism was near at hand, and that the harvest would indeed be great.

ST A GOOD LIKENESS.-Our thanks are due -individually and collectively-to Bro. Thomas Gales Forster, of Gotham, for copies of a fine

ories.

photographic "presentment" of his genial conntenance, which beams on us full of pleasant mem-

God in the Constitution.

Senator Trumbull reported back, May 27th, and he Judiciary Committee was discharged from further consideration of petitions from thirteen thousand two hundred and one citizens of the United States praying that no amendment may be incorporated in the Constitution recognizing God as the source of all civil power and Jesus Cbrist as the ruler among nations; also numerous petitions from various parts of the United States. with signatures aggregating over twenty thousand, transmitted through the Boston Investigator and the Banner of Light, asking Congress to preserve inviolate the great guarantees of religious liberty now contained in the Constitution, and protesting against the proposed amendment incorporating therein the recognition of God or Jesus Christ as an attempt to overthrow the great principle of religious liberty on which this Government was originally founded. And so the matter rests for he present.

Works of Thomas R. Hazard.

Those who have perused the Banner of Light attentively, particularly during the past six months, must have noticed with pleasure the three fine articles, "Who are the Blasphemers?-the 'Orthodox' Christians, or 'Spiritualists'?" "Mediums and Mediumship," and "Eleven Days at Moravia," which, at their appearance, produced a profound sensation among all classes of readers. These communications, in obedience to an earnest call from the public, were published in pamphlet form, and sold at the low price of ten cents a copy, or the three for twenty-five cents. The first edition was speedily exhausted, and we now have the pleasure of announcing that a second-revised and improved by the author, and printed from new type-is ready for sale, embracing the "Blasphomers" and ". Mediumship "-" Moravia" to follow-which will be disposed of at the same price as the former one.

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Moral Philosophy

"Healthy growths may become poisonous by falling upon the wrong mental soil, and what seemed a nightshade in one mind, unfold as a morning-glory in the other." Oliver Wendell Holmes says this in the last number of the Atlantic Monthly., His "Breakfast-Table" wise sayings should be carefully perused by certain people who are forever extolling their own importance. A few doses of "The Poet at the Breakfast Table"-taken before breakfast-would undoubtedly do them a deal of good. There' are many "nightshades" about us just now, that need to be converted into "morning-glories," forthwith.

"The Fairfields.",

Lou H. Kimball announces in a late number of the Lyceum Banner, Chicago, Ill., that this book, the first edition of which, just from the press, was destroyed by the "great fire," has been reprinted, with the hope that the sales may make good the losses on the first, and at least pay the cost of re publishing. The crushing calamity which so unexpectedly fell upon the little ones' paper-in common with a majority of the Chicago journals -should awaken sympathy for the lady, and interest in the book as a souvenir of that black day which we trust will never be duplicated.

A. E. Carpenter

Will speak in Concord, N. H., the first Sunday in June. He will go from there to Claremont, and thence to the Stowe Convention, by the Vermont Central railroad. He would like to make engagements along the route. Those desiring his services should address him at once. He is agent for the Banner of Light, and will have with him a complete variety of "spiritualistic and reformatory books." Address him care Banner of Light.

Aid for Miss Rebecca Lyon. John Mayhew, writing from Washington, D. C., recently, says: "I beg to acknowledge the following receipts for the benefit of Miss Lyon: C. M. Stebbins, \$2,00; S. A: D., \$1,00; O./S. Whitley, 25 cents." All moneys received by us for the poor invalid, Miss L., have been forwarded to her. More aid is needed.

Tangibility of Spirit-Forms.

We shall publish in our next issue a well written article with the above caption, from the pen be perused with interest, no doubt, by those of a scientific turn of mind.

An Excellent Idea.

It is announced by the daily press, that, during the months of October, November and December, 1872f a free course of twelve lectures will be given to women only-owing to the limited capacity of the hall, which will seat but between, eight and nine hundred persons-on subjects connected with English literature. The lectures will take place at the large hall of the Technological Institute, Boston, on Saturday afternoons, at three o'clock. The design of this course is to introduce a scheme of instruction for women which shall give to them the advantages so long afforded to students in universities. It is the beginning of a plan which will be hailed with delight wherever the full and proper education of females has been discussed. This course will no doubt be followed by others in the sciences, etc., and Boston will have the credit of starting a plan which is sure to end in universities for women in various parts of the country. The following eloquent speakers are engaged for the course, which will begin Oct. 5th: Ralph Waldo Emerson, Phillips Brooks, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Edward P. Wh.pple, Wendell Phillips, George S. Hillard, James Freeman Clarke, William R. Alger, John Weiss, George Wm. Curtis.

Coutents of this Number of the Bauner.

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Approval of Our Course.

A correspondent at Hopedale writes: "I am more and more pleased with your Banner. I am glad that its sympathies are with the working, struggling masses, Will it not be glorious when we can bring all the light of the spiritual gospel to bear upon the elevation and enfranchisement of mankind! Let the light of the Banner continue to shine, with ever-increasing and radiant of J. B. Loomis, Esq., of New York City. It will beams, into the hearts, and homes of the outcast millions, where no other religion as yet penetrates."

JUNE 8, 1872.

Dr. J. R. Newton.

Every one interested in the phenomenal mani festation of spirit power through laying on of hands, has heard of this celebrated worker, whose individual organization is peculiarly adapted for the transmission of healing power, and whose labors in this country and Europe have added much to the influence of the cause, and brought many hearty words of thankfulness from the lips of his restored patients. This gentleman has for some time past been treating the sick at his residence, 35 Harrison avenue, Boston, Mass., but has decided on making a Western tour during the summer, and will, in accordance with that plan, close his Boston office and commence operations at the Kennard House, Cleveland, O, June 30th. We take pleasure in laying before our readers

the following list of remarkable cures, recently performed by Dr. Newton, that it may still more firmly be impressed on the mind of the public that the "gift of healing" is a fixed fact-a blessing not for a day, but for all time to those who

have the moral courage to receive its benefits: Rev. W. A. Cheney, South Brookfield, Mass., partial paralysis, two years, numbress in head and arm; unable to hole

sis, two years, numbers in near and arm; dashe w near a pen to write properly; cured about six weeks since; called one negleo and reported himself perfectly cured. Wm. B. Tibbets, Esq., Amesbury, Mass., bad case of sciat-ics; perfectly cured. John Quincy Denton, Quincy, Mass., heart discase and de-THE SP

fective sight; perfectly cured. Joseph W. Sloane, Dorchester, Mass., very bad case of

Joseph W. Sionne, Dordnester, mass., very bar case of rhoumatism; entirely cured. Mrs. Wm. Brown, Amesbury, Mass., curod of fomalo weak-ness, and her child cured of chronic eryslpelas. Mrs. Adelaide Holbrook, Braintree, Mass., bedridden two years with paralysis; had two or three chiloptic fits every day; cured with one treatment of about twenty minutes. Bhe is perfectly well, and has done all her family work ever since.

J. P. Hammond, Worcester, Mass., child cured of scald Mrs. M. Lyon, 44 Coetes street, contracted hip, twenty

Mrs. M. Lyon, At Obeks Enteer, Contracted hip, twenty years; cured with one treatmont. Josephine Coffee, Hopkinton, Mass., St., Vitus' dance; cured. J. H. Maxon, Newbury, N. H. His son was cured of hip disease; never used crutches after second day. C. B. Sawyor, Washington, D. C., lame knee many years; cured perfectly with one treatment; no further use for crutches or cano.

crutches or cano. George W. Percy, Springfield, Vt., selatica, kidney disease

catarrh and asthma; had not been able to work for five years; perfectly curred, and worked every day since. Mrs. Charles R. Hammett, 151 Chelses street, Charles-

Mrs. Charles R. Hammett, 151 Chelsea street, Charles-town, Mass., cured of jaundico and gall stones. William O. Davidson, 4 Stark street, Manchester, N. H., cured of heart disease; had a tumor on his neck that he was about to have cut out; cured that also. Mrs. J. H. Hayward, rear 17 Cordis street, Charlestown, Mass., cured of a vory large ovarian tumor. Banuel B. Logan, Eaq., 35 Walnut street, Chelsea, Mass., his son perfectly cured of a cough that he was born with. Ascher B. Poland, Gloucester, Mass., curvature of spine; cured.

Frank L. Runville, Springfield, Vt., awful cancer on William A. Ford, Esq. Som +rville, Mass., child cured of St. Vitus Ance, with two treatments, B. O. Dice, Esq. 470 Washington street, Boston, Mass.,

heart disease ; cured. .. Nathaniel S. Averell, 79 Boston street, Salem, Mass., loss

of voice over one year; cured instantly. John Madison, 48 Moulton street, Charlestown, Mass., sci-

John Madison, 48 Moulion street, Charlestown, Mass., sci-atica; cured with one treatment. Mrs. Lovitt Beal, Florence, Northampton, Mass., spine disease and bad humor; perfectly cured. Mrs. Andrew Jackson; Köcher, N. H., cured of a goitre, heart disease, and dyspepsia. She was so run down with general debility and weakness that ker life was despaired of; she was perfectly cured. John Hubbard, Andover, Mass., heart disease and dyspep-ite. cured and went to work at once.

Jonn Hubbard, Andover, Mass., heart disease and dyspep-sla; cured and went to work at once. - William P. Butterfield, Cambridgeport, Mass., largeteancer on neck; was in an awful condition; porfectly cured. Eben Glichrist, Milton, Mass., cured of consumption three months ago; in two weeks went to work, and been well over since. Josiah Hupt. Cumpington Mean and a survival and been well

Josiah Hunt, Cummington, Mass., cured of paralysis some time since; threw aside his crutches, and perfectly well since. His mother had same disease, not so bad; she was also cured, and remains well.

Miss Ada Rowe, Manchester, N. H., paralyzed hands; perectly cured. Minnie Lawrence, Falmouth, Mass., contracted feet and

muscles; cured to walk well. Mrs. George E. Haskell, Härvard, Mass., cured of internal abscos*. Eila Banderson, Dedham, Mass., loss of voice; cured in-

Stantly. Sarah Frankie Page, North Charlestown, N. H., cured of

bad cancer in breast. Benjamin Gline, Manchester, N. H., epilepsy, three years ; oured miwin W. Thompson, U Conant place, Boston Highlands,

cured of very had sore hand. Mrs. Elbro B. Sargool, Grantham, N. H., spine disease and female weakness; unable to walk for seven months; "perfectly cured with one treatment, and walked half. a mile

at onco. Mrs. James Coos, East Gloucester, Mass., lamb ton years : cured with one treatment to walk without crutches and without limping. This was two months since; she continues perfectly well.

The May Conventions.

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THEY ARE SLEEPING.

BY ANNA HERBERT, They are sleeping where flowers of the glade and the hill

In a mantle of love have arrayed them, While the cannon is bushed and the bugle is

Skeeping on where their comrades have laid Oh, the days will grow long while they linger

away In their homes which the green mosses cover, And our eyes never trace on their headstones so

Spiritualist Lyceums and Lectures. MIRTINGS IN BOSTON. - Elio IIail. corrier Eliol and Tyrmoni streets.- The Boston Spiritualists' Union hold their regular meetings every Thinraday overbings at 13 o'clock. The public are cordially invited to attend. Dr. II. F. Gardner, President; Mrs. L. F. Klitredge, Secretary. - The Children's Progressive Lyceum meets at 109 A. M. every Hunday.

John A. Andrew Hall, corner of Chauncy and Essex streets. Lecture by Birr, R. A. Ployd, at 2% and 3% P. M. The audience privileged to ask any proper questions on spirituality. Ex collent quartette singing. Public invited. Temple Hall 10 markets Temple Hall, 18 Boylston street. -At 10} A. M., test circle, Mrs. Hello Howditch, medium; 23 P. M., circle, open to all mediums; 72 P. M., conference.

BOSTON.-Eliot Hall.-Exercises of a highly interesting character occurred at the session of the Children's Progressive Lycoum, on Sunday morning, May 20th. On that occasion-in obedience to the request of the invisibles at one of the Lycoum weekly circles-exercises commemorative of the anniversary (" Degoration Day") to occur on the following Thursday, were carried out. The conductor's deak was finely wreathed in flowors, as was also the portrait of Mrs. Sarah A. Morton, the ascended Assistant Guardian, in front, and that of Theodore Parker suspended in the rear of the platform. The scholars, loaders and even the group colors were decorated with bouquets.

The meeting opened by singing by the Lyceum, and music from the orchestraT. M. Oartor, leader; -after which in a few appropriate words D. N. Ford, Conductor, pro coeded to explain the nature of the services about to be gone through with, and referred to the bright example of those who had given their physical lives for the good of their country. After the Banner March had been executed with full ranks, singing was participated in by Maria Adams, Cora Stono, Etta Bragdon, Carrie Downs, Mamile A. Richardson, Emma Drake, Cora Wolff, the Misses' Saunders and others: recitations were given by Misses Ella Carr. Maria Adams, Cora Stone, Bessle Riley, Carrie Osgood, Lizzie Thompson and ----- Parker; and readings given by Etta Bragdon, Emma Drake, and Georgie Cayran. Helle Bacon alko. hv request, repeated her recitation at a previous entertainment, with excellent effect, and fine songs were given " Bylvan,' by Alico Cayvan and Josie Woodman. Remarks then followed from Hattie Robinson, the colored medium-who described what she saw clairvoyantly during the Grand Banner March - Geo. A. Bacon and Mrs. Ella Davis Rockwood This latter lady, so well and so faithfully identified with the temperance cause, and reform movements generally, while stating that she had not yet been able to adopt the Spiritual hypothesis, and that this was her first visit to a Spiritual Sunday School, yet expressed the warmest sympathy with the broad ideas underlying the new philosophy, and recited several anecdotes concerning her life experience, which the listeners could not help thinking proved her to be very " near the kingdom," In conclusion she endeavored to impress upon the youthful minds before her the necessity of doing every one of life's duties well-no matter how apparontly small and trivial.

Mrs. Maria Adams-medium for the Lycoum circle, and group leader, then proceeded-entranced-to develop still further the intention of the spirits concorning the presont floral display, and closed by bidding an affectionate adiou to the school, ill health necessitating her withdrawal from her office of teacher. The target march ensued, after which Charles W. Sullivan, D. N. Ford, Mary A. Sanborn and Mrs. W. L. Lovejoy sang the "Faded Coat of Blue "-at the request of Mrs. Barah A. Morton, who was in life a member of the quartette, through the medium-and the meeting closed. The exercises were eminently calculated to around a feeling of patriotism in the hearts of the young, and to forcibly evidence to those of middle age that though the brave nay moulder in dust on rugged hillside or in tangled glen, their spirits are with us, and we shall surely

Among the good and true; Where a robe of white is given. For the faded cost of blue!"

Spiritualists' Home .- At 27 Milford street, Boston, Mass. Mrs. S. E. King, has established a boarding-house for Spiritualists, and a home for transient believers in our philoso phy, visiting this city. I. P. Greenleaf, J. L. Nowman, Miss M. A. Houghton and other medlums and speakers have already there taken up'their abode. On the evening of Monday, May 27th; a social party of the friends of all concerned took place at this house, in commemoration of the event of its opening. A umorous poem was read by Mr. H. Simonds; remarks were made by Drs. John II. Currier, of Boston, and A. H. Richard son, of Charlestown; I. P. Greenleaf delivered an address of welcome, and two loams were recited by Capt. H. H. Brown, of Nebraska. The party separated at a late hour, much pleased with the occasion and the services.

John A. Andrew Hall .- On Sunday afternoon, May 28th, in accordance-with the provisions of a subject given in by the audience. Suiritualism and Orthodoxy were contrasted in a beautiful and comprehensive manner by Mrs. Sarah A. Floyd. - In the evening the beauties of the spirit-world were nortraved, and the science of geology treated on. A lively interest is awakening in the questions from the audience by reason of the satisfactory manner in which they are answored. The fine quartette singing adds much toward making these meetings highly interesting and successful.

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N. Frank White will lecture through June in Port Huron, Mich. Address, July, Beymour, Conn.; August and Beptembor, Boston, care Banner of Light ; will answer calls to speak in the East through the summer and early fall.

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Mrs. Abble Morse will speak at Troy, N. Y., Town Hall, uly 4th.

H. P. Fairfield will locture five Sundays in June, at Town Hall, in Newton Falls, Ohio.

R. Augusta Whiting may be addressed care " H. T. Reed, 86 Lincoln street. Boston." She would like to make engage ments to lecture the two last Sundays in June, and also for the month of September, if consulted immediately. A. A. Wheelock will lecture in Newark, N. J., and Brooklyn, N. Y., the Sundays of June. The lecture in Newark vill be in the morning, and in Brooklyn in the ovening.

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nillst Society of Cleveland, O., during June. W. F. Jamieson will address the Spiritualists of Clyde, O., luting June.

The Women in Earnest.

The Metropolitan press seems to ignore the ladies who are striking out so holdly for political recognition, notwithstanding the fact that after recognition, notwithstanding the fact that after nominating their candidate for the Presidency, they are now Lying out plans for a vigorous, and they earnestly hops a successful canvass. When-ever the Women Suffrage movement has been alluded to in any way, it has been in a bantering, joking style, and the public, rarely appreciates the zeal and earnestness with which the projec-tors of the novement are filled. The Knall Biots more age it is called in or

tors of the movement are filled. The Equal Rights party, as it is called, is or-ganizing in the same manner as other political parties, and is sending out notices and appeals for help and cooperation in urging forward the claims of the party for recognition.—The (gange Chronicle.

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BY D.W. HULL,

The regular old-fashioned anniversary weeksacred to memories of Orthodox conventionality and sombre-visaged plety-has undergone a radical change in these rapidly moving times. Cheerful work; rather than gloomy isreboding, rules the hour, and our city during the week ending May 31st, was the scene of much to encourage the philanthropist and liberal philosopher.

The sessions of the New England Woman Suff rage Association . at Tremont Temple, wherein addresses were made by William Lloyd Garrison, Lucy Stone, Mary A. Livermore, Henry B. Blackwell, Rev. Celia Burleigh, Rev. James Freeman Clark, and others, were very interesting. The Boston Advertiser thus speaks of one of the earnest laborers in the field, whose name is wellknown among the Spiritualists of the United States:

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Mrs. Livermore was followed by Mrs. A. J. Duniway of Portland, Oregou, who told of the pro-gress of the woman suffrage cause in the far West. she gave an amusing description of a woman-suffrage meeting on the Pacific coast, and con-fessed to six babies for whose disposition she had to make arrangements, before she could go. A Govenor held one, a member of Congress took care of another, her fortunate husband fondled a third, and the others were consigned to the care of circumstances. And yet the lady speaker rashly expressed a wish for half a dozen more She finally utilized those she had, and accounted for inally utilized those she had, and accounted for her desire for more by showing a paper, yclept the New Northwest, in which her own cogita-tions were printed and on which her numer-ons family of children made themselves useful as compositors. Mrs. Duniway canvassed the audience for subscribers, and, it is to be hoped, was successful in a degree commensurate with the merits of ber journal. the merits of her journal.

The Massachusetts Labor Union held its First Annual Convention in Horticultural Hall, Edwin M. Chamberlain, President. Here, also, Wendell Phillips and others made eloquent appeals, and William Denton, John Wetherbee, George A. Bacon and E. S. Wheeler represented the spiritual element.

The Massachusetts State Spiritualist Association held meetings morning, afternoon and evening of Wednesday, May 29th, of the proceedings at which we hope to give some account in our next issue.

Chapters from the Bible of the Ages. This new and valuable book, edited and compiled by G. B. Stebbins, of Detroit, Mich., is for sale by Wm. White & Co., Boston. We shall fully notice this grand work at our earliest opportunity.

The Food Journal, a London periodical, records a stupid instance of "vegetarian enthusiasm." It tunately, Mme. Gléizes did not share in his sentiments, for she insisted upon rations of flesh and fish and fowl. M. Glézes gave her her choice-to give up the flesh-pots, or to give up him. She hesitated, and was lost. The marriage has been

dissolved. Madame can eat chops when she break his Graham bread.

The dear name of friend or of lover.

Columbia, Queen of the free and the brave, For the faith that described thee never, May thy banner of stars, over mountain and wave, Guard the graves of thy heroes forever.

How still are the ranks of Columbia's dead!-Yet they rushed on the waves of the battle. How lowly the pride of each grass covered head That faced the lierce muskery's rattlel Yet better by far is their death than the life Of the soulless who shrink from their duty;

God crowned them as martyrs-who fell in the. And their lives are transfigured in beauty. Columbia's jewels-how brightly they shine By the rivers, the sands and savannahs!

While Peace rings her Jubilee anthem divine, And the hills answer back with hosannas, May the heart never throb 'neath the heavens

above That thrills not to hear of their story, And the arm be unnerved that would seek to

One leaf from thy crown of their glory! ALL SORTS OF PARAGRAPHS.

Our thanks are due to Miss Emiline Shaw, of North Hampton, N. H., for a beautiful bouquet

for our Free Circle table. THEODORE PARKER. - The Commonwealth newspaper says that of the \$75,000 required for the memorial edifice to Theodore Parker, \$50,000 have been subscribed, and the subscriptions still continue. The building will stand at the corner

of Berkley and Appleton streets, Boston, and probably be completed by Christmas. PICTURE OF THOMAS PAINE .- J. P. Mendum, of "Investigator" fame, has just issued a fine lithographic likeness of this great apostle of reason and the "rights of man," the engraving bearing the imprint of "J. Mayer & Co., lith., 4 State

street, Boston." Disciples of free thought will do well to add this to the decorations that enhance the attractions of home.

Death is continually walking the rounds of a great city, and sooner or later be will stop at every maa's door. But after all, the shortest life is long enough if it lead to a better, and the long-est life is too short, if it do not.—Liberal Christian. If, dear reader, you wish your life to lead to a better hereafter, so live here that on your death-

bed you have nothing to regret, and hereafter your condition will be one of unalloyed enjoyment, for you will have fulfilled the law of your

being in every respect.

All kinds of ability are self-recognizing. No a stupid instance of the second state of the s and uncompromising enemy of meat, printing and achievement would be lost. Before we attempt to do, we must feel that we can do. The modesty of genius is one of the most inapplicable of phrases; no nearer truth than if we should speak of the ability of fools.

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Movements of Lecturers and Mediums J. William Fletcher, of Westford, Mass., will lecture or Spiritualism at Welles's Hall, Lowell, June 2d, afternoon and evening.

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William Denton, the celebrated champion of free thought. spoke the last two Bundays of May at Hudson, Mass. On Wednesday evening, May 23d, he made a ploneer movement on Wost Sutton, near Worcester, Mass, where he lectured on "Salvation." A good audience assembled to listen to him; a majority of those attending never having

heard a Spiritualist speaker before. He will address the Liberals of Springfield, Mass., during June. Miss Jonnetto Clark will speak in South Easton, Mass.

the first Bunday in June. Mrs. Julia E. Wright, clairvoyant and test-medium, has given up her rooms at 82 Dover street on account of ill health, and will travel during the summer months-perma nent address, Boston-with her husband, Dr. N. M. Wright, the inspirational speaker. We recommend her to all wholesouled Spiritualists as a true woman" and faithful worker in the cause.

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D. W. Hull returns to Kansas to answer a few calls for this ummer. Friends in the West wishing his services will address him Kausas City, Mo. He will speak on political subjects whenever desired, through the summer.

Laura Cuppy Smith will lecture in Potsdam, N. Y., the first Sunday in June; in Ogdensburgh, the second and third; the fourth in Watertown.

Ed. S. Wheeler closed the course of lectures-which have been carried on during the past winter and spring at Salem, Mass., by two discourses-afternoon and evening. Sunday, May 26th. Good and attentive andiences were present on both occasions, and fine singlug by the choir added interest to the services. The Spiritualists will continue a system of conferences on Sunday, till the early fall, when the lectures will be again resumed. Mr. Wheeler would like to make en-

gagements in the East for the present Moses Hull dropped in upon us last week. He.is, now

awakening the people of New England. He has given a course of Sunday lectures in Bridgeport, Conn. ; spdaks the first two Bundays in June at New London, Conn.; the third Bunday at Hartford, then he returns West to hold grove meetings in Indiana and Ohio. Those wishing his services for grove meetings should address him immediately.

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their nearness to thee. Let them understand their

divinity; let them feel that they are ever upon

holy ground, standing nigh unto thyself. And may

the loving angels who minister unto their spiritual

needs, be strong, and wise, and perfect for their

dealings with them; and when this life closes for

them, and the brighter and better and holler

life shall dawn, may they each one find that

their record here has ensured them happiness

Questions and Answers.

QUES .-- (From a correspondent.) Certain geolo-

gists believe there was once in the Atlantic Ocean,

west of Gibraltar, a large island which possessed,

by virtue of its relation to the Gulf Stream, a de-

lightful climate, but sank beneath the ocean many

centuries ago. They suggest that it might have

been this land that the ancients called Atlanta.

Can the controlling spirit give us any information

ANS -That there was such a tract of land, at

Q.-The saying "Ask, and ye shall receive,"

seems to have been common with the wise of all

nations and ages; but, in our language, would

not "Demand, and ye shall obtain," be more in

A.-No, I think not. Asking means simply this

-placing yourselves in a condition to be able to

receive. Whoever does this will certainly re-

Q.-If the doctrine of re-incarnation is true, why

A.—That the doctrine of reincarnation is true

is fact proven by all Nature and that there are

but rare instances where the memory is exer-

cised in this particular, is also a truth. There are

here in this life, of having lived a former life.

express itself in a limited degree-through which

it can live its present life; +0, then, it becomes an

abnormal, an almost unnatural condition, for

one to be able to remember anything that tran-

spired with it, as a soul, through another organic

Qu-I do not get just the answer I wanted,

and that is, why there should be an objection to

acknowledging the fact of living a second life, on

A .- The soul clings tenaciously to the things of

the present, that it may ontwork itself through

the part of those who do remember?'

accordance with the ancient versions?

hereafter. Amen.

about it?"

March 4.

Message Department.

RACH Message in this Dejartment of the Banne" of Light we diaim was spoken by the Spirit whose name it pears through the instrumentality of

Mrs. J. H. Conont,

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Mrs. J. H. Connus, while in an abnormal condition called the trance. These Messages indicate that spirits carry with them the durace toristics of thew earth-life to that beyond--whether for good or eril. But those who leave the earth-sphere in an unde-veloped state, eventually progress into a higher condition. We sak the rokier to receive no doctrine put forth by spirits in these columns that does not comport with his or er reason. All express as much of truth as they perceive -no more.

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Invocation.

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In thy name, oh Past, Present and Future Good, we are here assembled, praying for the descent of the Holy Spirit of Truth, which shall lead us from all error and deliver us from all evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forover and forever. Amen. Feb. 29.

Questions and Answers.

CONTROLLING SPIRIT.-If you have questions, Mr. Chairman, I shall hear them.

OURS .- (From a correspondent.) It is stated in the New Testament that certain wise men came from the East to worship the infant Christ; and it has been suggested that when, in after years, cortain leading men framed the religion afterwards called Christian, they attributed the history of Jesu Chrishna, brought by those wise men, to Jesus of Nazareth, of whose works no record remained. What were the facts in regard to this matter?-and from what country did the wise men come?

ANS .- There is so much ambiguity and spiritual darkness surrounding all the records of every religious hero, that it is almost impossible to determine Absolutely, correctly, concerning them. That the life of Jeaus the Christ was analogous, to the life of Chrishna, is a fact too clear to be disputed; and, indeed, the same prominent points that were found in the life of Jesus are found always in the lives of other religious heroes, or gods. in the flesh. This fact proves but one truth, namely: that the divinity, the extraordinary spiritual divinity, with which there various person-ages appear to be endowed, is but, after all, a child of humanity, an idea springing from the same-human-source, fallible-in-itself .-- These wisenien, that the record tells us came to worship the infant Jesus, were men of reputed wisdom in religious matters, and also in the tenets of the Egyptian Church. They had been taught to believe in the coming of just such a personage; they were looking for such an event; and doubtless they went to the infant Jesus to test the validity of his claim by certain powers which they deemed they possessed-and perhaps they did-for testing such matters. Now, that such a personage as Jesus the Christ did have an earthly existence, is a fact which can never he clearly proved to you, not while you are dwelling here' in the flesh, but a fact which is as clearly proved to the inhabitants of the spirit-world as it is a fact to mo that.

A .- You never can violate any natural lawany divine law." Q:-Are not all laws natural?

A .- Certainly not - your civil laws, for instance. Q.-Divine laws-are they not natural?

A,-Yes, and never can be violated. Q -Are not moral laws divine laws? A .- Yes, and never can be violated. In your misunderstanding of the law you seek to violate t-that is sin; but you never do violate it. In

your migunderstanding you place yourselves in antagonism to the law, and the law turns and rends you; you cannot harm the law. Q .- Why should any be harmed if they cannot help coming into antagonism with the law? A.-I believe in the necessity of all things that are evil as well as good. The little child does not know that the fire will burn, and puts its hand into the fire. The law of the fire is no respector of persons-it burns the little innocent child, as t would you or I.

QR-Then you believe that whatever is, is right?

A.-Yes, divinely speaking. about that time, is a fact scientifically known to Q .- Would you admit that wrong is right? spirits who have made investigations in that di-A.-Yes, certainly, since it exists of necessity; rection; but that it hore the name of Atlanta, we hen wrong is right-the way our God has of purgto not know; indeed, our records inform us that ing us, and fitting us for heaven. We all suffer this continent upon which you dwell once bore by wrong-doing, and the suffering may be the that name. waters that shall purify our souls.

Q.-Then is not man merely a machine, wound ip as a man winds up a watch and lets it run? A .- Oh, no. Man has a responsibility equal to his reasoning powers; he is responsible to himself for all the acts of his life.

Q.-Then can he be accountable to one any higher than himself? A .- No, there is no need of it; Goll places a di-

vine monitor within every living soul that deter- ceive whatever is asked for. mines what is right and what is wrong, and will finally lead that soul away from all wrong to ab- is it that no one on earth acknowledges himself solute tight. This is all the God that you or I or as living a second life? any one will over become acquainted with.

Q .- Will man over be where he cannot do wrong? A.-Oh, yes, when he has outlived all the green-

ness of life, and has, attained a purely ripened those who have a distinct remembrance, even state, he will cease to do evil. These persons are the exceptions, not the rule. Q .- When he ceases to do evil, will it be be-Now, all natural bodies are furnished with cercause he does not possess the ability, or because tain sets of organs, through which the soul can

he does not feel disposed? A.-If he does not feel disposed, he will not have the ability . Fab. 29.

Dr. Newell A. Sherman,

I desire to say to my friends, from my ascended plane of life, that it is well with me-that I have attained the realization of things I hoped for, and that the spiritual faith is true in its divinest sense. I am, as I was, Dr. Newell A. Sherman, of Wal-Feb. 29. tham, Mass.

Hattie Emery.

present law. There is a natural objection exist: My name is Hattie-Emery. I lived in Chicago; ing with almost every living soul which has was eight years old; I died of inflammation of its existence in a physical form to the docthe lungs and brain. My mother wishes she knew trine of re-incarnation, and for this reason: bewhere I am, and I want to tell her that I am with ing- uneducated in this direction, individuals Aunt Ann, and that Aunt Ann has a nice home, suppose that, if they have lived another life, as with birds and flowers and everything that's representatives of that life they must be annihibeautiful. If mother was only here I should be lated or lost, since they carry no remembrance of so happy. And tell mother not to worry about that life into the one in which they at present exist; father; he will come home all right; nobody has but this is a mistake, The soul-treasures up all its killed him; nobody has hurt him. She thinks gems in its own sacred repository, and never loses he 's done for. You know she thinks there are so any experience that it has passed through. You many wicked things done down there that he are not to suppose, because the soul cannot pronever will get back alive. She bas it heard ject eternal memory, infinite memory, through from him for everyworlong. He has written to finite organs, that it does not remember. Oh, no! her, but the letters have not reached her, and If a soul has over expressed itself through a John nothing has happened to him at all. Smith, it will remember that experience, even

THI lived here I should dust your table; it looks though it may be a Queen Victoria in the present. awfully. [I thought it was dusted.] My-mother Tgnorance is the parent of this disinclination to would n't say it was: I used to dust the house for believe in the doctrine of re-incarnation. Wisher. [You must have clearer eyesight since you dom would show up its beauties, would incline passed away.] I saw it when I was outside. I the race 'as one to favor it. used to dust the parlor; I did n't leave any such looking places as that, I tell you. [It's pretty is possible is it obligatory? hard to keep clean here; so many people coming A.-It certainly is. I do not think you would in bring dust all the time.] I suppose it is. Well, have any more voice in the matter than you did I am sorry I said anything; do n't-you feel bad about it, will you? [No, but I do n't like to have you give people to understand that we do n't keep clean.] I was always saying something about that when I was here. Mother used to say she, was asliamed to take me visiting anywhere, for if there was any dirt I always saw it. Feb. 29.

Capt. Enoch Bailey. with thy strength, warmed with thy love, and made wiser by thy wisdom. Bring these, thy

[How do you do?] I. take it I am all right. I am Capt. Enoch Bailey, of Barnstable, Mass., and have touched at this port with the hope of hailing some of my friends. I know it's a little out of my usual line, but nevertheless I believe it's all in order. Now, if they are not too much afraid of the dead, I hope they will respond to my call with a good round " Ay, ay, Capt. Enoch, give us what you want to," and then give me the chance in a less public way. March 4.

Gen. Robert Todd.

This question I am here to answer to-day: Did vou. Gen. Robert Todd, communicate with friends in Lexington, Ky., on the evening of the first of March?" I did. Furthermore, I desire that the message there given may be duly forwarded to the one for whom it is intended., Good-March 4 day.

White Antelope.

The White Warrior with the Black Heart would hear from his red brother in the hunting-ground of the Great Spirit. He asks, "Is it you, who are bringing disasters in every form upon me?" White Antelope answers, Yes; and what he does, he does at the command of the Great Spirit whom this white warrior professed to serve. Moons ago, this White Warrior with the Black Heart came upon White Antelope when he was at peace with the Great Father at Washington, and with all his children, and he took the life of White Autelope, and his women and his children, and sent them like unfledged birds to yonder hunting-ground, seeking for rest. The Great Spirit looked down and frowned upon this White Warrior with the Black Heart; and when White Antelope had gathered up his robes of strength in yonder hunting-ground. He taught him through his thoughts to come back and follow the trail of the White Warrior, that he do no more harm; take away his laurels, disarm him, empty his pockets, clear his board, and let him stand naked before the

Great Spirit; for this White Warrior with the Black Heart stands naked as a tree in winter, but unlike the tree, will not gather his robes again in springtime.

He has asked that White Antelope give him information. White Antelope has given t, and hones he will be satisfind.

You call him Chivington. J call him the White Warrior with the Black Heart. March 4.

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Circles.

I am speaking through this foreign mediumistic subject to-day. It is not a matter of belief, neither is it one of record simply, but of absolute knowledge to many of the inhabitants of the anirit-world.

Q .- Spirits claim that the various secret orders and fraternities exeting amongst us, or at least some of them, are perpetuated in spirit-life. If so, are the means of recognition the same?-and are they as easily preserved from detection by those not members as in our earthly societies?

A -It is true that all the various associations for good that, have an existence on earth are perpetuated in the spirit-world, and all the various modes of pretection against fraud, through outsiders, exist there as here; but, while there is a danger of fraud's being exercised upon the mem-"here of these warious societies that have formed themselves for good purposes here, there is no danger there. There are magnetic spheres so rice idly observed there that no outsider can by any possibility enter them. The evilly disposed, in the spirit-world, are restrained by the good; and the powers that are made use of in restraining them are those same imponderable forces which are running through all the avenues and degrees of life here with you, but are so little understood. by you. If they were understood, you would not need to manacle your prisoners; you could hold them by chains more powerful than any of iron or steel. Q.—Uan the human mind attain to a more true,

beautiful or ennobling conception of Delty than that wherein he is represented to the world of soul as what the sun is to the world of matter and of whom the sun is therefore the proper emblem? Is not this the sense in which the ancient races understood and practiced sun-worship? and is not some form of this worship destined to again prevail?

A .-- Yes; and if the human mind takes in and appropriates all the good there is embraced in this idea, methinks it can as well find its heaven "here as else where.

Q .- (From the audience.) Did Christ over sin? A .- Certainly, Christ did sin. He never claimed that he did not, and for this reason: Christ was but one of the fruits upon the tree of human life. That human life is, at present, in an imperfect state. The soul of Christ, in expressing itself through a human life, was as prone to make mistakes, probably, as you of I: and this is siti-not in the usual acceptation of the term, but really, truly sin.

QR.-Paul made that claim for Jesus. He said he was tompted in all points like as we are, yet without sin. Then Paul must have been mistaken in his statement.

A.-Yes, as well as in a great mapy other things.

Q.-Could he have helped siming? A.-No, by no possibility, under existing cir-

cumstances. Q.-Would it then, be sin, if he could not help it? A .- Yes, just as the apple cannot help being a green apple; yet it is a green apple, nevertheless. Q.-Can you violate a moral law, when you cannot help it?

L. Judd Pardee.

I have a friend who has been trying, for the last two years, to believe in Spiritualism; but I believe he has not succeeded to his own satisfaction: He has requested me to come here and state whether or no I would show myself to him at Moravia. If he-goes-there I certainly will endeavor to do so, and I believe I can do so, and if I doubt, I shall meet him in such a way that if he has any readiness to believe in anything that ould be offered in favor of modern Spiritualism, he will not doubt my presence. However, I do not want him to go there unless he can go prepared for nothing, ready to receive anything that may come, whether it is in the shape of angel, devil, or L. Judd Pardee. ---- Feb. 29.

Mary Mackensie.

I was told I could come back here and send a message to my sister. My name was Mary Mackensie. My father was a Scotchman; my mother was an Irishwoman, and I was born in Ireland. I was twenty-eight years old. I died in this country of small pox, two months ago. I wish to communicate with my sister Elizabeth. I wish to tell her to pay no attention to any letters she may receive from the old country asking her to come home, for there won't be any truth in them at all. and she will only be the worse off for going. If there is any way she knows of by which I can

speak with her. I would like to. I desire her to know that I am happy, and had I the power I would not return here to live again. Good-day, sir. Fab. 29.

Scance conducted by Father Fitz James; letters answered by "Vashti." -

Invocation.

Oh, thou Eternal Power, who art outworking hyself through every form of matter, from the sand upon the seashore up to man, bringing each and all higher and forever higher, nearer and forevernearer to thee; we, this hour, in unison with Nature, would sing thee our song of praise, would' renew our vows to thee, would walk nearer to thee, and talk with thee face to face. We understand that thou art changeless forever, and yet we know that thou art forever changing all forms of matter, bringing each one and all nearer to thee, making each and all more and more beauti-

ful, more and more perfect. We cannot comprebend thee, but we seek to; we stretch out the powers of our being, and we ask, Where art thou? what art thou, oh Living Presence, in whom we | cate with my children and grandchildren. I can live? Thou who doth inspire thy children in every set them right about matters that they are all age, inspire us this hour; let us drink anew at thy wrong about, now. I died of paralysis, Goodfountain of knowledge, and become strengthened day, sir,

in coming into this world. Q.-Is it not natural law?

A.-It is, and, therefore, obligatory upon the soul.

Q.-I would inquire, then, since re-incarnation

Q.-(From another individual.). To my mind it is a matter too sacred to say much about at present.

A .- Certainly it is: because the majority of humanity have not arrived at a condition to be able to receive it, to understand and appreciate it. March 4.

Patrick Burns,

I have been from my own body since 1842.' I was a Catholic in this life, and, as it was supposed that I took my own life, my friends think that I should be successful, which I have no reason to have not the benefits of the church, in the spiritworld, and that I am among the dâmned.

Now I have been trying for a long time to get round here or somewhere where I could clear up things. - The first thing I have to say is: I did not take my own life. The case was this-I was sick with rheumatic fever, so the doctor said. He came to see me several-times, and on this day he leaves something in two bottles; one was a large one, and the other was a small one-not very small, but smaller than the other one. Well, he told my old woman I was to take so many drops

out of the small bottle, and a big spoonful out of the large bottle, once in an hour. Well, she makes a mistake; gives the big spoonful out of the little bottle, and the drops out of the big one. When he comes in, when the night comes, he say: "Something is wrong; I say you give the medicine wrong. What have you been doing?" He frightened her. and she says: "I not give it; he take it himself. I was out—he take it himself."

Well, I had said many times "I wish I had something to put me out of this world, I suffer so much," but that was n't saying "If I had it, I would use it." People are very apt to make such kind-of talk when they are in trouble. So, that was the real state of the case; the old woman give-it-through mistake, and got frightened and said it was I myself took it.

Now, what brings me here is, because all this time my daughter Mary has been in trouble about it, and since the. Fathers in the Church

know very well how they can make light her trouble, I want them to do it. The doctor that was called to me-his name was Boardman. He can testify, if he has a mind to, to all except the old woman's making the mistake-of course he knows nothing about that. My own name is Patrick Burns. I died in Portsmouth, N. H. I want my daughter to know-that I did not take my own life, and that I am as well off as anyother good Catholic in the spirit-world."-

Jane Elliot.

March 4:

I died in 1854. My name was Jane Elliot. I was seventy-six years old. I wish to communi-March 4.

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MARRIAGE-CASUALTIES.

Our St. Louis dailies report divorce cases under the head of "casual-ties," which are very numerous, and increasing constantly; and, yet not half the cases that ought to be divorced are reported, or divorce consummated. Murders, abortions, whipping, personal abuse, neglect, drunkenness, and pray." and the birth of children by parents both of whom are physically and morally unfit to become parents, are the daily-result of unhappy marriages; [and yet we are liable to be called free lovers if beings on it, and there is certainly room enough we mention these evils and propose any remedy for them or change from them. We have boldly attacked this "social evil" for twenty years, and | other; and yet, we are constantly running against borne thy above odious title for the same time, one another mentally and physically, murdering have been destroyed. History has been substitutwhile there has not been a discordant word or in the grossest physical contact, and slandernote in our own family norsatnong our numerous relatives; but the vicious minded and personal enemies have blinded the public to their own is very prevalent and greatly to be deplored. Instural religion; to make the beliefs founded in cases by attacking us, and proving their state-.... Mediums are often envious and jealous of each ments by referring to our advocacy of woman's | other, and speakers little less so-with many honrights easy divorce, etc. as set forth by us in the "Fugitive Wife," and scores of published articles and "unpublished speeches, in which we have," boldly advocated the right of woman to equal rights with man in every department of life, and legal protection against her husband for personal or sexual abuse, the same as against any other man, which we have long been satisfied is the only way to do away entirely with the "social | ual philosophy, and on such questions no one is eyil" and general prestitution and licentionaness, b justified in holding another to account. In pri-The motives of every one-who advocates such measures are impugned the same, if he or she is about ready to drop the ripened body with old age into the grave. The tyrants who hold women as flaves, and abuse them worse than they do animals, can see no motive but a sensual one for the advecacy of woman's equality.

More than twenty years ago, when, as chairman of a committee of the State Senate in Wisconsin, to whom was committed the Revisor's report on the article of divorce in the Statutes, we prepared the basis of the present divorce laws of that State, which, have worked, favorably ever since we stated our view of the subject of marriage and divorce to be, that it should be made as difficult for parties to get married as it now is in most-States to get divorced, and as easy to get divorced as it is to get married. This would, by requiring sultable conditions for both marriage and parentage, where both were involved, prove a preventive of a large share of the hasty and other marriages that should never be consummated, and save a large amount of business in courts for divorces; and the ensy divorce, to be sanctioned and recorded, on mutual request, by a competent officer, and suitable evidence on request of one party, would be a great relief both to the courts and suffering parties. We have not changed our opinion of this remedy yet, and should like to see some state try it by establishing a suitable tribunal in-which, women should have part to deliberate, take testimony; and decide on all applications for matrimony, and to be especially particular where children were likely to be the result, and thus prevent the thousands of miserable little creatures being thrust into this world, as they now are, loaded with all sorts of hereditary diseases, mental and physical, from insanity to scrofula and by which at least one fourth of those born are forced into no early grave, while others; forcing their way through suffering and crime, bring up in a prison, an asylum, on a gallows, or drop out in

murder or suicide.

olic shell of authority (the Bible), and dares to use the reason of which Nature has given him a good share-which he dares not use now; for proof of which we clip the following nonsense from his

paper of May 8th: paper of May 8th: "THE END—The end of the present dispensa-tion must be near. Bro B. Taylor inquires for our views in relation to the coming of Christin 1873 We can heartily say, so far as we are personally congrand, we should be greatly rejuiced to be satisfied he would come as soon as 1873; but the vidence presented does not convince us that we shall see the Saviour next year. We see, a large 'm' in the way. We think the evidence for 1875 much stronger. There are certain events which we shink must transpire before the coming of think must transpire before the coming of rist. "When we see these in process of fulfillweathi Christ We do not say they cannot transpire between now and the close of 1873, but we think more time will be required. Let us all wait and watch

ROOM ENOUGH FOR ALL.

This world is large enough for all the human ing in the grossest mental antegonism. Among Spiritualists, who ought to know better, the latter orable exceptions among both of course. The exceptions of course know who they are and will not feel hurt by the allusion. Even our excellent papers are too apt to indulge in crimination and recrimination, when they should most cordially give each other the beloing hand and words of encouragement. Of course all cannot held the same views on questions not involved in spirit-

vate life, where we have the most bitter and unured and are often made better by the falsehoods, before them, should be above personal prejudices and scandal. - i...

EFFECTS OF HIGH DUTIES ON TO-BACCO. 14

The boot-blacks and newsboys of our city. (S Louis) most of whom either smoke or chew or do both, are compelled to charge ten cents for brushing boots, and five cents for the two and three cent dailies, in order to supply themselves with cigars and tohacco, which they use profusely as they sit about in groups and chat and chew while waiting for customers. It is a saddening sight to see these little ignorant boys, many of whom might make excellent citizens if rightly trained and educated B recklessly destroy their health and happiness and utterly unfit themselves for social and domestic life by the use of this poisonous weed, which, instead of being exterminated by high taxes, is only made still more an object of desire-by-the-ignorant,-who-now-make-extraordinary efforts to procure it. Its use is diminishing with the better class of society, and increasing in the lower walks of life.

THE SOCIAL EVIL CURES.

Our wise city fathers in St. Louis are still tam perleg with the incurable ulcer which, is the result of our Ohristian civilization and its unjust social regulations of the sexes. They have changed the name of one of the streets, and turned it into an avenue with an unsullied prime, because the residence-part of the street was and is largely occupied by the social evil and its attachees, who are-numerous, and many of them respectable when at home. In the very midst of these houses is the headquarters of the society of Jesus and the Catholic College, one of the largest buildings in the city, which, with all its religious ceremonies, scems to have no effect, unless it is to increase the social evil. As yet, we perceive no change in the street except in the name, which is not likely to deceive the citizens, but there is about the same amount of benefit derived from it that has been from the ordinance regulating the social evil

WESTERN LOCALS, Etc. REPORTED FOR THE BANNER OF LIGHT.

MICHIGAN. Conventions - Quarterly M-eting of the Lenausee County Circle in Deerfield - The Hollow Globe Theo ry and its Exponents - Prof. Lyon as a Second Co-lumbus - The Falon County Circle Convention in Extern Reputs Mars Eaton Rapids-Noles.

The utility vof holding Conventions for the propagation of the truths of Spiritualism, is questioned by rome of our friends. This is a transitional period in the world's theology: All our efforts are experimental. We know it, and are not ashamed to confess that such is the case. In time we shall all learn the correct way. Spiritualism is the enigma of this century. Without any of the instrumentalities used by the church, it has become, in less than a quarter of a century, a universally recognized fact. Its special ele-

ment has adherents in all parts of the globe. The basic ideas of Orthodoxy are dependent uton certain forms of religious organization for for every shade of belief and opinion and for their very existence. The creation of priests, overy phase of life without trespassing on each these ideas have been indoctrinated into the human mind. The instinctive beliefs of the spirit ed in the place of the natural revelation which God writes in every human soul. Spiritualism comes to restore and reestablish the instinctive faith, the history auxiliary to the direct revelation that has come out of heaven unto all mankind."

> ¹Our experience teaches us that the bolding of Conventions for the spread of liberalism and Spiritualism, is a very practicable course to follow. True Spiritualism will exist and gain victory after victory without the Convention system. But, when carried on in the right spirit, Conventions and great Mass Meetings will facilitate the natural growth of the spiritual idea.

THE DEERFIELD CONVENTION. On Saturday evening, (May 18), the Convention was called to order by Mr. L. Ormsby, of Deerjustiliable prejudice and scandal peddled, and field, Vice President of the County Circle. In nearly equal to that in the churches, the parties calling the meeting to order, the Chair indulged persecuted ut justly are not in the long run in- in a very felicitous speech. Prof. Lyon, of Adrian, maile some remarks on the aspects of Spirwhile the slanderers get their portion in some itualism. Dr. Sherman, of Adrian, the medium unpleasant lake, if not of the and brimstone; but used by the spirits-(that is the claim)-in givour papers, which are for the public and constantly ing to the world that curious volume entitled The Hollow Globe," was introduced as the regular speaker of the evening. The Doctor spoke in the trance condition. The lecture was a radical one, and was listened to with marked attention by the audience. Prof. Lyon followed, making some remarks on "The Hollow Globe." Prof. Lyon is Dr. Sherman's amanuensis-selected by the spirits. Indeed much of the phonomena

attending the publication of "The Hollow Globe," remind one of the circumstances identified with the publication of "Nature's Divine Revelations," by Andrew Jackson Davis.) The Professor said: My friends, I desire to call your attention to the theory that the globe is a hollow sphere, and that the inside of our earth is habitable. Mark it, I do not say the inside of our earth is inhabited; I only say it is habitable. This, undoubtedly, sounds ridiculous to most, if not all of you. But you must romember that a great mystery has, for many years, overshadowed the region of the North-Pole. All sorts of speculations have been entertained regarding that locality. The time has come when the problem will be solved. Reyond the great belt of ice there is an open sea. Read the testimony of Dr. Hall. There is another expedition going int , the Arctic regions, from the Pacific Coast. We, of the "hollow globe" faith, expectreports in confirmation of our declarations that a temperate climate exists beyond the great icebarrier, in the Arctic Ocean. Friends, Columbus discovered America; but America is not the last thing to be discovered. I am confident that within the present decade great revelations will be given to the world with regard to the region of | gressive Lyceum. On May 5th the 'School held the North Pole. I believe that in less than twenrs steamshins will sail from San Fran-9 (20) **3**08 isco north through Behring's Straits into the open Polar Sea-then into the interior of the globe. I could give you my reasons for my belief in all hese statements, but at present have not the time. In the work called "The Hollow Globe" you, will find, the subject elaborately treated. Wm. White & Co., of Boston, Mass., have the work for sale. The Sunday morning session opened with an nteresting conference. Mrs. Frank Green spoke in a congratulatory strain, assuring the friends of angelic guardianship, and also declaring that the meeting would be a success. All should speak and relate their experiences. Mr. Ramsey affirmed that Nature abhorred a vacuum. Truth is mighty, said the speaker, and will prevail. We must work. The Christ-principle is within you. If we would improve, we must use the means of improvement. Mr. Colwell came to the meeting to hear words of life and light. Spiritualism had molded him into spiritual symmetry. He no longer was controlled by his prejudices. Mrs. Hoag told her experience as a Spiritualist. She also remarked that prayer was beneficial. Every body should pray, and pray without ceasing. The Chair here felt inspired to say that life is a prayer. Every aspiration is prayer. Prayer, when it comes spontaneous from the coul, is a blessing. But these cold, stiff, formal, senseless prayers of Orthodoxy effect nothing. If God can answer prayer, why do we find the Christian churches dying all over the land? Mrs. Rogers believed in the progressive view of prayer. Mr. Hemenway said he felt as though he must say a word. Priestcraft had cursed the land. Let liberty shine over all the land. Mr. Case, of Adrian, Secretary of the County Circle, wanted to know why it was that people continually asked. What good has Sniritualism done? Do Christians perform the cures that Jesus did? The promise was that certain signs" should follow true believers. No! Christians do not have the "power." But modern Spiritualists are in direct contact with the spirits; hence modern media heal diseases, have visions, speak in trances, etc., even as did the media of eighteen hundred years ago. In the afternoon, Mrs. Fowler, of Adrian, was the first speaker. Her theme was "Facts and Fictions." Mrs. F. spoke in the trance condition. The address was both analytical and eloquent, and elicited an attentive hearing from the audi-NEW TESTAMENTS-a pamphlet by D. W. Hull, in which is onco. Prof. Lyon, of Adrian, then delivered a resented an argument on God in the Constitution of the lengthy address on,"The Philosophy of Progress," which was, in every sense of the word, a success. THE CLOSING SESSION. The audience in the evening was large. The Chair said that the world had been asking for information relative to the relation between religion and science. We have been taught that science would lead us into infidelity and atheism; but the modern idea is that science will not lead anybody astray. We all have a growing confidence, and, I may add, an increasing reverence for science. Science teaches us to be strong, bold and in earnost. Science leads us to the domain of fact. We stand on solid ground. Spiritualism is based on science. Facts-phenomena-lie at its foundation. The sneering skeptic should remember this. In time, we shall perfect our great system. Superstitions are being undermined by scientific in-

vestigation. Mr. Case, of Adrian, said he would, in a few words, show the analogy between ancient and modern Spiritualism. He did so. The Chair then invited the Banner reporter to deliver the regular address.

A SECOND COLUMBUS.

Prof. Lyon then took the stand, and repeated his statement with regard to "The Hollow Globe." In this connection he said: "I am not crazy. My head is level. Insanity does not run in our family. JI do not want to frighten any of you; but I want you to understand that I am in earnest so far as regards this theory that the globe is a hollow sphere. Columbus was called to discover America. I am called to discover this new world beneath the surface of this planet. I shall go to the Arctic regions - when, I cannot say; but he-fore many years, I am confident-in command of an expedition. The wisdom will be given me to successfully navigate the open sea, and I shall be guided to the 'opening,' and sall into the interior of the earth." (Sensation.)

Remarks were made by the Chair; after which, the Convention adjourned, sine die.

THE NEXT MEETING.

. The next meeting of the Lenawee County Circle will take place in Morenci, Mich. August 17th and 18th. The Deerfield Convention was well attended, and everything passed off satisfactorily. The Hollow Globe men had their net theory; but they presented it in an intelligent manner and gained the respect of all. We have at last found out that an individual may have a hobby and yet be sensible about it.

THE EATON RAPIDS CONVENTION. May 18th and 19th the Eaton County Circle held a Convention in Eaton Rapids. The attend-

ance was good, and much interest was manifested in the inspired utterances of the speakers, by those who attended the sessions of the Convention. NOTES.

Mrs. E. P. Head, test medium, resides in Geneva. Ohio.

Rev. A. M. Worden, of South Bend, Ind., formorly an eminent Universalist clergyman, preached in the Free Church in Sturgis, May 12th. He s a practical speaker.

Everywhere throughout Michigan we hear expressions of sympathy for and confidence in Dr. Henry Slade:

O. P. Kellogg lectured in Geneva, Ohio, Anril 21st. Mr. Kellogg continues on his useful way. For years he has advocated Spiritualism. He has won the victory. His permanent address is Trumbull, Ohio.

Mrs. A. E. Mossop, of Sturgis, Mich., lectured in Dieveland, Ohio, during May. She speaks in Wheeling, Va., during June; in Waverly, N. Y., luting September; in Albany, N.Y., during Octor ber; in Philadelphia, during November. Mrs. Mossop's lecture in Waverly, N. Y., some months ago, created a remarkable sensation. Crowds at ended her meetings. Mrs. M. is an eloquent speaker.

Miss Ellen M. Harris, the Baltimore correspondent of The Present Age, is a competent woman. Her communications give evidence of an acute intellect, generous sympathies and sound judgvent. ·

J. M. Peebles lectured in Waverly, N. Y., May 27th and 28th. The Pilgrim is the recipient of kind attentions and words of praise from liberalists all over the country. He has earned his reward, and therefore has an inalienable and constitutional right to enjoy it.

W. F. Jamieson speaks in Clyde, Ohio, during Inne. The friends in contiguous localities should secure the services of this hold and logical speaker. We shall be at the Sturgis (Mich.) meeting June 5th and 16th.

Special advices from Kansas Oity, Mo., inform us that Eli F. Brown has been laboring in that city of late. He has organized a Children's Proits first session. Sixty scholars were present.



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We cannot improve the race very much until something is done to bring in befter children; and as marriage is the principal gate through which they come, and law attempts to regulate this, it is to the law we must look for the reform steps onwhich the race must depend for its improvement. In confirmation of what we have said, we clip the following from our morning paper, and could almost any day elip one or more such evidences; any one of which, if it could be laid to Spiritualism, would be a sufficient cause, in the minds of thousands, to exterminate it:

DOMESTIC TRAGEDY.

Chicago, May 17 .- A terrible domestic tragedy occurred in the west division of the city this morning, a man, named Simmons, a carpenter shoating his wife through the head inflicting a fatal wound, and, then putting a bullet through his own head, falling dead by her side. The vic-tims of this, dreadful affair have been married about eight years, but lived urbappily nearly the whole of their married life, and separated several times, the last occasion being about three weeks ince. A few days ago, Simmons went out of the city for a few days, and, on his return; learned that his wife had taken steps to procure a divorce, He appeared to be considerably troubled about the matter, and, through friends of himself and the matter, and, through triends of himself and his wife, he secured an interview with her at the house of her sister, a Mrs. Wyckeff. Upon Mrs. Simmons arriving at the house this morning, she found her sister absent, and another lady who was in the house leaving soon after—Mrs. S. came ir, and was alone when her husband ar-rived. What occurred between the two can pever. be known. A policeman on duty near the limse, hearing several platel shots in the bouse, entered it, and found Simmons lying dead, with a revolver in his hand, and his wife lying near in a dying condition.

THE COLORED RACE.

Bince the abolition of slavery and enfranchisement of the negro, in St. Louis they have steadily improved in their condition, becoming more industrious, economical and practical each year. They have been steadily creeping out of the alleys and old wooden shantles into the streets, and already occupying many of the blocks and dwell. ings that in the earlier days of the city were the homes of the aristocracy. We also learn that many of them have accounts at the bank, and money deposited, especially in the Freedman's National Bank, the St. Louis Branch of which is near our store and doing a large and safe business. We rejoice at every step in human progress that hrings any part of the race up out of poverty and degradation.

OUR BROTHER MILES GRANT Thanks the Lord for his visit to NEVADA. We think he ought to thank the railroads and those who paid his expenses, as the Lord is not at all interested in his visit and did not send him. He thinks his visit and preaching in the West have hopefully converted some sinners and some Christians who believed erroneous doctrines, and who, by searching the Scriptures for the evidence of immortality, could not find it; and he hopes to meet some of these converts in the new and resurrected kingdom of Christ, which he assures them and us is near at hand, even at our doors, He may meet many of us infidele and Spiritualists there also, and find us as ready to combat his



Goon HEALTH for June, published by Alexander Moore. 2 Hamilton place, Botton, Mass., lles on our table. It is deroted to popular science, sanitary law, literature, etc., and presents an interesting table of contents, containing eighteen articies.

HOME AND HEALTH. & Sprightly magazine having for its object the dissemination of pure literature, health culture, current events, etc., is out for June. Published at 52 4th avenue, New York, by Do Puy, Lyon & Co.

THE NETHER BIDE OF NEW YORK, by Edward Crapsey. This is a stout pamphlet giving the reader glimpses of va rious phases of metropolitan life, among its headings being recordogs "Professional" and "Casual Criminals," "Har hor Thieves." "Why Thieves Prosper." "Private Detect-Ives," "Tenoment Life," " Outcast Children." " Pauperism." etc., etc. Published by Sheldon & Co., 677 Broadway and 214 and 216 Mercer street, New York.

We have received from the BUREAU OF STATISTICS OF LAnon for the State of Massachusetts, a copy of its third annual report, which embraces the operations and inquiries of this useful department from March 1st, 1871, to March 1st. 1872.

The June number of White, Smith & Perry's musical Foino lies on our table. It is emphatically one of the best numbers yet issued.

HEBALD OF HEALTH, Wood & Holbrock, publishers, 13 and 15 Laight street, New York, comes to us for June full of useful information on matters hiuted at by its title.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED : THE TRUTH-SEERER for May. London: Trübner & Co.; edited by Rev. John Page Hoffs.

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THE NEW CHURCH INDEPENDENT for May. nthl Swedenborgian review, published at Laporto, Ind. by Weller & Metcalf. Very interesting.

ASTROLOGICAL ORIGIN OF JEHOVAH-GOD OF THE OLD AND United States. This work, together with "Spiritualism a Test of Christianity," and "Christianity-its Origin, Nature and Tendency," may be obtained of the author, at Hobart, Ind., and also at this office .

THE SONG MESSENGER, & fine musical monthly, for May, published at Chicago, Ill., by Root & Cady and Geo. F. Root & Sons.

BANNER OF LIGHT.—This is the name of a paper published in Boston, devoted to Spiritual-It is estimated that 12 000 000 pe America believe in Soiritualism, and it is therefore important to keep posted on the movement The paper is large and elegantly printed, contains eight pages, one page being devoted to communi-cations from the other world. All Spiritualists, should take it, and others who may desire to

The outlook is most promising. In April, Bro. Brown reorganized the Lyceum at Osborn Prairie, Ill. Prior to his visit to the Missouri Valley, our good brother lectured in many towns in Indiana. He now contemplates speaking in Wyandotte, Kansas. In a few weeks he again travels Eastward, tarrying in Missouri and Illinois to preach the glad gospel of Spiritualism. Success attends the pathway of our brother.

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Thos. Lees, of Cleveland, has published a "Spiritualists' Catechism," which has been adopted by the Cleveland Lyceum.

THE INDIANA STATE CONVENTION (Commenced its sessions May 24th, in Westerfield's Hall, Anderson. The speakers present are Robert Dale Owen, Leo Miller, Addie Ballon, Dean Clark, Lois Walsbrooker, and Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Kendalville, Ind. The Barnes Will was thoroughly discussed during the Convention. Robert Dale Owen delivered an excellent speech on "The Present Aspect of Spiritualism." The attendance is large. I shall send the Banner full particulars by mail. CEPHAS. Anderson, Madison Co., Ind.

Annual Festival. Annuál Festival. The First Religio-Philosophical Society of Hillidale Coun-ty, Mich., will hold their Nixth Annual Festival on Saturday and Aunday, June the 22d and-23l, 1872, at Montgomery, on the Fort Wayne, Jackson and Anglinaw Italivead, W. F. Jamle-son and Mrs. F. Reed Knowles are engaged as chief apcakers. Mr. St. Lawrenze will be present with his full band of brass instruments, and choir, and will enliven the ascendiy with choice music. Strangers from a distance will be amply pro-yliced for. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and Join us in a "feast of reason and a flow of soul." May 20th, 1872. SWM. BRYAN, Secretary.

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