

THE BETTER WAY

AN ADVOCATE OF SPIRITUALISM AS A SCIENCE, PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION.

VOLUME 7.

CINCINNATI, AUGUST 9, 1890.

NUMBER 6.

(Entered the Post-Office at Cincinnati, Ohio, as Second-Class Matter.)

THE BETTER WAY

IS ISSUED EVERY SATURDAY
THE WAY PUBLISHING CO., PROPRIETORS,
Southwest Cor. Plum and McFarland Sts.,
CINCINNATI, OHIO.

M. G. YOUNG, President,
J. H. WRIGHT, Treasurer,
C. C. STOWELL, Secretary.

CINCINNATI - - - - - AUGUST 9, 1890

CONTENTS.

FIRST PAGE—The Spiritual Philosophy—Its Aims and Evidences, by E. P. Brainard.
SECOND PAGE—Myths, by F. Skinner; An Encouraging Epistle, by G. P. Perkins; Wayside Jottings, by Mattie Hunt; What is the Soul of Man? by J. G. Arnold; Words from an English Worker, by J. J. Morse; Spirit Talk in Waverly, Ia., Belief vs. Facts, by A. B. Severance; The World's Fair, by G. W. Kates; Poet and Healer, by W. H. Booser.
THIRD PAGE—A Scene With Mrs. Caldwell, by O. F. Shepard; Teresa Urra, the Wonderful Healing Medium; What I Saw at Onset, No. 2, Advertisements.
FOURTH PAGE—Editorials: The Political Horoscope, Is it War; The Exterior and Interior; Flowers; To London by Rail; Masonic Spiritualism; Minor Editorials; Personal; News Items; Literary.
FIFTH PAGE—Correspondence: Advertisements.
SIXTH PAGE—Ladies' Department: Poems from "A. M. Munger, Lewis Oliver and Sarah A. Bartlett; From a Female Philosopher; by Mrs. G. B. Clark; Tolls of Authorship; Female Law School; Etc. Adv.
SEVENTH PAGE—Through the Crucible: Dr. Loucks and His Critics; A Reporter's Experience; A New Barometer; Letter from G. H. Brooks; Adv.
EIGHTH PAGE—The Spiritual Philosophy Continued: The Psychic Research Society; Dr. Bobson; Present Paragraphs; Movements of Mediums; Adv.

Spiritual Discourses.

THE SPIRITUAL PHILOSOPHY—ITS AIMS AND EVIDENCES.

Opening Address at Mantua Camp Meeting, Delivered by E. P. Brainard, July 20, 1890.

Specialty Reported for The Better Way.

Whither are we going, and what is to be our final destiny? has been the perplexing question with the human species since man was realized. The different notions promulgated concerning it are commensurate with the different tribes and nations that have existed since the dawn of time.

The ancient Chinese believed in the existence and controlling power of heaven to decree, to reward and punish.

A cardinal point in the Mahometan faith is the asserted existence of angels, celestial and infernal. The Mahometan paradise is found as soon as the righteous have passed Sirat or the bridge of the world.

The New Zealanders imagine that souls of the dead go to a place beneath the earth called Reinga.

The current belief of Sandwich Islanders was, that the souls of the chiefs were led by a god whose name denotes the "eyeball of the sun," to a life in the heavens, while plebeian souls went down to a lugubrious underground abode.

The Kamelatkans send all the dead alike to a subterranean Elysium, where they shall find again their wives, clothes, tools and huts, and where they shall fish and hunt.

The Druid's conception of the future life was, that the soul, on being divested of its earthly envelope, is borne aloft, and that the clouds are composed of the souls of deceased men; not yet freed from terrestrial affections, they mingle in the passions and affairs of men.

The Scandinavians believed that "high up in the sky is Odin's hall," or temple of the slain.

The Egyptian idea of the abode of the soul is not very alluring. It is led by the god Shoth into Amenthe, the infernal world, the entrance to which "lies in the extreme west on the further side of the sea, where the sun goes down under the earth."

The Persians, who had the Zoroastrian faith, believed that all who faithfully observed the law in purity of thought, speech and action, where body and soul have separated, attained paradise in the next world.

As to the Greeks and Romans, the notion that the wrath of the gods would pursue their enemies in the future state, gave rise to a belief in the punishment of Tartarus; so the notion that the distinguishing kindness of the gods would follow their favorites, gave rise to the myth of Elysium.

The common belief among our American Indians, who know nothing of Bibles or church organizations, is in a Supreme Being or Great Spirit, and the immortality of the soul, which is destined to a higher condition. Some Dakota tribes imagined four souls with separate and

distinct destinies. One to wander about the world, one to watch the body, the third to hover around the village, and the highest to go to the spirit land.

The Christians believe that through the sacrifice of the blood of God's only son, the future happiness of those who come after him is made possible. Thus we find the great stream of humanity emanating from the same creator, governed by the same moral laws, looking back to the same examples and precedents, endowed with intellectual power by the same giver of all wisdom and knowledge, yet arriving at conclusions from their contemplation of these, which separate them so widely in some cases that the observer can scarcely trace the likeness which we naturally expect to find existing among the followers of one king, be he spiritual or temporal.

So many changes have been rung on religious beliefs, it is not now in the power of man to invent a new religion. All he can do is to select parts of the old and piece them together. This is fully demonstrated in the history of the Mormons. When Joseph Smith produced his Golden Bible in Wayne County, N. Y. in 1830, he simply preached a reform of the modern church, with renewal of the gifts exercised by the ancient apostles; such as prophesying, healing, speaking in unknown tongues, etc. Many new doctrines have been added, such as spiritual wifery in 1842, polygamy in 1843, blood atonement in 1854. All claimed to be based on the Hebrew scriptures.

In the light of all these conflicting notions and vagaries concerning a future life, is it surprising that our friends from the other shore made all possible haste to establish a telegraph line between the two worlds? Could they fail to see that without more definite and positive knowledge relative to a future life, mankind would rapidly drift into materialism?

But when it is announced that in certain spirit manifestations darkness is necessary, the declaration is met with sneers; and we hear from many lips such expressions as, "Any manifestations which cannot take place in the light are a fraud." "The reason mediums don't show in the light; they know they are frauds." Such talk is common, but it only shows ignorance, and the most unpardonable ignorance in this age.

The conception of human life takes place in the dark. Is it a fraud? The world was made in the dark. Is it a fraud? All life is germinated in the dark. Is life a fraud? The angel which appeared to Jacob appeared in the dark. Was he a fraud?

And another appeared to Paul and Silas in the dark jail. Was he a fraud? And another angel to Peter while in jail. Was he a fraud?

From the standpoint of these sticklers for daylight, their logic does not help them, "for what proves too much does not prove anything," and their logic carried to its legitimate end proves all Bible manifestations frauds. When it was discovered that in taking daguerrotypes, darkness was a necessary condition, no one objected to the truth of this discovery on this ground.

If human senses are not to be trusted, and cannot be relied upon, what proof have we that an angel wrestled with Jacob, or the seeing of an angel anything more than a fancy? Aside from human senses, how do we know that Saul saw Samuel when he appeared to him the evening before his death? Must we conclude he was duped?

Was not the writing on the Babylonian wall a humbug?

In the light of modern objections, was Ezekiel laboring under an optical illusion, when he claimed to have seen an angel with a measuring reed? May it not be that some fraudulent medium played a trick on the credulous, simple minded old prophet, and he had not sense enough to detect the fraud?

Might not some deception have been used, when it was claimed that a voice from heaven was heard saying, "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased?"

If all that is not seen in broad daylight must be rejected, how could the astronomer have perfected his geography of the heavens?

To be consistent should not the objectors who have such a holy horror of the shades of night, insist that the millions

of stars that bedeck the heavens are all a fraud and deception because they do not materialize when the sun shines?

The objection urged by those so timid in the dark against the Spiritualism of to-day, apply with equal force against all Bible manifestations.

The question is often asked, what Spiritualism teaches in regard to the Bible, to the churches and the popular religion?

There is but one truthful answer. The spiritual in all those is all that is real and essential. Take away Spiritualism from the Bible, and you have but a naked record of human vice and depravity, often of the most revolting character; and yet upon almost every page of that book may be found some indications of man's spiritual nature, and hence its value when properly understood. So of the churches: there is not one of them, even the most formal and ritualistic, but has the germs of Spiritualism all through the humanity of its members.

Spiritualists should have no controversy with the church that lives up to its profession, but only require that it keep abreast of the times.

Spiritualism permeates all religious sects, and is the foundation and underlying principle of every department of religious thought. Never since the hearing of the first tiny raps, near a half century ago, have Spiritualists had occasion to take courage and press forward as to-day.

Its believers and advocates are now numbered by millions, and are to be found wherever civilization exists, including scores of the ablest minds the world has produced.

No religious philosophy has ever acquired so great a following in so short a time; and well may the Roman clergy say: "It is more formidable than all other sects combined." It behooves every believer to acquire the greatest possible knowledge of its teachings, and seek to live up to its highest precepts. It should be understood by all that Spiritualism teaches that the human mind is the only channel of communication between the creator and the created, without which nothing of either could be known that the mind is also a creature and subject to control and education, and that education controls the mind, as mind controls the body in its acts, in health or disease. Spiritualism embraces all that is or may be known of the spirit world and its inhabitants, and all the occult forces of the universe, which are spiritual in their nature.

Religion and science have ever occupied antipodal positions. Even in Athens it showed its ferocity in the days of the martyrs, Vanani, Bruno and Galileo. Hence it is not strange that the teachers of religion have learned to look upon scientists with something of jealousy.

Thus the religious mind becomes unscientific, and the scientific mind irreligious; while the popular mind accepts these incongruities, becoming thoroughly exacting and skeptical in science, but thoroughly blind and credulous in religion.

One exhibits faith without reason, and the other reason without faith, and both are equally abnormal.

The modern mind prefers demonstration to either science or tradition.

Spiritual religion is the only power that can meet and overthrow with its own scientific weapons, the growing skepticism of the present age.

Let no Spiritualist be ashamed of the glorious truths of his faith in the presence of the scoffing Materialist, but ask him if he ever knew matter to originate life? Ask him if the origin of life is not beyond his knowledge, and is not always from prior life? and is not life itself a spiritual reality, a power that is not matter, and therefore is spirit, and is not he stultified by his own theories?

What is matter but force, and what can organize force into forms of wisdom and beauty but intelligence?

Psychometry has been in public progress some forty-six years of modern manifestations, a description of which would fill volumes. What can we say?

Human mouths have been inspired by spirit power to sing with supernal sweetness in languages they never knew, to speak of future events in prophecy, to speak of the condition, the life, the hopes, the wishes and the advice of our sainted loved ones in the spirit world.

Then discuss matters of science and philosophy with a profound knowledge never derived from books; and to pour forth the language of poetry, beautiful and lofty, as if from the great masters of the lyre, a living miracle of intellectual power, which all the colleges of Europe and America might strive in vain to equal.

Would the poet laureate of England, would Longfellow, Whittier, or any living poet dare to compete in improvised poetry with some delicate medium of limited education, whose lips are used by the immortals? Hands have been materialized, and when grasped by the living have melted into air. Human forms have appeared in all the perfection of life, walked and talked with their friends and vanished—faded out of sight while they were standing near. Messages have been written on the inside of locked slates, to Hon. Darius Lyman, of Washington, D. C., in four different languages, the medium having a knowledge of but one of them.

Flowers and birds have been brought into private apartments that were absolutely closed and locked; small objects have been seized and suddenly carried great distances by spirit power; in one instance from Memphis to Louisville in three hours.

Tables have been lifted to the ceiling with their furniture undisturbed, and persons have been lifted in the same manner. Musical instruments, in full view, have been played on by unseen hands, and voices proceeding from vacantly have conversed in an interesting and most instructive and satisfactory manner. Hands have suddenly appeared on a table and written messages in full view, then faded away; substances have been created and left with those to whom they were given.

Mechanics, and others without knowledge of art, have been changed into skilled artists, and have painted pictures of the dead whom they have never seen; blindfolded in the dark, and blindfolded in the light, the medium of spirit power has painted pictures with artistic skill and effect and combination of color, such as no trained artist ever could have produced in the same time.

All the powers of matter have yielded to the spirit power, which makes and unmakes it.

It creates human forms in splendid clothing and ornaments of the most costly character, and then causes them to vanish before our eyes. To prove the solid reality of the spirit that was with us, they dip their faces and hands in hot paraffine, and when a mold is formed they vanish and leave a mold which could not have been produced in any other way, for the physical hand or head could not have been withdrawn from the mold without its destruction. Each mold is therefore a positive proof in itself of spiritual presence and power.

The perfection of the cast taken in such a mold as that is beyond the sculptor's skill.

Time will not allow a further detail of this interesting part of our subject.

These modern marvels of invisible power have been brought under the most skeptical scrutiny of thousands of scientific observers, who are as blind as bats to all they do not wish to see, deaf as the adder, and dumb as a post, determined to admit nothing they cannot control, and account for on some known hypothesis. They seek to assail sciences which they say do not exist, but have existed in various degrees of progress for thousands of years, and are to-day progressing more rapidly than any other department of human knowledge.

With such contracted ideas and groveling conceptions, man is incapable of a charitable thought or a lofty sentiment, and has no faith in humanity, collectively or individually.

Like a mere animal, he must touch, or feel, or see, before he can know, and becomes like Horkey, who said he would die before he would concede the discoveries of Galileo. Faith is the ladder that brings down the wisdom of the angels and of God to mortals, and brings the wisdom of saints, sages and heroes into the hearts of their followers, so that they are drawn upward and onward by the golden bands of the moral universe.

Only those on the downhill side of life can note the wonderful changes in religious beliefs since the advent of Modern Spiritualism. Nowhere is it more distinctly visible than in the pulpit teachings of to-day. The preacher who would now attempt to promulgate the popular doctrines of fifty years ago would not only lose his pastorate, but with it all prospect of a "higher call." The then taught and accepted belief was that through Adam's fall man became totally depraved, that he inherited the displeasure and indignation of an angry God (and with the exception of the few who were destined before the foundation of the world to be saved) the entire race was doomed to eternal banishment into a lake of liquid fire and brimstone, there to endure the torments of that unquenchable fire, through an endless eternity.

Such was the teaching of John Calvin, the son of a cooper, of Noyon in Picardy, a northern province of France, who, early in the sixteenth century, cut loose from the Roman Church, and started out a reformer. In 1541 he established a form of ecclesiastical discipline, with power to inflict all kinds of canonical punishments, which to some of his followers were quite as hard to endure as that imposed by Rome. So arbitrary was he in enforcing his own rules that he condemned to the stake, and caused to be burned, his once intimate friend, Michael Servetus, for writing against the trinity. Though perhaps in a somewhat modified form, his teachings and doctrines have continued to feed many spiritual lamps to the present day.

But, as before indicated, a great change has taken place in religious thought and belief. A prominent divine, in an adjoining county has said in a recent sermon:

"And as for John Calvin, I would rather stand at the judgment bar of God as the human, sweet-hearted, heretic Servetus than as the spying, friendship betraying, bloody handed Calvin, who betrayed and murdered him." In the same sermon he says: "We find as good men and women outside of all church organizations as we find in any of them. The merchant ships of so-called Christian nations of today carry to heathen lands more vices than Bibles."

The Rev. Doctor Talmage, who has probably furnished more filling for the patent sides of country newspapers than any other man, says of modern preaching: "That it is an ecclesiasticism twenty degrees below zero." Would not this be considered heterodox fifty years ago?

The following is from a newspaper: "Day by day we have more and more reason to marvel at the height and depth, the length and breadth, of the assurance and the mountebankish vulgarity of Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage. The latest story, and one from his own lips, is the climax. The reverend speculator rode out to the recently discovered tomb, which is now generally believed to be that owned by Joseph of Aramathea—that in which Christ was laid. There seating himself he drew forth his 'flexible covered Bible,' of which he has so much to say, and read the description of the place of sepulture. Then suddenly seized with a grand idea, he remounted his donkey and dashed madly into the Holy City, where he spent the afternoon in efforts to buy the tomb and the surrounding ground. He failed because the ground was part of a Mohammedan cemetery where rest the bones of the faithful, and such soil is never sold. Mr. Talmage says that had he succeeded, he would have given the tomb to the Christian Church of the world. Perhaps he would; then again, perhaps he would have fenced it in and put a sign over the gate: 'Holy Sepulcher; T. D. W. Talmage, proprietor. Admission, 25 cents.'"

It must be conceded by all thinking minds that man is naturally a religious being, and with all the religious teachings of the past, the world is full of half fledged theories, full of honest atheism and materialism, rightly demanding scientific proof for all things.

The human mind will never be at rest until religion becomes thorough demonstrable, as any other branch of human knowledge.

This can only be accomplished through messages direct from the loved ones gone before. When we look over the long list of distinguished religious teachers, we find none more successful

than John Wesley, Chas. Wesley, Whitfield and Fletcher, all confirmed believers in the truth of spirit return, and, like the Apostles, they lived in the atmosphere of Spiritualism.

The most humiliating feature of modern manifestations is, that those of high pretensions are to be found everywhere, who are ever ready to assail the sensitive, delicate medium with a charge of fraud and imposture, because persons of the highest integrity and intelligence have stated what they have witnessed under test conditions. This is one of the acts of social outrage that may be tolerated by what is absurdly called society ethics, but which cannot be tolerated by spiritual ethics, which the world approves.

Mediumship is the richest gift of heaven to man, and they who enjoy it become centers of enlightenment to all around them, and they are sought not only by the curious, but by the wise and good. It is one of the imperative duties of Spiritualists of this country to protect and cherish, to dignify and elevate mediumship, the channel of supernal light.

The Greeks, wiser than we, placed their mediums in temples, and we shall yet become sufficiently civilized to elevate mediumship; impressed, persecuted and neglected as it has been, it is destined yet to flourish among the noblest, best and greatest of the human race—the brightest flower of all humanity, that flower the blossoming of which makes the millennial maturity of man.

If the underlying and foundation principles of the Spiritualistic faith be not true, then the voice of the ages is a stupendous lie, the Bible a cheat, and the claims of the lowly Nazarene a fraud, the universe a failure, life a mockery, and death the only king entitled to a crown.

But it is true, as millions of the present generation can and do attest. There is nothing about Spiritualism unnatural; it is in harmony with nature, hence divine. It comes to encourage, cheer and inspire, to give strength and comfort. Before the glorious triumphs of this philosophy the sting of death is removed, the grave gives up its victory; eternal life of truth, hope and love arches the circuit of the human soul, with the assurance that it will live in a higher condition through an endless eternity.

Very little is positively known relative to man's origin, but fortunately, so far as practical purposes are concerned, it matters very little whether we accept the molecular, the clay, monkey or tadpole philosophy. What is to be man's final destiny is the paramount question of every living soul, and the poet well says:

"One question, more than others all,
From thoughtful minds implores reply,
It is, as breathed from star to pall,
What fate awaits us when we die?"

And never as to-day was the human mind so well prepared to investigate and determine the momentous question. Every observing, intelligent mind well knows that there is no class of men who profess to talk so wisely as those who talk about things of which they know comparatively nothing. A great classic has said:

"Shallow draughts intoxicate the brain,
But drinking largely sobers us again."

Any fool can tear down a rickety old building, but it takes a masterhand to build a desirable new one. Those that criticize and find so much fault with the old Bible are but poorly qualified to write a new one. It takes an agriculturist to grow a hill of corn or potatoes, but it requires but a small pig to root them up. Every religious organization has been obliged to force a recognition, and their growth has been commensurate with the opposition met with. The tree strikes its roots deeper into the soil because of the playing of the winds with its branches. The growth of Spiritualism has not been retarded by the opposition it has had to encounter.

The little boy knows nothing of his origin. At an early age his active little brain begins to query how he got into the family. He begins to put leading questions to his mother; to quiet what she conceives premature fancies, she tells him he was picked up back of the barn, or was brought in by the Doctor in his saddlebags. He believes it, because as yet it had not entered his precious innocent little head that his mother

Concluded on Page 8.

Written for The Better Way.

MYTHS.

BY F. REINER.

Are we not in an age where there is still a large quantity of myths manufactured. Ancient myths are of a peculiar type, made so by the conception of the intelligence of the age in which they originated.

Myths are really the endeavors of the mind of an age struggling to grasp the facts of the phenomena of the spiritual and material. Placed before the mind of this age are the material sciences. Any one endeavoring to explain material things, and if that endeavor finds any hearing at all, it must come within and be measured by these sciences, and before it receives attention must be demonstrated.

We do not "gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles." We cannot expect definitions in the science of things that are worth anything from theologians unless they are schooled in the realm of science and surely a thorough scientific man could never be a theologian, because that mind demands demonstration and that is wanting in religion.

AN ENCOURAGING EPISTOLE.

To the Editor of The Better Way.

I am much pleased with your paper in its present form and course, with the exception of the "Head," which, to my mind, cannot be an improvement on the beautiful and suggestive design which has headed the title page so long.

Your paper is an improvement on all others in the spiritualistic line, in that it has more general news pertaining to the movements all over the country; as notices of meetings and lectures, and individual mediums, which gives us all an idea of the progress of Spiritualism, as well as who are the foremost in the ranks as workers.

Another particular advantage your good journal has over others is, that it is blessed with an editor who is possessed with a goodly quantity of brains, from whence there springs up shoots of fruitful trees of knowledge, every branch of each tree bears fruit which is permeated with the flavor of common sense. A mind is at the foundation which sees a little farther than the nose of the owner, and can sense the needs of the people,

and realize that Spiritualism means something more than fragments of spirituality, that a few chunks of sense that can be utilized in a practical way by practical people is appreciated by those who are upon this mundane sphere.

Such a course as you are pursuing will do more to convince the intelligent of the truths of Spiritualism than all the frothy, long-winded dissertations upon "Mind and Matter," "What is God and where is He?" and soap-bubble communications from the "Sun Angels Order," and so on.

Practical business and professional men and women will be willing to be caught investigating our philosophy when they find that it is not necessary to be first an idiot or a pronounced fanatic to be a medium. When our speakers and papers advocate the idea that to be a medium it means to be well versed in the laws of both worlds practically as well as theoretically, then will they be induced to look into this unknown beyond.

Your interest in the political questions of the day indicates that reform means improvement in every branch of life, and should be noticed by every Spiritualist.

There is no question pertaining to this life and the next but what should be discussed and investigated by all Spiritualists. If this is not so, then are we any more in advance of any other creedal denomination, and are we reformers? The Pacific Investigator had only three months of life, but I started on the principles mentioned above, and had not unforeseen calamities overcome me, I would have been still conducting a practical Spiritualist paper, but let it pass; suffice it to say, time may bring better conditions, and meanwhile I shall conduct my spiritual meetings in company with Mrs. Perkins, at 111 Larkin street, San Francisco, and read THE BETTER WAY every week.

Respectfully, G. F. PERKINS.

Written for The Better Way.

WAYSIDE JOTTINGS.

MATTIE E. HULL.

When New Thought passed out of our hands I did not think it would be so long ere I took my pen to write a message for your paper, if only to express my good wishes for its future work, and extend a fraternal greeting to the numerous readers in whom we, the two M's, seem to have an added interest since the marriage of our little paper to yours.

I will not take the time to name the many reasons why my pen has been kept in close quarters since we closed our office, the former home of New Thought. Perhaps one cause of my silence has been from the fact I have not felt my pen scratches would add very much to the interest of your paper, as for a few months my time has been mostly engaged in arranging domestic affairs connected with our new home in Chicago, and making ready for active work in the spiritualistic field the present season.

The wanderer has returned, the home nearly settled, and we are again jointly engaged in the work of spreading the truths of Spiritualism. In response to requests; reaching me daily by mail, that I jot down the most interesting details connected with our work and send them to your columns, I comply, and will endeavor to boil down as much as possible.

Our first out-of-door meetings were held in Hobart, Ind. The meetings were not much of a success; the heat was almost unendurable and there is so little interest in Spiritualism in that vicinity that probably the very "best of conditions" would not insure a very large attendance. We were gratified to learn that our audiences, although not immense, were composed of some of the best people of the town, and certain ones for the first time were interested in the discussion of Spiritualism.

Our meetings at North McGregor, Ia., seven in all, were a magnificent success. The meetings were held in a beautiful grove, within a short distance from the cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ramsey, who are among the active workers in the cause.

Our labors in North McGregor were under the auspices of the spiritual society, and seldom do we meet so earnest and devoted a band of workers as we found in that society. The grove was put in splendid condition; the platform was appropriately decorated with floral emblems; above the position occupied by the speakers there was a representation of a half-open gate between the words, "The" and "Ajar," making a beautiful frontispiece for a spiritual rostrum. The music was excellent; the choir was composed of a dozen voices with organ, cornet, violin and clarinet accompaniment. The audiences were large from first to last; it was said that the crowd on the grounds Sunday night was the largest ever known on any occasion in that town.

Delegations were present from many towns distant, as well as those adjacent. These meetings were held on Sunday, and a bountiful basket dinner was served between the morning and afternoon services—and lunch between the afternoon and even-

ing service. The day's program was made up of two discourses by Mr. Hull, and one by the writer. The latter considered "Some Skeptical Questions Concerning Mediumship." Mr. Hull discoursed in the afternoon on "Jesus and the Mediums," at night, "The Mission of Spiritualism," and from the commencement to the close of his addresses the entire audience seemed chained to the seats, and scarcely was the silence of the listeners broken by so much as a whisper. The writer usually opened each session with a poem on subjects selected by the audience.

Our first engagement was for three days only, but the enthusiasm ran so high we were impetioned to remain one day longer and hold a meeting Monday night. This was not enough. Mr. Hull was urged to remain one night more and deliver his famous lecture on the tariff question. As this is a non-partisan, anti-tariff lecture, all classes turned out to listen.

We find, wherever we go, some readers of THE BETTER WAY, and it is universally conceded to be a splendid paper, improving with age. Already the people are expressing a desire that Mr. Hull's "Replies to a Clergyman" should be issued.

I need not say I am interested in the welfare of your paper. You have some excellent contributors, and I have always admired your position concerning the discussion of principles and not personalities.

My jottings are already too long. I have not said all my soul would say, trusting your readers may read between the lines.

Written for The Better Way.

WHAT IS THE SOUL OF MAN?

BY J. G. ARNOLD.

All I claim to know about the original man, the science of soul and the life beyond, is what I have gleaned from my guardian spirits. One who stepped from the unseen took me by the hand and claims to be my soul-mate. Twin soul, too, narrates the journey of our lives through the countless ages of the past. These exalted messengers of light and knowledge tell us that mind is defile, and has no beginning; that mind is distinguished from matter does not mean spirit, that is, individualized; that soul is the result of individualized matter, evolved through the law of uniting mind and matter; that pure spirit cannot live in the coarse form of the mortal body, but weaves itself into soul or forms; that mind and matter are extremes, matter is the table page of mind, and mind is the redeemer and master of matter.

The animal has no soul because it is two-fold and has not reached the highest form, and should be able to weave soul; it must remain in animal form, because soul crowns the form and seals the height. Man is the fulfillment of the law of animal life, therefore he is three-fold—spirit, soul and body. Hence, defile man has two bodies—spiritual and mortal; and when he leaves this world he drops the clay; can he drop the soul? Ignorance answers no, and man prays to God to save his soul. His soul is undeveloped, is not spiritualized, and to answer his prayer would defeat his inheritance and lose him immortality.

The sun has its constellation of worlds and each world its unseen counterparts or spiritual spheres, of ethereal brightness; and a soul on a lower plane of thought cannot stand the radiance of a celestial mission. So when the man, the inner spirit, leaves this world he drops the mortal form for a world beyond, to sever his development, and when he has a call to "come up higher," he drops the form (as he did here) incarnates (as he did at first) and weaves another to suit the advancement he has made, and the radiance of the world above. This evolution is continued from world to world, until he reaches the seventh heaven, where light and glory meet, and the soul is made perfect and master of matter.

On the science of soul rests the journey of life and the foundation of our cause. Spiritualists will have to learn that spirit ever existed with the Father, and how to climb the ladder of his many mansions. Then Spiritualism will lead the van, and the outside world will have to fall in line. All hail the blessed day, resting on the tangible sunbeam waiting for the banner to be unfurled and the millenium born.

My attention has been drawn to hungry souls seeking for the bread of life. There is a volume written on this subject by spirit Dona for those who have not read it, and I would be glad for Sister Allie Lindsay Lynch to read it. Send \$2.50 to L. B. Fayette, Oswego, N. Y., and ask him to send you "Foin's Legacy"—read and sift every word, and join the Order, and rejoice long after you have dropped the clay. The grandest sight I ever saw or expect to see this side of the grave, which is yawning for me, was angel simplicity, exalted souls in materialized form.

Testimonial.

Words cannot express the gratitude I feel towards Dr. J. W. DeLoog for the great relief afforded me by his magnetic treatment for catarrh in the head. I suffered for more than fifteen years and tried nearly all the available remedies I could think of, and in all these years found nothing to relieve me so much as Dr. DeLoog's treatment. My head is now clear and free from all pain, and can safely say that his treatments have a wonderful effect. Mrs. EMMA BIGGS, 73 E. Robbins st., Covington, Ky.

Special to The Better Way.

WORDS FROM AN ENGLISH WORKER.

BY J. J. MORSE.

THE BETTER WAY, in its new dress, arrived a day or two ago, and its appearance at once elicited unstinted commendation. The "new suit" is a decided "fit," and cannot fail to add to the attractiveness of the paper. The writer has watched, with unflagging interest, the rise and progress of THE BETTER WAY, and rejoices to find that a steady evolution has, so far, marked its career. Each volume has been stronger, in matter, than its predecessor, but in no case has power been abused, or the limits of good taste offended. Contributors have had liberty, but editorial prudence has restrained license. Many sound, and permanently useful contributions have been presented in its columns, and, in general, the acrid and substantial support accorded, has been justly earned and truly deserved. In the present handsome get out, maintaining its previous excellence, doubtless exceeding it, and meeting a constantly enlarging constituency, there is no doubt that THE BETTER WAY has before it a long and prosperous future. It is a grand paper, and is doing excellent work. It deserves a large circulation in this country, too; but English papers are so cheap, as a rule, that American periodicals are at a disadvantage. It is a pity, for their bright variety is a distinctive characteristic.

Your article on the representation of Spiritualism at the coming World's Fair, is quite good. The dangers and possible absurdities you note are points well taken. A stand, containing specimen copies of all spiritual journals published in the United States, samples of our standard literature, a list of all meeting places, portraits of prominent authors, adherents, mediums, lecturers and lyceum conductors, could be gracefully grouped and arranged in a handsome stand, and a brief history of Spiritualism in the United States for gratuitous distribution, are surely not impossible. Such a stand could not talk, so the cranks would have no chance. It could not give sources, so our phenomena would not be an "exhibition." It is merely a suggestion, perhaps an impertinence? But let it stand for what it is worth.

Am glad to see Hudson Tuttle among the contributors to THE BETTER WAY; few write as ably, none better, in the general line of his thoughts travel in. His contribution, "Why am I a Spiritualist," is a gem. Always impersonal, he is ever pleasing to read, after. There is a tremendous quantity of drab stuff printed in our books and journals, lacking clearness of statement, precision of thought, and definiteness of purpose, that it is a pleasure to read. Bro. Tuttle, and some few others like him, who have something to say, and when it is said, stop! But there, Mr. Editor, you have learned, long ere this, the confusion there is in some minds, as to quantity and quality. N. B. Please do not judge this letter too strictly! Well, I suppose we all do our best, even editors who slice up our contributions! So let us find our true place, then fill it, to our best advantage. But, all things considered, the readers of THE BETTER WAY have but little to complain of in the matter of the literary banquet spread for them, week after week.

Here, in England, we have just had a big event in our ranks. On Sunday, July 6th, the largest, most representative, and thoroughly successful national conference of Spiritualists ever assembled, was held in Manchester, at which upwards of one hundred delegates, from over fifty of our largest cities, were present. Resolutions in favor of national union, the holding of an annual conference, the amending of the law as concerns spiritual mediums and societies, the better definition of the terms Spiritualism and Spiritualists, and the injury done by private circles being held at the times of public meetings, were discussed and passed with the utmost enthusiasm. The next year's conference will convene in Bradford, Yorkshire, and a larger and fuller gathering is confidentially anticipated. Thus, some practical attempt is being made to bring order and unity to bear upon our work here. The best hopes of success are entertained.

Generally speaking, our cause is in a fairly healthy condition here. But times are hard, and societies are thus not able to remunerate the workers as formerly. There is but little public mediumship here at this time. Indeed, physical phenomena is almost at a standstill. It is to be regretted, as a really reliable physical phenomena are the backbone of our propaganda. We need facts. It is a hard headed age, and physical facts can alone make a dent in the thick heads of many.

I snatch a few moments from a more than busy life to pen these lines, in the time to congratulate all concerned with THE BETTER WAY on their past labors and pleasant position, to wish them all encouragement and success for the future. Hereafter I will write some more, of deeper interest, perhaps, than these few lines. In the meantime I am THE BETTER WAY's most cordial well wisher.

Things one would rather have expressed differently—Photographer—"Please look a little pleasant, miss. I know it's hard; but it's only for a moment."—Punch.

Written for The Better Way.

SPRIT TALK IN WAVERLY, IOWA.

BY J. W.

What we receive for necessary use is our own to enjoy. What we give away to the needy is treasure put out at large interest. What we selfishly hoard is the only thing we can lose.

The soul is the fountain of thought. Thoughts we like profuse showers growing here and there. Composition arranges them into bouquet and wreaths. Their general analysis and use attempted by facts is philosophy; the finding of these facts is mental science.

Spiritualists should imitate the sun that shed its glorious light and heat and life sustaining rays upon all dependent orbs, yet never degrades itself to their lower plane of living. So let us shed our benign and enlightening influence upon all within the reach of our light; but ought never to degrade ourselves in character or in manners to a plane below us. Lead upward.

All the Spiritualists in the world together do not embrace all there is in Spiritualism yet to be developed. This earth was once "without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep," very unlike this present beautiful world, and more unlike what it is destined yet to be. The confused medley of sense and nonsense, reason and assumption of which you complain, are necessary steps of progression. They show us the class out of which we are rising, and suggest the heights to which we aspire. When we contemplate the bigotry and egotism, the folly of ignorance, assumptions born of antiquated notions of religions and science, we may hoot laugh and sneer, and we might be discouraged if we could not discern in all this confusion "the refiners fire and fuller's soap," which is to burn out the dross and wash out the impurities which still adhere to Spiritualists as they are struggling for pure Spiritualism.

Wisdom dictates that we should sacrifice a lesser good when by so doing something better can be secured. So Joseph, in the old Hebrew legend, counseled his father and brothers, when about to remove into Egypt, "Alas, regard not your staff for the good of the land of Egypt is yours." There were many things to which the old gentleman had become attached, which had been useful, and which he would be loth to leave behind. But it would cost more than they were worth to cart them so far. They would prove a hindrance and retard the progress of his journey, and prove in the end worse than nothing. So in the parable of the Nazarene, the man who found a treasure in the neighbor's field, made a good financial speculation, at least, when he saw that the treasure was more valuable than all he possessed, to sell out all he had and buy that field.

Very many who have become convinced of the truth and superlative importance of Spiritualism do not act so wisely. There are thousands who would be Spiritualists, and are such in a certain sense, who cannot bring themselves to leave the mass of useless and hindering "stuff" behind them. Those who have been materialists must bring along their old methods, whether adapted to the new philosophy or not. Religious must bring with them a mass of irrelevant theology, and erect altars for the worship of some old-fashioned God, must have some sort of revelation, and hence Creator. Some church order, rules or creeds. Nothing perhaps so treacherously adheres to the mass of men as early religious impressions, no matter how absurd. Many carry this kind of "stuff" into spirit life, and few imagine how greatly it retards spiritual progression even there. Many are like the good saving woman, when "packing up to move," said she had "a hundred dollar's worth of stuff not worth a cent." Never mind the "stuff." Spiritualists have enough without it, and better.

BELIEF VS. FACTS.

To the Editor of The Better Way.

I see in your issue of May 17th that my friend, Dr. Conner has called me to an account again. But he admits he couldn't help me any on the God question, as he is not settled upon that himself.

He asks why it is necessary that the God question should be settled before we could study the subject "Is Spirit Matter?" I will state what I have once before stated, that if there is a God then I would believe that all is spirit. But as I do not know anything about a God, I believe that what we call spirit is matter only in a different degree of refinement. I think I have explained why I wanted a proof of a God.

He says that he is working to maintain freedom of belief and disbelief. Now, I will work with him for that purpose, for I think we all should have liberty of thought and action as long as we do not infringe upon some one else's equal rights. In fact, we should not ask of another what we would not be willing to grant another. He still thinks that because Warren Chase taught reincarnation thirty-five years ago is historical proof of reincarnation. I do not see that a person's opinion upon any subject is proof upon the question. It may have some weight for a belief. He says Thos. Paine believed in a God. I would say that if there is no God Thos. Paine was superstitious on that point.

He wants materialism with a belief in reincarnation, Christianity and mental science or theosophy is any more superstitious than a belief in alchemy, geology, electrical science, physiology, clairvoyance or psychometry. I would say if the former can be proved as well as the latter can, then I will admit them to be superstitious about it. A belief in the aculous conception is a superstition to me, yet I know there are thousands of good honest people believing in it. A belief in witches looks to me like superstition, yet there were plenty of good, honest people hung and drowned men and women for being what they supposed a witch. And there are plenty of people in many parts of the country that believe they are witches now.

Now, I will only ask the Doctor prove reincarnation, and if he can do so will say there is nothing superstitious about it. I do not doubt that you can give his reasons for his faith in a reincarnation. He says "I believe in truth regarding all occult facts inasmuch as by and through the growth and development of our own individual lives as we are able to perceive them." Well, most cases can be easily proved, which occult or otherwise. But I have seen the growth friend Conner has to see a man does. But we can discuss our differences in perfect good feeling.

Hope the Doctor will enlighten all he can in what you looks very serious. PROF. A. B. SEVERANCE.

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

To the Editor of The Better Way. As I wrote to the Banner of Light, stating that the Spiritualists represented at the World's Fair to be held in Chicago, I feel that it would be in place for me to comment a little upon the late maneuvers on this subject.

It would appear that you do not get the spirit of the suggestion. Nature has been said to make it an occasion present the actual manifestation of spirit, communion and power. Indeed, said that to hold seances and have manifestations would be of place in a representative man should be in attendance, to answer questions and properly all applications. The Banner suggests Hudson Tuttle. No better selection could be made.

The idea is to exhibit the spiritual literature. All works published of interest ought to be displayed to the public for examination. All spiritual papers should have file their names as possible. A reading space could be added. An office for the spiritual publication could be arranged, where we could for books and subscriptions for papers would be taken. Your paper and all papers would be greatly benefited, if other denominations will have their publishing houses, doubtless.

We can add anything like spirit messages, spirit drawings and pictures, spirit photographs and possible evidence of the phenomena attested.

The manifestations could not be presented, but the evidence thereof would be possible to such an extent that people might be induced to search for the truth. Spiritual papers and books could be distributed to good effect. A fund can be arranged to sustain it. We can each give from \$1.00 to \$5.00 in a laudible effort to publicly give to status and growth of Spiritualism.

Let us sustainably & rich in our efforts, with brother Tuttle on the agency. Get up the fund, and get thousands of Spiritualists to subscribe. It will be missionary work, and a great help to our literature and its publication. Headquarters for the Spiritualists of the World's Fair, will be of great value to our people. A place to meet for acquaintance, for rest and for record of presence will redound to much that cannot be overdone. G. W. KATZ.

POST AND MEAL.

To the Editor of The Better Way.

I think there are many of you, who are scattered, societies who do not know that Grand Rapids, Mich. has a man to be proud of the gifts of a worker, known as Dr. V. D. Thomas. The workman is not only a very interesting speaker, but has rare mediumistic talents—psychometrically and poetically a speaker he talks to a given point; and however indifferent he may be to the listener on the street he will converse with the doctor as the latter proceeds to a house of enthusiasm and interest. Deliberations are concise and pointed, ways reminding one of the style of V. Wilson, who, it is believed, has become him, though by most persons seen.

But it is his poetic improvisations which I wish your many readers to know. These are not merely rhymes, but sentiment is elevated and grand, and pass criticism so well as regular rules of poetic construction that I have no hesitation in saying, after having read and reading the reported words of others who are called the best, that doctor stands at the head of the public improvisators.

Dr. V. D. Thomas, like many who are to retirement, and not given to pushing himself forward. He is a fine poet, using the clairvoyant, magnetic and electric methods. W. H. BOYD.

Unselfishness is the very true morality.

AUGUST 9, 1890.

Written for The Better Way. A SEANCE WITH MRS. CADWELL.

BY G. P. SHEPHERD.

Though the mercury mounted high in its tube, our Hudson river was delightfully cool on Wednesday, the 16th of July. Taking the nice little steamer, which went out from Yonkers in the morning, I enjoyed such refreshing breezes as made a warm wrap a necessity. Fifteen miles of water and of the beautiful banks of this wonderful river, and we are in New York City's great harbor.

The giant, "Teutonic," is just in from her race, having made her journey in less than six days! As we pass so close under her stern that we can see the bronzed features of her seamen distinctly, we feel like saluting their prowess and her marvelous beauty! Numberless ferry boats, loaded to the water, are crossing and re-crossing the river, and the saucy-looking but ever helpful steam tugs are shrieking and dashing about, here, there, everywhere. The more water they ship the happier and more defiant they look, as if saying, "Swamp us if you can; we dare you to try!" I never tire of this busy harbor. Yonder "Liberty" stands with her hand uplifted to heaven, and our little "Crystenah" is swinging in at her dock.

We flit across the city's hot flagstones as fast as we can, to the near Brooklyn Bridge, another thrilling monument to man's mechanical genius, and are soon fanned to coolness again by East River breezes. We take the elevated road on the Brooklyn side and whirl in mid-air high above the noise, dust, heat, the unsavory smells and confusion of the city's streets and ground floors, and alight near 244 Lexington Avenue, the cool, pleasant home of Mrs. Cadwell, the medium so well known by many for her great powers of materialization. The heat of the day makes it doubtful whether many will come to the seance, but the hour for commencing finds six-teen assembled—all earnest, intelligent people. It is delightful to see what a fine class of clear-thinking people are devoting their serious study to this grandly-important phase of phenomena.

The seance was three hours in length, and the medium had given a private one the evening before, which was equally long. A wonderful thing to do in hot weather! More than fifty forms appeared at the curtain, or came out into the room, and some very marked tests were given.

A lady and her daughter talked in low tones with a female form at the curtain, and then the daughter turned to the circle and said, with emotion, "My spirit sister has just given mother and me a test, which I want you to know. We buried my mother's sister, my aunt, this forenoon, before she died she said: 'If materialization is a truth, I shall try to come right to you.' My sister announces that 'Aunt Eliza is with her, learning to take on the materialized form.'" She added, "My mother and I agreed we would not tell the medium or any one in the circle of the death of my aunt, but wait to have it announced from the cabinet." Before the close of the seance the sister came again bringing the aunt, who, although feebly able to speak, communicated so as to be understood by her dear ones, expressing her pleasure in finding this to be indeed true, and that she was able to greet them again, so soon after saying "good-bye." My own daughter came, called me to her and gave me a statement of present affairs, of which no one in the room could have known, and of which I had not before realized the full spiritual significance; she then made a prophecy; if it is fulfilled, it will belong to the public, and I will then write it. It was certainly quite unexpected to me. The most of the beautiful things which happen in a materializing seance belong only to the friends who receive, and unless they choose to bestow them on the public, no writer has a right, or the power indeed to do so. The faces illumined with the bountiful bestowal of affectionate counsel and cherishing words, given from their spirit advisers and loved ones, told to the medium could not, what a tender re-linking of once apparently broken heart cords there had been, with those we are wont to call "our departed."

A gentleman who sat by my side in the seance asked searching questions of the cabinet "spirit mother," and received very clear, cogent answers. I told him after the seance that from her answers came the interpretation of the peculiar symbolic vision I had seen soon after the seance began. I had no idea who he was, but sensed his strong sphere of intelligence and honor; I also perceived by his speech he was not an American. I think it no breach of trust to write the vision, as I do not myself know his name, and shall not tell you from what country he came; I relate it because it seems to be good for so many people I meet. I saw him completely enclosed by large opera glasses; they were piled

"cob-house" fashion so closely around him there was no possible chance of his moving in any direction without knocking them down. After the seance I asked permission to tell him what I had seen, and said: "From that vision and the advice the 'spirit mother' afterward gave you, I think you have relied too much on the opinions of others, using their so much more materialistic vision instead of your own naturally spiritual one." He graciously thanked me and bravely said he realized the truth of the vision, and of the mother's advice. He acknowledged he had felt timid about relying on himself in a matter of such import, and so had been reading every book he could find in any way touching the matter.

I said: "Push away all the opera glasses, stop reading for a while on the subject, and come like a little child to the spirit guides round you, asking them to teach you your letters; if all the rest of mankind had learned their a, b, c, of these matters, nothing could help you but to go and learn yours." I am sure if he does so, the world will be blessed with one more of what it so much needs—fearless, intelligent, painstaking investigators. I learned from a friend whom I met on the way home, who had been in the seance, and who knew him, that he was one of our foreign consuls, a native of an European country which he represents here, and a frequent and constant contributor to European journals. Looking out on the world from my quiet, restful retreat among these beautiful hills overlooking the Hudson, I see our great need to be that each shall seek for themselves the truth in all manifestations of spirit; if we do so, the next anniversary will show us a harvest far greater than any yet garnered. When enlightened spirit forces are surging in on the spiritual ranks, they are moved on by the great light pouring in from high spheres of wisdom, and must, in turn, move to all mediums everywhere. We say, be fearless, be trustful, be calm and be strong; all these dark ones must be lifted up to receive the blessing of advancement which can only come through the light which spirit workers are receiving from the infinite fountain of light, and which they must in turn dispense to the world through mortal mediums who co-operate with them. My spirit guardian, "Peace," sends his love and blessing to all, with an especial remembrance to those who are bearing the heat and brunt of the battle in bringing the attention of mortals to the consideration of the profound truths of immortal life, through the physical phases of work. To his bountiful measure let me add my own, which, although of necessity smaller, is still deeply felt.

TERESA URREA, THE HEALING MEDIUM OF CABORA.

BY DR. E. F. SCHELLHOES.

For some months past rumors and reports of a remarkable character have been in circulation respecting a young girl, Teresa Urrera, living in the District of Alamos, Sonora, Mexico. It was stated that she performed the most wonderful cures, principally by the laying on of hands, and by means of supernatural power. A party of six, including the writer, desiring to see more of the country, determined to visit the place where she lives and learn the facts in regard to her. On arriving at the residence of her father, Sr. Urrera, we saw what was at first the usual dwelling houses, corrals, etc., of a Mexican hacienda, converted into a temporary town, consisting of numerous buildings, hastily constructed for the convenience of the sick seeking relief through the healing power of this young girl. Every effort was made to accommodate us with shelter from the heat of the sun, and conveniences for our comfort. Two of our party, consisting of young ladies, were soon invited to an interview with the "saint," as she was called, and really believed to be by those around her. They found her to be a girl 17 or 18 years old; of regular and handsome features, finely formed head, delicate physique, artless in manner, and a very personification of candor and innocence. * * *

In the United States, and other civilized countries, spiritual healing is regarded as one of the phases of mediumship. Teresa is a healing medium, but the people around her, in their superstition, regard her power as a gift direct from God.

In most forms of chronic diseases there is a lack of vital force. Every healthy individual has a reserve of this force, and when any unusual draught is made, this reserve force comes into active service, and the person does not realize the draught made upon him, but in cases of general debility, the reserve force is so small that a low and enfeebled condition is always present.

Some persons have a power of imparting vital force to others, the recipient being always benefited by such impartation. It is reasonable to assume, in the absence of positive knowledge, that vital force has its origin in the spiritual realm, and that advanced spirits can employ it in the cure of disease, if they have the proper medium through which vital force may be imparted to those who suffer from the lack of it. Such are called "healing mediums." In the case of Teresa Urrera, high and benevolent spirits have found a suitable medium through which to impart the healing

power. She is innocent, artless and unpretending, willing, obedient and faithful, with an untiring zeal and a high sense of her lofty calling. She is humble, devoted and unselfish. With a good organization and favorable temperament, she is capable of being very serviceable in her work.—Progressive Thinker.

Written for The Better Way. WHAT A SKEPTIC SAW AT ONSET.

BY FRANK W. PRATT.

Previous to my visit to Onset, I had never attended but one—so-called—materializing seance. That one was in the city just before I had left here for the east. That one I thought and still think, was an unmitigated fraud, and most of the Spiritualists here think the same. The medium—if she be such—has left for fresh fields and new victims. I withhold her name because I am not sure my opinion is correct, and I don't want to do injustice on insufficient evidence. It is the duty of all Spiritualists to investigate, smoke out and expose fraud wherever found. The perpetration of fraud in this business is a most heinous offense. It is outraging the tenderest feeling of humanity and cannot be too thoroughly exposed and punished.

Mr. Albro of Boston occupied a cottage and was holding, as manager, materializing seances in Onset. His medium was a woman whose name I don't remember. On the evening of my second day in Onset I went to a seance at his house. The circle consisted of about twenty persons, all Spiritualists I think but myself and I don't think any others were looking for or expecting fraud; I was looking for and expecting nothing else. The supposition that a human form, clothed in white and shining garments and able to run about the room and talk in audible voice, could be built up apparently out of nothing in a few minutes' time, looked to me so absurdly ridiculous, that I looked upon those who claimed to believe it possible, with a good degree of pity.

The members of the circle were seated, my position being just at, and a little distance from the corner. The chairs at my right and left were close back to the walls on the side and end of room, while in the corner in rear of mine was a little space made by circling round the corner.

The lamps were turned out except one in corner of the room shielded by tissue paper. The organ played low, plaintive tunes, and after a few minutes of semi-darkness, white robed female forms began to part the curtains of the cabinet and came out into the circle to communicate with supposed friends. One came to me and gave me the name of a niece who passed away in Massachusetts some twenty years ago. It was too dark to recognize her features and she said nothing except her name by which to identify herself. Two forms materialized, or came there some other way, in the corner back of my chair: I rose, moved my chair and let them pass out into the circle. I put my hands on them and found them to be material substance. The only mystery about it to me was how they came there, as there was no space back of the chairs at my right and left through which they could have passed into the corner, and they could not have passed between me and those on each side of me, had there been room, without being plainly seen.

The members of the circle on the opposite side of the room were two or three feet from the wall, and in that space several forms appeared and passed out into the circle. All the forms that appeared that evening were clothed in female apparel and all appeared about the same size. That fact made me very suspicious of the reality of what I saw. Another suspicious indication was the number of spirits that came. There were two or three out at the same time, and I distinctly heard their footsteps on the carpet. I believed the whole thing to be just what I expected to see, a deception and fraud.

It is a difficult thing for a person who has firmly believed and advocated opinions for many years, to accept evidence, or believe phenomena a reality, that will prove his life long opinions to be errors. I desired to honestly investigate the matter, hoping that evidence sufficient to convince me of its truth might be obtained, but having very little faith that such would be the result.

A Mrs. Adams, also from Boston I think, and who claimed to represent clairvoyance, trance, transfiguration and materialization mediumship occupied a cottage and held seances. Her cottage was on a street through which I daily passed in going to and from my lodging room. She inquired of a gentleman whose acquaintance I had made, if he knew who the stranger was who daily passed her house and always accompanied by the spirits of two women, one of whom was more distinctly visible than the other, and whom she thought must be the spirit of his wife. From her description it was I whom she had seen. He offered to go with and introduce me, which he did simply as his friend; no name being given. She repeated to me what she had told him as to seeing the spirits by me when passing and gave me a good description of the spirit of my wife.

She was soon entranced and gave me the name, the name of my wife, the number and names of my children then in California, a good description of my home, and the fact of my having a little boy in spirit life, now grown to spirit manhood, and gave his name and said he was then present. She also told many facts in relation to myself, my wife and little boy in spirit life, and my children in California, nothing of whom could she or any other person in Onset but myself have known anything about. I subsequently attended a transfiguration seance at Mrs. Adams' cottage. I had made what inquiry I had opportunity to make as to her character and reputation for honesty. All who knew her of whom I inquired considered her an honest conscientious woman, to whom no suspicion of fraud had ever been attached, and from her appearance, so far as I could by appearance judge, I thought her deserving of that reputation. Her seance was conducted like materializing seances generally. A dark cabinet, a shaded dim light, and previous to the appearance of transfigured or materialized forms, music on the organ and also vocal. Several forms both male and female apparently, came and indicated by pointing, who in the circle they desired to communicate with. The controlling spirit claimed to be that of an Indian girl and her imperfect English and characteristics indicated that such was the case, or that the medium was giving a good imitation of an Indian girl's attempt to speak English. There were three who came during the evening and indicated a desire to communicate with me. One claimed to be the spirit of my wife and indicated her identity by giving me her name and also giving mine. She seemed anxious to convince me of the error of my skepticism by assuring me that she still lived and loved me as ever, and was my daily companion then and during my journey across the continent was constantly with me. An old woman dressed in dark robes with a cap on her head such as was worn by old ladies fifty years ago came. She was bent in form indicating great age and spoke in audible voice, but as one would destitute of teeth. I did not recognize her and asked who she was. She said she was my grandmother and gave the name of my father's mother who passed to spirit life sixty-four years before, and when I was a little boy. I had no remembrance of ever seeing her in this life and consequently had no knowledge of how she looked. She talked for a minute or two in an audible voice, expressing pleasure for the privilege of coming to me, but giving nothing by which I could positively identify her. Her enunciation was imperfect, as one must necessarily be who has no teeth. I did not understand all she said, although her voice was loud enough to be distinctly heard. I obtained a very good impression of her looks and dress. I subsequently visited a brother in Wisconsin several years older than I am, and whose memory of our grandmother is quite distinct. His description of her conformed exactly to the appearance of that form that came to me from Mrs. Adams' cabinet. Two forms, one a man, the other a woman, came out at the same time. The man was dressed in the uniform of an army general and gave the name of Burnside. His whiskers and general appearance confirmed very nearly, if not exactly, to pictures of that general, so familiar to every one. An army comrade whose name I did not learn was present, and went up and conversed with him. He seemed perfectly satisfied that it was General Burnside whom he there saw. The woman who came at the same time went and seated herself at the organ and played a tune, and then returned to the cabinet. An Indian came in paint and feathers and shook hands with a Mrs. Byrd of New York, who sat next to me in the circle. He was quite demonstrative in his action and spoke in ordinary tone of voice and Indian dialect. Mrs. B. asked him for a feather from his head dress. He pulled one out and gave her which she carried home, and I presume still retains. I examined it afterwards and found it a real feather, but from what bird it came or was in imitation of I could not determine. Its length was about fifteen inches I should judge; I did not measure it. These—to me—wonderful manifestations began to weaken my faith in life long opinions, and increase my desire for more evidence. I could not believe that all the intelligent people I had seen at these seances were dupes, and did not want to believe that all the mediums I had seen were frauds and deceivers. I could readily believe that some, strong in the faith of spirit manifestation, and though generally intelligent might easily be so willingly deceived, but that a whole community of people such as I saw there, would go on day after day, week after week, attending seances that were only deception and fraud and no one discover the deception, seemed to me highly improbable if not impossible. Still long years of disbelief in the existence of spirits had so firmly rooted my opinions that I could not accept as reality what I had seen, and the evidence of my senses would not allow me to reject the whole of it as a sham, or a delusion.

The New York Central Railroad has twenty-six women employed as station agents.

By All Odds

The most generally useful medicine is Ayer's Pills. As a remedy for the various diseases of the stomach, liver, and bowels, these Pills have no equal. Their sugar-coating causes them not only to be easy and pleasant to take, but preserves their medicinal integrity in all climates and for any reasonable length of time. The best family medicine, Ayer's Pills are, also, unsurpassed for the use of travelers, soldiers, sailors, campers, and pioneers. In some of the most critical cases, when all other remedies have failed,

Ayer's Pills

prove effective. "In the summer of 1864 I was sent to the Annapolis hospital, suffering with chronic diarrhea. While there, I became so reduced in strength that I could not speak and was compelled to write everything I wanted to say. I was then having some 25 or 30 stools per day. The doctors ordered a medicine that I was satisfied would be of no benefit to me. I did not take it, but persuaded my nurse to get the some of Dr. Ayer's Pills. About two o'clock in the afternoon I took six of these pills, and by midnight began to feel better. In the morning the doctors came again, and after deciding that my symptoms were more favorable, gave me a different medicine, which I did not use, but took four more of the pills instead. The next day the doctors came to see me, and thought I was doing nicely, (and so did I). I then took one pill a day for a week. At the end of that time, I considered myself cured and that Ayer's Pills had saved my life. I was then weak, but had no return of the disease, and gained in strength as fast as could be expected."—P. C. Luce, Late Lieut. 50th Regt. Mass. Vol. Infantry. "Ayer's Pills are

The Best

I have ever used for headaches, and they act like a charm in relieving any disagreeable sensation in the stomach after eating."—Mrs. M. J. Ferguson, Pullens, Va. "I was a sufferer for years from dyspepsia and liver troubles, and found no permanent relief until I commenced taking Ayer's Pills. They have effected a complete cure."—George W. Mooney, Walla Walla, W. T.

Ayer's Pills,

PREPARED BY DR. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass. Sold by all Druggists and Dealers in Medicines.

Science of Immortality,

—A LECTURE BY WILLIAM F. PECK. The above lecture was delivered by our gifted correspondent and lecturer, Mr. W. F. Peck, at Casadaga Lake Camp Meeting, August 11, 1888. It is able and thought-provoking; expressed in apt, clear and comprehensive manner characteristic of the author. Price ten cents. To be had at this office.

Studies in the Outlying Fields

—OF— PSYCHIC SCIENCE, BY HUDSON TUTTLE. This work essays to utilize and explain the vast array of facts in its field of research, which hitherto have had no apparent connection, by referring them to a common cause and from them arise to the laws and conditions of man's spiritual being. The leading subjects treated are as follows: Matter, life, mind, spirit; What the senses teach of the world and the doctrine of evolution; Scientific methods of the study of man and its results; What is the sensitive state? Mesmerism, hypnotism, somnambulism; clairvoyance; Sensitiveness proved by psychometry; Sensitiveness during sleep; Dreams; Sensitiveness induced by disease; Thought transference; Intimations of an intelligent force superior to the actor; Effect of physical conditions on the sensitive; Unconscious sensitiveness; Prayer, in the light of sensitiveness and thought transference; Immortality—What the future life must be, granting the preceding facts and conclusions; Mind cure; Christian science, metaphysics—their psychic and physical relations; Personal experience and intelligence from the sphere of light.

Illuminated Buddhism

—OR— TRUE NIRVANA. PRICE, PAPER, FIFTYCENTS For Sale at this Office. Lights: and: Shadows —OF— SPIRITUALISM By D. D. HOME. "LIGHT MORE LIGHT." Price \$2.00—412 Pages. FOR SALE BY THE WAY PUB. CO.

GLEANINGS FROM THE PAGES OF HISTORY.

By the aid and in the light of Progress, Seventeen articles in prose and nineteen songs, with music, constitute the contents of this volume. Among the prose are: "Platform of principles and a general basis of the coming church;" "Statements of facts and a compend of evidence;" "Spiritual truths recorded in the Bible," and "Reasons for not being an orthodox church member." Of songs, with music, are: "Footsteps of Angels;" "Shining shore;" "We shall meet Beyond the River;" "Home of the Soul."

LIFE AND LABOR

—IN THE— SPIRIT WORLD, By The Members of The Spirit Band of MISS M. T. SHELHAMER. A volume of 412 pages, neatly and substantially bound in cloth, \$1.00; postage 10 cents. Full gilt \$1.50; postage free. A special edition has been issued which is embellished with eight illustrations representing scenes in spirit life. For Sale at this Office.

LECTURES —ON— MEDIUMSHIP,

—BY— PROFESSOR J. S. LOVELAND.

A course of Seven Lectures delivered at Mt. Pleasant Park Camp Meeting during August, 1888. Also an additional lecture on the PERPETUITY OF SPIRITUALISM, (Price, Cloth, \$1.00.

Large, clear, printed neatly bound. An invaluable amount of spiritual information and exposition is contained therein; and it should not alone occupy a prominent place on library shelves, but be well read and digested. Send no stamps. For Sale at this Office.

BEYOND; A Record of Real Life

—Over The— Beautiful Country —Over The— River and Beyond

PRICE 50 CENTS. For Sale by The Way Publishing Company.

DIVINE SECRETS —OR— RULES FOR SOUL CULTURE.

As Applied to the DEVELOPMENT OF MEDIUMS. BY R. S. LILLIE. PRICE 10 CENTS. For sale at this Office. No postage stamps accepted for Books. FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE

THE BETTER WAY

FARADAY PAMPHLETS. No. 1.—The Relation of the Spiritual to the Material Universe; The Law of Control. New edition, enlarged and revised, by M. Faraday. Price 15 cents; postage 1 cent. No. 2.—The Process of Life. Where Man Comes From. The Evolution of the Spirit from Matter through Organic Processes, or How the Spirit Body Grows. New edition, enlarged and revised, by M. Faraday. Price 10 cents; postage, 1 cent. No. 3.—The Development of the Spirit After Transition: The Origin of Religions, by M. Faraday. Price 15 cents; postage 1 cent. No. 4.—The Process of Media Action; or How We Think, by M. Faraday. Price 15 cents; postage, 2 cents. No. 5.—Jesus Christ a Fiction. Founded upon the Life of Apollonius of Tyana. How the Pagan priests of Rome originated Christianity. Startling confessions of its founders. Transcribed by M. Faraday. 328 pages. Price, boards, 75 cents; postage 5 cents. No. 6.—The Birth-Place of the Birth-Place of Jesus. Extract from No. 5. Price 10 cents. Who Wrote the New Testament. Extract from No. 5. Price 10 cents. No. 7.—Ones and How evil Spirits Influence Mortals; by M. Faraday. pp. 22. Price 10 cents; postage, 1 cent. No. 7.—Progression; or How Spirits Advance in Spirit Life.—The Evolution of Man, by M. Faraday. pp. 35. Price 15 cents. No. 8.—Dissolution, or Physical Death, by M. Faraday. Price 5 cents; postage, 1 cent. No. 9.—The Relations of Science to the Phenomena of Life, by M. Faraday. 10 cts.; p. 1a.

BOWLES PAMPHLETS.

No. 1.—Experiences of Samuel Bowles, late editor of the Springfield (Mass.) Republican in Spirit Life, including Later Papers. Carrie E. S. Twing, Medium. pp. 91. Price 25 cents; postage, 2 cents. Later Papers in Spirit Life. Carrie E. S. Twing, Medium. pp. 27. Price 10 cents. No. 2.—Contrasts in Spirit Life and Recent Experiences of Samuel Bowles in the First Five Spheres. Carrie E. S. Twing, Medium. pp. 142. Price 25 cents; postage, 2 cents. No. 3.—Interview with Spirits, by Samuel Bowles, Carrie E. S. Twing, Medium. pp. 207. Paper 60 cents; cloth, 75 cents; postage 5 cents. Ed. S. Wheeler in Spirit Life. Materialization of the True and False; Materialization and its Deceiving Spirit. Advocate; The War of Wills in Spirit Life. or the Spread of Spiritualism on Earth, as seen by Ed. S. Wheeler since his entrance upon Spirit Life. pp. 52. Price 15 cents; postage, 2 cents. Elsie Anslie, a victim of Social Wrong, by Caroline Lee Hentz Sarah L. McCracken, scribe. pp. 108. Price 25 cents; postage, 2 cents. The History of Jesus and the Mythical Genealogy and Typology of Equinoctial Christianity, by Gerald Massey. This book is written to show the identity of Christ, actually with the Astrological myths of Egypt. The evidence is taken from the monuments of Egypt and from the Egyptian "Book of the Dead." Gerald Massey proves irrefragably that Christianity is a borrowed cult from the ancient Egyptian religion. pp. 240. Paper 60 cents; cloth 75 cents; postage 4 cents. A Sprague's Experiences in the Spheres. 20c.

THE BETTER WAY

MAY BE FOUND ON FILE AT PARVINS SONS' ADVERTISING AGENCY, 132, 134, 136 Vine Street. Where Advertising Contracts May be Made.

THE ESTY FAMILY,

A Delightful Story Just Published by Mrs. SARAH E. HERVEY, Onset, Mass. Neatly bound in cloth. Price \$1.05 Remit by postal order or registered letter. Makes a good birthday or Christmas gift. "This is a sweet story, it shows how to make life a pleasant example. The harmony, love, and mutual help of all the children of widow Esty are so unusual in life, that one in reading the book is reminded of the Arcadia of the Greeks, or of the happy Valley in Gaelic. The book will help the struggling life of many a working girl, and till to nobler purposes than the average man. It ought to have a wide circulation."—Alyceno. For sale by the WAY PUBLISHING CO.

WANTED—MAN—As agent of four patent Safes

also 2x12x18 inches, \$30 retail. All sizes at low prices. New styles; new lock; new factory. Not covered by Safe Pool. Every safe warranted. Rare chance. Permanent business. Our terms and catalogue will convince you. Agents clear \$500 per month. Write for exclusive territory. To \$500 per month. Alpine Safe Co., Cincinnati, O.

THE BETTER WAY.

ISSUED EVERY SATURDAY BY THE WAY PUBLISHING CO. Southwest Cor. Plum & McFarland Streets. A. F. MILLIERS EDITOR CINCINNATI AUGUST 9, 1890

At Two Dollars per year to Subscribers in the United States. Two Dollars and a Half to any Foreign Country. No cash for all work, hence it is necessary that you should respond promptly if you desire the paper to visit you weekly. We trust all readers will examine their tags, and if \$2.00 cannot be spared send us \$1.00 when due.

NOTICE! All communications pertaining to either the editorial or business department of this paper, or letters containing money, to reach us, and under which condition only we can assume responsibility for the same, must be addressed, and money orders made payable to, THE WAY PUBLISHING CO., Southwest Corner of Plum and McFarland Streets, CINCINNATI, O.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS. Look at the tag on your paper; if your time has expired we request an early remittance for continuance. We pay cash for all work, hence it is necessary that you should respond promptly if you desire the paper to visit you weekly. We trust all readers will examine their tags, and if \$2.00 cannot be spared send us \$1.00 when due.

THE POLITICAL HOROSCOPE.

That with Blaine as nominee any party can win in the next presidential campaign, must seem queer logic to the average politicians just now. But we believe there is more truth than poetry in this postulation. Blaine is the coming man in political affairs of this country, wherever he may operate. If the Republicans nominate him they will win the presidential election. If the Democrats nominate him they will win. If a consolidation of all third parties place him at their head they will split the Republican party; let in the Democratic nominee—whether Cleveland or Hill, or Cleveland and Hill—but gain for themselves the balance of power in Congress, and with which they will be able to carry out most, if not all their desires, and thereby benefit the farmers and laborers, while the Democratic cabinet will be but the servants of the people and either will have to graciously assent to the will of Congress or wished they had never been placed there.

The third or independent party may not have the majority in the legislative assembly at this first election, but will be able to carry or defeat any measure that either the Republicans or Democrats have in view by a little diplomacy that will suggest itself as occasions warrant or require.

This state of affairs would be about the best that could happen for the good of the country generally. But with either of the old parties in power, the same ancient policies of the past would be pursued to the dissatisfaction of the out and the disgust of independent thinkers. With the ascension of an independent party, however, as just stated, the entire political hue of the country would undergo a change. The "solid south" would dissolve; a healthier political state of affairs would evolve out of it; the northern and western Democracy would be at loss what to do, and probably with the so-called "straightout" Democrats of the South, form a new party, nominate a rising politician for the following presidential contest and trust to luck, as it were.

The independents, by this time will have gained strength; draw the "new south" into its embrace, and nominate a southern man as vice president on their following ticket with Blaine as the herald of a sure election. The Republican party will retire on its laurels and gradually merge into the independents not as leaders, but as followers. The negro will be permitted to vote as he pleases, while by this time intimidation under threats of discharge by employers in certain manufacturing and mining centers will also cease.

This may seem chimerical, but there is an underlying cause that would bloom out in this effect if the forces could be brought into proper harmony; and many undoubtedly would be pleased to see it practically carried out immediately. A radical change is needed from that existing of the present, and will be the only change that will bring universal satisfaction to the citizens of the United States now. Let us have it!

WILL IT BE WAR?

There are serious fears after all that there might be a war between England and the United States. We did not think so at first, but we judged from a popular standpoint—the strata underlying royalty and the aristocracy. Now it happens, that while the Republic is highly held in the esteem of the English people, the nobility hate it, because it constantly holds up to them what they deny, namely, the ability of people to govern themselves. When the blood of the upper strata is moved, even the financial considerations that otherwise hold them united to us are scattered to the winds, unless indemnity and apology are given, and which will, apparently be demanded for our action towards their sailing vessels or poachers.

Many things indicate that she has been silently planning war, and to get this country under a British financial system, then to encourage British investments as an agency to goad our people to quarrelling with them, and finally resulting in a game of conquest. It is the same scheme that drove the Egyptians to resistance and is to be repeated here.

Great Britain is not expending one hundred millions a year on her navy without reason. And we are building a navy what for?

England has instituted coaling stations in the West Indies; at Halifax and on the Pacific Coast. Now a new cable is being laid between Bermuda and Halifax, and presumably to direct the movements of her navy.

England wants an excuse to protect her syndicates here; and underlying this excuse, she wants this country under the British flag if possible. She aided the South during the war in the hopes that the Union would remain dissolved and thereby gain a foothold to conquer the North and the West. Noting the agitation in the South again, she probably thinks it a good opportunity to strike, hoping the South will remain lukewarm and lend her aid in obtaining a foundation for further operations.

However, a note of warning is never out of place, and instead of wrangling about matters that only cause dissension among the people of the United States themselves, it would be well for Congress to turn its attention to that which will more firmly unite them. Here is what the Washington Sunday Argus says:

A year before our rebellion the people had no idea there would be a gigantic civil war; and now they have no idea we will have our third war with England. We warn the people of the United States that the unexpected happens, and we earnestly ask them to make all haste in preparing for the greatest conflict of modern times. It will decide the fate of empires and continents!

FLOWERS.

Bro. J. J. Owen, editor and manager of Golden Gate, who has been "under the weather" of late, writes in a late issue as follows:

"To the many kind friends who have kept our rooms fragrant with beautiful flowers for the past fortnight, and in various other ways have sought to cheer us in our temporary retirement, we desire to return our heartfelt thanks. One can not know how many friends he really has until, like a stranded ship, he is thrown on his beams ends in a cyclone."

While we sympathize with Bro. Owen, and wish him a speedy recovery to be able to continue his good work in the spiritualistic field, we are more than ordinarily attracted to this item by his expressed gratitude for the flowers sent him during his illness. Even a matter-of-fact editor, whose daily avocation has the tendency to make him indifferent to all that is poetical or sentimental in life, is moved by the sight of flowers—nature's brightest gems and fairest emblems of a loving soul to one who needs both cheer and strength. Without flowers much of earth's gaiety would be forever lost; for neither would the spirit world be blessed with those sweet amulets that seem to have a charm and power over all that is not pure or good. Spirits call for flowers as we do for our daily bread—apparently to draw therefrom subsistence, strength and inspiration for better work and better harmony with man and nature. Children manifest an innate joy at the sight of flowers, and all the world pays tribute to them as if they were God's agents sent to bless mankind and lend him a foregleam of the brightness and beauties of heaven. For are they not

Donations for the happy: Signs for the brave; Love anthems for the pure; Mementos for the grave.

MASONIC SPIRITUALISM.

It has been several times proposed to make a secret organization of Spiritualism—i. e. of the members composing Spiritualism, or of Spiritualists, properly speaking. Whether such a proposition can be put into execution, remains, as yet, a matter to be tested. So far, it has not found universal favor. But that does not entirely subside it. Probably it was not needed, and may not now be needed. Public organization has certainly proved a failure up to date. Why not try secret organization? Objection will be made, and the principal one will be, of what good is it? That is yet to be seen. One of the greatest obstacles to public organization is sensitiveness. Spiritualists, as a rule, dislike publicity. This is born with them; it is a part of Spiritualism; it constitutes their "conditions." Under conditions—in seclusion and away from the hum and gaze of the material world—they are strong, brotherly and happy. And so it is with the phenomena, the fundamental principle of Spiritualism and that which has made Spiritualists. If the cause needs seclusion to be perfect, what else can be expected of the effects? Should not the effects be in harmony with the cause? Should not the actions and operations of Spiritualists be in accord with the phenomena? Should not the structure be in accord with its foundation? Spiritualists are scattered all over the world, and they have more need of such an organization than any other religious sect extant. If we have touched anywhere in the neighborhood of the "right chord" let it be known. We invite opinion pro and con.

Is pain intelligent?

THE EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR.

Those living in the senses alone are living in the external shell. In the process of the World's Soul germination the shell must break by the expansion of the Celestial Essence in souls seeking the light, and the outbursts of the New into the Light is simultaneous with the destruction of the opaque shell of darkness. Mighty upheavals are to be expected in the material world, that will bring upward finer strata of the earth's interior, which will contain the germs for the New Order of plant and other life, and also bring to view such riches in universal wealth and precious stones as the world cannot conceive of. World's Advance Thought.

SINGLE TAX?

Senator Plumb, a Republican, and Representative Holman, a Democrat, have, both within the same week, advocated an income tax as a means of relieving the necessities of the people of their present burden of taxation.

The latter suggests that a graded income tax, exempting incomes less than \$10,000 and increasing with each \$5,000 above that amount would interest the influential class in securing economical government, and would otherwise be the most just tax that could be levied by the government.

TO LONDON BY RAIL.

The project of bridging Behring's Strait is attracting some discussion in Russia. It is also contemplated to span the British Channel; and while the distance between the English and French shores is only 22 miles, the distance from Siberia to Alaska is over 50, but broken by islands well scattered so as to form convenient stations on the way.

This generation may not be likely to see the project fulfilled, but with mechanical and engineering skill advancing as rapidly as it is now, it will not remain an impossibility very long.

NOTICE.

Persons leaving the city during the summer months can have THE BETTER WAY mailed to any address free of postage three months, by remitting Fifty Cents to this office.

Concerning our new dress and course political the Reconstructor of Sumnerland, Cal., of which Prof. J. S. Loveland is the editor, says:

THE BETTER WAY has come to us in a new dress which is very becoming. And we are glad to notice a somewhat new feature in the editorial department of the paper. The political situation is more frequently referred to; and there is no mistaking the fact that THE BETTER WAY has no sympathy with the methods of the old political parties. Unless we greatly misjudge, it clearly sees that decidedly new measures are demanded for the nation's progress. The Reconstructor will stand side by side with THE BETTER WAY in urging Spiritualists to vote their principles as well as to avow them in words. We must have a new state. The eternal principles of justice must be incorporated into our constitution and laws, and only Spiritualists can make a correct statement of those principles.

Mr. John McCraney, living near Kingston, Ga., has found a most wonderful stone. While ploughing on a sand bar in the Etowah river, he saw something shining with the most brilliant of lights just to one side of him. He stopped his plough and went to pick it up. It was a clear white stone the size of an egg, reflecting in one way all the colors of the rainbow. Turning it over, the colors took on the character of a spirit level, following each other up through the centre of the rock till all were gathered in one end. Mr. McCraney has been offered \$1,000 for it, but refused it. He will take it to Atlanta and have it tested. It may be a diamond. It emits a perfectly white light in the dark.

The R. P. Journal says: "The Grand Army of the Republic is not a political organization, but it has strength and influence, and the temptation to use it for political purposes when possible, is too great to be resisted by the average politician. * * * The members of this organization should, irrespective of party affiliations, resist all attempts within or without, to work this organization in the interest of any political party. Such attempts, if successful, can only result in the disruption of the order."

As it often becomes necessary to teach Christians true Christianity, it also becomes necessary to teach Republicans and Democrats true republicanism and democracy. The name alone does not constitute the principles of a religion or party.

In order to detract from the recent political convulsion in our editorial columns, we now present our readers with something that may lead into other channels of comment or furnish food for thought or reflection of a different nature.

Some people hold as tenaciously to their political belief with all its errors as others do to their religious belief.

"Thought travels in the air and intuitive minds drink it in."

PERSONALS AND LOCALS.

Why people should be subjected to the danger of being run over by street cars on Sunday more than on week-days, is a question for city fathers, who have made ordinances prohibiting the wearing of bells by street car horses on that particular day, to answer.

Why purchase Cuba when she will be applying for admission of her own accord some day. Spain cannot hold her always.

It is claimed by the Psychological Magazine of London, Eng., that Prince Bismarck is a Spiritualist.

W. N. Cannot accept your poem for reasons stated elsewhere. Send stamp and address for return.

Mrs. A. F.—We must have more evidence of this case before we can expose it.

An international congress of musicians will be held in Chicago in 1893. Will harmony be the key-note?

"Keep off the grass" where children congregate is equal to saying, "Keep out of the Park!" For what child can resist the temptation of walking on nature's green carpet in preference to a dusty or hard asphalt walk. Having no drinking water for their accommodation is equal to driving them home again as soon as they arrive.

Mr. Geo. Kates, father of Bro. G. W. Kates, passed to spirit life from Greenville, Ohio, on the 28th of July.

Dr. Schlesinger's lodging house on Stockton street, says the Golden Gate had a close call from fire on Monday evening last. This is the third narrow escape from fire that our neighbor has suffered from within the past year—twice in the Carrier Dove office, and now in his private residence. Such calamities are discouraging when they come so often.—A miss is as good as a mile, brother. Dr. S. is invulnerable so far as fire is concerned. He need have no fear of the orthodox hell.

It has been asked why spirits use the tambourine—why not some more "dignified" instrument in manifesting. Come in brother, and you will soon realize the practicability of this. The tambourine is the lightest of noisy instruments to handle, and materialized spirits have but limited power in manifesting as yet—thus it is easily conveyed through the air as a medium through which to indicate their presence, both by sound and touch.

W. P.—Story received. Will use it when the one now running is ended.

We are sorry to say that we are often compelled to reject good contributions for reasons that do not seem to strike the writer at the time of sending them. In the first place we cannot sacrifice the dignity of the paper to please a whim or a few readers. Then again many of our readers would prefer to see certain articles in any secular or free thought paper to the one they are sending abroad for the purpose of inducing investigation. And lastly, we see no reason for inviting an ill-feeling from our Christian neighbor when no offense is given or where there is no logical reason for so doing—no direct cause for reciprocation. Even then we should exercise charity. A combat with love guiding invariably wins the battle against malice; for the latter blinds, while the former makes clairvoyant—intuitive how to act or reply, as the case may require.

Our Secretary, Mr. C. C. Stowell, has been authorized to dispose of Way Publishing Company stock while on a visit to the camps, and those desiring to invest are invited to step forward, as we still need improvements that are to make THE BETTER WAY a faultless paper.

NEWS ITEMS.

The grip is again epidemic in some parts of France.

Kossuth lives in retirement at Superga, Italy, and spends much of his time writing.

Gold is selling at a premium of about 200 per cent. in Buenos Ayres. Over-inflation of paper currency has done it.

Twins were born recently in Colton, Cal. The boy weighs 1 pound and 14 ounces, while the girl scales 2 pounds and 14 ounces.

Prime Minister of Italy, Crispi, has informed Billot, the French Minister, that if France annexes Tunis Italy will immediately occupy Tripoli.

The Pekin Gazette, which was established in the year 911 of the Christian era, has been regularly published since 1351 A. D. and is at the present time edited by a committee of six members of the Academy of Han Lin.

The Vienna correspondent of the Daily News says that according to advices from Rustchuk, a rising is imminent in Bulgaria, and that bands led by Russians will endeavor to enter the country from Dobrujscha.

Not less than fifteen parishes, or one-fourth of the State of Louisiana, is affected by the present flood, and the damage is almost incalculable. In 1882 it is estimated that the loss was \$15,000,000. It will probably exceed half that amount this year.

Telephone call boxes are about to be installed in various districts in London, so that persons wishing to communicate with the Exchange and then to subscribers may do so. The public will be able

to utilize the call boxes by inserting a nickel in a slot, but subscribers will be provided with keys which open the boxes.

The vestry of Trinity Church has accepted an offer made by William W. Astor to furnish the church with magnificent gates, as a memorial of his father, the late John Jacob Astor. The famous bronze gates of the Baptistery, at Florence will serve generally as models. They will be executed with the highest attainable skill, at an estimated cost of \$100,000.

COLUMBUS, O., August 5.—The Spiritualists Progressive Society of Cincinnati was incorporated in the office of secretary of State to-day. The object of the organization is to promote the spread and adoption of Spiritualism and encourage research therein, and to issue certificates to its recognized lecturers, missionaries and mediums. The incorporators are Wm. E. Bryan, Mrs. Mary Engler, George A. Staton, T. Marks and Frederick Kläiber.

An extraordinary case is now pending at Mandalay. Two foresters seek to bring a pauper suit to revive, for their own benefit and that of other foresters, a judgment of the Hloodaw or council of Burmese Ministers, pronounced in 1885, fining the Bombay and Burmah Trading Corporation nearly two million and a half of rupees for the benefit of the King. The Government of India considered the action of the Hloodaw such a gross violation of justice that it was the immediate cause of the invasion and annexation of Upper Burma.

The Duke of Northumberland is one of the largest landed proprietors in Great Britain. To say nothing of his ownings in London, his possessions in Surrey, Middlesex and Northumberland aggregate 200,000 acres, with a rent roll of \$875,000 per annum. In Northumberland alone he owns five castles, but it is said that the larger part of his enormous income is derived from his proprietary interest in Drummond's bank. The Marquis of Salisbury, Premier at present, owns 20,000 acres, and as much of his real estate lies in London, he is very rich.

A big bone was unearthed by workmen in excavating for the east channel span of the new bridge being constructed by the Wheeling, Va., Bridge Company. The bone was found thoroughly imbedded in blue clay at the bottom of the excavation 15 feet deep and fully 8 feet below the depth of the river. The excavation is but a short distance from the river, and is soil that had probably been undisturbed for ages. The piece of bone, which is apparently not complete by some two or three feet in length, is fully 25 inches in diameter at its greatest bulk, a foot through at the more narrow parts, and about 2 1/2 feet long.

Our Odessa correspondent telegraphs: "The three new torpedo boats, which have been built in Germany for the Russian Government, are to be added to the Black Sea fleet. It is not improbable that the Porte may raise an objection to the passage of these vessels through the Bosphorus, although, of course, they will not receive their armaments before reaching Sebastopol. One of the torpedo boats, the Adler, attained a speed of over twenty-six knots on her trial trip at Cronstadt. The Anacria and the Kozarsky are built on somewhat similar lines to the Adler, but according to the contract will not exceed a speed of twenty-one knots.—N. Y. Times.

The Sultan looks like many another man, with black hair and short black mustache and beard, neither very old nor very young. I have not enough admiration for him to call him handsome. He was in uniform and wore a red tarbush or fez hat, which, by the way, is the distinguishing head-dress of every Mohammedan, from the chief ruler to the tiniest lad that repeats the Koran. Later in the day, when we were in the magnificent mosque of St. Sophia, in the Stamboul quarter, I asked the guide if the Sultan ever came to that mosque. He said, "No; he is afraid." The fact is the Sultan is a prisoner in his palace, afraid to venture in the public throng lest he meet the fate of some of his predecessors.—Pittsburg Press.

The London Times says: The Russian Government has ordered the application of the edicts of 1882 against the Jews. These edicts have hitherto been held in abeyance. According to these Jews must henceforth reside in certain towns only. None will be permitted to own land or hire it for agricultural purposes. The order includes within its scope towns and hundreds of villages that have large Jewish populations. No Jew will be allowed to hold shares in or work mines. The law limiting the residence of Jews to sixteen provinces will be enforced. No Hebrew will be allowed to enter the army, to practice medicine or law, to be an engineer, or to enter any of the other professions. They will also be debarred from holding posts under the Government. The enforcement of the edicts will result in the expulsion of over 1,000,000 Jews from the country.

The Farmers' Alliance of the Ninth Iowa district held a convention in Atlantic on the 10th of July with a fair attendance. Resolutions were adopted favoring the free coinage of silver and the issuing of United States notes in lieu of national bank notes; also demanding

railroad transportation, telegraph and telephone service at actual cost, the government to own and operate the same, demanding the adoption of an absolute secret voting system and demanding the passage of laws prohibiting alien ownership of land, and investments in mortgages upon real estate; also, that in order to carry out the above object they would support for office such men as can be depended upon to enact these principles into statute laws, uninfluenced by party caucuses. The members state that they will support for Congress the candidates who will pledge himself to support the principles embodied in these resolutions. If neither candidate will do this, the Alliance will put a candidate in the fall.

LITERARY.

Knowledge, a weekly encyclopedia. Sample copies 5 cents. Address Garrison, Cox & Co., 75 Whitehall st., Atlanta, Ga.

Freethinkers' Magazine for August. H. L. Green, editor and publisher, has an illustration of the Lick observatory as frontispiece, with a leading article on "Transmigration the Law of Justice," by Herbert E. Crosswell. Address 363 English st., Buffalo, N. Y. Single numbers 25¢, \$2 per annum.

Die Sphaeren zwischen der Erde und der Sonne, von Augusta. Herausgegeben von Baronin Adelina von Vay. Berlin Verlag von Karl Siegmund, Mauerstrasse 68. Enthalt 250 Seiten Lesestoff mit 35 Kapitel interessanter, Abtheilungen. Schicket an obige Firma fuer Catalog spiritualistischer Werke und Preisliste.

The Arena. Prof. N. S. Shaler, of Harvard University, contributes a most important paper to this issue on "The Economic Future of the New South." This paper, while interesting to every citizen of the Republic, will be especially enjoyable to southern citizens.

Emily Kempin, L. L. D., who contributes the remarkably interesting and valuable paper on "Hypnotism," in this issue of The Arena, is a graduate of the University of Zurich, and is thoroughly conversant with the leading European tongues, which gives her special advantage in handling intelligently this important subject, as it gives her the benefit of a studious examination in the original language of all the great writers of the subject.

There is also a full-page photograph of the author of "The Shadow of the Noose," and in conformity with the practice of each month giving a sketch of one of their contributors, present a free-hand sketch of Dr. Ferdinand Charles Valentine, an eminent literary and homeopathic physician.

Also an interesting article from Dr. Buchanan, entitled "The Coming Clysium of America and Europe." Editorial Notes, etc.

Single numbers, 50c.; per annum, \$5. Arena Pub. Co., Boston, Mass.

THE INVISIBLE WORLD.

I am glad I live in the nineteenth century, when mysteries are being lifted, and every day multiplies the analogies between science and religion, and we may hope to see the crown yet glitter on the tripartite kingdom of science, religion and grace. Is there an invisible world? and do we enjoy our homes alone, or is the air filled with loved ones and aerial beings? Science says "Yes," and it depends upon the number of senses we have whether we agree with science. Our minds are in prisons, from which they look out through windows in the walls, and the mind which enjoys the greater outlook must see more than others. Our present inability to see angels is no argument against their existence, as what we know depends upon the number of our senses. The windows of the house in which we live are glazed or stained. We cannot see or hear all. The dog accompanies us through the forest scents the game which we had no knowledge. The atmosphere is populous with particles that include the prism and the scales, yet they lend its azure, and distribute the beams over the earth. Sound consists in the movement of the air and the existence of an auditory nerve. The deaf is insensible to thunder, yet it thunders.

Negative scientific schools say they cannot find our God any where! They not their science teach them that there is another world which neither scalpel nor microscope can explain or explore. Scientific men know that the atmosphere is crowded with life germs, and it is so much to ask that we be permitted to believe that back of these life germs there lives and more distinguished organisms exist? Were our ears properly attuned, we might hear the atmosphere, now silent, musical with the thread of many feet, and it may all come in good time. Rev. J. Sanders Reed.

A man who has practiced medicine for many years ought to know just from what road he says:

Toledo, O., January 10, 1890. Messrs. F. I. Cheney & Co.—Gentlemen: I have been in the general practice of medicine for nearly forty years, and would say that my practice and experience have never been so gratifying as I could prescribe with the confidence of success as I can now. I have a cure, manufactured by me, that will cure it a great many times, and its effect is wonderful, and would say in conclusion that I have found a case of Catarrh that it would cure if they would take it according to directions. Yours truly, L. L. GORSTCH M. D.

We will give \$50 for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured with Hall's Catarrh Cure. Taken internally. F. I. CHENEY & CO., Props. Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75 cents.

Correspondence.

Hamburg, Ia. Mrs. F. W. Todd writes to ask some information concerning Dr. E. O. Matthews...

Indianapolis, Ind. The Mediums Home Society opens at English's Meridian street, Hall, Sunday, September 21st...

Palatka, Fla. We have received your paper, and we are well pleased with it. My wife, Mrs. E. H. Hall, has returned from Lookout Mountain well pleased and fully convinced of the reality of Spiritualism...

Palatka, Fla. While we commend Dr. Hall for his generous offer we would advise him to be on the alert for impostors, who would probably be the first to take advantage of it...

Sunapee, N. H. Fair and bright has been the opening day of the camp meeting at Sunapee. The services were held in the grove, J. Frank Baxter occupying the platform the entire day...

Sunapee, N. H. Tuesday, July 23rd, no meeting was held until evening, when a conference meeting occupied the evening hours. Wednesday, July 24th, at the meeting in the grove today J. Frank Baxter was again the speaker...

Sunapee, N. H. Wednesday, July 25th, at 2 p. m. Mrs. Craddock addressed the audience in the grove at the close of her remarks, Mr. E. W. Emerson gave numerous and satisfactory tests of spirit presence...

Sunapee, N. H. Sunapee this year is more than unusually lovely; the days are clear and bright, the air balmy and sweet with the odor of Pines and Balsams. The lake loaves description in its changeable beauty...

Mount Pleasant Park. Old time campers are arriving on every train, and with them are new faces seen for the first time on these grounds. Tents are all up and are being filled, and the prospect is that all will be occupied...

Mount Pleasant Park. The Park is easy of access, being eight miles from Lansing, on the Chicago Grand Trunk Railway, only a day's ride from Chicago, and a few hours from Detroit. It is situated on a lovely lake, well provided with boats for the pleasure of those not wishing to devote all their time to the meeting...

Lookout Mountain, Tenn. I must commence with a correction: Mrs. Judge Ivey, not Mrs. Seery, is the medium with whom I have been having such satisfactory slate writing seances. In the last issue of THE BETTER WAY your "comp" substitutes the name of a lady with whom I have not the pleasure of an acquaintance...

Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Sunday last was a day replete with interest. Mrs. Glading in the morning, Mrs. Richmond in the afternoon and Dr. Fuller in the evening, each in turn addressed large audiences. The fashionable element here has attended our services and sought out our medium.

Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Monday evening Mrs. Richmond was given a farewell reception. Questions were answered by request of many. The exercises were closed by "Omina," who gave each one present a flower and a few poetic lines. Many were the kindly sentiments expressed complimentary to the womanly worth and untiring labors of Mrs. Richmond...

Newbury, N. H. Again we are at Blodgett's Landing, on the borders of the charming Lake Sunapee, that exquisite gem of water that nestles so lovingly in the heart of the green hills of New Hampshire. As we gaze on Mount Sunapee and other familiar objects that surround us, we can scarcely realize that a year, with its many changes of varied experiences, has rolled its course since our eyes last beheld these fair scenes. Time's wings are fleet, and swiftly fly

the season's round, each succeeding year seeming to speed more rapidly. Yet how much vital importance in mankind can be crowded within its span, what great and eventful changes of life mark its course! Especially is it true of the last twelve months, for a great awakening has come to the people; they have been stirred up as never before, they are beginning to realize that a terrible crisis is approaching in the history of our country; they see more clearly the injustice and iniquity of our social and industrial systems, and are casting about them for a way to a better and more just state of things...

Monday is washing day at Lily Dale for even the most Spiritual camper here is often forcibly reminded of the material wants which cling so closely to the bodies we live in. Conference convened at 7 o'clock p. m. and became quite interested in the discussion of the question propounded by an earnest brother. "Will the time ever come when Spiritualism will be recognized as a science with test books like other sciences?" As usual a variety of expression was brought forth.

Tuesday—the subject for consideration at conference was "The medical registration bill, and of course, it brought out some lively discussion. These conferences at Lily Dale are a noted feature, and greatly enjoyed by many, as the invitation for short speeches is general giving liberty to all. It becomes the peoples' meeting and is apt to become quite lively.

Tuesday evening Lyman C. Howe addressed us on subjects from the audience, which called out our deepest thought and most earnest consideration. Speaking of the evolution of the race from lower conditions to its present status, he said: "If two atoms unite and form a new atom, increased power is the result of the union, and a new consciousness is evolved."

Wednesday morning the usual Conference. In the evening our sterling brother Dean again held us spellbound by his grand thoughts and earnestness of manner, as he eloquently set forth the evident design in this universe, manifested by the progress of its people, and his own inability to conceive of such designer.

Thursday, at conference, a committee was appointed to investigate the Reid case of Grand Rapids and report as to the advisability of proffering assistance for a further trial. In the evening we again listened to Lyman C. Howe, and were carried into the spiritual strata, mingled with the metaphysical, with such fascinating methods that it really seemed painful to be obliged to come back where our feet could touch terra firma again.

Friday noon is children's day instead of conference. A goodly number of little people are on the ground and under Mrs. Tillingheart's supervision and instruction, for an hour or two each evening, are enabled to be very entertaining once a week in the auditorium, besides one or two evening entertainments, which they generally give the campers in the course of the season, which will undoubtedly come later.

Friday evening Willard J. Hull, of Buffalo, was our speaker, and delivered a masterly address on the subject, "The ship and the barnacles." Spiritualism the ship and the many side issues and the hangars on the barnacles. He commenced by quoting the wise teacher, who said: "There is but one sin, and that is ignorance." Mr. Hull used the pruning knife with skill and precision, and by the squirming evidenced by a few, it was plainly needed, while nearly the entire audience were enthusiastically appreciative.

Saturday—The entire day seems like the prelude to the life elysian, which all are hoping to attain "over there." As one lady expressed it, "Well, I don't want anything better in heaven than we've had to-day." Sidney Dean was the speaker on Saturday. The Damon family from Corry, Pa., by their exquisite music, filled every soul with harmony, especially the cornet solo by Miss Dora Damon.

Sunday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Monday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Tuesday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Wednesday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Thursday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

for his guests stopping at the various hotels here. Mrs. Stuart Richings will arrive this week and begin her work Sunday next. We are anticipating an enjoyable season with her spiritualists Mr. Cooke, Mrs. Ross and Miss Bertrand with constant praise. Mr. Geo. P. Colby is daily expected. Spiritualists are flocking here. We have not any doubt in regard to the good being done by this camp meeting.

Cassadaga, N. Y. Monday is washing day at Lily Dale for even the most Spiritual camper here is often forcibly reminded of the material wants which cling so closely to the bodies we live in. Conference convened at 7 o'clock p. m. and became quite interested in the discussion of the question propounded by an earnest brother. "Will the time ever come when Spiritualism will be recognized as a science with test books like other sciences?" As usual a variety of expression was brought forth.

Tuesday—the subject for consideration at conference was "The medical registration bill, and of course, it brought out some lively discussion. These conferences at Lily Dale are a noted feature, and greatly enjoyed by many, as the invitation for short speeches is general giving liberty to all. It becomes the peoples' meeting and is apt to become quite lively.

Tuesday evening Lyman C. Howe addressed us on subjects from the audience, which called out our deepest thought and most earnest consideration. Speaking of the evolution of the race from lower conditions to its present status, he said: "If two atoms unite and form a new atom, increased power is the result of the union, and a new consciousness is evolved."

Wednesday morning the usual Conference. In the evening our sterling brother Dean again held us spellbound by his grand thoughts and earnestness of manner, as he eloquently set forth the evident design in this universe, manifested by the progress of its people, and his own inability to conceive of such designer.

Thursday, at conference, a committee was appointed to investigate the Reid case of Grand Rapids and report as to the advisability of proffering assistance for a further trial. In the evening we again listened to Lyman C. Howe, and were carried into the spiritual strata, mingled with the metaphysical, with such fascinating methods that it really seemed painful to be obliged to come back where our feet could touch terra firma again.

Friday noon is children's day instead of conference. A goodly number of little people are on the ground and under Mrs. Tillingheart's supervision and instruction, for an hour or two each evening, are enabled to be very entertaining once a week in the auditorium, besides one or two evening entertainments, which they generally give the campers in the course of the season, which will undoubtedly come later.

Friday evening Willard J. Hull, of Buffalo, was our speaker, and delivered a masterly address on the subject, "The ship and the barnacles." Spiritualism the ship and the many side issues and the hangars on the barnacles. He commenced by quoting the wise teacher, who said: "There is but one sin, and that is ignorance." Mr. Hull used the pruning knife with skill and precision, and by the squirming evidenced by a few, it was plainly needed, while nearly the entire audience were enthusiastically appreciative.

Saturday—The entire day seems like the prelude to the life elysian, which all are hoping to attain "over there." As one lady expressed it, "Well, I don't want anything better in heaven than we've had to-day." Sidney Dean was the speaker on Saturday. The Damon family from Corry, Pa., by their exquisite music, filled every soul with harmony, especially the cornet solo by Miss Dora Damon.

Sunday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Monday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Tuesday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Wednesday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Thursday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

Friday—An extremely warm day, yet good audiences greeted the speakers, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, and by the vigorous use of fans, while listening, attempted to court the breezes which heaven seemed treasuring up, perhaps for some cyclonic manifestation in the near future. In the evening the Damon family gave a concert in the auditorium, which was well attended and highly appreciated. Dr. Temple also gave a seance at Library Hall, which gave good satisfaction to the many enquirers after facts and proofs of continued life.

not promise to stand by it to-morrow for I am always looking for more light and information. Everybody is inclined to be an egotist. We are apt to claim for ourselves more than belongs to us, and we weigh others by the way they agree with us. As Spiritualists we should be liberal and free from intolerance. Let us do all we can to spread the good news, that it may save the world from, not perdition that is to come, but the perdition that is now. Stand by the truth as you see it, though you stand alone, gently and with charity let the light shine upon those who are in darkness. Save people from depravity and superstition, no matter what the world may say. Be ready to take an exposed position if necessary. I would like to fill my audience with an enthusiasm of loyalty to truth, which means loyalty to God."

The afternoon exercises were opened by an invocation from Mrs. Shelhamer-Longley, followed by Miss Packard with a solo. Mrs. Longley then gave an interesting discourse, talking for her subject "The hypnotic, the magnetic and magnetic facts," "great subjects of the utmost importance in the light of humanity will not dawn at the bidding of any man. Grand discoveries do not come with great illuminations at once, but they make their way year by year, constantly revealing themselves. Hypnotism is no new discovery to the understanding of humanity. For many years it has waited for intellectual minds to accept it. For thirty years it has been known by the name of mesmerism. Mesmer discovered that mind can operate on mind. This is a triumph, but it matters not to him whether it is received in the name of mesmerism or hypnotism. It only remains that this science is not an assumption, but a fact power endorsed by the most advanced minds in the French schools. Hypnotism is produced under the same law as magnetism. We find patients easily thrown into this mesmeric or magnetic trance by the healer who imparts a portion of his life to the sensitive patient. All mediums are not confined to the ranks of Spiritualism. Mediums are known to the world as those who can voice the wishes of the departed spirits for the purpose of demonstrating the power of the spiritual over the material. French scientists declare that hypnotism is produced in three separate intelligences or personalities belonging to the one individual. We claim that they have a great deal to learn before they explain the second and third intelligences. The first is a reflection of the scientific mind upon the subject, the hypnotized trance that the subject has been thrown into by the operator. The second is the indwelling spirit of the sensitive, assisted by the unseen intelligences that gain a power over the sensitive. The third consciousness is superior intelligence apart from matter, one that has arisen above the spirit taking possession of the medium and expressing a most triumphant power. And so we have these facts claiming attention of the world and proving that there is something superior to all things that we hold in nature. We have no censure for those scientists, because they are ready to take the credit to themselves, that they have discovered this subtle law of hypnotism. They claim their work is established upon a physical basis alone; they want the credit, and as they can't get it by the old name mesmerism; they have adopted a new word called hypnotism. But the world is wide—human thought is broad and free and will not be trammelled by any set of minds, and this is a demonstration of the power of human spirit to burst all bonds and make its powers known. Under its new name it comes to the press and pulpit. These powers have always been a part of humanity, but the cold world has passed them by and refused to listen. We are content to wait until science is ready to acknowledge that mind is immortal, and that there is a potent intelligence—a stupendous force which claims to be spirit, and which cannot be quenched. The day is coming when the great principle that Spiritualism has brought to the world—an abiding power to the hearts of men will be accepted, and no matter whether known as hypnotism or Spiritualism, it remains a fact that the great law of psychology is a proof that cannot be trammelled or controlled by any sect of scientists the world may ever produce. The past has produced brilliant minds, but the present has produced brilliant thought and action, therefore we are just and correct in our claims that never before was such achievements as at the present time. In the past human beings did not dare express their thoughts; to-day we are alive with thoughts every where, and we may thank God that we live in the present day, because we receive a baptism of intellectual power imbued with thought and expression. We have been an advance guard, open to ridicule. We have been inspired to speak the word and give the knowledge of the possibilities of the mind of man. By-and-by we shall discover that the grandest achievement is the power of mind over matter. Human intelligence has in itself a part of the divine, which will, by-and-by, produce such achievements as to seem divine and god-like itself."

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Shelhamer-Longley lectured for the second and last time this season. Her subject was "People who think," and it was given in her usual logical manner. Mr. Emerson followed with tests. But I am making my letter too long, and will close. Yours for truth and advancement, AUGUSTA F. TRIPP.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

Obituary. Passed to spirit life from his residence at Greenville, O., George Kates, aged 73 years, 1 month and 5 days. My father was fully developed for the spirit birth. He lived in sweet physical health, and has awakened into the full glory of spirit life and activity. He has been an earnest Spiritualist since the early rappings. He espoused the truth for he could not be himself unless he stood before the world honest and truthful. His life has been for the good he could achieve. His home was always the place of welcome for mediums and speakers. As a lecturer his influence has been heard in the past in Ohio and Indiana. As an inspirational writer he frequently sought the spiritual and secular press as an avenue through which to express himself. His mentality was vigorous in the production of prose and ideal in the poetical inspiration. He has been, and ever will be, a kind husband, loving father and devoted friend. Funeral services were conducted by my wife, Mrs. Zaida Brown Kates and myself. G. W. KATES.

American ECLECTIC MEDICAL COLLEGE, OF CINCINNATI, OHIO. Prof. J. Clegg Wright, M. D. Dean, WINTER SESSION. Of Twenty Weeks Commences October 1, 1890. APPLY FOR ANNOUNCEMENT. For terms and further particulars address: A. C. Maltby Wright, M. D., Registrar, P. O. Box 413. MRS. E. M. SHIRLEY.

TRANCE & TEST MEDIUM, Also Magnetic Healer, 991 W. 7th St., Cincinnati. ELECTRICITY. Electric Support, Kidney, Lung and Spine Batteries. Cures when all else fails. Recently awarded a Medal and Diploma at Paris, France, by the Academy of Inventors. Send stamp for pamphlet to Mrs. Dr. Thomas, Box 417, Cardington, Ohio.

THE ODELL \$TYPE WRITERS. \$20 will buy the ODELL TYPE WRITER and CHECK PERFORATOR, with 78 Characters, and \$15 for the SINGLE CASE ODELL, warranted to do better work than any machine made. It combines Simplicity and Durability, Speed, Ease of Operation, wears longer with out cost of repairs than other machines. Has no ink ribbon to bother the operator. It is neat, substantial, nickel-plated, perfect and adapted to all kinds of type writing. Like a printing press, it produces clean, legible manuscript. Two to ten copies can be made at one writing. Any intelligent person can become a good operator in two days. We offer \$1000 to any operator who can equal the work of the DOUBLE CASE ODELL. Reliable Agents and Salesmen wanted. Special inducements to Dealers. For pamphlet giving Indorsements, &c. address ODELL TYPE WRITER CO., Rookery Bldg., CHICAGO, ILL.

A LIBERAL OFFER By a Reliable Clairvoyant and Magnetic Healer. Send four 2-cent stamps, lock of hair, name age and sex. Will diagnose your case free. Address DR. J. M. LOUCKS, Worcester, Mass.

J. W. DE HOOG, Magnetic Healer, 21 E. Tenth St., Covington, Ky. Will give Treatment on Monday and Friday Evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock. PROF. J. D. LYON, BUSINESS AND TEST MEDIUM. SITTINGS DAILY. 188 Richmond Street, Cincinnati. Letters by mail, photographs, or lock of hair successfully diagnosed. Circles Sunday at 2 1/2 and 7 1/2 p. m. Forty years' experience.

MRS. S. SEERY, Trumpet Medium, 31 Hydraulic St., DAYTON, O. Sittings daily from 9 o'clock until 4 p. m. Business and Social Information. Events managed by arrangement, either at her residence or that of patrons. A Golden Opportunity. Send two 2-cent stamps with lock of hair, age and sex, with full name, and your disease will be correctly diagnosed by psychometric power. Treatment by the month, with medicine. DR. J. E. WILLIAMS, Riverside, Cal. Box 825.

PSYCHOMETRY Consult with PROF. A. B. SEVERANCE on all matters pertaining to practical life, your spirit friends. Send lock, or hand writing, and one dollar. Will answer three questions free of charge. Send for Circulars. Address 165 Fourth Street, Milwaukee, Wis. A NEW DEVISE. Christian WHIPSOCKET. Agents Wanted. In Every County in the United States. A quick seller and a large profit. Send us \$1.00 and get one with circular by mail, post paid. It is the best you have seen for the purpose. Address The Christian W. & B. Co. 234 W. Third St., Cincinnati, O.

MOSES HULL'S BOOKS. Your Answer of Your Life: or the riddle pointed out by the American Spiritist. An intensely interesting statement of dangers which threaten our Republic and civilization. 100 pages; 25 cents. All About Devils; an inquiry as to whether Modern Spiritualism and other great reforms come from the Satanio Majesty and his subordinate in the Kingdom of Darkness. Price 25 cents. The Irrepressible Conflict; or the battle between the rich robbers and poor producers. Price 15 cents. The Christ; Who and What is He? or some of the Spiritualism and mediumship of the Bible compared with that of to-day. 10 cents. Wayside Jottings; Essays, sketches, poems and songs, gathered from the highways, by ways and hedges of life by Mattie Hull. Price \$1.00. Progressive and Spiritual Songs; a collection of original and selected songs adapted to popular church and secular airs; edited by Mattie and Moses Hull. Price 35 cents. For sale at this office. Make P. O. Money Order payable to the Way Publishing Co., Cincinnati, O.

MRS. ELEANOR MARTIN, TEST MEDIUM, Famous In Sealed Letters, PRICE, \$2.00; Satisfaction Guaranteed. 73 LANE AVE., COLUMBUS, O. A LIBERAL OFFER. Send two 2-cent stamps, your name and age, and a lock of your hair, and I will send you a clairvoyant diagnosis of your disease free. Address, J. C. BATDORF, President of the Magnetic Institute, GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN.

AN ASTONISHING OFFER. Send three 2-cent stamps, lock of hair, age, name, sex, one leading symptom, and your disease will be diagnosed free by spirit power. DR. A. B. DOBSON, Maquoketa, Iowa. \$5 FREE!!! FREE!!! FREE!!! All sufferers, whatever their troubles may be, and especially the so-called incurables of medical practitioners, are invited to send leading symptoms with date of birth and five cents in postage stamps for one FREE absent treatment, terms of instruction in Christian Mental Science, &c., to Dr. W. W. Edwards, Valdosta, Ga., who gives successful absent treatments.

MRS. LILLIE'S GREAT BOOK. Two Chapters FROM THE BOOK OF MY LIFE, WITH POEMS, BY MRS. R. SHEPARD LILLIE. This book contains the experiences of the author as a medium, including a selection of her poems, about eighty in number—varied in style and subject, and replete with inspirational truths. Price only \$1.25; postage free. TO BE HAD AT THIS OFFICE.

THOUSANDS TESTIFY THAT MY MELTED PEBBLE SPECTACLES Restore Lost Vision. The Spectacles that I send are large eyes mounted in a FINE STEEL FRAME. Sent by mail in a nice wooden box—Loss or Breakage at our risk. Size age and how long you have worn glasses; or send stamp for full directions how to be fitted by my New Method of Clairvoyant Sight. Price of Spectacles \$11.00. Address E. F. POOLE, Clinton, Iowa.

The Eleventh Annual Meeting OF THE Cassadaga Lake Free Association Will be held on their grounds at CASSADAGA LAKE, CHAUTAQUA CO., N. Y., FROM JULY 25 TO AUGUST 31. Programme for 1890.

Friday, July 25th, Jennie B. Egan, South Framingham, Mass. Saturday, July 26th, Hon. Sidney Dean, Warren, R. I. Sunday, July 27th, Miss Jennie B. Egan and Hon. Sidney Dean. Monday, July 28th, Conference. Tuesday, July 29th, Lyman C. Howe, Fredonia, N. Y. Wednesday, July 30th, Hon. Sidney Dean. Thursday, July 31st, Lyman C. Howe. Friday, August 1st, Willard J. Hull, Buffalo, New York. Saturday, August 2nd, Hon. Sidney Dean. Sunday, August 3rd, Lyman C. Howe and Walter Howell, London, England. Monday, August 4th, Conference. Tuesday, August 5th, Mrs. F. O. Hysler, Ravenscroft, Ohio. Wednesday, 6th, J. Frank Baxter, Chelsea, Mass. Thursday, 7th, Mrs. R. S. Lillie, Melrose, Mass. Friday, 8th, J. F. Baxter. Saturday, 9th, Mrs. F. O. Hysler and W. J. Colville, Boston, Mass. Sunday, 10th, Mrs. R. S. Lillie and J. Frank Baxter. Monday, 11th, Conference. Tuesday, 12th, W. J. Colville. Wednesday, 13th, Miss Jennie B. Egan. Thursday, 14th, Walter Howell. Friday, 15th, Temperance Day. Saturday, 16th, Willard J. Hull and Jennie Lays, West Medford, Mass. Sunday, 17th, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond, Rogers Park, Ill., and W. J. Colville. Monday, 18th, Conference. Tuesday, 19th, W. C. Warner, Yorkshire, New York. Wednesday, 20th, Rev. H. Frank, Jamestown, N. Y. Thursday, 21st, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond. Friday, 22nd, W. J. Colville. Saturday, 23rd, W. C. Warner and Jennie Lays. Sunday, 24th, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond and Hon. A. B. Richmond, Meadville, Penn. Monday, 25th, Conference. Tuesday, 26th, Mrs. Cora L. V. Richmond. Wednesday, 27th, Hon. A. B. Richmond. Thursday, 28th, Mrs. R. S. Lillie. Friday, 29th, Walter Howell. Saturday, 30th, Mrs. Elizabeth L. Watson, Santa Clara, Cal. Sunday, 31st, Mrs. R. S. Lillie and Mrs. E. L. Watson.

The Cassadaga Lake Camp Meeting Ground is eight miles from Lake Erie, and 700 feet above it. Situated midway between New York and Chicago, it is convenient of access from all points. It lies on the shore of a beautiful chain of lakes, three in number, and at an elevation of nearly one thousand feet above the level of the sea. The Grand Hotel will be open from July 25 to August 31. The grounds are under the efficient management of C. H. Gregory. The prices for board, with rooms are \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day, according to room. Transient meals, 50 cents; lodging, 30 cents. The North-western O. C. boats are directed to call at the meeting. Three steamers make regular trips on the lake. The daily admission to the grounds is 15 cents per day, and for campers inside the gates, 10 cents per day. Elder W. E. Kinross will occupy the platform after each lecture from August 23rd until the close of the meeting. F. L. O. A. K. Kier will be on the ground during the entire meeting. J. Frank Baxter will give tests at the close of each one of his lectures. The North-western O. C. boats of Meadville, Penn., has been engaged for the season. The orchestra will give daily concerts and play for the dancing parties. Mr. J. L

Ladies' Department.

Written for The Better Way. "Calling the Children Home." BY A. M. MURKIN. O Clara Bell! my child, where art thou gone? Lolling so long at play since set of sun...

FROM A FEMALE PHILOSOPHER.

In issue of June 14th is an article headed, "Answer to Light Wanted," in which I was much interested, not because my thoughts follow the same channel...

vine purpose, that whatever does not enshrine it, seems ungraced to full fruition. As I understand it, the soul can in no wise tarry forever in the soul realm...

THE TOILS OF AUTHORSHIP. Literary composition is an art, and, like every other art, must be cultivated. What should we say of the man who, not finding a life-like picture the result of his first attempt with brush and colors...

and other prominent lawyers have committed themselves to it. Mrs. M. Louise Thomas, Dr. Mary Putnam Jacobi, Mrs. Jenny June Croly, Miss Mary F. Seymour, editor of the Business Woman's Journal...

DR. RHODES' FAMILY MEDICINES PURELY VEGETABLE MEDICAL CONFECTIONS. ALL SUGAR-COATED. A Universal Blessing. Suited to Old or Young People. A perfect Liver and Kidney Renovator and Blood Purifier...

VITAPATHY THE NEW SYSTEM OF PRACTICE. Is the Rising Sun of this progressive age, and, like the sun, shines for all people... GULLETT'S MAGNOLIA GIN. The Foremost Standard Cotton Gin of the World...

TO THE PROGRESS OF INVENTION, more than to all other causes combined, is due the important sociological fact that the condition of women has been vastly improved during the last four or five decades...

TO THE PROGRESS OF INVENTION, more than to all other causes combined, is due the important sociological fact that the condition of women has been vastly improved during the last four or five decades...

TO THE PROGRESS OF INVENTION, more than to all other causes combined, is due the important sociological fact that the condition of women has been vastly improved during the last four or five decades...

TO THE PROGRESS OF INVENTION, more than to all other causes combined, is due the important sociological fact that the condition of women has been vastly improved during the last four or five decades...

TO THE PROGRESS OF INVENTION, more than to all other causes combined, is due the important sociological fact that the condition of women has been vastly improved during the last four or five decades...

TO THE PROGRESS OF INVENTION, more than to all other causes combined, is due the important sociological fact that the condition of women has been vastly improved during the last four or five decades...

THROUGH THE CRUCIBLE. An Inspirational Story.

Without visible hands, saw forms gliding about the passages, he had seen and conversed with his father in the stable.

When the old coachman brought out the old family carriage he often saw his father with him, and once when he got into the coach the old gentleman was in before him, and he fled into the house.

Neither Mrs. La Rue or Julian ever dared to sleep in a room by themselves alone. They were both becoming nervous and restless, and finally decided, as we have before stated, to break up the establishment, and Mrs. La Rue set up for herself.

DR. LOUCKS AND HIS CURES. A genuine Bible Miracle performed in the 19th century by Dr. J. S. Loucks now of Worcester, Mass., who is using this same miraculous power and is performing many miraculous cures in all parts of the United States and Canada.

The offer was gladly and without hesitation accepted. Papers were immediately drawn and passed. Mrs. La Rue gave heavy bonds that she would keep her part of the contract, and her husband bound himself to get a divorce on these terms.

It must be confessed that he hardly had a peer in business capacity, on a large scale and great variety, in the city. In a few months he had more than made up all of his losses.

There was no improvement in his character, and he gradually lost all relish for society except in business circles and among his boon companions in the club room.

South Colton, N. Y. - On the 1st day of May, 1885, before me came Thomas Gorman, known to me to be the individual who executed the above, and that he acknowledged that he executed the same.

A REPORTER'S EXPERIENCE. The reporter of the Chattanooga Evening News relates the following in his paper of the 16th ult. Without any charge or price the doors of the pavilion of the Spiritualists at the Natural Bridge Hotel on Lookout Moun-

tain were opened last night, and everybody who wished could attend. The occasion was a medium's circle, all the mediums on the ground being invited on the platform.

While the slates were held by the reporter, Mrs. Mott, the medium, had one hand on the reporter's and the other on top of the table.

When the slates were thoroughly cleansed again and put under the table for the third time, each one of the audience was interested to know who would be so fortunate as to receive the next message.

Who were the flowers for? The question agitated every one. The fourth time the slates were put under the table and against the top and securely held as they were before.

A Wonderful New Barometer. At the last conversation of the Royal Society, London, England, a new barometer was entered, which will, on one slip of paper, note the beginning, variations in intensity, and termination of rain and hail.

THE BETTER WAY reached me with its new dress. It is a great improvement over the old. The new dress was very much admired by all, and I feel with the new dress the paper will have a greater success than ever.

The friends met last Tuesday night and completed their organization. Mr. H. Buddington was chosen conductor and guardian; Mr. J. Smith as watchman and librarian.

THE FOLLOWING WEEK the friends gave another entertainment. The last Sunday in July closed my work here for the present.

THE ALLEY CENTRE SHOT GUN. Eastley's New Principle. A new and improved shot gun, with a new and improved principle, and a new and improved principle.

THE RECONSTRUCTOR a weekly Spiritual newspaper, published at Summerland, \$1.00 per year, sample copies free, will give full details as to the advantages, objects and progress of the Colony.

THE GREATEST WORK SINCE DARWIN'S TIME. Planetary Evolution; OR New COSMOGONY.

THE LATEST DISCOVERIES IN THE REALM OF NATURE AND THEIR RELATIONS TO LIFE. Paper 50 Cents. Cloth \$1.00. For Sale at this Office. No Stamps taken.

THE CARRIER DOVE. An Illustrated Monthly Journal, devoted to Spiritualism and Reform. Each number will contain the Portraits and Biographies of prominent Mediums and Spiritual workers of the Pacific Coast and elsewhere.

GOLDEN GATE. Published every Saturday by the "Golden Gate Printing and Publishing Company," at Room 45 Flood Building, San Francisco, Cal.

BANNER OF LIGHT. THE OLDEST JOURNAL IN THE WORLD DEVOTED TO THE PHILOSOPHY OF SPIRITUALISM. ISSUED WEEKLY.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE THOUGHT. (Formerly MODERN THOUGHT.) CHARLES FILLMORE and MYRTLE FILLMORE, Editors & Publishers.

THE ESOTERIC. Faithfulness to the duties of to-day creates a sure foundation upon which will rest peace and contentment of to-morrow.

THE ALLEY CENTRE SHOT GUN. Eastley's New Principle. A new and improved shot gun, with a new and improved principle, and a new and improved principle.

The Weekly Discourse, A PAMPHLET (Especially arranged for binding) Containing one of the Discourses given through the Organism of MRS. CORA L. V. RICHMOND.

NEW SPIRITUALIST COLONY - OF THE - PACIFIC COAST. BUILDING PROGRESSING RAPIDLY. The site of Summerland constitutes a part of the Oregon Rancho, owned by H. L. Williams.

THE GREATEST WORK SINCE DARWIN'S TIME. Planetary Evolution; OR New COSMOGONY.

THE LATEST DISCOVERIES IN THE REALM OF NATURE AND THEIR RELATIONS TO LIFE. Paper 50 Cents. Cloth \$1.00. For Sale at this Office. No Stamps taken.

THE CARRIER DOVE. An Illustrated Monthly Journal, devoted to Spiritualism and Reform. Each number will contain the Portraits and Biographies of prominent Mediums and Spiritual workers of the Pacific Coast and elsewhere.

GOLDEN GATE. Published every Saturday by the "Golden Gate Printing and Publishing Company," at Room 45 Flood Building, San Francisco, Cal.

BANNER OF LIGHT. THE OLDEST JOURNAL IN THE WORLD DEVOTED TO THE PHILOSOPHY OF SPIRITUALISM. ISSUED WEEKLY.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE THOUGHT. (Formerly MODERN THOUGHT.) CHARLES FILLMORE and MYRTLE FILLMORE, Editors & Publishers.

THE ESOTERIC. Faithfulness to the duties of to-day creates a sure foundation upon which will rest peace and contentment of to-morrow.

NEW BOOK - In the Hands of the Printer. LEAFLETS OF THOUGHT. - Gathered from - THE TREE OF LIFE.

PSYCHOPATHY; OR - SPIRIT HEALING. A Series of Lessons On the Relations of the Spirit to its Own Organism, and the Inter-Relation of Human Beings with Reference to HEALTH, DISEASE & HEALING.

DIAL PLANCHETTE, OR - THE PSYCHOGRAPH, FOR USE IN HOME CIRCLES. This instrument has now been thoroughly tested by numerous inventors, and has proved more satisfactory than the planchette.

THE ONLY LINE. BLUE GRASS REGION. 3 FAST EXPRESS TRAINS. Most Elegantly Equipped.

NO TRANSFER - SOLID TRAINS. Comfort and Convenience Unequaled. The only line landing passengers in the city of Lexington.

THE FINEST ON EARTH. THE ONLY Pullman Perfected Safety VESTIBULE TRAIN SERVICE.

THE FAVORITE LINE FROM CINCINNATI TO ST. LOUIS. THE ONLY DIRECT LINE BETWEEN CINCINNATI, DAYTON, FINDLAY, Lima, Toledo, Detroit.

THE LAKE REGIONS & CANADA. Pullman Sleepers on Night Trains Reclining Chair Cars On day trains between Cincinnati and Points Enumerated Above.

THE ALLEY CENTRE SHOT GUN. Eastley's New Principle. A new and improved shot gun, with a new and improved principle, and a new and improved principle.

LEAFLETS OF THOUGHT. - Gathered from - THE TREE OF LIFE. Containing some of the experiences of a Spirit who has been in spirit life fifty-seven years.

THE PSYCHOGRAPH, FOR USE IN HOME CIRCLES. This instrument has now been thoroughly tested by numerous inventors, and has proved more satisfactory than the planchette.

THE ONLY LINE. BLUE GRASS REGION. 3 FAST EXPRESS TRAINS. Most Elegantly Equipped.

NO TRANSFER - SOLID TRAINS. Comfort and Convenience Unequaled. The only line landing passengers in the city of Lexington.

THE FINEST ON EARTH. THE ONLY Pullman Perfected Safety VESTIBULE TRAIN SERVICE.

THE FAVORITE LINE FROM CINCINNATI TO ST. LOUIS. THE ONLY DIRECT LINE BETWEEN CINCINNATI, DAYTON, FINDLAY, Lima, Toledo, Detroit.

THE LAKE REGIONS & CANADA. Pullman Sleepers on Night Trains Reclining Chair Cars On day trains between Cincinnati and Points Enumerated Above.

THE ALLEY CENTRE SHOT GUN. Eastley's New Principle. A new and improved shot gun, with a new and improved principle, and a new and improved principle.

THE ALLEY CENTRE SHOT GUN. Eastley's New Principle. A new and improved shot gun, with a new and improved principle, and a new and improved principle.



In conjunction with the Erie System operates fast daily vestibule trains to the seaboard. You may travel in the most elegant and complete Pullman vestibule trains ever constructed.



94 HOURS THE SHORTEST, 8 HOURS THE QUICKEST. CINCINNATI TO NEW ORLEANS, Time 27 Hours.

110 MILES THE SHORTEST, 7 HOURS THE QUICKEST. Cincinnati To Jacksonville, Fla., Time 28 Hours.

THE SPIRITUAL PHILOSOPHY - ITS AIMS AND EVIDENCES.

could tell a lie. But larger grown, his expanding intellect finds it difficult to reconcile the back of the barn or saddlebag story, and he begins to investigate for himself when he soon finds out that like all good babies he was born.

Is it not time for the adult mind to investigate and see if many of the traditions handed down to us from the dark ages are not analogous to the back of the barn and saddlebag stories. The world is now approaching that age of adult maturity, in which it may begin to comprehend its past and future. Human intelligence and human testimony are supreme in politics, in business, and in courts of justice, where they determine right and wrong, life and death.

Even Christ, the greatest of all mediums, was limited to conditions, as is evidenced by his failure to evoke spirit aid, and he was compelled to tell the people of Capernaum "that he could do nothing for them on account of their unbelief."

Of the age of this planet mankind knows but little. The authority so long relied upon seems to come short of the whole truth when compared with scientific discoveries.

That authority assumes that this earth is the ultimate of God's object in human welfare, while astronomy teaches that it is a solid body only eight thousand miles in diameter. Astronomy informs us that the sun, which is claimed God created on the fourth day, is eight hundred and eighty thousand miles in diameter, or eleven thousand times larger than our earth.

That the planet Mars is four thousand miles in diameter, that Venus is eight thousand, Jupiter ninety-two thousand, or eleven and a half times larger than our earth, and that a year is twelve times longer than ours. That Saturn is nine and a half times larger than our earth, and their year is thirty times as long as ours.

We thus see the immensity of God's work upon the fourth day in our solar system, without going on to the numberless systems beyond. It is implied from the teaching of astronomy that there are systems of worlds similar to our own throughout the immensity of space, which, according to the authority referred to, were created on the fourth day, and only six thousand years ago.

Let the life of every true Spiritualist be so moral, virtuous and exemplary as to furnish proof positive of the elevating principles of our faith, and that we have lived and advanced in an age of the greatest revelation, light and knowledge in the world's history.

It is impossible to say where a good example may not reach, or when it will end, if indeed it has an end.

We once knew a man of morose temperament and disposition, who married a lady of almost angelic sweetness of character and temper. Soon after their marriage, on a Sunday morning, she handed him a clean shirt to put on; he threw it across the room and ordered her in brutish language to sew on a button.

Without any reply she sewed on the missing button, and with a sweet smile upon her countenance, said: "My dear husband, forgive me; I suffered all day yesterday with one of my severe headaches, and had so much to do, the missing button escaped my memory. Please do forgive me, and I promise you it shall not occur again."

NOTE: Having carefully copied the above from the original and read it by copy, we can testify to its correctness. We can also testify as to the truthfulness, honesty and intelligence of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm. - Ed. N. T.

See ad in another column.

died. Never during the subsequent years of our married life did she receive a single cross word from me.

How important that we all so live that we can feel assured that "at last when we die we shall have the dear angels for our escort on the way. They who can grasp the whole world in their hands can surely also guard our souls that they make that last journey safely."

And when we shall arrive at the end of life's journey, let us be prepared to joyfully say, in the language of the poet:

Earthly home, adieu, adieu, Earthly friends, farewell to you. Softly breathe your last good-bye, Angels call me, let me die; Wife and loved ones weep no more, Meet me on the other shore.

THE PSYCHIC RESEARCH SOCIETY.

On Sunday afternoon, August 3rd, despite the excessive heat, with the thermometer at 98° in the shade, Douglass Castle Hall was comfortably filled with investigators and friends of the spiritual cause.

All spiritual manifestations are governed and controlled by imperative laws and conditions, but poorly understood. Any attempt to obtain them without a strict compliance with these laws and conditions will prove a failure.

Even Christ, the greatest of all mediums, was limited to conditions, as is evidenced by his failure to evoke spirit aid, and he was compelled to tell the people of Capernaum "that he could do nothing for them on account of their unbelief."

Of the age of this planet mankind knows but little. The authority so long relied upon seems to come short of the whole truth when compared with scientific discoveries.

That authority assumes that this earth is the ultimate of God's object in human welfare, while astronomy teaches that it is a solid body only eight thousand miles in diameter. Astronomy informs us that the sun, which is claimed God created on the fourth day, is eight hundred and eighty thousand miles in diameter, or eleven thousand times larger than our earth.

We thus see the immensity of God's work upon the fourth day in our solar system, without going on to the numberless systems beyond. It is implied from the teaching of astronomy that there are systems of worlds similar to our own throughout the immensity of space, which, according to the authority referred to, were created on the fourth day, and only six thousand years ago.

Let the life of every true Spiritualist be so moral, virtuous and exemplary as to furnish proof positive of the elevating principles of our faith, and that we have lived and advanced in an age of the greatest revelation, light and knowledge in the world's history.

It is impossible to say where a good example may not reach, or when it will end, if indeed it has an end.

We once knew a man of morose temperament and disposition, who married a lady of almost angelic sweetness of character and temper. Soon after their marriage, on a Sunday morning, she handed him a clean shirt to put on; he threw it across the room and ordered her in brutish language to sew on a button.

Without any reply she sewed on the missing button, and with a sweet smile upon her countenance, said: "My dear husband, forgive me; I suffered all day yesterday with one of my severe headaches, and had so much to do, the missing button escaped my memory. Please do forgive me, and I promise you it shall not occur again."

NOTE: Having carefully copied the above from the original and read it by copy, we can testify to its correctness. We can also testify as to the truthfulness, honesty and intelligence of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm. - Ed. N. T.

See ad in another column.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

This world is all a fleeting show, And soon grim death will jerk us; But let's be happy as we go, And all enjoy the circus.—Exchange.

A Mormon settlement is thriving at the foot of Pilot Mountain, N. C.

It is reported from China that during storms in Chekiang province hundreds of such enormous size fell as to destroy animals and even houses.

The deepest well in the world is soon to be dug in the environs of London. It will be nearly 1,000 feet deep, and will be furnished with stairs and be illuminated. The object of the well is to enable the students to observe the various geological strata.

"Now look here," said the professor to the infuriated bull, "you are my superior in strength, I am your superior in mind. Let us arbitrate this matter and see which should be right get the better of our controversy." "Oh, no," replied the bull, "let's toss up for it." Later—The professor lost.—New York Sun.

France has more than a quarter of a million carrier pigeons trained for war purposes.

A novel method of plowing was that recently adopted by a colored man in North Carolina. His steer refused to work when hitched to the plow, and thereupon he hitched it to a cart and fastened the plow behind the cart. He proceeded to plow with the steer without any further trouble.

Matches are made in heaven and unmade in Chicago.—Rochester Post-Express.

The amount of water the sun raises from the earth is estimated at the enormous weight of 37,000,000 tons a minute; the quantity of coal required to produce a heat in any way equivalent to the sun's is calculated to be 12,000,000,000,000 tons.

Book agent returning after having been fired down one flight, to irate broker: "But now, joking aside, won't you take one copy."—Wiegand's Bluetter.

An extraordinary feat of telephoning was recently accomplished between St. Petersburg and Boulogne, a distance of 2,465 miles. Conversation was kept up, notwithstanding a rather high induction. The Russian engineer proposes to converse by telephone over a distance of 4,665 miles.

The total number of counties in the United States is 2,868.

A decision just made public from the Supreme Court of Mississippi holds that the photographic portrait is the sole property of the sitter, and that the photographer who sells a copy of it without the sitter's knowledge and consent lays himself open to an action for damages.

American claims are to be planted at various points on the English coast, in the hope that they may be propagated for the market.

American vines are being planted in French vineyards.

"The world has caught a quickening breath From Heaven's eternal shore, And souls triumphant over death, Return to earth once more."—Lizzie Doten.

ON THE TOMBS OF THE FUTURE. When cremation becomes to be the fashion we shall be able to do up our obituaries in something like this style: Feb. 3, 1897, Cre- Nov. 25, 1919, M- April 17, 1920, Cre- -Springfield Union

Little girl—"Your papa has only got one leg, hasn't he?" Veteran's little girl—"Yes." Little girl—"Where is the other one?" Veteran's little girl—"Hush, dear, it's in heaven."—Boston Courier.

Last month \$150,000 worth of cutlery were imported from Great Britain.

Pere Hyacinthe and wife are suffering for the necessities of life, and a movement has been started in New York by Episcopal ministers to relieve their distress.

FOOTMAN—"Your services are requested at Mr. Doorman's late residence. He died this morning." Undertaker—"How much did he leave?" "Not over \$1,000." "What will your bill be?" "About \$400." "Well, I'll bury him for the rest."—Good News.

"There is a man," said DeKique, in the hotel corridor, "who has done more toward the purification of American politics than anybody else I know of." "How?" "He retired to private life."—Washington Post.

A California is extracting by distillation the oil and water of the orange blossom. The oil is worth \$3 an ounce, and the water is a valuable product.

Sinking mountain, on the Chattanooga river in Georgia, makes a first-class earthquake barometer. Although gradually sinking all the time, its periods of greatest disquiet are when earthquakes are raking some remote part of the globe. When the great earthquake occurred in Java a few years ago, Sinking mountain was instantly lowered ten feet.

MOVEMENTS OF MEDIUMS.

Mrs. Carrie C. Van Duzee will accept engagements for the fall season in the West. Address at Geneva, O.

Moses and Mattie E. Hull are open for engagements for grove or camp meetings. Address Chicago Terrace and West Fortieth St., Chicago, Ill.

Moses Hull speaks for the Spiritual Society of Indianapolis during September. September 20th he and Mrs. Hull start for California via the Northern route.

Prof. W. F. Peck is indulging in a few weeks at Onset for rest and relaxation. His dates for next season are nearly fixed. Thus a few open dates for 1921. Address during August, Box 113, Onset, Mass.

Will C. Dodge decides engagements as speaker for the fall and winter months, commencing with September. Address during July, 315 Van Buren street, Chicago, Ill., during August, Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, Iowa. Will answer calls for funerals.

Mr. A. E. Tisdale lectures at Onset, Mass., August 17th and 18th; Temple Heights, August 16th and 17th; Lake Pleasant, August 24th and 25th; Queen City Park, August 28th, 29th and 31st; September 7th, West Duxbury. Societies wishing his services for the fall and winter months can address him at Merrick, Mass.

Henry H. Warner, inspirational speaker and test medium, is engaged for 1921, as follows: Onset, Mass., August 14th and 15th, Cambridgeport, October 12th and 13th; Brockton, October 30th; Fitchburg, November 9th and 10th; Brockton, December 14th. Would like further engagements for '21 and '22. Address 41, Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass.

Mr. J. Frank Baxter will lecture on August 10th, at Caswell's N. Y. Camp; Sunday, August 17th, at Temple Heights, Me. Camp; Sunday, August 24th, at Verona Park Me. Camp; and Sunday, August 31st, at Lake Pleasant, Mass. Camp. Several week days are secured with most of these places preceding or following the Sundays. For the seasons of '21 and '22 address him at 181 Walnut street, Chelsea, Mass.

Having been called to the home of my father to pay the last tribute to him, Mrs. Kates and self were compelled to cancel our engagements in Colorado for August and September. It also causes us to postpone once more our much desired visit to the Pacific Coast. We desire to hear from local societies east of the Mississippi River relative to serving them during the coming fall months. Both of us lecture, and Mrs. Kates give tests. Address us at Greenville, Darke county, O.

Lynnan C. Howe speaks at Cassadaga Camp Meeting, August 31, and speaks at Clinton Camp, Iowa, from August 10th to 18th. He speaks at Mantua Camp July 24th to 27th, and Hicksville, O., August 24th. He is engaged for Sundays of November in New York, and for December in Philadelphia, Pa. He is yet free to engage for September and October, wherever first called, but would prefer engagements in New York, Pennsylvania or New England, as being nearer relations to New York and Philadelphia. He is also free to engage January, February, March, April, and May, 1921. First call first served. Address Box 379 Fredonia, Chautauque Co., N. Y.

Meetings in Brooklyn, N. Y. The First Independent Club of Brooklyn meets at Broadway Hall, No. 290 Fulton street, every Friday evening at eight o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all mediums visiting our city and the public generally. Seats free. DANIEL COONS, Vice-Pres.

The Brooklyn Progressive Conference meets at Everett Assembly rooms, corner of Bridge and Willoughby streets, every Saturday evening at eight o'clock. Seats free and the public cordially invited. SAMUEL B. ROBERT, Pres.

Mrs. Jennie C. Blake holds meetings at her parlors, No. 24 Franklin Avenue, every Sunday evening at eight o'clock. Good speakers in attendance, and the public cordially invited. Spiritual Union, Fraternity Rooms, corner Bedford Avenue and South Second street, meets Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Good speakers and mediums always present. PORTER E. FIELD, Sec.

\$5.00 Toledo and Return \$5.00 Account convention Independent Order of Red Men. Tickets on sale August 9th, good returning until August 14th, 1920. Special train will leave Cincinnati at 9 o'clock p. m., Saturday, August 9th, stopping at Hamilton, Carlisle, Middletown, Miamisburg and Dayton.

For tickets and information call on or address nearest Agent C. H. & D. R. R. E. O. McCORMICK, G. P. & T. A.

Advice to Mothers. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cents a bottle.

AN UNPRECEDENTED OFFER!

PREMIUMS! PREMIUMS! PREMIUMS! TO OUR AGENTS

And Others SOLICITING SUBSCRIPTIONS For THE BETTER WAY.

Those sending us new subscribers with the accompanying cash will be entitled to the following premiums till further notice:

- 1. Club of three subscribers for six months each—Copy of "Rays of Light," a book of poems and biographical sketch of Mr. R. S. Little, or "Startling Facts in Modern Spiritualism," by Dr. N. B. Wolfe.
2. Club of six subscribers for six months each—One illuminated copy of Hydeville Ohromoid; size, 8 1/2 x 12 inches.
3. Club of ten subscribers for six months each—The above picture handsomely framed in white and gold, with glass, measuring 40 x 20 inches.
HYDEVILLE OHROMOID, Is a beautiful illustration of the home in which the first Spiritualists' rappings were heard. It is printed in thirteen different colors, and exquisitely accomplished, making it a suitable picture for any parlor or library. This affords all friends of THE BETTER WAY an opportunity of benefitting themselves as well as the paper. Remit by Express, Postal Note or Post Office Money Order, making the same payable to THE WAY PUBLISHING CO., Cincinnati, Ohio.

HAIR ON THE FACE, NECK, ARMS OR ANY PART OF THE PERSON QUICKLY DISSOLVED AND REMOVED WITH THE NEW SOLUTION

MODENE advertisement featuring an illustration of a woman and text describing the product's benefits for hair removal.

VAN DUZEN GAS & GASOLINE ENGINE advertisement with an illustration of the engine and text describing its features and availability.

WESLEYAN COLLEGE advertisement listing various courses and advantages for students.

MT. AUBURN INSTITUTE advertisement for a family school for young ladies.

HAMILTON FEMALE COLLEGE advertisement for a well-equipped school for young ladies.

DR. FELLOWS advertisement for a medical treatment, including an illustration of a man's face.

VINELAND, N.J. advertisement for a local business or product.

LYCEUM LESSONS advertisement for educational courses.

FARMERS SAW PORTABLE MILL advertisement for agricultural machinery.

WOLFE'S Tonic for Poultry advertisement for a health supplement for birds.

FREEMAN'S FACE POWDER advertisement with an illustration of a woman's face.

MODOC SOAP advertisement for a cleaning product.

MEDICATED THROAT BANDAGE advertisement for a medical product.

DR. FELLOWS advertisement for a medical treatment, including an illustration of a woman's face.

5th YEAR SEEDS advertisement for agricultural products.

FARMERS SAW PORTABLE MILL advertisement for agricultural machinery.

WOLFE'S Tonic for Poultry advertisement for a health supplement for birds.

WOLFE'S Tonic for Poultry advertisement for a health supplement for birds.