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### EDITORIAL.

Love opens wide the portals of the piril world to the investigator and truth eeker. Self-love shuts them out. Great men and women care naught for

mise or sympathy, but extend it to sufkring humanity when opportunity afiorda.

A religion without spirituality is what Christianity designates as heathenism. is a great measure this definition is assaming the aspect of "kettle calling pot

mons in its new jury laws, which reelligence.

The New York News, having been inof the press.

Spiritualism teaches that those who bregret in the future. Christian preaches, therefore, who know the truth connot to be envied.

to him.

Although Uncle Sam in his big-heartedness extends a welcome to all natio. things is always a hated man. salities to become citizens of his domains, it should also be remembered that the refuse of other countries is not uted. We too, are a Nation, and every

s a State without charge.

To legislate against Spiritualism becouse an occasional medium, or, rather, pretended one, commits a fraud, is about as unreasonable as to legislate equinat Christianity because an occasion-"minister of the gospel" goes wrong, though a hundred of the latter may be many medjums as Christian ministers in the United States.

The Russian bear and the French engle are arrayed for battle against Europe, piecemeal; Germany, however bring the principal object of their alliance far of one or the feathers of the other bring forth a challenge for a con-Place, but if made to fight will make fur ad feathers fly pretty lively.

In centuries agone it was promised that the spirit of God should be thrown spon all flesh and that spiritual manifesutions (miracles) should be re-enacted on this mundane sphere. If Christianity has any faith at all in its Bible it is sur-Mising that it does not cognize the rediration of this prophecy as it is being mifested in every community through modern media. Surely, the wilfully blind are blind to their own interests; for Spiritualists are reaping the benefits Christian revelation.

In accepting the occult phenomena

and will progress to a higher plane accordingly, leaving the so-called Christians where the Jews were left about that time-a religious sect without proofs of immortality and consequently deteriorating into a strictly material organ-

Spirits meet with the same opposition crees of a higher power, while those im- therewith. The latter is, we might say bued with materialism believe it all a the most damuable imposition ever delusion or an untenable theory; and con- saddled on a free people, although it is version is therefore in some instances as bad enough to dictate to a jury as if its difficult a matter as here. That is what members were a set of ignoramuses who bigotry and stubborn skepticism inherits didn't have the understanding of unto the unprogressed mortal in the next cultured Ethiopeans. If juries are really life. As we sow we shall reap. Light is made up of members who need a pri-Mexico has departed from democratic what makes the soul happy, and those mary school instruction before acting on who have not accustomed themselves to a case—outside of a recapitulation by quires property and educational qualifi- seeking it will also lack that faculty in the judge-it is high time to institute a ations. Its aim is to secure better in- the future, being discontent in conse- reform that includes an educational

dicted for reporting details of the late son Square Presbyterian Church, New read or write has generally intelligence accution, will make a fight with its co- York, said very recently: If apostleship enough to form his own opinion after deflies against the law infringing liberty had not started before Princeton did, hearing or reading the evidence and ship. The spirit of such an institution to exercise its own judgment, but let is to make theologians just as a machine that judgment be founded on educational worldly purposes will have something makes shoepegs; just as a baker makes qualification, and if possible, in conjunccrackers. It was passing strange the tion with a moral one. comfort that the church had always derning the future, but prefer to retain taken in casting its members out of the synagogue. The quickest way to fire daily communion with the invisible and relationships. church enthusiasm was not to show to it gest that camp meeting managers place and get him into the church; but the moboxes at convenient points to receive ment of supreme felicity, the time when contributions towards the fund that is enthusiasm flashes up into one compact being raised to represent Spiritualism flame of radiance and heat, is when there at the World's Fair. Mr. Luther Colby, is a prospect of getting a man out of the tressurer, and sub-treasurers can remit new ideas. It never subscribes to a discovery in science till it has to, and the man who has a new understanding of

It may be interesting to those who make occasional astronomical observations to know that Jupiter, one of the Nation has patriots who claim the same just beginning to make his appearance most beautiful of our sky wanderers, is as evening star (and morning star, too, according to the official program) and Mr. Blaine has revived the Clay pro- may be seen about 9 o'clock on the eastject of buying Cuba. It is naturally ours ern horizon. He cannot be mistaken, as by position, although Spain has been of it is the only very brilliant star in that fered \$100,000,000 for it and declined. If region at present. Jupiter will be in conleft alone, however, Spain will yet find junction with the moon on the 20th of it more expensive to hold than relin- August at 7h. 25m., being 3 degrees 44m. quish, and Uncle Sam will probably have south.—Mercury is evening star on the an application from Cuba to be admitted 16th at 7 p. m., and may be seen 27d, 25m. east of the sun.-Venus is morning star and is in conjunction with Mars on the 22d at 3 o'clock in the morning, being I degree north .- Mars is also morning star, rising at half-past-four and may be seen in the constellation Cancer .- Saturn is evening star, but already sets an hour after the sun and is about 16 deexposed to one medium, while there are grees east of Regulus.-Uranus is also evening star, setting at 9 o'clock and holds its position at present in Virgo, but is difficult to locate except by ex-

fects in embryo, as it were-to see behis inner qualifications become unfolded. One of these is generally known as inspecific cause reading-the concentraforth the thought or opinion specially formulated for it. sought for, on the principle of like attracting like. If no opinion exists concerning the subject animated no re-Suppliere prevalent as tests of a supra- sponse is perceived. If there is, that of hearts; they do commune with their ab- double and quadruple its force in the fuhose calling themselves so in couse with the thought or wish sent and re- ly circle and in the more public seance can measure its possibilities.

reasoning-natural inspiration.

It is now generally conceded that our jury system is not perfect, and it is be-

ing asked what is there to take the place of it. It can never be consistent with reason or justice to have a jury whose duty it is to act according to the dictates of their respective consciences, and then in their endeavor to establish an inter- charge that jury with the kind of verdict communion with mortals as the latter do it is to render, and often under the ban with spirits-orthodox spirits still be- of being themselves indicted for conlieving it unlawful and against the de- tempt of court if not acting in accordance qualification. For the man (or woman Rev. Dr. C. H. Parkhurst, of the Madi- who should also be admitted) who can there would be no show for the apostle- | pleadings and thus a jury should be free

A PLAIN TALK WITH CHRISTIANS world, in thoughts, hopes and aspiraa poor sinner for it to convert, but a poor tions; one who lingers in thought around As it is well to make hay while the heretic to suiff after and run down. We the hill of Bethany and drinks in the san shines we would respectfully sug- rain vast piles of money to convert a man scenic glories of a visibly ascending spirit Christ, as narrated in the Gospels; and who believes and professes the doc-

trine of communion with the omnific development and education of the reason- grain when harvesting and will not be spirit of the universe as witnessing with ing faculties of the race. An uneducated, accepted as an unmixed commodity. In magnetic conditions, daylight, darkness the soul in the mortal, how natural the undeveloped intellect is naturally creduleditor of the Banner is the ex-officio church. The church has always fought doctrine of spirit communion; of the ous to the very verge of superstition. This guarded against in this respect. We presence and spirit disclosure of exalted is illustrated to-day by that class of peo- cannot expect an unalloyed intercourse through one medium in the evening and spirits united when on earth to the now ple whose belief and whose lives are unliving in earth, in the tenderest and der the direct domination of the mortals until we have learned how to perience must be our instructor in this sweetest ties of love; a love deathless in priests through the confessional and guard against imposition, or where con- respect, and those who lack it should

> communion and help simply because our and womanhood life. lover, friend and helper has put off the spirit vestments?

rendered into the keeping of others long of the contest now waging between the and kept in leading strings, and its The evolutionary process cannot be stoption of one mind on the other drawing faith, in quality, quanity and direction is ed. It is a part of nature's great econo-

The taken hold the same position in the flect itself on the mind-like a spirit-im- room. They live outwardly in conform- This process of intellectual emancipa- and conveys something of real worth or coming to light in this 19th century.

world now that did the followers of pression-of the investigator-provided ity with their creedal professions be Jesus nearly nineteen hundred years ago, be is gifted with intuition or intuitive cause their courage is not equal to the open confession of their inward convictions and spiritual knowledge. They of their spirit communion because of the omnipresent moral cowardice which than the old Egyptian bondage, because

it degrades the soul. The spiritual decadence of the Chriscrushing out of free, personal, religious communion with spirit intelligences. The unit family is the law of the universe. Death and temporary separation are merely incidents of existence. "To be carnally minded is death: to be spirspiritually minded" when they purposely and wilfully cut the delicate spiritual cord which binds them to their absent love, denying them access to their hearts and lives, because it is neither fashionable nor popular in the carnally minded society of earth where we are temporarily residing.

subject from the professed Christian

MODERN FORCES: THEIR MIS-

SION.
'The decadence of the forces of creed

my, a law woven into its very texture. It This condition of things leads to hy- has done its work in the past, is doing it other has been favored with a message poerisy among thousands of the spiritu- now with an increased accelerating force, ally devout. They do believe in their and must, in the very nature of things, to be. Thus it is best for the majority

tion, without a moral counter balance true merit. There is no doubt at all that would inevitably lead to agnosticism some mediums and investigators have tiny into his own being and the laws, new, are honeycombed with them.

The moral and religious counter-bal-It was timely in its advent; is forceful in and has come to stay, and to enlarge the against it?

A CHAPTER ON SPIRIT COM-MUNION.

Learn to sin the chaff from the wheat and dogmatic teaching touching a future in your spiritual investigations and prelife and its conditions of being seems a sent only the latter for acceptance. The humor too affects spirit communion at natural result of the progress made in the chaff cannot be kept apart from the pure times. Weather affects some mediums spirit communion there is much to be its nature and still active in both hearts? otherwise. The obedient masses are not ditions are unfavorable. In the first in- neither be in a hurry to condemn or in-And why is this natural sequence of educated and mentally trained to reason stance experience is necessary if intuitive struct others; for it is only through practhe teachings, the spiritual philosophy, for themselves, but are commanded to wisdom is lacking to judge. In the latthe life, death and visible ascension of believe, to accept, what is taught them. ter the blame may lie with either the methe brother of Nazareth and of all hu- But the school, the press and the plat- dium or sitter exclusively, or with both from the wheat in spirit communion. manity, not freely and frankly acknowl- form are modern educational forces together. Temper, time and temperaedged, and the sweetness of spirit com- within the reach of all. Singly or com- ture often constitute a third obstacle in munion with the invisibles enjoyed by bined they are both evolutionary and the way of perfect communion, and thousands and millions of Christian dis- revolutionary forces. They aim directly gives us a trinity to deal with, even in ciples? Admitting the teachings, why at the intellect as the natural channel to one of the special features of Spiritualare not the legitimate, logical sequences the heart from the exterior life. The ism. But whatever the direct cause, it of these teachings and this wonderful force of a stated truth, law or fact, when gives room for criticism, condemnation philosophy of life accepted, practiced, intellectually comprehended by the and the cry of fraud-if not always for utilized in this life? If in a loving spirit most densely ignorant mind, is seen and the recipient, most invariably for the union in the mortal there is help, solace, felt in the expansion of that intellect, in non-participant. Because we receive a comfort, a restful spirit of peace, added the breaking of contracting and stifling test or half-a-dozen tests from as many strength in hours of weakness, the in- bands, and in the enlargement of the spirit friends or relatives, does not make spiration of courage when "fears are in whole nature. It is thus that compre- every other message we receive in conthe way," and a very roseate morning hended truth, law or fact, becomes a ris- junction with them reliable. A few sky of hope, supplanting the darkness ling step on the broad stairway leading words from simple Mary or John going of a spiritual gloaming and a vesper ser- to the release of the mind and heart from direct to the point is worth more than a vice of doleful chanting, why should we dogmatic tyranny, and their entrance long unmeaning dissertation following withdraw our souls from that loving into the temple of freedom and true man it signed by Jesus Christ, George Washington or General Jackson. And it is A free school accessible to all; a free on the latter that so many stumble, runmortal and clothed itself with immortal press brought within the reach of all; ning away with the idea that they are and a free platform ministering to the specially favored, when one mischievous We have searched honestly and dilli- education and elevation of all, are the spirit is playing the part of a dozen gently for the cause and are forced to trinity of mighty forces belonging to others. Relating this to others, whether Mind reading, like spirit impression, the conclusion that our Christian friends | this age. That they are hated by dogma- | Spiritualists or not, a doubt is expressed is one of the results of intuition or that are more superstitiously creedal than tists, resisted by creedal advocates and because the truth of it is sensed, and in nd inherent unfriendliness. The least | qualification of the soul which enables | spiritually religious; more thoroughly | their very existence and work sought to | the majority of cases the whole thing is The that the latter may cause to the mortals to read causes—to cognize of bound in spirit "to the letter that bill- be overcome by pretentious religious or pronounced a fraud. They are invariaeth" than free in the spirit of their own | churchly organizations, because destruc- | bly right in a measure, only that they yond the material of things into the posi- personal faith; more influenced by their tive to their supremacy, is a matter of reflect on the medium instead of suspectlest of arms. The young Kaiser wants tive of nature, the spiritual or intelligent own sensuous surroundings, more slav- common notoriety. The raid upon our ing the spirit fraud. Investigators canside of it. Whether we understand by ish in their natures to the little god public schools by the papists; the war- not afford to tell all they know as acceptthis the spiritual world per se or only dominating human society, than erect fare of sectaries against the growth and ed truth. Either they must hold to that the fourth dimension of matter, so-called, and free in the glory of personal man popularization of the daily press, and only which they positively know to be is indifferent; for it is all one existence, and womanhood, and as religiously auto- the silent but concerted efforts among true, or give the rest as chaff, if they however we may study it—an inner and matic in their lives as Brahmins or creedist teachers and their following, to wish to dispose of it, and not try to an outer-nature on the whole being a Buddhists. The impersonal church has prevent attendance upon platform min-palm it off as wheat. We often have counterpart of man, and therefor the become the dictatorial tyrant of the per- istrations not in accordance with old and been compelled to reject reports of seability of man to look within nature as sonal soul. The reasoning brain is sur- exploded theories, all attest the nature ances or sittings with mediums because so much of the spurious (as herein undead to earth, who direct its reading and slavery of ignorance and superstition, derstood) has been showered in with tuition, and mind reading is simply a thinking; the emotional heart is placed and the true freedom of the individual. the true tests, that the whole thing had a natural appearance of fraud and would have been damaging to the mediums if published. Even if true, envy alone would cause many to disbelieve that an-

touching man's future existence. There occasional communications from wellis a moral side to man's nature, and the known exalted individuals, but that lose more than half the real enjoyment | more educated he is, the closer his scrue | gives them no reasons for advertising it abroad, except under conditions as stated conditions and continuance thereof, above. And there is no doubt at all thatholds them consciously in thralldom. If The law of matter is to change, to die, to many are deceived-self-love being in they would once stand erect and free, disintegrate. Composed, in part, of mate most instances the silent motor that they would never again return to the old ter, our physical nature must die, under evolves these deceptions. Often we get bondage of cowardice, to a slavery worse the universal law. But what of the form but what we ask for-demand as it were less thought to which we give birth, and -either unwittingly psychologizing the the formless thinker behind it? The medium into giving it, or attracting whole tendency of irrational religious some spirit who accomodates us for reatian Churches is the legitimate result of dogma, creed and teaching, in this age sons best known to him or her at the the exaltation of formal creeds and the has been, logically, to the creation of a time, and which later proves to be a lesclass of educated materialists, and the son needed to learn us caution or wisexperience drawn from a living, loving universities of the old world and the dom, discrimination and perspicuity in matters spiritual. If deception follows such a condition of mind, who is the ance of truth, against this dread philoso- deceiver in this case? It is neither the phy of a perfect oblivion for body and spirit nor the medium, but the inquirer. soul in an earthly grave, is given to this He is deceiving himself, or, at least furitually minded is life and peace." Are age, because in this age alone could it be nishing the conditions entirely through our friends of the Christian Churches properly examined, analyzed, received his own personality to be deceived. But and comprehended by both the intellect the medium is blamed, of course. The and the moral nature. It is found in the minority are generous enough to take it return, the conscious manifestation, the upon themselves, for there are but comministry of the decarnated, who, by their paratively few investigators who know presence and teachings, prove our im- enough about themselves to see the demortal existence and illustrate its nature. fective journal in their spiritual-machinery. Next comes the combination its teaching; consistent in its philosophy; between the medium and sitter. This is We are presenting this view of the glorious in its comfort and inspiration, productive of bad results if harmony of spirit is lacking either between the sitstandpoint of belief, and in the judg area of personal freedom and independ ter and medium or the spirit desired and ment of a broad charity we must impute ence in all matters of a religious nature the medium. In such cases a substitute this inconsistency and moral cowardice Is it strange that dogmatists of the vari- is often produced, who personates a ous creedal schools and churches cry out spirit friend by request, and if an error occurs in dates or names it also generates doubt, and the medium is accused of having been posted, but failed to play his or her part perfect enough to satisfy the investigator. Mood, temperament, while others are positive to it. Time, are stipulations made by some and not by others. We may obtain bad results between the world of spirits and that of good in the morning or afternoon. Exanyone is able to distinguish the chaff

John Simms, a citizen of Alabama, was drawn on a jury. He refused to take the usual oath on the ground that Jesus said "Swear not at all." He affirmed, but he then announced that he would not convict the prisoner, for Jesus also said: "Judge not, that ye be not judged." It seems that Mr. Simms runs an illicit distillery, "and when a deputy marshal served the warrant of the Federal court upon him he tore up the document, told the bearer that he had raised the corn and proposed to distill it without coucealment; that it was nobody's business but his own and, finally, that the deputy's room was more valuable than his company." He acted thus on the same ground that he refuses to pay his taxes or hold himself in any way amenable to man's laws, viz.: that he is a child of God and is answerable solely to God for his conduct. Why he does not follow the example of Jesus in paying his taxes does not appear, but it must be confessed that Mr. Simms is a much more consistent Jesusite than most Christians, and he will probably find that his devotion to the precepts of the Savior will get him into trouble with God's ministers of justice. He will probably learn that, in Christian lands, the correct thing is to worship Jesus and obey the sheriff, and that however legitimate it was for Jesus to turn water into wine in Palestine it is a punishable offense to turn corn into whisky in Alabama without a license.-Twentieth Century.

Mrs. S. Seery

The well known trumpet medium, of Dayton, Ohio, has just closed a successful series of seauces at Anderson, Ind., and goes to Cassadaga for the rest of the season. Her lady-like manners attract to her many admiring friends, and we hope she may add many more in the near future.

The coat that Jesus Christ is supposed from an exalted spirit, or one supposed to have worn during his sojourn on this mundane sphere is being exhibited at And the intelligence, Spiritualists (or the person acted upon will commingle sent, unseen love, in secret, in the family time. No mind now living in the mortal to eliminate such items from their re- Traves, Germany. It is said to have ports, except the message is impersonal healing properties. Great things are

AN ADDRESS Delivered before the Ladies' Progressive League Sunday evening, July 19th, in Fitchburg,

Mass., by H. H. Brigham, M. D. "There is a divinity that shapes our ends, rough hew them as we may. -Shakespeare.

We may plan and arrange and labor ening, until that which was designed for bards have sung. a passing hour's amusement has become

benefit of all humanity. divinity, is within and around every hu- being and your obedience to them. man being, and often the most trivial accomplished.

nated in a few minds. Its object was to to it again to night.

being declared false and trials for heresy and waiting to be destroyed. are the order of the day. Calls for conure, as now disobedience gives us sor be said upon this subject of conformity to law of living in accordance with nature, of seeking to know the natural fore fellowship with no other. demands of every department of our be-

are results to be found only within your- ers after truth may bring their best selves. Truly did Jesus say the kingdom thoughts and lay them there. In the of heaven is within you.

to accomplish, and yet the end reached talent was devoted to the teachings of will construct a beautiful temple from is far different from that which we and the laws of nature and man's adaptation this new material. A temple of love and experimental. But few incontrovertible ticipated and far better than any result to such laws that is given to teaching wisdom that shall shelter all humanity. of ours could have been. Again, we opposing faiths and creeds and dogmas, And when that time comes and each inmay plan and arrange for mere pleasure what rapid strides would be made to- dividual society and sect shall bring and pastime, but as the plan unfolds we ward the millenium, that glorious epoch what truth they have, more than one see its proportions broadening and deep- of which prophets have foretold and will come with his talent securely rolled

developed into a mighty plan for the League, with its broad, free platform, is it just as thou gavest it to me. I have History is filled with accounts of the besy of this future condition of peace, it has not been contaminated by contact confirmation of these truths. Spiritualgrandest humanitarian movements that health, happiness and heaven, to be es- with any other." trace their origin from most insignificant, tablished upon the earth. Here upon beginnings. Like a little rivulet start- this platform all are made welcome and manity's progress depends upon the esing from its mountain home, broadening all are encouraged to suggest a method tablishing of a free platform where any but should advance rapidly and become my judgment, rests the problem of orand deepening as it goes, until it be- and point out the way to the most earnest seeker for truth may present his a fixed science to be studied and known ganization. It is not merely the narrowcomes a mighty river bearing its count- speedy recognition and understanding offering and be assured of a respectful by intelligent persons in the abstract. less burdens upon its bosom, so every of the laws of nature. When we have hearing. Where freedom and toleration The demonstrated facts which come only new truth has burst forth from the foun- discovered one truth the result can only shall stand united, knowing that what through mediatorial power, being the broad concepts of the law, which in tain of wisdom, gathered strength in its be obtained through personal effort, seems at first to be wildest error has premises on which the philosopher preonward sweep, imparted life to all with Therefore it becomes a personal matter been found to be the most beautiful dicates his reasoning, indicates at once whom it came in contact and lifted off with each one of us to make every truth truth misunderstood. To those who some of the burdens of ignorance and practical just as soon as we are able to have spoken here and will speak, let me error from growing, struggling and up- recognize it. You alone must suffer the say, do not be disturbed if your pet disciplining that mediatorial or mediumward climbing humanity. And that pain and sorrow and sickness that comes theory has been opposed, for you may istic power. which is true of truth and principles is from getting into the wrong relation to rest assured that all there is of truth also true of every individual experience. law, and it is through yourself and your- will stand and grow by contact, while We have only to go back into our own self alone that the pleasure, peace and error will fade away and die amid its lives to know assuredly that there is a happiness is attained, that obedience power and wisdom that controls, that to law can bestow. This entire matter every heart; listen respectfully to all that cure and discrimination used in this re-"makes the wrath of man to praise Him, lies within your own hands; your present is offered; accept that which you can as spect. Perhaps in no other department and responsibilities. Thus our duties while the remainder of wrath is re- and future condition depends upon your truth; silently pass by that which appears of the cause could the principles of orstrained." This wisdom and power, this ability to comprehend the laws of your to be error. If you do this you will And right here is found the remedy

acts become potent factors in some great | that can cure all moral disease; the prinmovement, and from smallest motives ciple that can solve the great social econhave sprung some of the grandest issues. omic and financial problems of the times. But it was not for the purpose of eluci- So simple a remedy is worthy of our atdating these thoughts that I speak to- tention. It means a little less ignorance: night, but it was to establish the point a little more knowledge of ourselves and that from small beginnings great and the treatment these natures of ours deunexpected good has been reached and mand. But I have almost lost sight of the little new born babe, and had it not As a present illustration of this prin- been for an enemy that threatens its ciple I would call your attention to the life as Herod did the life of the holy Ladies' Progressive League. It origi- child of old, I might not have referred

promote sociability and pass a pleasant | The same Herod that opposed truth evening in conversation, interpersed two thousand years ago has ever been with games and other amusements. Even present at the birth of every new truth, its name was an impromitu thought, as and with drawn sword attempted to slay though some unseen intelligence had every infant in order that the one who day than it had one hundred or five hunsaid, call it the Progressive League. in after years would bind him in chains dred years ago. In like manner many real conflict of testimony of projected shameless hypocrisy which impregnate That name was a prophecy of what has should be reached and destroyed. This symbols representing abstract thought, which we receive through this the concrete mass. The reflexion of the been and that which is to be. This free enemy of truth, the Herod of the past, platform originated in the same way the tyrant that menaces our new born thought from one mind to another. without a conception of its significance. babe, appears upon the scene under the established in the world's history, where already stepped in to learn if this new each searcher for truth can bring the re- truth has any significance and if it has gress and opened the way for the present new born truth with their protecting

ventions and a free religious platform and far off rumblings that are borne on old idea organization. This brings us gence to work in exceptional cases. We just influence upon the side of a higher assail us from all quarters, but none so every breeze? Is it not the premonitory right to the point of consideration in have only to look at the inspirational and broader cosmopolitanism. This posifar suggested excepting this one is free signal of the explosion of old systems this article, viz .: The unsuccessful at- work of scores of mediums and detect tion is the highest within the arcana of only to the chosen ones, the Christian that oppress the laborer, crush the life tempt in the past to organize Spiritual in the analysis of their work a steady spiritual philosophy and is the only line world, the sheep of God. The goats can- out of the poor and consign the larger ism. The word organization has no growth in depth of soul expression, along which we may labor knowingly. not be admitted; they are excluded; they part of humanity to sadness and sorrow, meaning if used in relation to Spiritualmay continue to run wild. No matter heart aches and misery? Most assuredly how intelligent, or scholarly, or wise a this event will come, and when the past religious bodies. In Spiritualism in ever increasing force of logic. And grounds where all may meet and bury man or woman may be; no matter how smoke and debris is cleared away out of there is not, cannot be, formulated begrand the truth he has found outside the ashes will spring up a larger, grander lief of faiths requiring the sustaining of sympathy and holiness reflected one of these and there should be no dithe walls of a church, it must be rejected, and more humanitarian system, whose power of organic law, such as has been through a finely disciplined mentality, vision of thought upon the necessity for ignored, unaccepted. But the world is foundation shall be free thought, free growing. Free thought is broad. The toleration and a free platform. And very foundation of the old creeds have again, I wish to emphasize my former be made in the future to place spiritual all being the resultants of educational perpetuity of constitutional government already begun to crumble and their su- assertion that intoleration is the only societies on any such or similar basis processes taking place in and around rests wholly upon those who do not forperstructures will eventually fall, and in enemy we need to fear. Intoleration al- there (has been) can be but one result— the medial powers of the individual. their places will be erected an edifice ways has been and ever will be opposed final failure. He who becomes a Spiritlarge enough to hold the entire human to new thought. It is a lamentable fact unlist in the modern sense transcends family. Then shall a free platform be that when a new truth is found its dis- the ordinary boundaries of conviction. established where nature and her perfect coverers at once commence to wall it in, Facts of observation, facts of deduction laws shall be discussed and understood. as though that was the totality of truth. and but very few of them at that suffice When in the course of time, and that Then intolerance is placed at the gate. for him to assert his knowledge. These time is not far distant, these laws of God way as keeper, and he stands with a (nature) are better understood and drawn sword to ward off any new truth obeyed health and happiness will be un- or thought in any new direction. Next iversal. This is the kingdom of heaven a glaring banner is flung to the breeze and we are approaching it here and now. above the enclosure, which proclaims to ent; tangible; shorn of all mysticism, the hidden possibilities within the hu- casting loose from the evergreen glades For heaven is not a far country, reached all this dogmatic assertion: "We have Therefore it is plain to be seen that the man organism. Evidences are too proonly through the portal of death and captured the truth; we have confined it primary steps to conviction are shortthen opened only to the select few. within this enclosure; we will share it sharp decision. Heaven is happiness, attained through with you provided you come here for obedience to the laws of our own being, it, and you must come through that narphysical, moral and spiritual; when we row way and enter through that small better understand these laws they will gate. The good is all enclosed within be found easy to be obeyed, and obedi- these walls. All outside is error, wrong ence will give us the most intense pleas- and wickedness." That this is a literal picture I need only to refer you to the sults. In the other case the convictions row, sickness and pain. Too much cannot 1,200 different religious sects in this are born of demonstrated facts and the country alone, each setting themselves up as the only true way, and will there-

It is but a few years since an opinion ing and wisely obtaining and using the of an opposite character offered in some means nature has supplied. Light gives of the largest and strongest of these euthe pleasure of sight to the eye; air ex- closures was deemed a capital offence, please bear in mind the distinction I pands the lungs; food delights the and all sorts of cruelties were resorted stomach; thought invigorates the mind to in order to compel them to retract and love makes music and harmony in and return to the only true way of salthe soul. Health, happiness, harmony vation our way. But dogmatism is only organization to which Spirituaism tinuous resultants ever in a line of have demonstrated the continuity of on trial three months for as cents,

and heaven may be ours now or just as doomed. Free thought is mighty and it should or can be subjected. Here again higher truths. When Spiritualism be- life and activity beyond the grave, but soon as we understand the law that con- will conquer the world. Now just ex- let me apologize once for all for the crittrols the means that lead to these re- actly what is wanted is a universal free icisms which may form part of the dissults. For health, place and happiness platform where all thinkers and search cussion being entirely apart from per- to be, confined to mental, physical or and I am bound to believe that it is best course of time, and it is not a far distant If one-half the time and money and time either, some master mind or minds up in a napkin and say, here Lord is the This little society, the Progressive truth just as I received it. I have kept discriminating. the first born; the eldest child, the prop- guarded it with jealous eyes and I know

And in closing I will repeat that huworshippers. Let free toleration fill of the cause is largely dependent on the the individual. Hereon Spiritualists surely grow into a nobler manhood and womanhood and be led out into a broad-

this progressive league and all hail to foremost minds in the field of work those intelligencies above and around have not seen the necessity of establishthem that gave birth to that thought. which has resulted in this broad, free platform.

#### Written for The Better Wav. THINKING, DOING, WHAT AND HOW.

W. WINES SARGENT .- NO. 6. While many are cognizant of the fact that evolution stands behind the panonot seem to realize that the symbols, linary work. The many remarkable manthe media of thought expression, are ifestations which we have had of mediaalso carried along with it. The symbol torial and mediumistic powers cannot or word God has a different meaning to- be too highly praised. But would not

Evolution has changed the ideal forms This free platform, the very first ever name of intolerance. Intolerance has but men have not changed the symbols or character of thought commerce. Hence arises much contention-discussult of his quest and experience and lay he has determined to strangle it in its sion—the differences of which are more of the subjects for development? Is for one am devoutly glad of it. The it down there to remain until the mind infancy. But fortunately already this in appearance than reality. The word there not danger in the expressed moment an individual subscribes to a of some master builder shall, of this ma- new truth has so strengthened as to organization has lost much of its former thought-"let spirits run Spiritualism" tenet or swears allegiance to somebody's terial, construct a new and beautiful make intolerance tremble and take a significance when used in relation to unless they are subject to selection? A theorem, that moment he or she strikes temple of truth. So far divine intelli- back seat. Free thought and toleration silent unseen forces; especially when little thought will show these queries to the skull-paved road to the rack and gence has marked every step of its pro- have joined hands and encircled this used in relation to ideals which are sub- be full of significance in relation to the thumbscrew. They may not have a ject to a changed interpretation by the prosecution and prosperity of the cause broad and bold stand it is taking. The arms, and so long as they maintain that human mind. The ideals which played we are considering. A few words in reneed of such a platform is seen on every position there is no power in the uni- the principal part in religious thought gard to education as a necessary prelimhand. Look at the religious world and verse strong enough to kill it or hinder and feeling in John Calvin's time were inary discipline and I will close this note its demands and the efforts there its growth and development. It only such as would admit of the most strict article. put forth. Faiths as old as the Bible requires a little time and this puny in- iron-bound organization. The ideals reand supposed to be as firm as the foun- faut of the present will become a strong quired that kind of an organization and inspirational thoughts have been given history is forever repeating itself. dation of the world are being questioned youth and his shall be the quick hand to that kind of organization only could us through the organisms of youths and Now, the secret intentions of the soul by their best scholars and deepest think- apply the match to the dry prairie grass command and control ideals of the char- of some exceedingly illiterate adults. are truthfulness and perfect ability. of old useless dogmas and creed, which acter then entertained. Thought evo- This does not prove the necessity of il- Therefore the purpose should be to im-The very fundamental principles are have served their purpose and are ready lution in the Presbyterian Church has literacy or of youthfulness in inspira- prove the mind and expose to the world somewhat changed the ideals, hence tional work. It does emphasize the phe- at large a preponderence of virtue and What means the distant mutterings the rebellion which we see against the nomenal power of some spirit intelli- wisdom which shall inevitably wield its ism-i. e., the signification it implied in tion and appealing to the understanding in the aggregate, there are common facts do not ride and rest on the threads of history, or come to him through the ling gems of allegory. They are pres-

The distinguishing feature between the convert to orthodox Spiritualism and the one to phenomenal Spiritualism consists in this: In the first place the convictions are born in hypothesis and the convert is awaiting hypothetical reconvert works through channels of right. reason and religion to logical results. The first requires the protective power contained in organization, while the other requires the directory power contained in discipline. The reader will

sonalities as a reprimand; but rather as significant guides for reform, reconstruction. The phenomena as put forth complex truths the Theosophist is at is required a period for the leaven to by medial power every one familar with the subject must know, is still largely facts thus far have resulted therefrom. Unfortunate it is, for the reputation of the phenomena that so much has been left in its presentation for public consideration to untutored minds and in some instances to minds incapable of

experience is all that is required for the nothing more than boil and simmer ism is a formation science and there is to offer a thought no reason why it should remain for any considerable time entirely speculative, the necessity of protecting, sustaining, developing and in the broadest sense of them will include about all that can

The most distinguished feature of Spiritualism is the element of development. The reputation and advancement ogeneous self interest represented in ganization be applied but this. When principles, which are so important to the welfare, prosperity and happiness of er, grander field of thought and action. human life, are struggling for recogniing a university course of training and development which would guarantee a greater degree of harmony in the higher truths than as now presented or is apparent. It is evident that the promisideals of attainment should speedily rama of change in all nature, they do give way to more systematic and discipmuch of the apparent and in some cases through a special course of physical, mental and psychological training and development of the sensitive. Are there not too many developing circles where no regard to paid to the organic fitness ualism out from organized sect, and I

> It is true that some most wonderful This is the history of human affairs and clothed in ever increasing beauty of dic-

recognition will be withheld until a sys- will be held accountable. tem of work is established worthy the name of scientific procedure.

comes a science of systematized facts it their grouping and formulation into will not be, as many apparently think it scientific regimen is, as yet, in embryo, spirit manifestation only, but the range so to be. Society is not unlike a batch will be from the tiny rap to the most of dough with a little leaven in it. There tempting to make plain.

should it tend to a concert of thought batch of bread. In like manner the and action its length will be excusable. ##'No Postage Stamps taken in Payment

Written for The Better Way ORGANIZATION.

WILLARD J. HULL. It is not sufficient to say that personal organization, which apparently does down like any other bubble, permit me

Self-perservation is the first law of nature. Upon this proposition alone, in ness of the law as applied to the struggle for existence, but in the knowledge of volve the progress, unfoldment and perpetuity of character. The law may be viewed from two standpoints and either be of interest to the finite mind, viz.: the heterogeneous diffusion of thought directing religion, commerce and representative government drawn from hommay rest secure and draw their motives are two-fold-the betterment of self and the betterment of society; the cleansing and purifying of the body singular and the eradication of evil in the body aggregate. No stream rises above its source And now I say, all hail to the ladies of tion it seems a little strange that the and every evil, every wrong that burdens society at large traced to its final source rests upon and within the indi viduals composing it. No one who views the civilization of our time aright can attribute its errors and short-comings to extraneous causes. They all are inherent effects evolved through and by cocuous skirmishing all along the line habitation. Commerce and government without special regard to system or are to be outgrown through the natural processes of purification, augmented perhaps, by wise and determined efforts on the part of those who grasp the higher law. Self culture is the base of a perfected society. The foibles, follies and evils of persons make up the great crimes, the monstrous ingratitude and have ceased to be reliable transmitters of mediumistic channel, be corrected unit is perceived in the complex distri-

bution of its multiple parts. No system of organization can be effective unless its members think alike. Obviously this fact forever bars Spirit thought that inveighs against another's freedom, but the seed is sown and circumstances alone are required to make them think it right to strangle every adverse thought and burn every heretic

But however differentiated we may be what is better than all else, the sunshine every antagonism. Love of country is necessary in orthodox societies when- with a breadth of intellectual attain- concerted action. I never knew a Spiritever the attempt has been made or may ments, with acute moral discernments- ualist who was not a patriot, and the get that patriotism precedes and over-It may be said that the passivity which tops demagogueism. Let the Spiritualis necessary to a medium will be de- ists of this country rise in their might stroyed by the university training of and strangle the young octopus of imwhich I am advocating. In every de- perialism while its tentacles are growing. partment of educational discipline the If they shall have done this and assisted character of the desired development is, by concerted action in restoring public or should be, kept in view when apply- office to its original honor, posterity will ing the processes for such development, not be a severe critic. Through our inmazes of legend, or drop from the spark- for after all, the processes really signify difference and apathy regarding the more than the matter when unfolding principles of the constitution we are fast nounced in every department of human which have engulfed the nations before mous to displacing matter for spirit in activity to require special argument for us. If Spiritualists will demand that the human entity. In ratio to this, it is the establishment of educational insti- the integrity of the constitution be up- also taught, that the spirit of man is haptutions in the interest of Spiritualism. held and enforce that demand by the The present zig zag, multiplex, undis- power of the ballot backed by the moral this happiness is based on the power he ciplined, haphaz and irresponsible fum- law, they need have no fear about the possesses as a spirit—the matter-loving bling with the truth, which must repre- liberties of their mediums nor the sane- spirit being proportionately earth-bound sent the cause to the world, deservedly tity of the seance. The subversion of and in darkness. It would be rather unreceive no special recognition by savant the one means the obliteration of the welcome news to many if the spirit or scientist. We can rest assured that other and in both events Spiritualists I do not look for organization upon

any other hypothesis than is contained There is no finality to Spiritualism any in the foregoing. So far as Spiritualism more than there is to astronomy-the combines the experimental with the rescience of mathematics-chemistry or ligious it must remain free and untramany of the experimental or exact sciences. | meled and its devotees must, in order to make between organization and disci- Its multiplex character is that which keep abreast of the times, remain free to pline; for to discipline I shall give con- shall place it in the catalogue of sciences. act and to observe. We have a large acsiderable thought, feeling that it is the The elementary-the combined-the con- cumulation of facts, which to millions, the advanced thought of leading minds, sent

perform its office and if this period be This article is already too long, but shortened the good housewife has a poor leaven of Spiritualism is pulsating disintegrating and uplifting the great societary, religious and scientific bodies of the world and molding their inherent truths into forms of eternal perfection. Let it work. The great and wise spirits Anent the periodical effervescence of who have its economy in charge look over and beyond the charred embers of time and perceive their divine principles -the pole stars of mental and spiritual guidance-when the civilization of the spirit world and the organization of its principles shall be in part recognized and upheld by man mortal.

#### SHAKESPEARE AGAIN. To the Editor of The Better Was

I want to say a little on the Shakepeare question, whether wise or otherwise, you and your readers shall judge. That Spiritualists should ascribe his works to Bacon, is a little surprising to me, for it seems we have a much easier way out of the mystery.

The highest interest of glory are in the facts of Spiritualism, without going off into dreamy speculations, yet if any-

one enjoys them, I have no objections. We read about the prophets and apostles and others being "inspired." Spiritualists now better know what that means. At the present time we see or hear "inspired" speakers or trance mediums and know that inventors and artists and others receive their best thoughts and inventions from a higher spirit

Now look at Shakespeare. He had capacity, but only a little culture and experience. He was led to, or engaged about, a theatre where spirits loving the stage could more easily reach him. So (and I am not saying anything new) a band of ancient Greek dramatists and poets of the highest order, took charge of him as a competent medium through whom to produce a great work to stand for ages and in a language to be more read and have a wider influence than, perhaps, any other. As to his part, he was not very methodical or critical, so his works fell into some confusion or minor errors, as is often the case with "geniuses" or mediums.

So Queen Elizabeth, who had become much interested in them, employed Bacon to "revise" them. And that is all there is in the "Bacon authorship" so far as this writer can learn.

It is not strange that some of his expressions should find their way into them, but the general character of the work is not like Bacon, nor in his lines of thought. It is above him with all his learning and ability. It is, however, much more like the old Greek dramatists, if one will take the trouble to read them in the original, or even in a good

translation it will be seen. It may be well for Mr. Donnelly and some others to go to Bacon as their highest authority, but to the Spiritualist

it is, or should be, an open book. If our best thoughts and inventions now come from inspiring spirits, why not give them the credit of Shakespeare as we do of our Bible? And to him, too, his works possess more beauty or value or exalted thought than in most or all of the Bible. If the church denies our claim of inspiration, then poor or wise Shakespeare must be wiser than their

But we may all agree that the works are above Shakespeare, and so, too, are they above Bacon. Whence then came this splendid production, unless from more exalted minds? Such as were advancing in the higher state (for the old Greek mind is very progressive) or found medium through whom they could give themselves expression. Greece was a great fountain of thought and culture. and its master spirits have mainly led in the best thought of the world ever since and are doing so now, notwithstanding Moses or Jesus Christ, with all the respect to both of them.

Very respectfully to all parties con-

A. HAMMOND, Knowledge is based on experience, and Spiritualists have now sufficiently tested the teachings of the New Dispensation to know that spirituality (moderation and morality) allays sensuousness—the animalistic in man-and leads to higher ambitions, higher tastes and a more unpy or content in the next life, and that world should teach, in addition to this, as Christ did: "He that layeth up (earthly) treasures is not rich towards God." Was Christ right, or did he only mean the latter figuratively? To judge by the actions of our Christian brethren they do not take it literally. Will they then accept the teachings of Spiritualism, which are literal in their meaning?

Remember that the Better Way gives

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PSYCHIC EXPERIENCES,

rader this heading Mrs. Sara A. Unprood, wife of B. P. Underwood, the all hnown newspaper critic and lecturer onto in the August Arena some of her a experiences in mediumship, of which

pe following is an extract: John Smith, but whose real name THEAR AT BACHISTION 2 TON, 25 CENTA. more uncommon one) with whom y. C. had been acquainted many years, at of whose family relations he knew mile, died here more than a year ago. on I' had met him but once in the year grous to his death, he having been my on account of failing health, staywe understood, with a daughter reay married, whose home was in perida. The first name of this married leghter, or of any of Mr. Smith's g, t. I had met one of his daughters chose name I knew to be Jennie. I also interest for him. gt I was not sure, however, whether another unmarried, but had the impenion that Violet was unmarried. out evening, while waiting for automadis was written: 'John Smith will now geter into conversation with B. F. Unbrwood.' I rend this to Mr. U. who in matter, asked if Mr. Smith rememhard the last time they met, soon after in return from the South, and a short use previous to his death. There was our delay in the answer, but soon repyrame 'On Madison St.' 'Whereabouts Midison?' was asked. 'Near Washagion.' 'At what hour?' 'About 10 a. m. maing.' As it was rarely that Mr. U. m in that part of the city at so early an bor, and especially on a rainy day, I subted the correctness of this reply, bet Mr. If recalled to my mind the unmil circumstance which made it necmary for him to be in that vicinity on the day and at the hour named, on which in and Mr. Smith, he distinctly rememhted, last met. Only a few words pased between them on account of the rain. After this, writing, purporting to be from had done but had omitted, before his of my wife's are at my daughter's dismeal. All in her own disposal.' Mr. U. ht his property for he was a man of nome wealth was he now wished he had. You are right,' was written, 'want all my girls to share alike,' 'Which daughter do you refer to?' was asked. 'Went away from her in Florida -- Violet,' was the auwer. I remarked, 'Why, I thought Vio-

let um one of the unmarried girls, but it must be that that is the name of the mariel daughter.' Then Mr. U. was of this communication. 'Clearly state my desire that my daughter Violet share clamation of Emancipation. equally with her sisters.' Of course this utterly out of the question. At that on had, Mr. James Smith would have the truth of which we ourselves strongly plesding a manner that I came to feel madence stricken at refusing to do ing Mr. Smith's name appear. Once was witten, 'Say to James that in my new I feel that I did wrong to treat his sismay the idea that Violet had in some mording to her own will in opposition his. This was puzzling to us, as we bliswed her father's wishes.

Mlooked for verification of Mr. Smith's Penages. In a conversation between un purpose. Mr U. then inquired as to aderatood that he approved of the and the fact that he accompanied | Seneca, an ancient philosopher. well and husband to Plorida, and rewith them some time, would be bushaud, fell in love with a battles that followed were all successful as cents.

A few weeks later, however, came an

young man of whom her father did not to the Union side, fulfilling the exact approve, so she made a runaway marriage, and on account of this displeasure, Mr. Smith left her only a small sum." ps following is an extract:
-A gentleman of this city (whom I will given."

#### COL. CASE TESTIFIES.

"That the late President Lincoln was a Why, some of the pleasantest experiences I have ever had in connection with the whole subject of Spiritualism, covering a space of nearly thirty years, I enjoyed in company with our late Presilent and Mrs. Lincoln."

Thus spoke Colonel S. P. Case, the millionnaire railroad builder of Philadelinthiers except one, was unknown to phia, as he tipped back his chair with a pleasant smile on his face, recalling, as it were, scenes that held more than ordinary

"It was in 1862, when I was attending was the name of the married one, or to some of my railroad interests that had the honor of meeting Mr. Lincoln and our acquaintance grew into one of my mind, and Mr. U. sitting near me Being always interested in 'new' things the table with his thoughts concen- I incidentally heard through Judge Watmiel on an article he was preparing, tles of a spiritual medium named Mrs. Laurie, then living in Georgetown, and with him arranged to attend her seances, as they were called. I had met the Preadd aside his pen, and in order to test sident on one or two occasions before, but I confess I was not a little surprised when one evening the Judge and myself were shown into the little parlor, where ladies and gentlemen prominent in Washington society already there before us, and among the number were President and Mrs. Lincoln.

"After shaking hands and passing a few moments in pleasant conversation, Mrs. Laurie, the medium, announced that her daughter was so strong a physical medium that when sitting at the piano the instrument would be moved and lifted by some unseen spiritual power, and that any number of persons sitting upon it produced no perceptible difference in the result.

"The young woman, meanwhile, came in, and with her eyes closed, presumably Mr. Smith, came frequently. Very soon in a trance, seated herself at the piano mething was written which induced and began playing some simple melody. Mr. U. half sportively to inquire whether We all gathered about her watching inthre was anything which troubled Mr. tently for the promised phenomena. In smith, anything which he wished he a short time the instrument began to slowly move and then to keep time with death. The answer came, One thing-the music, gaining in power with every dange deeds on Violet's account. None movement until it fairly rocked backward and forward.

"Some one auggested that Judge Wataked if it was meant that he had not the and myself sit on the top of it and see if our united weight would have any effect. We accordingly did so, but the power grew much stronger, the instrument being lifted at times wholly from the floor. The President and one or two other gentlemen joined us in our elevated position, but the movements continued in spite of all we could do.

"Then we sat about the table for time, and while there loud raps were disstrongly urged to call on Mr. Smith's tinctly heard in all parts of the room. had a slight acquaintance, and tell him proceeding of that night was the command to the President to issue the Pro-

"Mr. Lincoln -- the manifestations at the table having ceased was relating the we had no intention of informing some peculiar mediumistic experiences my one of our psychic experience, and if he had witnessed with a medium by the name of Conkling when a younger thought us insane or impertinent to daughter of Mrs. Laurie, who had been come to him with so ridiculous a story, sitting in another part of the room, store and slowly advanced to the place where despited. Pages were, however, written we were all sitting. Hereyes were tightmeerning the matter in so carnest and ly shut, and as she stepped forward she raised her right hand, and, pointing toward the President, addressed him on whal was asked, and to shrink from see- the subject of human freedom for several minutes, and closing by declaring, in a most impressive manner: 'There is in million, and with my new views of life, the spirit world a congress of wise spirits who hold the welfare of this nation in be Violet as I did. She was not to blame their keeping. You, sir, have been called following out her own convictions, to your present position to serve a great then I had inculcated independent and mighty purpose. There are to-day bought and action for all.' This and thousands who are in physical bondage, the sentences of the kind seemed to from whose neck the yoke of oppression must be lifted, that this Republic may my incurred his displeasure by doing lead the world. Thou art the man! Issue, we conjure you, a proclamation of emanelpation giving freedom to the slave, the that in her marriage, at least, the and from that hour victory will crown three who have said in their thoughtslaughter we thought to be Violet had the Union army and heaven and humanity will be served!

"The young girl as she stood there in the dimly lighted room, her hair falling to her waist, her face all aglow with init. U. and a business friend of Mr. tense enthusiasm, was the very embodiin affairs, regret was expressed that so her most illumined moments, could not mility a man had left so little for a cer- not have manifested more power. We listened spellbound to the burning words, that disposition had been made of his and when they closed there was not a poperly, and was told that he had left dry eye in the room. The young girl mainly to his wife and children - so finally came back to consciousness, and io this one, and that, 'But Vio- started back abashed at having addressed " continued Mr. U's informant, 'was the President, who was greatly overcome only a small amount, as Mr. Smith by what he had heard, which was, in fact, magry because the married against one of the most powerful pleas for huwishes.' Why,' remarked Mr. U., man rights I have ever listened to. The controlling apirit was said to be that of

"On taking our departure Mr. Lincoln turned to ime and said, 'I am deeply imto indicate that, 'Oh, you are pressed by what I have heard,' This baking of Lucy, the chiest girl; her was late in December, 1862. On Jan-Possger daughters, going to Plorida aned, and from that time the twenty-six

prophecy of the young girl.

"In subsequent conversations Mr. Lin coln spoke of numberless seances he had The intelligence writing was aware of held with Charles Foster, Mrs. Maynard, facts unknown to either Mr. U. or my- Mr. Conkling and others, and he freself, and no other persons were in the quently referred to that eventful night in '62, and always in the most serious in" and drawn cards, Lucky Bill, with tone. There is not the least doubt that perfect calmness and not so much as a the spirit communication turned the shadow of a change in the expression of scales, and was the pivot upon which his face, laid his cards on the table, took one of the most important events in a note-book from his pocket and de-Spiritualist there is not the least doubt. American history revolved."-N. Y.

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THE SPIRIT SEES IT. To the Editor of The Better Way

I am the widow of Anthony Thiele, who died July 3rd, 1890. I put a marble head mark at his grave at St. Joseph's Cemetery near the city of Evansville, Ind., on or about a month ago.

Soon after I put it there, I went to a seance where a trumpet medium sat, and my spirit husband came to me, and told me that the head stone that I had placed there had been torn up and placed some were then before Congress, that I first little !distance away from its place; and that the parties who had taken it up, made a hole in the side of the head-stone. granting with no thought of Mr. Smith the pleasantest friendships of my life. He also informed me, that the flowers that I was in the habit of putting on his grave were torn up and thrown away by the same parties who had torn up and cast away the head-stone.

> I was greatly surprised at this information and troubled. I went the next found that the stone had been torn up miners. I was horrified at the occurand that the flowers had been torn up and cast away, just as my spirit husband the sennce was to be held, to find several had told me at the sennce. My spirit husband did not tell me who did this, for the reason as he alleged that he did not wish to make any trouble among the people he left in earth life.

> > I wish to publish this circumstance in order that the readers of your valuable paper, may have a test which seems to be worthy of note, and settles in my own mind beyond question or cavil that our spirit friends can and do communicate with their friends in the mortal. And while I do not know who did this mean act, I am satisfied that no Spiritualists had any hand in this grave desecration. MRS. A. THIELE.

THE RETTERWAY 0 MON. FOR 50 CENTA Written for The Better Way. TRANCE PHENOMENA.

O. W. HUMPHERY. As announced in a local paper, the last spiritual seance for the season, given by Miss Maggie Gaule, of Baltimore, Md., Wonn's Hall, 721 Sixth St. N. W. Wash- tained the facts study their meaningsa very intelligent looking audience, who came to pay tribute to Miss Gaule's fine ligion is. mediumship. As usual, the rapidly given and abundant tests met with prompt recognition, being a marvel to skeptics and gratification to Spiritualists, Although, the time was prolonged beyond the usual pirit was described, but would not give | ful, the advantages many, and I hope for someone in the audience who if they would or could recognize him, would help him very much. At the close of the senuce a lady stated that she did recognize this spirit in distress, but at the moment it did not occur to her.

At the conclusion, Miss Gaule thanked her hearers for their attention, and said if nothing prevented, at the commencement of next season she hoped to meet there with better facilities for holding seauces than those enjoyed, and advised as possible as a means of strengthening communication with the spirit world. While she was saying these words, she was suddenly entranced by her guide, Thomas Gale Poster, whose impressive utterance will not soon be forgotten. He said: "This woman was chosen by me for this public work much against her will. I have followed her for a long the rostrum and be the means of convincing you that immortal life is a truth. Why will you say-I can select at least this is nothing but mind reading. If it were mind reading, it would be greater than any spirit power. They are spirits of former mortals who speak through her lips. How foolish for you to say, mith, who was well acquainted with all ment of inspiration. Jeanne d'Arc, in their narrow clay heds, as you look down of their real power? upon them, that is the last of them. Do you think that all your interest, love and care is lost. They still live and love you only give them a chance to come to you." were spoken in measured tones attested how they went straight to their hearts.

Miss Caule will go to Cassadaga, and if they are to be a success. a letter has been written for her to come to Onact Bay.

THE BETTER WAY being the cheapest Spiritunitst paper published and the avenue for the where, and for the sake of those same best and leading minds to express their Tonger daughters, going to Plorida and, and from that time the twenty-six circle. It will be sent on trial three months for above. Yours in the cause,

was watching a game of poker once,

at Helena, Mont. The players were a gambler (whom I knew slightly and who hore the nobriquet of "Lucky Bill") and two miners. Suddenly, after the hands were dealt and the players had "chipped liberately wrote a few words. Then he tore out the leaf and handed it to me. 'I,ook at that when you get home tonight." His voice was steady and did not betray a particle of excitement. I thrust the paper aimlessly into my pocket and gave the matter hardly a second thought. The play progressed. Lucky Bill's face was unyielding as a stone and entirely inexpressive. He noticed everything, however, and his vigilant eye did not miss the slightest move on the part of the other players. He was a typical gambler and one of the most successful of his guild. Hence his sobriquet. At last there was an altercation between the two miners. Hot words ensued and revolvers were drawn. Some of the bystauders interferred at this point and, in the scuffle that followed, I heard the sharp whistle and sping of a bullet. Lucky Bill (his good star in the descendent) fell to the floor and expired without a groan. He had been killed by the accidental discharge of a morning in company with my sister, and pistol in the hands of one of the rence and that evening after I reached home, I thought of the line the gambler had written me. I took it from my pocket and read: "I have drawn a pair of sevens. I now hold jacks full on red sevens. It is a fatal hand. No one ever yet held it and left the card table alive. I shall die, I have \$,6000 in the First National of Bismarck, Notify my mother, Mrs. ----, of I'ranklin, Ky."-Detroit Free Press.

> Spiritualism Not Theoretical. A writer in Truth Secker says:

I have been carefully reading the discussions on Spiritualism and Spiritology to try to learn something, and I have not yet received any convincing evidence to sustain the hypothesis that our spirits or souls continue to live in the individual organized form after the death of the

Nor will you ever receive any evidence in that way, brother. Spiritualism does not deal in hypotheses; it deals in facts, and these facts are the proofs positive of spirit intercourse. Seek and ye shall find-not in books or newspapers, but in took place Friday evening, July 17, at seance chambers. When you have obngton, D. C. The room was well filled by the philosophy of Spiritualism, and you will know what a practical every day re-

> CHURCH SPIRITS AND MEDIUMS. To the Editor of The Better Way.

I have just been reading Dr. Fuller's report of the Lookout Mountain campmeeting, and reminds me of a promise I hour, more would have been given had it made to some of the mediums before not been for the heat of the room. The me- leaving the camp on Sunday, July 12th. dium was also somewhat distressed by an I had the good fortune to be present at influence thrown over her, that of a spirit the opening of the meeting and to be who, as it appeared, had died by his own there a part of every day till the date parried son, James, with whom Mr. U. But the greatest and most interesting duced in her throat an irritation. This quaintances there. The place is beautihis name, the medium stating that he desire great success for the future of the held his face down, although, beckoning Association. But to the promise I made

I do not like to even seem to criticise those who I am well satisfied, mean to do the very best thing possible. The President, Bro. Robinson, is a gentleman and an earnest Spiritualist, and I can easily see how he has been led to concede to the church and Sabbath school the use of the pavilion. He desires to show such a spirit of fairness as will help to make Mrs. Robinson a Spiritualist. I am not blaming him, but I want to ask if it is the best thing for sensitive that private circles be kept up as much mediums and speakers to have a Presbyteriaus' Sabbath school held in the room in the morning, that our speakers and mediums must occupy the remainder of the day.

The friends, all like Bro. Robinson, but the mediums and speakers—some of them-felt it difficult to do their best work under such conditions, still they sald nothing, for, as before said, they time that she might be prepared to take like Bro. Robinson, and they did not wish to hurt him nor to create a feeling Mrs. SARAH E. HERVEY, Onset, Mass

I promised some of them, however, that I would write to THE BETTER WAY and draw the attention of its Southern readers to this fact, not with a wish to hurt anyone, but to awaken thought upon the question if there is not danger that by giving church spirits such a purchase our campucetings may be shorn

Mrs. Ulrich, a sweet little medium from Nashville, authorized me to use her name. She said the conflicting and try to reach you, to convince you church element thus introduced made that they are not gone forever, if you will her sweat (not great drops of blood, but of water), and she further said it injured The down-cast eyes and rapt attention of her power as a medium—she found her-the listeners in the hall as these words not thus sensitive it is true, but many are, and our mediums ought to have the best of conditions at our campmeetings

> If there was only this one campmeet ing involved I would say, send this arti-cle directly to its President, but from the fact that church spirits are busy in trying to neutralize our efforts every church spirits that through our clear

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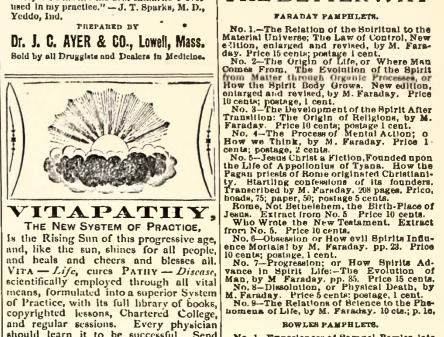
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It is well to criticise and search for a conform our thoughts to scientific system. But to iguore facts because they do not conform to our theories can hardly be called scientific.

Our critics assume certain consequen-

ces as inevitable and then demand that we must accept their assumptions and show how the thing is done. I deny all such authority. "Evolutional believers' are under no obligation to "show how count its creed. or when the mortal became immortal.' Neither are we under any obligations to accept the dictum of negationists as a finality or their reasoning as the Ultimo Thule of science. Our learned critic theorem," and he dogmatically affirms that "survival after death could not have be held in Chicago in the year 1893. We been introduced without violating evolutional premises." That is, without tribute according to our ability. We premises." He demands that we show his conclusions or be branded "unscientific."

Since "survival after death" is made settled a prima vista for Dyer D. Lum that neither protista, infusoria or man survives physical dissolution.

This is all very well. Dyer D. Lum is at liberty to prove by "evolutional premition formed, and one-half of the funds

winged butterfly. Here we may ask. parenthetically, if "evolution involves the non-existence of a first man"-could igneous theory of the primitive world be premises" how, when and where did organic life get started? Theorists may prove to their own satisfaction that the telephone is an impossibility and not compatible with "evolutional premises;" and the same theorists may deny clairaudience as contrary to "Darwin's great

very "unscientific." But one fact often spoils a very inscience? Cannot the "evolutional premises" endure an extension of facts beyoud the lines which guided Darwin in his great studies? He has been regarded as the man of facts, whose theorieswhat he had—were the inevitable product of "stubborn facts." He covered a large area in his investigations, but he only touched the threshold of nature's wonderful storehouse of phenomena. But supposing his "great theorem" to be correct in its skeleton outlines, and that his researches never brought him face to face with a single fact in the sphere of psychic realities, and that his blind followers find nothing in his "evolutional premises" to indicate "survival after death," must all other facts be barred out because they lead to higher conclusions? There are more facts that have been brought to the cognizance of of which sustain the claim of a conscious 'survival after death" than Darwin and all his worshippers have collected in support of the "evolutional premises." Theories often dissolve in the light of facts. The students of science are constantly modifying or re-casting theories to adapt them to the ever-extending membership are the Rev. Dr. Heber sphere of knowledge; and nothing has done more to introduce new facts and extend the field of observation and discovery on new lines and into territory of ever-increasing fruitfulness, rich in scientific data, than the mediumistic

phenomena, which are, for the most part, doggedly ignored, felittled or spurned by the self-appointed interpreters of "evolutional premises" and would-be dictators of what we must believe or "show" or be damued as "unscientific." If science is "knowledge" comprehension and uncertained; that which is known, (Webster) who is entitled to judge when "evolutional premises" are pitted against experience and facts that have been verified in a thousand ways and observed by millions of as reliable witnesses as been the alleged 'soul.' In any case, any of those who, like blind moles, are feeling their way in the dark and groping after shadows? Suppose the facts troduced without violating evolutional do disturb the "evolutional premises?" premises. We must either assert a first Bad for the facts, is it not? They ought survival after death to be but ephemeral not be so stubborn. They should be in duration, corresponding with mental more considerate of "evolutional premevolution involves the non-existence of "survival after death." The countless a first man, so there never could have | millions who have shared the experience post-obit existence of the wisest to-day of "evolutional premises" be compelled "be swallowed up in victory," but should the Lulu Hurst order. rational interpretation of nature and to be permitted, without protest from those who know better, to swallow up his victims and annihilate all traces of the spirof this life's fitful dreams with a divine significance that never touches the "evoophy that has no use for facts that dis-

> SPIRITUALISM AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

To the Editor of The Better Way Bro. Hudson Tuttle's article in your issue of July 25th calls for an expression at the World's Columbian Exposition to are in favor of the exhibit and will conviolating Dyer D. Lum's "evolutional recognize Bro. Tuttle as the right man to be at the head of an organization to tal or assert immortality for protista and thousand Spiritualists contributing \$5.00 infusoria. We decline to assert any each would put the movement in workthing under authority or to compromise ing order. A popular subscription of our convictions to gratify the conceit of one dollar each could be started immean evolutionist who requires us to accept diately in every community and twenty the money put in the hands of the Treasurer of the organization before the as incompatible with "evolutional premits t of January, 1892. This would be ises" as immortality, and since we are money enough to insure success and we assured there never could have been a want nothing less than a marked suc-"first man" or a "first human soul," and cess. If Bro, Tuttle could be authorized that a "first survival" and special creation to move at once by proprietors of the and say to Bro. Tuttle go ahead, a basis

thousand dollars is more than would be required, no one will be sorry; if more than \$50,000 is required the Spiritualists there ever have been a first protista or of America can raise it as soon as it is infusoria? If not, could there ever have shown by our leading men and women by visible in the semi-twilight, and an been a first germ of any kind? If the that it is needed. Let every Spiritualist -male and female-consider himself accepted in D. D. Lum's "evolutional a committee of one to respond to our friend Tuttle's call and you can say you second the motion for a grand spiritual first instance. exhibit, if no more, and this will be the basis of the movement and will insure success. Mail the response to your nearest spiritual paper; pour them in by the hundred thousand, and as said betheorem" and clairvoyance contrary to all fore, the movement will go forward to a the known laws of light and vision and permanent World's Fair organization. No one need excuse themselves in this response; let us be united as we have genious theory. Are facts opposed to been many times in the past forty-three years; in this movement let us be universally united. Compelled to be absent from Chicago (our home) on business until the Spring of '93, therefore we can only assist with our limited means and pen. We shall move in harmony with the officers and workers of the movement for the only and single object of success. We shall hope to make some suggestions when an organization is completed and the proper officer's are chosen. If the Spiritualists resolve to move in this matter we believe that such a degree of unity and harmony will characterize every effort that we cannot fail to command the confidence and good wishes of the world.

We have written a short letter to two other spiritual papers because of our interest and because we know how easy it the senses by Modern Spiritualism, all is to excuse ourselves during the hot

Yours for a united effort, DRS. M. E. & ROSA C. CONGAR.

LIFTED BY PSYCHIC FORCE. Lowell, July 29 .- The Committee of Investigation of the American Psychical Society, formed to test Modern Spiritualism and prominent on whose roll of Newton, of New York, and the Rev. Minot Savage, of Boston, has just finished a series of three seances with Miss Josephine Lord, of this city. She is young, lives with her father and mother, has never known anything of Spiritualism, and until recently has been a member and a constant attendant of the First Baptist Church. About two years ago her favorite brother was taken very ill. A woman friend who was calling foretold his immediate death, which, proving correct, impressed Miss Lord and her family very much. Heartbroken they sought, like many others, consolation in Spiritualism, and thus began the me-

diumistic career of Miss Lord --

The phenomena produced by Miss Lord are of a peculiar character, occurring for the most part in the light. She apparently has command of the occult powers, the unseen force obeying her directions. At the first seance, held under the direction of the Rev. T. Ernest Allen, of Providence, R. I., Secretary of the American Psychical Society, with six others present, three canes, one of progress, or boldly assume creation, ises." They should not obtrude upon wood, another of glass and another of either of which are unscientific. But as the "great theorem" which prohibits steel, were made to stand upon the floor materializing medium in above com-At a command from Miss Lord the canes been a first human 'soul,' for if there and know they are still alive ought to be moved in any direction indicated, but Mr. Scats for particulars. were its ephemeral spiritual existence placed under guard for testifying against they would not respond to a request could but prove a corresponding longer the "great theorem" and in the interest made by any other person in the room. She then took one of the sticks in her of death can lay no claim to immortality." henceforth D. D. Lum may not be haunt- it lightly between her fingers, no person ed with troublesome facts so painful to present was able to take it from her. his luminous theory. Death should not This phenomenon is something after

The second seance was re-enforced by B. O. Flower, of Boston, editor of the the light ere long. Arena; Mrs. Flower and Mr. Garland, itual graces, tender memories, inspiring all being members of the society. On affections and ultimate uses, whose im- this occasion the manifestations were mortal prophecies wreath the shadows far more varied and striking in character. Sitting in the dim light around the table shadowy forms were seen lutional premises" of the blind philos- plainly, moving here and there, bending over and breathing some word of comfort in a whisper; then seeming to rise in the air, to be lost in the deepening shadows. There stood at a little distance from the table a large rocking give the date of the paper simply, or, at chair, which all at once began to rock. least not the name of the article without Gradually it slid nearer to the table and this. evidently believes in "Darwin's great from Spiritualists regarding an exhibit pushed itself in between two of the persons sitting there. Then it stopped for a moment and slowly rose a few inches from the floor, falling back again with a loud thud almost instantly. It rose in and through his treatment succeeded that King was convicted under process somewhat higher a second time, returning quickly to the floor again. Making it to health again. Dr. B. has had good how or when the mortal became immore move immediately in this matter. Five a third attempt, as though moved by success in such cases before. some superhuman force, it lifted itself squarely on the top of the table and began rocking violently.

A murmur of surprise went through the 100m. After a little delay Mr. Flower five thousand subscribers obtained and declared himself wonder struck, and suggested that the chair be returned to the floor, saying as he did so: "Could anyone sit in the chair, I wonder, and if

so, could both be lifted?" Instantly three loud raps were heard, which in spookdom is the signal for yes. Having thus gained the consent of the are alike "unscientific," the question is Spiritual Press, much could be done at unseen agents, Mrs. Flower, with much our camps in August, or if the camps trepidation, seated herself in the chair, and press would act as one organization the company meantime all joining in singing a familiar hymn. This had contipued for a few moments only when the could be reached, perhaps the organizachair, despite all of Mrs. Flower's efforts ises" that it is "unscientific to believe secured immediately. These are our in- to prevent it, began slowly to rock backthat a snake may shed his skin and still dividual suggestions. We will be one ward and forward. In vain did the oc

the same, gaining gradually in force and velocity.

Every eye was fixed upon the chair and its occupant, which were both plainexclamation of fear arose as the chair was lifted with its occupant fully ten inches from the floor and then sunk back again, just as it had done in the

"Are you afraid?" asked several persons of Mrs. Flower. They saw she looked somewhat pale.

"N-n-o, not v-ery," was the answer hesitatingly given.

The last word had not left her lips, when as though with one mighty effort the chair and its occupant were both placed on the centre of the table in the presence of the astonished company.

At the third seance in the presence of the same company about the same phenomens occurred with an additional mystery. Near the ceiling was a large picture hook. One of the men present asked permission to place something on it and was told, by loud raps, that he doing all we can to promote a creditable table and he folded a bank note length. lists. wise and tied it about the hook. After he took his seat all joined hands and was very dim. Not more than five minutes had passed before the medium uttered a cry more like the war whoop of sticks." He has been rebuked by favorher hands upward she caught the bank ling by women. note from the air just above her own head. With this manifestation the meeting broke up, not however, until the members of the society had expressed their complete satisfaction with what had occurred, and suggested a continuance of these remarkable experiments

#### in the autumn.—N. Y. Sun. PERSONALS.

Contributions received: J. C. W., W. , A. F. H.

Alderman T. P. Barkas, a prominent Spiritualist of England and an active worker passed to spirit life from his home at Newcastle on the 13th ult.

"London Light," please attend! You give a list of "the chief periodicals devoted to the subject of Spiritualism" but omit THE BETTER WAY. Why? Is it not the largest, cheapest and best weekly Spiritualist paper in the world for the money? Only \$1 a year!

See further correspondence on seventh

The Society of Union Spiritualists will rent their hall for Wednesday evenings and all day Sundays during the month of August on very reasonable terms. Call on or address I. S. McCracken, N. W. cor. 5th and Walnut sts., Cincinnati, O.

"Cassadaga: Its History and Teachings," an illustrated work issued by Messrs. H. D. Barrett and A. W. McCoy, is out. Review later. In the mean time we advise everybody to get a copy. Price \$1.50. Address Barrett and McCoy, Lily Dale, N. Y.

W. D. Scats of Union City, Tenn. writes, that there is demand for a good for five minutes in a vertical position, munity. Those desiring to go South or during the winter might addres

> In place of replying through "our in to-day's issue through an editorial on questioner will appreciate as well as other readers.

> An endorsement of Mr. Davis' mediumship signed by a member of Brooklyn's best Spiritualists is in hand and will see

Dr. H. F. Lynch of Memphis, Tenn. paid our sanctum a visit last week.

It being difficult for our copy chopper to know which part of a long correspondence is deemed most important by the writer, it would be well for each correspondent to abbreviate his manuscript before sending it off.

Persons ordering back numbers for certain articles they contain, will please

A two-year old child fell from a second story window on the stone pavement below and fractured its skull. Dr. S. S.

Mrs. J. H. Stowell has taken up her headquarters for this mouth at Cassadaga Camp, where her many friends may find her at Mrs. E. D. Smith's cottage.

The friends of Mr. C. R. Bennett, of Worcester, Mass., will be pleased to hear that he has so far recovered that he is enabled to be about, and is at present quartered at the Maple House of that

Coney Island. Participants can either provide themselves with lunch baskets hurtful in itself to work on Sunday he a suake; that a polliwog may lose his of the five thousand to raise \$25,000 at cupant place her feet upon the floor and or take hotel fare on the grounds. Those tail without losing his individuality, or once (twenty-five thousand dollars). If protest that the chair should not, could contemplate going should secure their day, is beside the question.

our money estimate is too high, if fifty not, dare not move. It continued just tickets from Mr. McCracken, northwest corner Fifth and Walnut streets, which insures the society a percentage on the

#### NEWS ITEMS.

Would commercial reciprocity promote or retard Canadiau annexation? is now

There is likely to be a large demand for American foodstuffs during the next twelve months owing to the failure of crops in India, France and Russia.

Emperor William has formulated a plan to raise 8,000,000 marks to be used in aiding the suppression of the African slave trade. The German clergy are strongly opposing the plan.

Chili, although kept pretty busy with formidable insurrection within its territory, has taken time to decide to participate in the World's Fair, and to appropriate \$100,000 for that purpose.

The Russian police have been very much excited over a report that anarchists, disguised as sailors of the French fleet, intended an attack on the life of the Czar. The consequence is that Frenchmight do so. A stool was placed on the men are watched more closely than nihi-

Episcopal Bishop Coxe of Western New York denounces bicycling as "grosssoon all were softly singing. The light ly immodest as well as ridiculous for women." He says that "women on bicycles look like witches on brooman Indian than anything else. Throwing ers of the hygienic advantages of bicyc-

> Interest gathers daily in the Spiritualist meeting at Lily Dale, N. Y., as most wonderful public tests are given from the platform. The forms and features of the dead who are declared to be present are fully described, and in many cases their names given. Much excitement is manifested when these extraordinary evidences of mediumistic power receive confirmation, as in the majority of cases they do from the friends of the deceased .- N. Y. Press.

The Spiritualists are having as lively a time in their summer congress at Cassadaga Lake as other people have at the other summer resorts at which the study of religion and the pursuit of pleasure

are intermingled. The Spiritualists filled by an intelligent audience, who there enjoy extra-mundane phenomena listened attentively for over an hour to and terrestrial music, speeches on the a masterly discourse on the Objections inconceivable mysteries, and exercises in dancing, with variations of all kinds. to do the speaker justice in this article. They are bound to show that faith in the But the lecturer was able to convince all spooks is not incompatible with fun in his hearers that the objections were very the flesh.—N. Y. Sun.

A. W. Tate, at Jamestown, O., for assult pared with orthodox theology, which with intent to rape is closed. The large was so very objectionable on account of Opera House was crowded to its utmost capacity, showing the intense feeling punishment being only a reformatory which prevailed, and when the Judge announced in deep tones that there had that no one could be made better by not been sufficient evidence to convict eternal punishment. The speaker's acthe accused a shout arose that fairly count of personal experiences and the shook the building. After quiet had been restored the Judge dismissed the large audience with all joining in and singing the longmetre doxology: and thrill of happiness to many present. He thus closed one of the most exciting

events in the history of Jamestown.

MEMPHIS, August 2d. E. S. Ham-

handed down his decision in the now famous case of R. M. King, the Seventh-Day Adventist. King was convicted a Question Department" we again do so year ago of Sabbath breaking by plowing on Sunday in Obion County. He apor in the future. Such a postponement to recant and sign a libel, that from hand, and, although apparently holding spirit communion, which we hope the pealed to the Supreme Court and the sentence was affirmed. Then the Adventists and National Secular Association took up the case. Don M. Dickinson was engaged as counsel and the case was taken to the Federal Court last November on a writ of habeas corpus, the contention being that the conviction was contrary to the hill of rights of Tennessee and the Constitution of the United States and that the defendant was held prisoner by a Sheriff without due process of law. The application was argued several months ago, and Judge Hammond has had it under advisement ever since. The opinion is a lengthy and learned document, and dwells exclusively and exhaustively upon every phase of the arguments in favor of the religious prisoner. The defendant, however, is remanded to the custody of the Sheriff to pay the fine or serve the time in lieu according to the sentence. The decision is based not so much on the constitution-Baldwin, a magnetic physician, was called ality of Sabbath laws as upon the fact in saving the child's life and restoring of the Tennessee law, and it is not in the province of the Federal Court to review the case. Malice, religious or otherwise. may dictate a prosecution, but if the law has been violated this fact never shields the law-breaker. Neither do the Courts require that there shall be some moral obloquy to support a given law before enforcing it, and it is not necessary to maintain that to violate the Sunday observance custom shall be of itself immoral to make it criminal in the eyes of the law. It may be harmless in itself, because, as the petitioner believes God for most 30 years, and would say that in all my Bro. J. J. Morse's Lyceum Banner is has not set that day for rest and holiness, improving with age. The July issue was a holiday number issued entirely and exclusively for children. Price 1d. Address So Needham Road, Kensington, Liverpool, Eng.

The July issue was to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to set to work Sunday, and yet, if man has set to work Sunday must be obeyed as man slaw, it not as God's law. And it is just as evil to violate such a law in the eyes of the world as one sanctioned by God—I mean just as criminal in law. The crime is in doing the thing forbidden by law, harmless though it be in itself. Therefore all that part of the argument that it is not.

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CINCINNATI, O.

The Ladies' Aid met at G. A. R. Hall on Tuesday afternoon, July 28th, with Mrs. McCracken presiding, the only business on hand being a picnic to be held at Coney Island by the society The members of the Aid discussed ways and means freely and decided to do all in their power to make it a success.

Among the visitors present we were pleased to greet Mrs. Geo. Bartholomer. of Madisonville, and Miss Bowman, of Dayton, O., a guest of Mrs. Allen, of Sycamore street.

We heard with regret that Dr. and Mrs. Lamon intended going to Colorado for the benefit of Mrs. Lamon's health Our Aid Society has lost one of its most worthy members in their departure, but we hope not for long. May good health soon return to you our friend, and then return to us. Between forty and fifty ladies were present and after busines, was laid aside our spirit friends were called upon and responded with their usual cheerfulness, and a good time was participated in by all present.

One of the most pleasant and agreeable events of the season was the social picnic, given as a surprise to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. King, of Madisonville, in honor of Mr. King's birthday. Although not a large crowd, a happier one could not be found. Music and laughter rang out upon the lawn and feasting and good cheer reigned supreme. Every one there voted a speedy return of another just like it. The company came early and stayed late, and with a hearty wish for the worthy couple's success and welfare, all came home thinking the day was not PLYMOUTH WEEKS.

The Psychical Research Society held its regular Sunday afternoon meeting at Douglass Castle Hall, corner Sixth and Walnut streets. The meeting was opened with excellent music, after which the control of Mr. A. Corbin commenced to deliver a lecture. This gentleman is not fully developed and the control could not proceed far, and therefore had to be excused.

Our rostrum being free to all, Mr. F. Laishbrook, of Dayton, O., was invited to take the platform. The hall was well to Spiritualism. The writer utterly fails illogical and that the philosophy of Spir-The trial of Jennie McCord and Rev. itualism was a sublime truth, as comits doctrine of endless punishment (for measure). The speaker clearly showed grand consolation Spiritualism has brought to himself and others, making them better men and women, brought a urged to teach the truth of spirit presence to the little children as a safeguard throughout their lives, always admonishmond, District United States Judge, has ing them to live pure lives in the sight of angel friends who were ever present The speaker was heartily applanded at

the close of his discourse. Mrs. Kopp next took the platform, and under control, gave names and description of many spirits present, which were recognized as correct, the tests being of nterest to all.

The Psychical Research Society gives free lectures every Sunday at 3 o'clock . м.; everybody invited. Our regular speaker, Mrs. Ada Sheehan, is absent at present, but still the interest in these neetings increase.

Mrs. Sheehan returns to the society on Sunday, September 13th. That being the date of the 3rd Anniversary of the society's existence it is proposed to make it a gala day, and an invitation is extended to all Spiritualists to be present. A medium's meeting in the morning and lecture by Mrs. Sheehan in the afternoon, and also in the evening, and the following Monday evening, September 14th, a grand musical and literary entertainment will be given to which a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Our society is having a grand boom and Spiritualism is growing fast, for the age of faith is past. This, being an age of investigation, people are asking, "if a man die, shall he live again?" and trying to settle the question for themselves, and sooner or latter all must become interested in the philosophy of Spiritualism. The anniversary committee will meet Saturday evening at the residence of

Brother Willis, at S P. M. sharp.

JAMES ASTON, Sec. Pro. tem. A man who has practiced medicine for forty years, ought to know salt from sugar; read

what he says: Tolebo, O., January 10, 1887. Mesers. P. J. Cheney & Co.-Gentlemen:-I have been in the general practice of medicine practice and experience have never seen a pre-

We will give \$100 for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured with Hall's Catarrh cure. Takes internally. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props. Toledo, O. ## Sold by druggists, 75 cents.

It is hard to reconcile the two facts that the Lord made man and that the Lord never made a mistake.—Atchison Globe.

### Correspondence.

Atlanta, Ca.

Sunday evening, the 2d ult., our society held its regular election for officers, with the fol-lowing result: J. V. M. Cain, President, T. M. Taylor, Vice-president; C. A. Harris, Secretary; M. E. Ganus, Treasurer; Mrs. Fanule Hall, Corresponding Secretary, Trustees; W. G. For-syth, J. A. J. Davis, Mrs. Geogia J. Watson. We have had very little change in our offi-

cers, as everyone seems to be pleased with the old regime. We are hoping for a more vigorons and progressive policy than we have had heretofore, but do not expect much until after warm weather and camp meetings are over.

Your action in reducing your subscription rates one-half will, I think, be a good thing for both the paper and the public, as you have put Rwithin the reach of many who could not afford to take it at the old rates. We love THE BETTER WAY and appreciate its weekly feast. MRS. FANNIE HALL.

Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

The committee appointed by the Southern Association of Spiritualists to investigate into its legal standing, having consulted with Col. Tomlinson Fort, of Chattanooga, and also having obtained a copy of the charter under which it had been transacting business, discovered that said association had no legal existence, as the charter was issued to a local society in Memphis, known as the Spiritual and Liberal Association, and did not recognize the name Southern Association of Spiritualists. Therefore at the meeting held on the camp ground at Lookout Mountain, Tenn., July 19, 1891, the following vote was passed: That the Secretary be instructed to notify all parties having received ordination papers from the Southern Association of Spiritualists, through its official organ. THE BETTER WAY, that said papers are hereby revoked on the ground of illegality of said association. This casts no reflection on the ministers ordained by said association, but is published simply to call their attention to the fact that they have no legal right under said papers and also that said association is now dissolved. GRORGE A. PULLER, Sec'y.

Haslett Park, Mich.

Haslett Park Association, opened August 2d, with a fine address of welcome from the Chairman, Hon. H. C. Hodge, followed by a poem by Mrs. Owen. Mrs. Jennie Hagan Jackson gave a fine opening lecture, suitable to such an occasion, closing as usual with improvisations as only she can give. The best effort was in the afternoon, when subjects were taken from the audience and answered with logic and reason. The closing poems of the day left one with the impression that she could weave her thought into rythm, combining the poetic and practical in a truly marvelous manner. Miss Cora Denny is here and her powers are beautifully expressed in music upon each occasion. Also Prof. Walker, a fine violinist, adds to the pleasure of all. The camp is well attended and everything bespeaks success and profit-in a spiritual way at least.

Go which way we may, on the grounds we and improvements, or better still, a pleasant face and kindly greeting. One we miss, Mr. Haslett himself, who recently passed over, but we look around again and see what he has left us and cease to regret that we may carry out his hopes and ambitions for Haslett Park. E. J. E.

#### Yours, Clinton, lowa, Camp.

are nearing completion, and by the time this reaches your readers the meeting will be opened. Tents are nearly all in place and a number already occupied and rented. The old rivals. The new cottages are being pushed to completion, and letters from all directions assure the management that Clinton Camp will have an unusual large attendance for the sea-

The officials are all busy as bees making the necessary preparations incident to camp seems to be a disposition on the part of all to get and do all the good possible while sojourning at Mt. Pleasant Park.

temperature, which has been unusually cool, which is much appreclated by all.

A letter from Dr. T. Wilkins, our former Vice-president, contains the information that a large number from the Minnetonka Camp will arrive by boat Friday morning, bringing their own tents and coming prepared to work for the benefit of humanity and the upbuilding of the cause of Spiritualism. With such beautiful surroundings and with the unity of purpose on the part of the management, as well as the expressions of good will on the part of everyone, the success of our campmeeting for the year trut is assured. WILL C. HODGE.

#### St. Paul, Minn.

At the Minnetonka Campmeeting the organi nation started at the anniversary meeting was completed by electing officers for the long term and adopting articles of incorporation and constitution and by-laws. We now have a chartered organization for the purpose of giving to the people of the Northwest more knowlting for some years past. It is the intention of the association to place in the field one or more lecturers and organizers, and any com- ready to listen. munity desiring a course of lectures on Spiritassociation as chosen for the first year are as over four Sundays. follows. T. Wilkins, President; W. H. Bach, dents Mrs. G. F. Howell, Miss Abby A. Jud- cause immediately. son, Mrs. G. W. Sherwood, Judge S. C. Clark,

Although the grounds have not been decided apou as yet, we will hold a campmeeting from July 15 to August 15, 1802. Some years ago there were neveral sites offered for a campmeeting and the officers of the association would be pleased to hear from anyone having anything in that line to offer at the present

For further particulars and full information. at his permanent address, St. Paul, Minn. Address for mouth of August. Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, In. W. H. BACH, Sec. N. W. S. A.

Watertown, N. Y.

when I last wrote to your paper, the Spiritualist's Literary Club had only engaged Mr. R. H. Licensian for two weeks, with the intention of taking a vacation through the summer, but all of the spiritualists here were so highly pleased with Mr Kneeshaw that we were led to engage him for the remainder of the month and have tone to much to the financial and intellectual faceess of the club. I would advise att socie-Hen who are in need of a first-class openker to give him a trial

Through the summer we are to continue our mial meetings every Tuesday evening at Mrs. buith a residence, 11 High street, and would Menda cordial invitation to all to come and stour meetings, which will be found from inharmony and pleasantly conducted readings, music and social intercourse be bil we resque our meetings with mime ent sections of our union.

of the best talent obtainable.

C. H. MATTISON, Sec'y

Mrs. Mary C. Lyman; of Fulton, Oswego Co. N. Y., last month closed an engagement of our year and six months with the First Progressive Spiritual Society, of Watertown, and I am happy to say as an inspirational speaker and test medium she is par excellence.

The officers of the First Spiritual Progressive Society, of Watertown, are as follows, the effect of the last election: Able Davis, President, Mrs. Caroline Davis, Trustee; J. Gifford, Vice-President: Mrs. M. L. Gifford, Treasurer; Mrs. H. Van Wormer, Trustee; Mrs. F. J. Lee, Secretary; Orval Van Wormer, Corresponding Secre-Respectfully. J. GIFFORD.

Detroit, Mich.

Although Spiritualist circles here are publicly very active at the present time, yet the cause is constantly advancing and gaining new accessions to its ranks. This city has been visited this summer by various mediums, some of the ultra quack, fortune-telling, "born with a veil," seventh daughter variety," and some who announce themselves honestly as spirit mediums. It is proposed that the People's Progressive Spiritual Society of this city shall, on the beginning of its next season's work, publicly endorse mediums that come or are located here who are manifestly honest and are willing to come to the front and aid in the spiritual work as spirit media, and by silence, at least express its disapproval of the class of imposters whose sole mission is to serve mammon under the sacred garb of spirit mediumship.

Mrs. Ireland remains with us and is winning golden opinions from the best and most intelli gent investigators and Spiritualists.

Mrs. Lena Bible is a more recent accession she and her mother having taken permanent quarters here at 176 Orchard street. She is open for platform engagements for a part of next year, but we have engaged her for November and shall probably retain her for additional time. Her private readings are exceptionally excellent and give the best satisfaction. Our ecture season will open the first Sunday in September with Moses Hull; Lyman C. Howe is engaged for October and Mrs. Bible for November as before stated. The present officers do not feel warranted in closing arrangements be youd that time.

The National Spiritual and Religlous Camp Association of Mantua Station, O.

It affords us much pleasure to inform our many friends of the cause and its best interests everywhere briefly of our work in camp here to date. Themoble workers on the platform, the mediums for various phases present, the musisicians who lend such pure and and needed in spiration daily, all deserve special mention.

Bro. French gave us the first week three fine and intensely interesting lectures in his best style. In substance scientific, logical, eloquent in a manner words cannot express, and he was at once retained for the session of 1802. Anna S. Robinson gives the best satisfaction,

ooth in public and private, and "Alice," her zuide, a Belgian nun, is unique, witty and intelligent in a high degree, and is the pride of the camp. She does a grand work. Mrs. Mary C. Lyman came early to meet the

demand for her presence. She is an organizer and orator that surmounts all obstacles; posiive, clear, accurate. She creates and rear thought-temples for all time.

Prof. G. W. Oles, the violin wizard, in the grand concerts gives from his Cremona marvel Preparations for the ninth annual camp of our farmony by the great masters and de-the Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Association lighted and surprised by his own compositions. He is ably supported by Anna White Oles and Mrs B. B. Wilson, able planist and vocalist

while Prof. Plum and his soloist, Mrs. J. P. Bar ber, more than pleased. Clair Tuttle and Lew campers are arriving on nearly every train, and W. Glesson, with none but local talent, give quite a number of new faces are among the ar- as fine, pleasing and instructive dramas as are presented anywhere, and draw large audiences.

The spirit pictures and slate writing by H E. Chase, of Cleveland, O., deserve special mention. A written message came on one photo, and paintings and messages, in various styles of writing between closed slates, all of which have been voted as fine as ever seen or life. The best of feeling prevails, and there heard of. He is a credit to us, and we can commend his work highly.

All conditions are now favorable for a grand There has been a delightful change in the ten days, and promise report later.

FRANK F. WILSON, Sec'y. and good time to all here or coming for the next

Closing of the Camp at Lake Min-

netonka. Our meeting at Lake Minnetonka grew better from the first to the last; the last day being by far the most interesting day we had. The audience was probably double that of any pre

vious audience. In the morning I discoursed on "The mission of Spiritualism." In the afternoon Mrs. Adah Sheehan talked eloquently on "If a man die shall be live again?" and I followed with a talk on "Angels, their power and willingness to cooperate with us." At night speeches were made by Mr. Bach, Mr. Wilkins, the newly elected president, Dr. Arnop, Mr. and Mrs. Aspinwall, Mrs. Sheehan, Captain Brown, of St.

Louis, Mo., Mrs. Hull and myself. All regretted when the time came for the amp to break, and it is believed that if it had continued it would have done more than twice the amount of work in another month it did during July. The guests at the hotel began to edge of Spiritualism than they have been get- get interested about the time we got ready to close; also the people from the surrounding country had their scare worn off, so they were

A man has offered grounds between the two unliam may secure the services of such lecturers cities, and already the new association is beby paying traveling expenses and entertain- ginning to make preparation for a great campment while in their midst. The officers of the meeting to begin about July 15, 1892, and last

Dr. linch and one or two others are to take Secretary; John Bauer, Treasurer. Vice-Presi- the field as agents to work up the spiritual

The campmeeting just closed met with heavy opposition from certain Spiritualists in this and other States, who would rather rule in hell than be subjects in heaven; but the opposition has burned itself out, and the work will now go on with little interruption.

On our way home Mrs. Hull and I were in. vited to spend a few days in St. Paul. We are sorry that our other engagements will allow us to stop only two days, as a genuine spiritual revival has begun here. Last night we had a regarding lectures please address the Secretary large audience of as deeply interested listeners as ever assembled in one hall: to-night, it is feared, the hall will not hold all who will want to hear. This evening there is to be a meeting to ordain at least one minister of the new gospel ander the auspices of the newly-chartered as sociation. As ever, MORES HULL.

#### Lake Pleasant, Mass.

In the gray of the morning, whisperings of the deplaces of Lake Pleasant may be heard. along the pretty little avenues of this pleasant spot of its beauties and its advantages entire. Some such as, Oh, how delightfull Oh, how grand' what scenery! so very inspiring!

The nest passing slong atters: I've been down to St. Jacob's well and am so benefitted by its delicious water; another imbibes freely from our sulpher spring in auditorium park with healthful results; and others ask where are the old friends of the past, and silently we hear the volces any "Are at home beyond the

billows, in our paradise of rest."

tithers are at their summer houses in differ

You should see our lovely jewels and disbrilliants. The lovely little children, so many, the children, the hope of Spiritualism to come. We have such a garden of beauty among them. Some lovely names-let me give you some from

First are Clover and Daisy .. helles of joy and merriment who come here from the beautiful western city of Chicago, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson, who are stopping here at cottage of Mr. James Wilson and wife, of Chicago. Then there is Ethel and Minute, Rose, Blossom and Pansy from the Sunny South, and her companion, Little Violet, from across the water from Scutland fair and bright; so many others among who are Lillie Ray, with Willie, Harry, Charlie, Raymond, Claude and others of trusting, joyous souts of spirit like beauty on their dear little brow-

Our season opened Sunday, 26 ult., with fine music, and an excellent discourse by Mrs. Sarah Byrnes.

In our midst are Mr. John Hooker and Mrs. Isabella Beecher Hooker, guests of Mrs. Rogers. Mr. and Mrs. Hooker are of Hartford, Counand are about to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. Hooker spoke Sunday evening to a good and attentive audience.

Delightful weather all through; charming

sights for sleeping; balmy air and invigorating influences throughout. For eighteen years has the writer of this vislted and dwelt here at Lake Pleasant, and my

Reminiscences of Lake Pleasant-or eighteen years amongst the pines of Franklin County, Mass., with incidents and facts of campmeeting life," may in time be presented. But I must to a finale. The strains of music that come from the band with its inspiring

strains wast one to the former days of our Fitchburgh Dand and its revered leader, Mr. Russell, whose mantle and shades of inspiration have fallen on our present leader of Worcesler's Band, Mr. Ingram.

In the coming days of the better blending of all lives, we will meet as we will to meet and all as all should meet-soul to soul.

Let brotherly love continue and charity be our motto, and work until it is the day for the he light of the spirit within which is the hope of the glory of the law.

With the singing of the birds-carrolling heir choicest of lays-with the sun's beamy and genial rays, goes forth the praises of nature's soul sublime, and as we sit in the cotage and write, we feel the dear ones at our side, hear the voices saying, "Go ye out into the world and say the words of truth to all."

Now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation. Spiritualists! arouse from your slumbers; follow Brother and Sister mediums to your duty; stand steadfast; the spirit world is yours and is with you. Maintain your gift, defend your rights and ever keep your jeweled gift free and unspotted. You are the cornertone of the building which the builders may reject, but must accept as the foundation of all. Let us work together and struggle on, we will

it last be the first. Let us look, work and rend, And faint not by the side,

And from the spirit, which we heed With wisdom by our side. If possible insert in next issue; am hoping

soon to send some subscribers to THE BETTER WAY. W. L. JACK, M. D., Spiritualist. Onset Bay, Mass.

Onset is the Mecca of Spiritualism. Every rain brings large excursions to the camp from distant states. Already prominent Spiritual-ists from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennslyvania, Washi, gton, D. C., Ohio, Illinois, California, Colorado, Michigan, Kansas and Loudon, England, are here. The list of names and residences would take too much of your space.

The hotel and private boarding houses are doing a better business than for many years before.

Mr. Wm. F. Nye, clerk of the association, has just returned from a pleasure and business trip to California. Mr. Nye may justly be considered as the father of Onset; one of the charter members and president of the association for two years. He has demonstrated his devotion to its interest and to Spiritualism by larger financial aid than any other person. His spirit

and enterprise are contagious. This is a most important center of influence in disseminating the knowledge of Spiritual-Ism. The entire camp is clothed with summer resorts. The summer houses of ex-President Cleveland and Joseph Jefferson are within sight. I am told on good authority that both

these gentlemen are Spiritualists in belief. The appearance of Mrs. Jennie Hagan-Jackon on Friday, the 24th, was greeted with enthusiasm. Since she first came to Onset, a dozen years ago a young maiden from Vermont, phenomenal as a child improvisatrice, her development as a lecturer has been steadily increasing, until she is now recognized as one of the most able and entertaining teachers of the spiritual philosophy, always inculcating the purer principles of life.

Mrs. Kate R. Stiles, of Boston, lectured on the 22d ult. Her fine mental and apiritual organization renders her perfectly susceptible to spiritual influence, while her graceful manner and choice diction gives a musical charm to her utterances.

Sunday, July 26th, was one of those lovely days that Lowell has so fittingly described, postponed a month later however for the sole benefit of those who leave the dusty city for the gentle summer zephyrs, the long stretches of glistening beaches, and for the real contentment that comes when business auxieties are laid aside and one abandons himself to the pleasures and recreations that come and go at

every aummer watering place. The splendid Middleboro Band were glying morning concert, and brightness and beauty were all about us. The services were held in a pleasant grove at the rear of the association headquarters, and a neatly designed rostrum gives the audience an excellent view of the

The floral decorations were very handsome, roses, carnations, tulips, maiden hair ferns, and other flowers being tastefully arranged. The speaker of the morning was Mrs. Jennie Hagan-Jackson. The president made a brief ad-

dress of welcome, expressing his gratitude at the very large attendance, and announcing that the annual fair of the sesociation would occur on the 20th. Mrs. Jackson gave first a touching prayer en

drely in poctry. She then called for subjects rom the audience, and delivered a fine address from them. Mrs. Inckson then delivered a vonderful improviontion on the subjects, "Why are we here?" "The future of America," and 'Flowers,' describing eloquently in several hundred verses of extemporaneous poetry, the blending of different types of human nature and the grand assemblage of all countries in a common weal, Edgar W. Emerson, test medlum, was then

introduced. After proceeding with a short discourse on "The powers and evidences of spirit communion and the greeting of friends from the realm of immortality." Mr. Emerson proceeded with tests. Placing himself in the usual trance the speaker said. "I see before me adumb man. He was the victim of sn scribent, and I see before me the words 'Swift's packing house." His name is Paul Dyer. Am I recognized? "An affirmative voice was heard."

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The next spirit recognized was that of Jonah Small, of Provincetown. The next that ap-peared before the speaker's vision was announced to be a woman of tidddle age. Blie ex-claims to the speaker in thought, "Oh, how happy I am! Brother I am so glad to communicate with you. Grandpa is with me. I, Lydia come to you? A gentleman in the front senpromptly announced the spirit to be his sister The spirit of Charles Temple, of Glen Falls N. Y. appeared to the medium, but was un recognized. Albert Kippey, once of Somers Conn , was the next spirit, and desired to say that he was not alone, and sent greeting to his wife and daughter Gladys. The spirit of Jo-seph Brighum, late of Foxboro, was revealed to the medium and recognized by an elderly lady on a back sent. Another spirit recognized was that of Mrs. Annie Fox, also of Foxboro. " see the spirit waving her hand," said the me She carries red and white roses and caster lilles. She retreats and says: 'Mother, It is Rila." An elderly lady, overcome by tears, said it was the apirit of her daughter. The apirit of Horatio Thayer, of Neponset, was also recognized. "I see the letters G. W. E., and they seem to be standing out right over your head," says the medium, pointing to a gentle man at the rear. "It is Elmer White." "Do you not carry something that onced belonged to the spirith. "I recognize the spirit and thank you very much," said the gentleman, "I am at present carrying a former possession o the spirit," "On a body of water," said the

medlum, "I see the words, New Bedford and the apirit of Capt. George Allen and Bapt, Thomas Allen." Other spirits recognized were Elbridge Morton, of Fairhaven, and Dr. Web ster, of Acushnet. The afternoon service was begun promptly at o'clock, and the address was by Prof. Peck on "The Age of Reason." In speaking of the age

of reason a necessary comparison is very naturally drawn with the age of faith. Knowledge in obtained through reason, and necessarily reason must be the supreme authority. True it is that new theories may arise which cause a reversal of judgment, proving that what we determine on is not always infallible. Things necessarily fail because the lack of postnight cometh when none can work save he hath live evidence. By faith we may be said to mean belief, the acceptance of truth declared rellance on testimony given us. We find that reason in ever a munificent attribute and ever necessary to the welfare of mankind. Knowledge exists at times by faith and can be proved beneficial by careful reasoning. We find many who, having become enamored with certain dogmas that they are even ofraid to investigate and determine the foundation claim as a fundamental reason that to doubt is to be damued Yet why is this different from that faith, in the primitive age, which was the companion of ignorance? Errors in judgment have crept in all things, resulting in an ultimate fossilization. It has been well and truly said that the prophets of all religious never had any faith in each other, seeming to realize in communion the extent of credulity practiced on their

> dupes. Spiritualism says I am a soul-not that man has a soul. Spiritualism is no respecter of persons. We ask who was it that liberated the slaves of our country, who broke the chains of thraidom, and the answer is Abraham Lincoln, who was a Spiritualist. Why, I have met with six or eight persons who were afterward the companions of Lincoln in private seances. This age is here when mind and body are emancipated from the thraldom and worship only at the shrine of reason.

> Mr. Emerson followed with tests. Among the spirits recognized were Daniel Hudson. Howard, Willard Hartshorn, Josiah Kingman, of Brockton, George Leopard, of Brockton and Dr. Davis and Ballou, of Providence.

The spirit of a little boy who talked of home in the 'smoky city," was recognized by William F. Nye, as a little fellow who once resided gifts also increase. in Pittsburg, Pa. The spirit of David Cushing, of New Bedford, made itself manifest to the medium, and was recognized by George E. Jacobs, of New Bedford. The spirit had met leath by accident, in being run over by a team. The spirit desired to say to Mr. Jacobs that he had met no auctioneers in heaven, and that people in heaven said that Mr. Jacobs could tell the biggest yorn of any auctioneer in the world below, and they were glad that he had changed his business somewhat. Other spirits recognized were Lewis Poole, Rockland, Mass.: Prederick Robinson, Plymouth: Captain James Atkins and Julia Smith, Provincetown; William Howe, Welfleet.

A pronounced feature at the afternoon ses sion was the singing of Mrs. Lukens, of New York, a rich-voiced soprana. She sang Stre lesekl's "Dreams," and for an encore Thia's "My Sweetheart When a Boy,"

#### Obliuary.

Father Joel Hendrix passed on to the higher life July 1st, aged eighty years and twelve days. On the afternoon of the 2d, his worn-out body was laid to rest with beautiful ceremony benenth the evergreen branches of the orange trees he had planted with his own diligent

Father Hendrix was the President of the Patmetto Society of Spiritualists, at Palmetto, Fla. He came here as a merchant over twenty years ago when it meant vasily more than it does now to be a heretic amid the ignorant conser-

vatism and bigotry that surrounded him. He was a true child of nature: frank, simple in all his habits, generous to the needy, be loved by his friends and respected by his Christian neighbors because of his grandly

tonest and apright life. His chief characteristics were great tender ness, affection, firmness and the courage of his

He also leaves a son as honest, true and firm

in the belief of apirit return as was the father.

MRS. B. HOUGHTON.

In Portland, Oregon, Thursday, July 2, 180 Mrs. Phebe Humpleby, aged 66 years, 9 months is days. Born in Elmira, N. Y.; afterwards ived in lowa, but the past eight years has lived in Oregon. After an illness of five weeks crossed the "river of life," fully understanding the life beyond; while alck she was shown her 'apirit home:" she was a fine claitvoyant and rance medium; while awaiting the final call she gave several learned lectures; also many verses of poetry. The funeral services were conducted by Mrs. J. W. Miner, a trance medium at the request of the departed sister. The address was considered grand and beautiul, even by non-bellevers. At the grave Mrs. Miner song the beautiful song, "Tell us, Oh!

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Written for The Better Way. FIRESIDE TALK. LENA INGRAHAM GIFFORD,

Friends, as Spiritualists I have an idea that we should be faithful exponents and adherents of Spiritualism. Leave to the followers of Jesus of Nazareth, his faith, his devotion and his version of the Bible; to the agnostic his unfaith and his knownothingism; to the iconoclast his rior nature to its highest possible spiritual unfoldment. Let us talk Spiritualism, let us live spiritually and let us ever reach out after more spiritual light and day. wisdom unto the Great Spirit of love and

Let not our time and our opportunities be wasted in caviling at those whom we believe to be mistaken in their religious ideas, but remember that their mistakes have been to others stepping stones to reach something higher. May the Great Spirit give more light to every soul that has been earnest and devoted enough to seek any light at all.

How would we, who think we have received the highest spiritual inspiration of any sect or age, have reached that height if the Christian world had not so zealously striven and prayed for the blessings of heaven to rest down upon men? I say humanity has been benefitted by those prayers and by their religion, crude and arbitrary as it once was, "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," it has now grown to that marvelous condition which claims all men as barbarous, Mosaic way.

With their lessons of charity and lovtell writing humanity what we have to give that shall increase the ratio of huwalk and talk with the angels, those who have passed out from our embrace and clothed themselves with the majesty of the ethereal; that they may receive by inangelhood, to become teachers of all ple. things pertaining to the unfoldment of the spirit with the physical form.

There are many who are to-day receiving their best instruction from teachers who are angels in the next higher grade etc. of evolution. We wish there were many more who would seek their heaven, their happiness daily through their own spirit's development in sacred, silent communion with such teachers, instead of waiting for it to come hereafter through sacrificial atonement. We are not starting out upon any vain hypothesis, we speak what we know. We have been at that school for a long time. We know there is a happiness in it that well compensates for all tuition fees; only your anything else you obtain in this world.

Can you not give one hour of the twenty-four for this purpose? Arise one clear as have so many before him. hour earlier than usual in the morning or sit up one hour later at night; you will never regret it; your mind will be clearer for it all day and your rest sweeter at

This is one method that Spiritualism teaches to ensure your present and permanent happiness. It is not difficult, is

Happiness, harmony is what humanity needs to make them better, and we are think that the first principle and purpose of the Great Spirit of universal love which animates all life is going to be de-

feated? No, no. We are going to talk to you more about Spiritualism sometime. Always about spirit—that is our theme—always gathered together under this name, Spirreligion, its phenomena, but best of all ric."

the science of Spiritualism. Why do you know that there is spirit about your feet. Not much active spiritual element there you will say-we admit it; but the spirit is there asleep-

in this wise. never has awakened to consciousnesshas no power of action through that rays of the sunshine, or even the electric hard, inflexible substance which forms its first physical body. A crude spirit no by the masterly eloquence of an Ingerdoubt. How can it express intelligence soll. when it has no form of life or motion? Some day the loving kisses of the sun's us, got a long distance away from the THE BETTER WAY from \$2.00 to \$1.00 per year. | Imple outle of Sarticles of with for catalogue and the outle of Sarticles of with for catalogue

rays will coax that old, old stone into the belief that it has existed as a stone long enough, and had better disintegrate or crumble away and let that spirit go free. When lo! the spirit answers the call, enters plant life. Its breath expands it into various forms of vegetable existence, and it seems very happy in some of them we should say, and quite intelligent taking in all the light and air and dews of heaven; for it sends forth bud and leaf, and blossom of loveliest hues, and filled with most delicious aroma to delight the human senses. Happy spirit that, to build for itself a home as beautiful as a rose or as fragrant and pure as it that our spirits have unfolded with such care and excellence that our next the rose or the grace and purity of the

Written tor The Better Way. ALL FOR THE BEST.

It is decidedly interesting-I had al most said amusing—when I remembered that subjects of great importance can vandalism; but as for us, let us seek to hardly be amusing to thinking minds, develop that which is within our inte- but interesting it certainly is to listen to the wise sayings of different speakers and writers on the different subjects that are engrossing the minds of people to-

On Decoration Day I listened to an adlress by Gen. Legget, an old war veteran, invited to help the G. A. R. to commemorate the transition of their fallen comrades.

A ter a lengthy recapitulation of war times and scenes, he glowingly pictured And then Hope whispers; "With your riper the prosperity of our country and the fatherly care that Uncle Sam had exhibited for his brave sons who fought, bled and died on the field of battle or since. Then his parting advice was to "form workingmen's unions if you wish; for means of sociability it is a good thing, but beware of forming new political alliances, which are so misleading and cannot help but be disturbing to the dear old parties whose very names are so sacred to the hearts of many people. I have no objections to a new party if it having to wear out such old penalties as | can be formed without destroying already existing political idols."

I turned away pondering. On Sunday went to the Baptist Church and was brothers, and seek to remove the cause highly edified by a discourse on "Hellof crime rather than retaliate in the old, the hated doctrine—its certainty and its eternity." To the speaker it was a most beautiful and satisfying doctrine, carrying kindness before us, let us pass on to ing no shadow of doubt with it. It had settled distracting questions in his own the clogs of superstition and vice, and in mind, until his soul certainly rejoiced its place put charity and love to all, for man sympathy, of tender love, softening that God had fixed an eternal abiding all regrets and pointing ever higher un- place with heating apparatus as eternal the sower that nature gives of its best, til every soul shall awaken to develop as himself for MacQueary, Newton, freely and without price, oftentimes rethe spirit within them until they may Briggs, Bridgman and all other "free ceived ungratefully. But to be unkind I booters in religion" with Ingersoll as think it is through ignorance of the law fireman.

so-called new departure, which should such things. Of that law mortals have tuition and inspiration direct communi- do away with the old-time doctrine of but a small knowledge, but could it be cation with those who have fitted them- hell and eternal damnation, which is more thoroughly understood, how much selves while on earth, ere leaving it for theld so sacred to the hearts of many peo-

I came away pondering.

I read a few days since in a paper I man on the woman question, suffrage,

He was greatly exercised for fear, if women were given the right of citizenship so that they exercise that right in all its departments, it would cause immediate disruption of all existing social arrangements especially marriage, which God-ordained holy institution was so sacred to the hearts of so many people. Whether the "people" who hold it so "sacred" are all men or not, he did not mention, or how a piece of paper in a wife's hand, of the same size as a piece time and attention is required as for in the husband's hand, to be deposited in the same box, is going to render marriage any less "holy" he failed to make

> But one thing he was sure of-there must be no change in woman's condition because something old might have to be

I pondered again. And now here comes Henry Still in an article in THE BETTER WAY on "The Mistakes of Ingersoll," and he is afraid that the publishing to the world of Ingersoll's agnosticism "is injurious to the proper development of man's highest spiritual nagoing to have it by-and-bye. So you ture." It makes me think of what has been said to me several times by my orthodox friends in regard to my Spiritualism-"we don't care what you think if you will only keep still about it." Our brother would not be at all worried about what Mr. Ingersoll's opinion on any subject might be, but he doubts the about all the sublime truths that we have expediency of his being allowed to express or publish them for fear "it might itualism. There is its philosophy, its lead to the disruption of our social fab-

I do not intend to review his articleabler pens than mine can do that if anyor soul in the very rocks and stones one feels disposed, but again I pondered

It strikes me that this wonderful "social fabric" must be woven of decidedly shoddy material if it will not bear the rays from the lamp of truth turned on it

old superstitious dogmas and doctrines FOR SALEof the past in regard to spiritual things, How it crops out when something we have been taught to consider sacred is undressed and presented to our view in starts to life and breathes. Then it must its natural, unadorned condition. We have a form of higher development. It are shocked and we think the world will go to pieces immediately if anybody else should happen to see or hear that which we have survived with no more serious result than a slight rend in some of our shoddy, preconceived notions. So we want them suppressed immediately. I'm afraid Comstock has a good many near

relatives. Mr. Ingersoll is an instrument in the hands of the spirit world, whether he knows it or not and he is doing the a lily. O, when these physical bodies of work that belongs to him to do, for sure ours crumble away to dust, let us see to it is that new structures cannot be built without disturbing a good many of the old idols which education has taught us home in the ethereal form shall have to reverence as holy and sacred, but more than the beauty and fragrance of which have in reality served their time and must give way to the new. This is the way that all spiritual growth has been accomplished in the past and we need not fear that the future will belie the record.

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Hope. S. T. SUDDICK, M. D.

'Hope springs eternal in the human breast: Man never is, but always to be bless'd.—Pope. Oh, life is sweet to live and bitter, too, Hope ever lures us on from day to day, And then she disappoints us o'er and o'er And yet we trust her still, and hope alway. When e'en we think that we can trust no more The fickle jade will fool us as before.

In childhood's days Hope points to manhood's prime And whispers, "Then your joys will surely

come, Yet manhood brings but toil and care, and time Brings many a sorrow, we and pain to numb. years,

Will vanish all your sorrows, pains and fears Though disappointed oft by Hope, we trust Until our hair at last turns thin and gray, Old age and death then turns us back to dust

And in the tomb we're safely stowed away. But e'en when at the door of death we stand Hope comes there smiling, and without a blush Beckons us on with her delusive hand, Bids us to trust her still, all doubts to hush.

Beyond earth's mundane sphere, she tells us

In heaven we have a bright, immortal home, To Hope we've listened all our lives, and now We pass out with her to the strange, unknown Written for The Better Way.

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Oh, most high and mighty power, instill into the unregenerated that love to all mankind, that will be felt far and near, not to our own, but to our neighbors as well, for it is so broad that it cannot be spanned. Therefore throw of as God or good loveth his own, showing of nature, that governs all things, both He had no use for any new religion or animate and inanimate that people do more harmony would prevail, both at home and abroad, and the little trifles | LEAVES SKIN SOFT and SMOOTH that now annoy, would be thrown aside and in their place cheerful thoughts and METALS AND WOOD WORK came across, a long dissertation by some high aspirations, which tend to produce that harmonious influence that should be ever around and about, for as love is the controlling power, the motor that moves the world, which in its revolution throws out its rays as it revolves, so following in its footsteps, charity's mantle is held wide open to receive all within its shelter. She too must go hand in hand, for one cannot exist without the other, therefore be merciful unto the little things of life, I ask it in the name of nature, of whom we are the children, the root and branches from the main one, our father and mother God. Therefore sow the seeds of love and charity broadcast over all you come in contact with, and the fullness will be felt in your innermost being, and comfort and enjoyment will be felt unto the end.

Personal.

Helen Campbell, author of "Prisoners of Poverty," has received the \$200 prize from the American Economic Association for writing the best paper on "Women Wage Workers."

The wife of the well-known writer and lecturer, Max O'Rell (whose real name is Paul Blouet), will accompany her husband on his next lecturing tour, which will be through Australia, and will commence in September next.

The Baroness von Teusfel, bette known to Americans as Blanche Willis Howard, is reported to be singularly hap py in her married life. Her husband is very proud of her literary gifts, and encourages her in her work. They are at present living at Stuttgart.

A monument to the memory of Eliza beth Barrett Browning is to be erected at Ledbury England, the town where she spent much of her childhood life. The memorial will probably take the shape of a clock tower in brick and stone. In a niche below the clock will stand a bronze bust of the poetess. A quotation from "Aurora Leigh" and some other suitable inscription will be placed upon the monument. It will stand in the market place.

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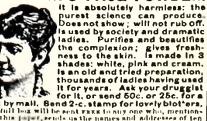


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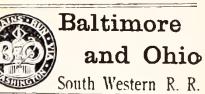
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I.. BUCKSHORN The serious effects which threatened to result from an uprising in the mines of Coal Creek and Briceville, near Knox ville, Tenu., has been momentarily avert ed by the withdrawal of the state troops and the promise of the Governor to convene the legislature and place the grievances before it. Under these conditions the coal miners consented to the retention of the couvict laborers. There is an intense feeling of hostility shown by the miners toward the convicts, who, they claim, by longer hours of work, a forced and increased production, are reducing the possibilities of gaining a living in the mines to a minimum. How the legislature will meet this problem it is difficult to see. The State of Tennesse some time ago entered into a contract with the Tennessee Coal, Iron and R. R. Co. to furnish a given number of convicts in a given period of time at a stated price. The present number of convicts is 1,300, averaging the State a yearly income of \$100,000. A building to house these prisoners, it is stated, would require the additional outlay of \$250,000. Besides this, the company are said to have a powerful lobby which would check any measures looking to an annulment of the contract. And yet in the face of these circumstances we prate of the enforcement of law, and with a pharisaical air denominate men whom the distress of hunger has driven from moral persuasion and protest to armed rebellion, rioters! Law clearly, in this instance, represents a monied corporation that has entered into an agreement with a whole of the people-through its agents-to continue the moral sickness of a part of the second party, and as its chief source of safety lies in the continuation and contagiousness of this moral disease, it fosters its spread by the enforced association of the morally unhealthy with the healthy-this is, that is, law! The inviolability of property? Yes. Ah! but how about the inviolability of humanity; the sacredness of home, love, virtue, peace, happiness-life? The wealth of the universe is metamorphosed into dirtiest dross when buoyed by injustice. Rev. Howard Henderson, of this city, a former Southern prison chaplain, voices some things that we have advocated in a an initial step to the solution of the Tennessee difficulties: Said he in an inter-

"It is an iniquitous system and if the matter should be submitted to the people of Tennessee, I believe they would vote to abolish it. Think of the degrading effect it must have upon the class of laborers with whom the convicts are brought into competition. The welfare of the Republic depends largely upon the self-respecting and intelligent daily laborers. They are the producers of wealth. The taxpayer may be in accidental relations with wealth; he may have inherited it or obtained it through some lucky deal made possible by our present imperfect system of distributing wealth; but the laborer sustains a direct relationship with wealth and all effort be made to raise the plane of his living and calling. I believe that the employment of convict labor a wrong done to both classes concerned. The free laborer natwally feels that a stigma has been placed upon him when he is asked to compete with such labor. The State cannot afford to degrade any for the convict. The penitentiary should be a reformatory. The object should be to educate the criminal class, who are more often the victims of environment and birth than deliberate to discuss freely whether our ancestors cago, will be here. and willful wrong-doing, The State should not apply the lex talionis to these unfortunates. Some time it will be clear to all that the function of the State in this respect is to lift this class out of the slough of crime and leads its members into the paths of honest industry. We can establish and endow houses of refuge for congenital criminals, and by moral teaching, and religious environment, healthy diet, developing industry and exorcising, corraling from the influence of strong drink and vicious ex. ample, so transform the wretched waifs as to make men and women of them."

"To have done anything by which you have merely earned money, is to have been truly idle or worse. If the laborer gets no more than the wages which his employer pays him, he is cheated; he the present fierce friction between laborand increased prosperity granting the demands of unsatisfied Want. It is this that leads to the formation of societies of oppression on the one side and societies of suppression on the other. What a prolific parent of the practice of distrust and deception. Work is grudgingly the virtue of strong endeavor have drivelled into an automaton. The mind has lost its vigor and bouyancy in the race of ill-will and malice. Life is a labor defrauded and cheated—an atmosphere surrounding moral stagnation, a prelude to be a legitimate object of descrying prey. It is equally true, that if the employer gets no more than the mere work he cheats himself and defrauds the laborthe absence of the spirit of home—that review has there appeared such a bril- see differently. There is a small Unitarian so-

companiouship a joy. It is the solicitude

"A mild and healing sympathy Ere we are aware.

This is needed-the imperative want. of work and workshops hate, strife and oppression will cease, and labor then be no more a curse, but, elevated to its proper diguity, be blessing and benefitting.

Frank Dempster Sherman contributes l'uion, that bear their title, "Nobility," well:-

The sturdy wind that fills the ship's white sail of essays which appear each month. And turns the mighty mill-wheel when it blows,

Once breathed the love song of the nightingale And wasted him the persume of the rose

Let him who seeks a god-like man to find Think of the wind and seek its counterpart The tempest's strength matched by a noble

The zephyr, by a pure and noble heart. Elizabeth Cady Stanton, in the August Arena, makes the demand that our religion must teach the brotherhood of man, an essential oneness of humanity, and that our government ought to be based on the broad principles of equal rights to all. When a religion which seeks to make people satisfied in their degraded conditions and releases them from all responsibility for its continuance, it is unworthy of intelligent support, and a government holding half of its people in slavery, chained where they are born, in ignorance, poverty and vice, is unworthy of intelligent support. A solution of this problem she reaches, by desiring to educate the upper, most intelligent class of people into the belief that our present civilization is based on false principles, and that evils seen about us are the legitimate results of these false theories. This education must be directed to make people see that these conditions and environments can and will be changed, and that as it is responsible for these miseries, so through its own knowledge and wisdom former issue, which, if applied, would be must the change come. "The apathy and indifference of the masses in their

classes in their superior position." The only hope for lasting progress of the race lies in the right education of the children, their birth and development being the vital starting point. "The real work that will tell on all time and the eternities is building the new life and character, laying the foundation stones of future generations in justice, purity, peace and love, the work of the rising generations of fathers and mothers at this hour. Those of us who have long since passed the meridian of life can give you the result of our experiences and researches into social science. but with the young men and women of this hour rests the hope of the higher class of men in this way. It is a bad thing also civilization, which it is possible for the coming here, but all mediums that come will race to attain through obedience to law." be entertained royally and find a warm wel-\* "Science has vindicated our right come. Mrs. Nickless expects to stay through

were open; let it be as free to ask whether our posterity shall be idiots, dwarfs and it that is growing in interest and numbers. knaves, and if not, by what change, if any, in our social institutions, such wretched results may be avoided. The best hope for the progress of the race in political, social and religious life lies in the right birth, education and development of our children. Here is the true starting point of the philosopher." Amen!

Literary.

The Arena for August presents no less than eight leading papers from representative thinkers among women of America and Europe, discussing politicheats himself," says Thoreau. What cal, educational, social, sociological, Thoreau regretted was evidently that in economic, and scientific schemes, together with two literary papers, one by er and employer under the competitive Miss Amelia Edwards, the famed Egypsystem it was Desire for accumulation tologist and novelist, who, in a most delightful paper, writes of her own life. An excellent portrait of Miss Edwards band on the other side, earnest, positive, and accompanies this paper. The other, a determined, with whom it is our privelege to semi-historical story of Tennessee, entit ed "Old Hickory's Ball," by the charming young Southern author, Miss merland: Prof. J. S. Loveland was elected Will Allen Dromgoole. The heavier president. He has been our principal lecturer done while Want is watched with mis- essays by women are, "The Unity of both here and in Santa Barbara. His lectures trustful eyes. There is no heart, no soul work. Hands and heart become calloused—the manhood of love of work, sayists on the European continent.

Dott nere and in Santa Barbara. His fectures have been profound, logical, eloquent, practical and highly instructive. We miss him in his absence, and shall welcome his return.

Yours, Hannah A. Pollard. 'Where Shall Lasting Progress begin?' by Elizabeth Cady Stanton, one of the most thoughtful and sensible magazine essays of the mouth. A very fine pormisspent in the consciousness of being trait of Mrs. Stanton forms a frontispiece of this number; "Individuality in quired my presence at home with her, as she Education," by Prof. Mary L. Dickerson; has been too unwell to travel with me and I to mental death. It is not the fault of "Psychic Experiences," by Sara A. Un-Want alone, but the result of that mutual derwood, with introduction by Benj. F. feeling which makes each think the other | Underwood, an extremely interesting Just as much as though my voice was proclaim contribution to The Arena's series of ing the truths of our spiritual philosophy, and psychical papers; "Working Women of There rejoiced over the success of our many psychical papers; "Working Women of workers in the field, and felt that never in the history of our work was there such good work for which he paid, he is doubly cheated, the well-known author of the "Prisons done. Here in Madison, the home of the pureof Poverty" appears at her best, and "A ly orthodox Christian, there is but little chance the Something is needed to awaken a Decade of Retrogression," by Florence Richards the hour and trust—to Kelly Wischnewetzky, in which the more after the pattern of the truly puritanical bring about the realization that man as daughter of the late Congressman Kel- order of any place I know of. laborer is more than a machine; his ley, of Pennsylvania, discusses the prob-

loving kindness and tenderness of the liant coterie of women discussing such ciety here presided over by Rev. Crooker, family circle that makes duty virtue a and varied themes as appears in The Arena; indeed, heretofore reviews have fought that permits no hidden sorrow; that has shy of women contributors, rarely having more than one or two topics discuessed by them in a single issue, but The Arena, from the beginning, has thrown its pages open to the women and When factory and worship shall have in every way has championed all movebecome a part of the family, when the ments looking toward a broader freedom law of love that makes and maintains and a more enlarged sphere for womandomestic felicity and tranquillity, shall hood, which is not surprising to one who have been imparted to the associations reads Mr. Flower's editorial on "The Era of Woman" in this issue. Among the men who ably discuss problems in this issue are C. Wood Davis, Rev. Minot J. Savage and R. B. Hassel, Another feature is added to this issue of The Arena, entitled "Books of the Day." It the following verses to the Christian consists of several pages of critical book reviews, which are given in addition to the one hundred and twenty-eight pages

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Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Mary L. Phillips, the grandest test me dium for private sittings it has been my fortune to meet, is at present paying me a visit. Her health is so poor that she is wholly unable to do any public work, but is much improved of late. With this medium well I would have no fears regarding a grand work could I keep her in Memphis. But she came only to visit me and will return to her home in Newton, Kan., in a few weeks. She may pass the coming winter in Kansas City if health permits her doing public work. Wherever she may work I vouch for her as woman and medium. No more honest or successful woman and worker is in our ranks. ALLIE LINDSAY LYNCH.

Tacoma, Wash,

Jules Wallace, the test medium, has been doing good work here for weeks, and has been instrumental in forming the first society in our city. The first meeting was held last Sunday at Walhulla Hall, and about thirty joined as degraded condition are as culpable as charter members. The following officers were the pride and satisfaction of the upper elected: President, W. T. Jones; Vice-President, Mrs. W. D. Richardson; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Lillie McKenzie. Committee: Messrs, Smoak, Flint and Sundell.

Although only two weeks old, this society is making its influence felt in many ways, and will, undoubtedly, be instrumental in doing a great deal of good. Mr. Wallace has given splendid tests and done much for the cause. L. MCKENZIE, Sec'y

Very truly, National City, Cal.

The First Spiritual Society of this place is growing very rapidly and doing a good work for the great truth, Spiritualism. We have many fair mediums that give promise among the first in the land as inspirational and test mediums. We have Mrs. Nickless with us now and she speaks and gives tests to large and intelligent audiences. The society is making preparations to hold a meeting the First of October, and we want help, but the society isn't able to give any stipulated sum to anyone

The society also has a lyceum connected with Respectfully, MARY INGRAHAM, Sec'y

Summerland, Cal.

Permit me to say a few words through your paper from Summerland. Like all other starting places it has its drawbacks and disadvantages. People come and people go, but time will regulate and establish. There is much to attract; its climate; its location and scenery; its discovered and undiscovered resources, which will require pluck, energy, endurance and tact to unfold, develop and utilize-capital to back. and industry lies at the foundation. There are also many drawbacks. When business is established, then' the monotonous "bread and butter question" will not worry or engage so

To the earnest Spiritualist, who desires to dedevelop and unfold and learn the way of truth more perfectly; it opens the way. There I much to contend with; much to change; much to overcome. We need on this side earnest into our midst, dwell with us, be one of us and work with us in this grand and glorious work -the uplifting of humanity. There is a strong be co-workers.

The Spiritual Association was formed in Oc tober, and numbers most of the people of Sum

Madison, Wis.

My many friends may wonder at my long st lence and seemingly inactivity this summer will arise and explain. After the transition of my wife's brother, my wife's health has been could not leave her alone. I have dropped all summer work thus far as it could not be otherwise. My soul has been in the work though

You must belong to some good orthodox employer more than a motor of might to lem of education and crime in New York. and be true to my convictions, so I simply wait | the grounds at the meetings. It deserves and ran him. What is it? Money? No. It is Never before in the history of any great knowing there will come a time when they will

scholar in the truest sense of the word and full of spiritual thought, but rather mixed with old time ideas, to be fully enjoyed by anyone who has outgrown the past. There are but few Spiritualists here. But we hope a change will come and that the good work will be taken up here. I shall resume my line of work in the fall, and I know I shall work with renewed force for the upbuilding of humanity. I am unable to attend any camp, as I am not able to get away from home; yet I shall endeavor to reap the harvest as I read the reports from veek to week. I cannot close this letter with out congrutulating the editor and publisher of THE BETTER WAY on the neat and tasty pa per that is published for the small sum of one dollar. With THE BETTERWAY at the price i is, no one need be without a paper now, and there should be such a large increase in circulation that the powers behind the throne will feel repaid for this new undertaking. Trusting that neither the shadow of death nor sickness will cross the threshold of any of your many readers, I am as ever yours in the cause of G. H. BROOKS.

Brooklyn, N. Y. The meeting of the Progressive Conference was opened by President Bogert, a very fair audience being present. Mr. Miller again favored us with some of his messages, coming through the mediumship of Mr. Cole, and ob tained by putting the paper to be written on in a closed box. This time the messages ob-

tained in this manner bore the signatures of

Henry Ward Beecher and Charles O'Connor,

Mr. Richards followed with some impromptu emarks, corroborating what had been stated by the former speaker. Captain Dey gave a very interesting account concerning certain spiritual facts which took place in his own family not very long ago, after which the President, Mr. Bogert, took the platform in defense of the medlum, W. S. Davis. Mr. Bogert be gan to describe a sennce held a few days before at the house of a Brooklyn lady, a member of the conference, at which sennce Mr Davis put himself voluntarily under the strict est test conditions. Mr. Bogert and Mr. Herman Haudrich being selected as a committee to first lock the door of the room, remove the key, and then seal it up with strips of paper and sealing wax, so that no confederate could gain access in any manner, shape or form, save by spirit power. The medium then stepped into a bag, which was large enough to con ceal his whole figure, head an all, and was closed at the top with a drawing string, which was tied into several tight knots, and the knots then having been sealed up, the medium was placed upon a chair, into the so-called cabinet, which consisted of a curtain to the height of about three feet, drawn across one corner of the room on a wire. A slate was then taken, passed around for inspection, and having been passed over a heated lamp chimney to eradicate any so-called chemical preparation, the slate was put into a box, which was locked with a padlock, the key taken out and held by an outside party, the padlock then enclosed in an envelope, which was sealed, also the whole cover of the box was sealed up with strips of white paper and sealing wax. After all these arrangements had been completed, those present oined in singing, when three raps gave the sighal that all was completed, and on taking the medium out of his terrible place of confinement with not even a space for breathing. The box was opened and contained writing in chalk. which was examined by everyone present. When Mr. Bogert reached this point of his testimony, a messenger approached him, calling him away to the sick bed of a dearly be loved daughter, and his report was left unfinished, but it is to be hoped that the newsbaners who now discuss the mediumship of this gentleman, as the W. S. Davis case, will hold back a little longer with their decision till he has had a fair and impartial trial, E. F. K., Sec'y pro tem.

The Indiana Camp.

The progress of this meeting has been so vouderfully phenomenal that visitors marvel at it and wonder "how it's been accomplished." Faith in the result, backed by well formed ideas of the demand, were precursors. Spirit also of Indiana, is assuredly a fit place to establish a camp ground, here it is at Chesterfield. road-ways leading in all directions. Cities and towns are close by, and this section of the country abounds with Spiritualists who have enjoyed much of close contact with all the progress of forty-three years. Some of the best organized work has been accomplished in Indiana. The people are not new to the subject. The camp is not a ploneer project, but is the result of accrued force and capacity.

From the looks of things additional ground must be purchased. The wheat field adjoining is donated to the association for a Spiritual College. The endowment is said to be possible from the assurances made.

The camp exercises here have been of much interest during the past week. The conferences have all been earnestly particiated in; many excellent remarks made and numerous tests of spirit control given. The mediums' meeting was of great interest. These workers stated much of importance to them and related much of trial to their powers of endur- THE PSYCHOGRAPH

The memorial service was of a very impres sive character, and called forth many encontums of arisen wonders. The Indian pow-wow or camp fire, at which Indian spirits control their medium, excited much interest and com ment, at the same time being a pleasing epi

The dedication of the cottage of Dr. Wester field and wife was an event of joy and beauty. The exerercises were grand beyond the pen to ortray. Music, recitation and speech made all feel how hallowed these lives and this camp are. Mrs. Luther's controls extolled the lives of these workers and called the cottage "The Dawning Light." The controls of Mrs. Kates sang a "Lullaby" to the baby son, now arises to spirit life, and told of his for the parent; coming birth. She also gave them a poem, characteristic of their lives, and called the cotage "The Wanderer's Retreat."

The tent of D. A. Herrick and mother was also christened. The exercises were highly impressive, and their camp abode called "The Open Portal." Other dedications are to follow A. B. French made his advent Friday, July 24th. He gave a manuscript lecture of much

merit. Sunday, July 16th, three large audiences filled the auditorium and grounds. Mrs. Luther spoke in the morning; Mr. French in the afternoon: Mr. and Mrs. Kales and others at The tests by Mrs. Kates are exciting such interest by their lucidity and accuracy This marvelous camp grows better daily, so the closing days will be full of added interest. l'eople continue to come, and all are cared for The features being added to the program are

of much value. The Convention of the Indiana Association of Spiritualists was appointed for Friday, July

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#### Cassadaga Camp Review.

The contemplated trip to Chautauqua on Saturday, 25th, as spoken of in my last was a decided success. At an early hour about fifty members of the Lily Dale Club and a number of other campers, assembled at the auditorium by our brother and co-laborer, Lyman C. Howe and the long line of corringes, that were in waiting on Cottage avenue, were soon filled and enroute, over the hills, to Chatanqua.

The day was charming and the magnificent scenery was highly enjoyed by the jolly crowd forth, was in relation to the power of wordsof passengers,

Chautauque is a celebrated seat of learning, wealth, popularity and orthodoxy, and is conducted by Dr. Vincent, a Methodist bishop, The object being ostensibly to disseminate biblical teachings, scholastic learning and science so far as it accords or can be made to accord with those teachings and redound to the glory of an orthodox God. The woman movement had never before been recognized by Chautauqua, much less any promulgation of those unsavory doctrines which do not reverence the teachings of the Bible and its plan of salvation through the atoning blood of Christ But on this occasion Dr. Vincent evinced the ever expanding tendency of the human mind. notwithstanding its environments and determination to keep within prescribed creedal limits, and showed that in a spiritual sense he had builded better than he knew.

He opened the session by giving a very feeling and handsomely worded tribute to woman, hoping that every possible avenue of usefulness welcoming her to Chautauqua's platform concluded his remarks by saying that Chautauqua's platform was one of freedom-that it welcomed and invited free speech upon all subjects which are of interest and for the enlightment and elevation of mankind. His earnest desire to keep pace with the advancing thought of the age. possibly, had absorbed or blotted out his memory of a certain event which took place upon Chautauqua's platform in 1884, when Miss Francis E. Willard and a number of the W. C. T. U.'s assembled there. She being importuned to speak against St. John, refused to do so; the dirt-Miss Willard was hustled off the platform and Gen. Logan put on.

Dr. Vincent in his lecture on woman, at Chautauoua at that time, said:

"I object to the extension of the right of suffrage to woman. As a mere matter of expediency, such an extension would be the most this day take. Too many people vote at present. We need limitation and not extension. If the right of suffrage were given to her, thousands of our refined and cultivated ladies who believe in the highest philosophy of the social life One of the greatest mistakes of the age is to influence of spirit and example."

The representative women who graced the platform were of a spiritualistic order. The County President, Mrs. Elnora Babcock, are out and out Spiritualists. Mrs. Marion H. Skidmore, one of the most efficient and beneficent workers in this camp and other spiritualistic movements, properly had their place thereupon. Also Mrs Richmond, of Dunkirk, Mrs. Lois Lott, Mrs. E. R. Clark, Mrs. Gov. Fenton and Mrs. B. B. Lord. Mrs. Zeralda Wallace was the first speaker of the afternoon and made a very ingenious attempt to prove that the Bible. instead of teaching woman's inferlority and subjection to man, really made her his superior. But in spite of its orthodox limitations the discourse possessed many valuable sugges

The discourse of Rev. Annie Shaw, which followed that of Mrs. Wallace, was a pleasing contrast thereto, and abounded in broad and logical thought, beautifully embellished with womanly sympathies and intuitions.

Susan B. Anthony-that veteran in the ranks been accorded to her-gave a brief but compre- genuineness of the manifestations. hensive discourse, characteristic of her self-

Lillie spoke upon subjects submitted by the audience, viz: "The Ideal God," "Chautauqua and Dr. Vincent." She said she had no form to give the force, the power, the all prevading principle that we term God. Speak the name God to a thousand minds and a thousands ideas instantly spring forth-some of them grotesque in the extreme and all a reflex of the mind itself. Our minds cannot comprehend the vastness of the subject. Even the angels of light and wisdom, who have passed beyond the limitations of this earthly existence, stand silent and dumb at its vastness. We may theorize. we may dream, we may speculate, we may strive to know and yet only prove to ourselves that God is infinite and incomprehensible. But have also a kinship with the universe and are to put the waters of the ocean in a thimble. sons and daughters of the same spirit of light and wisdom which we call God.

A very kind and favorable review was given of Chautauqua and Dr. Vincent, showing that ceived a wonderful baptism of the spirit he was unconsciously an instrument in the hands of the angels and that he held in his hands one of the subtle links which are to success in his class in the science of health unite the two worlds.

The subject "Charity" was given for the clos uplifting in their ministrations. ing poem, which was dually rendered by Mrs. Lillie and Mr. Colville, and was one of the finest and most perfect improvisations that we have ever listened to; many eyes were moisten- others officiated at the funeral. ed with tears at its tender and touching pathor

Mr. W. J. Colville occupied the rostrum in the afternoon and spoke upon the following submitted subjects: "What is the self we are to lose to gain the kingdom of heaven?" "If God is our parent are we not each a germ of that central source?" "The present educational system-what are its defects?" "In what respects will the education of the future differ from that

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He has rather a slight physique but he b well formed and well proportioned, and there is not the slighest indication of weakness, inde cision or mere mannerism about him. He is a blonde and has a predominance of what is term ed the nervous temperament. He has a large brain, a high, broad forehead, showing fullness of the perceptive faculties. He has always a pleasant and peaceful expression upon his face and an illumination of spirit, and a cleanliness and purity of both body and spirit which is extremely admirable, and we consider him one of the most instructive and valuable teachers of

Monday being washday at the camp there was no regular lecture, but'a very profitab'e conference was held in the auditorium, and several able persons participated in the discussions of the following subject: "Ought we not while in this aphere of existence to study more the things that pertain to this life and not spend so much time in trying to peer into

Tuesday morning conference convened at the usual hour and discussed the question, "Is there such a thing as sin? If so how shall we deal with it?" In the afternoon we were favored with a very broad and comprehensive lecture The subjects submitted by the audience were: "The Binomial theory, by Sir Isaac Newtonof what use is it?" "What and where is heaven?" One very impressive thought, which was put speaking the word is expressing the thought. Words are immortal in effect-a single word dropped into the psychic sea produces a ripple which goes on and on, its effects reaching

through the eternal shores. Wednesday afternoon Mrs F.O. Hyzer, of Rarena, O., gave a very instructive and beautiful discourse, illustrating in a variety of ways the impossibility of new wine being contained in old bottles. Mrs Hyzer is an exceedingly sweet and beautiful spirit, and is always warmly welcomed upon our platform,

On Thursday the 30th, the usual conference was held in the morning, and in the afternoon Mr. W. J. Colville favored us with another of his most excellent lectures, which are always instructive and inspiring to good and reforma

The Lyceum convened on Friday morning, under the leadership of Mrs. E. W. Tillinghast. The part denominated spiritual donations by the children and adults is a very pleasing fea-ture. A little daughter of Mrs. Madison, clairand power would be opened to her, and after voyant physician, of Buffalo, gave an impromptu speech upon Cassadaga and its Lyceum, which was very promising of her inspirational possibilities. Mr. W. J. Colville is taking the place of Walter Howell very admirably. He gave the children a pleasant talk then called for a subject from them for a poem. 'Lillies of Cassadaga'' was given, and a very sweet and lovely poem outwrought. The Lyceum was then, by Mrs. Tillinghast, given the name "Star Lily Lyceum," and the Octagon, where the children usually meet-Sun Light Lodge. Mrs. H. T. Stearns, Mr. Armor and others made speeches, and \$4.24 was contribuwhereupon the woman's flag was thrown into ted to the Lyceum fund. In the afternoon Mrs. F. O. Hyzer gave a fine inspirational discourse upon "Organization," and Miss Maggie Gaule, of Baltimore, Md., surprised and delighted everybody with her marvelous platform tests. Miss Gaule's manner is very pleasing, and the tests are so accurately given that it seems that they would bring conviction to everyone, ununwise step that the American people could less they had hearts of stone and brains of

The library is under the supervision of Mrs. Mary Ramsdell, and through her beneficence it has been rendered comfortable, cozy and homelike. She has placed a handsome carpet on would never consent to cast a ballot, while par- the floor, hung drapery to the windows, and a tizan prejudice and purchase money would stove and pleasant fire on these cool morncontrol the votes of large numbers of women. ings and evenings that we are having at camp, is another much needed addition to the comsuppose that woman's presence would in the fort of the library. About 100 new volumes slightest degree purify politics. Politics will have been added to the books, and the coube purified by woman's influence at home, in noiseur in science, history, philosophy, religious the training of children, in the molding of ion or romance may each find opportunity for husbands, in the silent and almost omnipotent | instruction and pleasure. There are six volumes of Humboldt Library of Science, Storrs "Is it I?" and "Why Not?" Prentice's White Cross Series 'entire , More's "Eutopia," Picton's "Mystery of Matter," Voltaire's Rossiances," Tuttle's "Psychic Science," Works of Bradlaugh Dr. Dio Lewis, Rosseau, Shirley, Gardner, Stockwell, Elliot, Trowbridge and many other standard authors. The library is an attractive

place, and is free to all. The three steamers, "White Wing," "R. S. Lillie" and "Marion Skidmore," and numerous row and sail boats-also the semi-weekly dances, conducted by the celebrated North-western Orchestra, of Meadville, the daily lawn concerts, etc., afford unsurpassed opportunities for enjoyment in those directions.

Mrs. Leslie, Mrs. Storrs, formerly Mrs. Dillingham, and Mrs. Sprague, all of whom are excellent mediums, are holding seauces at the Octagou every evening, and are having good results.

Mrs. Effic Moss, materializing medium, Is at he Watson cottage, corner of Cleveland avenue and Second street. Wehave attended two of of freedom and justice who has richly earned her Seauces and with a large number of other the title. Hou, Susan B. Authony, which has people have received convincing proofs of the

Mr. H. W. Munder, of Meadville, Pa., is hood. Miss Kate O. Peate, of Iamestown, made about to open a school of instruction in dancthe closing speech which was very creditable. ing at the Octagon. He is a first-class teacher and On Sunday morning at the camp, Mrs. R. S. a gentleman in every sense of the word, and er, President. will no doubt give the best of satisfaction.

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Miss Jennie Leys, of Boston, Mass., occupied the rostrum and spoke upon a variety of sub jects which were submitted by the audience She termed it a plain heart talk. But the subjects were all combined or woven into one, which was at once a poem and a song of divine inspiration. Jennie Levs is beautiful, phys ically and spiritually, and we welcome her as one more jewel in Cassadaga's crown of glory We will not attempt a synopsis of her beautiful this we do know that though children of the discourse; as well might we attempt to imitate dust-though for a time tied to the clod, we the music of the spheres by a mouth organ or

> Lyman C. Howe spoke Saturday afternoon. He and his lovely wife, Mrs. Sarah Howe, were in the auditorium on that morning, and all rethrough Miss Leys.

> Mr. W. J. Colville 18 having well deserved and healing. They are most instructing and

> After long and trying illuess Mr. Nelson, of Glasgow, N. Y., passed to spirit life a few days ago. Mr. Sprague, of North Collins, N. L. and

Mrs. A. H. Colby Luther and Hunter Mc Donald, a Christian minister, will debate the following proposition at the Indiana Campmeeting near Chesterfield on Saturday, August 8th. Mrs. Luther will affirm and Mr McDonald will deny. It is exciting great in-terest. The proposition is: "Resolved, That the so-called teachings of Jesus Christ as found in the New Testament scriptures King James ersion are immoral in their tendencies."

Each side will be represented by a committee

of two and they will chose a moderator. Anderson ministers near the campare preaching against Spiritualism, and it will help our ause. The excitement begins to run high and the results are not entirely uncertain. Truth

will come uppermost. The meetings Sunday, August 2d, were well attended. The lectures were effective. Mrs. Luther in the morning, Mr. Kates in the afternoon and Prof. Adkinson at night were the speakers. This camp is a great success and will carry conviction to the many who attend

year to enrich all the undertakers in the northwest, and enough lawyers to impoverish the est of the community.-Clucinusti Enquirer

Jinks-Why do you offer such a large reward for the return of that contemptible pug dog? Winks-To please my wife. Jinks-But such a reward will be sure to the Spaniard, dating from Elizabethen times.

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Camp, July 16th to August 10th. Address them at Chesterfield, Ind. Mrs. J. W. Still, now of Georgetown, Madison Co., formerly of Oneonta, Otsega Co., N. York

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his P. O., Berlin Heights, O. Mrs. iC. D. Pruden after her vacation of six weeks in the East will return to St. Paul, August 6, and will be ready to resume her work with renewed vigor.

Prof. J. M. Allen and Mrs. M. T. Allen are speaking for the society at Wichita, Kan., during July and August. Address 812 N. Lawrence avenue. Services each Sunday at 209 N. Main street, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m, Judge S. M. Tuck-

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EVIDENCE CONCLUSIVE Dummit-Miss Summit looked at me through

Hummit-What did she do that for? Dummit sadly -I suppose she didn't want to see me.—Puck.

The lowest body of water on the globe is the Caspinn Sen; its level has been gradually low ering for centuries and now It is eighty fiv feet below the level of its neighbor, the Black

NICKNAMES OF EUROPEAN NATIONS

Englishmen have accepted the name of John

Buil as suited to the national character. Th Scotchman is Sandy; the Irlshman derives his name Paddy from his nat only saint; while an ancient nursery rhyme records that Taffy is a Welshman. English sailors call the Frenchman, in contempt, Johnny Crapaud, but in Prance he is Jacques Honhomme, or, as a bour geois, Monsieur Prudhomme. Cousin Michel s the name by which the German is known to Ann Arbor turned out doctors enough this the continental nations. Mynheer Closh, an abbreviation of Nicholas, sums up the Holland ers, who are often simply known as the Mynheers; while the Switzer rejoices in the name of Colin Tampon. We have all heard of the Russian Bear and the Unspeakable or Infidel Turk

are called Danskers.

Camp Meetings for 1891,

Below will be found a list of places, with time and length of session, of the out-door gatherings of Spiritualists for the present year. CAPE COD CAMP MEETING-Harwich Port, Mass. July 12th to 25th inclusive.

Cassadaga Lake, N. Y.—The Twelfth Annual

Meeting of the Cassadaga Free Lake Association commences July 24th and closes August 30th. CLINTON (IOWA) CAMP MEETING, - Commences August 2d to August 30th inclusive.

HANLETT PARK (MICH.) CAMP MEETING-Com mences July 29th to August 31st inclusive. LIBERAL (Mo.) CAMP opens August 15 and close

September 15th. LAKE PLEASANT, MASS.-The Eighteenth Annuual Meeting of the New England Spiritualists' Camp Meeting Association meet July 25th to Aug.

LAKE MINNETONKA, MINN.-The Camp meet ing will be held under the auspices of the Northwestern Spiritualists during the month of July. LOOKOUT MT. CAMP commences July 5th and

PARKLAND, PA.-The Thirteenth Annual Meetlng opened June 14th and will continue to Sept. 16.
ONSET BAY, MASS.— The Fifteenth Annual Camp Meeting commences July 12th and closes Aug. 30 QUEEN CITY PARK, VT .- Meeting commences August 2d and continues to September 6th.

SUNAPEE, N. II-Meeting commences August 2d and closes August 30th. SUMMERIAND, CAL.-Camp opens September 6th and closes on the 27th.

THE INDIANA CAMP MEETING WIll be held in their grove near Anderson, Ind., under the auspices of the State Association, from July 16th to August 10th inclusive.

TEMPLE HEIGHTS, NORTHPORT, ME. - Opens lugust 9th. VERONA PARK, ME .- Meetings will be held dur

ing the last two weeks in August. VICKSBURG, MICH.-The Eighth Annual Meeting will be held on August 6th, continuing over

Etnn (Me.) Camp Meeting commences August Rindge (N. H.) Camp Meeting will be held from July 26 to August 16.

The Mantua (Ohio)Camp Meeting opens July 18 and closes August 16; its second session is held at Ashley from August 21 to September 8, inclusive, The Delphos (Kansas) Camp Meeting opens August 6 and closes Angust 24.

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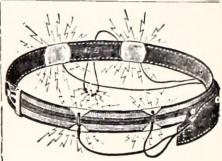


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