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## EDITORIAL.

To realize the grandeur of the seen is true worship

GERMANY'S minister declares for peace, but Germany's army is not in accord with this heavenly tune.

CHICAGO has decided to close the World's Fair on Sunday. The greater the size of a city, the greater the cloak needed to cover her sins.

TRUE inspiration fills the soul with a warmth akin to the glow occasioned by the magnetic inhalation of the morning sonsbine.

AND now comes Chili and singles out proviso is always that such articles are speeze in that direction?

THE case of King, the Seventh-day Adventist, has been taken to the Supremie Court of the United States. A decision by that august body will settle the matter whether States have the right to make religious laws or not.

growth.

sought death in suicide. That is, what not be out of place, and would probably the world regards as death. What they be in accord with that which is to follow. thought may not have been so gruesome. The former wanted to escape the fury

through sensitives for certain effects, which effects are the fundamentals for lead. And Spiritualism being the highest impulse of Nature, embraces all the fundamentals necessary for the world's progress.

T. B. WAKEMAN writes in The Arena an article in the defense of Nationalism, in which he says : "We want a general temporal government which will protect liberty, and eusure that every priest, sect. fanatic, and phase of thought and opinion shall tolerate each other."-One of the aims of THE BETTER WAY has been to generate a sort of universal tolerance among Spiritualists-while opening its columns to every shade of thought and opinion that comes within range of Spiritualistic principles-and hopes yet to see it accomplished. Of course, the

the United States as a safe nation to in- free from personalities and rant (which sult. Poor Chili! What would be left many mistake for radicalism) and have of her if Uncle Sam should simply sufficient literary value to find accep tance.

fundamental truth at the bottom. When we reach this, all further argument or debate is uscless. The bottom fact concerning organization is that the spirit- with hoarse voices inspired by bitter world is not yet ready for such a move. When they are, we shall all perceive it as A RAID is now being instituted against one irresistable impulse-as one manicalisthesic exercises as injurious to some festation of unconquerable joy-and natures. The exhaustion which these unity of purpose and thought will preexercises produce is said to be more de- vail throughout the ranks. So all contrimental to health than total abstinence. cerns of our cause have a spiritual base Vital force or energy is life; and a waste or support, but which can only be disof this is also detrimental to spiritual cerned as we listen to the voice of the spirit-intuition. In the meantime conventions, held for special purposes, as AFTER Balmaceda, Boulauger has for the World's Fair, for example, would

LIKE aromance seemeth the late caof his enemies. He did in spirit. The blegram of the English Queen's little latter perhaps sought after his lost love in device to foil the ambitious young Emwhat a soul suffers to superinduce such England last summer he one evening cence in it, in toto. smethod of getting away from the body? asked the Queen to accord him a confi-

Presbyterian preacher, who was on trial war with France. The Queen dissented plan, confirming both the right and the

permits nothing to be delayed, she acts Animosity, resentment, asperity keeps pirit a firmer foundation on his native chanics, with all their simple lessons- all the Southern Churches, and that the modes of punishment.

CHURCH UNITY. The attempt made in 1886, by the bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, to bring all the Protestant Churches into substantial unity upon four cardinal features of that Church, though received with enthusiasm by the American and English Churches of that denomination, has signally failed, as was expected by all progressive thinkers. The four points all have too narrow an orbit to meet the demands of the minds and hearts of this age. The cornerstone of the new temple of unity was of course, the truthfulness, sacredness validity, and authority of the King James' translation of the Jewish and Christian Scriptures. But these Scriptures are now under analytical process by EVERY issue in Spiritualism has one the "higher, criticism" applied by the most learned divines of the Churches; while the rank and file of the unlearned

and superfical are shouting "heresy' hearts.

The second plank in the proposed basis of unification, demands the acceptance of the "Apostles" and Nicene creeds. But these creeds just now, are under as hot a fire of criticism, and Wh application to their teachings of the laws, forces, and reasonings of this progressed and enlightened age, as are the Scriptures. The third, or the two Sacraments of the Church, are generally accepted by all Protestant Churches-our Quaker friends excepted-as imperative outward signs of inward bestowed grace ;" but thinkers, both in and out of

the Churches, are enquiring Cui Bono? what good? The last is the "hictoric this manner. Like the former he may peror in his unpeaceful designs to enter of Church organization will be slow to have gained his point. Who knows into a contest with France. While in accept. In fact, they will reject acquies-

In our judgment, the Churches can dential interview, and then told her, for only secure substantial unity by leaving human and practical benefactions for the race as a whole, which were inculcated by the wise philosopher and living Brother of Nazareth. The Churches have drifted away from the practical, and are living in and fighting for the speculacast? That depends, perhaps. May his other, more practical imperial diplomacy the elevation and blessing of suffering humanity, would give promise of success. Spiritualists will yet find a way to accomplish this, and will enter upon a friendly rivalry with any such proposed Church unity. With a more reasonable and consistent religious philosophy, thus practically administed, spiritual truths struggling mechanic, artizan, or day lawill conquer the world,

effects-and our vision is beclouded by litude, however related, and no piece of are enabled to sense these, what might lessen these evil tendencies in man handled by a being can be more impreg- any dogma, be it Jewish, Christian, Mobe termed Nature's impulses, are in the through the method pointed out by our insted with his aura or magnetism than hammedan or Buddhist. It is to disclose spiritual teachings-study the virtues his own bones; and if the former retain the growth of the race and its advance necessary to offeet them-and more ac- it, which no psychometrist can deny, the in all departments of civilized industry tual good will be done, than by legisla- latter should, most assuredly. And and social culture. It is not the property tion or the invention of additional where the relationship is very close be- of, neither should it be controlled by tween spirit and body, as it is the case any Church or sect. It should be for the with earth-bound spirits, or such who benefit of all, as it is the outgrowth of all

have been precipitated into spirit life genius, industry, and representative culwithout warning or preparation, and in tivation. midst of a wild, seusual, or selfish life, and where the spirit is naturally attracted where placed. The intuitive tenderness with which people treat the "dead" is not in vain; nor is the decorating of nexpedient inventions. They are really necessary—if we truly love their memory are freed from materialistic lies and sen- such sentiments and expressions comto be able to sever all physical or madifference what becomes of the bodytracting the spirit. But in the burial of the body let tenderness be substituted for pomp; simplicity for display; and that will also influence the spirit for peace in its new abode.

### WHICH SHALL WIN?

WHICH SHALL with the popular mind seems greatly disturbed over the subject of the opening or closing of the Columbian Exhibition on the Christian Sabbath. The claim made by the creedist is that it is "the Lord's day," ordnined to be kept sacred in all its hours from secular labor and recreation and that, too, by biblical or divine command. This our"Sabbath day" Christian brethren deny, and affirm that ther or creedist will have occasion to ask, Saturday, or the Jewish Sabbath, is the for information, that old question only one enjoined by the Scriptures.

Now as the Bible is the only acknowl-CRIMINAL CONSERVATISM. adged authority appealed to by the learned and fervid advocates of Sunday closing, we submit that to be consistent these Bible worshippers should make Dr. BRIGGS, the young and talented reasons given, that Germany must have creeds and all else speculative out of the Saturday and not on "First day." It is to the point of criminality. They will history of the Jews, nor in the morals inculfor heresy, has been indicted by the New York Presbytery, being accused of of a fairy-tale scheme to stall the little day" as the Sabbath. There is a "thus of loss of membership and influence; are systematically carrying forward those suith the Lord" for the observance of always following and never even keeping seventh day, and according to all creedal abreast of the world's progress. It has Churchianity the words of the Book are ever made great pretentions of leaderauthority against the reasons, the judg- ship; but the claim has been set up after ments, and the united verdict of the others have fought the battle against whole race. If we must have the old wrong, and forced the leaden steps of Jewish low requiring the holy observance the Church to follow.

growth. The Columbian Exhibition is

The Rev. Dr. Patton when confronted with the patent fact that hundreds of was swift to acknowledge what was not or even attached to the body by strong thousands of toiling men and women proven, neither could not be, to wit, that materialistic bonds, it makes a decided within a radius of easy approach to Chi- Onesimus was a slave and not an ordinary difference how the body is treated, and cago and the Exposition, would be de- servant. The admission helped slavery, prived of an enjoyment and a means of and as it was the dominant power in the cultivation which he and his fellow pro- country, the Church bowed before it as fessionals could enjoy at their leisure, graves and the beautifying of cemetaries should the gates be closed on Sunday, is golden calf. When the political sense credited with this heartless reply: "So much the worse then for the working- the Churches fell into line; and not a or their individuality. To those who men!" Shame on you, Dr. Patton ! Do moment sooner.

sual habits, or sufficienfly spiritualized mend the Churchianity of to-day to the Who is ignorant of the fact, with the Bithinking masses, and is it any wonder ble before him, that under Judaistic laws terial connection, it can make but little that orthodox churches are being emp- and usages woman was a cypher repretied that their former attendants may except it is wanted for further use in at- crowd the forums of more progressed that under the Pauline Christian system and liberal teachings?

An able editorial in the Chicago Herald of the 1.1th inst. states, as fact, that tion looking towards the acknowledgelove for vanity; and we will prepare a which must alarm these advocates of ment of her natural equality in rights peaceful aura around the corpse, and one shutting the toiling army out of the Ex- with man, under civil law and by the acposition on Sundays. It avers that a knowledgement of civilized society, has liquor syndicate, handling a large capi- been won again and in spite of the optal, are in sympathy with the reverends position of the Church. When she wins such numbers in Chicago and its envi- and led it on to victory, just as it now rons that these toilers with their fami- claims to have destroyed American lies excluded from an orderly visit to slavery. the Exposition, will be cast upon the streets and kept under the hottest fires ries of letters to The Woman's Tribune, of temptation to drink. If the statements of the Herald are true, no minis-"What concord hath Christ with Belial?"

We say it with regret; but no fact is more patent, historically, than that the Protestant Churches of this country-

us on the animal plane-in the realm of boil-every influence attracting its simi- which inspire mental and spiritual Northern clergy from their pulpits demaniled that the Church should accept, the world's onward march. Those who matter. Let us find the palliative to Nothing, furniture, letter, or object not designed or held for the purpose of defend, and aid in enforcing the infamous "Fugitive slave-law" which negated every command of Jesus concerning man's relation to his fellow man?

And why? Because, in the Book, Paul, Jew, commanded a young minister, to return one Onesimus, an alleged slave, under the old Jewish law which allowed one man to nail the ear of another to a post in token that the man thus nailed was the life-time slave of the inhuman brute who did the usiling. The Church the old Israelites fell down before their of the country had doomed slavery then

Take the question of Woman's rights. senting no rights or privileges, and she remained the same? Every right she has won. Every step in her elevaand creedists and expect them, to win, her perfect emancipation from old This syndicate is formulating their chains, the Church will then step in and plaus to place beer and liquor saloons in claim that it inaugurated the movement

> Mrs. Elizabeth Cady Stanton, in a sein which the position of the Church in worshipping the Book rather than a loving and beneficent Deity is very plainly discussed, puts some very pertinent facts. We quote a couple of paragraphs and commend their careful reading to the sisters of the Churches :

All through the winters of '86 and '87 Mrs. Stanton Blatch and I occupied our time in studying the Bible, and reading the commentaries of Clark, Scott, and Wardsworth, Bishop of Lincoln). We found nothing grand in the but of the very lowest type, jealous and re-vengeful, loving violence rather than mercy. I know no other books that so fully teach the subjugation and degredation of woman. Mirlam, the eldest sister of Moses and Aaron, a genins, a prophetess, with the family aptitude for diplomacy and government, is continually set aside because of her sex, permitted to lead thewomen in singing and dancing and nothing more. No woman could offer sacrifices or eat the holy ments, because, according to the Jews, women vere generally unclean, and always unholy, But where is the use, say some, of attaching any importance to the customs and teachings of a barbarous people? None whatever; but when our bishops and archbishops and ordained clergymen stand up in their pulpits and read selections from the Peutstench with a revrential voice, they make the women of their congregation believe that there really is some divine authority for their subjection. In the thirty-first chapter of Numbers, in speaking of the spoils taken from the Midianites, the live stock is thus summarized : "5,000 sheep, threescore and 12,000 beeves, three-score and 1,000 ases, and 32,000 women and women-children," which, Moses said, the wastiors might keep for themselves. In placing the women after the theep, the beeves, and the asses, we have a fair idea of their comparative importance in the scale of being among the jewish warriors. No wonder the right revereud bishops and clergy of the Methodiat Church, who believe in the divine origin and authority of the Pentateuch, exclude women from their great convocations, in the American Republic in the nineteenth century. In view of the fact that our children are laught to reverence the Book as of divine gin, I think we have a right to ask that in the ext revision all such passages be expurgated, uid to that end learned, competent women must have an equal place on the revising comnittee.

world as another Galilleo. Will he refornces allow him to remain consistent to his views.

LIKE attracts like on the mortal plane proving kindergarten . with the same subtlety that it does in minit. The selfish, for example, are oftranglected because the rapport effected by a thought for them, causes an abstruction that makes one naturally forget them, or neglect them. It is Nature's law of reciprocity which the unscientific mind regards as the operations of a personal deity. The rapport with conscientious individuals inspires with confidence or a like condition of mind or toul,

THE last relic of barbarous pomp left mong civilized nations is the manner in which the Pope of Rome celebrates mass. At a recent celebration at St. Peters, say the dispatches, His Holiness (capitalhed) was carried to his throne at the postifical altar. He was attired in pure white vestments, and wore upon his and fans, which resembled beautiful plin leaves. As the head of the pro cusion entered the church the trum-Pters of the Swiss Guard heralded the Pope's approach-the latter bestowing budictions as he was borne along.-And all this outside of Siam.

Hap Voltaire, Diderot, and Rossenu not lived, it is said, the revolution of 1789 might have been delayed many " speakers not living now, the present

disbelief in the Bible as the only source warrior. She wrote to the Czar of Rusofspiritual authority; also of disbelief sin what had occurred and importuned is scriptural inspiration and the imme- him to exhibit a great (sham) friendship diate glorification of souls who die in for France, while she (the Queen) would the faith. His friends made an effort to do likewise. It was done as it is known, sense a discontinuance of the investiga- and it all frightened the little Emperor tion, but in vain. He stands before the so much that he packed up his war implements and has engaged in some since-probably the art of turning the sword into a pruning-hook or of im-

> TO READ of the many crimes committed and the sentences imposed in consequence-especially where it affects people of some refinement or intelligent culture-is exceedingly painful to the feelings of people whose compassion is thereby affected. It is not always maudlin sympathy, as many would have it, but

for crime, and earth's children should be unreasonable and impossible, and be- recreation of both body and spirit. endeavor to overcome their autipathies cause it is true in a large measure that for individuals whose misfortune it is to aplrits care nothing for their earthly recies for crime. No man is born perfect; plied universally. It does make a demony with true inspiration (intuition) thus obtain a better comprehension of fluence, if not to a stronger degree even true virtue instead. We cannot learn the than matter of a lower order, so to say.

positions of the heavenly constellations while the skies are beclouded. Thus we should always be deposited in the councan not understand the truism of virtue try where he has instituted his reforms, mars. Were certain prophetic writers or morality while accursing crime. The for the sake of the influence that they Sundays will empty the Churches of remember that the Church and its minremedy is not found in that way. Sym- may continue to exert on their surround- Chicago. Very well; let them be volun- listry with few rare and glorious excep-

### POST MORTEM RELATION OF BODY TO SPIRIT.

There is an old, what we might term, keep the wolf of want from the door, and been gathered into a book, and after the a commiseration for such unfortunates superstitions notion among Spiritualists, whose hours are filled with the pains discovery of printing, placed in type, this on account of their lack of moral de- that the removal of the bones or earthly and weariness of excessive labor, a day compilation contains the only authorized velopment and the spiritual strength remains of a departed individual is a of freedom from grinding toil, whether and authoritative expression of the dinecessary to resist temptation. Spirits futile undertaking. Because the resur- Saturday or Sunday, is sacred because vine will. Nay, that it must be revernever delight over a mortal's punishment rection idea has been logically proven to consecrated to rest, recuperation, and enced and obeyed against every law and

possess these discords-these tenden- mains, it does not and can not be ap- tain of pure delight, of inspiration, of an old semi-barbaric, Jewish age, trimand while he need not go to the other clifed difference to some spirits how and sons, of restful surprise and mental and turies, or snuffing out the light, at the extreme by letting crime go unpunished, where their bodies are placed, and it is spiritual growth; or a hard lesson in pleasure of dogmatists and creedists. head the papal tiars. He carried in either it is rather unspiritual and out of har- of very material importance where the metaphysical mysteries, creedal absurdiremains of a great man is deposited or ties, and mythical eternal horrors, shall ple fresh in the minds of this generation. to feel comforted by the knowledge that buried-to the community, the environ- be forced upon tired brain and weary Who does not remember the gallant criminals are duly punished. Hate the ments or the country that hold them. If spirit, while the aching body shall be fight against overwhelming odds of r crime, but not the individual; for by so a simple rock, by psychometrization, held, in the vice of custom, upright and few lovers of humanity known as Abolidoing we learn to guard ourselves against manifests an aural influence attached to motionless as well as speechless tionists - a hated name among politicians its encroschment-its influence-and it, human bones certainly exert an in- under the law of decorum in Churches, and in the Churches-for the practical until dismissed by pastoral benediction, application of the principles upon which then there will be no question as to the this republic was founded, and the And a great reformer's bones, therefore, popular verdict.

not a substituted one.

The chief plea made by the creedalists despotic, foul, and infruman a sin as ever is that the opening of the Exposition on cursed the world? Who does not also

Matal revolution might also have been pathy only brings us into accord with ings. Not only in, perhaps, developing tarily emptied when they offer a less at tions-was the bulwark of the infernal usyd manyl years. But as Nature causes-the spiritual of man and nature. others like himself, but in giving his traction than a study of nature, art, me- slave-system, that it was entrenched in male up of small acts well done.

of the seventh day, let it be the day and This conservative position and policy is born out of a supreme faith in, and

But we deny the special sacredness of submission to old religious teachings any specified time. All time is sacred, and dogmas as being the directly ex-All life is sacred; and all our acts and pressed will of the unchangeable God. The theory is that because men placed tempers ought to be sacred. As to time, Its use makes it more or less sacred to upon parchment, records of history, pothe individual. To a hard-working, etry, genealogy, prophecy, conception of astronomy, social and civil laws, belongborer, or sewing woman, clerk, or ser- ing to, and governing a portion of the vant, whose six secular days of every race, thousands of years ago, and week must be spent in a sturdy fight to parchment copies of these writings have

revelation of nature, and every unfold-When the question is forced upon the ing of the laws pertaining to the human attention of the world, whether a foun- race. It is the antiquated snuffers of knowledge to be acquired by object les- ming the candles of all subsequent cen-Take the slavery-question as an exam-

cleansing of the government from as

There is another equally forcible illustration of our position which the length of this article forbids considering.

Verdf is seventy-seven years old, and nearly forty years have elapsed since he produced what Owen Meredith describes thus:

Of all the operas Verdi wrote The best to my taste is "Il Trovatore,"

The noblest and most useful lives are

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### Written for The Better Way THE WORLD'S FAIR: THE DILEM-MA OF SPIRITUALISTS.

· LANDLARD The great Columbian Exposition, in addition to the display of human progress in the field of art, and the subingation and use of the forces of nature, by mechanical appliances, has the spiritual press enter into this work in man had been out as a missionary to wisely resolved to also give an exposition of the world's thought in all the varied fields of religious, philosophic, ethical, and scientific investigation. To effect this "The World's Congress Auxiliary of The World's Columbian Exposi- evolution. Brethren, Spiritualism, if it is it, and it was cast overboard into the tion" has been organized for the consideration of the living questions in all the departments of human progress. "Differing a new idea, it must resolutionize all leaped overboard and disappeared also. religious denominations, temperance forms of human thinking and acting. It It was discovered that many sharks were must be, and it is, both integrating and following the vessel, and the sailors societies, schools of medicine, and other reconstructive energy. It is no patcher baited a book, threw it overboard and organizations will work in harmony to of old garments--it "makes all things caught one of the monsters, and with secure results in which all are alike innew," or does nothing, except to disturb the aid of a windlass they drew it on terested, and to obtain which the auxiland destroy, as its enemies assert. iary will endeavor to exercise the high est impartiality and justice. It will will you do in this crisis of time, to uni- in its stomach. By chance, or by the aim to secure a presentation of the best tise the vast energies of these unorgan- power of God, they had both been swalaspect of every sincere and commendaized, isolated thousands so they can lowed by the same shark. The old misble effort to attain a result beneficial to strike one mighty blow for truth? Their sionary was not dead, as supposed, but mankind, leaving the comparative merits eyes are upon you, and history is waiting only in a religious trance. The warm atof competing movements and instituto render a verdict in accord with your mosphere inside the shark had revived tions to the judgment of the enlightdoing or not doing in the premises. In him. They had set up the grindstone. ened world.

conclusion, let me suggest that every the boy was turning it, and the old man To accomplish these great ends, a series of congresses will be held from May brother and sister take this topic into was grinding the ax preparatory to cutto November, 1893, in which all these questions will be discussed. The general committee has been already appointed, and the special committees of known in some way whether we wish several of the leading religious sects the world to hear us or not, whether have also been appointed. The special we wish a unitary action, or whether we committees of the various organizations are satisfied to work on, and have the after using two tor three bottles of "Ormass of our people gathered into liberal thodox Stomach Bitters," the old man are expected to bring into requisition; the best talent in the world to make a Churches, and ultimately every talented seemed better than he had been for some lecturer gathered there also, and Spirit- years, and entirely recovered. This modpresentation at those congresses of the ualism as a distinctive movement swal- ern tale settles the "Jonah story" withbasic principles and ultimate purposes of lowed up in other bodies having sense out further controversy, and sustains the such organization and the methods by which those purposes can be secured. enough to organize their energies for theological idea advanced by the "Rever-Nothing more fair or just could be de- efficient action. manded by any person or body.

As all the readers of THE BETTER WAY are aware, there has been for some months past considerable anxiety among some Spiritualists to have Spiritualism tutions gotten up expressly for the purrepresented at the great exposition. Why pose of educating simpletons. So far should it not? Why will it not be?

Some gentlemen have suggested the graduating from these schools possessed name of Hudson Tuttle as the man to no original conception, but like educated represent Spiritualism at the exposition. pairots, they could only repeat the words At the recent campmeeting of the Mis- and ideas that others had repeated before sissippi Valley Spiritualist Association them. That under high sounding names the writer was elected as a committee to and titles they could repeat the senserepresent the Spiritualist movement at less gobble they had learned at college the exposition, and to secure a recognition thereof in the same form that re- gather to listen to their educated rantligious reformatory bodies are recognized in the auxiliary department. Now comes the important, the difficult part of the work. Suppose Mr. Tuttle, or myself, or both of us, apply to the general com-Among that class we really have discovmittee to be placed on the sub-committees representing Spiritualism, where and what are our credentials? Mr. Tut tle could say that certain gentlemen, and profound that the infidel thinker through the papers, had suggested him for that position. I could present the appointing resolution of the campmeeting. "Very well," the committee could for on a scientific basis by the Rev. Mr. answer, "but whom do you represent? Talmage at his great tabernacle on Have you any organization known as Spiritualism?" What are we to answer We have none. Mr. Tuttle would represent the gentlemen naming him-nothones in the holy Bible, and many infidel ing more. My claim would be limited thinkers have never been able to reconto the campmeeting appointing me. cile some of the facts related therein There is no organized, no unitary body with the known laws of nature. They to be represented. There is no agreedto formula representing Spiritualism could not realize just how Jonah could which can be used as a basis for an intel- have lived down there, under the water

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aration. Of course, we ought to have a over the dead the burial service, attach a

year at least. But we can do much in weight to the bodies and cast them

six months, if we address ourselves in overboard. Among the passengers were

earnest to the work. Will the editors of an old man and his boy. The old gentle-

earnest ' They ought to sense the im- some island denonucing the evils of Spir-

mense responsibility resting on them. itualism. At last he sickened, and it

They ought to be leading on to higher was supposed he had died. The usual

and still higher modes of activity in the service was read over his body, a carpen-

continually unfolding forms of social ter's ax and grindstone were attached to

worth anything to the world, should sea and passed from sight. This crazed

lead the thought of the world. If it has the boy, and in a paroxism of grief he

You are watchmen on the walls. What the sailors found the old man and boy

careful consideration and then act, write, ting their way out. As they had been

speak, so we can mutually understand working all-fired lively to prevent the

ourselves the country over. Let it be gastric juices from taking hold of them

as our knowledge extended, the men plained, if you wish them explained."

board. When the creature was dissected

and digesting them, and the atmosphere

being quite warm, and the air rather im-

pure, they both sweat tremendously. But

end Doctor of Divinity," that constant

motion will prevent the gastric juices

from their process of digestion, and men

can live in the bowels of big fish for

days, and then be puked up safe and

sound. So Mr. Talmage says : "All the

strange things in the Bible can be ex-

One thing more connected with the

book of Jonah strikes us as peculiar. We

think the God that Jonah did business

with was entirely different from the one

Mr. Moses and the other prophets were

working under. Jonah's God, was, to all

intents and purposes, a pretty decent

sort of a fellow-was kind and magnani-

mous, while the other one, seemed never

satisfied unless a murder was perpe-

trated. He seemed to bloat over the mur-

der even of little innocent babes and

sucklings, and nothing seemed to add

to his enjoyment more than the smell of

roasted meat of some kind. Hence it

has been thought that the burning of

the few heretics would appease his an-

ger, and they were cheaper and worth

less money in the market than cattle or

sheep. While in contrast to his charac-

ter, the God of Jonah seemed to be

possessed of a heart as soft and tender

as that of a woman, and had no delight in

blood, suffering or cruelty. He accom-

plished his great work, nicely and com-

pletely, without the sacrifice of a single

life, or shedding a drop of blood. He

saved the sailors in the storm by ridding

them of Jonah—saved Jonah from drown-

ing by preparing a fish expressly for that

purpose-converted and saved 120,000

people from their sins, without a single

funeral or the death of even one littl

#### inary work so as to form a national or- the Gulf Stream. On this trip many of Written for The Better Way A TRUMPET CALL ganization next summer, in season, to the passengers sickened and died. When have some six or eight months for prep- they died it was the usual custom to read To the Spiritualists of America.

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most momentous period in the progress. of our sacred cause is at hand. A crisis fact, which every Spiritualist in Chris- What to think in the realm of higher is not far off that will test the fidelity and courage of every professed believer in our divine philosophy. The powers of superstition and spiritual darkness in both the material and spiritual worlds. are working in unison and in secret to stay the progress of a heaven-born truth that has so greatly disturbed their dominion. With the crafts in strategy, the unseen allies of "the visible Church are using every possible psychic power to alienate the unwary and the vascillating, and to seduce them from fealty to the cause of truth and progress.

Unable by direct assault to capture the curing the services of a few apostates and traitors, has introduced within our gates the "false gods" of ancient mythology and mediæval mysticism, whose true inwardness" is to demoralize our shall be ordained by angels and not by Modern spiritualistic interpretation is soldiery and capture our citadels when sufficiently unmanned!

Understanding the weak points of human nature, the builders of these idols labelled them with the taking titles of "Christian Science" and "Theosophy," and with an effrontery equalled only by their cunning, they proclaimed them far superior in "wisdom" and vastly "more respectable" than the divinities of despised Spiritualism whose thunder they stole.

with dead men's bones.

wave!

sophistry and error.

nieled!

SPIRITUALISTS OF AMERICA.

Beguiled by these specious pretenses and persuaded by subtle sophistries regarding the cause and nature of spirit phenomena, thousands of unsuspecting

> demonium ! aided only by such mortal agents as they equal footing.

Such are the open and secret foes of Modern Spiritualism who are combining and plotting its overthrow. They number many millions on earth, and an innumerable host in spirit life still in the thrall of theological error, who are working with mighty power to aid their earthly allies. Doubt it as some may, it is as true to-day as in the days of St. Paul that "we fight not against flesh and blood (enemies) alone, but against principalities and powers of the air, against spiritual wickedness in high places." These spirit cohorts of ecclesiastical despotism, and not the mythic "astral phantoms" and "elementals" of theosophic creation, are the "diabolic emissaries" who cause our mediums to perpetrate fraud, who give lying communications, and use every psychologic artifice to produce confusion in our circles and inspire doubt and disgust in the minds of investigators, etc. They capture every spiritual medium and worker they can, leading them into the "fads" and follies that have disgraced our movement. They are the occult cause of a large por-

in both worlds and disciplined as a vet- interest of the cause and of spiritual set eran army, armed and equipped with all journals, let me suggest that every the munitions for the carnal and spirit- reader would become an element of nal warfare, which it is determined to power in the cause by a judicious distribution of conservative publications This is no idle dream, but a portentous coming to hand

tianized and Romanized America should truth has been the problem of the ages awake to consider and immediately act and will continue so to be. Approach to upon. The omens of an irrepressible the truth and the whole truth is all the conflict are obvious to every discerner while relative. A distinguished feature of the "signs of the times." and it is high in all epochs of thought we find to be a time for every lover of religious liberty divergence from the real genins of the and of its palladium, our heaven-born native thought. The original germ Spiritualism, to respond to the trumpet thought in every special line of ethical call of the angels of deliverance and en- or spiritual culture becomes in part roll himself as a worker in the cause lost-baried beneath the growth of inthat embraces every good to humanity, novations, which have inserted them-Be hoodwinked no longer with the de- selves. This is particularly noticeable lasive belief that the existing Church as is given as in the history of the Chriswill open its doors and give welcome to tian religion. A period of parity simany but spirits yet in bondage to its plicity, thence a period of growth from stronghold built of the impregnable creed and dogmas. Spiritualism, pure illogical deductions, and there a cifacts of nature, cemented together by and undefiled, will never be put by the matic period of reform, or of re-vision of both material and spiritual science, the Angels of Light in the "old bottle" of return in part to the primordial germ of wily enemy has resofted to the artifice despotic Ecclesiasticism. Never! It de- truth. But. fortunately, it is the law of the captors of ancient Troy, and see mands a new garb, new implements, and of progression that each special period a new field for its untrammeled labor of thought-housecleaning, although apfor human progress. The pattern of its parently a retreat, is one step forward temples shall descend from the shining to a more perfect home of the mind, spheres. Its oracles and its prophets heart, soul

> men. "Let the dead bury their dead" in a young bride just commencing housetheir "whited sepulchers," but let not keeping with the primal facts of ninelive Spiritualists entomb themselves teen hundred years ago, and experience teaches that care should be taken that the gardener does not cultivate skunk The time is at hand to begin practical, cabbage in lieu of the lily of the valley; systematic co-operation. It is the gen- that the house-maid does not serve soft ius of the age; the pre-requisite of snc- soap in lieu of noodle soup, or that the cess : the indispensable means of both whole household does not mistake a aggressive and defensive activity. Until distant clap of thunder as the ringing of you organize on an unmovable basis of the honse-gong for dinner. All of these clearly defined scientific fact and plainly would be erroneous thoughts, which stated spiritual principles you are at sea. would be sure to result in disorder, miseach in a little "dug-out" of his own, direction, estrangement, and perhaps diwithout chart or compass, or anchor, or vorce.

> even a life-preserver, and liable to be I had some hesitancy in entering upon wrecked or drowned by every shifting this part of my theme. The public mind wind of doctrine," that startes a mental most in need of agitation in spiritual line of thought is difficult to reach Without co-operative association in through a special spiritualistic publicadefinite lines of action, you are, as to- tion. And yet aside from the fact of day, a confused mob, a chaotic, struggling spirit return and communion, as demonand conflicting mass of angular individ- strated, Spiritualists seem to be somenalities running "helter-skelter" to pan- what at sea in their thought processes and deduction from the cardinal princi-Hitherto beneficent spirits have done ples underlying Spiritism; and in atthe principal work of this dispensation, tempting to burnish the mirror that the old housekeeper may see more clearly, could psychologically coerce into their perchance the young bride may see the service. Now they call for volunteers to removal of some fly specks of recent enlist with them to fight the battle of date.

> truth against error, not as "bushwhack-One of the greatest needs of humanity ers" and lawless scouts, but in solid phaat large is a more diversified exercise of lanx that can meet a trained enemy on mentality. It is true that this century can boast of a greater number of thought-The immortal heroes who will lead us ful people than any preceeding one. and on to victory send forth this summons yet; when you can advance beyond the to duty. Let not the foolish fear that common civilities and daily necessities your liberty is to be hampered by "a of life, a mental paralysis seems to seize creed" longer keep you in a state of cow- a majority of human beings. This conardly inactivity where the enemy may dition of the human mind is thus for pounce upon you at any moment and the most part from the character of sobind you hand and foot with chains of cial and religious elements which have had sway through the centuries. Or-If you have any truths to defend or ganized systems have been the real formprinciples to maintain, there is no good ulators of belief, and not in any considreason why they should not be boldly erable degree have the inherent powers put forth as the basis of your action, and or analysis of individual minds. Heredas the rallying ground upon which to ity or automatic thought is ever persistconcentrate your forces, and from which ent in its way and sway. That which is you may march on to greater achieve- new and true must labor long and late ments and higher attainments, untram- before an error of heredity is eradicated. Every intelligent person should even Moved by these and other considera- bear this in mind when tempted to conions of equal practical import, and by demu the efforts of others in reform What to think can not be defined for analysis of some primitive facts, and if such analysis is favorably received by the consciousness of the individual then roes calls you to action and to duty, there is implanted a base for thought Longer delay is dangerous. Our enemies and action. This is true more particare vigilant and active on every hand, ularly in metaphysics. In physics the They are enticing to their ranks thous- scope of speculative thought is more ands who should stand by our flag in limited; the auxious are necessarily self-"the time that tries men's souls." Awake | evident, and being self-evident the mind most loves to linger there, hesitating to most religions sentiment has been master over mind, and having been mastered the mind surrendered most of its prerogatives and quietly slept in the embrace of surrounding mists. So, dear reader, in a few succeeding articles let us reason together and see if there can not be found a field in which the mind can labor and still the heart shall love. See if we can not find a religion of sense as well as one of sentiment, which shall be aids along the pilgrimage of life. The human heart is weary in its search for rest; not that rest that is found in faith alone, for faith is naught but sniothered fear, but rest which comes from thought behind the faith and in a restful mood ascends beyond the realm of hope, or even faith, and calmly says, I know.

Spiritualists have deserted our ranks and gone over to the arch-enemy from whose masked batteries are hurled the "shells" that make so much confusion and havoc among us! Thus "the church militant" of Rome and of Westminster, holding an armistice with each other, that their combined weapons may be directed against Spirit ualism, their common foe, though of late firing but an occasional random gun to keep in practice, is being aided and abetted by the gathering hosts of Eddyites and Blavatskyites, who purpose to paralyze us with "occult science," and let loose upon us their "dogs of war," the gnomes, sylphs, undines, salamanders and elementaries, that they believe must surely put the angels of heaven to

flight!

FRIENDS OF SPIRITUAL TRUTH wage for our extermination.

ligent and reasonable application for admission into that great congress of our age. There is no one entitled to ask for admission. It would be amazing cheek to attempt it, and I can not conceive of the effrontery involved in such a demand. This is the dilemma in which we are placed. We have no ground-no right to even ask for this grand opportunity ty in its mouth large enough for of presenting the supreme truth to the world at the place where the world would hear it.

disgraceful dilemma? Because not a few, lived down there, in the stomach who will clamor loudest for a repre- of the fish, three days, if he had kept sentation and growl the fiercest if it is denied, have been the effective obtacles juices from taking hold of him and deof that organic unity which would have secured to the world what it needs, and days, the monster would naturally be what Spiritualists might have given. The sick enough to regurgitate Jonah," persistent opposition to any organic unity on the part of many and the vis inertia of others finds us, st the moment of our great opportunity, utterly powerless to improve it. Private, selfish aims ; a pandering to the lowest forms of ignorant credulity among us, on the part of the press and the platform; the ignoring, through ignorance and superstition of the canons and methods of science, have created the disjointed, anarchial condition of the Spiritualists of to-day. I am and beyond power of expression that we are in no condition to avail ourselves of this opportunity. That while the most insignificant hodies, like the "Swedenborgians," the "Independents," are freely accorded a position, the thousands of Spiritualists-like an unorganized rabble-have no authority to ask, and no method to respond, even if the privilege were granted.

But there is one ray of light, or rather I should say of hope, amid this darkness. up the earnest, intelligent Spiritualists to say, "we will have an organization." There is time even now to effect an organization in season to secure a partial representation. It does not open until May, 1893. We can do the prelim-

water, in the bowels of the fish, three days and three nights, and the gastric juices not take hold of him and digest him. We are free to confess that we could not see just how Jonah escaped such an awful calamity.

TALMAGE COMMENDED.

In our early years we honeatly believed

that theological seminaries were insti-

to a gapping crowd of fools that would

But we are bappy to state that we cer-

tainly have found one exception to what

we had conceived to be a general rule

among the class of educated simpletons.

ered one original thinker, we have discov-

ered one theologian that has given birth

to a new idea. This new idea is so grand

stands amazed and scratches his head

in wonder. In proof of this see the

story of Jonah and his fish all accounted

The "Jonah story" has been regarded

is one of the toughest of the tough

ings

March 24, 1889.

JUDGE MUP. ROSECRAN

Mr. Talmage said: "He once saw the skeleton of a whale with a cavia man to live in." He said: "There were sharks found again and again with an entire human body in How does it happen that we are in this them." He thought "Jonah could have in motion so as to keep the gastric

> stroving him, and at the end of three which, we think, means, "puke up Jonah." This is the finest explanation of the "Jonah story" that we ever heard of and we have no doubt but Jonah did some tall capering, and did thrash around all fired lively-that he jumped and cut up as lively autics as did the "holy prophet David," when dancing around an old box called an ark nearly naked, while his wife looked on from a window, perfectly disgusted at the leaps of the silly old fool.

> We used to think it an impossibility for human beings to live, or to carry on business in the stomach of a whale or a shark ; but we have had reason to change our mind.

The "Jonah story," so scientifically explained by the eminent theologian, in not the only one upon which we base our latter-day opinion. We have another. story, equally true, equally marvelous, and better vouched for, then is the Jonah one. We think it stands about as well It is that that this occurrence will stir corroborated or vouched for as does the tale of the reverend divine of the reputed loss of a ship and little taps on a table sending a lot of fool women up to a lunatic asylum.

Many years ago a ship had made its Many years ago a ship had hiade its preach its own sermon, viz., "Think no way around Cape Horn and had entered evil." H. H. BRIGHAM.

nocent lamb—treated Jonah like a gentle man by shading him with a vine. He told Mr. Jonah plainly that he did not believe in killing people that were so ignorant they did not know their right hands from their left ones, neither did he make war on cattle.

This Jonah story is not such a bad one after all. But how under the starry heaven it got itself into the Jewish or Christian Bible, and its God mixed in with the one that could be satisfied with nothing short of the murder of his own innocent son, is a matter that the educated "sensationalist" leaves in the dark. But the explanation he did give us, shows his

ability to be far greater than is that of the ordinary "Doctors of Divinity."

By-Bills. To the Editor of The Better Way.

I noticed a criticism of some length upon the word "by-bills" used in a former writing of mine. I used the word upon what I considered good authority. It is a very small matter and not worthy the space in so valuable a paper as yours. Whether it be "by-bills" or "bi-bios," is of little consequence To me the teachings are of vastly more importance upon that point, there is a vast difference of opinions. Setting aside the diverging critics, and taking those who accept it as divine authority. a direct inspiration from God, we find hundreds of sects each claiming "we are

right while all the others are wrong." Go my way, and be saved, or your way and be lost." Then take any one sect question each individual, and you will find no two agreeing upon this very question. Admitting it to be a direct in spiration from God, that man is not capable of understanding, because he can not comprehend divine wisdom. But there are parts of it so plain that every one can understand it, and if they would put it into practice the millenium would be rapidly hastened. I will quote one passage of three words, and leave it to

tion of the discord, antagonism, jealously, backbiting, and other "cussedness" that has broken up circles and societies from first to last!

Spiritualists, the time has come when it is a question of yast moment what shall be done by the true friends of our cause to cope with all these enemies, seen and unseen.

What is indispensable to further the aggressive work which it is the great mission of Spiritualism to perform as an educator and reformer?

The answer comes from a mighty host in spirit life, who, in a recent congress, assembled to consider these momentous questions and to devise ways and means, delegated our illustrious arisen brother, Wm. Deuton, to bear to us their "plan of campaign." This is their scheme of operations :

The first move, and the sine qua non for any effective results, must be the organization of our forces into such associations as shall concentrate our human power and form the batteries through which alone spirit power can be conducted and radiated, viz :-- private circles

and regular public assemblies to which all seekers for truth shall be invited. As the wisest, the most unselfish, and the to form a congress, to convene yearly, or as the call may come from its prototype in spirit life, which shall co-operate eral supervision of work. Without such

will prove wholly inadequate to cope

special solicitation from a host in spirit- movements. It is quite safe to assume life who wish to have their and our prin- that experience, observation, and analyciples closely defined that all may know sis have seized upon something better what we have to teach and defend, we that warrants the reform movement or submit for your adoption as the basis for advance step. Were it not so the word associative action the following synopsis progression carries with it no meaning of our philosophy, and urge you by all in our language. that you hold sacred to adopt it, and rally around your standard and carry it forth individuals. We can only attempt an to victory over delusion, despotism and darkuess.

The united voice of all our arisen hefrom lethargy and put on your armor. Yours is the highest and most sacred labor in abstractions. Hence it is in cause that ever nerved the arm of valor, or called for devotion and sacrifice at the shrine of honor and heroism. The an gels of wisdom present you with this

standard and beseech you to carry it forward to victory and to glory!

Written for The Better Way. THINKING, DOING, WHAT AND HOW.

Anyone who has followed this series of articles must have sensed in them an carnest plea and appeal for a higher standard of work, both in means and methods in the special line of Spiritualism.

Criticisms have been freely made, not from a love to be critical, but from a desoon as these nuclei of spiritual forces sire to see the truth relieved from many are in regular and continuous operation, barnacles that weigh it down in the as has hitherto been spasmodically done, mire of disrepute. That such criticisms are opportune I confidently submit to most spiritually gifted should be chosen the judgment of every true Spiritualist. While the plea thus far as to the methods of doing concern more particularly the confirmed Spiritualist, the other with its spiritual counterpart in a gen- part of my subject, "What to Think," which will characterize the succeeding methods and means of co-operation we articles, is proposed to reach a more multiplex thought in spiritualistic themes. with an enemy that is already organized (And here, by way of parenthesis, in the THE BETTER WAY from \$2.00 to \$1.00 per year.

He who cries for freedom should be consistent enough to extend it. Holding dependent ones, whether as parents, guardians or employees, in mental slavery or making them subservient to our will, is robbing them of their manhood, which is equal to physical degredation.

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### (mr Reporter s Note-Book. MATERIALIZATION-TRANS-FIGURATION-TESTS.

In company with his fourteen-year-old son, a reporter of THE BETTER WAY dropped in on Mr. Aaron Willis, of this city, for the purpose of spending an erening with the spirits, if such would condescend to materialize in his reportorial presence. They did; and not only to the gratification of his sensessight, hearing, and touch-but of his emotions, his heart's feelings, his soul's desires. Sense and emotion were muched, fed, but not satiated ; for, when the soul is touched by something not of the earthly, it only longs for more-it craves for the higher continuously-absolutely; it craves for the real, the spirit-1al, without having to return to the every-day, cold, materialistic existence, mown as the mortal. From the former w the latter is like returning to night after having enjoyed a day of beautiful mashine. But such is poor mortal's ste. Heaven is not for him, until namre calls according to law. But he has a foretaste, at all events, and can indulge st intervals, after a spirit-friend learns to materialize through a medium. Such was the writer's good fortune.

Although he had attended several semes on previous occasions, and blessed with many tests, that convinced him of the genuineness and grandeur of Mr. Willis' mediumship, he never received my heart-gratification until on the last occasion, about a week ago. And with it came the denouement why it did not occur before. On two or three occasions a female spirit had called for him in the cabinet, but gave neither name nor indication of her identity. In figure, complexion and color of hair she resembled a recently departed sister. But not resembling her in features, no questions were asked nor hint given that he suspected whom she might be.

While sitting in the circle on this occasion, awaiting that which was to come, the boy was called inside of the cabinet. "Don't be afraid." said Mr. Willis. But hardly had the boy entered when, as he asserted, his uncle approached him, took him by the shoulder, led him into the next room, out of the hall door, past the circle-room door (from which both the sitters and reporter could hear him passing and see the illuminated form of the spirit), as the latter had been left open on account of the heat. From here the boy and spirit disappeared into the back room leading into the yard or garden. Now, to give the test, the spirit whispered to the little fellow, "my knife." The boy understood it, for he had at that moment the pocket-knife of his departed uncle on his person.' It had attracted him, or aided him to materialize. But while the boy was still out, a female spirit suddenly emerged from the cabinet door, came within two feet of the writer and in a loud whisper called him by his nickname three times in rapid succession-a name by which nobody there knew him. It startled him ; for the voice was familiar-he had heard it under similar circumstances before. Arising, he approached the spirit, and when within about eight inches of her face, he recognized his sister-perfect in features with a pathetic smile that she was wont to wear during her last illness-dying in the brightest hope of womanhood and first motherhood. More than that, the manner in which she spoke that nickname was a repetition of what she did on an occasion shortly before her death their clothes tucked up cutting off heads or transition, and was the test that went so fast that the blood formed a deluge to the heart. Her features convinced the on the floor, those who suffered all seemouter senses. And then it flashed upon ing to be young men. Again I looked up the writer that it was the spirit who had and saw that the throne was almost over called him on two other occasions, but turned; near to it stood a mau who had neither strength enough to give an seemed to be a protector of the kingoral test, nor individuality enough to dom. I trembled at these things and give the test of vision. Spirits need cried aloud, 'It is the voice of God ! practice and occasion to perfect them-What ought I to understand ? 'When selves in materializing as do mortals in shall all this come to pass?' A dead learning how to swim, or dance, or drill, silence prevailed, but on my crying out One or even two seauces with one mea second time, the young king answered dium is therefore not sufficient to enme, saying, 'This shall not happen in able your spirit friends to do justice. your time, but in the days of the sixth either to the medium or themselves, or sovereign after you. He shall be of the to give you the desired test. The writer same age which I appear now to be, and expected nothing more-having conthis personage sitting by me gives you cluded that his spirit friends could not the air of him who shall be protector of manifest through this medium-but was the realm. During the last years of the overwhelmed with the most wouderful regency, the country shall be sold by tests, both for himself and son, who also certain young men; and, acting in conwrifes to the last, because he too, knew junction with the young king, shall esthe spirit in question. tablish the throne upon a sure footing, This was not all. Besides passing and this in such a way that never before teveral handkerchiefs through a seamless was such a great king ever known in cartain in a light sufficiently bright to Sweden. All the Swedes shall be happy set the time by the watch, and standing under him; yet before he is firmly scated directly in front of the curtain to reon his throue an effusion of blood, ungive them, Mr. Willis, the medium, was paralleled in history, shall take place. transfigured, or transformed, into an-You have seen all; act accordingly.' other being. This remarkable document, the above At one period of the seance, Mr. Willis being a literal copy, is in the Imperial had occasion to wind up the music-box. Museum at Stockholm. It is signed by While doing so, the light was lowered Charles XI., King of Sweden; H. L. (by spirit manipulation) and almost im-Bielke, the grand chancellor ; R. Bielke, mediately raised again. To the writer's senator : A. Oxenstiern, senator : Brahe, surprise, who was sitting next to the senator, and Petre Grunstern, Huissier, medium, the latter had a full gray chin referred to in the body of the document beard, a somewhat ashen-hued comas the doorkeeper of the Diet hall. plexion, and a gray ulster on, the hand Taken all in all, it is the most wonderthat was still winding the music-box (and ful vision on record, being the only one which had not for a moment ceased) was that is attested to by six persons so Protruding through the sleeve, showing prominent in the world's history .-- Am. that it was not merely thrown over like Notes and Queries. shawl or wrap, but put on like a coat with sleeves has to be. It was a phesomenon in which matter was passed carry on within, duties to perform abroad, through matter. In about fifteen seconds influences to exert, which are peculiarly stantly raised to show that the medium | can teach.

### was as quickly restored to his natural condition as he had been transformedand still winding the music-box. The

latter was undoubtedly to make a "testcase" of it. Of course, the whole proceeding had to be done during the time that is required to wind up a music-box, in order to give a perfect manifestation of spirit-power and the alacrity with which spirits can act. For without the latter it would have been no test, and skeptics would have had reason to assert that the medium was practicing legerdemain. But this was spirit-legerdemain, which no professional trickster could imitate if he practiced a hundred years. Everyone present received equally as good tests as the writer, was asserted, and there is no reason to doubt it, considering what our side of the house got.

### A STRANGE VISION AND WARN-ING.

The vision of Charles XI. of Sweden was one of the most remarkable in history. The following singular narration occurs in the Rev. J. T. James's Travels in Sweden, Prussia, and Poland. The most marvellous part of the whole affair is that, as the reader will see, no less than six persons, the monarch included. agree in attesting to the reality of his wonderful vision. Charles XI. was sitting in his chamber, between the hours of eleven and twelve at night, when he was surprised at the appearance of a light in the window of Diet hall. He asked Bjelke, the grand chancellor, who happened to be present, what it was he saw, and was answered that it was only the reflection of the moon. With this answer, however, he was not satisfied, and the senator Bjelke, brother of the grand chancellor, soon entered the room, whereupon he addressed the same question to him, receiving the same answer. Soon afterward the king looked through the window and now declared that he saw persons in the Diet chamber, which was just across from the royal mansion. The king now rose and said: "Sirs, all is not as it should be. In the confidence that he who fears God need dread nothing, I will go and see what this may be." Ordering the two noblemen before mentioned, as also Oxenstiern and Brahe, he sent for Grunsten, the doorkeeper, and descended the staircase, making straight across the street for the Senate hall Here the party seem to have been sensible of a certain degree of trepidation, and, no one else daring to open the door, the king took the key, unlocked it, and entered first into the ante-chamber. To their infinite surprise, it was fitted up with black cloth. Alarmed by this a second pause then took place; at length the king set his foot within the hall, but fell back in astonishment at what he saw. The hall was lighted up and arrayed with the same mournful hangings as the ante-chamber; in the centre was a round table, where sat sixteen venerable men, each with large books lying open before them. Above was a king, a young man, with a crown on his head and a sceptre in his hand At his right sat a person about forty years of age, whose face bore the strong est marks of integrity; on his left, an old man of some seventy or eighty years, who seemed very urgent with the young king that he would make a certain sign with his head, which, often as he did, the venerable men struck their hands or their books with much violence. "Turning my eyes," says the king, "I beheld a scaffold and executioners, and men with

## Written for The Better Way, SEANCE EXTRAORDINARY.

8. P. 185 On a recent evening I was invited by Mr. Frank Wilson to attend a seauce at his residence, Mantua Station, Ohio, I went There were present some eight or nine persons. I was acquainted with all of them They are respectable and truthful. There were two good mediums present, and several that were more or less mediumistic. Mr. Fred Morse, of Claridon, was one of the mediums (and I believe he will eventually attract much attention), and Mr. Frank Wilson, of Mantua, the well-known lecturer, the other medium, Mr. Morse and Mr. Wilson became entranced, and they gave some very sweet music on the violin and mouth-organ, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson on the piano and Mr. Wm. Farr on the violin. The respective Indian guides of Messrs. Morse and Wilson conversed for a while in the Indian tongue. Mr. Wilson also talked Italian. Beautiful and lasting lights were seen flashing about the room, sometimes accompanied by an illuminated hand; all the persons in the room were many times touched by delicate fingers. A small bell floated about the room and rang; small pieces of furniture were carried in the air by unseen hands; illuminated hands and forms were seen, the piano was played upon by un seen hands, and the very atmosphere of the room seemed alive and pregnant with living beings, but the most wonderful of all was the transference of the body of Mr. Fred Morse out of the seance-room into an adjoining room. This was done twice. There is no question about the genuineness of it. A circle was formed with hands clasped, with Mr. Morse in the centre. Mr. Dan Benedict and Mrs. Benedict sat in the doorway with hands clasped. When Mr. Morse was transferred into the adjoining room the varied phenomena that had occured in the centre of the circle took place in the adjoining room.

There was much about this seance that recalled the performance of seances by the celebrated D. D. Home. There is certainly an element in Mr. Morse that ought to be cultivated, for such varied phenomena is rarely centered in one individual.

### "DEAD AND GONE." to the Editor of The Better Way.

The article entitled "Dead and Gone,' reprinted in THE BETTER WAY of September 12th, was cut by me from he Cincinnati Weekly Commercial-Gazette of the date of either August 19th or 26th, 1891. It was headed "Special to the Com.-Gazette." It was printed exactly as it appeared in THE BETTER WAY, and was not given as a product of spiritual manifestation. Investigation proves it to be altogether fraudulent. I might add that the Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette is considered as one of the standard papers of the nation. Its principal editor is a deacon of the Presbyterian Church and well known as a public man. I submit, if the paper, from its well-known character, should not be above publishing a hoax on so serious a subject. Perhaps it was the purpose of the management to have the public believe that Ohio is not behind any of the ancient nations in the matter of translations or physical disappearances.

C. H. MURRAY, Elkhart, Ind. "OCCULTISM."

Spiritualism in Chattanooga, Tenn.,

fect being, though not made visible to you in each, owing to imperfect couditions or weak efforts on their part to bring out these attributes which, dying before maturity, return as part of it to the divine essence.

"The arts and sciences must have existed and do exist in the soul of souls otherwise they could not find a reproduction in yourselves. They therefore exist in each individual soul.

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"This sounds like a fairy tale, but I as sure you it is but one of the daily occurances in nature.

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"Your thoughts are things material though not tangible to your outer senses, and music, poetry, medicine, astronomy Every human being has a work to and all the arts and sciences are the inheritances of your souls, each soul hav- which was drawn to the surface. It had the light was lowered again, but in- his, and which no conscience but his own ing in its inception the same quality and been in the well two years .- N. Y. Mornquantity that goes to make up the per- ing Journal.

time of her husband's disappearance to the time of her death Mrs. Short placed a light in the window and left a door unlocked, believing her husband would return.

The support of the family, of four boys and three girls, fell upon the wife, and at times it was hard for her to get along. Monday morning she attempted to leave the house, but sank into the chair exhausted and died shortly after. During the period intervening be-

tween Short's disappearance and his clared that they believed the body of their father would be found at the bottom of the old railroad well. At the time of his disappearance Short's broom and authorities ridiculed the idea.

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to develop the best citizenship, because natural or acquired needs, government interfering only when trespass occurs, the worker has no possessional interest in his employer's business beyond satis- let there be municipal or co-operative manufacture and distribution of food fying his employer, holding his position. raiment and other consumable articles, proffered at cost and therefore cheaper and better than isolated families can produce, and governmental provision "because he is a hireling and careth not happiness on so vast and beneficent scale as to evoke personal ambition to work and live for the great whole of the dulled by toil, unmanned, discounted, commonwealth, and to render self-agkept down, neglected, except at election grandizement, above one's needs, a puetime, what is liberty to him but to sink rile and burdensome possession, thus or swim? Swim he may, but never to evolving a spirit of emulation for nobler "THEOSOPHY VS. SPIRITUAL-ISM." To the Editor of The Better Way. In your issue of the 3rd inst, is an article entitled "Theosophy versus Spirit-

statements : "As we believe in fair play and religiouists of all ages and schools," stated. Now, while I speak with no "authority," save my own personal respon-Theosophical Society since its origin, The abolishment of the capitalistic fact, i. c. an entire misapprehension on the part of the writer of the article under reference as to the following statements contained therein.

"Its (Theosophy) disciples are the bitter opponents of philosophic Spiritualism." On the contrary they accept Spiritualism as far as it is "philosophic." and her school, Theosophy is a conglomexamined under the calcium light of a upon facts and philosophical deductions great truths of immortality, but the great from those facts, and rejects everything principles that regulate human minds not completely justified by reason and and bodies and a glorious system of experience.

"The few (Theosophists) are far from being a unit in the formula or substance crime, and discord. One of the crying of their creed." On the contrary, they petition, eliminating the leech system of ially any creed in Theosophy, and have speculation and gambling in the neces. sodeclared from their first publication dents the diviner philosophy, which is the air, almost ready to materialize it- is the first requisite of all truth-seekers. lecting any of the really great and valu-"Theosophists scout and deride as able science of the past. silly the claims of the Christian system. If this refers to "theological Christianity" the statement is true. If it refers to the nature, the teachings, and the altruism Jersey. This fine teacher and exemplary of "Christ" it is not true.

While Theosophists have no creed, they agree in the three objects of the Theosophical Society, viz.: "To found a nuto study ancient religions, philosophies, issue with most Spiritualists solely in their interpretation of so-called medium-

embodiment."

masterly enough-for this is impossible bler. But fix wages as we may, it fails tion of personal property above one's caricature or ignorantly misrepresent highly developed Buddhist was the inthem? Is that "fair play?" The "mantle of the late Blavatsky" has not "fallen" on Mrs. Besant, or on any other man or woman. How often must this statement be made? Mrs. Besant will give her own views of Theosophy and of truth in general-nothing more.

Very respectfully, J. D. BUCK, M. D. Written for The Better Way. THOUGHTS UPON PASSING EVENTS. R. D. BABBITT, M. D

I learn that one of our spiritual papers disclaims the need of colleges under control of Spiritualists. This is one of the greatest mistakes ever made, and shows that the author of such an expression should be illuminated and S.A. transformed until he shall gain some knowledge of the world-reforming and heaven-given truths of Modern Spiritpresent day follows the European methand free discussion among all creedists ods, which require many years of study of dead languages instead of the grand I accept this as your position. It is laws which underlie human developalso mine, and fair play requires plain ment. The mysteries of the physical statements of fact unbiased by either system and the sublime forces which underlie the psychic nature of man are almost ignored by our colleges, or, if taught at all, are presented in a very ignorant way. They say we must have in and I desire to enter a flat denial as to into the most inexact speculations con- to psychic phenomena. cerning psychology, theological dogmas developing marvels of discovery and inhave become materialistic, scorned all Maine street, San Fraucisco. the great movements of the day and Again, "as taught by Madame Blavatsky found their principal attractions in the Buchanan, of this city, the author and Greece or Rome of past centuries. The erate of the wildest imagination when truth is that the single invention of clear reason." This is undoubtedly the dencies nearly all the inventions of the he will make his mark in the Western writer's idea of it, but it is not a fact, as ancients put together. The higher world section of our country as well as he has the benefits of capital than his less omic production, may be compelled to can easily be proven. Theosophy rests is letting down upon us, not only the

> things in human governments that must eventually redeem them from poverty, needs of the day is a progressive college with scientific and inspirational professors, who can impress upon their stu-

An institution which all of our pro gressive people should encourage is that of Miss Belle Bush, of Belvidere, New woman, aided by her sisters and other superior teachers, commenced her institution over twenty years ago. They have a fine building and receive both cleus of universal brotherhood without sexes. Prof. Ewell, one of the finest teachers of mathematics in the United States and now of the New York Uniand sciences; to investigate the latent versity, was for some time engaged there. psychical powers of man. Most mem- It is said that his inspirational character bers of the Theosophical Society take makes him doubly skillful as a teacher. I attended the funeral of Prof. Henry Kiddle at his residence on September istic phenomena, and no respectable 28th. Mr. Colville gave the address and Theosophist ever has abused or misrep Prof. Scott, of the College of New York, resented a Spiritualist for differing with made interesting remarks. Prof. Scott him at this point, conceding as he does was an old classmate and co-worker to everyone the same unqualified free- with Prof. Kiddle, and spoke extensively dom of belief that he claims for himself. of the wonderful achievements of the So called Theosophy teaches not as a man, of his great skill in languages, in for the printer. Those correspondents who

spirer and guide of Jesus and the influence whom he supposed to be God. This may be the reason why Jesus harmonized with many of the Buddhistic principles, especially with those which enforced love to enemies.

THE BETTER WAY has many bright and fresh articles in each number and 1 trust it will have so many subscribers and advertisers that it may be sustained at its very low price. It is to be hoped that such able writers as Dr. Buck, Hudson Tuttle, and others may send frequent contributions to its columns.

### PERSONALS.

Contributions received : F. E. A., J. S. L., J. O. B., F. W., E. W. G., H. W., R.

Mr. A. J. Van Duzee, of Geneva, O., writes that the society there would like to secure the services of a first class slate-writing medium. Correspondences with recommendations are in order.

The Lyceum Banner, published by J. J. Morse, So Needham Road, Kensingtoa, Liverpool, England, has completed its first volume. We congratulate and hope it may live to see many more.

Mr. J. Frank Baxter will give a special entertainment for the benefit of the Union Society on the third Wednesday our colleges that only in which we have of this month (the 21st) when a greater exact knowledge, and then they rush off portion of the evening will be devoted

"A Synopsis of Spiritualism" by Dr. and medical laws. The living present is Dean Clarke-a four page pamplet. neatly printed-may be had for distribuvention, but these colleges love to dwell tion and missionary work, at two dollars in the moldy past, and I have known per hundred, or three for ten cents. Advarious students, who, when graduating, dress care of Carrier Dove, Eight and

We regret to learn that Dr. J. Rodes devoted Spiritualist, intends soon to become a resident of Kansas. We are printing surpasses in its civilizing ten- sorry to lose so able a man, but no doubt in the Eastern.-Banner of Light.

> Vourself and company are cordially invited to attend the social entertainment given by the Society of Union Spiritualists at G. A. R. Hall, 115 West Sixth street, Wednesday evening, October 14. 1891. Tickets for supper and social, 25 cents. Supper from 6 to S; social from 8 to 11 o'clock. Dancing and music under the Direction of Prof. A. Shank and Mrs. M. A. Ross.

Mr. J. Frank Baxter, the highly endorsed and cultured speaker and discerner of the spiritual, is in our midst and creating quite a revival among Spiritualists. Outside of his rare spiritual gifts, he is a gentleman in every sense of the word and a SpiritualisL That is, he understands the true issue of Spiritualism, the spiritual mission of Mediumship, and enacts them. Of such are the true leaders of our cause and as they are recognized by the spirit hosts that are governing it. Had we more such, organization would have been an assumed success ere this. Or, at least, did all understand Spiritualism as Mr. Baxter elucidates it-that is as a spiritual ism and not a mortal ism-we would be a great step in advance of the present.

Medium and Daybreak says under the head of "Edit your Reports" the following, which might find application on this side of the Atlantic as well :

It is not sufficient to scribble down a report it should be edited, that is, put into shape fit case of careless writers, we have to write li

with their own; who are international in scope of thought, cosmopolitan in respect to language, literature, science. art, religion, citizenship; who are able to pass over all political and national boundaries, and work for all in working for one, and able to secure to all the in-Republic is built -- "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

'93 will be the opportunity of ages for such advance. Shall we improve it or to resurrect? Shall we perform our duty when we can, or be so prejudiced against capitalistic leaders of the Exposition as to remain where we are-servants to obey? Can we afford to miss it? Are the professors of the popular schools, and statesmen of the dominant parties, more or less warped as they are by conservative prejudices, able to voice our claims, and materialize them in custont and law? Simply mitigating our studied them under "bloody sweat," and

ently imbued with radical sentiment. looking to the betterment of conditions, as to move forward at the call of wise and safe leadership. Our business is to and not physical and sensuous only, organize these forces politically for the thus making man an improved animal election of men to legislature who know how to emancipate the labor and capitalistic slaves. If at the congress in '93 we can voice self-evident principles and make a candid appeal to the practical judgment of mankind, it will be the sowing of the seed of industrial brotherhood to be peaceably harvested when we are gone. Of the matter in question this is the

The transition from the old to the

summary to be laid before the Labor Congress in its proper order : All special privileges abrogated; all monies issued

by the federal government ; money loans but you shall not have any of it, because obtained at cost. The internationaliza-I am smarter than you !" The affirmation tion at length of this financial system with checks and balances so severely or institution mars or starves a single just all speculation in the necessaries human being, is God condemned, and and comforts of life shall be forever ought to be governmentally condemned abolished. A constitutional federation True, the law of our country does not of nations, organized to adjust commer interdict a wage-worker from having cial relations and peaceably settle all property, but this is also true, that the difficulties. Free trade the world over, chances to own anything, even his body, and direct taxation for the support of government. Land and all other natural monopolies owned and operated by the factory hand, the trench digger, or what people for the people. An advanced state and national education, free to all, enforced by law, qualifying for citizen-

working implements. Work demanded according to his abilities; equal distriappropriate and economize such profits

evidence by each individual. The Es perception and his great moral equi sential Brotherhood of man, the eternity poise. I think it was about two years of spirit, matter, and motion, are intra- since Prof. Kiddle told me that becomcosmic, not extra-cosmic Deity, and not ing a Spiritualist had already cost him personal; the law of evolution as three-\$60,000, but he did not regret it. I believe it is unanimously admitted that he fold, spiritual, intellectual, and physical, was the best superintendent of schools

that New York ever had. He was the or "monkey." It teaches that Involution first president of the board of trustees of from the Divine source of all Being supmy College of Magnetics.

I noticed in THE BETTER WAY some plements the three-fold evolution. It teaches the Law of Karma, or eternal time since an account of a controversy between the Spiritualists and a clergy justice, in place of chance, caprice, arbitrary rewards and punishments, etc., and | man with reference to Jesus. How unit teaches not as a creed, but as a logical wise for Spiritualists thus to criticise necessity the "doctrine" of Re-incarna tion, which many advanced Spiritualists teach under another name, viz.: "Rewere to come back to day and speak of or a quarterly subscription.

I make these statements not on "aucommuning with spirits, both good and thority," but as facts, with which I have evil, would be driven from every church and received only by Spiritualists. It is been familiar for fourteen years. Each of such statements should be examined folly to condemn one who is innately solely on evidence and intrinsic reasonnoble like Jesus, one who is admited by ableness, instead of being, as they often all systems of religion and irreligion when there are so many false things that

are, denounced and ridiculed without examination. The so-called theosophical should be condemned. Some years ago teachings contain a great deal for which I had a visit from Jeans, as signified by every advanced and intelligent Spiritmy hand telegraph, at which time he ualist is in search. He can close his spoke of two leading mistakes of his eyes and turn his back to them if he earthly life, the one of which was his belief that God himself was his direct chooses, or he can examine and accept them and remain in his own organizainspirer, and the other that certain un-

tion, only so much the wiser. These ripe and undeveloped spirits of mer were mistaken by him for devils who things are not the special property of Theosophists, and did not originate with were innately bad. The first of these has led the countless millions of the Churchthem. Instead of claiming any patent world ever since to worship him as God on them or any exclusive jurisdiction over them, every intelligent member of which of course, has greatly distressed the Theosophical Society knows that him, and the second has filled Christenthey are older than him and the heritage dom through all these centuries, with the of all humanity. If they are true and superstitious idea that the world is full in Christianity to be imbued with any of beneficent, why should they not be in of devils, and has caused hundreds of its orthodoxy, and are thus ripe for the tion of capitalistic supremacy, strength- vance in civilization implies a corre- bution of profits and personal right to the possession of Spiritualists as well as thousands of people who were sensitive teachings of Spiritualism per se. Too so called Theosophists? If they not to spiritual influence to be burned at the Ideally the masters may desire the abol- petence; and competence should be ten- as he or she may choose, provided in so only do not want them, but arrogantly stake or persecuted in various ways, as fice of the latter, is therefore not the Ideally the instead may deale the date in fullness where it is due, to the doing there is no trespass upon another's deny that such things exist, I say, very being possessed with devils. Through best course to pursue. Give us a little of international union, but they are not carner and not to the speculative gam- equal right. To forestall the accumula- well, that is your privilege also, but why my telegraph I am informed that a of both.

over again, which in the aggregate costs us a handful of money annually, and those correspondents do not improve a bit. One of our correspondents spells the name of the place where the meeting is held wrongly every week! Now, let every reporter become an editor as well, and see who can do the best work, and improve themselves the most.

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#### Notice to Secretaries.

Secretaries of Spiritualist Societies are requested to send us the names of their respective organisations, with time of meeting or the holding of spiritual services, and locality, in order to have them correctly inserted in our column of society meetings.

While one of the missions of Spiritualiant may be to overthrow idols and expose Christian error for the benefit of weak-kneed Spiritualists, it must be remembered that there are many Spiritualists who do not need this kind of training, as they never took interest enough much of the former at the entire sacri-

### Correspondence.

### Brooklyn, N. Y.

The lecture by Walter Howell on Sun day morning, September 27th, at Conservatory Hall, was upon the question. "The religious of the past and the religions of the future." The speaker said that it was impossible to cite any age of the world when there was no religion. Man is naturally a religious being, and when this religion is controlled by the better, purer, more cultured and refined element in his character, it becomes a great blessing ; but when under the control of the ignorant and superstitions of the age, it is one of the greatest curses the world has ever known. We are thank ful for the religions of the past-for the good they have done-and the advantages we have gained by them, but we have outgrown them, and do not propose to be bound by them. We propose in accept the truth, come whencesoever it may There is an under-current of truth which has been perceived by the seers of all ages, in all sects, and nationalities, which can not be called plagiarism, but rather the reflex thought flowing through and permeating all the world at stated periods. This has, and is, serving to elevate mankind to a higher form of religion for the coming time. It ill becomes the religious teachers of the present day to speak scornfully of the heathen and the Pagan, were they not a natural religion and adapted to the education, refinement, and condition of life of those people who enjoyed that idea. If, instead of try ing to teach them our ideas of religious thought we adapt ourselves to their style of worship, edcating them little by little, using such language and symbolism as they could understand, we would find them ready to accept the good thoughts brought to them. But this sudden changing and ridiculing of their most tender feelings only raises antagonisms, and nothing is accomplished. The veriest savage is yet a child of God, within whose breast there is a re sponsive cord of love, and as such they require our protection and not our hatred and destruc The Brahmins may deem it a hideous tion. siu to kill even a fly, and yet he would not hesitate to lie most ignominiously. The Hebrew would not hesitate to despoil the Gentiles, and yet he would not think of eating a piece of pork. We all have these idlosyncrasics; then do not let us quarrel because we can not have enjoyed the present without the errors and principles of the past. And yet we are imperfect. Moral laws can not be violated and the violaters go scott-free We must meet our own acts on some plane of life, and become spiritually developed through the laws of love. Any other plan of salvation or redemption is futile and humanity is beginning to learn this lesson The skeptic does not quarrel with your religious truth, but with that part of your religion which discards human reason. Jesus may be born in Bethlehem many thousands of times, but until the birth of the Christ-principle within you his birth elsewhere will benefit you little. Without a moral sentiment in ac-cord with it, you can have no such thing as a corrupt Legislature, a corrupt government. In the religion of the future there will be a spiritnal, loving sentiment that will permeate the whole world. It will arise with you from your couch ; it will follow you to your business ; it will be with you in your social gatherings, and return with you to your homes, blessing each

and all, individually and collectively. In the evening, which was the close of Mr Howell's engagement at this hall, his subject was "The soul's pilgrimage through the valley of the shadow of death, and its reception in the world of spirit." The speaker, in giving his own experience Mr. Howell being under Inspiration of the spirit, and those of others with which he was familiar, were most sublime, and dramatic in style, and deeply interested his audience. It is not possible to give in a short abstract enough facts to satisfy the readers of THE BETTER WAY, or do justice to the subject. Mr. Howell is well known as one of our best speakers. He is ever ready to meet the spirit friends half way in their efforts to enlighten mankind, and having such a willing and so good a subject they use his powers to the best advantage.

Mr. Fletcher having returned from Onset Bay, and Boston, and being in the audience was called to the platform by the combined invitation of the chairman, Mr. Howell, and the audience, and being called upon for; a few words, gave a very feeling culogy on the life work and beautiful character of our brother. Heary Kiddle, of our sister city New York who has just passed to spirit life.

Praternally, DOCTOR.

pleasing manuer, made a few remarks, touch ing upon the looking and keeping young being among the Spiritualists; for in trying to live and to do right, we have no fear of death, consequently nothing to worry about, but en-

joy life, and be ready when the call comes Mrs. Vittum, the last speaker, interested the audience as to her ideas of Spiritualism and Christian Science, which was generally believed to go hand in hand with one another, yet to her it could only be the one word Spiritual-ism, as we had no claim to the word Christian, stepping aside from this by putting away all the dogmas and creeds connected with that 16. F. K. word.

Ashland, O.

tin Saturday last I attended a meeting at Lake Brady. This was a meeting of a committee appointed to locate grounds for an associa tion of Ohio Spiritualists that is in the usseen 1 am not a member of that committee. state. but I was specially invited to be present. committee was composed of men from differ-ent parts of the State, and while 1 consider them conservative business men, they are anxious to make it a State movement, and to see all the people of Ohio participate in It. If Cincinnati and Cleveland could be linked in this movement, the result would, unquestionably, be'a success. We wish something might be done to interest the Spiritualists of Cincinnati in this movement.

THE BETTER WAY has done much for our cause in Ohio and elsewhere, and the pure sentiments that are taught by our spiritual and inspirational editor are commendable, and lead us to be in earnest for the best. We want your sympathy and help in this movement, and of all the Spiritualists in Cincinnati.

The committee on location did not complete their labors, but all seemed to agree that Lake Brady was a very appropriate place for the object in view. The lake contains one hundred and seven acres of pure, soft, spring water, which is very cold, and the hills and valleys about it are covered with trees and verdure that render the surroundings very beautiful. Within one-half mile of the lake are four different railroads, so that the lines of communication are not surpassed by any similar place in the State of Ohio. As a summer resort, no spot in the State is cooler, more invigorating, or more inviting. It would be a great relief for your people to pass the hot days in summer near this pretty lake. You can take the N. Y. P. & O. Railroad at your city in the morning and be landed within a quarter of a mile of Lake Brady in the afternoon of the same day. There is scarcely a city of any importance in the State through which some of these four railroads that come near Lake Brady do not pass.

The people of Ashland county are enthusiaslic over the cuterprise, and are ready to help. have been moving about the State of Ohio considerably of late, and have taken occasion to talk up this subject with many Spiritualists, and all favored the project and expressed their belief that the time had come for the people of Objo to select the most available place for a spiritual camp ground. We want your co operation and the co-operation of all your people. On Saturday, Oct. 10th, this committee will meet again at Lake Brady, a railroad station between Kent and Ravena, to further consider the propriety of establishing a spiritual campground at or near Lake Brady. Try to have some of your best representative Spiritualists meet with us on the above occasion.

## Respectfully yours, D. WHITING.

### Wichita, Kan,

I have been reading your truly spiritual paper for a few weeks, and thought, perhaps, a few lines from this place might be of interest to your readers. We, at one time, had a flourishing society here, but owing to many causes it was allowed to disband. We were visited last spring by Mr. and Mrs. J. Madison Allen, who have been with us, one or both, until now They gave us very excellent and convincing lectures, and gave good satisfaction. They have left us now, and Mrs. Lull, of Lawrence Kan., will be with us for a few weeks. She has the reputation of being a good speaker, and a good test medium, and no doubt will please the people.

We have had with us most of the time for about two months F. M. Donovan. He is an independent slate-writer and spirit photographer. He has given some of the most wonderful tests of spirit-presence it has been my for tune to witness. He gets every day communi cations from spirits under the most absolute test conditions. The sitter furnishes his own slates, may pail and seal them together if desired, and only a piece of colored paper or

is to place his hand on the camera while the

exposure is made. In nearly all cases there is

four other faces, as plain as that of the sitter.

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as the face of some departed friend of the sitter

These tests of slate-writing and spirit-pic-

tures are convincing many people of the truth

We are met with the usual opposition; but

Richmond, Ind.

Captain W. Wingett came here some weeks

since to attend the reunion of his old regiment.

the sixty-ninth I. V. M., and consented to re-

main after carnest solicitation by many friends

His present home is in Sloux City, Iowa, but

his rare gifts as a developer of mediumship.

healer, and psychologist causes him to travel

a great deal. When he came here and publicly

proclaimed his mastery over disease, it was

only the fact that he was already known and

highly respected that shielded him from the

scorn of the unthinking and maliclous. Now

the cures he has wrought testify more strongly

in his behalf than words can do. He has me

ed the devil of disease and they were healed.

Sufferers with neuralgia, rheumatiam, par

One of our evening dally papers. The Palla

S. M. LUCKER.

will finally triumph. Vours fraternally,

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## Kansas City, Mo. We of the West do not wish to be entirely

We have been holding effective meetings here in the capital of the land of the "Fair reglected or forgotten by those who are in the better way further East. Through the ener-God," for some weeks past. The attendance getic labors of Captain W. Wingett, our new President, we shall make considerable noise in has grown in numbers and influence from the first meeting. We also instituted a Sunday ichool or Lyceum, but owing to our being una-ble to get books, etc., for the children, we the world of advanced thought this side of the Mississippi River during the coming fall and ble to get books, etc., for winter. Our organization only emerged from were competied to postpone the meeting to a under the bushel and took position on the hill-top last April, but since then we feel that we

I wish that some of our wealthy Spiritualists could have witnessed the manifest disappointhave made good progress along the line of knowledge and in drawing together minds, ment of the children, they would assuredly have felt the necessity of some action being hungry for that real food, that comes only taken to form a fund to supply destitute, inquiring neighborhoods with needed mental food.

Gutherie, Oklahoma.

more favorable time.

It is only of late that I have vielded to the spirit-world to go into this work. From childhood clairvoyant, clairaudient, and subsequently inspirational speaker and heater, was urged to give my talents "to the service of the Lord." Well, now, that I am doing so, I do hope that I will have some peace. Yet I am handicapped and would like to put some one else in my place. But to business.

I want some of your many readers to over haul their libraries and forward to me for distribution among inquirers such books, pamphlets, papers, as they can conveniently spare for this purpose. Dear friends, do this for relief of those in doubt, and who mourn for loved ones gone.

There are a few Spiritualists here, but nearly all are poor, and, owing to last year's drought, unable to do what they would like to do. Address, ISAAC, S. LEB, LOCK BOX 62.

## Ottumwa, Ia.

In behalf of humanity and the good instru-ments through whom the dear loved ones gone on before are voicing the truths of immortallty Lask the use of your columns to make men tion of the good work done here in Ottumwa Iowa through the mediumship of Edgar W. Emerson, who has been with us someten days or more, in which time he gave us four very acceptable lectures on the subject of "Spiritual growth and unfoldment." After each lecture, given in his usual comprehensive and satisfactory manuer, unmistakable evidence of the presence of loved ones who have passed the gateway of life.

Many doubters were confirmed in the great truth of life, while others who had never yet had any evidence of life beyond the grave, were made to rejoice and feel that the supply must ever be equal to the demand of the hungering, starving souls, who have vainly tried all these years to satisfy that hunger by feeding upon the state husks of superstition, dosed out by stupid shepherds, who know simply nothing of the hygiene of soul-life.

We well know that Brother Emerson needs no commendation from us to those who have already met him, but we gladly recommend to those who have not : and would say do not fail when an opportunity presents, to avail your selves of the great lessous so tangibly and plainly given from the spirit side of life through his organism. Long live Edgar W Emerson to voice angel messages 'to a soul hungering world. Fraternally, DR. A. A. DAVIS.

## Detroit, Mich.

I once before made a partial report of the grand work being done in this city. Moses Hull has been with us the past month, and delivered eight Sunday lectures, two weekday lectures, and some class lectures on the spiritual Alps and how to ascend them. All of this has been such a treat as, many of us think, Detroit never had before. Mr. Hull has the name of being one of the greatest biblical scholars in the world, which the society here fully believes he justly deserves. We find him quite as much at home on scientific and historical subjects as on the Bible. Mr. Hull never attacks anything or anybody. He believes that each religion and the Bible is true to the condition that produces them. He says thoughts are things, and ideas are conditions, and ideas must be born as well as men and women, and that an idea born too soon can not live, but it must go back and be born again. While our audiences were much larger than we have ever before had, they were not near as large as the subject and the speaker deserved. Some circulated standerous reports about our speakers, and did this only to keep people away. Mr. Hull remarked that he was glad to see these solemn human scavengers manifest such an interest. It is the first interest they have been known to manifest in the cause for a long while. Mr. Hull leaves with the best wishes of the society. He gave us a positive promise to be with us another month as soon as he can make a date for us.

Lyman C. Howe is to be our speaker for the

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There seems to be a general awakening in Grand Ledge on the part of our people in the cause of Spiritualism, which has resulted in au effort to have a series of meetings during the fall and winter. Sunday, October 14th, we ad dressed an attentive audience, Mrs. Nan Russell, one of our home mediums, gave descriptions of spirits present after the lecture. October (18th, the writer again speaks, and Mrs. F. V. Jackson, of Grand Rapids, a test medium and psychometrist, is expected to be with us. A. F. SHEETS.

able speaker, has been engaged for the Philosophical Spiritual Society of Chicago for the month of October, and will address the same at Arlington Hall, corner of Indiana avenue-and Thirty-first street. A. B. COMAN, Prest.

### Lowell, Mich.

A correspondent writes that Mrs. F. V. Jack-

Passed to spirit-life on the morning of Sep ember 21st, from Kaweah, Cal., my beloved wife Dr. Susan D. Buell, who, with myself, moved here a few weeks ago, hoping the climate might at least give relief to the asthma and a complication of other troubles, with which she was suffering; but all in vain. Her ailment seemed to concentrate at the heart, and after in tense suffering, borne with palience, she quiet ly passed to her angel-home. Mrs. Buell, the daughter of Abuer and Hannah Twichell, was born at Athol, Mass., October 20, 1832. She was well known in many parts of the East, New York, Indianapolis, and the surrounding country as a lecturer, medical practitioner, and medium of varied powers of the highest order. Her newly made friends here done all they could to alleviate her suffering ; but just as the morning sun began to penetrate the valley between the ridges of the Sierra Nevada Mountains her spirit left the clay tenement with a fond look spirit left the clay tenement with a fond look of good-byc. She has gone home to the great beyond; but her good works and loving nature as a mother, wife, and friend still linger as an aroma of the drooping flower. Good-byc until we meet again. J. R. BUELL. Banner of Light and Indianapolls papers



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Santa Cruz, Cal.

The Unity Spiritual Society has engaged Mrs M. E. Aldrich, inspirational speaker and psy chrometric reader, for the remainder of the ear. This society is growing in numbers. We have a hall nicely fitted up, to which we have added a free library, and solicit spiritual journ-als to contribute their paper, and we will as recompense try to get subscribers for them. The society holds meetings twice on Sunday and a sociable once during the week. The day is dawning for the glorious truth of Spiritual-

ism to shine brightly in this beautiful place by the sea. Santa Cruz has about 8 000 Inhabitants and growing with electric light and electric street-cars, city water works, etc. Yours for the truth,

F. H. PARKER, Sec'y. -

Ionia, Mich. The Ionia Spiritualist Society will hold their third quarterly meeting on October 18th, at A. O. U. W. Hall, over Boston Bazaar. Hon, I. V. Moulton, of Grand Rapids, Mich., will be the speaker in the morning at 10 30, and in the evening at 7.00. Mr. Moulton is a grand speaker, and we hope that the friends will be with us on that occasion. THE BETTER WAY is a spiendid paper, and

we wish it success. Mus. W. H. BENTLEY, Sec'y.

### Grand Ledge, Mich.

Chicago, III. Dr. G. W. Carpenter, the efficient and agree

son, of Graud Rapids, Mich., and Miss A. E Sheets, of Grand Ledge, Mich., have just held a very successful meeting here, and preliminary steps were taken for the organization of a society. Much interest was manifested, and it is to be hoped that the results will be lasting.

Obltuary,

A very fair audience filled the hall of the light, in presence of any number of people, in Progressive Conference on Saturday, October an almost incredible short time the inside of 3d, the meeting being called to order at so'clock, with President Bogert in the chair. the slates are covered with writing of the color of whatever may be put between them, and The floral piece bearing the inscription, "Welsigned with the name of some departed friend of the sitter, containing, in many cases, ancome Home," was out of order on this occasion. as its place would have been in the center of swers to mental questions. The spirit-photography in his presence i

the platform, to "welcome home" the many familiar faces and well-known speakers of truly wonderful. The party desiring a picture the conference, who had been away for the sumselects his own artist, and all the medium does mer months, or on business, some going out West, and others as far as the City of Mexico. Among one of the last named was Colonel Graham, who was the first speaker of the evening, and while commenting on his travels, had occasion to ask the question, "what good has Spiritualism accomplished?" and while looking back, it certainly must be said, that a broader gauge had been opened among old ideas and the mother Church, as people had learned to think for themselves, instead of having

others think for them. Mrs. Judge Smith being the next to "welcome home," after an absence of many months, gave an experience of spirit presence in the person of Dr. Clark, which took place at her home, speaking also of the cause springing up, sprouting and bearing fruit all over the country : in Cieveland, Ravenna, Ohio, and different places she had visited. Spiritualism carried its

banner high, and certainly would stand its

ground. Dr. Weeks made remarks, which were listened to very attentively by every one present. take spoke of the success Spiritualism had obtained up to the present era, opening the doors wide for the seekers of truth, basing common opinion on a solid foundation, and leavening the lumps of sectarianism. The word mesmerism, not being at all popular in the beginning, mag netism succeeding it fared a little better, till at last hypnotism seemed to be the best sounding same, was at last accepted, and was beginning to be popular, and so it might be that Spiritual ism with a more popular name might be still more successful than it has become to day.

Mr. W. C. Bowen spoke very interestingly on the warfare against Spiritualism in the ortho dox Churches; for notwithstanding the progressive sentiments expressed by such able riters as Dr. Briggs, Vincent, and Parkhurt. there were still enough of them left to carry on the warfare of the old dogmas and creeds, as the Christian religion says, we hope they may be saved-we hope we may meet again but the teachings of Spiritualism puts hope aside, simply by saying we know they are laved-we know that we will meet again.

Mrs. Dorn, of Newark, N. J., made a few pleasing remarks, among other things saying that it would be the yearning of her life to unfold City a few days since, and his departure is a matter of sincere regret to many of us. spiritualism with her whole heart and soul. Mrs. Berline, in her usual, obliging, and

flower placed between them, and in broad day month of October, and we hope to be able to report as successful meetings and as good interest as was manifested in the past month.

MRS. A. ANSCOMB, Cor. Sec'y.

### Topeka, Kan.

Mrs. Lillian L. Wood lectured at Music Hall bunday evening, September 27th, to a very appreciative audience. Her lecture was replete with bright thoughts, and was one in which all people could be interested. As a young speaker Mrs. Wood gives great promise. Her clairvoyant tests and psychrometric readings are good. Mrs. Wood is a trance speaker, and beside the sitter two or three and sometimes it has seldom been our privilege to hear from the rostrum finer language, nobler thoughts, or a more perfect delivery than we had through Mrs. Wood's mediumship. Her lecture on slate writing and occult telegraphy, a week previous, given in her normal condition, was well received. CORR. we keep right on, knowing we are right, and

The Spiritual Church of this city has com menced its fall and winter work after closing through the hot season. It opened with two Sunday evening lectures by Mrs. Lillian L Wood, of this city. The subject of both lectures was her experiences with the occult forces dur ing a three weeks' virit at Onset. The first evening she told what she had seen in materialization, and the second in slate-writing. The audiences were large, and her talk very enter taining. On the third evening her subject was "the power of thought." On this occasion she was controlled by an ancient spirit, one of her guides. The lecture was masterly, and wa thoroughly enjoyed by the audience

F. P. BAKER

### Muncie, Ind.

Last Sunday the Spiritualists of Muncie and men who have been cripples for many years, as Anderson, Ind., held a basket meeting at the they went along the public street, stopped camp ground of the State Association. It rained them and with a sweep of his haud has banishall day, yet everybody was happy; for we needed the rain. Services were held, morning and afternoon, in the dining hall, including alysis, and many kindred diseases have been speeches, vocal and instrumental music, and made well and happy. One old colored man whose right side was paralyzed, was brought to recitations. Mr. Del. Hessick, the principa medium and speaker, surprised and delighted the Captain. This patient could stand crect everyone with his inspirational speeches. A only by the sid of a crutch. To his great surthe close the audience adjourned to a senuce prise and joy he was healed, laid down his room, where Mr. Hessick gave a free circle. crutch forever, and walked home almost shout-FLORA HARDIN, Sec'y.

dium, says that yesterday afternoon, the zist A subscriber #rites: we have just organized between the hours of two and four p. m., Cap a new society, called the Progressive Spiritual-ists Society. We had our second meeting on tain Wingett heated thirty eight cases of neuraigia, headache, and rheumatism at his room September 26th. The hall was well filled with number 33 North Seventh street. This healing hungry souls, listening to Dr. Aspinwall, who was, by special announcement, without money held the audience spell-bound for nearly an and without price. He left here for Kansas hour. I am going to open a club and readingroom at my own expense, where all the spiritualistic papers and books that I can get will be hence, baidness prevented by using Hall's Veg-Yours Respectfully, R. E. PARKER. for sale.

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LINA HILL

The idea accuss to prevail among a certain class of Spiritualists that the combating of old creeds and dogmas is a source of injury to our cause. Therefore advocate the letting-slone process the lible, for the purpose of ancestaluas the most feasible for insuring their destruction.

Now those thus expressing themselves untrue premises; and all rational and pestiferous weeds. And would the wise of the spolls taken from the Midlanites, hushandman merely leave such alone,expecting them to "die of old age ?" I'x- sheep, threescore and 12,000 beeves, perience has already taught him that under even trifling neglect they flourish and increase. It is only by remaining the warriors might keep for themselves,' ever on the alert to wage against them a persistent warfare that he can hope to prevent their choking out his crops, and the child women of the Midlanites, and thus rendering them a failure.

So in the fields of truth we find springing up weeds of error, and man neglecting them -owing to the idea that the old established order of things is right because inaugurated and sanctioned by his forefathers, under the guidance of "thus saith the Lord"-until they grow to gigantic proportions, but, at length, some lion-hearted reformer comes to the front and lifts his voice in protest. The annihilate these weeds, that the seeds in ward to be nourished and vivified by the "sun of knowledge." Again these old creeds and dogmas may appropriately be compared to idols of clay, before which adoration, because they imagine them composed of priceless materials, and will these idols with the "mallet of truth," are in reality only of the rudest and coarsest substance.

structure it has erected,

stood, therefore we must call sitention its light-and are walking therein, to the rottenness of old creeds and dogmas in order to fully show the soundness of our philosophic, scientific, religfon,

precept "to do good is my religion," here but to do good simply from love of humanity, justice, right, and not because we expect a reward for so doing, or to be punished for opposite behavlor. Why should Spiritualists, infined with happiness enumate,

the "spirit of progress," revere the lible, The old book has been held as an aued by some that Spiritualian can be proven by it. However, I do not think

mything proves Spiritualism except the scientific basis upon which it rests, the facts it constantly presents in the present for the investigation of "whosever reason, were there no other, to cause liboral-minded Spiritualists to wage aggressive warfare against it, and show to the

world that they do not regard it with any degree of worship, Rilzabeth Cady Stanton, speaking of

ing the status of women under the Jewish and Christian religion says: "We found nothing grand in the history of admit at the same time that the aforesaid the fews or the morals inculcated in the creeds and dogmas are false, based upon [Testament." No woman could offer sarrifice, nor cat the holy means, because, progressive Spiritualists must concur in according to the Jews, women were genthis conclusion. Indeed such can not erally unclean and always unholy. In fail to understand that they are like the first chapter of Numbers, in speaking the live stock is thus summarized : 5,000 threescore 1,000 asses, and 32,000 women and women-children,"which, Moses said, and she remarks that it is "a great pity Stend had not been there to protect rebuke the Lord's chosen people as they

descrye in the columns of the Pall Mall Gazette." But where is the use, Mrs. Stanton continues, some say of attaching any importance to the customs and teachings of a barbarous people? None whatever; but when our blahops and ordained clergymen stand up in their pulpits and read selections from the Pentateach in a reverential voice, they make acathing language he huris forth, being that there really is some divine authorilike a rapier leaping from its sheath to ty in their subjection. And, indeed, will pour the balm of sympathy upon the field of truth may have opportunity who helieve that to accord women equal to germinate, and send their shoots up rights with men, would be flying in the face of prudence, as the Bible does not teach It.

"As the Jews of old looked back to the multitudes of human beings still how in Mosaic law, so should we, few or Gen- gent in business; fervent in spirit glorious purposes, binding them as a sible, lives pesceably with all men. continue thus to worship so long as the sign upon our hands, and writing them idea is entertained, and only by breaking on the posts of our gates, and teaching "A woman may approach him fearlessly; can the fact be demonstrated that they talking of them when we sit in our misjudged, she can turn to him trustinghouses, and when we walk by the way, by for strength, sympathy, love, and and when we lie down, and when we rise [friendship,"

But the office of Spiritualism is not up-until they be accomplished." And merely that of an iconoclast, for it is a he does not thus express himself (show- band, a kind and loving father-my idea builder-up of living temples of truth ing that he believes in looking for in- of a truely spiritual man. well constructed and strong, being based apiration in the living issues of the upon a foundation of solid facts, and as present, and not from the dead ones of it breaks these false images, thus releas- ancient times), because of his creed, but ing their devotees from this thraidom, it despite it. Because the spirit of progress places them in a position where they can has holdly entered the camp of the ene with comprehension view the beautiful my, and with uncompromising logic h

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upon selfishness. When we have the presence, but it invariably appears when the trials and troubles of this life become self-interest is not the motive awakened, more than usually oppressive, encourage ing me to renewed exections to keep facing the lam of trath, reminding me with renewed force, as it does, that only from that source can lasting conduct and

I hope and expect to see the badge ore long displayed upon the person of every thority too long already, but it is claim- advocate and adherent of Spiritualiam.

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We are not particular about the external appearance of our ideal man, Of course, we prefer that he should be will." The estimate in which the fille hundsome, but, as the majority of healthy, holds women is sufficient and ample intelligent, and prosperous men are alco looking, we take it for granted that he is also, as our ideal must belong to that class of men. So, if he is kind and con alderate in domestic tife, polite in soclety, and honorable in business trainactions, we will not make a distinction between brown eyes and blue.

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### My Ideal Man. PRANCICIA WADRWORTH

My Ideal man loves every living, moving, breathing thing, so that their suffering excites him to sympathy and compussion with a desire to relieve them, He is a friend to the poor onteast ; the homeless yagabond; the helpless cruelly treated animals; and would divide his last loaf with a hungry dog. He will the women of their congregation believe feed the imngry; clothe the naked; visit those that are sick and in prison. He there are multitudes of people to day the wounded, broken hearts; cheer and comfort the sorrowing and afflicted; help raise the fallen ones. Ills charity never faileth; is kind, enduring all things; thinketh no evil; abhors that which is

Then as an eminent divine has said, evil, cleaving to that which is good and overcoming evil with good. fie is dilltile, look forward to the achievements of patient in tribulation ; and if it he pos-

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STRAY THOUGHTS,

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LEAFLETS OF THOUGHT.

the community that Burns expresses so promenon that cau be explained in two beautifully,-A resident of the State of South Caro-"Wi' joy unfeigned brothers and sisters meet. An' each for others weetfare kindly spiers." ling removed to Florida in order to se-

It is almost time that foreigners saw core an annulment of a marriage contract less with the blurred vision of their own entered into in that State, leaving his imagination, and take hold with a helpwife in South Carolina, and she in no ing hand and do some philantropic way gave her consent to such proceedings. The opinion as to the indissolua man should be told that the roof leakbility of the marriage-tie has been ed, but his house should be made waterproof. And this is best done, not by ment of Judge Izlar " foreibly and intellitearing down the entire structure, but by such provisional measures as will secure policy of the State of South Carolina" in what is his and, at the same time, imthis respect. Judge Izlar held that the prove and better it. Florida divorce can have no effect on the

status of the parfies in that State, and that children which may be born of a requiring all young students for the marriage contracted by the husband in priesthood to serve in the army, it was Florida, after the grant of the divorce deeply resented by the Church, and confrom the South Carolina wife, are illesidered as an unwarranted intrusion upgal in South Carolina. The Pittsburg on the rights and immunities of that Commercial-Gazette, commenting upon profession. It conceived the notion that the desirability of uniform divorce laws, the thought which prompted the measure says that leading and influential organiwas that it would degrade the morality zation in the legal profession and in the of the young clergy and make them advarious religious denominations have verse to their "holy calling." It is now been urging for years such uniformity in State legislation upon the subject of have all returned from the manœuvres marriage and divorce as will remedy to the diocesan colleges rather improved these flagrant evils which now exist by than otherwise. So far from there being versity in legislation. Some years ago ever, and it seems clear that their prescommission was appointed by New ence has exerted an excellent influence York to confer with the different State upon the rank and file of their comrades, legislatures on the subject, with the hope with whom they are very popular. It is that leading statesmen and philantropists no new thought that the Church is not infallible in its judgment of its own inthus setting an example which would terests, but it will be curious indeed if eventually result in the establishment of this seminarists' law, which the clerics practical and uniform divorce laws. But denounced as born of hell itself, should be the means of imbuing the French mission. No basis has been established army and peasantry with new respect for between New York and other States, for

the cloth. the reason, as pointed out by the New Among the workers in liberal thought York Sun, that there is a radical difference in princigal and conviction which it will be learned with regret that the Rev. Dr. Herford, of the Arlington Street prevents such an agreement. There is Unitarian Church, has decided to leave no difficulty in the way of formulating a status which would operate alike in all the United States and accept a call from the States, but the insuperable obstacle London. This decision is first announced in a letter to John Mason Little. It may is the essentially opposing theories rebe added that the salary attached to Dr. lating to marriage and divorce. One Herford's new charge is not more than class contends that the marriage tie is half that which he receives here. He indissoluble, another that it may be dissolved for one offense only; still others has served nine years in the Arlington that any one of several causes or offenses Street pulpit, with constantly increasing acceptance to the society, an ever-broadmay suffice to bring about legal separaening usefulness and influence. He has tion. On this point our contemporary previously preached for seven years in says: "It can not be expected that the Chicago. In his letter Dr. Herford vast majority of the States will yield to New York, which is a minority so small, says :

in making adultery the sole cause for di-Utterly unsought, utterly unexpected, this call to Loudon came, accompanied by pleadings from old fellow-workers that I should come vorce. New York will have to yield to them and recognize other causes if there back to my old work, which weighed upon me is to be a uniformity of legislation. The with a force greater than I can express. It is question therefore is whether we are not a new work, which I am warned that it might be hazardous for a man of my age to atwilling to make the concession to secure tempt. It is the work that I was at for twentythis end. It is a question easily ansfive years, and with which, since I came to Am wered. New York will never enter into erica, I have never lost touch; and I believe that such a bargain ; and that means that the I can take it up again with hands not so much weakened by the lapse of sixteen years as strengthened by the rich experience these years have brought, and by the freshness and stimu-We are not to suppose, says C. T.

Stockwell in "Evolution of Immortality," been passed. that, as we pass on to the next stage of I do not hope, indeed, to find a work that can at all equal this invisible scope. England has progressive existence, we have reached the ultimatum, If, standing here and for a Unitarian minister no post of such public honor as the ministry of Arlington Street looking back, with all the aids at our Church especially when joined with a preachercommands, along the lines from whence shipat Harvard; but there are needs in our Enwe came, we fail to discover the beginglish field just now of a very special kind, which seem to outweigh not only all such consideraning of the successive stages through tion but even the weightier ones of the natural which we have already passed; so in lookregret and disappointment of those who are con ing forward we also fail to catch a cerned with me in these works here; and so the glimpse even of the end. The spiritual final answer to my perplexities has come to me at last with no indistinctness. These weeks of being, however, a unit organism, comwaiting have made the duty not less clear, only posed of matter-a mode of motion-it very much harder.

must also be changeful, in form and combination, in accordance with laws A recent act of the Illinois Legislature pertaining to matter. Should it be comin school elections, and it is to be generposed of the elements of universal ether, or should the external organism that our life principle, or spirit, is to inhabit in woman suffragists have just discovered carnate beings, it is a matter of faith, not

be a male white citizen of the United

States, and he must be a resident of the

city six months before allowed to vote."

The right of women to vote under this

pect to nullify the requirements of the

terpretation would also prevent the ne-

gro from voting, and thus invalidate the

have come within my sphere of observaconfers upon women the right of suffrage tion are of uncertain origin. They do not furnish data for scientific demonally exercised this fall. But the anti- stration. If accepted as the work of ex-

and witnessed phenomena that I am satisfied were genuine. I think I know that spirits can and do present themselves to mortals, under favorable conditions, in a visible and tangible form, that requires no special illumination to see and sense; and this possibility may hold infinite promise in the developments of the future. But fully threefourths of all such manifestatious that

the next stage be composed of a higher or figer quality, arrangement, or mode of motion of matter than that of which our present bodies are composed, it would pass simply under higher and more complex laws than any that we now know as charter will be contested in the Demopertaining to the grosser forms of substance, and it would carry with itself the cratic city of Peoria, but the women exadequate senses of perception of objectcity charter by showing that its strict inive realities external to itself. "Birth gave to each of us much." Why, then, may we not reasonably assume that "Death may give us very much more, in the way of subtler senses to behold views we can not here see, to catch sounds we do not now hear, and to beware of bodies and objects impalpable to us at present, but perfectly real, intelligibly constructed, and constituting an organized society."

Recent declarations made at the Social Congress at Brussels by an American delegate of New York City that "misery is increasing so fast that the land of the free and the home of the brave is in reality a hell," is a base misrepresentation. The gloomy, pessimistic cry of condemnstion is unwarranted in the face of the efforts made everywhere to relieve the oppressed. One of the most hopeful signs of brighter days is the almost nationally awakened interest in a practical adution and relief of the burdensome weight that is bourne by many. When each individual seems to become en thused with the desire to help in some alight way or other his fellow-mau which is becoming manifest stronger and stronger day by day, there is small and misstatement. We have started on fold. loe roadway of the amelioration of a

Written for The Better Way THE UTILITY OF FACTS. LYMAN C. HOWR

constitution of the United States.

The present status of the spiritualistic movement is largely sensational. Cultivated to a great degree by superficial minds, more or less given to magnifying wonders, and jumping at conclusions

there is necessarily a great deal of misconception of facts and psychic forces inaccuracy of statement and consequent error in the presentation of philosophy. Unfortunately for the good name of Spiritualism these misrepresentatives are too often taken as the exponents on whose testimony and methods rest the judgments and conclusions of the world. These hindrances are not likely to disappear until a higher incentive animates investigators and advocates. When phenomena are sought for their scientific and practical value, rather than for temporary amusement and to satisfy a morbid craving for ever-increasing wonders, accuracy of observation and statement will become necessities and the value of phenomena will be appreciated, and toom for a foreigner's misconception their significance augmented a thousand-

The utility of facts is depreciated in great many evils and miseries when that the ratio of the uncertainty that accom-Insternal and maternal feeling pervades panies their developments. Any phe- not tricky.

hat the present charter of the city of knowledge. I hope this statement will Peoria provides that "A legal voter must provoke some criticism and thereby evoke wholesome discussion for the evolution of truth. But the statement is too easily verified to tempt careful observers to an effort to refute it. Now the value of phenomena is chiefly in worth more than a volume of fiction. A rap, accompanied with personal intelligence, which in the nature of the situation precludes the possibility of trick, is of more value to Spiritualism than all the kings and queens of buried Atlantis that ever materialized under cover of darkness and doubtful circumstances,

which leave the issue to faith. A single hand that forms before our eyes in the full light, detached from all possible means of trick and writes an intelligent sentence or a name, and vanishes, is of greater utility in the study of the occult than a thousand full forms obscured by darkness, and appearing under conditions that give no security against possible deception. One word written between two closed slates, guarded against the arts of jugglery so thoroughly that no possible doubt can exist, is worth more than a thousand pages which a sharp trickster can imi-tate under the same conditions. But so long as Spiritualists encourage this wholesale jumbling of facts and frauds, and phenomenal patrons offer a prem-immen the latter and house theret ium on the latter, and honest doubters and truthful critics are snubbed and abused for attempting to separate magic abused for attempting to separate magic from mediumship, that the latter may receive the credit it has earned, we can not expect much in the way of scientific data, and like all other religions, Spirit-ualism will rest largely on faith. Even the established facts, which have been scientifically demonstrated, are discred-ited by the loose habits of procedure, which have cast a shadow over all. Peo-ple blame mediums for decention when ple blame mediums for deception when they surround them with conditions that make fraud the only way to success. The wonder is not that there are tricky mediums, but that there are any that are



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### WASHINGTON'S LETTER.

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Some of the Philadelphia readers of THE BETTER WAY would like a copy of the following Washington's letter, and the following Washington's letter, and request that it may be published. May all who are in harmony with that great character, trace its peaceful import. character, trace its peaceful import. 1 shall have to quote from memory, having read it in my earlier days. I will add a few words in explanation thereof. While the Revolutionary War was go-

ing on, there was a certain class of jeatous and ambitious demagogues (and the race is not yet extinct) who wished to have Washington removed from the command of the army and place General Gates, or other officers, in his stead. They went so far as to petition Congress in the matter, but it treated it with silent contempt. When Washington was made aware of the movement he sent the following letter to Congress to show that he was perfectly willing to act in accordance with their wishes. The letter as a piece of composition (bearing on the practical) has never been equalled. It has all the peace and sweetness of his gifted namesake, Washington Irving, whose sentiment flows through the same harmonious channel:

I am told that a change in commander-inchief is now on foot by some ; but whether true or false, serious, or to try the pulse, I neither know nor care. Neither ambition nor interested views lead me into the service. I did not solicit the command, but accepted it after much entreary, with all that diffidence that a conscious want of ability and experience must natthought. After I did engage, I pursued the grand object in view as pointedly as the needle the pole. As soon as the public gets dissatished with my services, or as soon as a person is found better qualified to answer my country's expectation, I shall quit the helm with as much pleasure, and retire to a private station with as much content as ever the weatied nilgtim fell upon his safe arrival at the holy land. My most devout wish is that those who come after me may meet with more successful gales than I have had. GEORGE WASHINGTON.

Written for The Better Way. CHANGE THE ARGUMENT.

It is a very stupid thing to base any of our civil regulations upon any of the mandates of Moses. The Mosaic law was never designed for general application. The decalogue was altogether exclusive and had reference to the Jews solely. It was designed to bless and henefit them, and the balance of the human race could take their own way. Thou shall not kill, meant, thou shalt not kill a Jew. It was perfectly proper to kill other people, especially if you beautiful emphasis to the whole. could rob them and get away with the plunder. "Thou shalt not commit adultery" with a Jew; but with the outside people the action would be a joke, as they had no rights that a Jew was bound to respect. Thou shalt not bear false witness against a Jew; but if by perjury you can beat the Gentiles, there will be What obligation are we under them to appropriate these ancient people's Sab-Is not the whole matter very absurd. If we make a legal day for worship or for attending services, it should be on the argument that its for the general wel-fare of mankind; which will be much more likely to meet their understanding and approbation. I would not prevent day, because it is Sunday; but because of the impropriety of the act itself. We will uever make any substantial progress to drink whisky on Sunday, it is certainly to drink whisky on Sunday, it is certainly with Sunday closing laws. If it is a crime to drink whisky on Sunday, it is certainly not less a crime the next day.

### THE ARENA FOR OCTOBER.

The frontispiece of the October Arena made from his latest photograph, and unlike most pictures of the great poet recently published, is executed in the highest style of the art. Dr. Geo. Stew-art, D. C. L., contributes an interesting is a portrait of James Russell Lowell. No give the initiate abreat at our would require more space than we have at our would require more space than we have at our state more than the state out the critical sketch on Lowell and his work the case by next Sunday to-morrow. this being the second paper The Arena The tests as those of the morning, were ex has given of its series on America's great poets. The other illustrated paper Mr. Baxter carries the hearer with him almost in this issue is by Hamlin Garland, and as he perceives them; thus each test becomes deals with the life and work of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Herne. In this paper, Mr. Garland discusses at length Mr. Herne's realistic social drama, "Margaret Fleming," which last spring won such strong commendation from Wm. D. Howells, T. A. Aldrich, and other eminent writers and critics. Ten large and well-executed in different dramatic characters add to the interest of this paper. Other important contributions are by Henry Wood, author of "Natural Law in the Business World," "Edward Burton," etc., who writes on "Healing Through the Mind;" Theodore Stanton on "Some Weak Spots in the French Republic;" Moncure D. Conway on "Madame Bla vatsky at Adyar;" Thaddens B. Wakeman on "Emancipation Through Nationalism;" H. C. Bradsby on "Leaderless Mobs," and Charles H. Pattee on "Recollections of Old Play-Bills." The story of the month is written by Will Allen Dromgoole and deals with the convict lease vstem in Tennessee. It is entitled "A Grain of Gold," is very strong, and con-veys an excellent moral. The editor discusses at length our present grave social conditions; comparing them with the closing year of the reign of Louis XV. of France. He also writes on religious persecution at the present time. The Book Department contains reviews by Hamlun Garland, Rev. James Miller, J. D., and the editor. The contents of this issue of The Arena is strong, varied, and entertaining; it appeals irresistibly to all tastes who appreciate the best and bravest thought.

which has cudented him in the hearts of all who knew him, Mr. Baxter arose to reply, but was met by such rounds of applause that it was some moments before he could make himself

After a few appropriate remarks, suited con jointly to the occasion and to Spiritualism, he scated himself at the organ, and, with all the grace of an artist, touched the accords prefatory to accompanying himself to that very pretty descriptive song, "Rap, Rap, Rap," Loud applause was also awarded him for this at the close.

The repdition of the song seemed to be his invocation, for at the close the inspiration was on him for the lecture that followed.

I do not feel in this, my introductory lec-ture, said Mr. Daxter, like talking on any special theme, but will do so in a general way. The speaker then began by saying he regarded mediumship as a sacred trust: for without it there would be no Spiritualism. And while the ple or not. All it asks, that they be men and women. Those who interested themselves for it as a science, would find ample facts to warmant its claims as such. Those who took delight in penetrating causes would find a philosophy that was worth cultivating; while hose who needed a moral guide could find no

better religion extant. Professional men are already investigating its claims, and though some may ask, as they did of old, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth," it would be proven to them, if honest in their psychical research, as was the urally excite in a mind not quite devoid of fact that Jesus was a miracle worker or medium. But what of their verdict? If favora-ble, the world would say they, too, were deluded. If unfavorable, millions of Spiritual-ists will laugh into their faces and say it is worth nothing, as we know by experience; and

"experiencia docet." However, it is a good sign that they are investigating, and already indicates a partial belief in our claims. And if these claims were not true, Spiritualists them-selves would have killed Spiritualism long ago. by their internal disharmony as workers and organizers. But as one fact continually stares them forcibly in the face, they can not disintegrate and are kept organized despite them selves. This one fact is spirit-communionspirit-phenomena-which all,know to be true,

and which none can dispute. There are some who may doubt that we are in possession of such manifestations, but experience, too, must teach them, as it did us. All actual knowledge must be based on experience, and Spiritualists are so by experience.

Mr. Baxter then gave a little of his ownparenthetically remarking that he had just attained to his majority as a speaker, having been on the rostrum twenty-one years. But this was not all. Besides giving an exceeding ly interesting and lengthy discourse of which this is but a meagre synopsis, the speaker grew very eloquent at periods, and added a

Mr. Baxter is certainly a fine speaker tured, graceful, and pleasing, and not without an acceptable vein of humor with which to spice his lecture. At the close of the latter, he sang a very attractive song, accompanying himself on the organ, and which, too, seemed to be his invocation for part second, test-giv-ing; as immediately after the close of the song, he arose and began to address the audience on the philosophy of his phase of mediumship, no crime in it. So on through the list and then demonstrated it by giving two of the most striking spirit tests it has been the good fortune of many in that audience to experience. A decided applause greeted him at the termina A decided applause greeted him at the termina-bath and make such laws as will send a tion of each; for both of the tests were of the man to the penitentiary because he should do some useful thing on that day. Is not the whole matter very absurd. If happily prevailed at the moment-most likely

tions given in the second part of the program The regular discourse on this occasion was on a subject chosen by himself. It was enti-

tled : "Has Spiritualism anything to co what ever with the affairs of a nation?"

in person, and which, it is to be hoped, will be ceedingly interesting and striking, but rather too personal for publication. In giving them a part of the hearer, or as if it were intended for him. Such destroys the monotony that spirit ent on a flying visit to Peoria, 111. Their next descriptions, intended for others, often ca and whereby the entire audience is kept alive to the interest of the occasion. Mr Baxter opened and closed with song and accompaniment, which, in itself, is worth the while spiritualistic missionary among us that has hardly his equal, and it behooves everybody to photogravares of Mr. and Mrs. Herne stiend Sanday services at G. A. R. Hall during his stay in Cincinnati.

MOVEMENTS OF MEDIUMS. Bishop A. Beals serves the Albairy, N.Y. Spiritualists during October.

Mrs. Neille B. Dande may be addressed for fall and winter engagements at Capac, Mich. Moses and Mattle II. Hull hold meetings this nonth in Duluth, Minn. Address accordingly. Walter S. Eldridge, M. D., and Mrs. Eldridge, are now located at 53 East Concord street, Bos-

ton. Mass. Mrs. Lillan L. Wood, of you tefferson Street Topeka, Kan., may be engaged to fecture and attend funerals.

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ville avenue, Cleveland O. Mrs. Lizzie Pulton, slate-writing medium

may be addressed for engagements at post office box 356, Kausas City, Mo.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stranger, lecturer and test me dlum. Calls will receive prompt attention. Ad dress 91 McConnell street, Grand Rapids, Mich. Mrs. Julia E. Davis, platform test medium, is ready to make dates for the coming season Address her at Windsor street, Cambridge.

Mass. Mrs. F. A. Logan holds her public spiritual circle of harmony ever Sunday at 11 a. in. in St George Hall, 909% Market street., San Francisco, Cal.

Frank T. Ripley may be engaged for a few dates for the fall and whiter season as a test medium. Address him at Baumer of Light office, Boston, Mass.

Miss A. E. Sheets may be addressed Grand Ledge, Mich., P. O. Box, 833 by parties wishing to engage the services of au inspiritual speaker Will attend funerals.

A. W. S. Rothermel, M. D., is now in Kansat City, Mo., and will remain there until further notice. Late in the season he proposes to make a trip toward Denver and California.

Carrie C. Van Duzee, of Geneva, O., will start for the Pacific slope in the early spring-going first to Oregon, then to California. Will take engagements en route. Address as above.

Dr. Marguerite St Omer, of London, England trance speaker, psychometrist and platform test medium, will accept engagements for the coming winter, Address Box 1656, Fitchburg Mass.

Mrs. Maggie Stewart, platform test, clairvoy ant, and business medium, will give advice by letter from lock of hair on business, domestic r social matters. Price \$1. Address 264 Hast Main street, Piqua, Ohio,

Mr. I. Frank Baxter is engaged during the Sundays of October in Cincinnati, O. ; Sundays, Nov. 1st, in Brockton ; Nov. 8th in East Dennis ; Nov. 15th in Haverhill, and Nov. 22d and 29th in Lynn. For week evenings address him 181 Walnut street, Chelsea, Mass.

G. H. Brooks begama month's engagement in Whitewater, Wis., at Mr. Pratt's Science Hall, September 20th. His time is not all taken, he would like to make engagements with societies. He gives public platform reading after his lectures. Address him at 124 Charter Street, Madison, Wis.

Willard J. Hull is engaged at Indianapolis for November, at Boston for December, at Philadel-phia for January, at Norwich, Conn., for February, and at Cincinnati for March and April Vill also answer calls for week evening ures while in Indianapolis and other places. ddress 280 Dewitt street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Edgar W. Emerson has the following engage ments for the year 1891: November 1st and 5tb, Fitchburg, Mass.; November 15th and 72d, New Bedford, Mass.; November 29th, Haverhill, Mass.; December 6th, Lynu, Mass.; December 13th, Providence, R. J.; December 20th, Salem, Mass., December 27th, Haverhill, Mass.

Geo. A. Fuller, M. D., of Worcester, Mass., has the following dates uneugaged between now and the year 1892: October 15th, November 2d and 29th, and December 20th , would like en gagements for the same. Address him, 42 Portland street. He will speak at Mediums' Convention, Westboro, Mass., Sept. 19th; West

Helen Stuart Richings is engaged in Chattanooga, Tenn., Sundays, October 4th and 11th ; in Butler, Pa., October 15th and 25th : in Boston for November; in Philadelphia for December; in New York for January 3d, 10th, and 17th; in Norwich, Conn., for January 24th and 31st, and in Grand Rapids, Mich., for February, March, and April.

Harlow Davis, the celebrated platform test medium, and independent slate writer is open for engagements after September 15th. His To make a chick, you see." work in Seattle has been a success. Societies in any part of the country desiring his services should address as early as possible to Box 405 Seattle Wash. Would like to heat from Galveston, Texas and Denver, Col.

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to acc garter sunke colled ' round the limb of a tree In 1865 the United States had 1687 ships on the may list, the greatest and strongest fleet in 16

aistory. The estimate of the world's population in 189

Is an follown. Europe, 350,200,000; Asia, 850,000, 000; Africa, 127,000,000; Australasia, 4,7,30,000 North America, 89,250,000; South America, 36 420,000, total, 1,487,600,000.

HOW HE KNEW.

She—He is so handsome, paps. He—Humph! She—Waltzes beautifully. He—Does he? She—He is a perfect gentleman. He—Yes?

And as he is a lieutenant in the army he

He-H've played poker with him.-Munsey's Weekly.

'is he really your rival?"

"Great Scott! If I had a rival that looked like that, do you know what I would do? "I'd give up the girl."

A ST RE TEST. A STRETEST. Father of Eleven Daughters prowling around with lighted ismp)-There's one of the girls that hasn't come in yet. Mother of Same-1 think you are mistaken, William. They're all up stairs. I know what I'm taiking about, Elizabeth. There's only ten wads of gim. on the back of this bureau.-Chicago Tribune.

The liver is man's true laughing-organ.

• • • A CASE FOR SYMPATHY. A CABE POR SYMPATHY. "The hardened-looking wretch in this cell, I presume," said the fair caller, with a shudder, "is some low thief." "No, miss," auswered the turnkey, "he's the desperate villain that killed his grand mother."

"Why, he is the man I'm looking for! Poor dear man!" exclaimed the impulsive your woman, "I've brought you some nice roast urkey and a basket of fruit."—Chicago Trib-ane.

### A DELICATE TOPIC.

Chicago Edilor-Your poem, I fear, will hard y suit us, madam. Your fect are all wrong. Chicago Poetess-Sir!-Munsey's Weekly.

### LIVING IT ALL OVER AGAIN.

Warden of Insane Asylum-This poor womar imagines she is shopping all ithe time. Some times she sits in silence for whole weeks. Visitor-What is she doing then? Warden-It is supposed that she imagine she is waiting for the change.-Cloak Review

#### 000 IN QUITE ANOTHER PLACE.

One of the guests at the wedding tendered sis congratulation, and said he supposed this match, like all others, had been made in reaven. heaven. "Why-er-Minnle and I first took to liking each other," said the embarrassed young bride-groom, "in St. Louis,"—Chicago News.

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GENESIS Though of Plato and Pythagors, They'd never heard a word, And Bacon, Hegel, and Descartes Were names they'd never heard, While Darwin, Huxley, Friske, and Comte, And Spencer, above them all, Were men whose minds could not be grasped

By those so young and small, Two juvenile philosophers In metaphysic strife Discussed with all due seriousness The genesis of life.

Each one was perched upon a box, And slowly swung his leg As he tried to solve the riddle Of the chicken and the egg. And they pondered, and they argued, But neither one could say Whether it was the chick or egg First saw the light of day. 'For," said one, "without a chicken An egg there can not be "Yet," t'other said. "It takes an egg

And they reasoned in a circle. And the riddle couldn't guess, Until a third one sitting by In quiet thoughtfulnees, Said with innocent assurance,

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Prof J. M. and Mrs. M. T. Allen have been un derengagement with the Spiritual society, of Wichits, Kansas, during a portion of June. July, August, and September. Mrs. Allen has also visited Topeka, Delphos, and other Kausas points during the summer, and is at pres engagement is at Springfield, Mo., where they may be addressed in care of W. J. Black.

Lyman C. Howe speaks in Detroit, Mich., the Sundays of October. He will answer calls for week evening lectures during the month and But suffice it to say that we have a for Sundays in November, January and Februfor lectures in October calls should be made as early as the last of September. December i taken at Pittsburg, Pa., and March at Indianapolis, Ind. \_\_\_\_

#### Excursions to the South,

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THE MAN AND THE OCCASION The ship had sprung a leak. The captain piped everybody on deck. Is there a Kentucky man on hoard be Is there a newser, asked, "I san from Kentucky, sir" "Good! I'm glad you are here. We may sink, and I want should to throw overhoard." -Detroit Free Press. A venerable clergyman of Portland, Maine,

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