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Written for The Better Way. SIX CHAPTERS FROM THE LIFE thing of a reward and even of happiness. OF A SPIRIT. BY M. T. SHELHAMER. CHAPTER VI. DIVERSIFIED WORK. As yet, our young friend had never cared to revisit the scenes of her early experience. She knew that spirits could return to earth and watch the doing of mor-

such works as she would approve." tals ; but the associations of the first portion of her existence had held no attractions for her. Contented with her spirit lot, happy with her arisen friends, satisfied with her surroundings, Daisy never turned, in thought, toward earth without a thrill of joy that she had ceased to take part in its experiences. But the girl was not unmindful of the usefulness her mortal discipline had been to her life. She remembered "Smudge Court" and its degraded m other's life should be perverted, but reassociations, even though Betsey Brown flecting that eventually that womanly heart self ; yet, because of these memories, Daisy was undoubtedly more tenderly pitiful and loving toward the little ones who, like herself, had suffered so extremely on the verge of vice and recklessness until rescued by the hand of death. With her beloved Miss Angel the girl lived, her life of honor and usefulness meting out to other lives something of the loveliness and blessing that came to her own. The musical sanitarium flourished, and The musical sanitarium flourished, and proved a grand success in its beneficial treatment and training. The young na-tures brought to it were blessed and strengthened beyond description. Miss strengthened beyond description. Miss Angel and her assistant were more than repaid for their efforts, by the results that constantly came from this work ; and so we might leave them in their chosen field, happy and full of love for humanity, did because of distrust and suspicion, did not is the portion of all. Others, in that we not wish to inform our readers of afford any assistance to the spirit who blessed hour, grew interested in its revelaanother step that was taken later by the sought communication with her. spirit we have followed. Miss Angel had not forsaken her earthly friends. There were those whom she sincerely loved. Amasa Howard and his wife were worldly and prosperous people ; but the pride of the mother and the worldliness of the father had received a rude her own sphere of life disappointed, but shock when death entered their home to not despairing. Indeed, the associations claim their household treasure, their gentle with the parent she so tenderly yearned to daughter Angela. The mother refused reach, only strengthened the gentle soul in to be comforted, and rebelled in bitterness of spirit against the blow, and the father bowed his head more lowly than he had done before. But neither were aware that ited the medium; each time received some the sweet daughter watched over them, new token and fresh assurance of his and, at times, tried her utmost to send a comforting thought or an influence of trial for communication with the unseen peace through the gloom which surrounded world. them. These two natures were acted upon in different ways; for, while, in time Mrs. Howard began to seek, in the whirlpool of of her spiritual assistant Daisy, that made society, forgetfulness of the blow which had smitten her life, her husband gradually withdrew himself from the world's attention, and began to turn his mind to other herself could do. things.

"Creeds Without Virtue Are Paltering Vanities."

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mport, and also impress upon his mind instrument, and clearly depicting the scenes ideas of benevolent purpose that later she and delineating the characteristics of their was delighted to see unfolding into practical deeds. Now, she beheld her father to seek the presence of the medium when in Hall's Block, it being said that he was taking a portion of his means for helpful she was nigh. The spirit gained power as she proceeded in her revelations; and, as ministrations toward the worthy poor ; he she proceeded in her revelations , and the work had placed the son of a poor widow in grew upon her mind, she found an interest such a school as would afford his growing and satisfaction in it that she had not exmind useful instruction, and was paying pected. She simply called herself "Daisy," but all who listened to her sweet utterances the widow a weekly salary for keeping his of consolation, and received her truthful office and its outer room in tidiness, that messages, felt that she must be an angel of she might not have to take her son from light.

Daisy could not give up her work in Happy Valley-there were little spirits claiming her instruction and care ; she was old invalid, worn and needy, with a faithneeded in that special department of labor; ful but aged wife, who could not labor for but she could devote certain hours of each their sustenance, and he had placed the day to the medium who attracted her on earth, and utilize those hours in conveying worthy couple in a comfortable home for helpful communications from loving spirits

rated in their declining days ; and among Amasa Howard, in his investigations, Publication Office, 222 West Pearl Street, other good deeds, the man had decided to had received so much of spiritual truth **Solution** It is frequently inconvenient to send SAMPLE COPIES from our latest issues, but a fair sample will be sent to all applicants, without regard to date. It is a pleasure to fill such orders. that he desired to share it with his neighfriend to visit a medium with himself.

During the years of his interior growth But Adams demurred ; if he could meet in this way, Amasa Howard found somethe medium privately, at the house of his friend, he might consent to do so; but he Life seemed more worthy the living and did not care to visit one in a professional way. And thus it happened that Howard filled with deeper satisfaction than it had requested his wife to invite the medium been in the past. Every dollar expended already referred to, to dine with them and in good works he gave in the name of his Adams. Mrs. Howard did not object. thinking that as clever a man as Joseph dead child. "It would have been her por Adams would not be deceived, and hoping tion," he said to himself, " Angela would that something might occur, at the time, have bestowed substantial aid upon the to open the eyes of her husband to his deneedy and suffering. I will use some part lusion.

At the appointed time Daisy's medium arrived, and was presented to Mr. Adam's the planet of that name, and gave many of the means she would have inherited in and one or two other guests. Nothing of words of advice and encouragement in his any moment occured during dinner; but own language, afterwards translated by band's plans or works, indeed she paid after the company had adjourned to the the cabinet control. Wm. White, formerly

Onset, Mass. To the Editor of The Better Way.

Monday evening we were persuaded to attend a circle held by Horatio G. Eddy, drawing large audiences and that his manifestations were very convincing. I attended and give you a brief sketch of the doings.

holding the hand of a stranger from the other side. Immediately the bells, tamcontrol, said she was born near Echo first that came was E. V. Wilson, who subjects.

greeted all; afterwards several ancient spirits, one who claimed to be the control of your correspondent, a tall ancient, a worshipper of the sun and stars, who lived a thousand years ago, called "Saturn," after

want dear friends before we part To win a place in every heart; But most of all we aim to prove The bliss of universal love, Till each may link his life with others, And all become one band of brothers.

We want to work with word and song To help the right o'ercome the wrong! Till every ill on earth shall cease And all the people live in peace May love divine their wishes grant, Who work and wait for What We Want,

Remarks were made by the different me-There was first a light circle in which diums and speakers upon the theory and the medium sat in front of the curtain philosophy of Modern Spiritualism. In the afternoon the Spirit Congress assem- and place the slates on the table, not, howaudience, also holding a hand from the bled in the Temple. The phases of the ever, letting go of them, afterwards holdphenomena were many and varied. There ing them each to his own breast, the docbourine, guitar, violin and mouth organ was an exhibition of spirit drawing in tor at the same time holding his hands on were played upon, representing a storm at | crayon by Louis F. Jones, he being unconsea. Afterwards a beautiful harmony of scious. The picture was claimed as being sounds on the hells and the echo song, the exact likeness of Mrs. T. J. Lewis' sis- au dience sat quiet and almost breathless which were very fine. Then Mr. Eddy ter. Mr. Jones had arked his guides to give he pronounced the work finished and the was tied to his chair by one in the audi- him a picture of some one not able to pay ence and voices talked intelligently with for it. Phrenalogical examination by the found to contain pictures on a card that different ones present. "Mayflower," the control of Mrs. Geo. Conklin of Worcester, Mass., who was an English professor of Lake, in Maine, near Calais. Her parents phrenology in earth life. Spirit rappings were both killed by the Indians, their home loud and distinct by the control of Mrs. burned and herself captured by them; that Parker of Providence, physical manifesta- ing the gentleman who was called to take she took cold while fishing and passed to tions in the light by Horatio G. Eddy, spirit life at eleven years of age. Mr. Ed- which were very fine and under test condy was then untied in a flash by unseen ditions. Remarks by "Ikabod", Mrs. C. forces, and stepped into the cabinet from Twing's favorite control, and exhibitions Order of Light, and this was his spirit which many forms materialized. The in mesmerism by Prof. Cadwell and his guide who had promised to surprise him

Thursday evening a large audience was

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and placing his hands lightly on the slates each one held his own, tied and sealed by himself.

He told one gentleman that his slates were not for him and turning to the audience, after a moments hesitation, pointed to a gentleman and said : "these slates are for you sir." This gentleman, stepped to the platform taking the slates while the owner retired. After sitting a few minutes the doctor asked each in turn to stand up each slate in turn.

After about five minutes in which the slates were opened. Four of them were was sealed inside of the slates and some contained a message in writing. Mr. Mc-Elroy, chief engeneer of the gas works, at Pittsburg, Pa., first stepped forward, he bethe slate from the owner and holding up a very teautiful picture of a lady, explained that he was a member of the Sun Angel before he left the grounds.

Mr. McElroy was so pleased and overattracted to the temple by the announce- come with emotion, that he could say but ment that Mrs. J. J. Whitney and Dr. D. very few words. The next who was fa-J. Stansbury would give tests and slate. vored with a picture was Capt. Atkins, of writing. After relating some of her won- Provincetown, who explained that this, as derful experiences as a medium, Mrs. W. he held it up to the audience was the picsubmitted to the control of her guide, and ture of his angel wife, who passed from for an hour in an uncon cious state presen. the body a little more than a year ago. but little attention to them, for the poor woman had become so wrapped in herself that she cared but little for aught that others had to show. And Angela in encircle were convicing on earch but she is portion of the little finger of her right sary for obtaining the best results, invited | ture of her husband, Thomas Gales Forall who had slates to come forward and ter, so well-known in earth life by all piotake seats upon the platform. Eight or neer Spiritualists. Her slate also contained ten persons responded, most of whom had a long message which she stated was of sealed slates. A committee had previous- too private a nature to be read in public. ly witnessed the tying and sealing of a pair Mr. Wetmore, of New York City then of slates and hung them upon a screen in stepped forward and exhibited his picture plain view of the audience. This pair of which he said was that of a lady who slates when opened were found to contain passed out of the body about six months between forty and fifty autograph signa- ago from New York City and was creures of spirits which were all recognized. mated. She had said when she had come Dr. S., while under partial control, held to him previously, that she wished to be each pair of slates a few seconds with the known as "Forget-me-not," and on the owners, never once leaving the platform, bosom of the picture was painted a beau-

Then it was that the spirit of Angela began to more closely reach her father's life. There were moments when she could before she was aware, Daisy had found

Mrs. Howard never objected to her hus

And Angela, in spirit, watched and kept strength.

In her visits to earth, Angela-or Miss your time has come." sensed or felt. At length she discovered that her father had visited a spirit medium, tranced medium went on : and had learned, from that source, of the fri ends. Rejoiced at the prospect of comin manifesting her presence and in identiwhich he promised to do; but that lady, unbelieving, and almost unapproachable

to what the entranced medium had to say, but unconvinced and unsatisfied, as to the reliability of what was given ; and Angela, the tender spirit, repulsed and saddened revived within her breast by this contact her efforts to force convictiou upon that parental heart ; but she felt that she must have assistance in her undertaking.

Again and again Amasa Howard visdaughter's watchfulness and love ; but his wife could not be induced to make another

As she studied the temperament and nature of the medium, Angela became interested in noting her points of resemblance to those characteristics in the nature that young spirit easily impressed by the influences that reached her life, and she felt certain that Daisy could possess the me dium in a more complete manner than she

The spirit accordingly induced her as-sistant to visit the medium and take an interest in the work of convincing mortals of the truth of spirit return ; and almost

hand was missing on earrh, but she is not spirits came to friends in the audience, but deprived of it now. You paid the lady a track of these parents, rejoicing over the lover's attention thirty years ago ; but she deeds of her father, mourning that her died, and for her sake you have never wed. After her death you placed a snowy flower in her hand, the petals of which drooped if not excelling, all former conventions over and hid the deformed finger from held at Onset. Mr. L. L. Whittock, editor seemed to be some other person than her- must rise above the sordid consideration sight. She is alive and comes to you with of self, and reveal its hidden beauty and her love, asking you to so live as to be ready to join her in her angel home when has, through persistent efforts from year

Joseph Adams was startled, almost Angel-did not confine herself to her pa- transfixed with astonishment ; but all that rental home alone; but she went out, do- had been uttered was true, and he could interesting feature at our camp meetingsing good wherever her influence could be not but accept it as a revelation from be- this being the seventh year they have been yond the grave. Later, when the excite- held. Thursday and Friday the morning ment of this message had subsided, the en-

possibility of spirits reaching their earthly ago you did me a great kindness "-rela- posed by himself: ting how he had met a little beggar giri one cold, cloudy day, and in what way he the child and tried to hunt her up; but on fying herself to her father's satifaction. visiting the locality where she had lived She implored him to bring her mother, had been told she was dead. He was now gratified to hear from the spirit, through the opening doorway of spirit communion, and to realize that life eternal tions; at the names of "Betsey Brown " and "Smudge Court" the mind of Mrs. Coldly courteous, but still distrustful and Howard reverted back to the past, vainly distant in attitude, Mrs. Howard listened trying to recall where she had heard those words before.

Turning to that lasly, the spirit, through her medium said, "You will remember, that shortly before her death, your daughter by the bearing of her mother, returned to spoke to you of a little beggar girl she had scen, called Betsey Brown, who lived in Smudge Court, and mentioned her desire to find and befriend that unfortunate waif, That was when you heard these names before. 'Lady, your daughter Angela is here, a loving spirit, who wishes to bless your life; '" and then followed a message of such convincing tokens of identity, and of such tender solicitude for her mother. from Angela Howard, that the proud heart melted and its skepticism forever fled.

From that date Mr. and Mrs. Howard were united in their desire to commune with the angel world. Gradually the lady emerged from her unhappy states, and emerged from her unhappy states, and joined in the efforts of her husband to joined in the efforts of her husband to ameliorate some of the distress in the world. Joseph Adams, too, realizing how he had been blessed by spirit guardianship, That real doctors in all lands redoubled his good offices toward the Can heal by laying on of hands, afflicted; and the world has been benefitted by the efforts of these friends to do good

As for Miss Angel and Daisy, they were made happy by the results of their In food or fashion, drink or dress. labor for others ; and they are still moving on, taking advantage of every opportunity for the blessing of other lives that open before them.

(Concluded.)

time and space forbid detail.

Our Facts Convention, held August 2 and 3, was a decided success, equaling, of The Soul, formerly the Facts Magazine, to year, made these fact meetings what they have grown to be,-a standard and sessions were held in the grove, Mr. Law-"You do not know me; but eight years rence reading the opening poem, com-

WHAT WE WANT.

We want good people all to know How grand the soul is made to grow By working with a willing hand To drive all discord from this land;--Each making others' wants their own Each making others' wants th And living not for self alone,

We want to work as well as preach, And by our daily practice teach That freely giving ever pays The giver in a thousand ways, While language hardly can begin To tell the joy it brings within.

We want fair freedom's flag unfurl'd To see it wave o'er all the world, Then, with the nations all united Our many wrongs will all be righted;--Our ensign float on land and sea Emblem of peace, flag of the free.

We want to break the tyrants' rule-Where they may learn that working men Are nobler far than king or queen;-That by their hardy, toil-worn hands Our nation in its grandeur stands.

We want to feel come from above Demands for justice, life and love, Then water, air and land shall be For each and all forever free; While north and south, reds, blacks and whites. Shall all have perfect, equal rights.

We want to banish care and crime.

We want to discard useless fashions, To teach mankind to rule their passions, And not become the s aves of wealth Nor habits which destroy the health,

We want to prove to every mind How mirth with truth may be combined To prove amnements now and then Are reliabed by the best of men.— What sages all have understood How mirth with music doeth good.

Nearly all distinctly heard the writing and tiful bunch of forget-me-nots. upon breaking the seals six pairs were dis- The paints were still wet on the pictures. covered to have something on them. The Mrs. Rogers sat beside her husband on ones held by Dr. Gould contained a long the platform, looking almost sweet and message fully identified. Those held by angelic enough to be taken herself for a Gen. F. J. Lippett had upon them a cray- materialization. This excellent couple on sketch of an Indian chief in colors, a have endeared themselves to the people few bits of crayon having been placed be- here, not alone for their beautiful spirit tween the slates before sealing them. This work, but also for their purity, simplicity indian is the control of Mr. Whitlock and and uprightness of character, and no one, said to be a good likeness as seen by clair- it seems to the writer, can witness a manivoyants-he having previously promised festation of such a nature as was exhibited to give his picture sometime, but it came Friday evening, without being convinced unexpected. Another pair owned by Dr. of the power of spirit over matter and the Paxon had a face on one of them. Two continuation of life after what is called of the other pairs had only marks inside. death. This is considered the most wonderful exhibition of slate writing ever given at On- tion by stereoscopticon exhibits of some of set. Dr. Stansbury and Mrs. Whitney Madam Dis Debar's pictures and others. have ably sustained their well earned repu- A song finely rendered by Miss Cushing, tation which had preceded them from the of Boston, followed by a recitation by lit-Pacific coast. These mediums will appear the Lulu Morse was next in order. The in all the larger cities on their return trip floor was then cleared for dancing. Many

sic on the bells, skillfully handled by the to much trouble and expense to get cuts of Williams bell ringers, followed by the au- the different slate writings and pictures dience singing "Sweet bye and bye", while produced at this convention, and they will the platform was being prepared for Dr. be forthcoming in the August number of Henry Rogers exhibition of spirit paint- The Soul which will be out in a few days. ing. The doctor with Mrs. Rogers came onto the platform and stated that he was 7th 1888. not in the habit of exercising his gift before a public audience, as he considered it of too public audience, as he considered it of too serious a nature to be exhibited as a show, to many of the plainest health-laws of but out of courtesy to Mr. Whitlock and Nature is still the reproach of our so-called to convince those who otherwise would civilization. Our moralists rant about the probably not have the opportunity of wit-find no time to expurgate the "slums" of nessing a phenomenon of this kind, he had their own cities; our missionary socieconsented to attend. Those who had pre- ties spend millions to acquaint the natives pared slates were then invited to bring of distant islands with the ceremony of baptism, but refuse to contribute a penny them to the platform, when seven or eight persons stepped forward and were given - Prof. Felix L. Oswald's "Bible of Naseats, the doctor passing in front of each | ture.

Dr. Lawrence followed this manifestajoined in the grand promenade displaying

The exercises of Friday began with mu- handsome toilets. Mr. Whitlock has been GUSTIE F. HOWE.

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Mankind has never wholly recovered

home.

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Written for The Better Way. The Summer Land Theory .- Is It True? BY M. R. K. WRIGHT. (Concluded.)

polhesis and in harmony with a true analysis of the substance of the human million miles every day. It also has body, then, we are to believe that the other motions and movements as likesupposed great rivers of refined atoms which flow from the earth through almost infinite regions of space to the summer land, consist of about threefourths water and one-fourth sedimentary matter.

things really exists? Does water, in any form or mauner, escape from our correspondentially considered, would not atmosphere into the open vista beyond. | matter coursing through space, necessa-The water of the earth, it is said, con- rily have to be composed of elements stitutes about one-eighteenhundreth part akin to those of space. of its entire bulk. If it were to pass away at the enormous rate of \$00,000,000 mosphere, only, by the process of evaptons per annum, how long would it be offer a premium on oxygen, hydrogen, medium than itself, for countless miland other cognate elements ! How long lose its most precious substance, and would flow in streams thro' the air, as become, comparatively speaking, a bar- that air or animal matter would pass ren waste ?

esting question. We know very well vities of a summerland zone. that the atmosphere can only appropriheat of the sun and the restless winds the latter, very unnatural occurrence. cause the earth to become parched and In support of this statement we have dry. The lakes, seas, and streams give the best of evidence. "Every particle portion of the water of the globe is thus every other particle with a force directly absorbed and floats about us unobserved, proportioned to the mass of the attract-

It rises above the earth to a certain altitude where it comes in con- ture." tact with cold currents of air. These act as condensers. The rising vapor is here converted into mist, the mist is resolved into clouds, the clouds are transmother earth again.

The atmosphere is extremely cold as how cold it is, in still higher regions, central power. cannot be definitely determined. The 40 to 80 degrees below zero. M. Nattedegrees below zero

Such are actual fac's, as founded upon human experience and scientific inqui- aerial medium is liberated from its conprising. Tney are surely in conflict, form a part of a summer land zone be-

aerial matter through the open void of space. We are told that it passes away in the form of rivers and streams, But how can a stream flow from a planet in motion. It would have no settled or According to the summer land hy- objective point of beginning, as the earth is moving forward at the rate of a wise a varying inclination to the sun.

To be sure, we well know that there are currents in the ocean, but these are only movements of the water itself. There are also air currents passing to and fro in every direction about the Now, is it possible that such a state of earth. yet these are nothing more nor less than the motions of the air. Now,

We know that water enters the atoration. Is it possible for atmospheric before some yankee speculator would air to pass through space, or a lighter compared to the vastness of space through lions of miles without diffusion? Does would it be before the atmosphere would it not seem quite as likely that water line through the heavens, would not away in rivers through space to become This is a very serious as well as inter- embodied in the soils and other objecti-

The laws of specific gravity would ate a certain amount of water, in the prevent the first, while that of universal form of vapor, at any one time. The gravitation would stand in the way of up their fog and mist, and the air be- of matter in the universe", we quote our departed friends are said to ride and comes heavy with humidity. A large from Chambers Encyclopedia, "attracts glide to homes of unutterable joy and

tion is made of it in the economy of na- of the distance between them-a law, ture ? Does it escape from the ethereal the truth of which, since it was first confines above us? Does it become lost broached, has been put beyond all questo our planet? According to well es- tion by the most complete body of pre- cation with the greatest case and pleas tablished scientific evidence it does not. dictions, fulfilled to the letter, that can be cited in support of any law of na-

At the distance of the moon, 240,000 of gravitation is equal to 1-3600th part of what it is on the surface of the earth. formed into rain, and soon all that was The same influence extends to the revapor, mist and cloud is returned to motest planets, satellites and comets belonging to our solar system. They

are, all alike, held in their position and we rise above the region of the clouds. relation to the sun by this law. It mat-Water freezes quickly at an altitude of ters not how refined or attenuated their from four to five miles above the earth. inherent substance may be, the result It always exists in the solid form upon is the same, that is, they always manithe summits of lofty mountains. Just fest unswerving obedience to the great

The planet Neptune is 17 times less, lowest atmospheric temperature expe- in its density, than the earth. Its atrienced in arctic countries varies from mosphere must therefore be lighter than bydrogen gas, and yet, there is no evirer, obtained the low temperature of 220 dence that it is wasting away by diffubelow zero by artificial means. The in- sion in space, or by flowing in currental terplanetery spaces are estimated to en- streams to a far distant belt of spiritualjoy a fixed temperature of from 60 to 80 ized matter in the deep depths of the universe.

If any portion of our surrounding ry. They are both wonderful and sur- nection with the earth and ascends to also, with the theory that animal mat- yond the stars, why do not some of the

Thus in one hundred centuries we should part with a volumn of air equal to 400 miles in width by 800 long, and reaching to an altitude of 45 miles above the surface of the globe-a volumn of air one mile in diameter containing 77 billion cubic feet, and weighing five billions pounds or three millions tons What a vast amount of aerial substance that would be for as to part with. Could our little planet long endure such au exhaustive process of drainage upon its most vital and life sustaining elements Could any form of vegetable or animal existence be maintained or perpetuated if such was really the cas

No, we say, emphatically no! To take away that amount of animal matter from our atmosphere or from its appli cable relation to the organic forms of the external world, would deprive it of its best qualities, and we would soon be ome weak, wan and sickly, like so ma ny poor calves after being fed upon sour milk.

But great as such a loss might be to the earth or great as the depiction of viewed in reference to quantity or when which it must pass on its way to the summerland, it is as a mere drop in the cean, and if stretched out in a straight even if it were but one inch in diameer, reach half the distance to the orbit of the planet Neptune, which is a member of our solar system. Even if all the atmospheres of all the worlds that re olve about our sun were drawn out in a line no larger than a cambric needle toward centauri, the nearest of the fix'd stars, they would not reach the outer confines of that mighty, shining orb. Where then are the great rivers and streams of refined animal matter that flows on forever through the great open vista of the universe, and upon which happiness. Is not this one of the spec ulative theories of a benevolent dream Is it not a phantom of the the Where does it go to or what disposi- ing particles, and inversely to the square idealistic realm of thought.

But, we are told that these things are all real, that notwithstanding the sum merland belt is beyond the milky way the dead go to and from that distant lo-Time is of no account. Distance ure. is lost sight of in the journey of the spirit and all the laws of life and nature come inapplicable and useless.

Now this is indeed a very charming miles, it is estimated that the attraction story ! It transcends the bounds of phil osophy ! We linger over it with singu lar misgivings ! Can it be true ? Let u examine the subject more closely. Let us see if we can determine how fast the soul moves in passing through space to its final home.

Electricity, we are told, moves at the enormous velocity of 188,000 miles in a single second of time. Do the "immortals" move with the fleetness of the electric current? Light travels at the rate of 195,000 miles in the same brief period. Do the dead fly through space faster than light? To the thoughtful mind these things look extremely doubtful. Viewed from the standpoint of science they become at once both absurd

and unreasonable. 'Our solar system," says Sir John Hershel, "occupies a spot or situation near the under centre of the vast belt of stars called the milky way, and is performing a revolution around the star Alcyone, one of the brightest of the Pleiades, the single journey occupying 18,200,000 years, moving as it does at the amazing velocity of 400,000 miles a

The bulk or magnitude of that sun around which it revolves is no less than 117,400,000 times that of our own. There | there could be no starting point to hitch are stars in all probability of that enor also, with the theory that animal mat-ter is passing away from our planet at many cometary bodies, holding a rela-them were placed where our sun is, it

Written for The Better Way, Man: What is He, and What is His Destiny?

Alexander Von Humboldt, Through In Brain-Impressibility of Mrs. Julia C. Franklin, Big Creek, N. Y. Friends of truth everywhere: That

the theme I am chosen to analyze or elucidate, is one of the most profound that can engage the thought of all, whether mortals or spirits, I am very well aware of. And I am also aware of another fact, i. e., that without the assistance and cooperation of higher or wiser spheres of thought, I should be wholly incompetent to perform the part of even an inspirational force, to enable this humble country woman to bring to the world of human kind the wisdom of the supernal spheres, and in such a

way that it can be in a good degree at least adapted to not only their compregas ous matter, so caused, might appear hension, but that it can be made practo the mind upon first thought, when tical in material life by those who, having learned the truth, are willing to renounce the world and its allurements -to live in harmony with its claims.

> In previous volumes of this series." much has been said about "human rights," "man's rights," and "woman's rights," but, as yet, it has not been clearly defined what man really and truly is, save as to generals.

> Man, in the abstract, is but the product of nature or natural law, just as the apple is the product of the tree that produces it through the operation of laws inherent or indigenous to the tree itself. For the apple can only grow on the tree that is known by that name, because of the peculiar fruit it bears, unless a germ from it is engrafted into some other tree or shrub. Still the germ is true to its parental unfolding, by producing only apples.

That man is the product of nature is familiar to the common understanding. and that he is no more than this, is also clear and plain to most cultured minds, although they may widely differ as to his destiny.

Destiny! What is it but a recognition of the possibilities that are inherent in man as a product of nature?

The inherent possibilities are almost unlimited, because the mind of man is all the while reaching out for light, more light, and to make the effort successful he has only to come into harmony with the law that controls and governs the expansive capacity, or power of mino, when acted on by the universal energy or potency, that is inherent in nature, termed by material scientists bioplasm, which means no more and no less than spirit that has never been individualized by passing through all the gradations of matter and unfolded mind, Mind, individualized being the product, just as the apple is the product of the tree, that produces or unfolds it.

If the mind of man was not the crowning mark of this universal energy, we could not find language to make our theme understood, and for this reason: The climax not having been reached. to, that we might complete the circle by returning to the same point from which

as "unavoidable fate," but we term it tions, and a knowledge of these causes natural unfoldment from one sphere of can be transmitted to mortals as soon as activity to another. And the spheres the positive and negative principles are as steps that enable us to climb become balanced in leading minds, and higher and higher, and still higher, un- thus the extremes be done away with til we have reached perfect harmoniza- in any and every direction that tend to tion in every department of our being, endauger human life or destroy human viz .: mental, moral and spiritual. Then happiness. All that this medium recomes unlimited expansion, which enables us to read aright "the soul of knowledge to mortals, is harmonious things," both seen and unseen. For associations that are in sympathy with there are still spheres of activity that her work as a medium. But ere this is cannot be fathomed by finite consciousness any more than the normal sight inspirationally, so as to be qualified to can pierce the ether blue, and behold grasp the grandeur and beauty of truth, the workings of invisible ethers that as it pertains to sexual intercourse and

But this the finite can grasp, viz .: The consciousness that every progressive step brings it nearer the infinite causation, or creative energy, that is the divine paternity or Father of all possible formation-nature being the divine maternity or mother. But beyond this there is nothing that can be and persistent work, until ignorance called God or divinty, as far as our and superstition are removed from the knowledge extends. Therefore, it is face of the planet to which we still knowledge extends. Therefore, it is man's destiny to continue to unfold in love and wisdom until he becomes not only a law unto himself, but is qualified to so question the soul of nature and the spirit of the universe, that he can direct the unfoldment of everything that has individual representation, whether it pertains to the vegetable, animal, or human kingdoms of life and activity, so that it will come into harmony with or are so related to life that happiness truth's innate possibilities, thus making even "the desert to blossom as the rose," that is, with beauty and fragrance.

this, he must first come into harmony pathy enables us to reach out for light, with himself, which can never be accomplished without the assistance and cooperation of woman in every depart- the laws that control and govern correct ment of use, whether it pertains to the transmission of any thought or principbysical, mental, moral or spiritual unfolding.

The positive and negative must be balanced here, just the same as anywhere else, before harmony is possible, and when harmony is reached, then he will find his capacity and power all the while expanding in the direction that medium, we could not hold her brain his peculiar individuality indicates is in narmony with innate possibility.

Here, in spirit life, woman is to man what sunshine is to vegetation, especially is this so where souls are mated; and no soul can long be without, if they desire to come into harmony with nature or natural law. Here sgain nature is the same thoughtful mother, providing for all ber children as soon as they are qualified to enjoy harmony, and not become fossilized, so to speak, because they have reached a haven of rest for themselves, and selfishly enjoying what radical readjustment by years of disciothers cannot, because not yet qualified pline and trying experience. Thus her to interpret the soul of things for themselves; therefore, need teachers or guides to qualify them to find their true the world of humanity much that can soul mates, or relationship to truth

itself. In spirit lifeas well as in material life there are many who have no higher have a battery strong enough to accomaims than to find happiness for them. plish what we so much desire to do, viz : selves, being indifferent to the claims of theory of self-government in every de re started out. This being the law and order inherent truth pertaining to others. This class partment of being-physical, mental, moral and spiritual. The practical illuslocality, but to a great extent fixed tration of which will be very soul-satisto one thought or aim, which does understand and appreciate that truth pertains to man, or any other growth not reach beyond their selfhood or immediate associations. Such minds will but a well demonstrat d fact. But this progress so slowly that it may take mil- is not all. Truthful claims and truthful Spiritual light informs us that man has reached the topmost round of the ladder of fame when he is qualified to of that word or term, which means no uncommonly well developed in train of that word or term, which means no incommonly and as for train activity, structure, and as for train activity, there will be many, very many worthy claims of truth, pertaining to individual But ere harmonization is possible to many now on the material plane of with the needs and necessities of all, so activity, they must relinquish their hold that no one will be left out in the cold, on society's claims until they can aid unprovided for, if competent to labor in mortals or spirits, as mortals are called in remodeling in it, so that many may any field of use, and when rendered inwho have laid off all that is perishable, reach harmonization by having every means and measures will be furnished, as it is commonly stated in reference to obstruction removed that hinders their so that all will be made to feel that they coming into harmonious relation with are indeed objects of interest to those true soul mates, so that heaven on earth may become a practical possibility, and no longer be but a poet's dream, that to adjustment are already outlined in prethe unprogressed seems impossible for centuries to come. When human descrumbles to pleces, to be again taken up in some other form or forms that noth-longer desires to work for self-aggran-come into more intimate, therefore perdizement, but for the good of the race of development the necessary means of morn will have dawned on the planet the best qualified to interpret truthful to interpret truthful of human kind, then the millennial out over the world as the sun in the use, while man will be best qualified to heavens above shines on the earth be-neath to quicken into renewed activity every form of life, and to humanity it will be as a baptism of divine light, life and love. heavens above shines on the earth be-Thus, O man! to day can you redeem yourself from errors gross and hoary with age, and reach an altitude that will with a nameless fear the ignorant and superstitious. For we tell you a solemn will never come. fact when we say that you will become Labor that enlists the attention of fact when we say that you will become conversant with interior truths and principles to that degree that you can sacred shrine of truth, the only god have things all your own way, pertaining to heat, cold, sunshine and humidmethods and come into harmony with ity. How, it is not our province to state, them in order to fully comprehend his although but briefly to make it clear to

quires to be qualified to transmit this possible many minds must be acted on keep the machinery of the universe reproduction, both physical and mental. running without friction or obstruction. Mental illumination being the result of mental impregnation, as has already been stated in previous volumes of Spiritual Science or Spiritual Light, spiritual light being only another name for science, for science means light every time, as has also been stated by some of our circle forces, who, as a unit, are banded together for work, consistent cling, because we are the product of its unfolding possibilities.

Live as we may, progress as we must and tarry in the realm of thought until time is no longer, we can never lose our identity or our interest in that which pertains to human welfare and human happiness on the material place of life. We have a kinship for every soul, a love for every right-minded man, woman or child, and an abiding sympathy with is not possible until they have outgrown all the angularities of birth or develop ment under conditions unfavorable to health of body, vigor of brain, or warm, But ere it is possible for bim to do affectionate feelings. This law of symmore light, continually and seek every opportunity to transmit it to mortals through every available avenue. But ple are so little understood that many things get mixed, or, in other words are imperfectly transmitted because this lack of correct knowledge. But it is better to make the effort even if we fail in giving all that we design or de sire Let us illustrate:

When our medium of communication was first introduced to her work as a passive but a very short time without becoming excited to that degree that we would have to wait sometimes weeks and even months before we thought it wise to use it again, it was so sensitive; and, added to this, was an intense desire to have the world know what was being imparted. This was natural to the individual consciousness because it saw how great was the need of light on the subjects presented before he mind for individual examination Thus years have come and gone, and but little progressive development that could be called permanent and useful to even the medium herself, until the machinery of the brain had undergone a brain has been toned down to a normal standard, and we are using it daily,sometimes almost hourly-to bring to but awaken thought, if it does not influence the actions of but few on the start. Those few will form a nucleus around which others will congregate until we Teach the world of human kind the

the rate of 800,000,000 tons per annum. Ition to our system of worlds, part with would not only fill out the entire plane

escape from its relation to the earth and many thousands of miles in diameter. the atmosphere.

which embrace the bosom of the earth, miles long. and which support a much greater serial pressure than those above, are likely to transcend the influence of this law. However refined the superior portions of the atmosphere may be, they are subject to a rule of combination, in the gascous elements of which they are composed, which is as fixed as the nature of the tree that produces sour fruit, and lies nearest to the material world.

The permanency of the constitution of atmospheric air has been fully attested by science. The oxygen and nitrogen of which it is formed are simply in-termingled and not combined with each other wat their relative protection of gravity. Mr. Davis made mention mit of Mount Blauc, from the Andes ; at 21,100 feet elevation in a balloon ; over marshes; in hospitals; over descontain the exact proportions of 23.04 of oxygen gas, to 76.96 of nitrogen gas, out of every 100 parts.

of flowers and other volatile products are found.

Thus the atmosphere, like a wellentire length, breadth and depth. If any part of it is drawn upon to further the building up processes of zone growth in the summer land, is it not more than likely that its entire map will eventual-ly be absorbed for the same purpose. But here arises another question. It is that of the flow or transmission of

If hydrogen gas, which is 17 times all or some portion of their luminous lighter than air, is held to certain alti- appendages. These bodies are of almost weight,* how is animal matter, which through them remain undiminished in is of much greater specific gravity, to trightness notwithstanding they may be

Sir John Hershell estimated that the If the super stratums of the air are leagth of the brilliant train of the comet eighty six billions, two hundred and obedient to the law of gravity, being of 1811 was all of one hundred millions in themselves composed of highly at- of miles. The comet of 1680 moved at 500 miles an hour would consume 773, tenusted gaseous matter, why should the rapid rate of 120,000 miles an hour. we suppose that the less refined fluids, and was followed by a tail 125,000,000

In speaking of this comet the learned Dr. Lardner says: "As it lay along those outer abysses, it approached along the arm of a hyperbola, rushing across the ordered orbits of our system, into close relationship with the sun, being apart from that orb only the seventh part of our distance from the moon-20,000 m. -and defying his attraction, by force of yet, not less so, than the air which light, it entered upon the other divergent arm of its course, and sped on to-wards new immensities."

Thus we see that matter, in whatever state or condition it may be found, as associated in the formation or structure

other, yet their relative proportions of the existence of this law as long ago never vary. Air taken upon the sum-as the year 1846. He then said : "The substances composing the earth origin-ally comprehended the orbit now observed by its satellite, and that there was an interchanging of particles going erts, or in the deepest mine, is found to on between each accumulation of atoms

In addition to these elements, a small correct, cannot be well disputed. For and variable quantity of carbonic acid how could the particular distance, denvapor and certain other constituents, such as ammoula, nitric acid, the aroma And yet we are informed that matter of a peculiar kind is passing away from the earth at the rate of \$00,000,000 tons per annum. Here is a marvellous made garment, is seen to consist of the discovery! An immense hole is being same elemental material throughout its made in our atmosphere every twelve entire length, breadth and depth. If months if the discovery is true. It

tary system to the orbit of Neptune, but extend far beyond

Light passing from Alcyone to the tudinal limits, as a body possessing inconceivable tenuity. Small stars seen earth occupies 537 years, traveling at the rate of almost 200,000 miles in a single second of time. This star therefore cannot be less than 3,338,286,240 000,000 -three quadrillions, three hundred and thirty eight trillions, two hundred and forty millions of miles from our earth. A cannon ball travelling at the rate of 280 years in passing from it to us.

Lord Ross's gigantic telescope has re vealed stars, to us so distant, that the

light passing from them to us would require no less than 30,000 000 years. These stars cannot be at a less distance than 189345,600,000,000,000 000 - one hundred and eighty nine quintillious, three hundred and forty five quadril-lions, six hundred trillious of miles from A cannon ball moving at the rate of speed already mentioned, would consume 43,200,000.000.000-forty three trilits own enormous velocity, which was lions, two hundred billions years in equal to one-third of the velocity of traveling from them to us." traveling from them to us."

Wonderful and inconcelvable as these magnitudes and distances are, they form but mere insignificant points when compared to the remote region of space, said to be occupied by that vast belt of shin ing matter, called the summer land

Now, can any thoughtful mind sin cerely believe that the dead are obliged to travel so far and so fast, in order to find a home in the future. The author find a home in the future. The author of this strange, psycho theistical doc-trine, informs the world that this far off zone of life, is beautifully decorated with gardens, parks, groves, lakes, rivers, flowers and an infiulte variety of objective things, which he claims to have seen and examined, and he says it is a broad, flat belt, "spanning the heavens like an arch.²

Here again is a new turn in the pa-ture of things. How, let us ask, does the law of gravity apply to a concentric ring or circle of spiritualized matter, extending through the unfathomable depths of space, and furthermore let us ask, as a final question, whether this belt is peopled on the upper and under side alike?

^o Hydrogen gas weighs 2-14 grains to 100 cu-ble inches. "Besides being the lightest sub-stance known," says Prof. David A. Wells, "It possesses also the greatest tenuity, and there is reason to believe that its atoms or molecules are smaller than those of any known substance, since they readily escape, even through an air tight rabber bag or re-cepticle.

Were words ideas, what an ideal world this would be.

in nature, as is everywhere made manifest, whether we view its domain as it or unfoldment below him.

come into harmony with the inherent law of universal being, or, in other words, qualified to recognize the claims of truth, in reference to his creative ca- as well as collective responsibility. pacity and power, and live in harmony with them continually.

But there is much to be learned by experience ere this is pos-ible to either the body of man. But its true meaning is this:

The grosser elements of matter act as a sort of protection or shield, while mind is being individualized, and when it can no longer serve such a purpose, it in some other form or forms that nothing may be lost. For nature is a proviment.

And right here I desire to touch my human brother on the shoulder that he may be reminded that, as yet, he has not followed her bright example, by not trying to absorb more of the wealth of the world than he needs to perfect his own individuality, thus disqualifying others from doing so, because where there is an excess there must be a corre-ponding deficiency somewhere to preserve an equilibrium. But to return to the subject under con-ideration. Truth being all-sided perfection, as has been repeatedly stated in preceding volumes of Spiritual Science, it is fitting that man should search out its destiny as a product of nature.

But as my theme is vast, I will not gent: pursue it longer at this time, but take up the question of destiny.

Destiny is defined by lexicographers atmospheric causes for its manifesta-

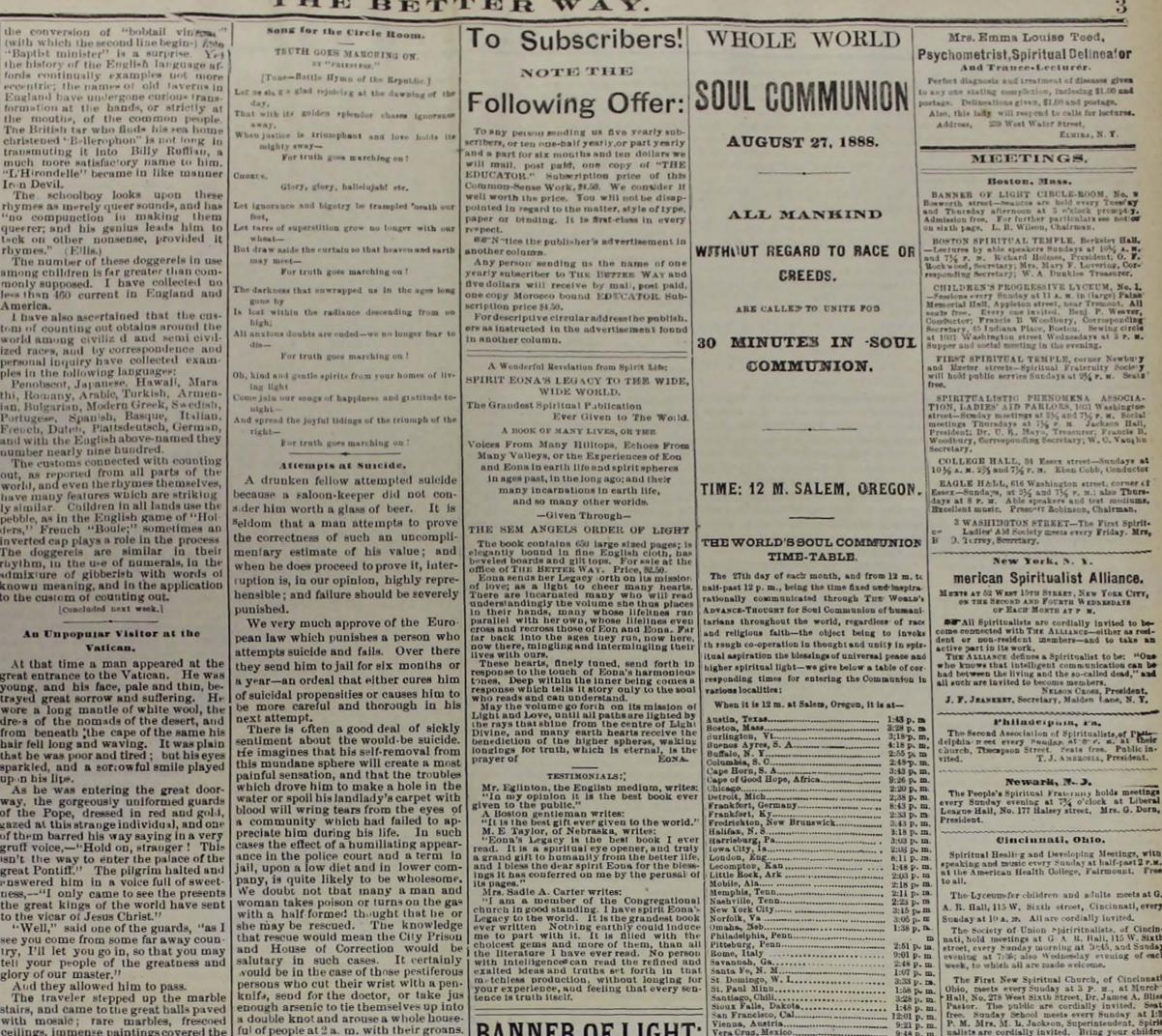
fying to those who are qualified to examples.

Thus can and will be inaugurated an era of peace on the earth. Business will be conducted on a basis in harmony who are chosen to act in the capacity of directors, teachers and sustainers,

The principles, plans and methods of ceding volumes of Spiritual Science, but will be more perfectly and fully elaborated when certain chosen leaders come fect rapport, with interior realms of thought, experience and effort

devise ways and means for their accomwill find its expression in educational directions, and not in mere forms and ceremonies that have no vitality in them. Thus the home, the church and

tody, heart and brain bel. g the only consistent method of worshipping at the worthy of worship that we know anything about in the spheres of life that are not still clouded by erroneous earth-ly teachings, that were founded in either Ity. How, it is not our provided to state. although but briefly to make it clear to the comprehension of the more intelli-gent: Cold and neat are only the extremes of temperature that is dependent on the comprehension of the more intelli-(Consider the the the time is not far distant when even these com-binations will be no longer qualified to (Consider the the time is not far distant when even these com-binations will be no longer qualified to [Concluded on Page 6.]



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the conversion of "bobtail vinigram (with which the second line begin-) \hbar^{m_0} "Baptist minister" is a surprise Y_{eff} the history of the English language affords continually examples not more eccentric; the names of old taverns in England have undergone curious transformation at the hands, or strictly at the mouths, of the common people. The British tar who fluds his sea home christened "B-llerophon" is not long in transmuting it into Billy Rufflau, a much more satisfactory name to him. "L'Hirondelle" became in like manner Iron Devil.

The schoolboy looks upon these queerer; and his genius leads him to tack on other nonsense, provided it rhymes." (Eilis.)

The number of these doggerels in use among children is far greater than com-monly supposed. I have collected no less than 460 current in England and America.

In which one of their number has to take an undesirable part, adopt a meth-od of determining who shall bear the burden, which involes the principle of casting lots, but differs in manner of ex ecution. The process is called in Scot-land "chapping out" and "titting out," I have also ascertained that the custom of counting out obtains around the world among civiliz d and semi-civilmonly known as "counting out." It is conducted as follows: A leader, generally self-appointed, having secured the any sen-appointed, having sectired the boys and girls about to join in the pro-posed game, arranges them in a row or in a circle sround him, as fancy may dictate: He then repeats a peculiar doggerel, sometimes with a rapidity which can only be acquired by great familiarity and a dexterous tongue, and pointing with the band or forefuser at

world among civiliz d'and sent civil-ized races, aud by correspondence and personal inquiry have collected exam-ples in the following languages: Penobscot, Japanese, Hawali, Mara-thi, Romany, Arable, Turkish, Armen-ian, Bulgarian, Modern Greek, Swedish, Partures, Neanish, Basque, Italian, Portugese, Spanish, Basque, Italian, French, Dutch, Plattsdeutsch, German, and with the English above-named they number nearly nine hundred.

The customs connected with counting out, as reported from all parts of the world, and even the rbymes themselves, have many features which are striking ly similar. Children in all lands use the pebble, as in the English game of "Hol-ders," French "Boule;" sometimes an inverted cap plays a role in the process The doggerels are similar in their ruythm, in the use of numerals, in the admixture of gibberish with words of known meaning, and in the application to the custom of counting out.

[Concluded next week.]

An Unpopular Visitor at the Vatican.

At that time a man appeared at the great entrance to the Vatican. He was young, and his face, pale and thin, betrayed great sorrow and suffering. He wore a long mantle of white wool, the dre-s of the nomads of the desert, and from beneath 'the cape of the same his hair fell long and waving. It was plain that he was poor and tired; but his eyes sparkled, and a sorrowful smile played upon his lips.

and the last word is generally said with great emphasis or shouted. After the child thus "counted out" has withdrawn, the leader repeats the same doggerel with the same formalties, and, as before, the boy or girl to whom the last word is alloted is "out," and stands aside. The unmeaning doggerel is recented again to a dimin has withdrawn, the leader repeats the same doggerel with the same formalties, and, as before, the boy or girl to whom the last word is alloted is "out," and stands aside. The unmeaning doggerel is repeated again and again to a dimin ishing number of children, and the pro-cess of elimination is continued until only two of them remain. The leader then counts out once more, and the child not set free by the magic word is declared to be "it." The word "it" is always used in this technical sense, denoting the one bearing the disageeable duty or perhaps the distinguished part in the game; no child questions its mean-ing, nor have we learned of any substi-tute for this significant monosyllable; it is not safe, however, to assert that there is not safe, however, to assert that there is no equivalent when we consider the

And they allowed him to pass. The traveler stepped up the marble stairs, and came to the great halls paved with mosaic; rare marbles, frescoed is no equivalent, when we consider the innumerable whims of the army of children. The declaration to a child, "You are it!" following the process of ceilings, immense paintings covered the walls on all sides. In that palace, itself as great as a city, he beheld great rooms to distingu sh himself next spring. Let "You are it!" following the process of counting out, seems to carry with it the force of military order, and is, in many cases, more promptly obeyed than a pa-than those of Suza, Babylonia, Cairo, There were gifts of great value sent from all parts of the world ; presents from kings, emperors, princes etc. ; rare jewels, golden vases filled with precious stones, silks, velvets and diamonds everywhere. The pilgrim looked with eager curiosity at everything a long while ; his eyes sparkled with joy and his face appeared to beam with triumph. "At last," he exclaimed, "men have become good and the great give to the poor !" and turning to one of the guards he added :--"What great benefits will be done with those vast treasures! the hungry will be number of words, and the general con-struction, any or all of these features. So far as counting out is concerned in hearts! Yes, those who have plenty do give to them who have not; fraterni y has come at last upon the earth, and the blessings of heaven.' While the stranger was speaking thus the guards near him, looking at each other, whispered,—"The poor fellow, he circle by leaving the table, it sometimes, but not must be crazy. But the pilgrim continued with animation :- "Glory be to God, and blessed be the holy man by whose hand these riches will be given to the poor and unfortunate !" Toen, turning to them, he asked :-'And when will the distribution of all these tressures take place? I'd like to be here and see the poor made happy and contented." "Why man you are dreaming ! replied the guard. "All those things belong to our great Pontiff; to him alone, and he won't give any away. "To him alone !" exclaimed the stranger excitedly; "for him all of those jew-els, and gold, and precious stones; all of those robes of slik, gold and stuffs? Go and tell the vicar of Jesus Christ that I'm hungry and thirsty, and that my robes are all in rags, while he's enough here to feed and clothe hundreds of thousands of poor men like me."

a double knot and arouse a whole house-

and House of Correction would be salutary in such cases. It certainly would be in the case of those pestiferous persons who cut their wrist with a penknife, send for the doctor, or take jus enough arsenic to tie themselves up into How to Form Spirit Circles, Inquirers into Spiritualism should begin by formng spirit-circles in their own homes, with no Spiritualist or professional medium present. Should no results be obtained on the first occasion, try again with other sitters. One or more persons possessing medial powers without knowing it are to be found in nearly every household. 1. Let the room be of comfortable temperature, but cool rather than warm-let the arrangement be made that nobody shall enter it, and that there shall be no interuption for one hour during the sitting of the circle. 2. Let the circle consist of four, five or six individuals, about the same number of each sex. Sit round an uncovered wooden table, with all the palms of the hands upon the top surface. Whether the hands touch each other or not is usually of no importance. Any table will do, just large enough to conveniently accompdate the sitters. The removal of a hand from the table for a few seconds does circle by leaving the table, it sometimes, but not always, breaks the manifestations. 3. Before the sitting begins, place some pointed lead-pencils and some sheets of clean writing paper on the table, to write down any communications that may be obtained. 4. People who do not like each other should not sit in the same circle, for such a want of harmony tends to prevent manifestations except with well developed physical medfums; it is not yet known why. Belief or unbelief has no influence on the manifestations, but an acrid feeling against " hem has a weakening influence. 5. Before the manifestations begin it is well to engage in general conversation or in singing, and it is best that neither should be of a frivolous charactor. A prayerful, carnest feeling among the members of the circle gives the higher spirits more <text><text><text><text><text><text> power to come to the circle, and makes it more difficult for the lower spirits to come near.

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[Journal of American Folk-Lore.]

Children playing out-door gan.es, such as "Hide and Seek" and "I Spy,"

but in England and America it is com-

pointing with the hand or forefinger at

each child in succession, not forgetting himself, (or herself), allots to each one

One-ery, two-ery, ickory, Ann, Fillicy, fallacy, Nicholas, John, 'Qneever, quaver, English, knaver, Stinckelum, stanckelum, Jericho, buck!

This example contains six een words;

if there is a greater number of children

a longer verse is used, but generally the number of words is greater than the number of children, so that the leader

number of children, so that the leader begins the round of the group a second time, and mayhap a third time, giving 'to each child one word of the doggerel. Having completed the verse or sentence the child on whom the last word falls is said to be "out," and steps aside. In repeating the above doggerel the accent falls on the first syllable of each poly-syllable word. A very common end ing is:

One, two, three, Out goes she (or he)!

and the last word is generally said with

word of the mysterious formula:

in which one of their number has

alone from their playmates, a few years older; though accuracy is faithfully attempted, changes are introduced from time to time and in the course of generations the results would + carcely be recognized by the children of an earlier period. The round game of Scandal, which is said to have furnished amusement to English literary celebrities, illustrates the way in which oral communications are distorted. Since counting out is the main object in view, the pue-rile mind is probably satisfied with re taining the rhythm, the rhyme, the number of words, and the general conthe simple rbyme-

One, two, three, four, Mary at the cottage door, Five, six, seven, eight, Eating cherries off a plate,

it makes no difference whether we say Jennie for Mary, kitchen for cottage, apples for cherries, picking for eating the general effect is the same. Of the rhyme beginning:

One-ery, two-ery, ickery, Ann.

I have collected about thirty variants. As repeated by some, "English knaver" becomes "Iriso Mary" or "Virgin Mary" some insert the word "berry" or the word "John" before "buck" in the last line: "ickery" becomes "bickory,' "stinckelum" becomes "stringelum,' etc., etc.

Ana, mana, mona, mike; Barcolona, bous, strike; Care, ware, frow, irack: Hallico, ballico, wee, wo, wack! (New York City.)

This also is subject to countless variations: "Barcolona" becomes "tuscalona" "tuscaloosa," "pesky-larry," etc. One form ends in:

Huldy, guldy, boo, out goes you.

- Ana, mana, dipery, Dick, Della, dolla, Dominick; Hytcha, jytcha, dominytcha, Hy, pon, tash. (Central New York.)

In some districts the third line is given as "Houtcha, poutcha, dominout-cha," and in others "Hotcha, potcha," etc. "Tush" may also become "tus" or "tusk."

> Haley, maley, tippety, fig, Tiney, toney, tombo, nig; Goat, throat, country note, Tiney, toney, tiz. (Bhode Island.)

Eatum, pestum, penny pie, Babyloni, stickum, stie, Stand you ont thereby. (Scotland.)

The favorite to-day among American children is the highly absurd jingle:

Ena, mens, mins, mo, Catch a nigger by the toe, If he hollers let him go, Ena, mena, mina, mo.

A very natural corruption is that of lightning. "One is all, two is all, seven," into "Oneerzoll, two-erzoll, zickerzoll, zan," but lar Review

The guardsmen laughed loudly in his face

The pilgrim folded his arms, and, looking at one of the magnificent sacerdotal vestments of the Pope, embroidered all in gold, with precious stones, he continued :

"The vicar of Jesus cannot but be the father of the humble, the benefactor of the poor, the apostle of fraternity. But, alas! I see he lives in a marble palace, dressed in golden mantles, and surrounded by a court and gorgeous valets, while I go barefooted."

So saving, he tore the golden fringe from off the precious robe, and threw it on the ground, under his feet. The guards fell upon him, and, hold-

ing his sacrilegious hands, they drag ged him to a dungeon. And while they were taking him there he kept on

saying: "They call themselves my disciples !" and his eyes gave forth sparks, as of

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Camp correspondents and others should bear in mind that our forms are closed at Tuesday.

C. W. T .- You will notice by correspondence reproduced in another part of this paper that Col. Bundy declines to visit the commercial metropolis, although pressingly invited to do so. He appears to scorn the hospitalities of New York.

Not all mediums are Spiritualists, and but comparatively few Spiritualists are mediums. To form a judgment of Spiritualism by the immorality of a few mediums, is like basing the whole of Christianity on the action of a few of its graceless D. D's.

Is there serious objection to the establishment of Spiritualist camp grounds near Cincinnati? Now is the accepted time to look up a location, but who is looking ? Is it anybody's business to look around in this interest? What is the Ohio Valley Spiritualist Association busying itself about just now ?

In some lines we are overcrowded with correspondence, while in others there is plentiful lack. Our greatest need is good wholesome contributions for the "Youth's

"Oh, by the way, I have had such a good cept those which are for a specific purpose, for with experienced Spiritualists their object was long ago accomplished. So long as tests are satisfying there will be but little advance in the ethics of our cause.

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tion as an officer of the Cincinnati Chamwhat it wants represented that a newspa- sinner alike.

per man is unequal to ? In a personal letter we find this apologetical declaration : "Too much ought not

to be expected of Bundy, for he is only a Spiritualist by marriage." So the writer noon on Wednesday, and that, except thinks. In fact, he is not a Spiritualist at some very brief announcements, we can all, unless Caesar Borgia was a Christian receive no copy for the current week after and John Calvin a Buddhist. We have no difference in men is more fanciful than affect us, we have its similitude within our objection to inherited Spiritualism if it is decent, honest, fair and duly charitable, the worst, and it may be that had the latter but envy, jealousy and back-biting are the reverse of Spiritualism, its dark enemies. and libelous utterances against good mediums are crimes against angels and men. Bundy is a libeler, and if anybody doubts this he himself proves it beyond the shadow of a doubt.

demnation.

open a tirade against the author at the wrath of God will come as a consuming seals, and what you call the spirit of past Department," and we are well aware that same time, and often unwarrantably touch fire and burn the sinner for all eternity. ages is but the spirit of this or that worthy it cannot be easily responded to. Perhaps harshly upon his individuality. This is This is a relic of pagan philosophy which gentleman in whose mind those ages are some of our good friends will try, and not spiritual, nor does it achieve the desired aim, A man may be wrong in his conception of things, or may advocate a policy not favorable to another, but this does not affect his private character. He may be honest and pure-minded for all that, and critics should therefore be careful not to condemn the man because his opinions are not agreeable to them. Hold to the subject, and if you gain a victory then, you will have, at all events, not news from Bonne Terre, in Missouri. It books of the Bible changed, altered, added

achievement.

At the Second Presbyterian Church last Man generally sees those evils most test," remarked an old Spiritualist lately. Sunday evening there was a "question Such an announcement is sickening from box" service; i. c. Rev. Dr. Hays attempt- glaringly reflected in others that he has ticulars it is scarcely equalled. Far reachone who should have been satisfied with ed to answer such questions as his parish. himself. Charity is the outcome of purifi- ing expurgation would do it good, but this phenomena twenty-five years ago. Only loners deposited in a box. The first query cation from the same. And how can he investigators have business with tests, ex- attempted was this : "What does Spirit- purify himself ? Does the Church not ualism prove ?" "Nothing," exclaimed teach that he must be cleansed of his sins wholesome, and reject with still greater Dr. Hays. "And it amounts to nothing. by a bloody ablution? If such were the care that which is liable to mislead, de-You can find out all there is in it if you only remedy, how easy would be the prowill buy and read the Report of the Sey- cess. We could go on sinning until imbe bert Commission. That tells the whole of cile with age, and then, because we cannot

the story of fraud and delusion." There enjoy the material any more, cry : "all is was much more to this effect.

vanity !" Everybody knows that the Report of the No, such is not the order of Spiritual-Seybert Commission is a miserable fail ism. We are taught to look within before ure, which grew out of a resolution to de- it is too late to make a direct attack on our stroy Spiritualism. It has been demolish- evil passions, and thus overcome them ed by Hon. A. B. Richmond, in his book, while still able to manifest through the What I Saw at Cassadaga Lake," and if body. The evil is in the spirit, not in the those who read the one will also read the physical body, and when the latter beother, the unprejudiced man will find that comes decrepit with age, the evil simply there is indeed "another Richmond in the becomes dormant for a period, only to befield." It occurs to us that if Dr. Hays come active again when so-called death will peruse this last named volume he will releases the spirit. Hoary locks are not

A newspaper man is not considered never again advise anybody to read the always an indication of purity or freedom 'sufficiently representative" for nomina- platitudes and unripe deductions of the from selfishness, hatred, malice, uncharita-Seybert Commissioners, nor, we appre- bleness etc., and those who have not overber of Commerce. This is the reason giv- hend, will he ever again announce that come these tendencies when surrounding en for non-acceptance of the nomination Spiritualism proves nothing. Meanwhile conditions enticed or provoked them into Does it occur to you that mediumship of Mr. James A. Green, city editor of the will somebody kindly drop this problem in activity, will have to undergo this ordeal Times-Star, for Vice President on the the question box : "What does Presbyteri- at some future time. "Yellow" ticket. "Not sufficiently repre- anism prove ?" If Dr. Hays is equal to Self-study is the order of our philososentative !" Will the Chamber of Com- the emergency it will precipitate, he is en- phy, and the method is clearly pointed out merce kindly inform an anxious public titled to the respect and esteem of saint and by our spirit friends, who make this

LOVE C. FEAR.

There is more human nature in the to do, or have an inclination for, which is world than anywhere else. It is a curious study, but difficult to investigate in all its ramifications. On general principles it is thought that one man is as good as another, and occasionally better. In truth, the real. The best is but a shade better than own spirit. If we meet with a mortal who enjoyed the same opportunities of birth and breeding which fell to the fortune of the former, he would have proved the superior individual. We must not be too critical.

Means for the improvement of human nature are plentiful, but some of them are The Golden Gate declares its faith in all liable to fall into decay through lack of the same, we will feel charitable toward the psychic phenomena, and throws the re- use. The old way of training was under sponsibility of utterances by correspon- duress of fear, and men were commanded dents wholly upon the writers. At the to fear God and love Him. They found it same time it occurs to us that the commu- impossible to love that which they feared, an effect of pure love unfolded through the nication of Mr. Boston Culchaw was so and therefore fear remained and love de- agency of introspection. outrageous in its references to material- generated. There could be no other result izing mediums that a special disclaimer by under these conditions ; but we know that the G. G. would have been in order. the rule of love is the whole sum of human Nothing more essentially libelous ever ap. bliss, and that fear is the weapon of tyran- the facts of history. So far as these are peared in print, and it scarcely seems pos- ny. Immediate improvement is begun well established, they are very few and sible that our good contemporary noticed when fear is abolished, and when love as- choice. And they prove nothing to a that instead of condemning persons it stig- sumes perfect sway infinite progression is finality beyond establishing an abrupt limit matized a class of mediums as utterly vile assured. Under this rule, and this alone, to man's judgment and power. Said Naand fraudulent. Every Spiritualist feels human nature will become sound and poleon : "What is history but a fiction the injustice of this unwarrantable con- wholesome, and filled with that peace agreed upon ?" "My friend," said Faust which passeth understanding.

The rule of both ancient and modern astic about the spirit of past ages, "the Some critics, when attacking a subject, theology is through fear; fear that the times which are gone are a book with seven

INTROSPECTION.

may be regarded as a pointer in which di-

rection we need purification, for such is

which we may begin to look within our

IMPEDIMENTS OF TRUTH.

People are in the habit of boasting about

Some of the most foolish and untrustworthy things are also in it, and in these parcannot be hoped for in our day. Therefore select with care whatever is good and moralize and overwhelm in the bleakness of error. It requires sound judgement to do this thoroughly and well.

A LIBELER IMPALED.

In this impression of THE BETTER WAY vill be found the correspondence between nel Bundy, H. H. Dailey and myself. My sur-Henry J. Newton and John C. Bundy prise was not wholly confined to the fact of anent the disgraceful libel uttered by the publication, but that it was done is a maillatter, in the Religio Phil.-Journal of May 5th, against Mrs. E. A. Wells of of the Journal and opening the way of escape New York. In the Journal of July 28th from a corner into which Colonel Bundy had portion of this correspondence was pub- permitted himself to be driven. hose dated June 25 and July 18, on the down" from his original position. The the appearance of this correspondence, and wish was undoubtedly father to this thought, but Mr. Newton is "not built that fident every candid and fair-minded reader integrity, and holds it with a tenacity which all the jibes, persecutions and oppotheir loving duty to save us from future suffering .- Like attracts like in all affairs THE BETTER WAY which introduces the of the spirit, and whatever we feel tempted

correspondence and outlines its animus. not strictly of a divine or Godlike nature, attempted to be interfused. One was a produced by the influences which meet us was doubtless to still further vilify Mrs. affects us disagreeably, or there is some-Wells and exhibit to the world "how we in the morning to examine my traps, and thing about him we dislike, we have struck against a vibrating chord in him, and by manufacture testimony in this manner he selves to see where the discord lies hidden. If astute enough to analyze it, we may know exactly what ails us, and can govern ourselves accordingly. When freed from course wholly ex parte and should cut no next one we meet, who is still troubled Still, Dailey, Bundy & Co. will not have with the same evil, for charity in its divine everything their own way. The rights of sense is not a mere pitiful forgiveness, but others are yet to command a fair degree of respect, as will be discovered in the sequel.

> will indicate to readers the status of this unfortunate business :

standing in the city of New York, has for several years enjoyed remarkable success as a materializing and test medium. Among ship, and manifestations through these gifts to the student, who was growing enthusiore ladies and gentlemen of New York. In his first letter that he of a class deserving the implicit confidence of the public, took the matter in charge, constructed a fraud-proof cabinet and inaugurated a long series of investigating se- pressed, the reasons for so doing are now ances, of which they published a report in detail. This report is one of the most interesting and important additions to Spiritabove all suspicion of fraud, but one of the most remarkable and successful materializing mediums in the world. Bundy was have been. The reader will judge whether of those who made it, and yet, in face of as has been stated.

BUNDY STIRRED UP.

Henry J. Newton Writes Him a Letter-After Awhile He Replies But Does Not Answer-More Letters and Replies, in Course of Which He of The File-Uson Gets Down from His High Horse and Re. mounts Facing Tother Way-But He Can. not Crawfish Out of the Hole Into Which He Spurred His Fiery, Untamed Steed in May Last-The End is Not Yet.

NEW YORK, August 8, 1888.

To the Editor of The Better Way. I was very much surprised to find published in the Religio Philosophical Journal, of July 28th, a private correspondence between Cololated and garbled form, and this for the purpose of concealing the truth from the readers

The correspondence which I send you enished, but two of the later letters written tire, will explain itself. It will appear that by Mr. Newton were omitted, to wit : Colonel Bundy saw fit to engage a lawyer to take charge of his part of the correspondence plea that they were inconsequential and in the person A. H: Dalley, an ex Judge of Probate, doing business as a lawyer in the rrelevant, as well as to give color to the city of Brooklyn, and an ardent admirer of charge that Mr. Newton had "backed Bundy. Which of the two is responsible for especially in this garbled form, it may not matter, but there is this about it: I am conway." He takes his position strongly, will agree with me that it is about as conrationally, and with full knowledge of its spicuous an illustration of the infinitely small as was ever revealed by the microscope. What, I ask, could be more unfair than to make such use of private correspondence sition of the world cannot relax. His in- without even asking permission. It is flexibility is clearly apparent in the letter to plainly evident that it was deliberately planned from the first, and I can now understand why Judge Dailey persisted in accusing me, in his letters, with having changed my Into the correspondence published by the proposition to Colonel Bandy. and paying no Journal on 28th July two letters which attention to my repeated demands as to the had no business in such connection were truth of such a statement. It was for the purpose of publishing his statements and suppressing my denials, and then with a letter from Bundy to his attorney, Judge grand flourish of trumpets declare that I had Dailey, of Brooklyn, and the other the Jud- backed down. A very pretty trap and very ge's reply. The object of their publication cleverly set. When a boy I used to set boxtraps for rabbits down in the old cranberry swamp, and many a time have I been down apples swim"-when we have everything frequently found them sprung, but nothing our own way. If Judge Daley seeks to in them. The Colonel has sprung his trap and is engaged in taking account of stock, I suppose. I question, however, if he is altohas chosen an experienced assistant, but gether satisfied and happy with the result. we certainly entertained a higher esti- I further apprehend that the bit of consolamate of the gentleman. The letters are of tion to be gained from the fact that he acted under legal advice, will be but transient, as he views his dilapidated and empty trap. I figure in this controversy. We omit them. stand in the smallest possible fear of the operation of any such silly mental ma chinery. I care nothing whatever what he or any one else writes about me so long as they adhere to the truth, but when they depart from that they will be pretty sure to hear from me; and if there is any law to A slight recapitulation of circumstances reach the case, legal punishment will follow, even if it should become necessary to take up my residence in Chicago,

I am not seeking fame or fortune from Mrs. Wells, a lady of character and Spiritualism. Whatsver my debts and obligations to it are (and they are many) are not of a pecuniary character.

It is plainly evident in the correspondence between Bundy and Dailey that it was arwell-informed people there has been no ranged expressly for publication; the drapery question as to the integrity of her medium- thrown around it to disguise this fact, is altogether too thin, and simply serves the more clearly to reveal and expose it. If we have been remarkably brilliant and conclu- could be permitted to read all that passed besive. When a question was raised by some tween them during the time of this corre-'outsiders'' reflecting upon the genuineness spondence, what an interesting exhibit II of her gifts, she promptly demanded a would make: Perhaps colour his attorney did the best possible thing for his committee of investigation, and a dozen or client under the circumstances, as he stated and yet I question whether Judge Dailey is the "sweet by and bye" will contemplate this performance with either pride or satisfaction. As my fourth and fifth letters were supobvious. In my fourth I pointed out the source of the animus of Colonel Bundy's attack on Mrs. Wells, May 5th, and also showed the impossibility of it being true, ualist literature ever made. It proves Mrs. This letter is alluded to as long and ram-Wells to be not only honest, not only bling. From the nature of Judge Datley's letters and the mass of outside and erroneous matter introduced, I was compelled to make my letters longer than they otherwise would cognizant of this report and the reputation they are "inconsequential" and "irrelevant," Judge Dalley, in his correspondence with periences with Mrs. Wells several years "We can, if necessary, prove in the courts, since. He related the same to me soon after of New York City that Mrs. Wells is a vile it occurred. He does not, in his narration, deny that Mrs. Wells was in a trance at the time, but insists that it makes no difference in reference to her criminality. On this point I take issue with Judge Dailey. One of the first things for an investigator to establish is

then, peradventure, try, try again.

One delightful correspondent writes : "Spiritualists should agree to be moral, and, if they cannot be moral, let them be as moral as they can."

This sentence covers the whole ground. It means that every one should do the best thing possible under the circumstances. Nobody can do more or better. Let us see who will do as well.

The moral cauldron is bubbling nicely, and many of the oldest Spirituatists send notes of approval and corrections for our list of speakers and mediums. Let those who think our plan impractical wait a little. We knew in advance that it would make things warm for us, but this is a blessed condition always present with newspaper managers.

In the current impression of THE BET-TER WAY will be found the conclusion of Miss Shelhamer's admirable story, "Six Chapters in the Life of a Spirit." It is a production of sterling merit, and, we trust, has been widely read. To those who have not had time to peruse it while in course of publication, we will send the six numbers in which it is contained on receipt of twenty-five cents.

Sunday in September. This is a good indication, for it shows an active interest in from to-morrow it will be profitable, we imagine, to witness a practical illustration appointed.

Some of our friends are troubled with a concupiscence of doubt as to the advisability of admitting the question of personal morality into any discussion of mediumship. They contend that the medium is merely a machine; to do the will of the spirit-world, and, having answered this purpose, nothing further should be required. Does it ever occur to them that if the fountain is unclean, that which flows from it cannot be pure and wholesome ? If truth in its purity is desired, it must be sought at a pure source, with adjuncts as clean and sweet as the most transcendental virtue. The moral question must be prominent and demand prime regard.

Love is the great lever which uplifts mankind from the dregs of animalism, whether this exists in the form of sensualism, arrogance or selfishness. The latter named are all impulses of his lower nature, and man intuitively strives to overcome them by physical purity, modesty and a desire to do good. These are the divine impulses which arise from his soulnature, and an inheritance from the original fount of his being, God. When sufficiently developed to manifest themselves without effort, they assume one general impulse, love-God being love by virtue of constituting a condition which constantly gives, imparts and bestows-the opposite of human selfishness,

ancient and rock-ribbed orthodoxy which and truth without delay. kept the people in ignorance to the end Prof. Peters is under arrest on the charge the institution by those who must soon be- that they might be more readily enslaved of obtaining money on false pretenses, and come its chief reliance. In two weeks to creed and mummery, but it can never he will be punished severely. The bad with that reverential ecstacy whose only of this interest in a large attendance at the of inquiry thoroughly asserted, and the fy a revengeful feeling, as he is said to lyceum services. Let not this hope be dis- general dissemination of intelligence, have have disturbed some social relations at ful as they saw the truth ; inspired as they smaller and smaller year by year. How "beautifully less" they have grown in the past twenty five years! How infinitesi-mal they look to people of uncramped views. It is as easy to-day to believe in the old fable that dragon's teeth were sown in a field near Thebes and sprang up armed men, as that Joshua stopped the revolutions of our solar system by a command, or that God prolonged the life of Hezekiah fiften years by turning back the sun-dial ! Men have learned to think, to investigate, to know, and Talmage's occupation is in dan-ger. The more people think for them. In a field near taimage's occupation is in dan-ger. The more people think for them.

ignorance retains to perpetuate its own reflected." power, but it cannot remain when intelligence becomes general. God is love, which is one of the most important lessons of Spiritualism. It will ultimately

TROUBLE AT BONNE TERRE, MO.

uncharitableness.

compromised your own character in the is an account of the "expose" of Prof. Peters, who "professes" to spirit mediumship, and perhaps something more. Indeed, we that many of the myths and superstitions have had favorable reports of him from St. of paganism were purposely retained, in of which we have published on account of Christianity. This is Christian testimony. their evident good faith and interesting de | Will the good Christian of to day inform tails. And undoubtedly he is a medium, us how to distinguish between these interbut mediumship for physical manifestations is not always at command of mortals, and many of them under these cir- the other hand, shall Justin Martyr's testiown. In these cases they are almost inva- thankful for the necessary information. riably detected, as they ought to be. We Under present conditions one is liable to are simply supposing that Prof. Peters did very sad mistakes. as herein indicated, but a letter at hand from Dr. Suddick, of Bonne Terre, attest- nisms. As nothing impossible can be iming to the completeness of the expose, confirms us in the view to which the supposi-

Rev. Talmage says that advanced thought tion leads. It is an unfortunate circumis only another name for atheism, and that stance for Spiritualism, which was just truth in every life, one sustained by the Some disappointment is expressed by it is advisable for the majority of people to gaining a foothold at Bonne Terre, and the children on account of the closing of think less and believe more. This is a some good medium should go there and hope for that good time coming to every the lyceum at Grand Army Hall till first repetition of the moss-covered idea of that establish the difference between falsehood one, whose beautiful fabric is reared in the

> be made practicable again for this purpose. point about the business is, that he will Free schools, books, newspapers, the right probably be punished inordinately to satis- gave us an admixture of fact and fiction relegated mere belief to the possession of Bonne Terre in a manner quite disgraceful sensed inspiration ; grand, lofty and pecuthose who are yet willing to stumble along to the parties immediately concerned. If liar in many features ; ignorant, paltering in the dimness of faith rather than walk this rumor is true he should be punished and full of misdirection in others. They firmly by the divine light of knowledge. for the act, rather than upon the charge and the number of these is becoming involving an argument purely mercenary.

History is made by the few and its record is influenced by the prejudice or belief of the writers, who use or reject facts as it suits their purposes. It is easy to see that destroy fear, revenge, superstition and all such history is no better than fiction,really not so good, for fiction does not purposely mislead. Yet we are told by Justin Martyr, one of the Fathers of the We have unfavorable and distressing Church, that the early transcribers of the to or omitted certain passages to suit their peculiar views or please the Pagans, and Louis, from parties who are reliable, some order the more readily to gain converts to these facts, on 5th May last he published Colonel Bandy, introduces some of his exthe following statement : polations and that part of Holy Writ which trick cabinets and confederates." is claimed to be inspired of God ? Or, on

Fiction and fact are not decided antagoagined, it is not impossible to encompass the concretion of all fiction in a grand exposition of truth. There are two lines of hard lessons of experience, the other by as liable to be called fiction as anything else. The early religionists were filled escape valve is the imagination, and they which is very earnest and eloquent ; truthmade a Bible for their own age. This day and generation is more progressive, and

swindler, and has been for years using

This was written and published by a person who never saw Mrs. Wells, who cuinstances attempt to supplement the mony be rejected ? We are at quite a loss has no proof regarding her mediumship just where the responsibility of the medium power of the spirit world by acts of their to know what should be done, and will be within his own knowledge, but who seems to be willing to adopt any floating rumor which reflects upon the mediumistic gifts of every psychic person who fails to pay

tribute to Bundy. Is such a man a Spiritualist ? Does he deserve the recognition of Spiritualists? Ought he be entrusted with the work of terview, and that in the most dogmatic manmolding Spiritualist opinion ? Words fail to do justice to the subject. Let every true Spiritualist resolve it for himself.

But the end is not yet. The matter is of import too grave to be carelessly dropped. investigation of a subject so intricate and imagination, and whose outcroppings are Bundy is to have unlimited opportunity to "prove," even if it b comes necessary to the truth? If he does, he has a most extravathis end for Mr. Newton to remove his gant and unjustifiable opinion of his ability residence to Chicago ; and in the interest as an investigator. In my extensive experiof Spiritualism we rejoice that this is so. Too many lies have been told and too much harm has been done already by spies in the Spiritualist camp, and if an example is now made of one of the dirtiest of these libelers, it will have a wholesome effect upon the entire swarm of his fellow vermin. He can have no object in the persecution of Mrs. Wells except the injury of Spiritualism, and to our view this appears to be, covertly, his object all the time. We cannot otherwise interpret the contorted views he exhibits of many of the choicest psychic phenomena which now bless humanity, and we rejoice in the prospect conscience. By intelligent people they can of showing him up and stripping him of his dangerous disguise.

We have interesting reports from Onset, Sunapec Lake and Haslet Park camps, received just as our pages were ready for the press, which will appear next week.

begins and ends. Did Judge Dailey ever make the slightest effort to inform himself as to where the deception, if any, was chargeable? Did he ever go to Mrs. Wells for the purpose of repeating he experiment, carefully examining the testimony and the phenomena in different ights? To these questions I anwer, No. He stopped and made up his mind from one in. ner, and talks and writes as if he was justified from that one occurrence in branding Mrs. Wells as a fraud. In my estimation such treatment of a medium is unjust and cruel. Does he suppose that such superficial omplicated as the exhibition of spirit phenomena will ever put him in possession of ence it has frequently been necessary to witness the phenomena at least a dozen times before coming into possession of absolute proof as to their true character.

Colonel Bundy's methods of pretended investigation are wholly inexcusable, and, as a matter of fact, there is no investigation about them. He sets himself up as an infallible judge; the only one capable of anderstanding the value of evidence. Filled with egotism, and not unfrequently with malice, he proceeds to pronounce judgment on cases and questions about which he is profoundly ignorant The evidence upon which he de cides many important questions is furnished in the main by some notorious gossiper, and verything from such a source he seems to velcome with apparent relish, and on such testimony proceeds to carve up his victim with evident satisfaction. No amount of pecial pleading can make such treatment of nediums justifiable or right.

In this whole matter the supreme effort of the lawyer for his client seems to have been directed to the one purpose of making if (Concluded on Page L.)

Cassadaga.

A LINE FROM CHARLES DAWBORN.

say the same. Of course the location is

charming; but every camp is selected for

its pleasurable surroundings, and Cassa-

daga is simply the equal of many others in

that respect ; yet, as a matter of fact, it has

aiready gained a national reputation, and

We shall gain no knowledge of the se-

cret by comparing it with other camps :

so I simply ask myself why I am having

such a very good time here. But the

question is not easy to answer ; for there

are many factors that go to make up the

pleasing experience. The happy family

idea seems to be carried out successfully

here, for all are peaceable and purring.

The phenomena-lover has just what his

soul craves. Amongst the many mediums

are three slate-writers. It is amusing to

watch sober citizens rushing round with

slates under their arms, as if they were

bent on roofing one of the twenty-five

new cottages built this season. But the

happy faces of those investigators show

you that slate and test and form have en-

There are many here, who, having gained

lecturers are provided representing many

brary Hall," has been opened and dedi-

cated this season, as a child of three hun-

dred volumes, with a delightful reading

room for its nursery. Several seance

rooms, and a nice lecture hall render the

building complete in its usefulness to the

campers. But the auditorium is the gem

of Cassadaga. It is, I believe, the only

covered auditorium at any of our camps.

When its canvas wings are outspread it

shelters an audience of fifteen hundred;

most of them sitting on convenient seats,

as comfortably as in the church where

sinners are supposed to take their ease on

the brink of hell. The speaker finds it an

easy task to make the crowd hear.

speak from experience; for, three times, I

easily grasping every word, without special

effort on the part of the lecturer. I believe

experience.

other speakers have had the same pleasing

When the canvas wings are lowered, the

auditorium becomes a theatre for the very

interesting Lyceum exhibitions and enter-

tainments with which the campers are

have been greeted with pin-drop audiences, I

deared Cassadaga to their hearts.

has visitors from many States.

PERSONAL.

Miss M. Shelhamer is enjoying her summer vacation at Verona, Maine. Mrs. J. H. Wright is visiting some of the

camps in the Northwest. Miss, Jennie B. Hagan is at Sunnapee Lake

Camp, Newbury, N. H. Dr. McKenzle will be absent from the city

during the next two weeks on a mission of business and pleasure.

J. Madison Allen reports a very harmonious camp meeting at Vicksburg, Mich. where he spoke July 16, 18, 24, 25, 29 and August 1. He is at present under engagem ent for the Sundays of August in Chicago, III., at 116 Fifth avenue, and may be addressed at 222 West Monroe St.

CAMP MEETINGS.

Cassadaga Camp Meeting opens July 21. Iowa Staje Camp convenes July 1st, and continues for five weeks.

Sunapee Lake Camp, at Newbury, N. H. commences July 29th and closes August 29th.

Camp at Vicksburgh, Mich., from July 13 to August 14.

Haslett Park, Mich., meeting will be held for five Saudays, beginning July 26.

Verona Park, Maine. From August 12th to to August 27th.

Queen City Park, Vermont. Meetings begin August 21st; continue till September 16th. Lake Pleasant, Mass., August 1st to September Srd.

Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Association will hold a five weeks Camp Meeting beginning July 29, at Mount Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa.

Prof. J. M. Alten lectures in St. Louis, August 8; in Vicksburg, Michigan, Camp, August 15. 16, and 18. Address, Vicksburg, Mich. Care W.S. Wandell.

The Parkland, Pennsylvania, meeting camp opened on Saturday, June 30, and closes Sept. 5, 1885. Their fine galaxy of speakers and mediums, the beautiful grounds, and great facilities will make it very popular

Warren Chase is at Mount Pleasant Camp Meeting, Clinton, Iowa, where he will remain till last of August. From 1st December till April, '89, he will reside at St. Louis and lectore there and at places easily accessible from that city.

Cassadaga Camp.

To the Editor of The Better Way. Cassadaga camp is now in the height of its

glory, as beautiful as nature and man's handiwork can make it.

Cassadaga's favorite Miss Jennie B. Hagar, has just closed her engagement with us, and it was as usual, grandly successful.

Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, has to-day closed her term with the camp. She has really outdone herself this season. She is to

speak again next week. Chas. Dawbarn is with us and is well liked. Mrs. Colby Luther is at this moment hurling her thunder bolts at churches, ministers, men, women, monopolies and all other things that she thinks are not to her liking or after her pattern.

Walter Howell is also with us doing good work.

Frank Baxter is here and will speak tomorrow and great things are looked for from him. He is a good platform test medium. Prof. Peck is in charge of the vocal music, and gives us a goodly number of old-fashion-

ed Methodist songs and congregational singing

over all our meetings so far, and pleases all C. P. Meskimen, East End, Pittsburg, Penn. with his manly bearing, scholarly ways and

[A'l announcements and notices under this head must be received at this office by

Monday to insure insertion the same week. Mrs. Nellie Cofran is located at Onset. A. Willis, materialization, No. 19 Broadway

Movements of Mediums.

Mary L. French is open for engagements or 1889.

J. W. Fletcher will speak at Parkland, Pa.

and Sunapoe, N. H. Camp Meetings. Dr. F. L. H. Willis is now residing at Glen-

ora, Yates Co., N. Y.

for the summer.

is attending the Parkland, Pa., Camp Meet- and September 1 and 2. ing, and will give sittings.

San Francisco, leaves, August 23d, for Bristane, Australia.

Mrs. L. A. Logan conducts meetings Sunday evenings at Harmony Hall, Denver. Col.

Mrs. Fannie Ogden, 618 Main street, Peoria, III. Trance, Test and Psychometric reader.

The "Parker Circle" has adjourned its meetings until September 15th, when they will

Mrs. Ciara Field is at Lake Pleasant, but can be addressed for engagements, care of Bauner of Light, Boston.

lectures or grove meetings, by addressing her at Fulton, Oswego Co., N. Y.

Mrs. T. J. Lewis, speaker and test medium, 205 Harrison Ave., Boston, will answer calls in the Eastern States.

form Test medium, will answer calls for the fall and winter months. 98 Park street, Chel-

Mrs. A. D. Webster, the renouned trance, test and platform medium of the East, is now located at 1604 Pine street, St. Louis, Mo.,

tures and sittings. Mrs. Sallie Scoville, the well-known psy-

be found at No. 1415 Olive street, St. Louis Mo.

pects to go to Onset Bay Camp for a few days of needed change and recreation.

trance and test medium, has returned to the city, and is now located at 1620 Pine street.

and attend funerals anywhere in the United

Miss Lizzie D. Bailey, trance lecturer and psychometric reader, is open for engage ments. Reasonable terms. Address Dr. Thos. McAboy, 727 Twelfth st., Louisville, Ky.

summer months are at Adrian, Detroit, Lansing and Munroe, Mich., and South Bend, Ind. She can be addressed at Carleton, Mich. Edgar W. Emerson, Aug. 4 to 13, visits Suna-

self alone, but to the public, to set forth assadaga, N. Y., Camp Meeting; September, some facts respecting my mental and phy at Buffalo, N. Y., and October at Troy, N. Y. sical condition during the past year. the early part of the year 1883, my ner-G. W. Kates and wife are engaged for the grove meeting at Hicksville, Ohio, August 11 vous system became very much affected, so that I was unable to sleep. This restand 12, and Clinton, Iowa, camp meeting, less and sleepless condition continued to

August 19 and 26. They would like to make engagements in the West for months of Sep. that extent that many nights in succession I was unable to close my eyes, all of tember and October. Address, Chattanooga, which was reducing my physical powers Tenn.

he has still some unengaged dates for

Remarkable.

dition from purging of the bowels, that without help I must soon have passed over. In ach instance a few drops of a cheap or easily prepared medicine, gave almost instant relief, and without being followed by any bad

A.S. Pease will make Saratoga his home

Mrs. Mary J. Jennings, of Camden, N. J.

Fred Evacs, independent state writer, of

Can be engaged for the season of 88 and 89.

resume again at 2121 Walnut street.

Miss Josephine Webster, Trance and Plat-

sea, Mass.

where she can be addressed in regard to loc-

chometric reader is again in the city and can have it? '

August 4th Annie Lord Chamberlain ex-

Mr. Geo. V. Cordingley, the wonderful boy

St. Louis, Mo. J. W. Kenvon will answer calls to lecture

States and Canada. Address, 54 Boswick street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

giving them a monopoly of caring for the sick ; if they had not their business would

Mary A. Charter's engagements for the have been gone. Read the following : pleasure, but a duty that I owe, not to my

pee Lake, N. H., Camp Meeting; 16th to 27th,

and also affecting the mental; in fact, the greeted several times a week, as well as Dr. J. C. Street, of Boston, has presided Helen Stuart-Richings is the guest of Mrs. whole structure was gradually becoming for the Wednesday and Saturday night weaker and weaker each day, and during hops.

Written for The Better Way. Twice within a year I have been in a con-I can not help asking myself wherein ies the secret of the delightful experience of every visitor to Cassadaga Camp. 1 effects. I am so well convinced of its value in cases of dysentery, that I want others to share its benefits; therefore I will send the receipt to anyone who will send me 25 cents in postage stamps. Address, ANTIOCH, CAL. LOIS WAISBROCKER. know there are whole-souled, competent officers, perpetually awake to every necessity, and unselfishly active in their duty : but almost every camp in the country can

Annual Meeting, 1888.

The Friends of Human Progress will hold their thirty-third annual meeting at Forest Temple, North Collins, N. Y., August 30, 31, Mrs. Lillie, Inspirational speaker; E. W. Emerson, platform test medium, and J. P. Lillie, vocalist, have been engaged, and others will be added to the list as soon as

raugements are complety. Reduced rates on the Buffalo and S. W. R.R.

All visitors will be cordially welcomed. EMMA TRAIN, Sec'y.

Indiana Association.

To the Editor of The Better Way.

The Indiana Association of Spiritualis s will meet in Westerfield's Hall, Anderson, Indiana, at 10 A. M., September 13, 1888. We hope all Spiritualists of Indiana will come to Mrs. Mary C. Kulght can be secured for this meeting. There will be a number of speakers and test mediums in attendance, and a grand time is expected For particulars write to GEO. W. HUNTER, Secretary,

Indianopolis, Ind. DR. BECK, Pres., Delphi, Ind.

Financial.

"Do you object to loan me a few hundred dollars?

"Then will you please let me have the proof of spirit return, are now eager stumoney? dents of its philosophy. For such, the best

"No? What do you mean? "

phases of thought ; some voicing their own "No money. "Then why did you say you would let me opinions; others that of their spirit-controls. A handsome building, called " Li-

"I did not.'

"I so understood "

"No."

"No."

"I said I had no objection. This is true. I have no objection to loan you a million; but I might have if I had the money. Do you understand?" He understood.

SOCIETY OF UNION SPIRITUAL. ISTN. BUSINESS COMMITTEE for July and August

M. G. YOUMANS,

EDWARD O. HARE,

CHAS. C. STOWELL.

The Medical Law.

The old doctors have obtained a law

ANOTHER MIRACLE

My Dear Friend: 1 esteem it not only a

DR. A. R. DOBSON, Maquoketa, Iowa

kind treatment. He will preside until the close of the meetings. The Dr. has classes for instruction in the

art, science and mystery of soul culture and inner unfoldment, and has a large number of pupils under his charge at present.

He is a versatile genius, and is a veritable lexicon and authority on Spiritualist mat-

Rev. Sam'l Watson, of Memphis, Tenn., is expected soon, as is Mrs. H. S. Lake, of Wis. Both are good speakers. W. J. Colville is to come to us for the last

week of the meeting. Mrs. R. S. Lillie will fill us with heavenly inspiration during the last weeks of our

Edgar W. Emerson will be with us from the

Edgar W. Emerson will be with us from the listh. He is a wonder. As for mediums, we are blessed with a large number of the very best. Who is the best is hard to say, so I will begin at the front gate and take them by rotation. First comes Will A. Mansfield, the independent statewriter, who is doing grand work in his line. Next is P. L. O. A. Keeler, who cannot be beaten either at state writing, materializing or any known physical manifestation.

beaten either at slate writing, materializing or any known physical manifestation. Next is Dr. Wm. Keeler, the photo artist, who photos spirits on the wing. And then Dr. William's wife is a good med-um for the phase of materializing. She has crowded houses nightly. The Bangs Sister, whom Bundy raided in Chicago and by so doing gave them a fame that is world wide, are here. They have all the phases possible in the physical line; slate writing, materializing forms, dark s-ances and light seances. They get manifestations outdoors, up stairs, in a church, in any place with almost any condi-tions.

Hors. The world ought to know that when File-Us-Off Bundy took the Bangs Sisters into court, he was bundled out so quick that he has forgotten to own up in the File, that he has been badly routed and most ignominous-ly defeated and driven in a hole by these two

iy deleated and driven in a hole by these two girls. Cassadega lacks only "Bubys" condemna-tion to make its glory complete. May he give that condemnation through the "Fire"speed-ily, and as strongly as he has done it in per-sonal letters to people at the camp. Our money receipts show a large increase over last year. Thirty new houses have been added during the sping. Tranks are plentiful, and good sound reas-obers are scare as ever. On this score our speakers are about equally divided. Half of them soar above earth and into the region of spirits, and the other half plod along on the earth plane, while both classes cat beef and pointees just as though they never heard of a spirit world. Files, morguitoes and other vermin let us

Files, morquitoes and other vermin let us alone here in this region of rest, where we sleep under woolen blankets at night, and sit in sylvan shades by day. Our hotel is filed to overflowing and most of our cottages are fuil. Board at one dollar per day can be had in or optiside of camp.

or outside of camp. A new Post Office called Lily Dale has just been established and a regular post master presides. Mail reaches us twice a day from all peints. The Western Union has an office the grounds, and the D. A. V. R. R. has a station here.

atation here. We are so far from any town that not a loafer is seen here on week days or Sundays. A policeman is an unknown quantity Two groceries feed us well. We have a barber shop, a laundry, a cart-man, an ex-press man, a candy shop, an ice cream par-tor, a drug store, a bakery, soda fountain, boat houses, steam yachis, pond lilles acd other dainties. We have our share of saints, sinners, dev-

We have our share of saints, sinners, dev-ils and preachers and a Jewish Rabbi from Bradford.

The day of long-haired Spiritualism, and short-haired, and short dressed women has

There are more of the short haired men now than ever, showing that the hard-head-ed ones are being converted to our cause. Taimage is at Chatauqua, twelve miles from us. He ought to come over to this mec-ca of Spiritualists and just contemplate our crowd of intelligent inquirers, and feel in his soul how he has lied about us. Yours fraternally,

Yours fraternally, J. W. DENNIS. LILT DALE, N. Y.

during July at West Alder street, E. E. Pittsburg, Penn., while her correspondents are reminded that her permanent address is gan and northern Minnesota, but of no

"General Delivery, Boston, Mass. J. Frank Baxter, during August goes to Mantua, O., Yearly Meeting; Cassadaga, N. Y., Camp Meeting; Niantic, Conn., Camp

Meeting, and Lake Pleasant, Mass., Camp Meeting, respectively. September he con tinues with Etna, Me., Camp Meeting; Madison Lake, Me., Camp Meeting; then to Willimantic, Conn., for thethird Sunday or the month; and to Lynn, Mass., for the fourth and fifth Sundays, and on continuously in other places into the fall of 1889.

Miss Jennie B. Hagan will lecture and give rhythmic improvisations-

August 6th to 12th, Onset Bay, Mass., Camp Meeting. August 13th to 21st, Sunapee Lake, N. H.

August 22nd to 25th Queen City Park. Vt, Camp Meeting.

August 26th to 31st, Etna, Me. Camp Meeting.

September 2nd and 9th, Bridgeport, Conn., Camp Meeting.

Miss Hagan's time is all engaged up to the Camps of '89

Parties wishing to engage her for fall and winter of '89 may address her, or F. A. Boutelle, Business Manager, South Framingham Mass.

CINCINNATI MEDIUMS.

Mrs. J. H. Stowell, Trance. 232 Findlay St. Mrs. M. Reinhart Trumpet Medium, 543 W. Court St.

Mrs. S. Seerey, 34 Gest street, Trumpet and Slate Writing.

Dr. J. F. Williams, Vital Electro Magnetic Healer, No. 228 West Ninth street.

Mrs. A. G. Kuball, 398 Baymiller street, between Poplar and Findley streets. Trumpet

J. D. Lyons, 188 Richmond street. Trance, Readings from Letters, Photos, Hair, etc

Mrs. M. Englert. Trampet. 67 Marshall Ave.

Mrs. Stewart. Trumpet and Independent Slate Writing. 10 Addison street.

Mrs. Anna Cusna. Independent Slate Wrier. 83 Mill street.

Mrs. Laura A. Carter, Hawthorne avenue, Price Hill, Independent Slate Writer.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Winchester, 371 Elm street. Trumpet.

Notice to Spiritualists of Wisconsin.

Dr. J. C. Phillips, of Omro, has been appointed agent for the State to solicit subscriptions and advertisements for this paper. We hope that all Spiritualists will give him their sid in furthering the cause for which he is so earnestly working

THE WAY PUBLISHING CO. 54 Bostwick, St.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., July 9, 1887. B. F. Poole,

Dear Sir:-It gives me great pleasure to inform you that your Melted Pebble Specta form you that your Metted Pebble Specta cles reached me all right. They fit the eyes perfectly. I can read No. 10 of "Direction" with perfect naturalness. I have laid my old spectacles one side, as I find I can use yours for hours without thring my eyes. I ireely and fally recommend your clairvoyant gift to determine the power of glass needed for anyone's eyes. With heart-felt thanks I am Dear Bir, ficspectfully, J. W. KENYON.

next winter, and can be directly addressed all this time I was seeking the various patent medicines, and consulting the best medical ability that I could find in Michiavail; and finally I was advised to cross the continent, and in October I took a trip to Puget Sound, returning home about November 1st, having received little or no benefit from my journey.

Upon returning home I again consulted an eminent physician, who informed me that nothing but temporary relief could be afforded me; and thus I went on until about Nov. 25th, when a friend, hearing of my situation, brought me one of Dr. Dobson's circulars, advising and urging me to try the magne ic healer of Makuoketa, Iowa. I finally consented under protest, to send for a diagnosis of my case. This was November 25th; on the 27th I slept some, but from the latter date up to and including December 4th, I did not sleep, all told, twenty minutes, at which time my mind and memory had become so weakened, and with a distracted brain I At a public memorial meeting there were was on the verge of insanity. At the time of the arrival of the first month's medicine, Demember 5th, I had about fully made up my mind that my case was hopeless and my restoration doubtful in the extreme, as it had baffled the skill of the most eminent physicians in different sections of the country. I commenced your treatment on December 5th, and ere I had taken the first month's medicine I could readily perceive a marked change in my mental and physical condition, and before the second month was ended, to my surprise, and that of my friends, I regarded myself fully restored, both mentally and physically, to as good a degree of health

as I have enjoyed in twenty years, and for the same I express my heartielt thanks to Dr. Dobson, the magnetic healer, of Maquoketa, Iowa, to whom I am indebted as the restorer of my nealth.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL MAFFETT. MUSKEGON, MICH.

Spirit Life.

A spirit life's o grand in its completeness, Amazed - Un lost, O wondrous life's o full of love and sweetness, To one storm tossed, Storm-tossed for years upon a treacherous ocean, How welcome rest. Yet looking backward o'er life's wild commotion, I see 'twere best. The love I lost I found in angel's keeping, And finer grown,

The love I loss I found in angel's keeping, And finer grown,
And he for whom my secret heart was weeping, Calls me his own.
O spirit life's o good in its completeness I stand confessed,
O, wondrous hife's o full of love and sweetnesr, Here's rest, sweet rest.

-Mrs. Eliza A. Martin, in True Messenger,

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the trustees who has contributed to this success, has passed on, and is sadly missed by those with whom he has been working. many expressions of sorrow, and the following resolutions were entered on the records of the association

In memoriam of H. L. Rowe. Whereas ; in the inevitable course of nature, our brother H. L. Rowe has been called to the higher life; and whereas although the transition from the physical to the higher spiritual life is gain to him and does not wholly remove him from participation in our cause, still we feel that his transition is an irreparable loss to us, therefore be it : Resolved, that we hereby pay to his memory the tribute of our respect and ad-

miration for his virtues as a man, and his unflinching and zealous adherance to his) convictions ; Resolved, that we commend the example of his consistent life, in which were illustrated the principles and high teachings of

the spiritual philosophy which he held as truth : Resolved, that we commemorate his zeal

in working for our common cause, and for the growth and usefulness of Cassadaga Lake Free Association of which he was a trustee

Resolved, that as evidence of our high esteem for our translated brother we cause these resolutions to be read at the memorial meeting to be held July 30; that they be entered upon the records of the Association and a copy be transmitted to the deceased.

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iug. True enough. The use we make of our fortune determines its sufficiency. A little is enough f used wisely: too much if expended foolishly.-Bovee.

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Destiny? unfavorably affect life in either the ma-

verial or spiritual.

Then compulsary measures in the administration of human affairs will be the exception instead of the rule of life, and then only as long as it is considered absolutely necessary to protect both public and private interests.

After spiritual light has had time to constrate the byways of life, prisons and asylums will become merely re formatory schools, where all can learn to control unnatural appetites and pas-sions on the one hand and be restored to mental equipoise on the other, through the knowledge that competent teachers will have of the producing causes that they may be removed and shus get rid of the consequences so disastrons and destructive to human hap-

Excessive activity in one direction, with a corresponding inactivity in another, is the cause more often than anything else.

The whole brain, as well as the entire body, needs to be exercised daily so as not to throw too much on some departments, while others have too little, if any at all, as is often the case where idleness on the one hand and excessive activity on the other, is the rule of life. We were given organs and functions for use and not for abuse in any direction. Recreation and rest are just as themselves Spiritualists. necessary as study and labor, to keep the machinery of life moving without friction or rubbing.

Spirits of just men and women, made us on to loftier views of life, and teaching us by precept and example how to transmit what we learn of them,-to material plane-thus enabling the more intelligent masses on the material plane of life to come in harmony with truth's immortal laws, and then do away as fast as possible with the human or manmade, that are not in harmony with trathful claims.

I am not disposed to question the rebut to perceive a truth is not all that is necessary. It must be made practical ere it can profit even spirits themselves naything. And mortals are only spirits environed by matter, too gross to be useful to the spirit after it becomes a burden instead of a protection, while it is encluding its inpact and public that is unfolding its innate possibilities, that pertains to the material or mundane sphere of activity.

And we do not expect you will be qualified to make practical at once all that you are qualified to perceive as harmonization, you cannot reasonably expect it will ever be yours to enjoy As I read the interior workings of the exception) there is a shrinking from making the effort that must of necessity be misunderstood on the start, else there can be no progressive development anywhere. This tendency must be overborne by the united will of those who know what must be done to save the nation and the world from receding in wisdom for centuries to come.

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To the Editor of The Better Way, Another BETTER WAY of great inread it through and enjoyed it. In fact returned with thanks. the paper grows better and better, and is getting to be, one week with another.

the best Spiritualist paper published in the country. It does my heart good to the editor of the File-us-Off," in connection with Mrs. Wells and the mecater for the patronage of those Spiritualists who believe mediumship means fraud every time, I believe in stamp (Colcher), who suys "we mean to stamp

The last BETTER WAY seems to have rect and indirect. That is not the rea- this letter about long enough. per ectly harmonious through suffering, son of my expressed adulation, but it experience and truthful relations, of a inspires me to say a few words more, social and sexual character, are urging which may, in a sense, be a gossipy continuation of prior articles.

First, let me say to C. M. Keith, whose our younger brothers and sisters on the articles I have read with pleasure, that I am for the truth before friendship or ion with spirits, has thrown much light anything else, and what I have stated upon the future life, heaven and hell. as facts I have been able to stick to, and when and where I see error everywhere; therefore heaven may be I say so, even if it gives a twist to my everywhere. logic, as I did to the unfortunate Bridge liability of the intuitive perceptions of exposure. Considering how much I many, very many well unfolded minds; have written I have not had to back in which they exist a place of blesseddown often. It is true I do seem to be ness. Where thy treasure is there will Dr. C. D. Sherman, Greenwood, Wakefield, highly favored in spirit experience, and thy heart be also. If you love God get often what others cannot, because I am hospitable, not because I am credu-ted heaven with never-ending rewards lous, and no one can call me so with and unemployed life of contemplation. out lying, unless they are ignorant of my ways and methods. I have seen with you and in you ascording to the frauds which I know were on the spirit goodness and perfectness of your spirit; life, and I know they have been sup- and thus will you rise to higher grades posed to have been on this side, of mor- and spheres of spirit life. Heaven, that being in harmony with individual needs and necessities; but if you ever make a well-directed effort to reach either side, but all will admit a spirit [Translated from Eonon. Communital by others, when I know they have fraud is as much a proof of man's sur- cations through the Baroness von Vay. vival as a spirit fact or spirit truth is. human mind (and our medium's is no I am not now speaking of reliability, but will say to our friend that I have been deceived by a spirit, not often by a medium, or not more so than the average womankind or mankind, and I am not apt to put my trust in what spirits say on material matters, agreeing with Rev. W. Stainton Moses, of Lon-

To emulate truth and only truth is the work of harmonious spirits to daily brive for and mortals must follow their

saw. She not receiving it wrote to him for it, and I read the reply myself, which was, that he had made a favorable reterest has just hove in sight, and I have report and sent it to the Banner of Light to be printed, but the report was

I do not mean that Mr. Savage favored Spiritualism in that report, for he is not a believer in the claim of Modern Spiritualism, and the word "favorable" in his letter meant that he did not consider read the true and crushing hits at her a fraud, at least on that occasion. Very soon after this seance Mrs. Ress was raided, and the raiders began to put in their work on the mediums, and I have diums generally, in whom he sees noth- no doubt Mr. Savage is only too glad diums generally, in whom he sees noth-ing good. What I like especially in that the Banner did not print his arti-Rev. Charles P. McCarthy, 109 4th ave., New ing good. What I like especially in that the banner that the banner of t skeptical on materialization, and the Prot. M. Milleson, care Banner of Light, Bossense it is an organ of Modern printing of a favorable account would Spiritualism, and should be well pat- have been mortifying to Mr. Savage, ronized by all true Spiritualists. The and I am glad for his sake that his artrouble with our papers generally, is ticle was not printed, nor probably would he have written it in the light trying to ride two horses, being silent of subsequent raiding disturbances, but where they ought to be outspoken in the fact is as I have stated, and when favor of truth, and not by such silence this Cholcher says he has the written endorsement of Mr. M. J. Savage of what he states, I know it cannot be true, and that is not the only untruth in the Colcher article; you can find one in ing out fraud, but not with that fiction every paragraph. I have no doubt Mr. Savage is disgusted with fraud, and who is not who is a lover of truth, but I have out materialization," and appears to be so high a regard for that able, liberal. the voice of hope of people who call agonostic minister that I would say this, that Brother Wolf can draw it mild when he has occasion to speak of him again, and by no means take stock in a good deal of Wetherbee in it, both di- the Colchers or other fictions. I think

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referred to? One was "that the raided mediums were of the loosest type, by-gone prostitutes, etc.," that what we seek to do "is to crush out the mate-rializing mediums," and similar im-possible and improbable assertions. He possibly, if he is not a fletion, may have possibly, if he is not a fletion, may have possibly, if he is not a fletion, may have had the other two names, the editor of the File Us Off, for he is the raiders' prophet, and Professor William James, who seems to be a non-conductor in spiriual matters, quite put into the shade on this question, however, by Professor Walace, who was present with him at materializing seances, and tells a very different story, and what Spiritualists will not saythat the London savant will
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will not saythat the London savant will not make the Harvard professor kick the beam with John C. Bundy in the scale with him. Now, I want to say a word about the Rev. M. J. Savage. I was present at a scance given to him by Mrs. Fairchild, in which he had his own way. He had his friends outside of the scance room, roaming over the other part of the house on the watch, while the mani-restations were going on in the scance room. The cabinet was placed where he chose, and was in a place where it had not stood before. There were no down near the cabinet and only two room. The cabinet was placed where he chose, and was in a place where it had not stood before. There were no had not stood before. There were no doors near the cabinet, and only two doors to the room were in sight of all in the room. A great many persons ap-peared, and, under the circumstances, Iraud was impossible. Mr. Savage is Read only two doors to the room were in sight of all in the room. A great many persons ap-peared, and, under the circumstances, Iraud was impossible. Mr. Savage is in the room. A great many persons ap-peared, and, under the circumstances, iraud was impossible. Mr. Savage is not a Spiritualist, but an investigator. He wisely wants more proof before he can say that they are spirit manifesta-tions. Mrs. Fairchild expected that he would write his opinion of what he

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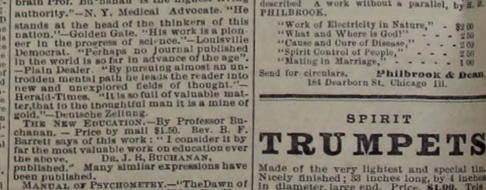
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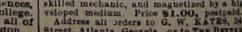
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> There are beautiful schools to enlighten them in on this side of life, and if they have not had that slim plank of atonement instilled into them, they can see and feel their own need and responsibility and escape the abyss that engalfed so many unre-

I am Robert E. Lee, and chiefly I would deemed ones here. You may talk about inform Robert White that I will aid him, the unredeemed ones in heaven, and you and that soon. Francis Victor Chattelle de- may expect that your friends are far re-

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In publishing this correspondence in your paper you will, in my opinion, do a valuable service to the cause of truth and Spiritualism, and enable more than double the number of Spiritualists to read it than could have done so in the Religio Fhilosophical Journal, as THE BETTER WAY has more than double the elrculation of that paper.

> Fraternally, HENRY J. NEWTON.

NEW YORK, May 11, 1888.

John C. Bundy;

DEAR SIR:-In your Journal of May 5th you say "You can, if necessary, prove in the courts of New York City that Mrs. Wells is a vile swindler and has been for years using trick cabinets and confederates." In view of such a statement, by you so strongly put, 1 wish to ask you a few questions which I hope you will frankly answer.

First, is the Mrs. Wells alluded to above Mrs. E. A. Wellst Second, you say, "If necessary you can prove," etc. Now what in your opinion would make it more necessary than at present? Third, if your statement is true, is it not your bounden duty to do what you say you can in this respect? Fourth, if your expenses are paid to come to New York City will you come and undertake to do in this will you come and indertake to do in this direction what you say you can? Fifth, il you contemplate coming to New York at no distant day, will you inform Mrs. Wells or me of that fact, and state when and where in New York City you will be on a day specified and send such information to either Mrs. Wells or myself one week prior to the day indicated? day indicated?

I have written this letter by the advice of a Chicago lawyer and a friend of yours. Hoping an early reply, 1 am respectfully yours, HENKY J. NEWTON.

CHICAGO, May 22, 1888. Mr. Henry J. Newton, 128 West 43rd St., New York City:

DEAR SIR:-Yours of the 11th, written as DEAR SIR:-Yours of the 11th, written as yon say under a lawyer's advice, came duly to hand, and as I do not think I need the ad-vice of a lawyer to answer, it is now taken up at the earliest moment and in advance of other letters requiring answer received prior to yours. You ask certain questions and express a desire that I will "frankly answer." Your questions refer to an editorial in the *Journal* of May 5th, in which the assertion was made to the effect that if necessary, I could prove in the courts of New York City that Mrs. Wells was a vile swindler and had for years been using trick cabinets and con-federates. I will take up your questions press a desire that I will "frankly answer." federates. I will take up your questions serialim. You ask:

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To this I reply, Yes.

cially is it so if you really feel as you write, when you say that "nothing could make it more necessary or important to prove the truth of what you publish," and further that the truth of said editorial statement should be legally established without delay. Is this so? If you admit service by your attorney there may be no need of your coming here at all, as you know holding about it beyond here. the article in the Religio Philosophical Journal

as you know nothing about it beyond hear-

Fraternally yours, HENRY J. NEWTON. decline.

HENRY J. NEWION. BROOKLYN, June 6, 1888. Henry J. Newton, Esq: DEAR SIR:-I was surprised last week to receive from Colonel Bundy a copy of recent correspondence with you and a relather in anticipation of litigation growing out of publications in the Religio Philosophical Journal, relative to the conduct and char acter of Mrs. E. A. Wells. In his communi-cation he has given me unlimited discretion in meeting you and Mrs. Wells and others who seem inclined to seek to establish that woman's good name and medial powers through the instrumentality of the courts At least so I interpret his letter, which is very plain and direct. His letter brings me the first information of propositions looking to raising a legal issue which I have re-ceived. I have seen, however, the articles published in THE EFTER WAY, to whit'h I him words, "you judge the writer means what he says." I note also that you say that you did not know the writer of those articles. Certainly I would not suppose you would pride yourself upon the acquaintance would pride yourself upon the acquaintance would pride yourself upon the acquaintance of a person who would compose or publish such articles, and regret that you have brought them into consideration. Now, if I am to act for Colonel Bundy, as I certainly do in writing this letter, I shall exercise my judgment as I deem best for his interest; and after carefully considering your etters to him, and his answers to yon. I have come to the conclusion that if you do not know who the writer of those articles in THE BETTER WAY is, that it will be easy for you to find out, and I must be excused for saying, that it seems to me that you have a pretty clearly defined idea as to his identity or you would not refer to the article and "judge he means what he says." Assuming this to be so, and considering your own propositions and the considering your own propositions and the counter one from Colonel Bundy, which you

ment for his trouble and expenses; and a verdict against Mrs. Wells must end the cou-troversy. I say this because I note that you say "finally defeated." I have not your letter before me at this moment, so am not positive as to the language you use, but am as to its import. You do not wish, you say, to have it a matter of speculation. What olso is the challenge you make but specula.

him to go to the expense he will be obliged to incur to clear the character of Mrs. Wells.

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of May 5th on Mrs. Wells and again read the g one in This BETTER WAY, and ask yourself which is the most personal and which is the vilest in its lauguage. In Colonel Bundy's letter to me, dated May 2nd, in answer to my second interrogatory. The says: "To my mind nothing could make the the truth of what I publish, and I believe as that in the interests of Spiritualism and of good people who have been deceived by this woman, the truth of said editorial statement should be legally established without delay." To my mind this reply would have ended much better if he had said, "If it can be and is true." The first question likely to arise in the mind of an intelligent person after read-ing the above is, does it truly and correctly is would have readers believe is so easy, could not be increased one iota by any process known to him. If this is true and the neces sity and importance of having this done is just as he has put it, what, I ask in all can-dor, would he or any one do under the cir-cumstances, especially when I offer to enter into suitable bonds that he shall be to no personal expense in his effort, provided he succeeds? I am perfectly willing to leave this ques-tion to be answered by others. You pro-ceed to say, "I desire before we proceed further to require, if possible, that you and this writer join your forces and pool the money." J n this kindly suggestion you are evident-

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and the writer of the articles in THE BETTER WAY are the challenging parties. In this you are mistaken. I have made no chal-lenge heretofore, but have been simply try-ing to devise some fair, reasonable way by which Colonel Bundy could be induced to come to New York and attempt to make good his bold and reckless assertion, but since you have suggested the word "challenge," I chal-lenge him to come here and attempt to do it.

do it. In the same paragraph you say that I seem abxlous to establish Mis. Wells' character in certain directions where it has been assailed by the Religio-Philosophical Journal. This I interpret as an admission by you as an at-torney for Colonel Bundy, that Mrs. Wells' character has suffered in consequence of such a assault.

Again you say you do not wish to have it a matter of speculation. I have said nothing of the kind, therefore what you say on this of the kind, therefore what you say on this subject has neither point nor application. What I did say, and the reason for it, was this: Colonel Bundy, in reply to my feurth question, says "The payment of my expenses to come to New York on the mission indica-ted is no adequate compensation." Had he stopped here I would not have said anything about speculation, but he did not, and goes on to say: "From a staunch defender of Mrs. Wells as yourself." From this it be-come evident that the Colonel was disposed to make a distinction against me in these negotiations, and there was only this con-clusion or inference from his language: "That he would not come for me on as fa-vorable terms as he would for some others," and to this I took exceptions in this lan-guage, as near as my recollection serves me: in these negotiations I decline to be made a party to any element of encentration." Mrs.

is nothing positively definite on this point in your comunication. You ask about the New York World. I am not Mrs. Wells' attorney, therefore cannot give you as accurate information as he could, but I think there is no question but what action will be brought against that paper if it has not already been done. been in readiness for service. Is this so? Have you any information on this matter? I would be well pleased to know; and if so, why does not that afford Mrs. Wells and her friends the coveted opportunity? I do not ask these questions to avoid the issue you raise, but if these are sincere challenges, why are opportunities at your very door not embraced? I have the honor to remain, Faithfully yours, A. H. DAILEY. 128 West 43rd St., June II, 1888. Hon. A. H. Dailey: DEAR SIR:—Yours of June 6th came duly to hand, and in reading the first six lines of your letter I felt encouraged with the idea that there was a fair prospect of getting this matter into shape for action, but as I pro-You must excuse this lengthy letter, but it matter into shape for action, but as I pro-ceeded I was surprised and conscious at the and the necessity for our doing so is imperative for two reasons. First, to prove the truth of what 1 publish. Second, that in the interests of Spiritualism and good people who have been deceived by this woman the editorial statement should be legally estab-lished without delay."

WAY a condition of accepting your propo-sition. I suggested it and thought it would be dene. You decline, let the matter rest there.

there. Your combination of the article of Colonel Bundy in the Jonrnal and his answers to your questions and your conclusions there-from, that he should at once proceed to prove in the courts of New York the truth of what he says about Mrs. Wells, to my mind is ab-surd in the extreme. Nothing is more im-portant to the cause of Spiritualism than that every swindler and impostor should be proved so in the courts; but because it is im-portant, how absurd that Colonel Bundy or any other man should go to the expense of doing this work and leaving undone a hun-dred other things of equal importance; but in this instance Colonel Bundy is going to accommodate you upon the sole condition named above, and that Mrs. Wells give bond in the sum of \$500, with good security to pay the amount to cover the costs and expense of Colonel Bundy upon the trial of this ac-tion, if he is defeated. It will be necessary for Colonel Bundy to be here as a witness and to prepare for trial, and to spend much time here; and as Mrs. Wells, I believe, is not a responsible person, your proposition, I pre-sume, was made to give a bond or something to that effect because you understood her situation. Please give this matter your early attention and oblige Yours, etc.. A. H. DAILEY. Your combination of the article of Colonel

accepted I don't see why this correspondence should be continued beyond this letter. You make it necessary for my letter to be somewhat lengthy, because yours contains

so much that is erroneous and irrelevant. Mr. Henry J. Newton, You seem to misapprehend and misunder-

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it. You seem to think my reconstruction of Colonel Bundy's article "is absurd in the ex-treme." I use Colonel Bundy's language, and so far from being absurd, it is exactly what he says, and the reasons why he says it are plainly set forth, and after his dispensing with the "if," there is no other rational con-struction possible of the article, and you will find that the verdict which will be render-ed by fair and unprejudiced minds. You differ with my statement that my proposition to Colonel Bundy has not been squarely mei. As a matter of fact there was not a decided measure to my offer, and all I could gather on the subject was wholly in-ferential. I could there thing or mother. What I want is yes or no to my offer.

ferential. I could infer one thing or another. What I want is yes or no to my offer. You state that I have been shifting about, and since opening the subject "annexed a condition," and that I "want the terms changed." Now, why should you pen a para-graph like this is more than I can compre-hend. You could not have gone farther from the fact. Don't you know that I have made Colonel Bundy but one proposition, and that I have not, by word or insinuation, even in the most remote manner, ever suggested any change in that offer? If you don't know it, I take this opportunity to tell you, and it would be advisable not to make assertions of this character. Will Colonel Bundy accept or not, is all I

this character. Will Colonel Bundy accept or not, is all I want to know. His sense of justice seems wholly subordinate to a mania for a reputa-tion as a giant killer, and he seems perfectly willing, as was blind Sampson of old, to kill himself and his usefulness, if he can kill a thousand supposed Philistines. He seems determined to reject the old, and in many respects wise injunction about the tares and wheat, and willing to root no a dozen stalks

to prepare for trils, and to spend much time here; and as Mrs. Wells, I believe, is not a responsible person, your proposition, I pre-sume, was made to give a bond or something to that effect because you understood her situation. Please give this matter your early attention and oblige Yours, etc.. A. H. DAILEY. NEW YORK, June 25, 1888. A. H. Dailey, DEAR SIR:-Yours of the 17th has just come to hand. You say you "do not propose to go into a letter writing contest." We will be sure to agree in this, if nothing else. I am with you there, and if my proposition is not

with you there, and if my proposition is not ges has been commenced against The World, accepted I don't see why this correspond- and that another for the same amount will be instituted. Yours, fraternally, HENRY J. NEWTON.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 7, 1888.

Yours of the stand me. You say that I take exceptions to to hand, at d as it is almost wholly irrelevant your letter, because it is written in the inter- to the purpose for which I am retained by est of Col. Bundy. 1 did not intend my re- Colonel Bundy, it may be dismissed without marks in any such sense. You stated that comment. Colonel Bundy, in reply to yours you had been retained by Colonel Bun- of May the lith, made you a clean-cut prody, and you should use your judgment as posal, capable of only one interpretation; you declined to accept it and came back at find no fault with you on that account. I him with a proposition which, it seems to have always, as you well know, held you in me, no man of ordinary sense would have accepted, and which I, as his attorney, deand honorable gentleman, and no doubt you clined, and gave you my reasons in brief. mean to be just, but when the relation of at- On the 7th I again renewed Colonel Bundy's torney and client intervene and your client proposal, but reducing the bond asked for to is the one antagonizing me, knowing that \$500, which I suppose was the real intent of this date the presence of Mrs. R. S. Lillie is your letter when you suggested the payment tions to defend him, I am the last person to or securing of his personal expenses, in case what I said and again repeat is, there are cilitate you in bringing. To this you reply in a long discursive letter which, if it has any a long discursive letter which, if it has any relevancy to our proposal, is a declination thereof. The case therefore is as follows: You ask him to come within the jurisdic-tion of the courts of this State to be sued for a libel against Mrs. Wells, and propose to se-cure his personal expenses in case Mrs. Wells is defeated. He accepts the proposition, agrees to come or have me accept service for him, and asks that the bond for his personal expenses be fixed at \$500. You decline to ac-cept the terms, even adding to your original dy and the work he is doing; I find no fault with you or any one else for admiring him and feeling pleased with what he is doing and the way he is doing it; if, however, you intend to class me and my associates with harlots and libertines, which you do in reall-ty, either intentionally or unintentionally, you must not expect me to thank you for that kind of a compliment. You say again, "When I recall what you have said from the platform," I shall insist upon you being more explicit and ask you to state just what you allude to. I have said nothing on the platform but the truth, but what you have heard that I have said is probyou on the subject will be necessary. Yours. etc., A. H. DAILEY.

him and his admirers. I must confess the I was greatly surprised that you should rel erate the erroueous statement that I have added some condition to my only and one inal proposition. An attorney, in defending his client, I suppose you must imagine,the by virtue of such position, he is entitled to a certain license in dealing with facts which we miserable laymen have no right or title in. This is the only excuse or reason which suggests itself to my mind why you should make such a statement, especially when I called your particular attention in my lass letter to the grave error you had made in a similar charge, and challenged you to quote anything which I had written to justify you Instead of making the slightest attempts right the wrong, you repeat it in (if possible more offensive form, without reason or sense That there may be no excuse for a repart tion of this misstatement, I append my original inal and only proposition to Colonel Band "I will enter into and execute a soliab

bond that all your personal expenses shalls paid, which may be incurred in defending a suit for libel brought against you by My Wells, in a court in New York City, pr vided you get judgment against her." If have made any proposition except a please show the fact before again stating (). I have.

I have so far stated no sum to be menlion in the bond, so your offer to reduce it to p hundred dollars is of no consequence, as p

in the bond, so your offer to reduce it to in hundred dollars is of no consequence, as to question of the amount of the bond has as been raised by me. I fully agree with pay that Colonel Bundy's expenses would a more than five hundred dollars, and he was find it exceedingly expensive before he pay through with such an undertaking. You say no man of ordinary sense was have accepted my proposition, shift while you as his attorney, declined, and because ucclined to change my original proposition or modify ⁴⁴. In gay way, you have the a-surance to stight the last fact, as 'a clean-cut back down." You have the a-surance to stight the unstream of the fact you have stirred up with outside and infel-you have stirred up with outside and infel-vant matter, that you have evidently almos lost sight of Bandy's orlyins i position. Per-mit me to reiresh your memory. On May 22 Colonel Bundy wrote to me, and in as-swer to an interogatory from me, says: "To my mind nothing could make it more as ceasary and important to prove the trath of what I published. I believe that in the fa-terest of Spiritualism and of good people who have been deceived by this woman, the truth of the said editorial statement should be legally established without delay." Is this Colonel Bundy's position to far.

am perfectly willing should be answered by others.

others. Colonel Bundy talks about "the interests of Spiritualism." You, in your first letter to me June 16), change the key note and assure me that you shall exercise your judgment as you deem best for his (Bundy's) interest. Without any argument it must be appa-rent to the most casual observer that the in-terests of Spiritualism and the interests of Colonel Bundy are in no sense parallel, and if at any previous time there had been asy question on this subject, your advice to him in the matter, has settled it beyond a pend-venture that the two interests are far from

in the matter, has settled it beyond a pera-venture that the two interess are far from the same. The Colonel says that, to his mind, "mon-ing could make it more necessary." I can give him some suggestions, which, its would follow, would increase the necessity least a hundred fold.

I told you in my last letter ali I wanted was yes or no to my offer. That is all I have ever wanted. In your last, as I understand, it is declined, therefore there is no reason why this correspondence should be conlin-

Permit me, in closing, to express the opin this matter some time, and I shall content myself to wait and abide my time. Yours fraternally, HENRY J. NEWTON.

Vicksburg, Michigan.

To the Editor of The Better Way.

The camp meeting at this place is be slightly attended at present-unfavorable circumstances and conditions have contributed to produce this result, which may not esist another year. The last season seven farm crops were almost a failure; the far work the present year is not yet completel. to enable the farmers to enjoy the relaxation from labor, which could have been done a couple of weeks later, and the three camp meetings on the line of the railroad within one hundred and twenty-five miles, all in session at the same time, have combined to retard the prosperity of the camp meeting work in this locality. Here, however, good feeling and harmony prevails, and all who are in attendance appear to enjoy the lectures and other exercises, and feel amply paid for the time spent in this camp. At eargerly looked for; and as she is expected the last days of the session, she will be warmly welcomed. At present much is being accomplished in the conversion of skeptics, and our glorious cause is progressing in this work. The President, W. H. Blair, of Chicago, gives good satisfaction, and the Secretary, W.S. Wandell, deserves great credit for his skill and management of the camp and convenience of strangers and friends. Though the meeting may not prove a financial success, yet the visitors will be well paid for the expenditure of time and money in coming here. Yours fraternally,

(2nd) "You say, 'if necessary you can prove,' it more necessary than at present?"

I answer, that to my mind nothing could prop make it more necessary and important to

proved the dupes of designing adventuresses. (4th) "If your expenses are paid to come to New York City, will you come and under-lake to do in this direction what you say you

expenses to come to New York on the mission indicated, is no adequate compensation from so stanch a defender of Mrs. Wells as yourabsence from town.

Fraternally yours, JNO, C, BUNDY,

NEW YORK, May 24, 1888.

John C. Bundy: DEAR SIR:- Yours of the 22nd has just come to hand and I hasten to reply. I will notice first your reply to what you call a compound question. You say, "It is evidently put for the purpose of intimidation." To this I simply deny that I asked you that or any other ever, to first notice the reproof which you question for any such purpose. You make a attempt to administer to me when you say broad assertion of what you can establish in you don't suppose I would pride myself upon purpose was and is to see that you undertake to do it, and if my question had the effect article, according to my recollection, was an which you intimate it did, I am sorry. I will enter into and execute a suitable bond or suggested by the parties who made the that all your personal expenses shall be paid offer to Colonel Bundy to come to New York which may be incorred in defending a suit and attempt to do what he asserts he can. It for libel, brought against you by Mrs. E. A. you get a final judgment against her. I cannot be made a party to any element of spec-ulation in this matter, and to my mind the above is a fair and proper proposition. Espe-

(2nd) "You say, "if necessary you can prove," etc. Now, what, in your opinion, would make it more necessary than at present?" else is the challenge you make but specula-tive in every respect? And if Mrs. Wells is defeated, those who have championed her so strongly, ought to pay the expenses of the

I nave been informed that for some time prove the truth of what I published, and 1 past, the papers to sue the New York World for libeling the character of Mrs. Wells, have believe that in the interests of Spiritualism and of good people who have been deceived by this woman, the truth of said editorial statement should be legally established with-out delay. (3rd) "If your statement is true, is it not your bounden duty to do what you say you can in this respect?" I answer decidediy, No. I have neither the time nor the money to do all that the occa-sion demands. If I had, I would have saved the cause of Spiritualism, and otherwise proved the dupes of designing adventuresses. (3rd) "If your statement set of the dupes of designing adventuresses.

To this I answer that the payment of my that there was a fair prospect of getting this self. New York is as near to Chicago as is Chicago to New York, and here is my place of business, to which I am always closely confined, with only brief and rare intervals of Mr. Bundy, and further that you shall excer-(5tb) "If you contemplate coming to New York at no distant, ay, will you inform Mrs. Wells of that fact and state when and where in New York City you will be on the day specified, and send such information to either Mrs. Wells or myself one week prior To the day indicated?" b do with, and while I feel under obligations to the day indicated?
 To this compound question, which is evidence of paper and supportentity of the express my thanks to you for the early part for the purpose of infinidation, reply as follows: You are apparently labor in the support of the purpose of infinidation, reply as follows: You are apparently labor in the support for the support of the purpose of infinidation, reply as follows: You are apparently labor in the support in the purpose of infinidation, reply as follows: You are apparently labor in the support in the purpose of infinidation, reply as follows: You are apparently labor in the support in the purpose of infinidation, reply as follows: You are apparently labor in the support in the purpose of infinidation. To grantly you and the course much links the labor is supported to the purpose interval to you are apparently labor in the support of the support of the support of the support of the support in the purpose interval the course interval to you are apparent to the support in the purpose interval the super support in the support is the support of the support is that attends. If you date a support is the support is that attends to the support in the support is that attends to support it is the support in the support is that attends the support is the super support is the support of the support is the support used that they are honest and in earnest. Colonel Bundy as for me. You say that you regret that I have "brought these into considings of this kind under the circumstances which I will shortly allude to. I wish, how-

attention is this fact. Colonel Bundy is not qualified to be a witness in the case; not long ago he stated in the Journal that he had never seen Mrs. Wells and never expected to; so, to my mind, all this talk about the ex-

any one, but simply for the establishment Your statement that it will be easy for me to of the truth. When I told you that I was find out, is probably correct, and it is equally working for the interests of Colonel Bundy, true that it will be just as easy for you or in this particular matter, 1 supposed you would comprehend, as I think you well know, that I regard Colonel Bundy as doing eration." I can readily excuse you for feel- for the benefit of Spiritualism what no other man in this country is doing, to-wit: Sustaining, through the influential journal edited by him, the great Spiritualistic movement in such a manner as to let the world know that there is an element of respectathe courts of the City of New York, and my the acquaintance of a person who would bility and truth above the wretched hosts of compose or publish such an article. The harlots, libertines, moral lepers and unconscionable frauds, which curse it worse than editorial and therefore not composed, written does polygamy the religion of the Mormons. You know, as well as I do, how many times we are made to blush and hide our faces if we could, because we are persistently classed is no part of my duty to defend the editorial with those who, possessing medial powers, Wells, in a court in New York City, provided of THE BETTER WAY, but you have made it prostitute them to their own ruin and the necessary for me to justify myself for calling general disgrace of Spiritualism, until its Colonel Bundy's attention to the article, and believers shun its name and deny that they before doing so I will simply ask you to read are its disciples. For this cause the churches

you "deemed best for his interest." I surely high esteem and considered you an honest you are bound by the most solemn obligafind fault with you for doing so.

no such relations existing between Mrs. Wells and myself. Mrs. Wells has never even asked me to write a letter in her defense; she has never known of any of the letters I have written either to you or to Colonel Bundy, until after they were written.

You give me your opinion of Colonel Bundy and the work he is doing; 1 find no fault

what you have heard that I have said is probably about as near the truth as is the mass of ably about as hear the truth as is the mass of gossip with which Col. Bundy has been sup-plied by a class of persons who seem to have nothing else to do, and it is this kind of ex-parts testimony on which people are tried and convicted. What I have said about Mrs. Wells in the press has been backed by as good witnesses as can be produced, and an shundars of them

one thing further in this connection, "When One thing further in this connection, "When I recail the fact that the Religio, edited by Colone I Bundy, which commented on this woman's seances, were bought up to prevent their circulation at certain meetings in New York marks on purally preside etc." This is woman's seances, were cought up to prevent their circulation at certain meetings in New York where you usually preside, etc." This is the first time I ever heard of such a charge or even a suggestion of anything of the kind, and I don't believe it possible for such a thing to have been done without my knowledge. It is, however, on a par with the mass of villianous gossip with which the atmosphere has been polluted for the past tweive months. It is true, Colonei Bundy has few friends among Spiritusiists in New York City, and had it not been for the influence exerted by Mrs. Newton and my-self, his paper would have been excluded from sale at the hall more than eighteen months since. Colonel Bundy stopped send-ing his paper to Mr. Merritt several months sigo and published the fact in the R. P. Journal, and gave us as a reason that Mr. Merritt did not pay him, and improved the occasion to censure the First Society for not employing honest people. Please read the occasion to censure the First Society for inot employing honest people. Please read editorial in R. P. Journal of April 7th, first paragraph on last column. All the interest ine First Society has in the news stand is to give it to a poor person, and in this way help him to earn a pittance. Don't you think it would have been better for Colonel Bandy to have written to me about it? I have been severely peited all along through the years that I have given for the defendency of Colonel Bandy. Less than three months since the story was direc-lated here that the reason why I defended him was because I had loaned him a large sum of money, and, therefore, my interest iay in that direction. What my relations are or may have been to Colonel Bandy, or the fact that there are vampires and falsifiers in the ranks of Spiritualists as thick as locusts in Egypt, has nothing just now to do with the case. NEW YORK CITY, July 18, 1888.

Hon A. H. Dailey. DEAR SIE:-Yours of the 7th instant came

duly to hand. You characterize my last letter to you as almost wholly irrelevant to the purpose for which you were retained by Colonel Bundy, and "dispose of it without comment." This is, under the circumstances, rather a peculiar way of disposing of it, and easy withal, if not polite, especially when the irrelevant matter was in reply to what you had introduced in your previous letters. I would call your attention to your letter of June 17th. You will find it is made up mainly of matter foreign to the issue in controversy; on the first page there is scarcely anything but eulogies of Colonel Bundy and his paper and railing accusations against me. You inadvertently reveal the animus of Colonel Bundy's attack on my cabinet. I of music the exercises were very interesting. have sinned sgainst your oracle and must be in the Opera House, closing the exercises by punished; that is about the size of it.

Just as long as you write this kind of letters to me, I shall reply to them. I have no identified. The meeting proved a success in idea of tacitly admitting, by silence, the truth of your statements, which are not true, and now to test your faith in one of your charges, viz , that Colonel Bundy's paper has been bought up to prevent its circulation at certain meetings, or for any other purpose, at which I had presided or usually preside, or at any other Spiritualist meeting held under the auspices of the First Society of Spiritualists at Adelphi Hall-I dare you to put up one hundred dollars that you can substantiate this charge. I denounce it as faise, and just about as true as a large portion of the gossip on which Colonel Bundy is endeavoring to erect his temple of fame, and which seems to be exceedingly paintable to

August 7, 1888.

Mantua, Ohio.

D. M. KING.

To the Editor of The Better Way.

The twenty-ninth annual August meeting of the Mantua Association of Spiritualisti was held at Mantua Station, Ohio, on Sunday Aug 5th. Although the copious showers of rain of several days previous had some what dampened the anticipations of the friends and expected visitors, yet, when the time arrived, the crowds of people that came from far and near, soon filled King's Opera House at 11 o'clock to listen to the earnest and ringing words of that noble advocate and exponent of Spiritualism, J. Frank Baxter. For the past five years he has annually visited this place, and each visit adds increased interest among the people, to know more of the cause which he so nobly adre-

cales. Atwater's grove, near by, was used in the afternoon for conference meetings, large numbers being present from many localities, twenty and twenty-five miles distant. Several speakers occupied the platform; short speeches being the order of the day. Among them were Mrs. Combs, of Cleveland; Mr. Gould of the same place; Mrs. Hayne, of Painersville, and Mrs. Baxter. With plenty giving a number of descriptions of spirits

who were present, every one being faily every respect, fully equal to any held since the society was organized. We cannot close this brief report without cailing the attention of friends of Spiritualism generally 10 one of their speakers on this occasion. Mrs. one of their speakers on this occasion. Mrs. Mary Combs, of Cleveland, who has recently been developed as a speaker. She is a lady of culture and refinement, modest and up-assuming, and her plain, practical commos-sense talk, is absorbing in interest, and will-out display, fairly enlists and holds the close attention of the audience during the enlive time of her discourse. She is also an excei-tent magnetic healer. Mr. Gould is a young man of marked abili-ty, who will be heard from in the coming future of Spiritualism. Yours truly. Bec'y Mantua Association of Spiritualism.