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EDITORIAL.

The Supreme Court at Denver, Col., has granted a supersedeas in the case of Dr. Graves.

Ever long it will be considered a foolhardy nation that declares war in face of the many destructible contrivances that already exist and are being fashioned.

The war scare with Chili has blown over without anyone being hurt; but it has taught a lesson that will not blow over unheeded. It is that the future armaments of a nation will be mainly centred in a navy.

One of the most interesting events in astronomical circles, and of very rare occurrence is the conjunction of two planets. That of Venus and Jupiter occurs this morning (February 6th), at 3 o'clock, when Venus is one minute south of Jupiter.

An old Pittsburg law of 1794, forbidding the sale of newspapers on Sunday is being enforced in the above named city. The "N. Y. World" suggests as a remedy, to stop the sale of drugs, the delivery of milk, the running of street-cars and private carriages—fighting fire with gun-powder, as it were.

The gag-law as to reporting executions in New York State has been repealed by the assembly by a vote of 205 yeas to 2 nays—a fact which shows the tendency of the public mind in favor of a free press.

The "Methodist Review" in commenting on the doctrine of immortality insinuates that no religion previous to the Christian is illumined with foreshadowings of a future existence, but it needed "the great teacher" to make this manifest. It however credits them with having had a providential relation to the "final religion" and that they were signboards pointing to Calvary.

PEOPLE have demanded of the spirit world tests, tests, tests, says "Carrier Dove," but now the spirits will demand of mortals a "test," and it shall be sincerity, purity, and honest of purpose when they enter the sanctorium of Spiritualism—the seance-room.—Be it so—the sooner the better for the cause. Sincere investigators will not be discouraged by the demand of a recommendation from the spirits through the medium sitting for phenomena; and when this is made a principle there will be no more cries of fraud, because the conditions will exclude fraudulent spirits who attend fraud-hunters.

ELECTRICITY is to have a new employment in horticulture. It has been ascertained that certain vegetable plants are susceptible to the influence of the electric light, by means of which it can be grown in two-thirds its usual time. Flowers too, under its rays, obtain deeper and richer tints, bloom more freely, and develop longer stems and bigger leaves.

if not for all vegetation, at least for a number so far tested. May electric lights not also take the place of sunlight in hospitals, nurseries, mines, etc? It surely is much needed.

THE sovereign States of New Jersey and New York recently had a bloodless war over the ownership of Bedloe Island and the goddess that thrones on her sacred domains. It will no doubt be surprising to many to know that New Jersey (a State not considered in the Union by New Yorkers), won the battle—so decided by arbitration or a commission appointed by the two States. But now comes the Treasury Department and arbitrarily alters this decree in favor of New York. The situation is a peculiar one: for New York, it appears, doesn't want the island, and New Jersey can not remove it to a place of safety.

THE marked contrast between the simple funeral services of Jesus, the founder of Christianity, and the gorgeous one of a modern cardinal, an acknowledged servant of the former, must cause peculiar reflection to arise in the souls of the spiritual minded and true believers in the pure and simple doctrines of Christianity. One was laid away by a few friends and in a garment of coarse and cheap fabric, the other is attended by the fashionables of society and his body laid on a bed of purple cushions fringed with gold. Has heaven become so fastidious since the death of the first-named that his servants even can not now enter without a regal display and attendance? Times must have changed. Let us—prey.

SPIRITUALISM epitomized: A brilliant compiler of passing events and comments for "The Two Worlds,"—E. M. Wallis, thus tersely outlines Spiritualism: "We stand for Spiritualism pure and unadulterated. We shall be no party to making it sectarian, theological, Christian, Theosophic, or anything of the kind. Spiritualism is the science of life, the philosophy of existence and the religion of man. It is a reform, a revolt, and a reconstruction! Let the dead past bury its dead. We have little use for dust-heaps. Our eyes are turned forwards, not backwards. The 'living present' is the best age the world has seen. 'Tis a good time now; let us make the best of it, and catch its inspirations, and the future will be still better."

MRS. EMMA HARDING BRITTON delivered her farewell lecture on the evening of December 21st, last, at Cordwainer's Hall, Newcastle, England. Subject: "Thirty years in the Harvest Fields of Spiritualism, and Farewell." The Newcastle "Daily Leader" gives an extended report of the proceedings. Supplementary speeches by leading Spiritualists were made, and a beautiful "Friendship Quilt" on which 157 names of friends were worked in silk, was presented. Mrs. Britton closes a long platform service, in which she has been eminently successful, to devote the remainder of her active earth-life to spiritual journalism. She is eminently successful as the editor of "Two Worlds," may the days of usefulness to the cause "be long in the land!"

A CONCESSION—AND THANKS. We received a pleasant call from Col. Bundy of the "Religio Philosophical Journal." The Colonel visited our city as a member of the Executive Committee of the National Editorial Association. In the last issue of the "Religio" he humorously pays his respects to our city, its people and THE BETTER WAY. As an editor he deals largely in the critical and satirical, with a vein of the humorous. After pleasantly complimenting its manager and editor, he graciously concedes to THE BETTER WAY "a mission to fill in the primary department of the great school" of Spiritualism. We feel the honor. But, if the Colonel had inspected our subscription list, he would have confessed that "the primary department" has its full share, not only of those who have won reputations as scientists, philosophers, and thinkers, but its numerical share of supporters and readers also. We are of the opinion that the whole school of spiritual pupils are still in "the primary department" of psychic studies,

with no graduates, save those whose personal sense of fitness for past graduate honors leads them to assume the right to a graduating parchment. The higher grades of the primary or the intermediate departments often disclose an imperfection in the primary training. Primary facts or truths continue to be of more importance than theories or speculations, or the cultivation of an agnostic spirit which refuses credence to a new fact, law, or force, simply because its presence relegates what has been taught as the highest knowledge in the past. If we should spell "fact" by a change of letters so that it would read "fraud," when "fact" is absolutely certified, we certainly should need a more thorough training in "the primary department."

Thanks, Colonel, for your most gracious concession! But THE BETTER WAY will still seek to conserve the cause, with its thousands of mediums and advocates, and will cherish nothing but hearty good-will for both its Chicago contemporaries and their personnel.

THE CHURCH AND DRS. BRIGGS AND ABBOTT.

We offer no apology to the readers of THE BETTER WAY for consuming so much editorial space in chronicling the movements which have been and are now taking place in the Christian Church. The attitude of the Church towards the phenomena and the philosophy of Spiritualism has been, and still is such, that every movement of that body—taken in the concrete—to an intelligent Spiritualist, seems to indicate that our exalted friends detest it—and its old, mixed creeds which hold the brains and the hearts of the large body of its membership in the grasp of superstition—the great antagonist of truth and progressive free-thought. As such its power must be broken, its grasp upon the world's intellect loosened before there will come an era of freedom to the human intellect and conscience.

We have endeavored to keep our readers advised upon all Church movements which have indicated an awakening and reform, and especially where the progressive spirit of a true philosophy of the unity of the race in both worlds of existence; the fatherhood of a beneficent and loving deity, and the universal and continuous reign of law in every department of the universe are, in the least, concerned. Spiritualism as both a philosophy and a religion, while harmonious with itself and with every true disclosure of psychic force, and every true message from the exalted whose home is in the unseen by the normal vision, is in direct opposition to all Church claims based upon superstition, all demands for the surrender of the enlightened intellect to the dogma of faith in that which is contrary to reason, and in all demands that the childhood of the world and its mythical teachings are so sacred and authoritative that any later manhood age is forever enjoined from even an enquiry into their authenticity, or an analysis of their texts.

It is for these reasons that we have kept our readers advised as to every important movement within the Church, and have given, so far as we were able to do so, the real issues raised. The Briggs case seemed to us, and now seems to the thinking world, to be the pioneer of a great movement which, while joining issue with one department of entrenched creeds, has a relative force which the whole Church organization feels most keenly. It touches the citadel of creed and creedal authority. With a manly spirit it demands the right and exercises it—to examine the claim of the world's childhood to authority as from God, to bind life and conscience to the demands of creedal faith, as against the reason and judgment enlightened and strengthened by God's evolutionary law.

It seems to us that the step taken by Dr. Briggs is the pioneer step of spiritual emancipation, taken within the Church, in accordance with a great law that all great and successful revolutions proceed from the within and not from without. It is now generally conceded that the position of Dr. Briggs and his host of supporting friends, will end in a breach of the walls of Presbyterian unity. With a modernized, progressive Presbyterian Church—the old organiza-

tion can be left to a slow disintegration, for it has already lived its old Calvinistic life of error, and is as much out of place in the revelation of to-day, as would be a Theban mummy in the modern marts of commerce.

But if Dr. Briggs is a pioneer, Dr. Lyman Abbott is more. He brings to the work of reformation a clean, candid nature, a clear, logical intellect, and a courage born of a love for the truth. There is little of belligerence, of noise, pomp, and high-sounding words and phrases in his appearance or language. And yet he goes squarely to the mark, utters the most radical, unorthodox sentiments, talks experience with the simplicity of a child, but puts his propositions so plainly that it will require an orthodox man and master to successfully convert his reasonings. We have given a brief report of one of his recent lectures, and at the expense of precious space in our columns, we give a resume of a recent subsequent lecture before the Lowell Institute, Boston. He said:

Evolution is not inconsistent with theism, but it is inconsistent with the fact of sin. The subject of this lecture is the relation between the theory of evolution and the doctrine of redemption. It is true that evolution is inconsistent with the church doctrine of redemption—that doctrine which holds that man was created perfect and then fell, and that the purpose of redemption is to restore man to the perfect state. Evolution is most certainly hostile to this theory of redemption.

The Scriptures put so much stress on the fall as the creed does. There are only two explicit accounts of the fall in the whole Bible—the one in Genesis and the other in Romans. The fall of man is not once suggested in the teachings of Christ. Who wrote Genesis? We do not know. But it is pretty certain that the writer of Genesis was not present at the creation and the fall. It is nowhere claimed in the Bible that Genesis was written by divine inspiration. It is a narrative of prehistoric events similar to other narratives on the Assyrian tablets and elsewhere. In the New Testament only one writer refers to the fall, and his reference is purely incidental.

Evolution teaches that man is a vertebrate mammal, derived from a lower order of animals and more nearly allied to the ape family than any other. Each individual begins his life purely as an animal, whether the human race began its life in the same way or not. Between the highest animal and the lowest man there is a wide chasm which evolution has not bridged. Man has the spiritual quality and capacity for progress, which are wholly lacking in the brute.

Man's part is not a question of religion. Two worlds sum up all of religion—"duty and destiny." This is the spiritual course of the individual life—out of innocence into temptation, with possible fall into sin, from which one may emerge into a life of virtue. The newborn babe is innocent, not virtuous. With the development of his faculties he finds himself in a world of law. Eve's law teaches him the difference between right and wrong. He is ever of the tree of good and evil all his life. By and by he learns there is such a thing as spiritual law. I do not know whether Adam fell or not but I do know that I have fallen hundreds of times, and I dare say most of you have had a similar experience.

Every time a man obeys his lower instead of his higher self, every time he drops down into the realm of selfishness and animalism, he falls. Sin is not merely an error, but a deliberate violation of spiritual law. In the process of spiritual development the one great factor in the influence of a high and noble personality upon a weaker one. The personality that works through human souls upon mankind resulting in the achievements of science, art, and civilization, is the personality of God. The life of God, in the soul of man is the heart of religion.

Psychologists have not given adequate attention to the phenomenon of sudden conversion. What is it that suddenly awakens the higher nature in man and makes him a different being? It is the awakening of his better self for there are two natures in every man. Sin is not a condition of redemption, but an obstacle to it. Conversion? Every time a man goes wrong he ought to turn around and go right—and that's conversion!

THE CHILD AMONG THE DIVINES.

In the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind is an unfortunate child who is deaf, dumb, and blind, named Helen Keller. She seems to be as physically unfortunate as the celebrated Laura Bridgeman, but spiritually discloses a quickened intelligence amounting to genius. She daily grapples with the most profound and abstruse subjects, and her teacher stands amazed at the character of her questions.

In the annual report of the Institution Miss Sullivan, the teacher of Helen Keller, calls special attention to the genius displayed by her unfortunate pupil, and to the questions she so repeatedly asks. Some of these enquiries are: "Who made God? Where is God? What did God make the universe out of? What is a soul? How do we know that we have such a thing as a soul? If God is love, why does He permit sin and suffering?"

If God made all things did He not also make the evil in the world? Why do the people say the Jews were wicked, when they did not know any better? Could God not have made a world without sin and suffering? and if He could have done this, is He not to blame for not doing it?"

Miss Sullivan, in reporting her teachings in this special case, says she instructed Helen not to think of God as a person, but as the life of everything; that Helen had not been permitted to read the Bible because she—Miss Sullivan—does not see how Helen can do so at present without receiving very erroneous conceptions of the attributes of God. She also naively adds that "Helen is a living negation of the doctrine of total depravity." The latter conclusion is certainly a glove thrown into the ring for Calvinistic orthodoxy to pick up.

The Boston "Globe" prepared a circular addressed to leading clergymen of Boston, setting forth these questions of the deaf, dumb, and blind child, and added the following: "Do you approve of teaching children that God is not a personal being? Do you think the Bible, under any circumstances, can give us false conceptions of God's attributes? And what becomes of the Christian religion if the doctrine of total depravity is disproved?"

In the edition of the "Globe" of the 18th ult., it publishes the replies to its circular from Revs. E. A. Horton, Joseph Cook, R. R. Merdith, Reuben Thomas, George A. Gordon, W. F. Warren, and Rabbi Solomon Schindler. Should all these answers be sent into the earth prison of little Helen Keller, so that she could grasp them by both intellect and soul, she would be in a worse quandary touching comparative theology, than she is at present.

The larger proportion of the answers contain the old advise that children should not be permitted to ask questions presumably beyond the scope of their intellect to grasp or comprehend. The conundrum in the child's mind is to be left unsolved until a more mature age. Yes! but these same teachers demand of parents and teachers that they teach the child by feeding its mind with biblical and moral statements, which it must receive as truth without asking pertinent questions. When the logic of the child becomes too incisive then they must fall back upon authority.

Upon the question "Who made God?" the Rev. Horton replies: "That is out of reach. We must begin somewhere: we begin with life; the all-life we call God." Rev. Cook answers: "No one. He always existed. Who made space? It always existed. Who made time? No one. It always existed. Space and time are self-revelations of God. They are self-existent. So is He." Rev. Miner replied: "Who made God? Nobody. Something must always have existed. That something must have had ability to produce such other things as exist." Revs. Warren, Merdith, Thomas, Gordon, and Rabbi Schindler evade an answer to the question.

The second question, "Where is God?" is answered almost categorically, "Everywhere," by Revs. Horton, Cook, Miner, and Thomas, but avoided by the others.

The third question, "What did God make the universe out of?" Rev. Horton says "Thought." Rev. Cook: "His own will." Rev. Miner: "Of His own infinite fullness." The others evade.

The fourth question, "What is a soul?" Rev. Horton: "Something that thinks and feels, and hopes and loves." Rev. Cook: "Intelligence, emotion, conscience, and free-will combined in a single personality. It may or may not be connected with a physical body." Rev. Miner: "It is something that can ask questions." It is a creation in the image and likeness of God." Rev. Thomas: "The soul is the self." The others evade.

The fifth question, "How do we know there is such a thing as a soul?" Rev. Horton: "Because we know our friends by what that spirit says and does, which is behind and in the eye, or the tongue, or the hand. We see a soul by what it manifests." Rev. Cook: "By direct consciousness. By using intelligence, emotion, conscience, and free will we know we have them." Rev. Miner: "We know by the questions it asks." The others do not reply.

The sixth question, "If God is love, why does he permit sin and suffering?" Rev. Morton: "We believe that sin and suffering, rightly understood and used, lead to the making of character, as the bread to the gold." Rev. Cook: "Because He could not prevent it wisely. How do we know this? Because He has not prevented it." Rev. Miner: "Because sin and suffering are means in the hands of God for the promotion of the ends of love." Rev. Thomas is too diffuse, his explanation does not explain. The others evade.

Seventh question, "If God made all things, did he not also make the evil in the world?" Rev. Horton: "You must not expect to understand everything in theology at the age of ten or fifteen years." Rev. Cook: "God allows suffering as a means of educating souls. God is never the author of sin." Rev. Miner: "He made conditions out of which evil springs, and overrules that evil for good." The others are silent.

Eighth question, "Why do the people say the Jews were wicked, when they did not know any better?" Rev. Horton: "The real argument is that the people of that day did have light enough to know they were killing a true prophet." Rev. Cook: "They did know better." Rev. Miner: "They were not wicked because of anything they did through unavoidable ignorance." The other reticent.

Ninth question, "Could God not have made a world without sin and suffering? and if He could have done this, is He not to blame for not doing it?" Rev. Horton: "Even granting that God could have made a world different, there is no proof that it is wrong as it is. We simply do not know." Rev. Cook: "Yes! Is He to blame for not doing it? No!" Rev. Miner: "He probably could have made such a world, but He is not to blame for not doing it because He has done better." The others give no answer.

We have no room at this time for detailed answers to the categories formulated by the "Globe." But touching the question as to what becomes of Christianity if the doctrine of total depravity is disproved, Rev. Horton says: "Then the Christian religion becomes more truthful, more powerful, more Christ-like." Rev. Cook discusses the term, Rev. Miner: "It remains undisturbed." Rev. Thomas never believed or preached it. Rev. Gordon: "I am not aware that the truth of the Christian religion depends upon the validity of the doctrine of total depravity."

Now brethren of the faith-gospel, why not send in to Helen Keller, through her one physical sense, trained and developed abnormally, the old articles of faith, denominating the creedal teachings of orthodoxy to day?

God from all eternity did by the most wise and holy counsel of His own will freely and unchangeably ordain whatsoever comes to pass. By the decree of God, for the manifestation of His glory, some men and angels are predestinated unto everlasting life, and others fore-ordained to everlasting death. These angels and men thus predestinated and fore-ordained are particularly and unchangeably designed, and their number is so certain and definite, that it can not be either increased or diminished.

That would have settled nearly all the questions, the Jews included, if a falsehood, or a series of theological falsehoods, could settle anything.

Now we would like to hear the simple, artless answers of Miss Keller to her own questions. She evidently has not been poisoned in soul or intellect by the virus or Calvinistic theology, and from her own conscious conception and intuitive soul sense, can create for herself a simple child like relation to the All-Father which would put all the advocates of old theology to confusion and shame. Shut out from contact with the world or sense, she commingles with the angels of the higher life. We have no means of knowing other than the disclosure of precocious gifts of intellect and heart for one so young, but she is evidently a highly attuned spiritual medium. Will our friends of the Psychical Societies examine this child so unfortunately imprisoned with all the earth windows closed but one?

The Chicago pension office has on its rolls the oldest pensioner in the United States. He is 109 years of age and was a sailor of the navy in the war of 1812.







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TOPICS OF THE TIME.

Written for The Better Way... The address delivered by Elizabeth Cady Stanton on January 18th at the twenty-fourth annual meeting of the National American Woman's Suffrage Association has reached my table. It is more than fully up to the standard of her usual good work and happy way of expressing herself.

question of making women eligible to election as delegates to the General Conference... The Secular Education Bill, introduced into the German Reichstag some time ago, is causing considerable agitation in all circles, especially among the National Liberal and Freinainning, free minded or free-thought parties.

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LABOR AND CAPITAL.

I have read with some interest, mingled with disgust, the articles of Messrs. Richmond and DeCamp in recent issues of your valuable paper.

The labor question and all reform measures for better government are important and deserve serious attention, but THE BETTER WAY is not the arena for your discussion.

Before Mr. DeCamp undertakes to thrash the old straw of socialism over again, he ought to read up the growth of our present industrial system for the past five or six centuries, besides what he may find in general history, such works as that of Thorold Rogers on "Work and Wages," Toner on the "Growth of Democracy and Improvement of the Industrial Classes," and some reliable history on the ancient Trades Guilds.

But I notice Mr. DeCamp make some egregious mistakes regarding the present condition of affairs. They are bad enough without misrepresenting them. He says the government lends money to capitalists to bank on at one per cent interest on the security of its own bonds.

Now, whilst that is true in one sense, it is far from being true in reality. The banks have to pay a stiff premium on the bonds they deposit for security and on which they get no interest.

The annual cost for circulating notes is too high for the bankers to make much by their use. Mr. DeCamp need not go far to ascertain the truth of this. Any of the officers of a State bank or any private banker can tell him why he does not go into national banking.

But I must respect my own rule. THE BETTER WAY is not a journal for controversial purposes; more especially for controversy on subjects foreign to Spiritualism. THE BETTER WAY is too valuable to its readers to spare much of its space to articles on subjects in which the large majority take no stock.

Dr. S. D. Pace, of Port Huron, Mich., seems to regard my report of the situation at Haslett Park not warranted by facts, and implies that it does injustice to the memory of Brother Haslett.

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of causes that lead to misfortune or litigation. It is not improper or unkind to point them out and criticize for the good of others who might fall into the same mistakes.

After much earnest work the Ladies Aid of this place has succeeded in securing Sunday afternoon meetings at the Haslett Park building.

On Sunday, 12th, I had the privilege of addressing two meetings in this new temple of spiritual truth. That in the afternoon was lightly attended, but at the evening meeting at 7 o'clock a goodly number were present.

The annual meeting of the Pilgrim Progressive Spiritualist Association was held on the evening of January 15th, at the house of Mr. Charles Kyder.

We have here a few earnest workers who have kept their shoulders to the wheel and helped to push the cause along quietly but persistently doing their work.

A series of meetings was commenced on the first Sunday in September, and continued up to the present time. During that month Mrs. C. M. Nickerson labored with the society, and gave as usual, some of the best lectures.

The Ladies' Industrial Society held its annual meeting the first Thursday in January. The board of officers were unanimously re-elected.

I have been serving the First Spiritual Society the Sundays of January, and report large attendance. It is some five years since I was called to serve the spiritual cause here.

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Mr. George A. Fuller may be addressed at 40 Washington Street, Worcester, Mass.

Lyman C. Howe speaks at Broadway, Mich., Tuesday and Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

Mr. J. H. Burtell is speaking on Sundays at Springfield, Mass., where he may be addressed concerning future engagements.

Dr. C. T. H. Benton trance inspirational speaker, can be addressed for future engagements at 121 Eaton Street, Peoria, Ill.

Miss A. E. Sheets may be addressed Grand Lodge, Mich., P. O. Box 235, by parties wishing to engage the services of an inspirational speaker.

Myra F. Paine, of Painesville, O., the well-known lecturer and author is open for engagements to serve spiritual societies.

Frank T. Ripley, lecturer and platform test-medium, will start for Boston, Mass., April 2nd next. He would like engagements en route.

Marguerite St. Omer was compelled to cancel her engagement with the Spiritualist Society of Indianapolis on account of sickness.

Geo. W. Waldron, of Fort Erie, Canada, trance lecturer, clairvoyant, and magnetic healer, who came to this country about three years ago, is about to re-enter the spiritual ranks.

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