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ARTICLE XI.

Ethics .- This term is applied to any doctrine, or system of principles and precepts, which philosophically teaches the rules of manners and morals. Hence it may properly be said that a code of societary morals is a system of societ significance. And the same rule will apply with ethics. May we not also say, with equal propriety, that a system which teaches conduct and duty in politics and religion is a code of moral effices?

Morals have never stood for much in religion. It has long been held that it was infinitely worse for a man to be strictly moral and not religious, than to be strictly religious and not moral; because the purely moral man, being indifferent to or skeptical in religion, by his noble character and good deeds led more souls from Christ and into hell, than he who, although immoral in his social relations, was yet faithful to the doctrines and requirements of the Church. The theory is that you can reach the immoral man with your religion, because he sins and he confesses it; while the morally good man, not feeling his inherent sinfulness, is the most difficult foe religion is compelled to encounter. A gentleman, writing to a magazine, relates that he "once heard a remark from one of the old-fashioned, perpendicular Doctors of Divinity, in the days of slavery, when Theodore Parker's ringing words against. it filled the land, and made inaudible the petty, private; soul-saving preaching of the sects. The old Doctor felt obliged to dispose of Parker in some way, and he did. With much gravity, and in an oracular tone, he said, 'It is' the last effort of the enemy; that of doing good works.""

But such theological ethics need no refutation. It does not require a metaphysician to discriminate between morals and religion. Religion (as the word is used in common) stands for a system of doctrines. To believe is salvation; to disbelieve is destruction. Morality, on the other hand, is the practice of the divine principles of truth and justice and good-will in all your public and private relations.

that truth is the synonym of veracity; and, therefore, that the man who invented the last word was simply making another tool no better than the old one to work or talk with. But a little thinking will convince you that truth is a word correctly used when applied either to men, to character, to facts, to science, to religion, to idens, to principles, to Deity ; while the word reracity would be incorrectly used when applied to anything not of the nature of self-conscious man; because veracity refers strictly to the reliability and sincerity of a morally responsible being while truth is a principle, a fact, a reality, and may be properly used with a locator a universal equal force to every other word in the English language. Each phrase has a shade of meaning.

which forbids the habit of using words synonymously. "The term "equivalent" is not a synonym for equality. There is an "equality" between the two halves of an apple-one side exactly agrees with or is equal to the other side, but, in point of value, or worth, one nickel penny may be an equivalent for the whole apple, which of course would include the two equal parts: With this definition of the term-which is correct-let us proceed to press some wine out of it:

which gives it a peculiar value of its own, and

Science has, of late years, made great progress in the study of forces. Nothing is lost; nothing is gained; all forces work in a circle. This may justly be called the "upshot" of all scientific disclosures thus far concerning mind and matter. All forces are correlated ; all forces are persistent; all forces produce their equivalents, and reappear-in them. Science can estimate the exact amount of powder required to project a cannonball weighing two hundred pounds one mile. The motion of a mass of matter, being suddenly arrested, is instantly communicated to its constituent particles, and immediately that motion appears in the form of heat. Thus the heat and the motion are correlated ; and a little more inquiry would develop the equivalence of motion and lieat to the original, force : thus encircling the first circle, and soevolving concentric circles

ad infinitum. The doctrine of equivalents was presented by Herbert Spencer, at the conclusion of his First Principles, in these words : "The materialist. seeing it to be a necessary deduction from the law of correlation, that what exists in consciousness, under the form of feeling, is transformable consequence, into equivalents of all the other forces which matter exhibits, may consider it therefore demonstrated that the phenomena of consciousness are material phenomena. - But the Spiritualist, setting out with the same data, may argue that, if the forces displayed by matter are cognizable only under the shape of those equiralent amounts of consciousness which they produce, it is to be inferred that these forces, when existing out of consciousness, are of the same intrinsic nature as when existing in consciousness and that so is justified the spiritualistic conception of the external world, as consisting of something essentially identical with what we call mind." Now this is nothing but circle-building, in-andin and out-and-out, and never arriving at the cnowledge of any cortain truth, which, like the eternal rock of ages, would be to the soul an anchor not only, but a foundation immovable as the mind of God. Spencer's philosophy would translate matter and its phenomena into mind and its phenomena, and vice versa, thus consecutively evolving the doctrine of equivalents - making love, reason, and aspiration in the spiritual world equivalent to (if not, in reality, caused by) heat, light, and electricity in the material world. But discussion is not the object of this quotation from the philosopher's First Principles; on the contrary, it was adduced to illustrate simply what is meant by the term "equivalent." Equivocation .- Some persons take pride in mental reservations"-in employing language which, while apparently teaching one thing, is susceptible of an entirely different construction. Such ambiguity is duplicity - is dishonorable, Jesuitical, hypocritical; because no man ever uses words with double meanings (except playfully, as when punning,) without designing to mislead his fellow men. In all trades and professions, are men who will unblushingly equivocate. They value it as a power, a talent, by which, in the game of life and business, they are able to mislead and get the advantage of the unsophisticated. When these persons were children, this simple verse of truth should have been impressed on each heart :

rentered, according to Act of Congress, in the year 1872, A. J. Davis, in the Office of the Librarian of Congress, at first glance, seems to be exactly identical, the then departing guest, or it may mean exact-that trath is the synonym of percent and by what you say, by which you wish to avoid ly what you say, by which you wish to avoid both giving offence and invitation ; but the person hearing the remark is liable to be misled, and you adequately punished, if there be a germ of hypocrisy in your utterance. "Not at home" is likewise susceptible of a double interpretation. The light of truth will always guide the willing soul through every temptation. Some one earnestly exclaims—

Oh, let us walk the world 80 that one love Burn like a blessed beacon, beautiful Upon the walk of life's surrounding dark !??

Double-dealing never comes from simpleness of heart. If you find, under the temptation and magnetic generosities of social good nature, that you easily equivocate, remember that the true explanation may be that you have an element of insincerity in your composition. If you equivocate under strong influences in your business, trade or profession, the possible reason is because you carry in your composition the germ and virus of a hypocrite: You have not adopted, as the structural law of your character, the harmonial principle that "Perfection and truthfulness of mind are the secret intentions of Nature."

GENERAL HOWARD AT A SPIRIT-CIRCLE:

It is well known that General O. O. Howard late Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau, and President of Howard University, at Washington -otherwise distinguished as the "Christian Soldier "-was recently sent. by President Grant on a mission of peace to the Indian tribes of the Rocky, Mountains, which commendable mission he claims to have accomplished in a very successful manner. In a late number of the Washington Chronicle we find a very interesting account given by the General of his travels and experiences in the performance of this humane undertaking.

It appears that the most formidable of the hostile chiefs with whom he met was Cochise, chief of the Apaches, an Indian of superior intelligence, mantiness and honor, if we may judge from the accounts. The General, trusting to the good faith of this so-called savage, whom others were ready to shoot at sight as a wild beast, ventured, unarmed and with but two white attendants, into the stronghold of the tribe, in an almost inaccessible mountain fastness. Here he met the chief with his captains in council, andafter listening to the old story of aggressions and

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CHAPTER VII.

The Discharge. pression of the most fascinating mirthfulness, While scanning, this superficial, side of his character, she thought that he might be worth his weight in gold to some comic almanac maker. The mother alone wore a troubled expression. Edward Melville made one of the company, although he did not enter cordially into the con-

plained why you are with us so soon. I believe you were to tell me on your return."

"Well, mother," said Chester, casting a side lawless son was discharged----"

mean ?" 🦾

"I mean," continued Chester, "that I had a young man I met in Washington." walking ticket from the Government Department because I believed that women and negroes have souls."

The mother smiled in spite of herself. Ed. ward tried to look angry, and Mary hardly knew whether to laugh or be grave ; but Chester continued :

"You see, mother, I was considered an un-B. writes : faithful elerk. The honorable members of the You ask for some facts relative to the em-

for you as any other. In a note on the margin of her letter she says; "I have written you the above We will now look in upon our friends at Elin facts relative to the respective salaries of men Cottage. An interesting group presents itself and women in the Government Departments to our view. Chester-Mrs. Clayton's son- here, as they have occurred to me while engaged. has derived, and seems to be the centre of at- in copying. They are all reliable ; and, so far as traction. Mary is gazing indmiringly, upon the Fam concerned, I should have no objection to handsome face of ther, cousin, in whose glanges their publication, whatever effect if might have she seemed to discern a deep inspiration, while, upon my future employment. But there are hunyet upon his well-formed features reposed an ex- dueds of more dependent women here, whose bread and butter Eshrink from hazarding by the direct exposure of the agents of their injustice. Hence we do not wish to see our names mentioned in connection with these facts, as we dare not complain, or scarcely say that our souls are four own, lest we receive the ever-dreaded yellow's nrelane !! !!

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As if to illustrate the potency of this one fact. -the fact that these women could not say that their souls were their own, without risking their places-Edward arose, and with a proper show of . offended dignity, left the room ; and as if to reglance at Mary, "if you wish to know why your serve the remaining fact for a more auspicious occasion, when his consin' Edward could hear "Discharged ! Oh, Chester ! what do you them, Chester returned the letter to his pocket," saying : "I want testell you, Mary, about a fine

"Well, consin," said Mary, "suppose you first read to us the letter, and tell us about the young man afterwards.".

" " 1 am a little surprised," said Chester ironically. "Most of the fair sex would prefer to hear about the fine young man first. But-I-willread the letter. Underdate of October, 1867, Mrs.

Department in which I was engaged could not ployment of men and women clerks in the De-

forms of faith, let g

His can't be wrong, whose life is in the right ! " The difference between religion (so-called-not real religion, remember) and morality, is the difference between faith and works; or rather, they are as far asunder as are theory and practice. A life of good deeds is a diamond surrounded by purest gold; a life of good faith, merely, is a paste-jewel set in polished brass. Let the river of true life float both your will and understanding; and never wait for an opportunity to do good, until faith in some creed takes possession of your life.

Evolution .- This strong word is popular as a substitute for the more poetic phrase, "to unfold," or for the act of unrolling, from a compact or hidden state.

Applied to the human mind, we may consider. the entire development of the social, moral, intellectual and spiritual faculties as an evolution from elemental or germinal conditions. "The normal evolution of man," says Conway, a brave and eloquent thinker, "is to become the simple organ of reason and the implement of justice. If there be no malformation to arrest the human evolution, he will ascend from the lower coil of Fate's spiral groove, where necessity scourges, to the resplendent circle of divine ideals and passions, which weave their chain of enchantments.'

In the progression of Natureafrom the lowest living substance to the complex and final organization of man, everything follows the principle of evolution. The lowest is radical, because it is the root ; the highest is fruition, because it is the perfect unfoldment. In the germ, or "protoplasm," as the primal substance is called by the scientific Huxley, is deposited the properties and potencies necessary for the development and regulation of that particular organism in its various progressive steps up the spiral ascent of Nature. The visible process is that of evolution. And as all below man is thus regulated and unfolded, reason asks : "Why may not mind follow the same divine principle ?". If the material universe ripens up into the full-orbed organization of man, "Why may not man's spirit be likewise an organ of evolution ?" Reason puts no questions. which she is not capable of answering. The interior Sphnix puts no riddles she cannot herself guess. Therefore it is made plain by reason, when in her superior condition, to the universal common sense of the world, that the continuation of human existence after death is no more impossible or wonderful than its continuation after birth. The principle of progress is immortal; and evolution is its mode of action through out eternal spheres.

Equivalent .-- Philologists agree that exactdifferent words. Hence, strictly speaking, it follows that, although phrases may be used synwords to carry the same significance. There within the wrong. is always a shade of independent and special meaning in each word invented by man to express the lights and shades of his feelings and sively salted and peppered with "white lies," mind on any subject.

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**if I should tell a shameful lie, And no one ever know, It would be with me just the same, Wherever I might go.''

But equivocation does not seem like falsehood on the contrary, it seems frequently exactly like truth itself; hence its great power to deceive and injure. To appear to be bright, pure and good, and still to mislead by the cunning trick of equivocation, is to be false both within and withly the same meaning cannot be expressed by two out. In all wrong, it should be remembered, there lives a germ of retribution. But the dark soul, benighted by its own selfishness, does not onymously, it is incorrect to employ different see the principle of certain punishment lurking

> Equivocation, unfortunately, is a part of practical social ethics. Social intercourse is exten-Insincerity of generosity, ambiguity of fraternal

Take, for example, the two most familiar | regard, mental reservations begot in the womb of terms, truth and reracity. "He is a man of amiability and simple good nature-"I am altruth," is an expression used as synonymous | ways happy to see my friends"-may mean that | resolution to reform, stands a part of my properwith. "He is a man of veracity." The meaning, you would be glad to receive another call from ty-the Delavan House."

wrongs at the hands of reckless whites which into an equivalent of mechanical motion, and, by [had naturally aroused the Indians to do their ulmost by way of self-protection and retaliationthe General offered peace on the basis of right and justice for the future. This was gladly accepted by Cochise ; but it seems, before final ratification on the part of the tribe, the whole question was submitted for advisement to the Great Spirit and the spirits of their departed braves, and General Howard himself, was invited to be present at the "circle" where these were consulted. He thus describes the occasion, which he is pleased to style an "Indian prayer-meeting :"

'After the council, the same night, they had an Apache prayer-meeting in a curious little nook some fifty yards up the mountain. At first, we heard the sound of a multitude of women imitating the moaning of the wind. As soon as this sound died away, all sang, apparently using words. At the expiration of three-quarters of an hour, one of the young men, who had been the roughest in dealing with our party, came and pleasantly invited us to join the meeting. We did so, sitting outside of a circle formed by wo men sitting side by side, all facing inwards. The chief, the captains and the men were arranged inside the circle. As soon as the singing ccased, one Indian after another would pray or speak, without rising. Cochise's talks were apparently without rising. Cochise's talks were apparently the most authoritative. I could hear him men-tion the sobriguet of Captain Jeffards, numely: 'Stegalito,' meaning Red Beard. I knew from this that our whole case was being considered in 'Stegalito,' meaning Red Beard. I knew from these were solemn moments, when y their super-these were solemn moments, when y their super-these were solemn moments, and, as we heard the spirits were on our side; and, as we heard the mext day at the council, he [they?] had said ? 'The white man and the Indian ard to drink of inside the circle. As soon as the singing ceased The white man and the Indian are to drink of the same water, and eat of the same bread, and he at peace.' The rest morning, everything was in readiness for a move by ten o'clock, and we set out for Dragoon Springs to meet the officers from Camp Bowie."

Gen. Howard has been, in past years, at least. strongly opposed to Spiritualism, considering it to be only "of the devil," because spirits have not taught the tenets of Orthodoxy. But Spiritualists almost universally are aware that, foremost among the hosts of returning spirits-the devils of Orthodoxy-in our day, have been those of North American Indians, everywhere teaching the gospel of peace, justice and good-will. To their influence, in a large degree, exerted consciously, and unconsciously through public speakers and writers, as well as upon individual minds. should no doubt be attributed the marked change which has of late taken place in the public mind relative to the treatment of the red men. The General himself seems to have been convinced that, in this case, instead of the devil and his emissaries, it was "the God of the earth or his spirits" that was invoked and that gave response. Could he enter other spirit-circles, nearer home, in an equally unprejudiced frame of mind, he would doubtless find equally convincing proof of the "Divine Presence" in them.

"When a young man," said E. C. Delavan, "I

was going with some gay young men on a drinking lark, when I suddenly turned about and left them. On the spot on which I made that hasty

trust me to keep their secrets. They offered to partments: As to the comparative skill of waraise my salary if I would be silent, but, as I was not particularly in want of money, L concluded not to be bribed.".

"Bribed, Chester? why do n't you explain vourself?" said Mrs, Clayton.

"Well, mother, there appears to be two kinds of woman's rights friends in the Government Departments at Washington. One class believes same amount and quality of work, without any partiality.....But another class does not believe incoual suffrage, but yet they are willing to suffer attractive women to be employed in their, honorable Departments. I knew two or three experi copyists who had been employed for several terms, but who accidentally learned one day that [their skill was not so much appreciated as the beauty of their more/favored sisters."

"How was that cousin ?" interrupted Mary, whose indignation was kindled in her large and" -eloquent eyes ; " how did they make that discorery?"

"They saw 'yellow envelopes' on their table one morning; and a yellow envelope, to those old maids, meant discharge, mother !" handing a yellow envelope to Mrs. Clayton.

'But this is addressed to you. Chester," said the mother, half smiling. "I did n't know that you were an old maid,"

"Yes, mother ; but your boy fell into had company. He took the part of those unattractive

maidens, and so shared their fate."

ping her hands. "Why, Mary, you do n't mean to say you are glad that Chester was discharged for miscon-

duct ?" said Mrs. Clayton, "Yes, I do, auntie," persisted Mary. "Such misconduct as he speaks of on the part of Government officials-why, it is enough to sink the nation! It ought to be emblazoned in every newspaper, thundered from every pulpit and ros trum in the land, so that not an honest and skilled working-woman in America, however unattractive, could fail to see and hear it."

"See and hear what ?" spoke Edward, impetuously, "'I don't believe but what woman's skill is as good a passport to lucrative employment as a man's skill."

"Woman's skill don't seem to command the same pay as that of a man, as-I can testify from experience," said Chester, "I have a letter in my pocket, which I forgot to mention, received the second day after my arrival here, from a very -competent woman employed in one of the Government Departments. She states some facts which I presume you will all be interested to know."

"Oh, read it to us," said Mary. "Writing from Washington," continued Ches

ter, "this lady says "What lady ?" interrupted Edward, somewhat impatiently. "I don't care to hear a string of

facts from an irresponsible employé in any Department." "I am not at liberty to give the lady's name," replied Chester, "but I can give you her reasons for the restriction, which will be as good a fact

men, the Secretary of the Treasury has made the positive statement that they are among his most valuable clerks; and the head of one of the Bureaus fold me that during the agitation of the question of diminishing the number of the female employes of the Treasury, he offered to select fourteen male clerks who could better be spared than fourteen others, who were well skilled and efin equal rights for all women, and are inclined fictent women. And yet these male clerks reto employ and pay them the same wages; for the ceived per annum from twelve to eighteen hundred dollars salary, while the women clerks. even in the higher Bureaus, received but nine bundred. In the Treasury Brinting Bureau they sometimes receive less than one-half of this sum. The work done by women is essentially similar, in many cases identical, with that performed by men, -.

"In one case two sets of Registers, kept by two young men, were afterwards given to and long kept by one woman ; and the same lady has now sole charge of the entire Registering division of the Bureau-composed of several ladies-and she is so thorough in her knowledge of the department as to be constantly in remisition. Another lady was offered a division of which a sixteen hundred dollar clerk could not satisfactorily perform the labor, but was to receive, of course, only a woman's meagre salary. The entire work of this division was afterwards performed, during the absence of the whole force, by one lady alone. This lady has more than once written five hundred letters per month, and it is curious to see how many letters going out from the different offices as the productions of the ya-" rious male clerks, after largely having been rewritten by their male superiors in office; are fimilly corrected, both in spelling and grammar, by the ladies in copying. I myself saw two lefters of a male clerk handed to a lady with a remark from the superior officer, of the Bureau : "Write those over, madam ; they are so bad Famashamed to send them out of the office. ' "In a counting division, a lady detected an error in a package of coupons which had already been counted by six gentlemen, all of whom had failed to discover it ! Such are not occasional facts, but are of frequent occurrence! "So much for the quality of woman's work : as to the amount of it performed by women in the given number of hours, the fact that it largely exceeds that performed by men, is too well known and acknowledged in the Government De-

partments to need any proof from me. 'There is no possible doubt but that women in the different Departments earn fully as much, or more than men, while they are better correspondents, better grammarians, better book-keepers than the most of male employes." "

At this moment the supper-bell rang, and Chester remarked that the rest of the letter would keep until some future time, and added :

-741-trust, Mary, from all that [1] learn from my mother, that you are not ignorant of the injustice done by our laws and customs to the workingwomen of the country."

"I thank you much, Cousin Chester," replied Mary, "for giving me these facts. They will greatly aid me in finishing my little book on the Social Independence of Woman.""

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CHAPTER VIII. Vien from Mi. Marsel.

After support, Chester said to Mary; "The evening is beautiful. I observe that the full . moon is just rising in the East and, if agreeable to you, I would like to visit the grove I see in the distance. The view from here is enchanting. 1 favorite sister, and the boy Chester was the counhave heard much of the magnificent scenery on a terpart of his uncle in many respects. He had the Susquehanna River, in this section, and find that it was not overstated.

"Well," said Mary, smiling, "I will accompany you, on condition that you entertain meteratistocratic Neville family was likely to become with a description of the 'nice young man,' at extinct. The bachelor brother had in his young Washington."

Alet yes, I see," Said Chester, as he gave Mary one of his fascinating tooks, "that you | til almost on the eve of marriage. This so prejuhave already become interested in my young friend !" And saying this, he drew Mary's arm gallantly within his own, and the two handsome! consins, bent their steps toward Maple Grove, which rested in quiet beauty in the valley between two extensive ranges of mountains. The meagest summit, on either side, was East and West Marvel. Ascending to the summit of East |

Marvel, through rocky and circuitous passes, Chester, being an enthusiastic geologist, examined minutely and almost reverently the niches in the rocks directly beneath their feet. Then directing his spy-glass to West Marvel, on the opposite'side of the valley, he discovered that the rocks corresponded with those of East Maryel, where they now stood.

"You are a scientific observer; cousin, I see," said Mary :. " and, to such an observer, the inference is that Nature, in the dim past, must have driven her flery steed through these receiding valleys, separating these two summits. For more than sixty miles on either side, and meeting at an angle, as you see, between the two Mount Marvels, she turned up her mighty durrows, as with a plow of Omnipotence, leaving a double furrow in the centre, where the inshi river now courses."

"Issumild infer," said Chesters & that the re gion before us was once a vast basin, or lake, whose pent-up waters broke through the united and towering hedge, and then sped on toward the sea. Sinking to its normal level, the river separated several miles above the angle, forming the east and-west branches, one of them flowing beneath the summit on which we stand, and the other beneath the opposite summit yonder."

"Yes," said Mary, "and you observe that the two rivers again form & juncture about a mile below, which is walled Point Marvel." "Then that is the way you get that circular island, or Northland, on which Maple Grove is situated ?

Yes, " replied Mary ; " the Island is enclosed between the two branches of the river. A name was originally given by the natives which signified 'New Hunting Ground,' or 'Indian Bara-They also sometimes called it ? Forest dise. within-Narral Decause it was encircled by the river. But to the white settlers at was afterwards known by the name of "Grove-within-Grove," while at present it is simply called "Maple Grove, "

"But tell me, cousin, who owns the beautiful mansion within the grove, which seems to have all the characteristics of a modern paradise ?" Inquired Chester.

"Sir Robert Winslow, an English gentleman," replied Mary, with a little tremor in her voice. Winslow! Winslow ---- exclaimed Chester ;

" why, that 's the same name of my Washington friend, the fine-looking young man I was going to tell you about. But what is the matter, Mary ? you are pale and trenulous : this dizzy height is too fearful for a woman's nerves."

Well," said Mary, foreing a snille, "I am somewhat dizzy. Here is a smooth stone : suppose we sit down, while you relate to me something about your friend - I should have been loss surprised, consin, had you become interested in

which was his mother's maiden name. The solution of the matter is easily given. Chester Neville, Mrs. Clayton's only brother, was a bachefor, and he had come into possession of a handsome property, which, for a time, he was at a loss to know how to bequeath. Mrs. Clayton was his given his nephew a liberal education, and had done much to aid his widowed sister. But it seemed to him, reasoning from facts, that the er days been disappointed in a young lady whom he had considered the paragon of perfection undiced him against all womankind that he resolved to live a life of single blessedness. At the age of tifty years he realized that his health was failing, and that his property, estimated at three hun-

dred thousand dollars, if not disposed of by will, would be likely to be quarreled over by distant relatives. After many sleepless nights the matter was settled, to his own mind, quite satisfactorily "I will give," he said, "Sister Sarah Neville Clayton ten thousand dollars, and the balance to

Chester, provided that he drop the name of Clayton, and be Chester Neville, nothing more. This would suit me exactly, for I like the young man, and the name of Neville-would, in all probability, be perpetuated, for it's no ways likely that so fascinating a person as my nephew will get through the world without being entangled in the meshes of matrimony."

And so the matter was legally settled, and Chester Neville Junior, became the rightful heir to the large estate of Chester Neville senior. Mrs. Clayton's home in Illipois was the home of her invalid brother, for two years before his death, which occurred the same year that witnessed the death-of her liusband. Chester had just gradu: ated from one of the most celebrated colleges in the country, with a large fortune at his command, when the news came from the East that his cousin, Mary Melville, was doubly orphaned. Mary's mother was half-sister to Mrs. Clayton, and had, when very young, married a poor author in opposition to the wishes of her elder half-brother, Chester Neville. The families had never been on infimate terms, for the proud-spirited Albert Melville disdained to ask any favors from his wife's rich relatives. Mrs. Clayton and lier sister had, in the early part of the latter's married life, corresponded occasionally, and Mrs. C. visited Eim Cottage once, when Mary was but ten years old. Chester had never seen his cousin and when the news came of the departure of both her parents to the spirit-land, he said :

 "Mother, I like the tone of Mary's letter, and, as I want to spend a year traveling in foreign countries. I think it would be best for you to accept of my cousin's pressing invitation, and make your home with her, for the present at least. I think that she is a person of Leonsiderable genius, judging from the productions which have emanated from her brain and pen. I know that I shall like her, and I shall look forward with pleasure to the time when I shall be able

to visit both you and her in her castern home." -And so the matter was arranged, as the reader already knows. Chester, traveled two years in--stead of one, and, on his return from Europe, went westward to look after a large property invested in real estate: Ilis mother wont immediately to her old home in Illinois, and greeted with joy her long absent son. Chester had acquired much polish of manners in his travels. and was at the age of twenty-five rich, handsome, cultivated, and, what seems most rare, a man-of-radical ideas and a genuine philanthropist. He was conversant with many of the most advanced authors of the times, and had drank largely from the springs of modern science and

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By JOHN WHALAM DAY.

Down the street the school-girls speed-Girls with laughter, jest and chatter ; They life's soleinn runes unheed, E'en as birds that fount-spray scatter. What reck they, though snow-flakes pile Higher up, and higher stealing?

Warm young hearts wan care beguile-Hope through sunfit vanit is wheeling.

Freed from study's irksome ban, Raised from figures algebraic,

Bright eyes down the future scan-Tint with gold earth's dull mosaie.

Dance or play or billet doux In each budding brain 's ascendant ; Airy visions trooping through, "On fate's loaded dice dependent, o

God be with you, darlings all-Father's pet or mother's treasure-

When time's wintry twilight fall, Blotting out each hoped-for pleasure; When the sting of slander 's found,

Fades the rose of summer sweetest ; Or the heart with ice is bound. And the gloom is dark and deepest !

See, the teacher follows slow

With sad, downcast eyes discerning Far beneath the wintry snow Reflexes of inward yearning. In her weary arms are piled Copy books and scales of merit ; Seldom hath that pale-check smiled-She doth Eye's meek lot inherit.

She 's a mystery dim and pale; But she once was arch and glowing-Clear and bright as morning's trail When the eastward flush is growing. Romped she o'er a village mead Swifter than the circling swallow? Heard her youth a city speed Rumbling on its purpose hollow?

What hath seared her brow with care-Set her life to minor measure, When her early carol fair Trilled the major strain of pleasure? Only He who bids us march , Knows the spirit's woeful orders ;

Out from Being's shaded arch Speed we forth to unknown borders.

She, a sad, wrecked life, it seems, May, beyond the darksome river, Fairer than a queen of dreams, Wear Diana's gleaming quiver. We who look with pitying eye, Or with careless glance ignore her, May, 'neath heaven's cerulean sky,

Bow in rev'rence to adore her. For each step a purpose runs,

For the need each powegpreserving ; Swiftly roll appointed suns, To each toil an end conserving.

E'en as Bruce through desert's bound Traced El Azrek's source Nilotic,*

And the eve-star triumph-crowned-Blessed a life-path deemed chaotic :

So we speed dis-pilgrims all ; Angels' wards, our Father's treasures And we know no soul shall fall'

From the arc his glory measures. Thus we tread the shadowy way-Climb the sunset-smitten mountain,

Sure that 'neath Death's twilight ray We shall taste Fruition's fountain !

Boston, Mass., December, 1872

• James Brace, who, after sovere hardship and wandering in Abyssinia, of the Nite, Hough after researches have posed source of the field of knowledge, and proved the way greatly where by lim to be but a critical the hard search are course found on several events of the hardy search. stream. Akin to his value indihing is a finality: the supposed or for the source of pruch; nothing is a finality: the supposed main sources of duty to-day may become the tributaries of to-morrow-the formatili-cause being still hidden in the verted hand of Initiality, but subject to discovery under the great law of progression.

Ranner Correspondence.

New Hampshire.

MANCHESTER.-Dr. H. P. Fairfield writes Dec. 24th : Dear Banner of Light—This is Christ-mas week, and 1 am prompted to wish you all a Merry, Merry Christmas. Woonesday, the 25th Merry, Merry Christmas. Wodnesday, the 25th day of this month of December, will be the Christmas Day of joy and rejoicing in all Chris-tendom. It is celebrated and commemorated as the birthday of Jesus Christ. The angels of heaven communicated the glad tidings of great joy to and through the mediums of Judea; say-ing, "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." Luke ii: 10.

It appears that spiritual intercourse was enjoyed in a limited degree by the Spiritualists of that early period; that mediums saw, described and conversed with spirits, who directed them in their journeys, and advised them in their busi-ness and religious worship. These heavenly messengers have ever been laboring to remove the obstacles which have so long prevented a free and easy intercourse between themselves and the inhabitants of earth. How well they have sucmanifold through their mediums who have charge ceeded through their mediums who have charge of the Banner of Light, you very well know. They have brought it forth again through fire and flame, and presented it anew to the world of a mankind. Our Christmas by and rejoicing could not have been perfect without the new Banner of Light. As it is,

To Not a wave of trouble rolls Across my peaceful breast." We rejoice to see that the cause of Spiritualism is rapidly progressing in these Christmas days. My lectures here in Manchester have greatly revived the people, and there is a general rejoicing.

New Jersey.

VINELAND .- Ellen Dickinson writes from this place, under date of Dec. 18th, as follows: "Last evening we were greeted by the familiar face of the dear old Banner, the friend to inspiration of many years. On the material side of my nature it brought the sphere of woodland flowers ; on the spiritual side, the love and ineffable tenderness of the dear ones who watched over my childhood. * * * Go on, brave pio-neer' unfurl your banner of constellated light, shedding life, light and truth from its benign and graceful folds, into earth's dark recesses of ignorance and prejudice!

We have been favored with the ministrations of Mrs. F. O. Hyzer, of Baltimore, for the last two Sundays of October and the first three of Norember. Her science, philosophy and poesy charm and instruct all who listen to her lofty in spiration. Her perfect clocution disarms criticism—her grand utterances silence cavil. We have with us at present Mr. O. P. Kellogg, of Ohio, who is a *raya aris*. While addressing him-self to the reason and understanding of his hearers, he ministers to the mirthful and comic side of their nature by the quaint and rare quality of his humor. He is a revivalist par excellence-has kind of mental chemistry, by which he draws the bitterness and ascettersm out of human nature. To all societies who want to haugh at life's ills and follies, and at the same time rise to a loftier height by his teachings, I would recommend him

as a speaker. We have raised in this place, about eighty dollars for the Banner, and are in hopes to raise one hundred dollars, through the agency of John Gage.

Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA. -- Mrs. M. S. Townsend says, Dec. 18: The society here is in a fine condition, and the pleasant, natural ways of Dr. Child before an audience, as chairman, make everybody feel at home. The audiences are good, and a feeling of, peace and harmony seems to pervade throughout. They are to establish a series of social gatherings for the purpose of becoming better acquainted with each other, and to commence a fund for obtaining a place of their own in the Inture. They have also a Lyceum, but, as I have not attended once since I have been here, cannot report from personal observation, though I am told it is in good condition. There is certainly a great interest in the subject among the people in the others Dualitation to the people in the subject among the people in the the City of Brotherly Love. From here I go to Springfield for the month of

January, where 1 hope to find people alive to the January, where 1 nope to mid people alive to the cause of truth, and as anxious to aid and sustain its channels of communication, as in this city. Whenever I can do aught for you in my humble way, please command me. My address in Spring-field will be in care of Harvey Lyman. How thankful I was to hay hands upon another Ban-ner, rising, as it has, from the ashest. Had 1 been as demonstrative as some people are, I should surely have kissed the unconscious sheet. But I shall ever pray that it may need no more of fire tests by which people may better know its value.

Spiritual Phenomena. CHARLES H. FOSTER.

This famous test medium gave in our city quite

number of sittings for spiritual manifestations. Having been present during eleven of these sittings, I have seen and heard the most astonishing revelations of an occult intelligent power, and have also personally received a communicationa strange and truthful one-from a relative, who never saw the United States, whose name was not in my mind at the time of the sitting with Mr. Foster, and whose name was not written out. or indicated in any way; but Mr. Föster told me the nickname of this my relative, and also the peculiarity of gait and seat of lameness, etc. Besides this, I saw several times direct spirit writing on paper and on a pocket-handkerchief, and blood-writing oh his hand. Some of my countrymen who had also a sitting with Mr. Foster do honestly acknowledge the facts they have witnessed, and find, to their surprise, that the known laws of Nature, as exhibited in the handbooks of science, do not give any information in regard to these "modern natural wonders;" and Carl Vogt, Dr. Buchner, Moleschott, etc., the leaders of the German materialists, do not know anything about it, and have probably never witnessed one single genuine spiritual manifestation of any consequence or importance, and therefore do and cannot, give any explanation, or offer any reasonable, acceptable theory. To imagine that

Mr. Foster has a legion of agents, detectives, etc., in his employ, who furnish him all the various names and family secrets, is rather silly and quite improbable, if not impossible. To say it is clairvoyance of his mind does not explain it to any materialist, as clairvoyance itself would prove independent, individualized and conscious spirit power, and clairvoyance of Mr. Foster, or even of his spirits, would not explain all those communications that were given, and not known to any one of the sitters at that time, and the truth of them afterwards ascertained. Then what is left for any person witnessing these manifestations, and possessing sufficient intelligence, love of justice, truthfulness and manliness as to accept the very best theory offered at present?7 and that is, doubtless, the one offered by the

Spiritualists. Mr. Foster will also visit Chicago, St. Louis, Louisville, New Orleans and some other places ; and I do not hesitate to recommend him in particular, and in the strongest terms, to all honest investigators of the spiritual phenomena. Besides his wonderful gifts, Mr. Foster is a pleasant and agreeable gentleman, demanding no pay if no satisfactory tests are given.

J. A. HEINSOHN. Cleveland, O., Nov. 14, 1872.

THE FIRE QUEEN.

A new phase of mediumship is daily being witnessed at the scance room of this Publishing Iouse,

Mrs. Suydam, a lady of remarkable mediumistic powers, is controlled by a queen of fire-an Indian girl of only about six years in spirit-life -to handle fire with impunity.

She will handle live coals of fire, lamp chimneys at their most intense heat, and hot irons. and she will also hold her fingers and hand over a gas or lamp light, allowing the most intense blaze to flow up between her fingers for minutes at a time, without the appearance of being burn-ed thereby.

During this time she is partially under spirit-control, but not entirely so. She knows what she is doing, yet is impelled to do that which she has a little trepidation about—not but what she has confidence that the spirit will exceute the feat without harm to her, but, from the fact that the least confusion in the room, either by the moving about, or the shock which is sometimes in-

duced upon sympathetic spectrators at the sight of such seeming peril, causes her to intensely. feel the electrical waves thus induced. It is a strange phenomenon. While her hands are apparently above and free from the power of fire to harm, her body seems to be intensely sensitive to the least commotion or mental excitement of others in the room, and sometimes, when there is contristen in the room, the power of the Fire Queen to roll-control is instantaneously thwarted. (Hence perfect order (Heaven's first haw) is required while these marvelous feats are being performed. (While she is under the control of the Bire Queen here heads are acid can be of the Fire Oueen her hands are cold and clammy-as cold as ice. Mrs. Suydam is a lady of about thirty years, above medium size, and the picture of health, She is a very good test medium upon the mental plane. phile. She can be seen in the daytime or evening by parties desiring to witness her wonderful phase of incliumship at the *scance rooms* of the Religio-Philosophical Publishing House, corner of Fifth avenue and Adams street, Chicago.—Religio-Phi-losophical Journal, Dec. 28th.

Bothe Volitig Wolman.

"It is possible," continued Chester, "that the Winslow I met in Washington is a relative of Sir Robert Winslow: If so, there may be a capital chance for me to get an introduction to the Eng. lish aristocracy. The young man in question had the air of a princes, and I judged, though I saw him but a few times, that he was a born aristocrat. But I was interested in him bycause h seemed to be sad and depressed as if he was homestek, lovestek, or both. I should have been glad to have learned something more of his ante codents robut his reserve kept me at a proper distance. Net, from all L learned about him, 1 judged that he was a persoil of fine natural genius and acquirements : at any rate, I became strongly attracted to him, and I regretted leaving the city, so suddenly: I see, Mary, that you are interested in my narrative; and perhaps you. would be interested in the subject of the narrative, also, if you were acquainted with him," said Chester, looking archly at his consin ; " but you are pale and weary," he continued, looking more gravely. "Had-we not better return?"

Mary arose, and began to descend the moun tain, but was scarcely able to walk upon the sloping eminence without the support of her cousin. Chester was at a loss how to account for the sudden change in Mary's appearance. He knew that he must have touched some sensitive nerve ; but his intuitious were not sufficiently clear to fathom the mysterious depths of a loying woman's heart. She endeavored to rally her wont-'ed cheerfulness as they approached Elin Cottage.

for she was unwilling to cause Mrs. Clayton any ungasiness, on her account. The remainder of the evening she passed in her own chamber, endeavoring to silence love's powerful pleading, and to put far from her the beloved image that neither time nor distance could efface from her Blemory.

Mary appeared at the breakfast table the next morning as usual, though Mrs. Clayton saw that her face was a shade paler, and that her long, drooping eyelashes had been moistened with tears. Chester met her with a cheerful smile, but she knew, from the gentle pressure of his hand, and the hasty sigh that escaped from his parted lips, that he had learned her secret. He had interrogated his mother, after their return from Mount Marvel, in regard to the Winslows, and now knew the cause of Mary's agitation the evening preceding, as well as that of the young law student's fits of abstraction. His sympathies were much aroused, and he determined, if possible, that he would aid them to a better understanding. He had spent a part of the past night in planning how to effect the desired reconciliation between two persons of rare reserve and liberal culture, without seeming to be intrusive.

CHAPTER IX.

The Neville Family.

It may be asked by the reader-why Chester's sirname was not Clayton, instead of Neville.

progressive literature, When Mrs. Clayton returned to Elin Cottage. Chester concluded to spend a few months in Washington, that he might avail bimself of the stirring debates which were then agitating Congress and the country, on the general subject of Reconstruction."

Chester was fond of adventure, and had a passion for studying the causes which tend to elevate or depress the condition of the great masses of the people. He therefore engaged himself as a clerk in the Treasury Department of the Government, not for the pay he might receive, but partly as a novelty, and that he might have a better opportunity of studying the workings of the political machinery. He was supposed to be a poor clerk, dependent upon his salary, and often startled his fellow associates with his fearless criticism of persons in high official station who were thought to be honest by the innocent and unsophisticated. He argued that the wonien employed in the various Departments, who were skilled and profitable workers, should receive as much pay as the male clerks, and thus became a wonder to all his fellow clerks, and eventually a terror to the high-salaried officials who had long been fed, without protest, at the public crib. It was here that he met Herbert Winslow, and rallied him upon a subject which, he afterwards learned, affected him deeply. The reasons of Chester's discharge are already explained. But it was not until after he had left Washington that his employers fearned that the "poor clerk" was a young man of fortune as well as erudition.

[Continued in our next.]

A FABLE .- A woman was walking and a man looked at her and followed her. The woman said, "Why do you look at me?" He answered, "Because I have fallen in love with you." The woman said, "Why are you in love with me? My sister is much handsomer. She is coming after me : go and make love to her." The man turned back and saw a woman with an ugly face. Being greatly displeased he went again to the other woman and said, "Why did you tell me a falsehood ?" The woman answered, "Neither did you speak the truth ; for if you were in love with me, why did you go after another woman ?"

THE SUN AND ANIMAL HEAT .- How complicated soever the motions of animals may be, whatever may be the changes which the molecules of our food undergo within our bodies, the whole energy of animal life consists in the falling of the atoms of carbon and hydrogen and ni-trogen from the high level which they occupy in the food to the low level which they occupy when they quit the body. But what has enabled the carbon and hydrogen to fall? What first raised them to the level, which made the fall possible? We have already learned that it is the sun. It is at his cost that animal heat is produced, and animal motion accomplished. -- Tyndall. ----

There is that in every animal's eye, a dim image a gleam of humanity-a flash of strange light through whi their life looks out and up to our great hystery of cout over them, and claims the followship of the creature, if t of the sout,-Rugkin.

A Thief's Gratitude.

The Boston Sunday Herald of December 22d gives the subjoined instance of mental return for mental "value received," which is always so pleasant, to mark in a world where it is so often found wanting. We are of opinion that that thief's chance for even an Orthodox heaven (2) is far superior to that of the Boston divine who publicly congratulated his people that though many disasters were connected with the great conflagration, they should give thanks that the Banner of Light had been consumed?

The following fact, related to the editor of the Commercial Bulktin by an exe-witness, is one of the many envious circumstances connected with the hig fire :

While the conflagration was at its height, and a merchant was busy collecting together a few valuables to carry away in his arms, a rough-looking fellow came up with a large wagon, and wished to know if he did n't wish to hire him for a load.

The merchant jumped at the offer, and the wagon was by binself and clerks soon heaped with costly goods, and the driver told where to carry them, and to come back, if he could, before the flames reached the store. As he was disap-pearing in the distance, a police officer asked the merchant if he knew the man, when it suddenly occurred to him he had not even asked his name and had committed his goods into the hands of an utter stranger. Worse than that, the pollee-man knew him to be a notorious thief, but could not leave the point he was guarding to pursue

him. The fire progressed, and in half an hour the merchant's store was in ashes. Next morning he repaired to the place, where he had directed the cartman to carry the goods, and, as be feared, they had not been brought there. Two days af-terwards, however, he was surprised by the cart-er's appearance, who apologized for his not com-ing before by his inability to find the merchant, and, handing him a key, told him his load of goods was stored in the room of a hotel, where he would find thom would find them.

The merchant expressed surprise, and mentioned the suggestion of the police officer.

"That's so," said the carter, "but do you re-member when you were on the jury, and — was ried for stealing ;

"Yes, I do, and from the evidence I believed him innocent.

"Well, sir, that was me, and I was innocentas innocent as a child of what I was tried for. understood it was you that was wise enough to see I was, although I had no reputation to back me', and you saved me from an unrighteous ver-diet and the State Prison." "Indeed !"

"Yes; and I've been trying to get even, with you for more than two years, and never got a chance till that night, when I borrowed a horse and cart and took your goods out of the fire. There's the key, and there's nothing to pay." So saying, the visitor slammed the door after

him, having the astonished merchant with a door-key in his hand. But upon investigation, he found his goods as had been promised by the some "honor among thieves." Louisiania.

NEW ORLEANS, Nor. 19th, 1872 .- Please give a place in your columns, dear Banner, to the fol-lowing just tribute of respect, which was expressed by the Central-Association of Spiritualists, assembled for the occasion in their hall, on

ists, assembled for the occasion in their hall, on Sunday evening, the 16th inst: Whereas, Col. S. D. Hay, who has been labor-ing dimong us for the last two months, is now about to leave for other fields of labor; it is highly proper that we should givessome expression of our regard and our appreciation of his valuable kervices; therefore, be it *Hesoland* by the Central Association of Spiritu-alists of the State of Louisiana, that in our ac-quaintance with Col. Hay, as a gentleman, as a preference of a state of the lecturer, and as a developing medium, we have found him to be worthy of our highest esteem and confidence and thy of our highest esteem and confidence; and that we cordially recom-mend him to the love, support and coöperation of all Spiritualists, and of any who are interested in the advancement of the human race.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing, signed by the officers of this Association, be sent to the Banner of Light for publication, and also that a copy be furnished to Col Hay. U. R. MILNER, M. D., President.

J. Z. WINN, Secretary.

Massachusetts.

NATICK .- Dr. J. S. Bean writes, Dec. 21st NATICK.—Dr. J. S. Bean writes, Dec. 21st : I desire to say a few words through the columns of your valuable paper, in behalf of Bro. George A. Fuller, of this place, who has been ready to speak at any time and place in New England for the last two years, but as yet has not had many calls. If any of our friends are in want of a good speaker, if they will give Bro. Fuller a call, 1 think he will give them satisfaction. He is tranke and inspirational, and a good, medium. I had the pleasure of listening to a lecture given by him recently, in Natick, and I must say I con-sider it one (f the ablest lectures I ever listened to. He is a young man of great promise; and, friends; all he needs is for those who are in want of a speaker to give him a chance.

Vermont.

RUTLAND .- A correspondent, Frank Wilson, writing from this place, under date of Dec. 23d, renews his subscription, forwards us some 236, renews his subscription, forwards us some back numbers of our paper as per request, and encloses the following advertisement cut from the New York Herald of Dec. 18th, desiring to know if the Orthodox churches of Manhattan have become so reduced as to numbers in attendance, that they are obliged to call in youth and beauty "arrayed in purple and fine linen," to attract re cruits to their depleted ranks :

WANTED - FIRESI VOITES, TO SING FOR knowledge of music; young handsome dress well. Ad-dress ORTHODOX, box 146, Herald office."

There are two safe methods of ventilating a chamber: let the firep'ace remain open; this is not always practicable. Sometimes there is no fireplace; and sometimes, too, there are no windows to the chamber, many persons thinking they can sleep anywhere. Future builders should construct the doors of all rooms, whether chambers or not, in such a way that, both at top and bottom, a portion of the door, three or four inches broad, and two-thirds as long as the door is broad, should be sawed out and arranged to turn on a pivot at, each end, as seen in rail-cars, having a button to fasten it when necessary.

The Housekeeper.

ROAST TURKEY. - Let the turkey be picked clean, and washed and wiped dry inside and out. Have your stuffing prepared, fill the crop and then the bag full ; sew it up, put it on a spit, and roast it, before a moderate fire, three hours. If more convenient, it is equally good when baked. Serve up with cranberry. or apple-sauce, turnip,

squash and potatoes. To BOIL A TURKEY .- Stuff a young turkey, weighing six or seven pounds, with bread, butter,

salt, pepper and minced parsley ; skewer up the legs and wings as if to roast; flour a cloth and pin around it. Boil it forty minutes, then set off the kettle and let it stand, close covered, half an hour more. The steam will cook it sufficiently. To be caten with drawn butter and stewed oys-

PLUM PUDDING.—The day before you wish to have this pudding for dessert, stone and chop fine one pound of raisins, wash in warm water one pound of currants, pick and dry them, and chop half a pound of beet suet. Next morning soak, a pound loaf of bread in a pint of warm, sweet milk; beat it fine, add to it the raisins, suet and currants, with three eggs well beaten, a grated nutmeg, tablespoonful of sugar, and wine-glass of brandy. Put it in a floured bag or pudding mold, and boil it four hours. Serve with cold sauce-made of sugar and butter, and flavored with wine and a teaspoonful of essence of lemon or vanilla

APPLE MINCE PIES .- To twelve apples, chopped fine, add six beaten eggs and half a pint of cream. Put in spice, sugar, raisins or currants, just as you would for meat mince pies. They are very good.

APPLE PIE.—Peel the apples, slice them thin, add a little piolasses, and sprinkle some sugar over them ; grate on some lemon peel or nutneg. If you-wish to make richer, put a little butter on

the top. PUMPKIN PIES.—Pare the pumpkin, then grate it, and add sugar and ginger to taste, and milk enough to make it of the proper consistency; then line your pie-tins with crust, put in your pumpkin, and bake in the ordinary way.

SAUSAGE MEAT .-- If you want it extra nice take two nice fresh hams and one shoulder; take off the skin and have it chopped nicely; season it with sait, pepper, sage, and a very little sugar. If you like spiced meats, use with that a few cloves, some mace and nutmeg. Keep it in a dry, cool place, and fry it in balls, or stuff the skins when you first make it for dried sausages:

BANNER OF LIGHT,

free Chought. -THE SOCIAL QUESTION.

EDITORS BANNER OF LIGHT-I noticed an article in the Banner for Nov. 9th, written by an · Englishman. I cannot find the paper now, and I do not recollect the gentleman's name, but the letter was in favor of Mrs. Woodhull and her ideas in regard to the social question. I want to thank the gentleman for writing that letter-for daring to speak his mind on a subject which now needs agitating so, much more than any other-

In the same paper was a lecture from Mrs. Woodhull, entitled "The Religion of Humanity," with which I was very much pleased. I thank Mrs. Woodhull-1 ain so happy, so glad that one woman has the power to be true to her highest convictions. She speaks of feeling weak and faint through the burden of her work and the power of oppression. Be strong, Victoria ! you are in the right! God's angels will help here below. The simple statement should be sufyou! There is no greater, no more glorious work than that in which you are now employed, in bringing men and women to that glorious stan-lard in which they shall be free to love, free to bless, free to be true to themselves, without being thought criminals.

When I contemplate the social misery, chaos, unhappiness, falsehood and deceit consequent on false marriage relations, my heart faints within me, and I cry out, "How long, oh, Lord, how long!" And then I think of the glorious work inaugurated by Mrs. Woodhull, and from the mountains of hope I gain a grand outlook of the bliss that is to be-of the "good time coming," when mankind shall be inspired, infilled and baptized with that pure love which knows no jeal-

ousy or selfishness ; when we shallall, as it were, attain to ourselves, reach our true social dignity through the love element. A spirit said through a medium not long since, "The whole social fabric is rotten ; it stands ready to fall as soon as humanity's noblest sons and daughters shall unite and strike the blow for its demolition."

Would that all could see the necessity of the coming revolution ; then all would be ready to work and to grow and to love. But, alas ! the cry with many is "Peace ! peace !" when there is no peace. The great need of humanity is to know the truth and to be able to manifest it. May the golden dawn brighten into perfect day when all mankind shall love as the angels do. . IIARRIET WORDSWORTH.

Aid to Re-establish the Banner.

Tom's River, N. J., Dec. 3d, 1872. MESSRE, WM. WHITE & Co.—Gents : Enclosed-you will find a post office money order for \$25. Of the above amount William and Rebecca Brotherton send \$20. The good and noble truth-teller, the glorious old Banner of Light, must again, float on every breeze, and it will. But how strange float on every breeze, and it will. But how strange that error can find its millions of money, given freely to its support, while truth, freedom, and intelligence must go poorly provided for, and even, as it were, beg from door to door '. Every, real good work has the same legacy bequeathed it—poverty, and by amazing will it succeds in holding its own. Oh, in humanity's name, I do hope the Spiritualists will not prove the truth of their enemies' sayings, and remain too stingy to support their liberal press as it deserves. O. N. BANCHOFT.

Huntington, Suffic County, Dec, 18th, 1872. EDITORS BANNER OF LIGHT Deal State In closed please find thirty dollars, for which send me the Banner for ten years. The the Banner for ten years.

San Francisco, Cal., Nor. 28th, 1672. Ww. WHITE & Co.—My Dear Friends: I sent you a check for \$100 as soon as I supposed you were burned out, but had no idea of your great loss. I deeply-sympathize with you all, and pro-pose here to head a subscription list with \$50, and if they will were \$2000 Low!! were \$4000

its issue for want of funds, I would mortgage my property and do my utmost to help it. If most of your late subscribers will (and surely they cannot fail to do so) contribute each a small sum, it will, I hope, furnish enough to commune with afresh. HENRY SMITH.

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24th, 1872. W.M. WHEFE & CO., * * I enclose you \$10. It is all I can afford, being a poor man myself. It will help you some, and if all believers in Spiritualism will add their mite, you will soon be relieved of your present difficulties.

THOMAS NEWTON.

Philod. lphia, Pa., Nor. 30th, 1872. MESSIS, WM. WHITE & Co.: Dear Sirs—# * * I need not say your severe loss is a matter of deep regret with me. We are personally stran-gers to each other; but suffice it to know that you need assistance under the dire calamity that has overtaken you. Your enterprise is too important to be dispensed with ; your post of duty being on the "debatable ground" between the two worlds, to facilitate the intercourse of loving hearts. We must not disappoint our spiritfriends, nor suffer yearning hearts to languish

ficient to awaken every throbbing heart. "Enclosed you will find a check, to your order, for \$25,00. I wish I could make it more. Yours very truly, C. L. INGRYM, Yours very truly, 1125 Thompson street.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 5th, 1872. MESSRS, WM, WHITE & Co.,-1 send you here. with my check for \$25,00, for one year's subscription to the Banner of Light, the balance to assist n restoring the Banner to its former prosperity and usefulness. Yours truly, 'EBEN SNOW.

Waukegan, Ill., Dec. 9th, 1872. EDITORS BANNER OF LIGHT : Dear Brothers-When news came of the Boston fire, my first ex-clamation was, "Oh, may our noble Banner be saved!" Thus we naturally think of that which is nearest our hearts. I have been earnestly working to get subscrib-

ers for you. Will send what I have already obtained, trusting soon to aid you more. I an tak-ing in washing to earn my own subscription; and when my little children say, "Ma, you work too hard," I answer, "The good spirits help me to accomplish my work, and they will repay me 'I give my mite to our glorious Banner of Light. SADA BAILEY.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 11th, 1872. WM. WHITE & CO.— * * * I hope to see the face of the good old Banner of Light again soon, and that brighter days are close at hand for you. I enclose the amount—\$200—thus far raised as a relief fund for the Banner. H. SNOW.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 18th, 1872, BROS, WHITE & CO.—There are circumstances and conditions in life in which to know that we have even the sympathy of our earth-friends alleviates deep sorrow and anguish. Dear broalleviates deep sorrow and anguish. That sym-thers of the Banner, you have my heartfelt sym-pathy, * * * 1 enclose my mite. P. W. FULLER.

Eastham, Dodge Co., Ga., Dec. 11th; 1872: WM. WHITE & Co.-How deeply do 1 lament the calamity that has befallen you, * * * Oh how I miss the dear old Banner. It was my only feast, and now I am litefally starving. I hope it icast, and now 1 am norms world, spreading light will again unfurl to the world, spreading light and truth, and cheering the desolate in heart. P. C. MILLS.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 5th, 1872. PROPRIETORS BANNER OF LIGHT—* * * Like-the freed spirit illuminated by a life of goodness and truth, the Banner of Light will arise—from its life in the past—with renewed strength and beauty. When the Banner first started, I was lecturing in Philadelphia, and was among the first to act as agent and solicit subscri-bers, and now I engage in the same work again.

We are raising donations here, which will be for-warded to you by Mr. Garey. **** Du. W. R. JOSCELYN.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 17th, 1872. DEAR BROTHERS-When we heard of your dis-tressing fre in Boston, the first question asked was, Itas it reached the Banner-our Banner? I tried to hope not, but alas! the burnt district of which we heard included the burnt district of which we heard included you; and we all felt sad; it seemed to me as if my home was de-stroyed; and the desolation, the ruins were in my mind night and day. There was but one cry my mind night and day. There was but one cry —"The Banner must come right up; we cannot afford to have it stopped at all "" I have been quite busy in the country, speaking week even-ings, but have made an effort for you, and made ings, but have made an effort for you, and made ings, but have made an effort for one hundred rington sent on at once his check for one hundred dollars, which, with the list of donations and subscriptions to the amount of \$71 I send you enclosed, does pretty well, I think, for such a small place as this, though I could wish it much more. If all places will do as well in proportion, there would surely be no difficulty. With a large family of eight to support (considerable for all family of eight to support, (considerable for an old bachelor) my hands pecuniarily are tied, and I have a hard struggle but I can work for you, and will. Twenty-three years a medium, has made me more and more in love with our glorious philosophy, and my heart pulses out toward every instrument of its advancement. May all the good angels strengthen and sustain you! Of the enclosed list, whether they are old subscrib-ers or not, the old subscription is ignored, and it is understood the paper commences from now— send one paper to each. Some, you will see, have not limited themselves to the subscription. I shall continue to solicit for you, and hope to do considerable more, and make an appeal every Sunday. Am having increasing audiences here every Sunday. Shall not get East until summer. As every vous featurable As ever, yours fraternally, N. FRANK WHITE.

officers who would visit Mrs. Woodhull in her prison. The ingly well acquainted with anatomy and physiperson who invited me to take the office of President last jology, as well as the powers and laws of the menyear, has resigned because Mrs. Woodhull was invited to tal nature, yet carries the discussion far into the speak at our conventions. If you choose to continue me your President, and if no other can be obtained, I will ac-'cept, provided you take me with all my radical views and love of freedom.' The Secretary positively declined a re-election. The following officers were then chosen: Presi-dent-Dr. L., K. Coonley, of Vineland; 1st Vice President... Dr. George Haskell, of Ancora; 2d Vice President Win, M. Drake, of Newark; Secretary - Alfred Lyon, of Paterson: Treasurer -- Darlus Wells, of Paterson: Executive Gommittee G. C. Stewart, Newark: H. B., Marsh, New Brunswick; Charles H. Edwards, Prospect Plains; Mrs, Harriet Fennel, Trenton; John Gage, Vineland; Alfred B. Wilkinson, Camden; Mr. Wooley, Hammonton; J. R. Beach, Bricksburg; G. W. Hall and Mrs. Parsons, of Newark.

'The Committee upon Resolutions reported the following, which were adopted:

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Ist. In obedience to an inherent law of Nature, all matter assumed organic form; hence we infer that all progress and development result from this rule of action; therefore; *Resolved*, That Spirituatistis organize on the tasks of mile and coperation for the purpose of matoding the infinite possibilities of our New Gespel.
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instead at Boston, was totally consumed by the great fire off the both inst., leaving the proprietors almost entirely help-less: now, therefore, recognizing-the importance of sus-taining the most influential and efficient of all existing pub-licitions in helpidrour philesophy in this country. *Resulted:* That, we want nextly and meanly and approximate the the physical for all other kindred publications from that of the apparent now make for all of resulting the publication of the Banner, and other kindred publications from that

Evening Session .- The President called attention to the fires now taking place in different parts of the country, and

advocated throwing insurance compariso to verboard, and putting the matter in the hands of the tovernment. 'Gen. Grant had told the Secretary of Finance that every facility should be given them to make losses good. 'The people should be stockholders, and place insurance on a higher

Mr. Grant. of "the Associated Press of New York," made some beautiful and impressive remarks on the analogy existing between botany and astronomy. Mrs. Hattle J. French spoke with much feeling and ten-

derness on the ministry of angels. O. P. Kellogg occupied the remaining portion of the even-

ing By an address on modern Spiritualism, giving an interesting history of its birth and growth, and prophesying its inevitable triumph.

Sunday Morning Session, -- Conference meeting, Short addresses by Mr. Kellogg, Mrs. H. J. French and others. addresses by Mr. Kellogg, MrS. H. J. French and others. Afternoon Session.—Hall crowded. A very able and cle-gant lecture on the science of spiritual mainfestations was delivered by Mr. Grant, of New York, who was followed by O. P. Kellogg, Mrs. French and Di. Coonley (Presi-dent) in brief remarks: *Even by Session.*—Hall erowded to its atmost capacity. Infroductory speed by the President, on the pendiarities of mediumship, and the philosophy of colors acting upon character. The remainder of the line was consumed by O. D. Kalberg In it brilling helms on implement Solition.

O. P. Kellogg, by a thrilling lecture on modern Spiritual-ism as taught in the Bible. Collections were taken, up at the close of each session, to

defray the expenses of Convention, and defineations of charactor given by Mrs. H. J. French.

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Opinions of the Press.

BIOGRAPHY OF MRS. CONANT.-This WORK, BIOGRAPHY OF MRS. CONAST.—This work, which our, readers have been expecting several months, is now published and for sale at this of-fice. Mrs. Comant has a world-wide reputation as the medium of the Banner of Light Circles, and her biography must be of interest to all. Send in your orders. Price \$1,50; postage 20 cents.— Religio-Philosophical Journal.

Mr. Andrew Jackson Davis in "The Philoso-phy of Spiritual Influence, being an Explanation of Modern Mysteries," just published by William of Modern Mysteries, "just published by William of Modern Mysteries, informs us (page 130) White & Co., of Boston, informs us (page 130) that "by the direct indux or impression from the that "by the direct influx of mill?ession from the highly accomplished spirit of Benjamin Frank-jin, I learn that we owe principally to him the electrical method of telegraphing from the second sphere to earth's inhabitants." Though A. J. D. has faithfully rendered poor Franklin's commu-nication to him, we wish he would explain his explanation, as it is a sorry muddle to us—per-haps owing to our not having studied the " pan-thea (sic) principles."—New York World. sphere of speculation where much is only probable, and much more is but birely possible. . "His theory and the interesting manner of his

discussion of it, together with the truth of much that he says and the possible truth of much more. make it a book of interest, and commend it to the reading public and to carnest study."

LIST OF LECTURERS.

[To be useful, this list should be reliable. It therefore behooves Societies and Lecturers to premptly notify us of appointments, or changes of appointments, whenever and wherever they occur. This column is devoted exclusively to lecturers, without charge. If the name of any person not a lecturer should by mistake appear, we desire to be so informed.]

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and if they will raise \$2000 I will make it \$100, which I hope will be an inducement to others to do likewise. I trust that I shall soon see the Ban-ner, so dear to every true Spiritualist in the coun-ry. Yours very truly, J. R. NEWTON.

Portsmouth, N. II., Nor. 29th, 1872. EDITORS BANNER OF LIGHT—In accordance with your appeal in the Banner Supplement of Noy. 13th, I have made it my business to collect whatever the friends of the Banner might feel disposed to give. Enclosed I send a post-office order for \$61, as the result of my labors. Hoping that we may soon be favored with the familiar face of the Banner, I remain yours for truth and PHILIP S. MIZENER! progress,

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 30th, 1872. DEAR FRIENDE-* * * How I miss the face of the dear old Banner! I shall do all I can to help reestablish it. * * * To-morrow evenhelp recistantism in before the Society of Spir-ing I shall lecture before the Society of Spir-itualists here, giving the proceeds to the Ban-ner. * *

Dayrille, Conn., Dec. 17th, 1872... DEAR BANNER-Everybody is delighted to see you out again, and everybody hopes that the breath of life which is newly breathed into you may be fraught with an eternal unction from on high, so that you may live forever and die no more.

I send you my subscription for 1873. Why will not all good friends of the Banner, who feel able to do so, renew their subscriptions now, even if their time is not up? By so doing, we shall help sustain the hands of those faithful men (and nomen. I may add) who have worked so long to bring the Banner where it now is, but who were domed in that fated conflagration to see the fruit of their labors seemingly, swept entirely away in a short, sad hour.

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust corrupt, but rather lay up your treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not corrupt, nor thieves break through and steal." What we do for the immortals we do for ourselves also, and we are working for them when we help them to an organ through

Your old friend, LITA BARNEY SAYLES.

Boston, Ward 16th, Nor. 27th, 1872. MESSRS, WILLIAM WHITE & Co.—Gendlemen: I have been a subscriber for the Banner of Light ever since it was first published, and I beard with much sorrow of your severe losses from the awful fire which occurred on the 9th and 10th of November, and I tender to you my beartfelt sym-pathy in this great trial, which for the present is not joyons, but grievous, but which, under an all-wise Ruler, is destined through the many trials which it causes to work out a far greater trials which it causes to work out a far greater good. By the aid you will receive from your many good. By the and you will receive from your many sympathizing friends who feel a deep interest in the welfard and prosperity of the Banner of Light, you will be enabled to rise above this se-vere trial and be placed upon a firmer foundation than ever before ; and it is <u>nly sincere</u> wish and desire that the Banner's light may be reflected far and wide until its truths shall penetrate many wind and heat see the sector of the form all will minds and hearts, and purify them from all evil I enclose in this, in aid of the Banner of Light, \$100, and in aid of the Free Circle, \$10,

With my best wishes for your health and hap-piness and continued usefulness, I subscribe myself, your sincere friend, THOMAS M. MOSELEY.

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Yarmouthport, Mass., Dec. 1st, 1872. MESSRS, WM, WHITE & Co., --I have said that I would not be deprived of the Banner of Light, if it cost twenty dollars per year. To make that saying good, I send you \$25,00, for which you will please send me the Banner one year, when you shall again publish it. EZEKIEL THACHER.



State Society of Spiritualists and Friends of Progress,

Friedlas of Frogress, Held at New Brutswick, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 23d and 24th, 1872. Morning Session.-Meeting called to order-the-Prost-dent, Dr. L. K. Coonley, in the chair. The Scretary, Mrs. Ellen Dickinson, read the call. The Scretary Mrs. Ellen Dickinson, read the call. The Scretary Mrs. Ellen Dickinson, read the call. The President Invited attention to our broad patform, said it was as I read as human wants and needs, and invited persons of all races, creeds, climes and conditions to be-come partakers of the New Gospil – not excepting the "theathen Chinee." He spoke feelingly of the oppressed and tolling millions of earth-also those who were suffering from the tyramy of a false public opinion. O. P. Kelloge, of Ohio, was then introduced. Ho sold

O. P. Kellogg, of Ohio, was then introduced. He said Spiritualists outnumbered the members of all other religious societies; and called upon all-Christian, Jew and glous sorrelies; and cance upon an -- miscan, new any Mahometan-to come just as they were, and be mide par-takers of-our glorious philosophy. Spiritualism would dem-onstrate immortality, just as goology had demonstrated the age and history of the earth. The spirit of Theodore Par-ker had said that Spiritualism would become the prevailing religion of the world. The speaker also referred with much zeal to the necessity of organization.__________ Mrs. Hattle J. French, of Philade.phia, made a few re-

marks in her happlest style.

The following committees were appointed: on Resolutions - O. P. Kellogg, Ell-n Dickinson, Darlus Wells: on Business - Darlus Wells, Mrs. Hattle J. French and Mr. Edwards; on Finance - II. B. Marsh, Mr. Noble, Mrs. stillman.

Afternoon Session .- This was devoted largely to business conference, etc.

Ifanderson, Grantillo County, N. C., Nor. 24th, 1872. PROPRIETORS BANNER OF LIGHT—* * I wish I could send you as many dollars as I now send cents; and before the Banner should cease declined a reviection, and asked them "If they would like

NATURE'S LAWS IN HUMAN LIFE: an exposition of Spiritualism. By the author of "Vital Mag-netic Cure." Boston: William White & Co. While the writer of this book is a strong be-

liever in Spiritualism, he intends to deal fairly by

the subject, and gives testimonly pro and con-Professor Austin Phelps, William. T. Dwight and Elder Knapp lead the opposition; the affirmative is supported by communications from Rev. Ezra S. Gannett, D. D., William Wesselhofft, M. D., and by numerous anecdotes of crimes detected, diseases cured, and dreams verified by spiritual

agency. We doubt whether the book will make agency. In the book whether the book will make many converts, but it will be read with interest by those already of the faith.—Boston Woman's Journal.

Two books have been lying upon our table, awaiting a more thorough reading before noticing them in the Recorder; nor have we yet studied them with the thoroughness we desire, but feel

them with the thoroughness we desire, but feel-prepared, from the time spent with them, to re-commend them to public favor, believing that a mastery of them by the student of Nature, phi-losophy and the Bible, would be of great value. The first is a volume of 194 pages, including a somewhat extended Appendix, with the follow-ing title-page: "The Problem of Life and Im-mortality: An Inquiry into the Origin, Composi-tion and Destiny of Man; a lecture delivered be-fore the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, Jan. 3, 1861; with recent additions. By Loring Moody. Boston: Wm, White & Co., 14 Hano-ver street. New York agents: The American-News Company, 119 Nassan street. 1872." The immediate cause of bringing into market this pook, the writer tells us, was the speculations of Mr; Darwin on the "Origin of Species" and the Mr: Darwin on the "Origin of Species" and the "Descent of Man." The author shows himself a faithful student and a close reasoner; and we should not know where to look for so much valu-able matter in so small a space, upon this sub-ject, as in this unpretending volume. Whether all the positions taken will bear the strain that

further consideration will bring upon them, we further consideration with pring 1000 (fifth, w) are not about to say; but that, up to this date, he will rate with the best of thinkers, we judge, must be admitted. We recommend the book to our readers as one that will repay them amply, for the money expended in its purchase and the time required for a careful reading of its con-tents. Especially do we commend it to our/breth-ren in the ministry, and to those looking forward to that responsible calling, as worthy of their careful study. The times call for as thorough a mosting of ourselves on this and kindeed cones. posting of ourselves on this and kindred ques-tions as our opportunities will permit.

-The Alfred Centre (N. Y.) Sabbath Recorder.

"LESSONS FOR CHILDREN ABOUT THEM-SELVES," by A. E. Newton, is an excellent little work, which, in the form of questions and an-swers, admirably designed to teach children to think, gives-an amount of useful information on the all-important subjects of the human body, on the all-important subjects of the *human body*, *health* and *life*, which one might look for in vain in many a larger treatise. The style is clear and simple, and the book is well illustrated.--Our Young Folks' Magazine, for December.

MENTAL CURE .- David Plumb, (formerly a Methodist minister) of Mt. Vernon, writing un-der date of Dec. 3d, 1872, speaks of the book thus: "I have read the Mental Cure. No doubt the will-power is often very effective in repelling as well as in curing disease. I have very little faith in drugs. The will and faith of the patient who is under the manipulation of strong vital magnetic force will often, doubtless. do wonders; but the author, though a good writer, and seem-

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-A Happy New Year

To you, reader! Though to you, as to ourselves, losses and crosses may have been allotted during the year which has just been completed, yet the of faith that fall's for the best, "glows with rainyet to come. Our kind wishes are especially due to those who have becuniarily, or by voice and -pen, given us assistance, in this hour of need, i to uplift the Banner of Light from the smouldering rums of Boston's great catastrophe. May the year on which we have entered prove to them, and to all our patrons, a season of material success and spiritual satisfaction.

How the Thing Works,

We have toad with the truest satisfaction an article from Senator Wilson in the Independent. in which, by the recital of an occurrence conmeted with the fire, he illustrates, in the most felicitous way, the workings of the law of just and generous dealing on the part of capital with tabor. The story is a simple and touching one. It sooms that, thirty years ago, a certain man went to work at the leather trade, working with his own hands. In due time, from small beginnings great results grew, until the one laboring mechanic had become the head of a firm, and that firm had established itself on a sound, basis of prosperity. The members were rich and strong; that prosperity did not serve, as in too many instances, to turn their heads. They had established near the city, in connection with their mercantile business, a manufactory of Teather, that turned out large results by currying and familing. For twenty years numbers of the workmen had continued with the employers. , and apparently all were satisfied, But the serior L-man, who replied to the observation that, there member of the firm did not all at once forget his would be no. Indian war this year, "Why, good

BANNER OF LIGHT Brittan's Quarterly Journal.

tion of the profits, made voluntarily to the works promised Quarterly, to be devoted to the expomen, was the very best and wisest thing that sition of advanced spiritual thought, is all that could be done : it was the best thing for employ- could be demanded by the ideal of any reader. | ington street, Boston. She possesses large clairers as well as employed. What other establish- A want in genuine Spiritnalistic literature thus, voyant powers, consequently can locate disease metit, manufacturing or mercantile, will go and promises to be filled. We will speak first of the do likewise? It will sooner solve the labor prob- articles which make up the varied list of conlem than any other device or plan, for the reason tents. The number opens with a profoundly apthat it is based on justice and human sympathy. preciative and affectionately familiar biograph-The true way for capital out of its difficulties and just sketch of N. P. Talmadge, whose noble head perils is by a prompt and equitable division of and clean-cut features make so positive an imthe profits - and the saving to production would pression as the frontispiece illustration. Prof.

Brittan has evidently written this sketch con omore, and it will heighten the popular estimate of the writer and his subject together. Senator There is evidence of a practical nature that 'Talmadge is truthfully represented in the role of

the communication from Dr. Moriarty, published, the public man and statesman, and his gradual in the Message Department of a recent Banner, acceptance of the facts of Spiritualism, with his has aroused the City Government to take meas- inward experiences and outward life afterwards, ures for the accommodation of patients sick with ' is given with rare insight and the personal knowlthe disease named above. Dr. M., it will be edge which nothing but sympathy could bring. readily, remembered; said that the City Fathers | The Philosophy of the Nineteenth Century is a seemed not to have loarned the lesson which the Incid and instructive resource of the history of past two years have taught them in reference to, thought for the last seventy years, particularly the disease, and that in consequence the city on the grand problems and underlying principles -would be scourged with its presence through the which govern the progress of mental and spiritwinter as it never was before. It certainly looks (ual development.

as if his plain statement was in rapid process of [Following these two noticeable papers is "Soul fulfillment. In the Common Council; a few even- and Scenes in Spirit-Life," by Fanny Green Meings since, it was stated by a member that six Dougal, whose title suggests its character and its poor patients, badly afflicted with the disease, peculiar merits. Then a sterling paper on "Lawere left out in a common boat-house all night, bor, Wages and Capital," by J. K. Ingalls ; next, on the City Wharf, waiting for the steamer to "Spiritual Mathematics," by Prof. Ewell't-" Incompand take them to Galloup's Island. It was visible Artists," by the Editor ; "The Future the coldest night of the present season, too. Now Life," by Judge Edmonds ; with tales and poetry small pox is bad enough, even when the temper- interspersed, from the pens of such well-known ature is endurable; but when the sufferer is ex- authors as Belle Bush, T. L. Harris, and Charposed to a significant of zero and below, it is lotte Wilbur. The Editor's department is full pretty sure to find, its way from the surface to and skillfully made up, catering to a variety of horizon of the future, viewed through the prism : the vitals, and then the case is all ended. Those tastes and wants, commenting in not too cursory six patients are probably dead before this, and a manner upon recent movements, events, and bow promises, and prophecies of the good that is , who can say that it was not from that single social and religious phenomena, and bringing up to the body of the Quarterly a light artillery re-

It was not too severe for a member of the Coun- | serve which sets off the whole to excellent advanell to denounce such conduct as criminal, for tage. One important, if not essential, condition what else is it ? It is time the city awaked from 1 is fully complied with in this new magazine : it its lethargy on the subject. A new hospital, in] has the look, mechanically, of stability and intelplace of the one burned, is promised forthwith lectual permanence. There is nothing slazy about There is a strong movement to take possession of the paper, or eareless and crumbly about the the old almshouse at Roxbury. Dr. Moriarty has printing. Of course the first issue can give no uttered, through the Banner, words that could inore than a hint of what is to come, but this ininot well be set aside ; they have made their im-tial number will strike all eyes and minds as a pression, and it will become more and more plain supremely successful one. We sincerely bespeak to the public mind that what he has said with so for Prof. Brittan a most generous support for his much emphasis is sober truth. Boston has been new Spiritual Quarterly, and appeal on his and a sufferer from one scourge, and now a second its behalf to all readers of the best spiritualistic menaces us as the follower in its footsteps, literature to give it a prompt and efficient sup-There is a road to safety, but our authorities have port. Let it be borne in mind that the literature not found it as yet. A paralysis seeins to have of Spiritualism is one of its most powerful but overfaken their energies, and their sight seems to tresses in the popular opinion. However convinchave been suddenly dimmed. All things appar- ing the phenomena to individual minds, it is not ently conspire to prove their criminal neglect. Until they are passed through the alembic of in-Let them once more read and heed the inculeatelligent discussion; and become clarified as well tions of the late City Physician, and try to show as classified in the general mind by restatement more sympathy for the poor who are overtaken in their right relations, that the profound value with this scourge. The very hospital just burned of their truth and meaning is made more and was a more tinder-box, and not thought to be more apparent to all searching and inquiringadapted to the needs of a large city in such straits souls. Prof. Brittan has launched a Quarterly as ours. Dr. Moriarty advises the erection of that deserves a long life, which will not fail to be several hospitals, all to be managed with a care an influential one. We welcome the new and stately visitor in the field-of spiritual literature with the sincerest greeting.

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The Medium, Home.

The New York Evening Post says : "The work of Home, the Spiritualist, just is sued, is the second series of 'Incidents of My Life,' It has just appeared in England, and It has just appeared in England, and should not be confused with the first series of the 'Incidents,' published in this country some years ago. Its contents are, of course, entirely new, and embrace much matter which has at-tracted the sober attention of yery eminent men-Whatever may be the opinion held regarding Mr Home's claims to communication with 'spirits, there certainly does appear strong reason for be lieving that his constitution, and those of some other exceptional people, manifest modes of force whose laws are not yet correlated with the known laws of force, and which, therefore, have the highest claims to the attention of serious investigators. So far as his book tends to secure this attention, its publication will be of actual service.

To our Subscribers.

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We are in Receipt

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ing at Paterson, N. J., where his fectures are so warmly appreciated as to have received the rare compliment of formal request for their repetition. Mr. Grant goes to Albany in February. His permanent address is 131 East. 112th street, New York City.

JANUARY 4, 1873.

A: Wm, Fletcher speaks in Lunenburg, morning and afternoon, the first Sunday in January; Natick, the third; South Easton, the fourth.

We are informed by the Secretary of the Minerva Half Spiritualist Association in New Orleans, La., that "Mrs. Addle L. Ballon, who closes her engagement next Sunday, will be succeeded by C. Fannie Aliyn during the months of January and February, when we expect to partake of a rich treat of improvisations and words of truth and wisdom from the immortal shore.**

A correspondent - L. Armstrong-writing from Sacra-mento, Cal., under date of Dec. 14th, says: "Mrs. Bollo A. Chamberlain, of Humboldt County, Cal., is lecturing for us on Sunday evenings for a short time. She is a firstclass speaker, and we would advise the liberal-minded people of California to give her a call by all means."

ALL SORTS OF PARAGRAPHS.

To Through the politeness of Emma Hardinge-Britton, we have received. for publication, a highly interesting article, prepared for the "Western Star," and which would have appeared in the January number, had not circumstances beyond the publisher's control caused the demise of that magazine at the expiration of the year. It is entitled "Cornelius Agrippo, the Alchemist : A Biographical Sketch of the Fifteenth Century." It will appear in the forthcoming issue of the Banner.

\$5 Read the various numbers of Andrew Jackson Davis's Cyclopedia, published in our columns. Selections therefrom have already found favor in the eyes of secular editors, as well as those of our spiritual readers, and have been widely copied by the press

BD- By reference to their published letters in the Bange, ner, it will be seen that our friends have come to the rescue, nobly; and we feel to assure them, one and all, that we shall do our best to make their paper as interesting as any journal in the United States.

AD Our thanks are due Mrs. M. H. Clapp, of Dorchester district, for two bound volumes (comprising the issues from Vol. 1, No. 1, to Vol. 3, No. 33) of THE HERALD OF PRO-GRESS.

ET The Toledo (0.) Index is to be enlarged twice its present size, which is evidence of its pecuniary prosperity,

We have received, and shall print in our next issue, an interesting "Review of Foreign Journals," from the pen of Dr. G. L. Ditson, of Albany, N. Y.

The Banner of Light has been sent free, for years, to several colleges in the United States, at the request of their librarians; but none of these institutions have dono us the justice to acknowledge the gift, except Harvard College.

Be patient with men who make mistakes. The best of ien step aside without meaning it. A kind, strong word then is the help and blessing they need.

The Eastern Railroad directors have decided to declare a dividend of three per cent. When the cost of paying the damages for the Revere accident, the establishment of an expensive signal system, and the introduction of various important improvements are taken into consideration, it is highly creditable to the management of the road that they should be able now to declare a dividend of three per cent., and is an evidence of excellent direction on the part of those in charge of the road.

The skeptic spirit coops itself as in a box, and will bollov-only in that which it can inger through a hole; but tho great mind has a great horizon, and thoughts that baunch great mind has a great horizon the cyric, and a fear above themselves like cayles from the outlence and a rearmemserves like engies from the cyric, and a fear above every-other to credit insufficiently the opticities and expan-sion of God's thinking.-D. A. Witsson.

"How greedy you are!" said one little girl to another, who had taken the best apple in the dish; "I was going to take that."

THE NEW YEAR.

All hall to the sum of the virgin Year. As he rises refreshed from his occan bath, and smiles on the world with a frosty cheor. That warms as he mounts on his glowing pathf

Thomas Farrell, keeper in Ward's Island Lunatic Asylum, New York, who was held on two indictments for homicide of patients under his charge, was suffered to go on his own recognizance, the principal witness against him having died. And so justice lings.

It is one thing to wish to have the truth on our side, and another to wish to be on the side of truth. - Whatley.

The building in which the Banner of Light establishment was formerly located, is to be referented by the owners of the property, according-to the following plan published in

awaidays of toil ; he felt for those who were sit nated as he once was himself.

He therefore made, the proposal to the firm to distribute a certain-share of the annual profits of the business among the workmen, in addition to their regular wages. His partners at once assented, and the workmen were duly apprised of what was to come to them. They were naturally overwhelmed with astonishment, and even. showed themselves incredulous. But being assured that the matter was planned in good faith. they returned their sincere thanks and went on with their work, sensible of course of the stimalus contained in the new promise. At the ends of the first year they were more surprised than "before to see what a considerable addition their comployers had made to their-wages, equivalent to pay for a half hour's additional work every day in the year. The second year, owing to obstructing influences in trade, they did not do quite as well ; but the third year's result surpassed all." The tirth were perfectly surprised to southinhowhat increased alacrity and pleasure the workmen, now made partners in the profits, pursued their labors. "They needed no watching nor cautioning. There was no necessity for imposing restraints upon them; they not only worked

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faithfully all the time, but their work was in every way worth more than it was before. With all the rest, they organized a temperance society among themselves; so that perfect sobriety ruled the establishment. The men all at once became a law unto themselves, which is more effective than all the-surveillance in the world. They felt the full responsibilities of manhood now, and as they could do what they would with their own, they were naturally more careful of .it. On the very day before the Great Fire in this

city, the firm notified the workmen that on the following Tuesday there would be six thousand dollars to distribute among them. The fire occontaining a valuable and heavy stock, was swept away. That event of course deferred the distribution' plan. But how were the hundred and more workmen affected? They naturally supposed that they were losers to the amount proposed to be divided, and it was of course some time before the firm could tell just where they stood themselves. But the workmen did notsulk, or more, or offer to abandon their employers. On the contrary, they felt that their interests were all bound up together. Instead of even manifesting any dispirited feeling; they drew up a statement to the tirm, one hundred and eight of Urer, A. Crocker : Recording Secretary, Alfred them signing it, offering to relinquish freely the six thousand dollars that had been promised them, asking the firm to use as they saw fit the sum of seven thousand dollars which they had laid away as savings, and requesting them furthermore, in case their circumstances required, to raise what money they could on mortgages upon their modest dwellings. Could anything be more touching in the recital? Does it not show that beneath the "hodden gray" of the workingman there beats as sound a

heart as under the costliest cloth measured and men so promptly and generously proffered ; and them the six thousand dollars promised them on mining the matter.

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God ! what shall we do in case of peace, with our erop of hay and corn?" The secret of Indian wars was fairly plumped out in that simple re mark. It is selfishness, and pure selfishness, nin times out of ten, that has been the parent of these robberies and murders which have developed into extensive wars with the tribes. We notice that, the Legislature of the Chickasaw nation has passed a resolution asking the President to carry into effect that article in the treaty of 1866 which permits, whenever the Indians may desire it, the lands heretofore held in common, to be distributed in proper parcels among individuals. What, now, is a movement like this on the part of the Indians but a proof of progress toward the peace ful order of civilization ? And if one tribe can, by just and fair dealing, be brought to see that such a plan is the best one for them, what is to hinder them all from being brought under the same desirable influence? How much more just. at all events, than to seek to precipitate Indian wars in order to sell the crops.

never bestowed on the disease before.

Wanting an Indian War.

'Gen. Sherman speak of the dismay of a frontiers

A Cincinnali paper remarks that it has heard

ulus l'andre German Monthly.

The December number of the "Spiritisch-rationalistische Zeitschrift," published in Leipzig, Germany, has just been received by the agent for the United States, E. Steiger, in New York. This periodical has taken the place of the "Tafelrunde," which ceased to appear some time ago, and it richly deserves to be patronized by all the old subscribers to the " Tafetrunde." The number for December contains none but original and sterling articles by scholarly writers; among them is an interesting communication from New York, which reviews affairs and occurrences in the United States. The price of this monthly is \$2 per year, and all letters must be addressed to E. Steiger, New York.

Albany, N. Y.

In a .private letter, dated Albany, Dec. 29th, hall. Mr. Wm. Brunton is speaking for us, and one can doubt but that he is inspired while speaking. The society held its inmual meeting for hid the new enterprise God-speed on its mission choice of officers on the 1sth of December, with of love! the following results : President, G. L. Ditson, M. D. : Vice President, Dr. J. A. Perkins; Treas-T. Chatfield ; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. II. Cornwell, Capt. II. Holdridge ..

"The Voices,"

such an extensive sale that the fifth edition is the friends who have written. now before the public. So much has been said concerning this truly valuable and at the same time highly interesting book of metrical versifications, that further words from us at this time would seem almost needless. Its author is a fitted by a fashionable tailor? Happily, the firm , tireless worker in the field of reform, and his inspirational fire. Buy the book and read itwhat was better, they have since divided among that will be the most satisfactory way of deter-

Kind friends, your happy faces greet my sight, When this the glad New-Year appears ;-

Your eyes do gleam with love's own welcome light, .

And mine do fill with joyous tears ; For still I think of duty true and kind, That labors still to bless the earth, Bestowing larger heart and fuller mind With kinder-life and richer mirth: : And I rejoice in this devotion dear, And pray the angels bless the opening year ! You've done right well throughout the golden past.

As brothers true and tried mework : Cour eyes upon the world's great field you cast. And hardest danger did not shirk : For youth and age you 've done indeed your best And brought to all a larger life, And means of sweeter comfort, peace and rest To cheer the weary in the strife : And I rejoice in this devotion dear; And pray the angels bless your coming year !

Oh, may the sweetest smile of angel-love.

Delight you like the rising day, And beam in glad resplendence from above In Summer's Eden-like array ! The dear ones lost are only gone before-You know they still with you abide, And oft return to bless you evermore, To counsel, cheer, befriend and guide: And I reloice in all this union dear. And praythe angels crown your life's long year Albany, N. Y., Dec., 1872.

The Little Bouquet.

S. S. Jones, Esq., editor of the Religio-Philosonhical Journal, announces his intention of bringing out, under the above title, ere long, a children's magazine of 32 pages, which shall offer pleasant stories and profitable information to the young. The work will be embellished with illus-Mrs. Chapin says: Our society here is getting | trative cuts, and an illuminated cover of uncomalong well-much better than we expected a year mon beauty will add attraction to its contents. ago. Our meetings are held in the City Hall This little voyager upon the sea of reform litera-Common Council Room, which is a very pleasant ture will be warmly welcomed, we trust, by the Children's Progressive Lyceums, and those pais liked very much by all. It seems to me no rents who desire to spiritually instruct as well as mentally amuse the young of their families. We

Back Numbers.

We are under obligations to the friends who have so kindly responded to our request for back-M. P. Chapin ; Trustees, J. M. Briggs, M. P. | numbers of the Banner. We have all that we are in immediate need of, is our response to those who have written letters of inquiry upon the subject. Should any special number be wanted here-By Warren Sumner Barlow, have commanded after, to aid in making up files, we will notify

"GEORGE A. BACON, the well-known and earnest worker in the field of spiritual unfold. ment, has had the misfortune of meeting with a severe accident, which, nearly severing his right hand, has incapacitated him for writing. His did not need any of the assistance which their productions are full of translucent reasoning and numerous correspondents to whom answers are due will please bear this fact in mind, assured that their favors will receive attention by him as soon as possible under the circumstances.

class for whose use it is prepared.

Music Hall Spiritualist Free Meetings " LIFE AND DEATH, OR THE FIRST LETTER OF THE SPIRITUAL ALPHABET" will be the theme of Miss Lizzie Doten's lecture in Music Hall, this city, Sunday afternoon, Jan. 5th. Judging from its title, it will be, if not a continuation, probably intimately connected with the one given by the same speaker at the opening of the present course of lectures last October, and which elicited such general commendation at the time.

Moses Hull's New Book.

Read the advertisement in another column announcing the issue of a new work-by this wellknown writer, from the press of William White & Co. The book is destined to create a profound sensation, aiming, as it does, at a direct and unequivocal comparison of the teachings of. Evan gelicalism and Spiritualism.

" Our thanks are tendered to Thomas Gales Forster, Dr. Slade, J. V. Mansfield, and others, of New York, for the interest they have manifested in our behalf. We acknowledge-through the agency of Mr. Forster-the receipt of \$338.25, donations and subscriptions, in aid of the resus citation and continuance of this paper.

PASSED TO SPIRIT-LIFE, from his residence in Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 29th, 1872, Mr. Isaac Fay, aged 67 years. Mr. F. was a firm Spiritualist and an excellent man.

To LYCEUMS .- Managers of Lyceums should have A. E. Newton's excellent work, " Lessons for Children about Themselves." A full supply can be obtained at this office.

SUITABLE FOR A NEW YEAR'S PRESENT-The gilt edition of Mrs. Conant's Biography. Supplied to the trade at the usual discount.

Movements of Lecturers and Mediums.

Miss Nellie L. Davis speaks in Lynn January 19th and 26th; New Bedford the first two Sundays of the month of January: in Middleboro' February 2d. Her post-office address for the present is North Billerica, Middlesex Co., Mass. Societies desiring her services will address as above. Miss Susle A. Willis addressed fine audiences at Müsle Hall, New Bedford, on Sunday, December 29th. She will speak the first Sunday of January at Lawrence; the second do, in South Easton; the third at Fall River; the fourth at Scituate; on the third Sunday of February in Middleboro, and the fourth do. in New Bedford, she will lecture in South Easton on the second Sunday of each month during i873.

D. W. Hull speaks in Memohis, 'Tenn., during January. and would be glad to make engagements for week evenings somewhere near while there. Address as above.

Mrs. M. J. Wilcoxson's lectures in Kansas are exciting considerable interest.

Mrs. Nellie J. T. Brigham is lecturing in Troy, N. Y., to full audiences.

James M. Choate, the promising young lecturer, spoke in Salem, Mass., during December. He will address the Spiritualists of that place again during February.

Dr. S. B. Brittan lectured two Sundays in December at Stafford, Ct., and on Friday evening, Dec. 21st, at Webster, James M. Cushman, magnetic physician, formerly of Boston, has located at Coldwater, Mich.

Bryan Grant is meeting with substantial success as an advocate of "Spiritualism. His address before the State Convention at New Brunswick, New Jersey, on the Science of Spirit Communion, created a very profound impression, and was warmly applauded. Mr. Grant is at present speak-

the daily press: A BRICK BLOCK ON WASHINGTON STREET.—The Par-ker estate, at 154 and 153 Washington street, near by and accupying a part of the sile of the Parker building, the beauty of which is remembered by all, is to be rebuilt by Bryant & Rogers in much the same style as before, and it is probable that arrangements will be made for the sebuilt ing of the entire black in the same style. The same archi-ing of the entire black in the same style. The same archi-tectural features will be preserved, but brick, with yellow-freestone trimmings, will be substituted for Concord gran-tie, and Instead of a Mansard roof, the roof will be flat, thus reducing the height of the black by one story. The top of the building will be surmounted by an iron balus-trade, the posts of which will be formed by the ends of the party-walls rising above the roof.

Forbearance is a domestic jewel, not to be worn for state or show, but for daily and unostentatious ornament.

A. E. Newton, at present a resident of Ancora, N. J., writes: "Your resuscitated Banner makes a fine appear-ance. Wish I had means to help you on, but trust the an-gels are touching the hearts of those who have."____

BEN DELL 'INTELLETTO. HEN DELL 'INTELLETTO. Whenever Good of Intellect coines in Then peace is with us, and a soft coines in Then peace is with us, and a soft coine to of all barsh (thuking, and int one of coine to the soft of the source of the source of the source of an is the season in this world of sin Then is the season in this world of sin That brings new strength and keepeth us heart-whole And the changes that discuss and tire; And when from wistion we have a waderers been, So that a sluppor on the spirit slots From things maknown, with visions dark and dire. In this high presence we restore ourselves More than by all the volumes on our shelves.

*** E stupor m'eran le coso non conte."-Purgatorio, ". W. PARSONS. rv: 12.

The Banner of Light comes forth again in full size, to great its numerous readers. _Religio-Philosophical Jour-

Wit is brushwood; judgment is timber. The first makes the brightest fiame, but the other gives the most lasting heat.

A GAMBLING RAID was projected and successfully carried out recently under direction of Chief Constable George W. Boynton, of the State Police, upon the fare bai ki of Boston, which resulted in 81 arrests. Among the crowd (according to the daily press) was a president of a Boston banking institution, a clergyman who resides on the line of the Boston & Maine Railroad, soveral of the leading shoo manufacturers from Lynn, and other prominent individ-

AN OUTRAGE. A man damed Chauney Harres, Defendent ing to be a Spiritualist, a the charres of commission of a register of the start of the commission of the start of the indication of the start of the commission of the start offence. December 7, a young girl, maining the defend-est, was awakened from her slumber at Lina, a mile and a ant in bed with her. This occurred at Lina, a mile and ant in bed with ther. This occurred at Lina, a mile and half above Rutland. Barnes falling to five the requisite bonds, was immediately sent to tail. - Melos A. Ishing Take. nali above Butland. Barnes Intino II bonds, was immediately sent to jail. - Melos Co. (Onio) Tele.

Professing to be a Spiritualist, and lecturing on this subject!" The individual Barnes, above referred to, personally informed us years since that he was not a Spiritualist, and did not desire to be classed as such, but that he was a follower of the Lord Jesus Christl

Ap- It is with real pleasure that we welcome again to our. table the Banner of Light, which was burned out in the great Boston fire. It presents the same typographical beauty as of yore, and its earnestness and ability in all its depart-ments have not been in the least diminished by the flery orient through which it has passed. Long and widely may it wave. -Fox Lake (Wis.) Representative.

A squalid woman, living in one of the wretched hovels in an English mining, district, answered some inquiries of a newspaper correspondent with the remark, treated as beastesses, then we acts as beastesses."

If there is any person to whom you feel dislike, that is the person of whom you ought never to think. - Cecil.

AN OLD SUPERSTITION, -If one takes down a gridiron from the nall on which it hangs with the left hand, it is a sign that there will be a domestic broil in the kitchen.

The Western Star has suspended. It was an excellent Magazine, and well worthy of patronage.-Religio-Phi-losophical Journal.

Dr. Babbitt has removed his Magnetic Cure to a fine suite of rooms at 30 3d avenue, New York, and established in connection with it a new and vitalizing system of Magnetic nd Musical Gymnastics, with lectures on Life and Health by eminent speakers.

A man who gives up dreaming, and goes to his daily alities; who can smother down his heart, is how or w and take to the hard work of his had; who defies is and if he must die, dies fighting to the last that play life's best hero. - Miss Muloch.

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New Publications.

. A MANUAL OF AMERICAN LITERATURE: A Text-Book for Schools and Colleges, by John S. Hart, LL. D., Professor of the English Language and Literature in the College of New Jersey, published in Philadelphia by Eldredge & Brother, comprises five distinct chapters, which in turn are subdivided into sections, and furnishes an exhaustive account, properly classified and arranged, of all the writers of America, from early colonial times to the present day. In the index one can instantly find what he requires, and by further reference is at once let into a convenient, accu-

rate and popular account of each author, whether poet,

story-teller, essayist, or what not. The book forms a portable cyclopedia of our American literature, and is precisely what is required by the people who would readily acquaint themselves with the contributors to our native literature, as well as to students in schools and colleges. It is as useful a book, too, to have lying upon the table as Mrs, Wilhard's litistory of the United States, and deserves a place in every homon library; and on every reader's and sudent's table. One can readily obtain a clear conception of the extent and growth of American literature, as well as of its characterstics, by a frequent consultation of this volume. Eldredge & Brother have done themselves great credit in bringing it ont in so substantial and convenient a form for the uses it is destined to serve.

destined to serve. STRIVE AND SUCCEED, by Horatto Alger, Jr., published by Loring in his usually tasteful style, is another of the "Luck and Pluck" series, which is a re-print from the New York juvenile magazine—"Young Israel"—to which it was contributed. The fortunes of Walter Contad, who became intimately known to all the readers of "Strong and Steady," are carried on in this sequel story, in which it is 4th, the members and friends of this organizamade apparent how he " paddles his own canoe, " and what befell Joshua Drummond after his flight from home. Ho-ratio Alger has kept up his reputation to the high level he has reached as a writer of invenile fiction in this his last popular production. It will of course sell far and wide, and rapidly.

The POETICAL WORKS OF OLIVER GOLDSMITH, in elegant quarto form, extra binding, tinted pages, gilt-edged, and with profuse illustrations by distinguished members of the British Etching Club, also accompanied by a Biographical Memoir and notes on the poems-is one of the graphical alchoir and notes on the powns-is one of the most affiractive of Lee & Shepard's recent publications, and reflects great credit on their reputation as the makers of good books. It would make a handsome presentation volume for almost any occasion-Goldsmith being equally with Cowper, though with infinitely brighter humor, the wave of downetic He and the traverse for the down the noet of domestic life and its tranquil affections. It does one good to let his thoughts swim as they will down the gentle current of the fair pages of the author of "The Deserted Village" and "The Traveller,"

Cralg-Knox--published by Lee & Shepard-is an extremely | ing by the quartette was very fine.

next little compress of historical information for youthful minds, cast in a form that will be sure to make a lasting impression on the imagination and the memory. We have soen few similar efforts that have been worked out'so cloyerly. The children, and the elder ones as well, will be able from these bright and instructive pages to gather into their minds a vivid view of the whole important period of Eng-lish history. This is one of the most useful of its publish-ers' many labors in the business of instructing the youthful mind.

mind. Lee & Shepard also publish THESEVEN HILLS, a "Young Dotge Cith" book, by the well-known Prof. James De Mille, who is the stanch friend of all boys who would be taken round the world by a companion who knows the way and understands the secrets. This new volume, as its title imports, is a description, in the author's rapid and rollicking style, of Old Rome and its accumulated associations; and as a book of information, not to speak of its capacity for amusement, it is one of the successes of the time. Ev-ory object of historic interest in and about the Eternal City receives a glancing description by the lively Professor, who takes the boys through the expedition like one who knows his subject as well as his companions. The funny incidents sprinkled, like plums in a pudding, along the narrative, heighten the zest of his readers, and will tempt them to vote him the "bulliest" friend they have "out."

---Oun YOUNG FOLKS-James R. Osgood & Co., publish-ors, 124 Tremont street, Boston, Mass.--is received for January. This entertaining magazine, edited by J. T. Trowbridge and Lucy Larcom, is growing yearly into the popular favor, and the contents and illustrations of the present number will serve to uphold its provious reputation among the juveniles. As attractions for the coming year, its proprictors announce that regular or occasional contributions may be expected from Harvey Wilder, C. A. Stephens, Lucy Larcom, Mrs. A. M. Diaz, Prof. F. W. Clarke, Augustus Holmes, Miss E. Shaart Phelps, Mrs, A. D. T. Whitney, Mrs, Colla Thaxter, Marian Douglas, Nora Porry, Elizabeth Cilham (author of "Datar Bill"), Aunt Fanny, Mrs. F. Akers Allen, Helen C. Wecks, "Theo-dora," Laura D. Michols, George Cooper, Edgar Fawcett, Mrs. S. B. C. Samuels, Mrs. Nellio Eyster, and other writers

WOOD'S HOUSEHOLD MAGAZINE for January - S. S. Wood & Co., Newburgh, N. Y.-is received. Its plan of operations is now-as per the announcement of, its editorsso arranged that, instead of aiming wholly to give original matter to its readers, it will hereafter avail itself of selections from foreign books and periodicals, and present the cons from foreign books and periodicals, and present the eream of the best thought concerning the subjects treated. The January number contains articles by Gall Hamilton, Harriet Prescott Spofford, Sidney, Hyde, E. D. Rice, Re-becca Harding Davis, and others; which, together with Editorials, Literary Review, Fashions, etc., fill out the

Spiritualist Lectures and Lyceums. Spiritualist Lectures and Lyceums. - MEETINGS IN BOSTON, --Music Hall, --Free Admission. The Sixth Series of Lectures on the Spiritual Philosophy in the above-named elegant and spachoss Hall, every Number offernoon at 22, precisely, except Automatic May-Speakers of known ability and ratists. Cards scentring gaged. Singlus by a quarterite of theiterm, at §5 each, can perform thanover street. Speakers engaged: Jan, 5 and 12, mer, H Hanover street. Speakers engaged: Jan, 5 and 12, and 3, Mrs, Neilie J. T. Brigham. Spiritualist Union. --This Society meets every Sunday Mark Street Hall, 554 Washington street, for nu-evening at Fraternity Hall, 554 Washington street, for mu-evening at Fraternity Hall, 554 Washington street, for mu-street, for the field freely to attend, The public are invited freely to attend, John A, Andrein Itall, corff (Janney and Esser streets).

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Boston.-John A. Andrew Hall .- Christmas IOSTON.—*dofile* A, Antiffen IIad.—Comparison was duly celebrated by the Progressive Lyccum meeting at this place, by a collation for the younger children, on the afternoon of Dec. 25th, and a Christmas tree wherefrom presents were distributed to the members in the evening. The occasion-was closed by a general collation and dancing—nusic by Carter's Band.

The Liberal Tract Society .- We are requested to give notice that on Saturday afternoon, Jan. tion will meet in the ante-room at John A. Andrew Hall, for the purpose of considering the proper measures to be taken whereby the loss printed by the Society in stereotype plates, printed tracts, etc., etc., during the great confla-gration, can be supplied. The meeting—which is called for 3 p. M.—will be presided over by William Dorted. William Denton.

Social Assemblies.- A course of dancing parties, he proceeds of which are for the benefit of the Children's Lyceum, is now in progress at this hall, occurring on each Monday evening. The music furnished is from T. M. Carter's popular Quadrille Band, and the attendance thus far has

been encouraging. Mrs. S. A. Floyd addressed good audiences Sunday, the 29th of December, afternoon and evening. Her remarks were listened to with much interest, and the answers to questions from THE YOUNG FOLKS' HISTORY OF ENGLAND, by Isa the andience were very satisfactory. The sing-

> Ladies' Aid Society Parties.-The third of the Latter's fortnightly parties given by this Socie-ty, for the benefit of its treasury, will be held in Fraternity Hall. 581 Wester for the Hall, 554 Washington street, on Monraterinty finn, oot Wishington street, on the ay evening, Jan. 6th. Music, Carter's Quad-lie Band. Tickets, admitting gentleman and idy, \$1.00; gentleman, 75 cents; lady, 50 cents, adles' tickets to be obtained only of members f the Society. of the Society. On the alternate Monday evenings the ladies will be happy to meet their friends in free social

gatherings

Free Sunday Eventing Lectures still continue at 37 Edinboro' street. Mrs. Dr. Barnes will an-swer calls to lecture in the vicinity of Boston.

CHARLESTOWN .- Erening Star Hall .- A correspondent informs us that on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 29th, a lecture was delivered and tests were given by B. F. Richardson, the blind medium, who is rapidly gaining popularity in this city, good audiences assembling to listen whenever he is announced.

In the evening of the same day a concert was given at this place by the choir of the Boston Children's Progressive Lyceum, No. 1, (regularly meeting in John A. Andrew Hall.) Messrs. C. W. Sullivan, D. N. Ford, and Misses Abbie Wingate, Mary Ann Sanborn, — Drew, sus-tained the former reputation of the organization for good music, Miss Blanch Foster, of Charles-town, presiding at the piano. Great credit is due to those volumitary for their valuable correlate to these volunteers for their valuable services The programme, consisting of songs in duet and quartette, was very much admired by a large aulience. At the conclusion of the musical part of the evening services, brief remarks were offered by Dr. A. H. Richardson, Mrs. Abbie N. Burn-ham and Mr. Viles, of Charlestown, and Dr. Dewey, of Boston.

CHELSEA. - Banquet Hall. - James S. Dodge notifies the Spiritualists of this city that he will commence the management of a course of lectures and scances at this hall—to take place on Sunday evening of each week—the same to be inaugurated on Sunday evening, Jan. 5th, by a itest circle, Mrs. Weston, medium. The public attendance is respectfully solicited.

The "Home Circle" is one of the best and cheapest illustrated story papers in the United

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CHARLES H. FOSTER, TEST MEDIUM, will return to 16 East 12th street, Ndw York, on the 15th of February; can be seen at Memphis, Tenn., January 6th, one week; New Orleans, La., 15th, three weeks. 11.14.

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and to my sisten that I am out of purgatory, and brought forth much good truit, yet it is but in all right, and if they want to lift mea bit higher. the morning of its work, But, long ere noonday.

along more than anything else. (To the Chairman.) How long before my letso many in ahead.7 That would be the way, J would n't, then. If I was going to be hung, I'd want 'em to do it right off.' When the judge senreneed me. I'd want to be taken right out of the court-room, and hung right up, there, and not

have it to think of. It is the thinking about these things makes the trouble. Two months ! - Well, 1 H be looking around, and see what I can do, in some other way, in that two months. Good day, Sept. 12. sir, s

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⁴ Oh, thou whose light and loveliness beamoth in. upon us through the glory of this handsome day, then who art never, absent from any pre-of us. who condescendern to dwell in temples milde with hands, who art the ever-present Spirit, guiding our souls through all conditions of life, and will finally admit us into the soul's heaven, where we can tudy they and our relationship to thee; thou Father and Mother unto us, we would worship and adore thee this hour. Remembering all the mistakes we have made, we will seek by thy help to

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Mr. Chairman, I will, by special request, take in-shall be able to give them the power with which

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Antietani, on the 6th day of September, 1862. () those warriors deemed, that the Great Spirit had () seemeth best to him to obtain it.

possible for them to receive it, by going to some mever expected to findle brain just like my own. one of these persons who allow us to come and, because Nature never makes two things exactly nothing doubting, for your doubt will be the speak to those we love. Good day, sir. alike, 1 have met with some that corresponded swift-winged Pegasus that will draw to you some quite nearly to my own, but they have been but

2 I few, and they in walks of life not admitting daily · control. Spiritualism has the power to prove ab-Dennis Hogan was my name. Yes, sir. And solutely concerning the human identity of every I died at the Station, drunk. Yes, sir, drunk ! at live turning spirit ; but that power is, as yet, held Station One; on Hamoyer, street. I've been gone in reserve; for modern Spiritualism is very in all, tour years. I want to say to my brothers | young, though, it has sown many seeds, and

just save a little bit now and then, to belp a poor comes, I am safe in asserting, that no one, not fellow along, to get him out of trouble, and learn [even a strict materialist like Prof. Denton, would thim fockeep out, in my name, and that 'H help and I have need to ask, " Prove yourself, to me, cred

can listen to your words"-for it will be done. The relation which spirit-communion bears to ter comes to the light ? [Two months at least.] Spiritualism, may be likened auto that which the Two months ! what keeps it so long ? [There are | products of earth hear toward the sun ; one cannot be without the other-that is a scientific fact suppose, if I was going to be bring. [1] should [If you are a Spiritualist, you must have become imaging year would wish if to be so, F Faith 1.14 so through, spirit-communion, either on the part of others or yourself. If Spiritualism exists at all, it exists by virtue of spirit-communion. Now, then, to take away this spirit-communion would be to take away Spiritualism, and to send you all back again into the night of cold materialism from which you have come. You may say, "But we would not go back there." You would not stand still, and without Spiritualism, you would. have no spiritual incentive to force you onward in spiritual things, but you would have a large incentive from the Ohurch; from your believing friends, to draw you back. Those of you who are strong might resist, but the weak would, surely, in condition, fall back into the night of

materialism. Prof. Denton says, " He would not return to this earth-after having left his body, because forooth he should be afraid that he would not be justly represented." There's selfishness for you, in the extreme, to my mind. It is merely my opinion, open to criticism. I say it is selfisiness on the part of a man who is capable of wielding. such a power to stand behind the scenes simply because he is afraid that he should not be justly represented through modern media, Professor Denton, as a spirit, would be ashamed of such a remark. As a man, conversant only with the things of this life, he does not see it in the light that I do but were he a spirit, carrying with him all the faculties that he now possesses, he would certainly be ashamed of it. It is not the purpose of any returning spirits, who have the good of humanity in view-above all else, the uplifting of a downtrodden, priest-ridden race—to seek first to identify themselves, when, perchance, many of them know that, in order to do this, they must wait, wait, wait for years, until CONTHOLLING SPIRIT, - With your permission. this Spiritualism, according to natural growth,

There are thousands of spirits communing in

your midst daily, that never give any names

from whom you cannot gather any name. Why

is it? Because they are aware that, when once

they had asserted themselves to be this or that

spirit, you would immediately demand of them

(many of you-I would not say all) what was

demanded of Jesus : " If thou be the Son of God,

come down from the cross and save yourself :

which is equivalent to requiring some unnatural

thing - demanding of them that they should

Break natural law to demolish this grand temple

up the fragments, and perchance may find the key that shall let them into this secret power

which shall give them, as individuals, the power

to identify themselves to humanity. There are

Antibiting on the 56th day of September, 1862. These warriors deemed that the toteat Spirit and pairiedizes about my death, she should be a good that the did they know of a death apper. John thick she would, she should be a good that is not ask for any more. The dot it thinks she would she state to tak to ray more. The dot is the set of th then call upon those of the higher life, and call, spirit that will be sure to deceive you. Remember this. Call, nothing doubting, and in the same spirit that your call goes out will you receive an answer, for like begets like, even in yonder life.

You will now listen to the reading of a poem, given by Edgar Allen Poe, through the inspired lady, Lizzie Doten. The poem embraces, I think, the pith of my remarks, and therefore it will be rendered by Mrs. Anna Cora Mowatt Ritchie : .

THE KINGDOM. "And I saw no temple therein. "-Rev., 21st chap., 22d v.

How the memories rise in my soul-How they swell like a sea in my soul, When a spirit, sad, silent and sober, Whose glance was a word of control. Drew me down to the dark lake Avernus, In the desolate Kingdom of Death-To the mist-covered lake of Avernus. In the ghoul-haunted Kingdom of Death

And there, as I shivered and waited, I talked with the souls of the dead— With those whom the living call dead; The lawless, the lone and the hated, Who broke from their bondage and fled-From madness and misery fled. Each word was a burning eruption

What leapt from a crater of flame-A red, lava tide of corruption, That out of life's sediment came, From the seoriac natives God gave them, Compounded of glory and shame.

Aboard !" cries our pilot and leader ; Then wildly we rushed to embark, We recklessly rushed to embark ; And forth in our ghostly Ellida,*

We swept in the silence and dark-Oh (fod ! on that black lake Avernus, Where vampyres drink even the breath,

On that terrible lake of Avernus, Leading down to the whirlpool of Death 1

If was there the Eumentdest found us, Thisight of no sheller or shore-No beacon or light from the shore. They lashed up the white waves around us We sank in the waters' wild roar ; But not to the regions infernal,

Through billows of sulphurous flame, But unto the City Eternal, The Home of the Blessed, we came:

To the gate of the beautiful city, All fainting and weary, we pressed Impatient and hopeful, we pressed. Oh, Heart of the Holy, take pity, And welcome us home to our rest ! Pursued by the Fates and the Furies, In darkness and danger we fled-From the pitiless Fates and the Furies, Through the desolate realms of the dead "Jure Divino, I here claim admission !" Exclaimed a proud prelate who rushed to the

Ara Sanctissima, hear my petition

Holy Saint Peter, oh ! why should I wait?

Oh, fons pictuits, oh, glorious flood, My soul is washed clean in the Lamb's precious blood."

JANUARY 4, 1873.

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In Memoriam.

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Passed to spirit-life from Cambridge, Mass., Sept. 2, 1872, Mrs. Julia Valentine Fox, wito of Hon., James A. Fox, in her 48th year. Mrs. Fox was taken sick about the middle of August, 1871, white cancer in the womk, so pronounced by semio of the inst physichas of the city, who were in attendance upon her from the commencement of her linness until March 21st, when the writer was summoned to her bodside. Her phy-sicha, a professor at Harnard University, had pronounced her case meanable, and had assured her family that she would never go out again, and could not five through the spring months. From the 21st, when the writer was summoned to her simily that she would never go out again, and could not five through the spring months. From the 21st, there exist in the state of mean she ther family that she would never go out again, and could not five through the spring months. From the 21st, there exists a state of morphise to year whether the state in the life, returning the days and role of the first the effect of the more state of the state of the state of the life, returning the days and role of the first the effect of the more state of the state of the state with no hope of even a particulate day, returned the hemor-ting of the state of the state of the state of the state of the life, returning and no days the the state real-ent of the state of the state of the state of the state of the first of the more state of the state o

mother's mind by being frightened by a drunken man, previous to the young man's birth. Is it only a psychological impression, or , what is it that anliets him? And will be earry it into the spirit-world ? . .

A .- That if is a psychological impression is a self-ogident fact, and that it will remain with him during this life, is also a self-evident fact but these abnormal monstrosities do not visist in the spirit-world, therefore the mother has hope for her offspring thus afflicted, in the other life. Q .- (From the audience.) I would ask if it b

safe to follow the advice of Jesus Strictly in regard to non-resistance? A - Under some circumstances: yes. Under

others," certainfy, no. . It should be understood that Jesus gave that counsel to his particular friends, who ware a warlike people, constantly lifting their hands against their fellows. Jesu desired to inaugurate a condition of peace among them, therefore he connscied the largest extreme In: that direction. That would answer for them better than it would for you. Sept. 12.

Betsey Penhallow.

I want to communicate with my son, Daniel Penhallow, if I can. My name was Betsey, Penhallow, I died twenty-one years ago. I was seventy eight years old. I fived in Portsmonth. N. H. I want him to know, first of all, that there is another lifer and that the people of that life can come back and communicate with those they have left. I want him to make use of the usualmeans of learning about these things, that he may not find it dark when he comes to the spirit-Sept. 12, land. Good day, sir. .

Eldredge Payne.

My name was Eldredge Payne. Tlived in Salem, Mass. I want to communicate with granny and with Aunt Louisa, if Tean. Granny thinks there can't anybody go to-heaven only them. my mother would n't have me baptized; but I aint ; I am all right.

Aant Louisa is the hearest right of any of the family. She's a Universalist; she comes the mearest to it of any of 'em, so they 'd better not say so much about her religion, because it is the best there is among 'em.

Granny thinks Uncle Tom has gone to some bad place, because he died without Christ and without hope, she says; but he is just as jolly a fellow as you ever saw in your life. He's happy all the time; he's doing a good deal of good Granny won't be ashamed of him, I don't think, when she gets here. I was eleven years old. I died of diphtheria not quite a year ago. Good-Sept. 12. by, sir.

Emma Foster.

----(This spirit spelt out her message with her line gers, using the deaf and dumb alphabet.], I can speak in heaven, mother. Emma Foster. Sept. 12.

Robert R. Canning.

My name, sir, was Robert Canning, I was twenty-two years old; I was a private in the Thirty-fifth Massachusetts; I died at Castle Thunder, Richmond; I was wounded, taken | harmed to cross the plains, many a while man | greenbacks, gold or silver there; Prof. Denton

to consideration and have something to say con- to do it. cerning Prof. Denton's lecture, last Sunday afternoon, in Music Hall. . On the matter of Spiritualism and spirit-communion, there is great confusion of thought justnow. The cold science of theology and the still colder science of materialism have raised their Gorgon heads against the simplicity of spiritcommunion, and the confusion is amazing. Can you and I do something to end it? Let us try. So I will ask your attention to some thoughts on the matter of Spiritualism and spirit-communion, and their relation to each other. I shall not attempt to prove the fact of spirit-communion, for for Spiritualism, that they may enter and gather that has been already done; wither shall I attempt to prove the necessity of spirit-communion. for there are thousands of longing hearts all over the land that will do that for me, and are doing

instrumentality of that child-medium.

so many classes of religionists extant, at the it every day, Spiritualism has been termed the science of present day, that it is very hard to tell exactly life-life past, present and future ; and if it'ls, it what a man or a woman really believes, except you can see the inside as well as the outside: So. contains within itself-if we can only get at itthe power to solve all its mysteries, the key to then, there are many Spiritualists in the churchunlock all its secrets. And the one secret or es, who make no outward claims, but let their mystery which, in the present, meets the strictly light shine- do their deeds of kindness and love

Dec. 24,

scientific investigator is this: the want of perfect and mercy just where they are. There are also power, on the part of each and all returning many claiming to be Spiritualists who ought to spirits to clearly and absolutely identify thembe back in the hurches. I say this of necessityselves, in speech, in action, in all that they either they ought to be back in the churches, because do or say, while in control of modern media. they are unwilling to let go of the old, and afraid but it is with us spirits a well understood fact to step boldly forward into the new. These are that we do not pay so much attention to this de- the cowards, whose lights never shine for the mand from the outer world that we should first. good of others, and who never amount to much, identify ourselves ere we, or the truths we have Lany way.

to give, are received. We do not think so much The science of matter, when it assays to deal about it as the outer world seems to; we do not with spirit, goes beyond itself. Now, this decare so much about it. Why, the first medium manding proof of every returning spirit is all good enough, if you do not, carry it to the exthat Lever controlled, after the change from this life to the higher, was a negro child, of South treme-all perfectly proper; but, to my mind, Carolina, nine years old, and she scarcely able to there is, even in the present, a very safe way of being guided in this matter, and that is : Judge utter ten consecutive words with any kind of good grace. Indeed, she was but a few steps beof the spirits by the deeds they do, by the fruits they bear, by their teachings, by the ideas they youd the baboon ; but, notwithstanding, she was that's baptized. She is affaid 1 in lost, because hy first medium, and through her organism 1. give you. In Heaven's name do n't judge of gave as much truth to those who heard me as it i me by my words. What though I do eschew my was possible for me to give through such an or- Greek and my Latin?" It is not required. T ganism. I told them of their coming freedomdo not desire to make a show of my earthly edubid them, lift up, their heads and rejoice, for the cation. I would not, if I could; and in most indaylof their redemption was night. I cheered stances, I could not, if I would. their simple hearts, and urged them, not to deeds

While the world has need of this spirit comof rapine and murder, but to deeds of love and munion in its different phases, the supply will kindness; that when they were reviled, they come; and if a Theodore Parker, a Benjamin should not revile again ; that the Lord God had Franklin, a Humboldt or a Jesus are needed to their cause in his hands, and he would not forget fill in a niche in this wondrous temple of love, to deal justly with them. And so, from time to they will be here amongst you, working with time, through the lips of that ignorant, little semi- fishermen, and perhaps with highwaymen. They savage, I held a certain parish in restriction. I will be tillers of the soil; they will steer your saved many a master's life, under God-for -we ships across the ocean; they will teach you hu. manity to your animals; they will teach you were both his servants; and it would not be possible for me to enumerate all that I did through the how to deal with your bodies, that you may have less of sickness and suffering, and more of health and pleasure; they will be your humble servants, My next medium was a thorough-bred savage on your plains-a warrior bent on doing all the and never think of waiting until they can be rewarded by being faithfully represented through injury to the white man that he could do; and, being of strong magnetic and psychologic power,

media. God, in his infinite wisdom, guideth all things he held a large number of warriors under his conaright, and if it were not right that I should retrol; but when I would speak to them, bidding them go no more upon the war-path-to let the turn stammering through the lips of childhood or muttering through the lips of old age, it would Great Spirit deal with their white brothers-he knew better how to do it than they did-then it not be. I care not for the reward. I have no was that many an emigrant train was left un | mark to make in the other world; I need no

Like the song of a bird that yet lingers, When the wide-wandering warbler has flown; Like the wind-harp by Eolus blown, As it touched by the lightest of fingers, The partit wide near twee the man The portal wide open was thrown ; And we saw-not the holy Saint Peter, Not even an angel of light, But a vision far dearer and sweeter, Not brilliant nor blindingly bright, But marvelous unto the sight.

In the midst of the mystical splendor A golden-haired, azure-eyed child. With a look that was touching and tender; She stretched out her white hand, and smiled; Why welcome-thrice welcome, poor mortals May, welcome-thrice welcome, poor mortals Oh, why do ye linger and wait? Oh, why do ye inger and wait? one cearlessly in at these portals No warder keeps watch at the gate !! Glorici Deo ! To Down laudamus !" Exclaimed the proud prelate. "I'm safe into

heaven : Through the blood of the Lamb and the martyrs

who claim us, My soul has been purchased, my sins are forgisen

I tread where the saints and the martyrs have trod-

Lead on, thou fair child, to the temple of God !" The child stood in silence and wonder, Then bowed down her beautiful head ; And even as fragrance is shed From the filly the waves have swept under, She meekly and tenderly said-So simply, and truthfully said : 'In vain do ye seek to behold Him.;-

He dwells in no temple aparts The height of the heavens cannot hold him, And yet he is here in my heart-

He is here, and he will not depart."

Then out from the mystical splendor, The swift-changing, crystalline light, The rainbow-hued, scintillant light, Gleanned faces more touching and tender Than ever had greeted our sight-Our sin-blinded, death-darkened sight: And they sang, "Welcome home to the Kingdom Ye earth-born and scrpent-beguiled; The Lord is the light of this Kingdom, And his temple the heart of a child— Of a trustful and teachable child. Ye are born to the life of the Kingdom— Receive and believe as a child."

* The dragon ship of the Norse mythology. + The Fates and Furies.

Séance conducted by Theodore Parker; letters answered by "Woonie."

MESSAGES TO BE PUBLISHED.

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 Monday, Sept. 6. Frederick Linton Price. of Alabama; Lizzle Wallened, of Boston, to her mother; Mary Means, of Boston, to Mrs. Baker; Lizzle Clongh, to her mother and sister; Rohert Goldshore, of the "Alabama;" Tressling. Sept. 17. Susan Putnam, of North Cambridge: Tressling. Sept. 17. Susan Putnam, of North Cambridge: Tressling. Sept. 17. Mohitable Endelffer, to her family; Thursday, Sept. 19. Mohitable Endelffer, to her family; Thursday, Sept. 21. - Mehitable Endelffer, to her family; Thursday, Sept. 21. - Mehitable Endelffer, to her family; Thursday, Sept. 21. - Mehitable Endelffer, to her family; Thursday, Sept. 21. - J. H. Powell; Elfzabelh Taylor, of Monday, Sept. 21. - J. H. Powell; Elfzabelh Taylor, of Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge: Tressling. Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, New Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enuma S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enume S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enume S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enume S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enume S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enume S. Torsey: John Cambridge, to her Monday, Sept. 21. - Enume S. Marker, to his south 1005. Treated for the Alabert Department Stephenet, Without Treated for the Marker of Boston, Mass., to his wife and Nr. Banlet Physe, U. Dortsmoth, Mass., to his wife a

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Passed to Spirit-Life:

From Portiand, Me., Dec. 7th, Mrs. Maria F. Beats. She has long been a member of the Lycenny, and for the past two years has occupied the position of Guardian of Groups. Her physical absence will be a great to she groups. Her physical absence will be a great to she will be it is members. Although we cannot see her school, as her many aniable and loving quantities mes her school, as her many aniable and loving quantities are her with off dim earthy vision, we know that she has not left d great her to all its members. Although we odovited to ap-with off dim earthy vision, we know that she has not left d great her to all for earther the shear of the shear of the school of the services. The incompatible for the services of the for every time in private memorial of insertion in this department will be propriate memorial of the fully could ge the for every time in a start of the for the straight the service of the for every time to private memorial of the straight of the straight the straight the straight of the straight the straight of the st From Portland, Me., Dec. 7th, Mrs. Maria F. Beals.

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Central New York.

The Central New York Association of Spiritualists will hold their First Quarterly Meeting for 1873 at Summer Hall, Norwich, N. Y., on the 18th and 19th of January, opening at 12 octock M. Messns, Warren Woolson, J. H. Harter and Mrs. S. A. W. Kimball, are expected to be the speak-ers. Mrs. Kimball will give public tests of spiritual pres-ence on each day of the meeting, and her great success in this line will make it a prominent feature of the occasion. The friends in the vicinity will entertain visitors as far as

Accommodations can be had at the Spaulding House at \$1,00 per day. All are cordially invited to be pre-L. D. SMITH, Secretary. E. F. BEXLS, President.

Vermont.

There will be a Quarterly Convention of the Vermont State Spiritualist Association in St. Albans, on Friday, Sat-urday and Sunday, the 17th, 16th and 19th of January, 1873. Able speakers will be there to breach the overhasting gospel of a demonstrated hereafter and the communion of spirits, but where the scenetive and instruction and predicable and and make the occasion an instructive and profitable one. The hearts of the friends in St. Albans are warm, and their charilies broad; and they send out an carnest appeal to the lovers of free thought and free discussion to come up and help them. Board at the Tremont House, \$1,25 per day. help them. Board at the Tremont House, \$1,2) for any-Free return certificates over the several divisions of the Vermont Central Railroad will be given to all who attend the Convention and pay full fare one way. By order of the Excentive Comittice. E. B. [IO, DEN, ScorderV.]

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The theory that a beautiful pence will at last bless humanity does not seem at all irrational To hear people affirm that base contentions are destined to be supplanted by heavenly reciproci ties is a very common thing. The fact of it is, the day of sneering at the declarations of intuition, of assuming that the ideal world is vague, erratic, and impracticable, has gone by. / Slowly, but surely, the exalted ideals of mankind are heing incarnated into living realities, visibly to all. And herein is the reason why, at this ting stock in human nature is so high ! Humanity has astonished itself at its own feats of moral he roism and yelf-sacrifice. Common negative good ness has been intensified into active spiritual life, and inherited prejudices and local hatreds have been buried in oblivion before the advance of claims for aid on the part of those that have met with disaster, either in health or financially.

the beautiful. The prophecies of the spiritual platform have been more than realized. Out of our doubts positive conviction has come; our sorrows have been turned into joys; our friendships have blossomed and ripened into all the ecstacies of love : from the valley we have been transported to the mountain-tops, and there, in the pure ether; we have been made to feel that we were not alone in God's universe,

This lesson is of world-wide application. Many who read these words will say, Amen. And why? Because they have had it demonstrated to them It belongs to the domain of fact-that domain

concerning-which Spiritualists ever love to talk.

ELECTION, OF OFFICERS. opinion's sake, of an hourst man, and has gone. The first thing in the afternoon session was where honesty is better appreciated than here. ..., the election of officers for the ensuring year, If it fails to our lor to record a few more transf which resulted as follows : President, E. C. Mansitions of our hormer associates in Spiritualism, "chester," Battle (Creek," (reclected) : Secretary, there will be no one left to write ours when we [Mrs. L. E. Drake, Plainwell ; Treasurer, Mrs. A Stegeman, Allegan. The following Trustees were

elected to fill vacancies : E. W. Barns, Grand Rapids, Mrs. R. A. Loomis, Battle Creek, and Albert Stegeman/ Allegan. OTHER MATTERS.

many dark minds which had not been illuminated I_1 Ref. Mr. Slewart offered a resolution, favoring by spiritual science before. Some of the clergy' a grand mass meeting of the Spiritualists of even ventured, in, as Mr. Foster stopped at the ! America, as early as the month of April, 1873.

encey, when the medium, or spirit, said; "Your barks concerning organization." He claimed influence is worth nothing. We do not need/it." , that he was the originator of the plan of County So we thought, as we have influence enough that Circles, which worked so successfully in Michi-

gan. He did not say it boastingly; he simply wanted to do justice to his own brain. The speaker believed in the delegated system of representation, also in the efficacy of mass meetings. The wise Spiritualist would endeavor to B. introduced the missionary topic, which called out considerable discussion.

Benjamin Todd spoke in favor of that move ment. Other earnest speeches were made. Fi nally it was decided to elect three persons to constitute a Missionary Board. The following gentlemen were chosen : Benjamin Todd, of

harlotte, J. O. Barrett, and C. B. Lynn. In the evening the Missionary Board reported The report provided for the policy of the Boardregarding its methods, the making of statements deraity-that is the thought that thrills the soul of work to the Executive Board of the State Association, and the raising of a fund for the State Organization,

The report was adopted.

Dr. S. W. Lusk was announced as the regular peaker. He proceeded to deliver an elaborate freech on the condition of spiritual unfoldments The session was brought to a close by R. Au custa Whiting, who repeated an original poen from her brother, A. B. Whiting. SUNDAY (15TH).

Mr. Albert Stegeman, of Allegan, was the first regular speaker in the morning session. He spoke, per request, on Health Reform. This is Mr. 5,'s favorite theme. He is enthusiastic in the advocacy of his ideas. His remarks were eagerly listened to.

MISS WHITING'S ELOQUENT WORDS. R: Augusta Whiting was then introduced to the audience. In the course of her remarks she referred to the destruction of the Banner of Light office in the following' words : Friends, have a few words to say to you regarding the dis-The study of human nature is a revelation of aster which has recently befallen the Bauner of Light. For years I have read it; but I never really came into rapport with its inner life until my recent sojourn in Boston. As most of you know, I have just put before the world a biogra phylof one dear to me, and respected, I fiel, by all of you-my dear brother, A. B. Whiting, This work was issued by Wm. White & Co.-the Banner firm. As day after day I sat at Bro. White's counting-room desis, allending to literary duties connected with the work to which I have referred, 1 got an insight into the Banner establishment that endeared it to me more than ever, and increased my regard for the worthy gentlemen-Messrs, White, Colby and Rich-who have labored so long and ably in behalf of the cause that is

The modorn doctrine of faith in humanity is so dear to us all." When the terrible news came of the destruction of the office-editorial sance tum, book department, circle-room - in fact, everything-1 felt as though I had lost a dear friend. But I am happy to say to you that today (Dec. 14ff) the Banner of Light comes forth youd a doubt, that order can be evolved out of again ! [Applause-] 1 feel that it is but my chaos; that man can become self-poised ; that duty to ask you to aid in reestablishing this jouracross the threshold of the inner sanctuary of the | nal once more on a firmer-basis than ever before. Will you do it? I believe in unity ; and it-was a consoling thought to me, that perhaps this very disaster might be the means of bringing the Spiritualists of America together in a spontaneous

A large number of the friends remained in the hall after adjournment to converse with the members of the Missionary Board about canvassing the State.

Let the people take notice : Benjamin Todd is Chairman of the Missionary Board. His address is Charlotte, Eaton County, Mich. Letters addressed to Mr. Yodd, or to J. O. Barrett, East Saginaw, with regard to the missionary work, will receive prompt attention.

It is the design of the Missionary Board to thoroughly canvass the State. The missionaries desire to visit, at first, towns on the Michigan Contral and Southern-lines. Will the people have halls ready for them? Private correspondence will take place with Spiritualists in different places. The object of these sentences is simply to enforce this thought : Be ye ready! REMARKS.

The Allegan Convention was an interesting and profitable convocation. (The audiences were not large, it is true, but the few that were present were in earnest. Mr. and Mrs. Stegeman favored the friends with some fine singing; so, also, did Mr. Vandercook. The Allegan liberals have every reason to be encouraged in the good work in which they are engaged. The Convention was a success, and blessed all who participated in its exercises or attended its sessions. All the speakers had a good word to say for the Banner of Light.

NOTES.

"Dear me! how we did miss the Banner! how glad we are to see its beautiful pages once more ! May the baptism of greenbacks follow the baptism of fire !"--that 's the way the people talk, Messrs, Editors, - And "F.,"-he is a funny fellow-declares that he hopes the present type of the Phœnix—to be seen in Boston and Chicago—is of the kind that can last forever. He says there is always so much bother and trouble just before the Phœnix comes, that he thinks the American people are not anxious for any more of that kind of immigration.

Mrs. A. E. Mossop has returned to Sturgis, Mich. (her permanent address) after a very successful Eastern tour. During January she speaks in Bay City, Mich. Mrs. M. is a fine speaker, and/has every reason to be encouraged. Though but a short time in the field, she has gone on fromvictory to victory. Societies, speak early if you want her services.

Benjamin Todd has settled in Charlotte, Eaton Co., Mich.' He is a worker of experience and power. His wife is also an able lecturer. Mr. T. is just the man for the missionary work, and we hope the friends in Michigan will see that he is kept busy. Remember his address.

D. W. Hull has been holding a discussion and giving lectures in Watseka, Ill. During January this brother lectures in Memphis, Tenn., so he writes us

Spiritual literature was well represented at the Allegan Convention. Mr. Barrett had his "Spiritual Pilgrim " and " Looking Beyond " on hand for sale; copies of Miss Whiting's Biography of her brother could, be purchased ; "The Bible of the Ages" and "The Mastercon" were on sale. Speaking of books, the Biography of Mrs. Conant (just issued) will surely meet with an immense sale, for everything related to the development of media is of interest to the intelligent Spiritualist, and, when we take into consideration that this work relates to one of the most wonderful mediums on the globe, we feel assured that it will have a very extensive reading. We hope our brethren who have sustained a defeat in the Barnes Will trial will not despond. The case should be carried up to the Supreme



The whole being prefaced with opening remarks from

ALLEN PUTNAM, ESQ.

Mr. Putnam, in his "Prefatory Remarks," says, "Objec-tion was made to styling Mrs. Contact the provide Mac-tion was made to styling Mrs. Contact the provide Mac-dium on the fitte page, "The reply was thereby," been brown the doors of her clicke room have, "It's what soever, and that freely open to the world-to all conters what soever, and that it is in this sense only wire," her acressibility by the world, it is in this sense only wire, her acressibility and the extent to which the world has approached her, that she is here called the World's Medium."

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Our Christian brethren are continually harping on the coming of the Lords, They say he has come once, and promised to come again, and they expect him. If there was one-tenth, or even-onehundredth part as much evidence that he ever had come, and promised, to come again, as there is that spirits of our detrased fellow-beings come to us and make their identity known, there would he some slight ground for the hope of the Christian ; but, as they all insist that we are mistaken; and that no spirit returns after the death of its boily, may we not suspect this to be the reason that Jesus does not come-simply because he connet, having passed beyond "that bourne from whence no traveler returns"? To us, there would be other reasons sufficient : but this, at least, might suggest itself to a Christian. We have doubts about such a person ever having lived here at all ; but if he did, being human and, finite, his return would be like other spirits, and he may be among them, and not yet as wise a Confucius or Pythagoras or Solon or Socrates and scores of others whose wisdom exceeded that which the best and most reliable history gives him. His second coming, if like his first, would be so obsence and so far removed from the churches that they would not recognize him, and of course would deny and revile him, as priests did before, providing the stories are correct. We propose at some future time to take up some,

of the New Testament, and expose the egregious historical blunders and absurd statements, but confess that there are many doubts in our mind of the real existence of any such person as the Jesus of the Christians; and as for the Christ, that, of course, is an Oriental figure of an incarnation, of which the ancients had many, several of which were the Kreeshna, or Christ, as Jesus was to his followers.

Our poor and ever deluded Christian brethren may wait and pray, and pray and wait, till each in his turn goes through death's door, and no such Lord- as they expect and pray for will ever come to relieve them, except in the eye of faith, such as they keep to remove mountains that are never moved. Spirits come, surely, but no Lord and hence the Christian's expectation perisheth

ANOTHER PILGRIM GONE HOME.

Our elder brother, Dr. Samuel Underhill, long and well known to reformers as one of the pioneers in Mesmerism, Phrenology, Psychology and Spiritualism, has closed his seventy-sever years of earth-life, and gone to a better world Few men have done more with the tongue to awaken thought and expose the errors of the Christian churches within the scope of our personal acquaintance, than Dr. Underhill-never still, and seldom silent, unless asleep. He was a good reasoner, and never embraced a truth be cause it was popular, or refused to defend one because it was unpopular. We first knew him in ~1836 as editor and publisher of the Cleveland Liberalist, a thoroughly infidel paper; but defending meamerism, which led the Doctor into Spiritualism, as it did us in the earliest days of the new religion.

The Doctor made us a visit in St. Louis the from Lois Waisbrooker relative to her contem-past fall, and feetured several times with good plated paper; also one from the officers of the acceptance, although his extreme age made the Marshall Society supporting Mrs. Waisbrooker's duties too severo for him. He has borne the project. 1-1-

fast hastening the long talked of millennium. How grateful we should be to our spirit-friends for the *emphasis* they have given to this, the basic idea of the rationalism of our times.

The words of the invisibles have shown us, be spirit no shadows can fall; that the sinner, can gain fellowship with the gods, when he is sincere in his desire to do better; and that to trust hnman nature, as a whole, is to repose confidence in that which is allied to Divinity itself.

Never before did we so much appreciate this grand lesson of the stability of human nature, than when reading your beautiful lifeader, Messrs. Editors, in issue No. 11 of the Banner. Please permit us to re-produce a few sentences from it : (Italics our own.).

"Human language betrays, its poverty when it would attempt to express the grateful feelings which overflow under the mysterious pressure of proffered sympathy. And if it ever fell to the lot of individuals to feel enriched beyond earthly measure by the free-will offerings of other hearts, that priceless experience belongs to the deeply grateful proprietors of the BANNER oF LAOHT. Never did a journal of any character, religious or seenkar, realize after such a fashion the strength and depth, the height and breadth of the personal friendship and devotion which are the foundation and walls, the props and buttresses of its supwelcome discovery. It is good for each side to have thus proved their close mutual relationship. For ourselves, we are overwholmed by these up or noted down and the set over the set of the set of the set of the set over the se port. It is good to have made this profoundly For burselves, we are overwhelmed by these un-expected demonstrations. They deepen our faith in the powers of human lore, and exalt our concep-in the powers of human lore, and exalt our concep-tions of human sympathy. They show us how tions of human sympathy. They show us how to rearring after the Light that is at last stream-ing from the realities that were long thought in-visible. * * * Disaster is a vectore guest, other it is able to call forth such marclous demon-strations. We are all ready now to recoming strutions. We are all ready now to recognize a blessing in disguise. And mortals and invisibles are drawn into closer communion by what seemed , at first an irreparable catastrophe.

- THE MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION. The Seventh (77h) Annual Convention of the Spiritualists of Michigan took place in Allegan, Dec. 13th, 14th and 15th, in Empire Hall. E. C. Manchester, President of the Association, was on hand to attend to the duties of his office. Among the public speakers present were, Benj. Todd, J. O. Barrett, R. Augusta Whiting, Mrs. Sarah Graves, C. B. Lynn, Mr. Barnard, Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Kendallville, Indiana, Grandpa Woodworth and Albert Stegeman. Mr. Marcenus Wright, the author, was there. Dr. G. W. Lusk, a healer5 and Mrs. Sarah Pennover, of East Saginaw-a new worker-were in attendance, and favored the Convention with remarks. Mrs. R. A. Loomis, of Battle Creek, was conse-

different times during the meeting were full of practical import. On Friday evening (13), the regular addresses were delivered by Benj. Todd and Rev. Mr.

Stewart. Saturday morning (14), opened with an interesting conference. The Chair, then read a letter

work of financial support to the publishers of the Banner of Light. If this be so, then I have not word of lamentation to offer, for out of the pathyay of devastation will rise beautiful order ind symmetry, and more than the old-time success. Friends, this is my prayer and my vision. Will you help to carry out the theory? [Apnlause.1

Miss Whiting then recited the poem which she contributed to the "Banner Appeal" issued just ifter the fire.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. Barrett reported a memorial on the death of Rev. I. P. Averill, of Battle Creek, formerly Secretary of the State Association. It was a beautiful tribute. It was ordered to be placed on the official records of the Convention. Mrs. Bailey, of Battle Creek, had written a fine

noem on Bro. Averill's life and death, which was read, by a friend, to the Convention.

A spirit, purporting to be Mr. Averill, then controlled Mrs. Sarah Pennoyer, of East Saginaw, and talked in a very sensible way to the people.

BUSINESS. The project of Lois Waisbrooker to start-a paper in Michigan was discussed at the opening of the afternoon session. Funds to the amount of over one hundred dollars were pledged to sus-Jain such a movement.

SPEECHES.

Benjamin Todd delivered the leading discourse of the afternoon session. It was an able, an interesting address, full of logic and inspirational fire.

In the evening J. O. Barrett read a first class lecture on "Social Freedom," which commanded the closest attention of the audience. It was a scholarly production, full of philosophy, of a high moral tone, and impregnated with a sweet and tender spirit of charity that touched the hearts of สม.

Rev. Mr. Stewart followed with some general remarks concerning his past experience as a clergyman, his official connection with and interest in educational institutions, his views of Spiritualism, his ideas of science, and, finally, he was especially gratified, he said, that never in crated to the spiritual rostrum; her utterances at the whole course of his life had scandal blighted his fair hame. THE FINALE.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the friends in Allegan, for their generous hospitality.

Corresponding delegates were elected to other State Conventions.

A resolution was adopted expressive of sympa by with the Trustees of the Indiana State Association, of Spiritualists, in their defeat in the Barnes Will Case, and exhorting them to carry the case up to the Supreme Court.

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Court. Bros. Halleck and Tinney must keep up the courage of the trustees, and Capt. John Graliam must start an old army song of perseverance, and serenade his-brother attorneys, Think of it ! over half a million dollars pending-not for a sect, but in the interests of free education for the children of the great world of the unchurched. And shall it be taken from them? Not if justice rules !

Lyman C. Howe lectured in the "Church of God "if Chicago; Dec. 19th, on the subject of CEPHAS. temperance.

To the Spiritualists of America.

Under this broad heading, the following appeal was published in No. 11 of the Religio-Philosophical Journal :

sophical Journal: Though only a private in the grand army which marches under the Banner of the Spiritual Republic, 1 have been duly commissioned by the right inf atthethetites, and received orders from my superior officer, whose command 1 dare not disoley. To sound the bugiesnote which calls upon every member of the corps to more forward in solid phalanx, and at once oblain the triumphant success of their popularly recognized organ, the Banner of Light. Metaphor aside. I herely make an earnest and heartfelt appeal to every Spiritualist in the hand, who feels indebted to the Ramer-where is the Spiritualists who does not?-a toget of which is functing and assist in placing it in a position and on a basis every way commensurate with its positions. If but half the Spiritualists who are under streed obligations to fuel in two mathods and woman-half the Spiritualists who have been forever blessed by its unity and of all symmetrical strength and beauty-if but one-half the Spiritualists who have been forever blessed by its multistations, will act at once, the Banner, will yet float promity over the present triumphs of the Fire-fload and unity over the present triumphs of the Fire-fload and and on a state was originally designed to achieve. My suggestwith send the propriotors to stand mow takes that the anoties they can obtain the is simple, fastions and all and the mission is send of the simple, for another year in advence. My suggestwith send the is simple, fastion and all and the another way and an under the another thave another is simple, fastion and all and the another they can be buy and all and the simple the and the buy and all and the simple the and the buy and all and the simple they are the proposition is simple, for the fore-fload and and an once thave another is simple.

"Act--act in the living present. Heart within, and God o'erhead."

Heart within, and God o'erhead." As I stood carly Sunday morning before that pile of smoul-dering rules which an hour or two before was the towering and beautiful edifice wherein the Banner held its office, and saw on the only portion of the front wall which remained the golden sign of the "Banner of Light," unharmed even by Snoke anid the universal debria all around, 1 impres-sionally felt that it was symbolic of the yot to be fully re-theanie waying in the future, even more ploriously than in the past! May the utmost fraternity and generous rivary exist on the part of its friends and readers to help rivary exist on the part of its friends and readers to help and the inner data fulfilment. Boaton, Nov. 11th, 1572.

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