

Christian Evolution Leaflet.

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"Now concerning Spiritual Gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant."
(ST. PAUL.)

As ancient manifestation of Spirit led to formulaes of religious worship; so does modern Spirit manifestation lead to Analytical Spiritual Philosophy and Religion.

Demonstrated facts in Physics and Metaphysics, supercede all traditional beliefs.

"Leaflet" Associate Meetings Brooklyn N.Y.

The Christian Evolution Society Sundays 8 P. M. at Co-operative Hall, Howard Avenue & Madison St.

The Fraternity Spiritual Association Sundays 8 P. M. at Fraternity Hall, 869 Bedford Avenue, near Myrtle.

Meeting for Psychic Culture Sundays 3 P. M. at Arlington Hall, Gates Avenue, corner Nostrand.

Meeting for Ethical Culture on Thursday Evenings 8 o'clock, at 108½ Madison Street near Bedford Avenue.

Meeting for Elementary Spiritual Instruction, Mondays 8 P. M., at 1099 Bedford Avenue.

Spiritual Class Meeting Wednesdays at 8 P. M., at Jackson Hall, 515 Fulton Street.

Thought, Things and Thinking.

If man could know himself in entirety, he would have an index to all knowledge. This being beyond his present possibilities he must be content with approximations.

The most distinguishing feature in man is the power he possesses of thinking.

The sea of thought is large; yea, limitless as space itself. Everything visible to the human eye is the product of thought-power of some kind and character.

The steamship on the sea, the massive bridge across the river, houses—all material forms fashioned by the art of man denote thought-power and action inherent in man's organism. The form-ideal belongs exclusively to man, the substance of the form reaches back of mentality into the domain of causation.

In the massive mountain, or in the valley through which flows the river, we see the form-ideal but of a magnitude which puts them far beyond man to formulate. In the steamship, or the bridge; as in the mountain, we see the resultant of the same or similar thought-power, but in different degrees of manifestation and execution.

Again, we look at the forest, the golden wavy plain of grain, the ripening fruit, the blossoming flowers, and while all are form-ideals, there enters into them an element of productive power beyond the province or possibilities of man.

It is from this multiplex power of mentality to create ideal forms and to imitate that which we call products of the hidden energies in nature that we find much to affirm the Spiritualist's idea of creation over that of the Materialistic. Were there but one thought, were there but one deed, then the materialist could lie behind *that one* thought, that one deed as the sum total of creation in quality, quantity and degree. But matter is so multiform, its character and quality, multiplex we *must* look back of it for something transcendent in character.

If there be a thought there must be a thinker; if there be a deed there must be a doer; and where we find many thoughts from the same thinker, many deeds from the same doer, we can not help asserting the thinker must be greater than the thought—the doer greater than the deed.

Doctor Lyman Abbott of Plymouth Church is bravely attempting to enthrone Reason in the theological household. Where transmitted preconception is the

predication of belief (not thought) something more than abstract reasoning is required to convict and convert. That which gave birth to the first conception viz. Ancient manifestation of spirit intelligence; which is the basic principle of all spiritual history, must be woven into the argument of to-day as demonstrative philosophy. Such manifestations are in abundance, as present witnesses, of which, Dr. Abbott said recently, were unimportant facts. Eliminate these unimportant facts and Dr. Abbott's argument relative to biblical spiritual history, become woof without a warp to make the weft.

At Co-operative hall Sunday evening, November 29th, the lecturer W. Wines Sargent dwelt briefly on the teaching found in the twelfth chapter of St. Paul, first Corinthians where Paul writes to his people in Corinth that he would not have them ignorant of spiritual gifts. "This master of spiritual philosophy surpassed all in recognizing and amplifying the dual nature of man—the physical and the spiritual." Far in advance of all teachers and spiritual teachings recorded in the old Testament, and if we can say a crab advances by crawling backward; far in advance of spiritual perception in the Nineteenth Century." His words are significant for the present day and generation where he says "But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal." "For to me is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit." "To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit." "To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues."

The Editorial Sanctum of the *Brooklyn Eagle* seems in a bad way. "The Boston Spook Show" has given birth to a veritable moral blizzard within its precincts. It is on record that Commercial considerations may, possibly, interfere with genuine output of psychics. It is also on record the same agency may be fog true discernment generally. The *Eagle's* discernment seems befuddled, which its editorial indicates, relative to spiritual science and literature.

Some think this minus quantity of discernment in the "Sanctum" of the *Eagle* descends into its Commercial department and finds expression in its Sunday column headed "Spiritualism."

It is gratifying to know that the Fraternity Society of Spiritualists at Fraternity Hall have made a move in the matter of organization. At a special meeting recently held, a corps of officers were elected with Mr. E. W. Barber as President of the Association. Committees were appointed with authority for immediate action.

Fraternity Hall has been secured for the meetings and Mrs. L. A. Olmstead engaged as an associate medium.

It is the purpose to make social gatherings a feature of the Society and no pains will be spared by the Committee in charge to this end. Good speakers and lecturers will co-operate with inspirational tests from time to time, and good musical talent will be an agreeable addition to the service.

Mr. W. F. Palmer, Secretary, writes that we hope to make our society a pronounced factor in spiritual work in Brooklyn—that a Lyceum is to be established for the education of children in spiritual knowledge and work. In this we invite the co operation of parents, for in them lies the possibilities of the future.

Another sign of prosperity in spiritual work is shown in the growth of the meeting at Arlington Hall.

The lodge room ceased to contain attendants at this meeting and Mrs. Cutting the manager, has been forced to engage the large hall for the meeting purposes. An interesting program in the way of music, recitations and addresses has been arranged for Sunday, December 6th, at 3 P. M. as dedicatory services in the hall. The lyceum feature of instruction also, at this meeting, is on the program for trial.

Mrs. E. Cutler of Philadelphia, an efficient worker in the cause, during the month of December will co-operate with Mr. Sargent at the Christian Evolution meetings, Co-operative Hall, in presenting the truth in the philosophic and demonstrative aspect. Mrs. Cutler has had a long and wide experience in this work and her Tuesday Evenings no doubt will be instructive and interesting.

Miss Terry purposes on the Monday Evenings of December to make her meetings of a dual character—instructive in the elements of physics and psychics and also the trance expression of spirit.

Sunday, December 6th, Mrs. F. M. Holmes in co-operation with Mrs. Olmstead officiates at the Fraternity Society.

Do not forget Mrs. Holmes' Thursday night meeting at 108½ Madison Street, and bear in mind Wednesday Evening at Jackson Hall.

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During the month Mrs. CUTLER will supplement the lectures with strong evidences of the law of Spirit Communion.

THE FRATERNITY SOCIETY

at 869 BEDFORD AVE., near Myrtle, has Services every Sunday Evening at 8 o'clock.

During the month Mrs. L. A. OLMSTEAD, a well-known resident of Brooklyn, will demonstrate from this platform with remarkable power the psychic forces and spirit intelligences in and about her.

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in the Arlington Hall Gates Avenue, corner Nostrand Avenue, every Sunday at 3 P. M. The unfolding of the psychic forces and inspirational expression of the higher spiritual self is the feature of this meeting. Mrs. Cutting, Conductor.

MODERN SPIRITUAL MISSIONARIES.

Miss Minnie Terry 1099 Bedford Ave., at home daily by appointment and public services Monday Evenings.

Mrs. L. A. Olmstead, 168 Putnam Ave., at home daily except Wednesdays. Public Services Wednesday Evenings at 515 Fulton St.

Mrs. E. A. Cutting, 621 Myrtle Ave., near Franklin Ave., at home to ladies Thursday Afternoons.

Mrs. Alice J. Ashley, 264 Lexington Ave. at home daily. Services Tuesdays 3 P. M. for ladies; Wednesdays 8 P. M. for the public.

Mrs. E. Cutler, 197 Monroe St. at home daily. Public services Tuesday Evenings.

Mrs. F. M. Holmes and assistant 108½ Madison St. Will receive Clients for treatment, daily from 2 to 4 P. M. Public Service Thursday Evenings.

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